

# REAL EXPERIENCE. REAL SUCCESS.

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## EXPERIENCE



### **Board of Trustees Approves Strategic Plan**

Exciting News! Over the course of the past year, the President's Cabinet led an effort to develop a new Strategic Plan with campus-wide input and participation. The strategic plan provides a clear path for institutional growth and improvement through the introduction of a new mission statement, five strategic themes, and aligned strategies. Here are the details -

Mission Statement:

### Real Experience. Real Success.

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### Strategic Themes:

- 1.) Differentiate Academic Programs
- 2.) Build Innovative Programs
- 3.) Optimize Resources
- 4.) Deliver High Quality Experiences
- 5.) Redesign Branding and Marketing



#### First Robotics Kick-Off Event Held at Lindenwood

Lindenwood hosted the kickoff for the FIRST Robotics competition of the 2018 season. Approximately 340 high school students from 17 teams gathered at the J. Scheidegger Center to view a live feed announcing the challenge for competition which will be held in March in St. Louis. The kick-off event was one of 138 held in 27 countries for more than 3.600 teams! The event was

coverd by KTVI. Chek out the coverage <a href="here!">here!</a>

### No More Quarters to do Laundry

New washers and dryers are on their way for the students! After the spring semester, the use of laundry facilities will be included in residence hall pricing instead of having to use coins or a credit card The new machines will be connected to a smartphone app that will allow students to determine when and where washing machines and driers are available. They won't have to go to the laundry facility with their basket, hoping to find an open machine.

### **System Office Gets Schooled**

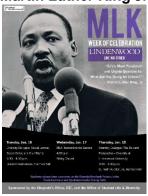
January not only brought the new year, but a new semester for Lindenwood students, including the System Office staff. Jaygan is pursuing her Bachelor's in Communications through the Accelerated Degree Program, Wendy is starting her MBA through the 5-term program, and Stefani is working on her Doctorate through the School of Education.



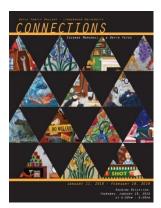




### Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Week



The Chaplain's Office, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force, and the Office of Student Life and Diversity are sponsoring a series of <u>events</u> to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. One of the events is a Remembrance Service this will be held on Wednesday, January 17 at 4:00 PM in the Sibley Chapel.



#### **Connections Art Exhibit**

The first exhibition in the Boyle Family Gallery for the Spring 2018 semester is now open. "Connections" features the artwork of two renowned regional artists, quilter Suzanne Marshall and painter David Yates. What connects the two artists is their juxtapositions of disparate and startling imagery with art historical and popular culture references. The exhibition of 21 large works runs through February 16. The Opening Reception is Thursday, January 18, 6 - 8 p.m. The reception is free and open to the public, the artists will be in attendance, and refreshments will be served.



### **University Phone Operators**

Diane Moore, VP of Operations, has been collaborating with offices across campus to improve the experience parents, students, and others have when they reach the university operator. Soon these calls will be rotated between three university employees, Taylor Schwede, Maddelene Collins, and Paula Stewart.



#### School of Ed Idea Studio

The School of Education is excited to announce a new educational technology space- the IDEA Studio. The IDEA Studio, located in LARC 110, is a place where pre-service teachers and Education faculty can come to together to innovate, design, create, and explore with instructional technology!



### **Spring 2018 Group Exercise & Personal Training**

The Evans Commons Rec Center has multiple programs to help you reach your 2018 fitness goals!

<u>Group exercise</u> classes and <u>personal training sessions</u> begin on January 16<sup>th</sup>. These are free services for students, faculty, and staff!

### Men's Basketball Falls to Missouri Southern



Men's basketball fought back after a slow offensive start, but <u>couldn't complete the comeback</u> in an 89-79 conference loss to Missouri Southern. A big offensive outburst in the second half got Lindenwood within three points on two occasions in the final five minutes. Their record is 11-5 overall and 3-4 in conference play.



