Phi Mu Alpha hosts their third annual St. Baldrick's event raising funds for childhood cancer research.





LU's weightlifting team boasts its champion members. Check out Sports to see how they pump some iron.

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## Lindenwood's Student Newspaper

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## FBI finds 'Leaks' culprit, Evans says

By Natasha Sakovich Editor-in-Chief

The Lindenwood Twitter world was ablaze Monday, March 5, when the anonymous account LindenLeaks released a document containing the personal and confidential information of over 180 students who were a part of the fall 2011 academic suspension list.

After several weeks of investigation involving two local FBI agents, the St. Charles police department and the St. Charles Cyber Crimes Unit, Lindenwood President James Evans confirmed the perpetrator has been identified.

The person behind the Leaks account is a current male student, and he was one of the suspects who had been initially interrogated by the FBI agents. "The local FBI agents are completely certain that they have the man, and all we

are waiting on now is the official confirmation from Twitter by legal means so the authorities can begin prosecuting the individual," Evans said.

According to the FBI agents, this offense is a Class A misdemeanor, and the individual will be prosecuted for his crime. "I'm not sure of the details of the extent of prosecution, but often jail time and a fine are the consequences for this action," Evans said. "It is a serious and

punishable misdemeanor, and the student can and will be prosecuted for it because he stole and then distributed this info, which constitutes an invasion of privacy."

The Leaks account had been gaining a few dozen followers in the weeks prior to this incident, but, until this document release, the account only posted tweets complaining about various issues at LU.

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Legacy photo by Lauren Kastendieck

facing the country. "One-hundred

years ago, we were very, very pros-

perous. We had the most free coun-

try and the most prosperous country.

We had the freest middle class and

the wealthiest middle class ever,"

Paul said. "Today, the middle class

is shrinking, and the middle class is

getting poorer. The poor are getting

more numerous, and the rich are

Paul cited debt and the large role

of government as the reason for

the increasing economic issues.

"We used to be a creditor nation.

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Now, we owe more money than any

other country ever has in the history

of the world, and this is why we are in

a financial crisis," he said.

getting richer under this system."



This is a digital screenshot taken of the tweet that Leaks sent out releasing the fall 2011 academic suspension list at 5:30 p.m. March 5. The link to the list has been blurred out by *The Legacy* for privacy reasons.

## Accusations arise: ACB crosses line

By Kenny Gerling & **Holly Hoechstenbach** Senior Writer & Editorial Editor

At 1 a.m. early one morning in late fall 2011, a Lindenwood student, who chose to remain anonymous, received an odd text from his roommate. Standing outside

Ben Mullins, the director the vice president of Student Life and Leader-

Hours earlier the student had sent a

ship.

mass text to members of the campus Christian group A Cross Between (ACB) stating that he was leaving the group. His opinion of ACB had been declining for several years, he said, but he finally decided that he was ready to break away.

That was hours before, but now it was late at night. The halls were quiet and the president and vice president of the Student Life and Leadership Office were standing outside members. ACB, which Cox also leads, has become a lightning rod of controversy and the accusations against it are numerous.

#### Intimidation

Disputes particularly concerning intimidation and isolation have surfaced regarding A Cross Between.

In a past *Legacy* article, an his door were Kerry Cox and LU senior posed questions



Kerry Cox

"The complaint always gets heard, but the good things don't really get heard."

on the subject of bullying and self-defense after claiming to be a victim for over a year. Many people know bullying as physically or verbally assaulting someone but it comes in other forms.

Certain types of bullying that are sometimes easily overlooked include intimidation, exclusion, isolation and harassment. These psychological forms can be just as detrimental to a person's well-being, counseling professionals say. Around cam-

### Grandin offers a look into the autistic mind

Ron Paul supporters thrust their signs in the air during the rally.

the economy."

ians trying to run our lives and run

Paul covered the key areas of his

campaign and beliefs during the 45

minute speech. One of his main points

of discussion was the economic issues

Legacy photo by Rachel Harrison

Republican 2012 presidential candidate Ron Paul addresses his audience at the Hyland Performance Arena while boisterous applause and cheers are given.

Diverse crowd roars for Ron Paul

**By Kelsey Rogers** Staff Reporter

**By Andrew Ebers** 

Staff Reporter

On Saturday, March 10,

Republican presidential

candidate Ron Paul spoke

at Lindenwood to an audi-

ence of about 2,500 peo-

ple who came with signs

and screams to cheer on

"I'm not the Goldman-

Sachs candidate," Paul

said to the thousands in

attendance. "I am not the

candidate for the military industrial

complex. I am not the first choice for

Ben Bernake and the Federal Reserve.

And I am certainly not the choice of

the social and economic authoritar-

the Texas congressman.

World famous author and leading voice on autism, Temple Grandin, made her way to Lindenwood to share her story with a packed audience at the Bezemes Family Theatre in the Scheidegger Center for the Arts on Tuesday, March 13. She spoke about her unique differences and how these differences have set her apart and helped her forge her own career.

The theater was filled to capacity with 1,200 people, while 1,000 more packed live-video-feed rooms around campus. Over 400 people were turned away at the

doors. According to the Lindenwood website, her presentation, "My Experiences with Autism," was the best attended event in the history of the LU Speaker Series.

Temple was born with Asperger's Syndrome, a highfunctioning form of autism. Unable to speak until she was close to four years old, Temple was fre-

quently hit with various sensory issues and an inability to understand social interaction. She was able to overcome her



Legacy photo by Jonathan Garrison Temple Grandin interacts with fans at a book-signing after her speech on March 13.

challenges and honed her talents and interests into a career with animal advocacy and livestock handling facilities.

Throughout her presentation

on Tuesday, Temple stressed that her differences make her special. She put her own spin on the definition of autism.

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I have little ears and eyes everywhere....you may think I don't know...but I do...

A Facebook status that students say raised concerns on Wednesday, Jan. 11. It was deleted within hours.

a student dorm demanding to speak with the student.

The student was out with friends, he said, drinking to celebrate his departure from the group. The two administrators left without incident; however, the student was shaken.

Intimidation, privilege, intolerance: these are the three charges leveled against A Cross Between, one of Lindenwood's largest student organizations, by more than a dozen students and former

pus, bullying continues to remain a topic of discussion. A few weeks prior, a *Legacy* reporter had a startling encounter. Alone by the vending machines in Roemer Hall, a male student came up behind the reporter and, in regards to this story, insisted, "Stop what you're doing." After responding that the newspaper abides by a strict policy of reporting only facts, the male said, "God's watching you," and left.

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(Left) A young boy has his head shaved to raise money for cancer research. People collected donations from supporters with a promise to have their head shaved. (Top Right) People of all ages came to show support for children's cancer research at the St. Baldrick's event held on St. Patrick's Day. The event was put together by Phi Mu Alpha, a music fraternity at Lindenwood. (Bottom Right) Even girls volunteered to lose their locks for the cause.

## PMA hosts unique event to benefit kids

By Malcolm Jason Contributing Writer

On Saturday, March 17, Lindenwood's music fraternity Phi Mu Alpha held their third annual fundraiser to benefit the St. Baldrick's Foundation, an organization dedicated to raising money to cure childhood cancer.

For several weeks before the event, students asked people to sponsor them with any sort of monetary donation. In return, each student who raised money would have their head shaved at the fundraiser. Event coordinator and Phi Mu Alpha member Devin Lowe compared it to a similar way of raising

"You see it with marathon runners. They get a sponsor to give them money for every mile they run," he said. "This is similar. Everyone got

someone to sponsor them, and then they got their head

The event has been a major success for Phi Mu Alpha. They raised over \$13,000 last year for St. Baldrick's. Senior Doug Schaffer, a member of Phi Mu Alpha and annual participant in the fundraiser, said their goals were even higher for this year.

"Our goal for this year is \$30,000," he said. "Our first raised through countless

year, our goal was \$1,000 and we raised \$3,000. Last year our goal was \$10,000 and we raised \$13,000. So it was a pretty ambitious goal, but for a cause like this, it's definitely worth it."

St. Baldrick's is the world's largest volunteer-driven fundraising organization for childhood cancer research. Since its inception in 2000, over \$131 million has been country.

Head-shaving events are a tradition with St. Baldrick's, with Lindenwood's event being one of over 1,000 headshaving events registered in 2012.

Over 160,000 children are diagnosed with cancer every year around the world. Lowe said that Phi Mu Alpha had a personal reason to get behind the event, as well.

"One of our members Baldrick's Foundation.

fundraising efforts across the had cancer of the eye. He's fine now, but he lost his eye [during treatment]," he said. "When we were planning the event and began talking about it this year, he was definitely on board, and it made all of us excited to do it."

> The event drew supporters from both Lindenwood students and from the St. Charles community at large. All of the money raised by participants goes directly to the St.

## LU seeks to improve campus wireless Internet

Staff Reporter

Recently, students around campus have been noticing problems with the wireless Internet connection. In an email regarding the matter sent to all students on March 5, Kerry Cox, director of student life and leadership, informed students that the problem was being taken seriously and would be handled accordingly.

According to Shawn Haghighi, chief information officer, the problem with the wireless was due to the software being used.

"Lindenwood went to a new operating system,"

"We were not the

only institution that

-Shawn Haghighi

Chief Information Officer

into

was running

problems."

Haghighi said. "We were not the only institution that was running into problems."

Since that email was sent out, the wireless problem has been re-

solved. Any place on campus is supposed to be providing an up-and-running wireless connection. "The problem was at times, there was no wireless across the campus," Haghighi said. "In some occasions, it was sporadic."

Even though the wireless problem has been resolved, some students may still experience issues.

"The majority of the trouble tickets that we see from the students are the ones with laptops which have illegal software on the laptops," Haghighi said.

Another problem is due

to students logging in under the Lindenwood Guest network. "We have a very small amount of storage allocated to Lindenwood Guest because our guests are usually and supposed to be only 10, 15 or 20 people per day," he

Students must also understand that wireless does not exist everywhere around campus. "Wireless exists in all of the classroom buildings, in all of the office buildings and only freshman dorm rooms," Haghighi said. "However, we have wireless in the rest of the lounges in

the non-freshman dorms."

