

LINDENWOOD
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EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

Today's Headlines

October 27, 2020

Open Enrollment is Here!

Please see the [Zoom invite instructions](#) to attend the Wednesday, Oct. 28, 11 a.m. meeting.

Pantry Wars - Divisional competition to stock the Little Free Pantry (10/26-11/13)



It's time to stock the Little Free Pantry. In this campus-wide competition, the eight campus divisions will square off for three weeks from 10/26 to 11/13. The collection site for all teams is the CDI Atrium outside of Evans Commons 3110. Teams can add plus-point items to their boxes or sabotage other teams with negative-point items ([see flyer for details](#)). The winning team gets bragging rights and a "Pantry Wars Winner 2020" trophy donated by Athletics. Does your division have what it takes to win?

Earn Lindenwood's Certificate in Culturally Responsive Assessment!

This year, the [Certificate in Culturally Responsive Assessment](#) is offered as a FREE, fully online, self-paced professional development opportunity for Lindenwood employees!

To earn the Certificate, participants complete the following:

1. At least two hours of [Diversity Trainings from Lindenwood's Center for Diversity and Inclusion](#)
2. A required webinar: "Equity Centered Assessment: Concepts and Strategies" by Drs. Gavin Henning and Anne Lundquist
3. At least four webinars from the 2020-2021 Speaker Series
4. A Reflective Account of Professional Practice (which is peer-reviewed)

[Click here for more information and to download the Certificate Requirements.](#)

Email assessment@lindenwood.edu to be added to the Certificate program.

Spirit Week - Register Today!



Door Decorating Competition - Oct. 27 - all day

Out-boo your neighbors by decorating your door with a spooky Lindenwood theme. Faculty, staff, and students can spend the day decorating department or office doors to show your Lindenwood spirit, and Halloween haunts.

Decorated doors will be evaluated on four criteria: visual impact, creativity, LU spirit and craftsmanship. Winners will be announced Oct. 28. Four winning entries will each receive \$25 in dining dollars.

[Learn more about door decorating](#)

Let's Get Quizzical Spooky Spectacular – Oct 28 at 7 p.m.

This event is **open to the public and free to participate**. Get ready for a spooky spectacular featuring haunting trivia and more! First place winner receives an XBOX and 20 participants will receive a \$10 gift card! Tell your friends and family.

[Register for Let's Get Quizzical Spooky Spectacular Trivia Night](#)

Lindenwood University Food Fight

We hope you're hungry! Eateries are showcasing Lindenwood themed menu items for Spirit Week and need your support. View the full menu on our website during Spirit Week, and go try some tasty Lindenwood dishes. Vote for your favorite dish, October 26-31, and help us choose the winner!

Digital Lion Dance Oct 30 at 8 p.m.

Dance the night away from the comfort of your own room. A special concert by Queens Blvd will be available for streaming. Share a picture of you enjoying the concert in your Halloween costume on our Instagram page and you could win a prize. Streaming link will be shared on InvolveU and the Events page of the website.

For more information about Spirit Week 2020, or to check out the additional events, visit our [Spirit Week 2020 website](#).



MOMENTS

Q2 Phase II, Q2&YOU, focuses on 'YOU' and the role all employees of the university play in attracting and retaining students. To that end, Dr. Christie Rodgers and the SASS team have brought us [LindenCircle](#), which is an online student success platform that connects students with their faculty, advisors, Lion Life Coach, and helpful campus

services. You can also find Q2&YOU Highlights on their [webpage](#), like [this](#). Dr. Rodgers, SASS, and Dr. Ferrarini, thank you for all you do for Lindenwood students!

-Q2 Team



Confessions of a Depressed Comic: Ending the Stigma with Kevin Breel

Last week, the Library hosted mental health speaker, Kevin Breel. This one-hour event featured an impactful and honest conversation on depression and mental health awareness. To view the recording, access the link below and enter the passcode. Please utilize the list of [community resources](#) we shared at the end of the event. Kevin has allowed us to share this [link to his recorded talk and Q&A](#) with the following restrictions:

- Access will expire Nov. 22
- The file is not editable or downloadable
- Password id required for access

In order to view the recording please enter the **passcode Breel&2020**

Are you interested in the Power of Positivity?

Register below for *one of two* informational sessions:

[Thursday, Oct. 29, 1 – 2 p.m.](#)

[Friday, Oct. 30, 10 – 11 a.m.](#)

The purpose of this program is to recruit a group of individuals that are enthusiastic about incorporating positivity into their and others lives. The Power of Positivity (POP) is

guided by a very simple philosophy: ‘positivity can overcome negativity if one commits to practicing it every day.’ The POP is a foundational pillar of Q2 Service Excellence. Teaching the POP as a service practice will yield a measurable and impactful outcome for the Lindenwood University community.

The Power of Positivity Program will consist of informal and formal activities that will help participants engage with the concept of positivity. The touchpoints highlighted in the Q2 meetings (people, place, process) are central to POP; everyone can use positivity to better serve the LU community. Activities will vary from individual development, to group interaction, to institutional outreach. The intention is to meet participants at their level of interest and comfort and increase their awareness of the Power of Positivity. For more information on the Power of Positivity program, please contact Sarah Leassner at Sleassner@lindenwood.edu

Fall Semester Hours

LARC/Library Services' Fall Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8 a.m. – 10 p.m.

*We will begin staffing the building at 7:30 a.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday: 2 – 10 p.m.

For safe communication, our Chat Services are always available during the LARC's open hours.

Upcoming Virtual Events and Deadlines

- Oct 28 - [COVID-19 and Its Policy Trade-Offs: An Assessment](#), 7:00 p.m.
- Oct 30 - LGBTQ+ History, Herstory, and Theirstory Month: [Pride at the Pavilion](#), 2-4:00 p.m., [RSVP](#)

All in-person events have been canceled until further notice. [See the list of all virtual events](#). If you would like to have a virtual event posted, please send any applicable posts via the online Marketing and Communications [project request form](#).

Submit Information to the Digest

To have your listing appear in the Digest, please fill out the [Project Request Form](#) (be sure to choose "Communications and Public Relations" for type of request) by noon on the day prior to send-out. The Digest is sent every Tuesday and Friday morning during the term and on Fridays during break. Information submitted past the deadline may not be included in that edition but will appear in the following one. Entries are only subject to run once but may run twice depending on volume of material submitted that week. Please note, all entries to the Digest are subject to editing prior to running. [Get more information.](#)