### Women's Basketball Falls to Missouri Southern

Lindenwood juniors Lexie Moe and Sara Ross each scored 20 points in a <u>71-65 loss to Missouri Southern</u>. The point total is a career-best for Moe and matches a career high for Ross. The defeat moves Lindenwood to 10-6 overall and 2-5 in conference play.

### **Women's Hockey Suffers Overtime Loss**



Women's ice hockey <u>dropped their final game</u> of the 2018 College Hockey Classic, losing 3-2 in overtime against No. 10 St. Lawrence. The game was played at the Honda Center in Anaheim, CA. Lindenwood drops to 5-12-1 on the season with the non-conference loss.

#### **Wall Quoted in Business Column**



Howard Wall, Professor of Economics was quoted in a business column in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. The article was about the job market in the St. Louis area for 2017. Wall said that, "labor force scarcity is becoming an issue. We had a good couple of years, but this year seems to be more typical of the long-term trend for St. Louis." Read the full article here.



### **Student Published Paper**

Crystal Padilla, President of the Lindenwood Alpha Chi Honor Society and a Business student in the Accelerated Degree Program published her paper titled, *The Strongest Leader in Aletheia*, a scholarly publication of the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society. Crystal's work underwent double blind review and can be found in Volume 2, Issue 2, Fall 2017 publication. Last spring, Crystal also participated in the poster session at the Alpha Chi National Convention.



#### **Belleville Senior Received Scholarship**

East St. Louis native Del'Brica Flowers recently received a scholarship from <u>Get to Know M.E.</u>, an organization that promotes living and working throughout the St. Louis metropolitan area's metro-east. Flowers is in her last semester as a psychology and creative writing student. "I love living in the metro-east, and I would not change the fact that I have grown up here," Flowers wrote. Congratulations to Del'Brica!



### **Energy Efficiency Improvement Rebate**

We received our second rebate from Ameren Missouri's BizSavers program. This rebate was \$87,994.05! The BizSavers program offers cash incentives for virtually any cost-effective energy efficiency project such as improvements to lighting, building controls, ventilation, cooling systems and more!



### 2018 Ranking of Best Online Programs

Lindenwood earned several spots on the U.S. News & World Report's newly released 2018 ranking of best online programs! Lindenwood ranked No. 115 for best online bachelor's programs. No. 136 for online MBA programs. No. 99 for best online business graduate programs and No. 157 for online education graduate programs.



### Jones Named Belleville New Dean of Students

Dr. Suzy Jones has been named the <u>new dean of students</u> at Lindenwood University-Belleville. "Dr. Jones is known to nearly everyone on campus by her nickname, 'Dr. Sparkles,' and that truly represents who she is and what she will bring to this role," said Dr. Brett Barger." She does her job with great excitement and enthusiasm, and she brings the same qualities out in the people who work for her."

### Eight Cheetah Cubs Born at Saint Louis Zoo

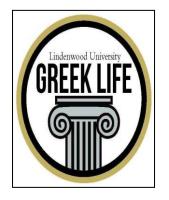


For the first time in Saint Louis Zoo history, a cheetah has given birth to eight cheetah cubs. In over 430 litters documented by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), this is the first time a female cheetah has produced and reared on her own a litter of eight cubs at a zoo! Bingwa is a proud mother and taking great care of her cubs. This is wonderful news for the dwindling Cheetah species!



### Afful as Secretary for Society for Teaching Psychology

Stephanie Afful, Associate Professor of Psychology, was elected as secretary for the <u>Society for Teaching Psychology</u> (STP), APA Division 2. STP's mission is to advance teaching and learning of psychology by providing resources, programing, scholarships, and grants for teachers and pedagogical research. Her three-year term started January 1, 2018.



#### Student Featured in National Delta Zeta Magazine

Danielle Darling of Delta Zeta at Lindenwood University is featured in "The Lamp" (page 19); the national magazine of Delta Zeta. She is featured under the title "Making the Human Investment" and is quoted as saying, "Because the values of Delta Zeta firmly align with my personal values, I have been surrounded by admirable women who have encouraged and motivated me to continuously strive to reach new levels of potential." She states in the article that she has "...a mission to invest in others as my role models have invested in me."