The nonfreshman dorms that do not have wireless in the will rooms have wireless in the near "This future.

summer,

we

will start working towards furnishing the rest of the non-freshman dorms with wireless," Haghighi said. "It is going to be a project that we start in the summer and will go on until December."

Students with persisting wireless problems do have an option.

"One of the best things that the student can do," Haghighi said, "rather than complaining through the social networks, which we hear often, is grab your laptop and come to the help desk."

## Spectrum Alliance plans to increase campus involvement

By Anna Schiele Staff Reporter

The formation of the Spectrum Alliance, a lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) group on campus, caused much controversy when it was first established just a few years ago on Feb. 10, 2010.

Some have wondered what happened to the group, as it has seemed to disappear off the campus map, but the group is very much alive and well.

Spectrum Alliance holds weekly meetings

every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in Young Hall room 100. The group members and advisers come together to celebrate equality and have fun.

There have been a few changes in the structure of the group this past year, as the former president left the position and new group president, Katherine Davis, has stepped in to help lead the group. Right now the group is still working on finding a meeting time that works for everyone.

"Last year we were meeting at 4 p.m. on Fridays, so we changed it to fit the

A few members of Spectrum Alliance meet during the first month after their organization received approval from LU. schedule of the group last year, and that isn't working for students this year," said Colleen Biri, a faculty adviser of

> the group. "It's a hard time to make." While the group has about eight active members, Biri said there are many more students on campus who are connected to the organization through a Facebook group.

> "We're trying to work with other university groups in the area to develop more ways to raise awareness and education on campus while finding new ways to have fun," she said.

As the group tries to find a new meeting time that works for all of the members, they are also working on posters to

get the word out about the group. "The school culture has really changed, and we're trying to become more social on campus," Biri said.

Students who are interested in becoming a part of Spectrum Alliance can check out the group's page at www.facebook.com/groups/spectrum.alliance/ or contact Colleen Biri at cbiri@lindenwood.edu or Melissa Qualls at mqualls@lindenwood.edu.



Legacy archive photo by Lauren Kastendieck

South County campus location expands

**By Cole Figus** Staff Reporter

Lindenwood is always in the process of expansion, and the newest development is the South County Center in their South County satellite location. The original South County location was on the campus of St. Anthony's Medical Center, but last year it saw continued growth that was more than the center could sustain. A new building, just recently completed, is the university's tenth extension center in the

St. Louis/St. Charles region.

This facility is located on Tesson Ferry Road, and the grand opening took place on March 2. Like the original location, the center will continue to teach evening classes.

The satellite offers the full range of undergraduate and graduate programs in the Lindenwood College for Individual Education (LCIE) program and has eight classrooms that can educate about 500 students per term. Lindenwood's Department of Information Technology has made sure that the new center has all the necessary resources to give students a complete learning experience. One big addition is the use of new lecterns for instructors to use, allowing for more tools to better educate students.

Brett Barger, dean of graduate and evening classes, is excited about the opening of the new satellite location.

"I'd like to remind all our undergraduate day students that when they graduate and go out into the work force, they can continue their education at one of our extension campuses, like South County, and earn a graduate degree in as little as 15 months, attending class just one night per week," he said.

Explaining why LU is often expanding, Barger said, "We're always on the lookout for population centers that would benefit from a Lindenwood campus, or at the very least, for us to target with our marketing efforts."

Barger said he hopes to quickly fill out the new campus, and have current and prospective students take advantage of Lindenwood's many campuses and resources.

## Students encouraged to stay prepared for storms

Staff Reporter

Last spring, Missouri was hit with several deadly storms that caused destruction all across the Midwest, including the tornadoes nearby in Bridgeton and Maryland Heights in St. Louis County. The rash of storms even included the wipe out of the town Joplin, Missouri.

With so many storms occurring nearby, Lindenwood students must be prepared like anyone else for these destructive occasions. addition, many students at Lindenwood are from other countries and have never experienced a tornado before.

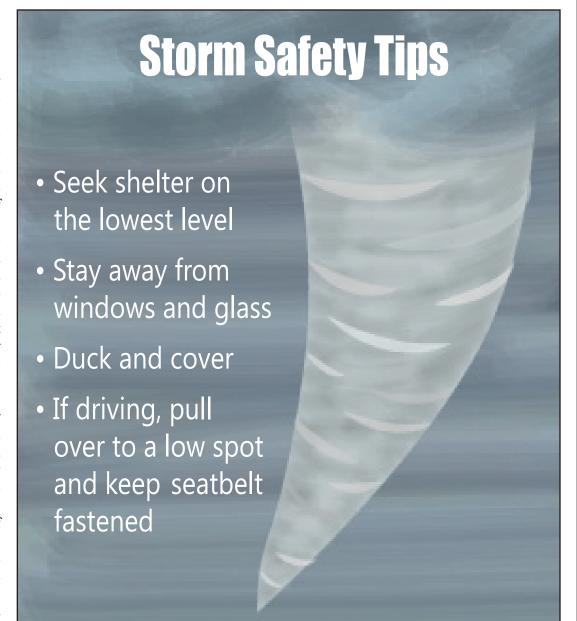
A tornado is a violent, dangerous rotating column of air that is in contact with both the surface of the earth and a cumulonimbus cloud. They are sometimes referred to as a twister or a cyclone.

Kurt Smith, director of security and public safety, spoke about what students should do if a tornado comes to Lindenwood.

"Students should go to a basement in the dorm for safety, away from glass and any other imploding objects," he said.

Smith also spoke about tornado drills and their importance. "[Resident Director's should practice tornado drills just like fire drills within the dorms, to keep everyone on board in case of an actual tornado," he said.

Ashliegh Ann-Marie Wallen, resident director of Irwin Hall, spoke about what resident assistant's (RA's) and other students must do with tornadoes.



Legacy graphic by Christine Hoffmann

"When the sirens go off, RA's have to knock on every door on their floor, and yell 'tornado,' and get the students on their floor to the basement as fast as possible," she said.

Wallen also spoke about the need for tornado drills.

"In my opinion, tornado drills are like fire drills, and in the long run probably help save lives since people are prepared for what to do," she said.

"To see Sean come out of his shell

was the most exciting part."

"Unfortunately, that being said, I don't believe that many students take those drills seriously or even participate. So often, the people who probably need the information most may not even be there."

Another situation to think about concerning severe storms is what to do if someone is driving. If the sirens do go off, the driver should pull over to the lowest point nearby. The seat belt should remain on in case the windows explode. It will prevent the driver from the possibility of being sucked out of the car.

In the event of severe weather, Lindenwood students are encouraged to go down to the basement of whatever building they are in, duck and cover and follow instructions from whoever is in charge after the initial impact.

#### binds together for 'Swab for Sean' event By Alex Jahncke 569 LU students and staff filed in to get

Managing Editor

DKMS, the largest bone marrow center worldwide, came to Lindenwood on March 8 to set up "Swab for Sean."

LU student Murry Sean was diagnosed Diamond with Blackfan Aneat birth. mia He is required to keep up with monthly blood transfusions to

prevent iron build-up. The only cure is for Murry to have a bone marrow trans-

The event was set up in eight days. a student here at LU.

swabbed and sign up to become bone marrow donors.

"This was truly amazing," said Joyce Jones, DKMS donor recruiter. "Usually,

> these take at least three weeks to set up. To have it done in this amount of time was unbelievable."

The drive was started after President James Evans saw on the news

that Murry had a drive at St. Louis University. He immediately contacted DKMS once he realized that Murry was

-Joyce Jones

**DKMS** donor recruiter

"What made this so great was that the whole faculty was on board," Jones said. "That support was what made this a huge success."

For Jones, the most impressive part was the courage shown by Murry himself. Before this drive, Murry never wanted media attention. But because of the short notice, he helped spread the word by doing interviews with Fox News.

"To see Sean come out of his shell was the most exciting part," Jones said. "He is very quiet and shy, but he did a lot to make this drive a success. I just kept letting him know that he is helping so many more people by helping get the word out."

If you would like to get involved, contact Jones at Jones@DMKSAmericas.org.

## LU helps revise guidebook for the disabled

"March is Social

Work Awareness

Month, so we are

thrilled to be high-

lighting this project

-Carla Mueller

Dean of School of

**Human Services** 

at this time."

By Traci Wiesner Contributing Writer

Lindenwood's School of Human Services and the City of St. Charles have partnered to work on a project aimed at revising the city's Accessibility Guidebook for People with

Disabilities. The guidebook includes a listing of local businesses that are deemed accessible for the disabled in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The guidebook

has not been updated since 2008.

There are eight students currently involved in the project, but that number is expected to increase in the future as this long-term project is expanded and continued into the fall.

"It's a big deal," said Carla Mueller, dean of the School of Human Services. "We are happy to be able to contribute to our community in this way and help provide such a valuable resource to those living with a disability. The school benefits by establishing stronger relationships with the community as well as allowing students to gain helpful experience in their field."

According to Muel-

ler, work on this project enhances the instruction given in the classroom.

"This is meaningful because they are able to gain an added awareness of what we learned about the ADA in our coursework," Mueller said. "We empha-

> on interactive approach to learning, and this gives students the opportunity to both learn the theory in class and also apply those concepts out in the community."

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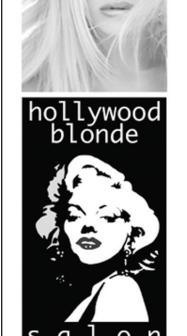
a meaningful project, according to student Sarah Billiamosa.

"When I first heard about this project, I was very excited and was really looking forward to it," she said. "I feel that one of the best ways to learn is through experience, and being a part of this project sets in the reality of the experience. It's great because I am given the opportunity to really help people by giving them access to these resources."

Students are charged with contacting local businesses to ask permission to come on-site to take measurements and assess compliance with ADA guidelines.

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**By Scott Criscione** Staff Reporter

When asked the question what decade I would rather live in, I instinctively thought this decade. I love my XBox and the Inter-

net. But the more I thought about it, I realized I'd rather live in the '40s.

