

DOWNSTAGE THEATRE PRESENTS HAROLD
PINTER'S THE BIRTHDAY PARTY



Cast of "The Birthday Party"
practices for performance.
(Photo by Kim Freese)

By Cynthia M. Foster
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Lindenwood students will be presenting Harold Pinter's *The Birthday Party* at 8:00 p.m. on April 12, 13, and 14th in the Downstage Theatre. Bryan Reeder will be directing the play which he calls a "comedy of menace".

Jill Endraske, who plays the part of Meg Boles in the play, says the play is an "ambiguous, off-the-wall look at life". She says Pinter leaves it up to the audience to interpret the play. She sums up the play by calling it "very strange".

Other students involved in this production are Susan Crain, Jim Freund, Christian Kohn, Scott DeBroux, Rodney Whatley and Jeff Chandler.

John Wehmer's 3-D design class is providing the stage decor.

The play will be performed in FAB 101. Admission is free for college faculty, staff, and students. Admission for the general public is \$3.00.

KCLC HOPES TO HIT HIGH NOTE DURING
FUNDRAISER

By Sharon Skibinski
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KCLC is gearing up for its spring fundraiser which will run from March 29 through April 4. Since 1987, KCLC has been holding bi-annual fundraisers to collect money for the radio station's needs and improvements.

General Manager Glen Cerny said the money is used mainly to offset any financial operating needs, such as phone bills, postage, office supplies, and other day-to-day expenses. He added that the fundraiser is a good way for students and faculty to come together for the good of the station and the college.

Close to 60 people are involved in soliciting contributions, answering phones and making on-air pitches to the listening audience. When different monetary pledges are made, gifts are received by those who pledge.

The fundraiser will run everyday that week from 6 a.m. till midnight.

The last time the station had a fundraiser in the fall of 1989, it had \$6,000 in pledges. KCLC is hoping to surpass last fall's fundraising total.

THE ARTS ARE OFTEN IRRITATING

LIKE FERTILIZER FOR THE MIND

Watkins

CLOSE-UP WITH NIKI JUNCKER

Niki Juncker
(photo by Kim Freese)

by Clay Zigler
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HOMETOWN: Springfield, IL
FAVORITE CAR: 1932 Duesenberg
FAVORITE FOOD: lobster
FAVORITE T.V. SHOW: "MASH"
FAVORITE MOVIE: "Gone With the Wind"
LAST BOOK READ: "A Brief History of Time" by Steven Hawkins

From an early age, Niki Juncker, professor of fine arts and costume director for the theatre department at Lindenwood, had been interested in the performing arts. Jokingly, she mentioned that it was probably because her parents would read Shakespeare out loud. "I've always loved the theatre, and my parents had an interest with it," Juncker said.

Just having an interest in theatre is one thing, but actually being involved is something altogether different. "I directed my first show when I was nine. We did "Cinderella", and I directed and played the stepmother," Juncker said. Even though the play was a backyard production, held in a garage, Juncker said the neighborhood attended. "We used the garage door as a curtain, and invited everyone."

Eventually, Juncker moved up to more advanced productions when she enrolled at Washington University in St. Louis. "I was a fine arts major with an emphasis in fashion design, and I did all the costumes for all the musicals while at Wash U.," Juncker said. Besides college productions, Juncker became involved with professional theatre by working with the summer theatre in New England. "That was my first real professional designing job when I was living in New York," Juncker said. After spending eight years working full and part time at Washington University, Juncker became a member of the Lindenwood faculty in the fall of 1981.

"Lindenwood was in the process of redeveloping the (theatre) program, and they gave me a good offer. So I came here," Juncker said.

Juncker teaches several different courses and attempts to use her knowledge of the theatre in some form or another to bring a point across in class. "It's so integrated, it's like all one subject. And when you talk about history, you can't separate any of it...especially when you talk about stage costuming," Juncker said.

Like many superstitions associated with theatre, Juncker has one of her own. "I don't like to watch the show from the audience on opening night because every disaster that has ever happened with my costumes has happened on opening night when I happened to be in the audience," Juncker said.

As for projects coming up, Juncker said nothing is in the works at this time. She is concentrating on getting settled in after moving her office from Roemer Hall to the FAB.

LENTEN LUNCHEON LECTURES ARE FOOD FOR THOUGHT FOR ALL

By Mary Hallemann
LindenWorld Writer

The Lenten Luncheon Lecture Series consists of more than the piece of paper each Lindenwood student received recently in their mailbox.

Happening each Tuesday from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., the lectures are free of charge and open to the entire Lindenwood community. Lectures will run through April 10 in the Heritage Room of Ayres Dining Hall.

Although the series occurs during Lent, they have very little religious affiliation, according to Alan Meyers, Assistant Dean of Student Life and College Chaplain.

"Lent is a traditionally a time to reflect on one's life in general. The lectures are merely food for thought about subjects that affect everyone," said Meyers.

Titled "Decisions of the Decade," the lectures are designed to present issues that currently or will affect the last generation of the decade.

"We tried to cover several issues of importance. Biology, international relations, and education are some of the topics scheduled to be discussed," said Meyers.

Faculty and administration members have been selected to speak and share their thoughts on the various topics.

Charles A. Bradburn, Dean of students, started off the series March 13 with a talk on career decisions for the 90's. According to Meyers, Bradburn is a professional career counselor and offered

beneficial insight into the career opportunities.