### **Mathison New Director of the SCRC**



We are excited to welcome Dr. Whitney Mathison to Lindenwood University as the new director of the Student Counseling and Resource Center! Dr. Mathison earned her Ph.D. in Family Therapy from SLU, has over fifteen years in the counseling field, and ten years of experience as a licensed professional counselor. She has extensive training with substance abuse, crisis management, immigrants, LGBTQIA, and diverse populations.



### NCAA Athletes Earn 3<sup>rd</sup> Highest GPA on Record

For the Fall 2017 Semester, our NCAA Student Athletes earned an average GPA of 3.28 which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest department GPA on record! 70% of our student athletes earned a 3.0 GPA or higher!



#### **Alumnus Vocalist Montel Moore Featured on Fox 2**

Congratulations to alumnus Montel Moore! Montel was featured on *Fox 2 News* in advance of him singing the National Anthem at a St. Louis Blues game on February 11<sup>th</sup>! While on Fox 2, Montel was interviewed and performed a musical number. Check it out here!



#### Dave Musso as New Women's Soccer Coach

Dave Musso has been selected as the <u>new head</u> women's soccer coach! Musso has achieved success as a coach at the Division II level, totaling 165 career wins and 10 NCAA tournament appearances! He said, "I am

excited for the opportunity to lead the women's soccer program. It's a true blessing to be able to do what I love in the city where I grew up with such a great university."

### **Hensley Chosen to Represent Team USA**



Former women's hockey goaltender Nicole Hensley was among the 23 players selected by USA Hockey to represent the United States at the 2018 Winter Olympics in PyeongChang, South Korea! Hensley, a four-time all-CHA performer while at Lindenwood, finished her four-year career in 2016 as the all-time NCAA Division I leader in saves with 4,094!



#### **Bildner Named Athlete of the Week Three Times**

Sophomore forward Kallie Bildner has been named the MIAA women's basketball Athlete of the Week three times so far this season! In a recent game, she scored 26 points and had 17 rebounds. This is common for Bildner! This season, she has recorded 11 doubledoubles, third in all of NCAA DII.



### Hannah Alt Collects CHA Player of the Week Award

Hannah Alt of the women's hockey team was recently selected as the <u>CHA Player of the Week!</u> Earlier this season, Alt was selected as the CHA Rookie of the Week. This is the first time in Alt's career that she has been chosen as the conference's Player of the Week.

#### Men's Ice Hockey Ranked Third in ACHA

The Lions moved from fourth to third in the latest American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA) Men's Division I Ranking. Lindenwood started 2018 well with a <a href="https://www.nobeleven.com/home-sweep-of-then-No. 3 Ohio University">home-sweep-of-then-No. 3 Ohio University</a>! Lindenwood currently has an overall record of 16-3-4 and a Central States Collegiate Hockey League mark of 6-3-3.



### **Lion Line Earns Top Scores at Chicagoland**

The Lion Line recently earned top scores in both the College Open Jazz and College Open Hip Hop divisions at the Universal Dance Association (UDA) Chicagoland Dance Team Championship at the University of Illinois – Chicago Forum. The hip-hop routine earned the highest marks of any performance in that category at 84.25 points. They received a score of

75.5 for their jazz routine to earn first place!



### **Chess Team Earns Nine Wins**

The chess team compiled <u>nine wins</u> at the 2017 Pan-Am Intercollegiate Chess Championship at the Greater Columbus Convention Center in Columbus, OH!



### **Coach Harrison to Join USA Rugby Staff**

Men's rugby Assistant Coach Jimmy Harrison has announced his resignation from the Lindenwood program to <u>pursue a career with USA Rugby</u>. Harrison will fill the role of Senior Men's 15's Head Analyst and will work hand-in-hand with other national team staff at USA Rugby in Colorado.



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