A random decade it seems, but when I read more books about the decade and think about it, that was the end of an era and the beginning of the America we know today.

First off, I am a huge WWII buff. The war and the after effects are something we will never get to experience in our lifetime.

The brotherhood that they had is something that is unique to their generation and to those who served during that time.

Today we have Facebook and texting and we believe that's friendship, while back then, it was all about loyalty, honor and longevity of knowing a person. Second, the '40s helped spark subur-

## HE SAID / SHE SAID 1940's VS. 1970's

ban neighborhoods. When getting back from the war, men had money and wanted to start families.

Before this era there were very few middleclass-mass-produced housing districts. Now almost every city has one. But still in the big

> cities, life thrived and it was a time of growth and success, something we have, again, not seen in recent decades.

Honestly, I think the '40s was the last time this country had the American Dream. A man could work his nose to the grindstone and then one day make his dreams come true.

Today we want to be hired today and be CEO tomorrow. The closest we got to being the America we once were was 9/11, and that only lasted a few months. Our lives are so busy now that we often forget the simple things in life and don't appreciate what we have. Back then life was simpler; life was about

hard work and brotherhood.

**By Holly Hoechstenbach Editorial Editor** 

Sometimes I wonder if I was born in the right era. I don't listen to Soulja Boy, Lady Gaga or "Lil" whoever, and I'll never fully understand how people in this generation

think that's talent. So, I'm going to take you back to my ideal generation, a time of bell bottoms, white leisure suits, platform shoes, and the growth of the hippie movement. I present you the 1970s.

Society was completely

different. With the '70s came real music, drive-in movie theaters, fashion, an upbeat attitude of happiness and peace, and disco.

Let me clarify on real music: talented bands like Fleetwood Mac, Led Zeppelin, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Bob Marley, The Beach Boys and Lynyrd Skynyrd. There was no such thing as rap.

Besides classic rock, the '70s gave birth to another unforgettable form of music: disco. It was the Bee Gees who helped bring about this popular trend. The movie Saturday Night Fever with John Travolta rocked the '70s, bringing other amazing disco bands into light including KC and The Sunshine Band and Kool and the Gang. Songs as a whole were

more upbeat like "Keep Pushing On" by REO Speedwagon, "Don't Stop" by Fleetwood Mac, "Carry on Wayword Son" by Kansas and "Celebration" by Kool and the Gang.

There was also something to do every weekend. There were no DJs, but live lo-

people

cal rock bands playing at numerous dances almost every Friday night. How incredible it would have been to have had an actual band playing at my high school homecoming/prom rather than a DJ.

In general, people weren't as uptight/serious and truly enjoyed life. People had fun attending concerts, frequent parties, dancing, simply cruising around in hot rod cars and hanging out at local hot spots such as White Castle and Steak n' Shake.

Everything was cheaper, so you were able to cruise around because gas was actually reasonable. Transitioning from the '60s into the '70s also sparked a growth of progressiveness.

The public was more involved with activism, particularly involving college students. Overall, this era had a profound effect on music, showed us how to have a good time, and to stand up for what we believe in. So celebrate life with "grooviness!"

## **Overseas Marines** deserve admiration

"Today we have Face-

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son."

Everyone has a friend or two who they wish were at home in the States with them right now. When we think about how many young people are off in foreign places fighting to protect our country every day, it has to hit your emotions hard. If you know some-

one who is one of these young people protecting our nation, take a second and look back on how that person has developed into a hero.

I took a second to look back on how one of my good friends has grown up from a funny guy in high school, to a serious, mature man. I met my friend Justin Olger when he moved from another school to

mine during my freshman year. He rode the same bus as me and he also had a few classes with me. As high school went on, Justin and I became good friends.

Justin fit into my group of friends nicely. We all went out and did tons of fun stuff together. We went to parties, played sports, and even went on trips to Lake of the Ozarks. Out of all the fun and the sometimes stupid things that we did, Justin knew one day he would be a Marine. We learned from our mistakes and became better people because of them. I watched him get married and become one of

the best guys I know.

He has now been a Marine for over a year and will be shipped off to Afghanistan in the coming weeks. I got to see him before he went back to base and prepared to be deployed.

The guy who I saw was a completely grown up and mature guy who was ready to make the ultimate sacrifice for his country, family and friends. When I said bye to him and watched his car

I was proud of the man he has become and said a prayer for him. So if you know anyone who is fighting to protect our country remember the times you've had with them,

and pray that they come home safely. It is the least you could do.

pull away, I was proud of him.

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**Branden Swyers** 

## St. Patrick's Day has evolved from saintly celebration to party

general

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About 1,500 years ago, Christianity was brought to Ireland. St. Patrick was the one who achieved this, after being captured and taken to that beautiful country.

While in captivity, which

lasted from the age of 13-20, St. Patrick turned to God and began spreading his word.

After becoming an ordained bishop, he be-

gan spreading God's word throughout Ireland and converting many non-believers.

His death on March 17 in the year 461, created a beloved holiday that became widespread throughout the world.

would have thought that this converted pagan could spark a holiday which is dominated by food, alcohol and partying?

While I believe that it is a great thing to commemorate such a great man as St. Patrick, I believe in modern times this

day has simply become a reason for people get drunk and pretend like they are Irish.

Don't get me wrong, I love this holiday also – al-

though I could do without the pinching and corned beef and cabbage. Who wouldn't love being surrounded by shamrocks, leprechauns, and beer?

Perhaps the best thing about St. Patrick's day, though, is that we live so close to a heavily Irish

area. Dog Town has become one of the largest St. Patrick's Day parades in the country, and it is only about a half hour away.

For those of you who have never attended this parade, I highly recommend it. It is composed of marching bands, floats, balloons and is lined by hundreds of vendors serving food and drink.

Afterwards, people can visit the many pubs in Dog Town or simply walk around and enjoy the festivities.

All in all, I believe St. Patrick's Day has become something it was not originally intended to be, but this is not necessarily a bad thing.

It is a wonderful day to get together with friends and let loose for a day, while celebrating a heritage and wonderful saint.



Lauren Mueller

## Society fails to realize what is important

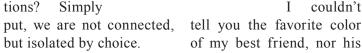
As I follow the Republican race, I am starting to realize how no one my age cares about politics. This seems strange. I mean, is 16 and Pregnant more important than who runs the country?

Is Lil Weezy more followed and listened to than the speeches of the men and women who tell you what is and isn't legal?

I'll admit, I am not a smart guy. My GPA won't be my selling point to employers. But, I find it odd that people who are "smarter" than me have zero knowledge of what's going on in the modern world, or even in their own state. so "connected" to the world, we are so stuck in our little

bubbles with no exterior news or knowledge.

How can this be? How can we be more connected, but not know who our neighbors are in all four direc-



Scott Criscione

By reading this and seeing my photograph, you imagine what I look like, how I sound and feel, and now you believe you know me in some way.

It often shocks most that Scott is not my first name.

It's odd with how we are It is, as a matter of fact, my what a friend is since our evolution in modern man. man. We created the world middle name.

Even fewer people know

that I have a great distaste for rap, death metal, pop music, and dubstep, yet this is what 90% of my friends listen to. I listen to classical muand rock.

couldn't

of my best friend, nor his favorite bands, or what his "likes" are. But I could tell you hundreds of stories about our adventures over the years. The term 'friend' is as loosely thrown around as the word 'love' is.

Often, we don't realize

goal as humans is to have as many friends as possible, a phenomenon popularized with Facebook and now seeped into reality.

Studies actually show that people with more Facebook friends have less real friends. Those with less Facebook friends have more real friends.

The same is true with Twitter and Tumblr, as well as other social media sites.

Now don't get me wrong, I love the Internet. It has given me Youtube, Stumbleupon, and other additional fun sites. But I have to ask, why do we love isolation so much, yet build everything so it's all connected? Because this is an

Years ago, Man got tired of wandering around hunting-and-gathering. He instead made houses, grew crops, and raised instead of

As we built more and skip forward a few thousand years, we build things called high rises office complexes.

hunted animals to eat.

With these buildings rising up instead of out, we needed to be more efficient with space so more people could be shoved into these giant boxes that we call homes or offices.

After years of doing this, we have built our world around this cubical life, not wanting any actual interaction with our fellow we are in today, where our heads are down looking at a phone or computer.

I challenge you to go out with your friends for a cheap meal or a few drinks and have everyone put their phones in a row on the middle of the table. The first person to use their phone has to pay for the meal.

no one checks their phones or them, everyone just picks up their own tabs.

I ask just once a week to leave the Internet and phone behind and walk around somewhere. Go do something that doesn't involve your phone or the Internet. You'll thank me someday.



## Campus smoking policy falls between the cracks

Alex Jahncke

In the past year, it seems that LU has God forbid I have the bad luck to be bestarted to listen to its students. They have done a lot of things to appease ev-

make this a better campus to live on. I even heard they extended visitation hours to midnight every night.

Still, there is one thing that just seems to get worse on campus. I am, of course, referring to the smoking. First, I have to ask, what happened to the designated smoking areas? I still see a

few of those signs around, but they don't mean anything. People smoke wherever they please.

This annoys me. I have to say that smokers are some of the most inconsiderate people around. Let me stress that this goes for most, not all, smokers. I hate walking out of Spellmann and inhaling a ton of smoke.

How is that fair to people living a clean lifestyle? Then, you have the people who will smoke on their way to the next class.

hind them on my way to the same class. At the beginning of the 2010-11 school

eryone and have made great strides to year, LU went to great lengths to fix

these smoking problems. That lasted all of about two months. What happened? Did the ad-

ministration just give up? To anybody who is in agreement, please help by lodging complaints to the school. This is absolutely ridiculous that

we non-smokers have to put

up with this bad habit. If nothing else, I want smoking gone from the front of Spellmann. I go through those doors a hundred times a day and I'd rather not walk through ciga-

rette smoke each time. More should be done, but that would be a start. So I implore to anyone in administration who may read this, please do something.