On March 20, Daryl Anderson, professor of biology spoke on environmental decisions the current generation will be forced to consider in the future. Anderson stressed the importance of contemplating the theory of evolution. She said that by connecting oneself with the earth and other organisms through evolution, people will be able to relate more closely with the earth. By doing so, humans will not look at themselves as superior and, in turn, be more willing to stop excessive abuse of the earth and its resources.

Edward Balog, professor of history, lectured on international issues and changes of concern in the 90s. Also, Interim President Dennis Spellmann is scheduled to speak April 3 on higher education, according to Meyers. Spellmann will speak on future opportunities available and the changes higher education will have on the economy and society.

Professor of English Howard Barnett is scheduled to close the series on April 10 with a lecture on Taize. According to Meyers, Taize is a small religious community in France where hundreds of retreatists from a spectrum of religions visit year round.

Outside of the lectures, a community prayer service is offered each Wednesday from 12:00 to 12:15 p.m. Meyers conducts the ecumenical service in the Legacy Room of Ayres Dining Hall throughout the school year.

"It's nothing fancy, a service prayer, and a reflection on a short passage. It's open to everyone from all religions," said Meyers.

EARTH DAY 1990

By LindenWorld Writer
Kim Freese

April 22, 1990 marks the 20th anniversary of the nationally observed Earth Day. The challenge of the event is to create a better awareness of ecological and environmental problems and work towards solutions.

The Earth Day events have already begun and will carry on up until the weekend of April 21 and 22. The weekend activities will include environmental exhibits, food, arts, and entertainment. The preliminary events include a presentation on "Views of the Earth" at the St. Louis Art Museum on April 3, "RSVP EARTH" - an environmental installation sponsored by the St. Louis Artists Coalition on April 7, and a conference on Earth Day in Columbia Missouri on April 12 and 13.



A radio campaign of Green Earth Messages will be broadcast on local radio stations and area Venture Stores will soon carry a variety of Earth Day items including t-shirts, bumper stickers, and The Green Pledge; an environmental manifesto. The organization, in conjunction with the Department of Natural Resources, is also distributing activity guides for students in K-12 to motivate an interest in nature and ecological principles.

Many volunteers are needed to assist during the Earth Day events. To receive more information about

volunteering for the events, contact Nikki Blomefield at 454-1990. The Earth Day offices are located in the fish hatchery building in Forest Park.

ALUMNI NEWSLETTER RETURNS

By Teresa Bright
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The second edition of the Lindenwood Connection, Lindenwood's new alumni newsletter, was first published last October and is mailed directly to all Lindenwood Alumni, totalling over 10,000 people. The current edition will feature a report and photos from Lindenwood's annual Reunion held October 13, 14 and 15.

The newsletter routinely contains updates from the alumni clubs, a message from the Alumni Association president and short biographies of various alumni. The newsletter is published by the alumni office to improve communication between Lindenwood and it's former students.

Judy Peters, Director of alumni relations, said the response to the first issue was very positive. Currently the newsletter is published once every fall and spring semester. However, a third edition will be added as soon as possible.

Peters said a biographical and volunteer survey published in the first issue has been filled out and returned by 225 alumni.

"According to the survey, most alumni seem very excited about Lindenwood and want to help with activities."

FOOTBALL PRACTICES START AT LINDENWOOD

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Spring training has begun for Coach Dave Schroeder's football Lions. The Lions ended last years season with a 7-0 record. Schroeder and his staff had high hopes for L.C.'s first year team, but never expected them to be undefeated. Not only was the sport new on the L.C. campus, but Schroeder as well.

Coach Schroeder attended college at the University of Wisconsin, and received his masters degree at Northern Michigan University. He has been coaching for 25 years. Fourteen of his coaching years at high schools, and 11 years at colleges like Evangel in Springfield, Mo., and Sioux Falls, S.C..

Schroeder's staff consists of two other full-time coach, one part time coach, and one graduate assistant. Schroeder feels this spring training is needed to organize the players and to let them know what L.C. coaches are all about.

Schroeder made it mandatory for his players to have study hall. "It helps them to get their studies. My players must have a 2.5 grade point average," Schroeder said.

Next year's goal is to have a winning season. Schroeder say winning more than 50 percent of there games will satisfy him. He will be recruiting players that are in the upper half of their class or have an ACT score of at least 18. Schroeder plans on having 100 players on next year's roster. "We want to become the best small

college in the state of Missouri," Schroeder added.

Dave Schroeder has been appointed as the college Athletic Director, starting April 1, 1990.

NEW COACH HIRES AT LINDENWOOD

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Another sport has been added to the college's athletic program. Stephen Stark has been hired to coach and start a new volleyball program at Lindenwood.

Stark comes to Lindenwood College after a long career as assistant coach at St Louis Community College and Fontbonne. He has given some volleyball clinics to boys and girls at a volleyball camps hosted at Florissant Valley and Meramec.

Stark received an associate of science from St Louis Community College and majored in physical education at Brigham Young University's Hawaii campus.

Stark has participated in different competition in a national level. He was also a member of the YMCA team that placed second in their national volleyball championship. He also received recognition as the most outstanding attacker and hitter at two developments camps held in Iowa and Michigan respectively.

A Lindenwood news release quotes Stark as saying "I am very excited about Lindenwood's new volleyball program for women. We need more players to give us the added strength we'll need for the hard hitting competition that we are expecting."