Please make this is a clean environment for everybody to walk and breathe

## 'The Champion of the Constitution' proposes life, liberty and property

The Champion of the Constitution stopped by Lindenwood one recent Saturday afternoon. For being the inspiration of the 'Revolution,' it was mildly surprising to find that Dr. Ron Paul does not seem larger-than-life while in person. Up close he seems like an elderly gentleman with a few unorthodox

views. Forgive me, I miswrote: a lot of unorthodox views. In other words, he was likeable.

I did not get to shake his hand and meet him, though I did have the pleasure of meeting his wife of 55 years, Carol. This encounter began (and ended) when I sucked up a bit by saying that I was thinking about buying a

cook book she had recently written. Can you really blame me? I got to meet the woman behind the man. Where every great man is, there is usually a greater woman holding him up, and that thought gave me comfort when shaking Mrs. Paul's hand.

Dr. Paul's message was of limited, constitutional (in his view) government, and sound money. He opened by telling the crowd that he was not the candidate of "Goldman-Sachs" and the "military-industrial complex." We all cheered loudly, we chanted his name with the prefix of "President," and we raised our clenched fists into the air. The word 'we' may not be necessary to illustrate the feelings present at the event. 'We' didn't just raise our clenched fists with Dr. Paul's name on our lips; I did so as well.

There are a plethora of reasons why I feel the way I do about this Texan doctor. This man is the lone voice crying in the wilderness. Contrary to what some believe, he's not the savior, he's the waymaker- a John the Baptist for the Gospel of Liberty. The reason why I admire this man is the consistent stance he takes for the principles of liberty.

The principles of liberty are simple: life, liberty, and property. Our civil rights and economic rights, as Dr. Paul reminds us, stem from the same unalienable source: property. We have the right to our economic rights because we have the right to our property. We have the right to our civil

rights because we have the right to our bodies- whether you believed this to be endowed by nature itself or by the Creator.

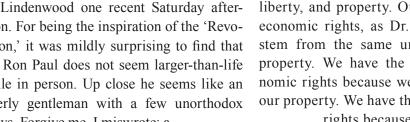
This author has been quite vocal about his support for Ron Paul and 'his' Revolution. I view him as the only man in the running for the Presidency (or in politics) that has even a shred of moral claim to

a position of power in government. In future editorials I will expand upon this by pointing out how unjust it is not to agree with Ron Paul on certain issues. However, I have a caveat to add about the event here at Lindenwood.

As great as Dr. Paul is (and his wife, of course), there was something that bothered me about the event. In hindsight, I realized I had this same feeling at all political events I have been at. There are a variety of reasons, but one key reason I am bothered by is the idolization. Idolization of a human being that (if not stated, implied) can solve all of our problems.

The idea that one person should have so much power (or perceived power) over a nation is disgusting. However, a person (the President) does have that power. How do we deal with it? Well, perhaps it's by putting a person who doesn't want this power (Ron Paul) into office. However, I also think it's by not idolizing anyone and making them a demigod.

The only person who should ever be elevated near to a demigod should be a person who doesn't want it. As Christ said, 'the meek shall inherit the earth." Perhaps this is Ron Paul; that is, perhaps those in the Revolution may hope to be the meek.





Seth York

### Man on the Street

#### What are you doing over Spring Break?



<sup>66</sup>I am working and showing my international friends around St. Louis."

—Sarah Stueck, freshman



I really don't have any big plans. I'll probably go camping with some buddies of mine."

-Michael Barnard, sophomore



I am going to sleep a lot more than I do now. I'll also try and go to the Zoo if it is nice out."

-Kia Henderson, freshman



I am going to stay here. My girlfriend is coming in from New Zealand.\*\*

—Miguel Medeiros Neto, senior

## Scottish & Farfray by Wes Murrell



## Student production gives a unique show

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bined the usual acting

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-Joe Bayne

Senior

theatre majors."

By Jimmy Flint-Smith Staff Reporter

Slumber was disturbed on Lindenwood campus as the Bezemes Family Theatre hosted its production of "Once Upon a Mattress."

Thanks to the efforts of director Emily Jones, the students were able to give their interpretation of the age old tale, "The Princess and the Pea."

For those who may not know, this story involves a prince attempting to find his one true love and marry her. However, the law states that he must wed a princess.

With an apparent scarcity of royalty in the area,

the prince must find his bride through a very peculiar "sensitivity" test involving 20 mattresses and one small pea.

In the recent version, many new characters are introduced such as the daring and idolized Sir Harry, played by freshman theatre major Jordan Pfeifer. Along with Lady Larkin, played by senior theatre major Shelly Neuhart, they manage to find a girl that may be just what the doctor ordered.

"This play was very unique in that it combined the usual acting students with musical theatre majors," said senior

> Joe Bayne. Bayne, cast as the royal wizard, also speculated as to

what the play had to offer. "This show was very different. It took a story that everybody thought they knew and completely changed it," he said. "People didn't know what to expect!"

This play offered several new musical numbers such as the "Song of Love" and the rather interesting "Man to Man Talk," involving a mix-

ture of conventional singing and not so conventional sign language.

Students celebrate their success in the musical, and now set their sights on the upcoming production of "A Streetcar Named Desire," which will run April 10-14.

## Mass Effect 3 gives players new options for video game play

**By Scott Criscione** Staff Reporter

During the cold wind of the night, hundreds wait in line for the midnight release on March 6 to get a copy of the final installment of the Mass Effect Trilogy.

Mass Effect 3 is a role play game (RPG) third person shooter and adventure game.

The player is the Commander Shepard, savior of all life twice and most hated man by the politicians of the galaxy.

The voice over work is top of the line with celebrities like Martin Sheen, Jr. and Keith David. In the story of the universe ending, the player can see the bond that has grown over the previous installments of Mass Effect really playing a part.

The customization of armor and weapons are back from the first one and are tailored to your likes (same way with your squad and the player's powers). All parts of the game are tailored to the player's wants and skills.

The graphics are enhanced even further making the worlds you explore seem more life-like. You

Seth Green, Freddie Prinze can often look out into space and the planet and feel like it is real.

The missions are pretty straight forward. The player, at times, knows when enemies are about to come, but there are times the player just has to take a few hits before finding cover.

Overall it was a solid game worth grabbing. Fans of the series will enjoy it and the new addition of multiplayer. New fans, you can play this game without the previous ones and enjoy it, but they are all great games for those who like story and gun play all thrown in together.

#### **Movie Review:**

#### **Temple Grandin**

By Brittany Velasco

Staff Reporter

One out of 100 babies will be born with Autism in the United States. It is now a commonly

known disability, but back in the 50s and 60s doctors were unaware of how to handle this situation.

Monday, March 12, Lindenwood University Film Series showed the HBO movie 'Temple Grandin' in the Young Hall auditorium on LU's campus.

The movie is a biopic on Temple Grandin, a woman who lives with autism. It showed the struggles she faced with people understanding her, believing in her, and her journey to becoming one of the most successful Autism Awareness Advocates.

It was a moving film and at the end of it, you feel like you want to stand up for those that suffer from autism. In the movie, she was doubted by almost everyone around her and often referred to as, "freak."

Grandin couldn't speak until she was four years old and doctors thought the best way to treat her was to lock her away in isolation.

Her mother pushed her to learn how to function for herself, which later on is admitted by Grandin in the film and was a key factor for gaining her success. It also paved her journey to getting her doctorates in science and animal behavior.

Although the movie was very heart-felt, it still had its feel-good, laughable moments. I engaged in the movie with a few giggles and tears. Anyone can enjoy this film and, it's a great one to watch to discover how autistic people work.

If you're interested in what other movies the LU film series is showing, visit their website at www. lindenwood.edu/film. If you want to watch, 'Temple Grandin,' check Netflix or your local HBO spe-

## showcase LU talent

By Cole Figus Staff Reporter

This month Lindenwood's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts will present the March Music Series. Leading off for the trio of shows is the choral concert on March 20, then the jazz concert on March 21, and last is the band and orchestra concert on March 22. The concerts will be performed in the Bezemes Family Theatre, are general admission and completely free to attend.

A lot of practice goes into each concert, and it demands hard work from getting ready for the audition process to the actual performances much later. Sophomore Camden Bettey is performing in the concert series for both the band and the orchestra, and he has practices every day of the week. Bettey plays clarinet, bass clarinet, tenor saxophone and alto saxophone.

"I am currently Lindenwood's only music major with a clarinet emphasis, so I am asked to be a part of every ensemble that needs a clarinet player," Bettey said. "The best part about performing is knowing that not everyone gets the opportunity, and that I am

lucky to be a part of this."

Senior Mark Saunders will be performing in the choir concert and is happy about the support system created from each ensemble. "There are many students who are a part of multiple, if not all, ensembles perform-

he

said. "We all know what we're going through, and we can all relate with just about everybody performing."

ing,"

These

concerts will showcase a variety of ence," Sanders said. different types of music, from classical music to contemporary music. Some highlights include the band concert playing pieces from John Phillip Sousa, the "American March King," best known for his military and patriotic march music; the orchestra concert including music from famous Russian composer Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky; and the choir singing songs in for-

eign languages. A special surprise will cess."

be the choir's performance of the choral finale to Beethoven's Ninth Symphony with the Philharmonic Orchestra. This is one of the most famous, and challenging, choral pieces and is rarely performed because it is so difficult. "Not many

> that they got perform this all, much less with a full orchestra behind them, so it's going to be an awesome

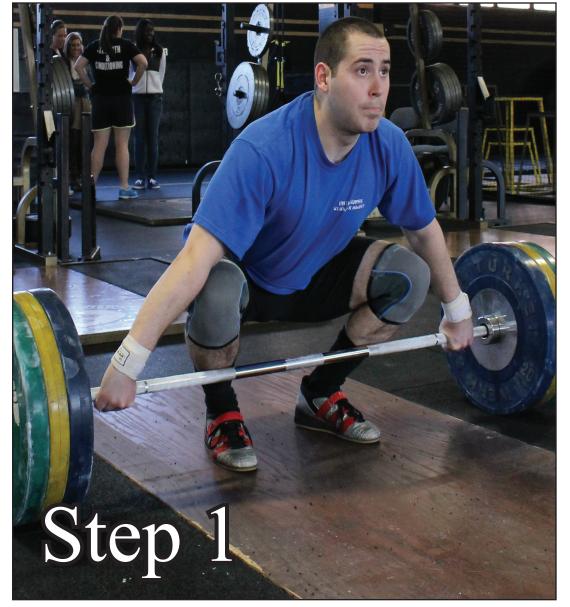
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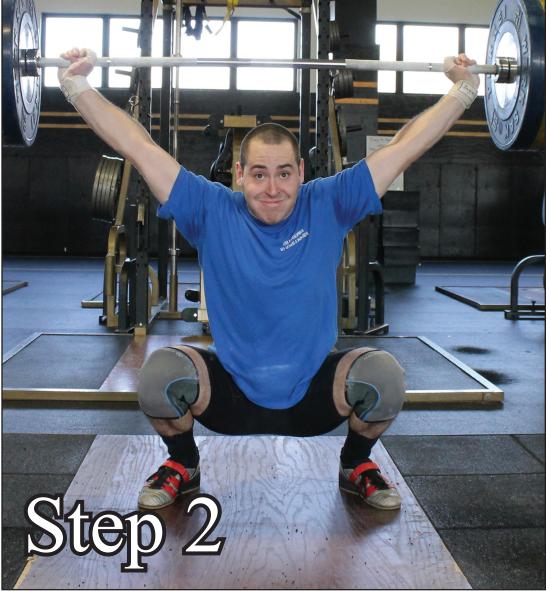
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With so many people in each ensemble, it is not always an easy process to come together and perform as one entity. Saunders said, "My favorite part about the concert process is the ability to come together and make wonderful music together with so many different people. When we all can come together, look at the same pieces of music and say, 'Let's sing' is one of the best parts of the pro-

"Not everyone gets the opportunity, and that I am lucky to be a part of this." -Camden Bettey Sophomore









Legacy photos by Jonathan Garrison Student Laurent Goyette-Demers practices on Friday, March 16. Goyette-Demers is one of the members on the team who competed in his home country. From Canada, he is a former champion, as well as a 2011 National Collegiate Champion.

## Weightlifting team boasts its champion members

**By Steve Runge** Staff Reporter

Whoever lifts the most, wins. It's that simple. Or is it? According to Interim Olympic Weightlifting Head Coach Sam Chatman, it's all about the technique. However, technique is in the eye of the beholder.

Most run of the mill gyms are all over the place with styles and form. There are the screamers who lift more than they should, the socialites who exercise their jaws more than their biceps and the fashion models who go there to look at themselves in the mirror.

taught, on-site fitness experts who say lift heavy, less reps. Or lift light, more reps. So how does all of this relate to Lindenwood? Well, it doesn't.

Lindenwood University converted the old horse stables into a fitness center. During weight training, the weight room can be more compared to a corporate executive meeting, rather than any of the aforementioned practices.

It is almost the exact opposite of what one would imagine. It is extremely quiet and very methodical. Each exercise is done with the deepest level of concen-

There are also the self tration and deliberation.

"Most of us are exercise science majors," Chatman said. "We build from the base and then we win with technique."

The weightlifting team currently has 12 members, both women and men.

Notable weightlifters include Fernando Reis, who is currently training in Brazil for the US Olympics, and won Brazil's very first gold medal in the Pan American games.

Laurent "Larry" Goyette-Demers, a former Canadian champion, and 2011 National Collegiate Champion, is also a proud member of the team.

Larry, an LU senior, said he is looking forward to graduating this year and hopes to stay on campus as a graduate assistant and stay with the team.

"The entire world is a Goyette-Demers stage," said, "and there really is no other university in the United States that offers what Lindenwood does."

Goyette-Demers said he transferred in as a sophomore after simply seeing an ad for Lindenwood on the Internet.

He had already become accustomed to international travel as a competitor in Canada, so the move to the United States came pretty easy.

"Lindenwood is a real game-changer for this collegiate sport," Goyette-Demers said.

Kyle Dosterschill is year round sport. another team member. Dosterschill is a Missouri native, and came to Lindenwood to play football as a linebacker.

After seeing what the weightlifting program had to offer, he left the gridiron for the weights.

"I loved football," Dosterschill said, "but I was really drawn to weightlifting. I miss it (football), but this is really me. I actually think this will take me further

than football."

The weightlifting team has a tough schedule ahead, and according to Chatman, is pretty much a

Chatman was very excited about the opportunities with Fernando Reis, and also very complimentary of the entire team.

The National Collegiate Championships are in mid April in Shreveport, Louisiana, and this team will surely be one to watch.

For more on the Olympic weightlifting team, check them out under the Athletics tab, in the Student Life Sports section.

## Alpha Sigma Phi racks up the miles to help beat cancer

**By Jimmy Flint-Smith** Staff Reporter

At midnight on Wed., March 14, wheels began to turn for a particular national charity. Livestrong is a national philanthropy organization created by Lance Armstrong in 1997.

At Lindenwood on March

funds in its own way.

Through the efforts of local fraternity Alpha Sigma Phi there was a stationary bicycle placed outside the Spellmann Center on the patio.

Here, students were given the opportunity to donate to the cause. While this was happening, a member of the

14, the organization raised fraternity must at all times remain biking. There was never a time during the 48 hour-event that the bike was without a rider. As a result, awareness was spread.

This "tour de Lindenwood" racked up nearly 600 miles.

"We are racing to save lives, nuff said," said freshman rider Douglas Cassavar.

the opportunity to take a turn on the bike.

This made the event Lindenwood's longest "tagteam-tour." Competitive biking has been around since 1896 and debuted at the Olympic Games in Athens.

Today, Lance Armstrong is

Students were also given considered the greatest distance cyclist on the planet. After beating cancer, he dedlife to helping fight it.

For this reason, athletes can share in a common goal to create healthy and rich lives. Like Armstrong, this fundraiser exemplifies human

spirit, athletic ability and support for a higher cause.

"Like any sport, we've got icated a large portion of his to realize that we are all on a team," said Alpha Sigma Phi member Tyler Leet. "People should be the same way and look out for each other when a fellow teammate falls behind."

## Synchronized skating team wins big titles







Legacy photos by Alysha Miller

The Lions synchronized skating team took first place at the Ice Skating Institute (ISI) Winter Classic in Northbrook, Illinois on Feb. 18. The team gained another first place title at the Show Me State Games on Feb. 25 in Webster Groves. Earlier in the season the team finished fourth at the 2012 Midwestern Sectional Championship, finishing behind Notre Dame, University of Miami and University of Ohio.

## Men's volleyball experiences mixed results on current road trip

By Brett McMillan Staff Reporter

Twice this season the Lindenwood men's volleyball team has played No. 6 Lewis University [Ill.]. Both times the result has been a 0-3 loss.

LU's record fell to 15-9 overall this season after its most recent loss to the Flyers this past Saturday in Romeoville, Ill.

"Seeing [Lewis] a first [and second] time is just an indicator of what we need to improve on," said sophomore libero David Poole.

Lindenwood ended the match with a hitting percentage of .133 while the Flyers hit .366.

Lewis also had a sideout percentage which was 19 percent higher than

the Lions'. Senior opposite hitter Jack Mitchell led the Lions with 10 kills while hitting .316 during the match.

Friday night LU beat Saint Xavier University [III.] 4-1 in Chicago, III.

The Lions hit .388 during the four set match and had a hitting percentage of more than .300 in all three of the sets. During the third set Lindenwood hit .538 and hit .444 during the final set. Saint Xavier hit .080 as it lost the fourth set 25-14. Lindenwood outscored the Cougars 98-79 overall during the match.

During the third and fourth sets Saint Xavier did not break 20 points, and Lindenwood held them to 14 points during the deciding final set.

Mitchell had a double-double with 18 kills and 10 digs. Three Likills. One such player was sopho- area or multiple areas to cover, and it's a

more middle hitter Evan Brutton who had a career high 10 kills.

Mitchell and Bruton led the team with five blocks. Freshman middle hitter Logan Jarus finished the match second in blocks with four.

Poole said Lindenwood's blocking success funnels the ball where the Lions want it. "On the defense, if you don't have a

well formed block then you have a lot more area to cover," Poole said. sets by six points each and won the national University [Calif.].

ons ended the game in double figure "[Back line players] can either have one

lot easier when you just have one." The Lions swept

"On the defense, if Div. III Fontbonne University [Mo.] March 11 in the third match of their current 11 game road trip.

said the Poole sweep over Fontbonne was encouraging because the Lions were able to put together three consecutive sets of focused volleyball.

Lindenwood won the first two

third by seven. Eleven different Lions had a kill during the victory.

Junior outside hitter Austin Tudor leads the Lions with a .556 hitting percentage.

"He has been playing really well," Poole said. "He has a great jump serve and his defense is really good. If the coach needs him in an area then he is just ready to go off the bench, which is exactly the kind of thing you need in a player who is there for that kind of thing."

Poole was the Lions leader in digs during the Fontbonne match, and junior Kevin Schmalzried had 29 assists at the other specialist position.

Lindenwood will continue its road trip March 26 at Hope Inter-

## Athletic Notes: Men's tennis wins matchup of spring season

By Brett McMillan Staff Reporter

The Lindenwood men's tennis team is 1-5 during the spring season after losing to the University of Missouri-St. Louis this past Saturday at UMSL. Graduate student Gauthier Schilling had a singles victory as did teammate Thiago Mastroianni. In doubles competition Schilling and freshman Rahul Sadhwani won 9-7.

The Johnson Community College [Mo.] Cavaliers beat the Lions by a score of 7-2 a week ago. LU senior Rodrigo Traldi won his singles match with a two set sweep while junior Eric Tucoulou won in three sets 6-0, 6-6 and 8-0.

The team won its first matchup of the spring Saturday, March 10 defeating the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith with a score of 7-2. The road win makes

the Lions 3-1 so far this spring and 4-3 overall this season.

The Lions won two of the three doubles matches they played against Fort Smith. Both pairs of LU doubles teams won their matches

The singles matches favored LU as well. LU won a total of six matches. Fort Smith was swept in all but one of the singles matches. LU freshman Rahul Sadhwani needed three sets to win his singles match. Sadhwani took two of three with the final set ending in

a 13-11 score. The average gin of victory per set for Lindenwood during singles competition was more than six points.

The previous Saturday, March 3, the Lions traveled to Maryville, Mo. where they lost 7-2 to future MIAA opponent Northwest Missouri State University.

Cycling hosts road course meet at home **By Russ Hendricks** 

The Cycling season is "Shaping up well" according to cyclist Kurt Tweedy and quickly coming to an end with only six competitions left before the regional meet. The season may seem to have flown by, but in all actuality the team has been hard at work bringing home victories since September.

Staff Reporter

Led by Head Coach Chris Mileski, the team is currently ranked sixth in the nation in the USA Cycling Div. I level.

LU hosted the third annual Lindenwood Cycling Race this past weekend. Day one of the event was held at the Daniel Boone Home in Defiance, Mo.

The Lady Lions cycling team placed second during time trials but both the men's and women's races were then canceled due to severe weather.

Sunday, the men had four racers place in the top 10 in the men's A-grade and one in the B-grade race. Two Lady Lions placed in the top 10 in the women's A-grade

race and one placed in the top 10 in the B-grade.

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-David Poole

Sophomore

area to cover."

This Dual Conference Race is something unique to be a part of because it does not happen very often. Tweedy shared his opinion on the race by saying, "The setup of the Dual Conference is different, but we wanted to do something different this time around."

The cyclists can be seen practicing and preparing for their next competition by taking grueling bike rides all across the campus and St. Charles pushing their bodies physically to move into the number one spot in the nation.

With a typical race consisting of up to 60 miles, the team must always make sure they are in the best shape possible.

Cycling, unlike most sports, has two different seasons. In cycling there is a road season, and a mountain bike/Cyclo-cross season. The road season occurs in the spring.

Road season is exactly what it sounds like. Road racing involves racing on paved roads and is less dy-



Legacy photo by Jonathan Garrison This past Sunday the cycling team competed on a road course through historic downtown St. Charles. Part of Main Street was even shut down for the race.

namic than the mountain bike/Cyclo cross season, which consists of different tucky, Indiana, Wisconsin terrains that the cyclists have to race through. The road season is when most of the athletes compete.

The team does a lot of trav-

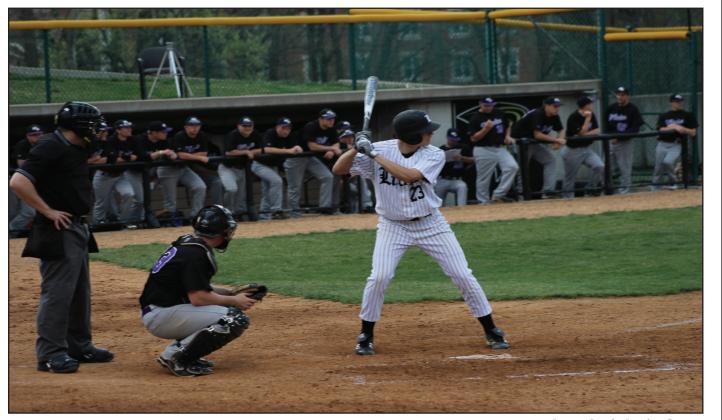
eling throughout the Midwest to places like Illinois, Kenand Michigan. If all of their hard work and effort pays off, Mileski's team will go to Ogden, Utah to compete for a National Championship.

#### **Game of the Week**

The Lady Lions softball team plays Fort Hays State University at home on Friday, March 23 at 1 p.m.







Legacy photo by Jonathan Garrison

On March 18, the Lions played McKendree University, After a rain delay, the series was finally played, and the Lions came out with all three wins.

### Baseball team starts season with victories

**By Chase Stewart** Contributing Writer

The Lindenwood Lions baseball team finished a four-game weekend sweep over the Trinity International Trojans with a 4-3 walk-off win on Saturday, March 10.

The four weekend victories brought the Lions season record to 13-9. When asked about how he thought the season was going so far, Head Coach Doug Bletcher said, "It's going really well actually. We don't weigh wins and losses too heavily right now. It's a lot more fun when you're winning, but I'm more interested in seeing my guys improve and really gel as a team, and I am seeing that."

When asked what he would like to see from his team for the remainder of the season, Bletcher said, "To develop and progress really. We have had that mindset for a couple of years now to really develop a strong foundation for making the move to the Division II level."

Bletcher added, "It's more important to me that we have as many of our players fit our puzzle as we possibly can. Wins will come, but really we're looking for our guys to really come together and see this program develop from the ground up."

Bletcher emphasized the fact that the team's transition into Division II has rerecruits coming straight out of high school as opposed to junior college transfers.

"There's nothing wrong with transfers, but I think it impedes with the longterm goals that you can accomplish with a program. When you really focus on building a program with been absolute studs for us." high school kids you really see a difference for the better in the long run," he said. Bletcher mentioned a few

players that he has been really impressed with and have helped the team thus far this season. "Ryan Griffin is our senior pitcher," he said. "The guy is unbelievable. His ERA is off the sulted in him trying to de- charts. He's been a fantas-

velop a program with more tic leader for this ball-club. Colton Moore has been great for us and has been one of our best bats. Zac Pearman has been awesome on the bump and has done a great job out there as well for us, and the freshmen, Wade Rothermich, Mike Wilson and Ryan Light have

> Bletcher expressed that having such a young team and really building a program from the ground-up has energized him. "This is truly the most fun I've had coaching in a long, long time. Because I get to teach these young guys and really invest my time in developing them as players. It's really exciting."

My Take-

### Lions' historic season comes to an end

For the second year in a row, the Lions ice hockey team fell in the ACHA National Tournament. They faced the thirdranked University of Delaware Blue Hens, where they lost by the final score of 6-3.

Things looked promising for the Lions as they walked through the CSCHL tournament with ease. They beat

University of Illinois and Ohio University by scores of 5-1 and 6-4 respectively. The first two rounds of the ACHA tournament was much of the same with a 5-2 win over Central Oklahoma University and a 7-4



Alex Jahncke

Managing Editor

The Blue Hens were ready for anything the Lions had and took control of the whole

championship game. It looked as though the Lions would have a quick start as Delaware committed to early penalties. Still, the Lions could not capitalize on the power plays. The game was kept close at first as they went into the second period scoreless.

Delaware broke the silence with a power play goal eight minutes into the second period. They scored another goal late in the period, but the Lions answered 14 seconds later

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to make the score 2-1. The Blue Hens added vet another goal before the end of the period to go into the third with a 3-1 lead.

The Lions continued to fight with an early goal by Neeco Belanger to bring them within one. Delaware kept the pressure though with another goal just five minutes later, taking

> back their two goal lead. Lions The had one last surge of hope with a goal from Niklas Bunnstedt with 8:22 left in regulation, but it would not be enough. The Blue Hens added

other goal less than a minute later and then an empty netter with 22 seconds left to seal the Lions' fate.

It is really hard to see the season end this way because there were so many highpoints to the season. They ended with a 31-5 record, but most impressive was their 16-0 record against CSCHL opponents, which was the first time that had ever been done.

The Lions are as hungry as ever, having fallen short the past two seasons. So I am excited to see what the offseason will bring and how they approach next season.

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## St. Charles native leads team to wins

"It's close to home. I like my family being able to watch."



Freshman Ryan Light has been one key asset to the baseball team this year. Along with 14 other freshmen ball players, Light has been essential to the young team so far this season.

The St. Charles native has been playing baseball since he was around the age of six or seven.

The way he plays is a testimony to that. The infielder has been leading the way for the Lions with hits this season. On March 10, he led the team with two hits and three RBI's.

Growing up, Light was very athletic, playing hockey, soccer and basketball. In high school he played basketball and baseball, but he said baseball has always been his true love.

For the Light family, baseball is a big part of what they do. His dad has always played and his younger siblings do as well.

One of the main reasons from him being around.



Ryan Light

for coming to LU was so that his family would be close enough to come and support him.

"The facilities are really nice, and it's close to home," Light said. "I like my family being able to watch."

Light said that once he started playing the game he couldn't stop.

"It's really challenging and the chance to come up at the end is an adrenaline rush," Light said.

The LU baseball team this year consists of 15 freshmen, 13 sophomores, two juniors and three seniors. With such a young team, Light emphasized that they have become very close.

"We're pretty much a family," Light said.

With his family being so closely involved with base-ball and now his baseball team becoming like family, Light is in great company for the next few years. It's a good thing, too, because the Lions seem to be benefitting from him being around



Courtesy photo by Don Adams Jr. The women's tennis team gets off to a rough start for the spring season. The only victory came on March 10 against the University of Arkansas - Fort Smith.

Women's tennis team starts the year off rough but keeps their faith

By Steve Runge
Staff Reporter

Nothing welcomes the sight of spring like a full blown dose of tennis.

The Lady Lions hit the courts in 2012 with one of the youngest teams on campus, and under the direction of Head Coach Bill Vahle, will be very busy playing through the end of April.

Not only is this a young team, but also one of the most diverse programs with international students.

It has four freshmen,

three sophomores and only three juniors. Five out of the 10 players are international students.

The team features players like freshman Shreeja Karki from Kathmandu, Nepal to returning junior Rachel Bailey from Wildwood, Mo.

Although the team was off to a slow start this year, they are coming off of an 8-5 season last year, with a .615 winning percentage, which was an improvement over their 13-9 2009 - 2010 season.

Most of the games for the Lady Lions will be played in the Midwest. However, they will be on the road to Florida as they travel the entire state during the last week of March.

They will start out in Dade City, come up the coast to Orlando, then Lakeland and finish up in Pensacola.

In 2010, the Lady Lions lost two of the road games in Florida, with the third one being postponed.

The last four out of six games of the season will be

played at home, which will give the tennis fans plenty to cheer about.

The Lady Lions are 8-3 over the last three years when playing at home, so the home field advantage really plays a huge role.

Coach Vahle also heads up the men's tennis program, and over the last three years, they are 16-1 at home.

Their current record this season is 4-3.

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#### **Temple**

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"Autism is a developmental disorder. It's not a physiological disorder," she said. "It's the same as a head injury. Autistic people, when they look at others, they look at the mouth and not at the eyes. They can have signs of visual processing problems from words vibrating and jiggling on the page to having sounds hurt and florescent lights flickering like a disco."

Temple said it wasn't until later in her life when she noticed her differences.

"I'm a visual thinker. I think in pictures. It wasn't until the early 70s when I talked to people when I realized that they didn't think in pictures like I

did," she said. "I thought everyone thought the same way I did."

Autism ranges from Asperger's, high-functioning individuals who have less pronounced social and sensory issues, to Kandisorder-individuals who have few verbal skills.

Temple said because of her way of thinking, she is able to see details normal people miss. "With the Fukushima power plants, they stuck the reactors in the basement where it could be flooded. They don't see the water coming up to the basement and flooding the reactors. I would. If I had checked the reactors, they never would've melted down."

nobyl tragedy happened because "they shut down the safety systems to check that they were working."

Temple believes people with autism need to be allowed to pursue their areas of interest and talents. Temple lives by her work.

"Nobody wanted to talk to me, but when I whipped out my work, they were interested in what I had to say. People respect ability," she said.

Temple did offer advice over how those with autism can better integrate themselves into society, claiming parents with autistic children often coddle them to the point where they can't pick up basic social rules.

"Many kids approach tist first," she said.

She mentioned the Cherme, and I'm appalled how they can't shake my hand. Many weren't taught conversation. We got to stretch these kids," she said.

> Temple said autistic kids need rigid, defined rule systems, ranging from courtesy rules like what is acceptable among company and outside the house to sins of the system such as walking across the street during a red light.

> Temple is at peace with being labeled autistic. However, she was adamant that it's not the one and only thing that defines

"Autism is a part of who I am, but I am a professor first. I'm an animal scien-



Legacy photo by Jonathan Garrison

People wait outside the Bezemes Theater in anticipation for Temple Gradin's speech. The lines stretch from the theater door and wrapped around to the outside.

#### **ACB**

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I was completely freaked out," the reporter said. "Physically it felt like my heart stopped."

Similar instances have been cited by students who have left ACB. Junior Josh Jones went to ACB's Cross Chat meetings for a month or two, and when he stopped going, group members quit talking to him. "They don't acknowledge me," he said.

Α "vibe of hypocrisy" made senior Andrew Lawrence leave ACB. "I grew up going to church my whole life," he said. "I didn't like the feeling of the group and stopped going to ACB based on

However, ACB President Melissa Graham stressed higher status by volunteering at campus events.

If a group is not in the top three tiers, it can request money straight from the general fund. Cox said the tier system and general fund are completely controlled by the Lindenwood Student Government Association (LSGA).

A campus organization, according to Cox, has several other routes to acquiring funds should the initial tier funds prove

insufficient. One of the ways is to win various contests over the course of the year, such as the Homecoming float building competition.

"I know that they receive some scrutiny that if I had no connection to them they wouldn't receive," Cox said. "But on the same hand I think that if you were to ask them, they wouldn't want me not to not be connected to them either. They would rather us have a good relationship and be scrutinized than not. So it is frustrating because I feel like in a lot of ways they are unfairly targeted and the good they do doesn't get exposed."

Cox did say that any request for money above the tier and general funds is directed to Student Development and decided on with the consideration of the entire Student Development Office. Along with Cox, the of-

that one of the group's goals is to love everyone the way that fice includes three other senior ACB members: Ben Mullins, intramurals director; and Giang Tran, assistant director.

> The Rootbeer Kegger, held annually after a fall football game and sponsored by ACB, has grown into an event that draws over 1,000 participants. Cox said that these sorts of events require special funding beyond that accessible through the tier system and general fund.

> Student Life and Leadership can agree to cosponsor these events and provide additional funding. Cox said that the Break Music Festival and the Dark Carnival are other large scale events that the office has cosponsored. The office re-

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-Melissa Graham

ACB President

away from the friendship."

quires that these special events be accessible to all students.

"We all sit down as an office and talk about it. Everything we do is team oriented. We all work together," Cox

Other LU student groups have expressed concern that, because of ACB's intimate ties with Student Development, its needs are put above those of other groups.

Alpha Sigma Phi, a fraterni-

ty on campus, submitted a request for \$1,200 to buy sport jackets for its members. The fraternity is in the gold tier and the request was approved by Mullins. But soon after, communication started to break down.

Alpha Sigma Phi Treasurer Albert Cleland said they still don't know what happened to the request despite repeated attempts to get word from Student Life and Leadership.

Cleland said, "They kept blowing us off. So now, the deadline has passed, and the graduating class won't have Alpha Sigma Phi jackets."

Tier money does not roll over from semester to semester. Cox said that because of ACB's affiliation with its parent church, The Crossing, it does receive occasional funding for large, group specific undertakings such as retreat trips.

Cox said, "Dan Bedell [President of LSGA] will tell you that a lot of the big events [on campus] would not happen, they wouldn't get set up, and they wouldn't get cleaned up if it wasn't for ACB coming early and staying after and making sure those things happen."

He also added, "We don't really care what people on campus have to say about what we're doing," Cox said. "There may be bits of truth in things that they need to work on, and they (ACB members) understand and know that they're not a perfect group. But they look at it and are like, 'This stuff is so crazy and overblown; let's just keep doing what we're doing, and ignore that."

According to numbers provided by Cox, the entire Student Life and Leadership budget, without the salaries of its paid staff members, is \$200,000. LSGA receives \$40,000, CAB

receiving \$1,500 per semester. Organizations can achieve a \$12,000, another \$25-28,000 for promotional items and \$13-15,000 for Intramurals.

#### **Intolerance**

The Legacy interviewed dozens of students for this article, many of whom now wish to remain anonymous after either being pressured not to speak or for fear of retribution. They brought up controversial issues regarding relations between ACB and other religious organizations and groups on campus.

One of the concerns most often voiced was regarding homosexuality. Cox said that though ACB does not condone a homosexual lifestyle, the group loves everyone equally and would welcome any LGBT students.

"I think the Bible says that homosexuality, living a homosexual lifestyle is a sin. But it's no different than any other sin that happens here on campus," Cox said.

He added, for example, that having premarital sex and getting drunk are also sins. ACB President Melissa Graham compared the "struggle" with homosexuality to her own struggles with insecurity and selfishness. "It's like a constant battle. I have to be honest about it and talk about it, or I'm going to fall back into it because I'm not perfect," she said.

Graham also compares the struggle with homosexuality to the constant battle against addictions such as gambling. "It's like anything else...like somebody who gambles," she said.

Both Cox and Graham said that there are students in ACB who are gay but choose to abstain from this way of living.

In the spring semester 2010, there was an effort to establish a Gay Straight Alliance at Lindenwood. Cox wrote a letter from the university denying its approval.

In the letter, obtained by *The Legacy*, Cox had written that, "The rationale for organizing the club does not meet either our educational or our social service criterion for approval. Rather, its principal purpose appears to be the support and promotion of a particular lifestyle. It was also determined that the GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) does not coincide with the traditional values of Lindenwood University."

> Cox clarified his intentions in writing the letter by stating that Lindenwood has a historical affiliation with Presbyterianism, and the GSA, as originally proposed, did not align with some of these traditional

"You look to values of what the university looks at, and you have to judge it based on that," Cox said.

Due to pressure from the university, the proposed group was not allowed to call itself a Gay Straight Alliance and had to expand its mission statement to include handicapped students. As detailed in another Legacy ar-

ticle this issue, Spectrum Alliance began with over 40 members but now has fewer than 10.

"Lindenwood is evolving as a university in the way that it views its standards, and the way things have been done for a long time have been changing," Cox said.

He also said he was not opposed to Spectrum Alliance's formation."Tm a super conservative person when it comes to my politics and beliefs, but I am also a huge proponent of free will," Cox said. "That doesn't mean I agree with the decisions, but it means that I agree with the liberty to make those decisions."

Another statement of concern brought up by a number of individuals was that Cox and other members stated that, "Catholics are wrong in their beliefs, and they are going to hell.'

Cox immediately denied that the group had ever told Catholics that they are going to hell. He said, "I'm not the one who decides that, God is.'

"If someone is looking at what I'm teaching and they're saying 'Well based upon what you're teaching, this is what this says about this group or that group,' I guess my answer would be I'm not saying that. I'm teaching out of what the Bible says directly and I'm not making a judgment," he added.

He acknowledged "definite doctrinal differences between ACB and Catholicism," though he repeated that the stance of the group is to love everyone.

Cox attributes the group's theological guidance to their affiliated church, The Crossing, of which his father, Robert Cox, is senior minister. On The Crossing's website, under a heading titled "Our Heritage" it states, "We strive to be Christians only while acknowledging that we are not the only Christians."

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they are by showing God's word through actions. "If members vice president of Student Life and Leadership; T.C. Brown, walk away, we love them regardless," she said. Additional students who wish to remain anonymous have

also expressed concerns regarding intimidation and pressure to conform to certain beliefs held by ACB. "It was all fun and games at first," said a male LU student.

Once he began hanging out with the group, his good friend got him involved with cell meetings and The Crossing, the parent church of ACB.

Soon after, he said he began to feel manipulated. "They said I was lost and started looking down on me because I wasn't baptized," he said.

So the student set up his baptism, which took place around midnight. He said the organization also imposed on his personal life by attempting to break him up with his then girlfriend, a fellow ACB member, after it came to light that the two had had premarital sex. He was also encouraged not to sit with his other friends during lunch.

One night, when the student said he was done with the group, he received numerous text messages from members asking, "What are you doing?" and "Why are you being selfish?" He described his experience as painful and said he was shaken up. He said after leaving the group he "finally started living life and getting good grades."

Another student who is no longer at LU said she left the group after they insisted she become baptized in order to be saved. She stopped going to the meetings after feeling like she was being "controlled." She said she experienced "serious side effects" after the members wouldn't talk to her anymore and started questioning her faith. "I went from 50 friends to one or two," she said. "But I realized God taught me lessons."

Cox acknowledged that there are some immaturity problems within the group but also added that there are hurt feelings on both sides of the issue. Graham agreed and said if students feel there are unclean breaks from the group, "it may be because of their own guilt."

"When you make a decision to leave all your friends, it's easy to blame others," she said. "When you walk away from God it's like walking away from the friendship."

According to Cox, the real problem is that "people don't know what's going on so assumptions are made.'

"I see interaction between members and non-members," he said. "The complaint always gets heard but the good things don't really get heard because the people doing the good things are too busy doing the good things."

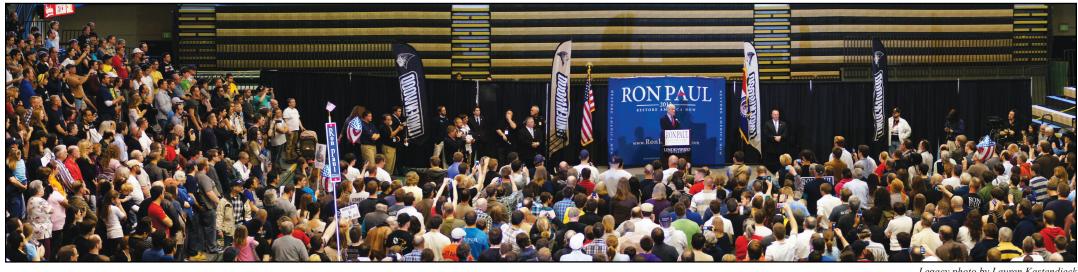
#### Privilege

Cox said that despite being the director of Student Life and Leadership and a founder of A Cross Between, he does not see the two positions as being in conflict.

"If you understand the way the system works in handing out money to organizations on campus, you can see I have very little sway over where that money goes," he said.

Each organization is ranked on a tier scale that determines how much funding it receives. The three organization levels are bronze, silver and gold, with gold being the highest level

#### **Paul**



Legacy photo by Lauren Kastendieck Thousands of Ron Paul supporters gather in the Hyland Performance Arena on Saturday, March 10, to cheer on 2012 GOP presidential candidate Ron Paul during his 45 minute speech, which began at 3 p.m. that day.

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To fix these problems, Paul urged embracing liberty by shrinking the government and decreasing spending.

"We have to once again re-instill in the hearts and minds of the American people the love of liberty and the love of producing wealth again," he said, "not on the dependency of borrowing, spending and print press money."

Paul claimed that the U.S. foreign policy is partly to blame for the country's large debt.

"If we hadn't been fighting for the last 10 years, we would be four trillion dollars richer," he said. "That is the amount of debt we have accumulated over the past 10 years because of the wars in the Middle East. I say, end the wars, and bring the troops home from around the world."

Paul said that his version of foreign policy not only saves

money but also improves national security. "I think the interference, the occupation and the nation building that goes on, is making us less safe," he said.

"People are getting annoyed with us going into their country and bombing them."

The congressman assured the audience that he is still calling for a strong, national military defense.

"It is a responsibility of the government in the Constitution to have a strong national defense," Paul said.

"That is not a state function, and if we are attacked, we should be prepared to defend ourselves."

Congressman Paul is currently fourth in the number of delegates held among the Republican candidates. He holds 47 delegates, compared to Newt Gingrich's 107, Rick Santorum's 217 and Mitt Romney's 454.

Despite this delegate deficiency, Paul still feels he is making a difference in the campaign.

"I think people are more energized now than ever," he said. "Never in our history has the Federal Reserve been part of the issues."

Many members of the audience supported the congressman and enjoyed the atmosphere of the event.

"I was very proud and inspired by the amount of people there who were extremely passionate about their freedom and right to exercise that freedom," said Missouri resident Jessica Matyiko.

Paul was also vocal about the turnout of the event. "We got invited, and they said we had a lot of friends here," he said. "I am very pleased with our results here."

#### **Book**

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ment, housing, healthcare and transportation.

"The Board really likes to have the students involved because it teaches them to be advocates in the community," Huesing said.

"They are taking to heart the idea of teaching others to be open and understanding toward people with disabilities and they are helping spread the mission and goals of the Board for increased community awareness."

According to Mueller, the timing of the announcement could not be better. "March is Social Work Awareness

#### Leaks



LindenLeaks @LindenLeaks

Good morning @LindenwoodU. As a heads up, you should prepare your PR department for what we'll be leaking this coming week. cc: @Kerry\_M\_Cox

Here is another digital screenshot taken of an earlier tweet that Leaks sent out regarding his impending fall suspension list release. He also tagged Director of Student Life and Leadership Kerry Cox in many of his tweets like this one.

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Leaks had posted several warnings that a document release was impending containing secret information, and at 5:30 p.m., March 5 is when he came through with his promise. The document released contained the students' full names, ID number, cumulative and term GPAs, grade level, major, cell phone number, lionmail email address, personal email address and what sports team the student participated in.

Lindenwood officials were notified almost immediately after Leaks posted the warning about the document. "Someone had told the PR department, and I was then made aware of the impending post before it was leaked, and sure enough, it did leak later that day," Evans said.

Even though LU monitors social media sites, officials were not watching this site in particular, with the exception of Director of Student Life and Leadership Kerry Cox. Leaks continually tagged Cox in his Tweets, and Evans said Cox had tried to communicate with the student several times to resolve any issues or concerns the individual had. "In this way, Mr. Cox had been monitoring the account and was aware of the developments with it, but no one else was watching it specifically before this document release warning," Evans said.

"I'm not sure why he singled out Cox in his tweets, but they had disagreements previously," Evans said. "Cox thought he knew who the student was and tried to get it resolved, but the student wasn't open to those options."

This information the student released remained on the site for a little over 24 hours before the account was shut down by Twitter. Before he was shut down, Leaks sent out another document explaining his reasons for the action, which

were to show just how easily this information could be obtained and also to gain attention of officials.

"His motive was not a rational one," Evans said. "By my education in psychology, it seems like he is exhibiting sociopathic behavior. Those individuals have a huge need for power and seek psychological violence. I think this is why he did it and enjoyed having the feeling like he had the power to make the university look bad and embarrass those students on the list."

Evans said that initially, it was thought that the student hacked into the system to obtain this document; however, upon the investigation by the Cyber Crimes unit and the FBI, it is clear the student got it from an unsecure network. "Someone accidentally saved a file to a not completely secure drive, and the employee who did this, we believe, did not mean to save it in this drive," Evans said. "But this is most likely how [the Leaks student] got it."

Evans confirmed that this student did have access to this file that most students would not have. "The reason this happened was strictly out of human error, and as soon as we discovered this information was not completely secure, it was immediately sequestered by IT and is now on an encrypted server that only IT can access," Evans said.

Even though many names on the released document were in fact suspended, it appears that the list had been altered. "The list didn't look right," Evans said. "It looked like he tampered with it, but we're not sure yet if all on the list were suspended."

The accurate suspension list is about twice as long as the one released by Leaks, Evans said. "It was definitely a shorter list that he chose to release than the list in its entirety," he said.

The students on the list were immediately notified through an email that their information had been compromised.

Since the release of this document, Lindenwood has been working vigorously to make sure there is no other information out there that shouldn't be. "We can't guarantee it won't happen again because it was due to human error, but we are taking every precaution to make sure students' information is secure," Evans said.

One of the precautions taken was to have IT scan for any information that didn't belong on the drive PcCommon that students and faculty have access to. It turns out the scan did reveal that some sensitive information was also available on the drive that shouldn't have been there. "We did find some sensitive information on the network like grade sheets, so IT took the whole server down and did a complete clean up of PcCommon," Evans said. "Fortunately, there were only a few professors that had information up there that shouldn't have been."

Evans said that the one good thing that came from this incident is that LU is looking at their entire system to make sure there are no other "chinks in the armor." He said, "I completely understand the students' concerns and worry, but I want to assure them that we are doing everything possible to make sure it doesn't happen again."

Evans believed the information released will not bring a lot of negative attention to the students on the list because they have been victimized by this crime. "It probably won't have significant lasting effects, but I would feel betrayed and bad if I was in their situation, too," he said.

## Zimmerman talks on free speech, privacy

**By Rachel Schuler** Contributing Writer

Free speech is something that is often a topic of concern and seems to be of importance to many, yet that was not apparent on March 6.

A modest crowd of about 30 people sat in the Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room, awaiting the start of Matt Zimmerman's speech.

Zimmerman is a Senior Staff Attorney at Electric Frontier Foundation, a firm that focuses on Internet law and trying to preserve rights such as free speech and privacy online.

His presentation was part of the Lindenwood University Speaker Series. The title of Zimmerman's speech was

The Internet, Intermediaries, and Free Expression, and it addressed several major issues that plague the Internet today.

His speech covered things such as major court cases involving free speech online, who holds responsibility for posts on social networking sites and anonymity on the web. He also included insight into recent Acts in Congress that have caused uproar such as SOPA (Stop Online Piracy Act) and PIPA (Protect IP Act).

Zimmerman engaged the audience by showing several videos relevant to the discussion such as a CBS News McCain/Palin Campaign ad and a video of a dancing baby that Universal Music claimed copyright infringement.



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After Zimmerman's speech concluded, he offered the opportunity for the audience to ask questions. Even though the crowd was small, several members still took full advantage of the question and answer session. They brought up concerns such as bullying issues online and anonymous posting online.

In light of recent events concerning Lindenwood's battle with the online Twitter account, LindenLeaks, he seemed very eager to answer questions about it to the best of his ability; however, he was very vague.

When asked specific questions about his professional opinion regarding the controversy, he said he could not give a conclusive answer because of not knowing all the details concerning the topic at hand.

Currently, the LindenLeaks page has been removed from Twitter. As the front page article in this issue of The Legacy states, the perpetrator has been identified.

The person behind Linden-Leaks obviously intended to be anonymous and did not want his identity discovered.

When asked about the issue of anonymity and whether anything online is truly anonymous, Zimmerman replied, "Being anonymous is a very difficult task. The average act online is going to leave some footprints."

For more information on Matt Zimmerman and the Electronic Frontier Foundation, visit www.eff.org.