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### Soviet Exchange Program a Reality

# The Russians Are Coming!

By Pam Allen Tuesday, December 8, 1987 will go down in history with the signing of the INF Treaty that calls for nuclear arms reduc-tion. History is in the making at Lindenwood College as well. In a press conference Tuesday, Ron Watermon, LSG president, announced that Lindenwood is the first college in the Midwest to be accepted for the Citizen Exchange Council's U.S. - Soviet University Pairing Program.

The exchange program, initiated by the student government, will receive partial fund-ing from the CEC, but a majority must come from outside sources. With an estimated budget of \$20,000 to \$30,000, the process of fundraising has just begun. Corporate and philanthropic support is the main focus but other fundraising efforts will be discussed after a six-member committee has been formed.

Although, LSG is committing \$2,500 to the project, it is hoped that student funding will not be necessary. A \$100 application fee has been proposed for students wishing to participate in the exchange program. The fee will go towards the purchase of gifts for the Soviet students whom are also participating in the program. Other than the application fee, no additional fee will be required of those participating.

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Watermon anticipates choosing the students by the end of spring semester. They will be chosen by a point system that will include a recommendation by their advisor, an A or B grade in their declared major, and campus betterment work. Twelve to 16 students will be chosen by declared major to give the Soviet Union a broad academic representative of

Lindenwood College. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors are asked to apply. Incoming freshmen will not be allowed to participate in the actual travel exchange program.

One of ten universities chosen in the United States, and the first college in the Midwest, Lindenwood will benefit greatly from the program. Besides the added publicity for the college, the entire campus will be able to take part in or learn from the program. Conferences with the Soviet students will be set up as part of the program. Christie Diven, LSG vice president, said that LSG vice president, said that the Soviet students will put on speeches to show what their lives are like outside of the misconceptions most Americans hold. Watermon added, "We want to put this on a more hu-man level and this is an incredible opportunity for everyone at Lindenwood."

According to the CEC, the program must be managed by a student organization, this allows for more student involvement. In addition to the student organization, a faculty advisor, Dr. Edward Balog, was chosen to coordinate the effort. According to Diven, "We had to show them (the CEC) that we were worthwhile.

Letters of support from Lindenwood President James I. Spainhower and CBS vicepresident, Robert Hyland, showed the CEC a commit-ment is being made from the school administration as well as local businesses and corporations. Monsanto has also shown support and is one of the local businesses that will be toured by the Soviet students during the two-week exchange.

For the Soviets, the travel/exchange program will begin with their arrival in Washington, D.C. for sightsee-ing and cultural activities. They will then continue on to Lindenwood for five to seven days. A campus tour and a tour of the surrounding area will initiate the visit to St. Charles. A series of student meetings and roundtable sessions including role playing and the discussion of bilateral conflicts, are a part of the program. The students

will travel to New York City for more sightseeing before returning home.

The American agenda is the same with visits to Moscow and Leningrad and the sister university. Once the students are accepted for the program, a sixteen-week course will prepare them for the exchange, including cultural as well as language classes.

With a three-year commitment to the program, Lindenwood is responsible, according to the CEC, to keep an ongoing relationship with the sister uni-versity and develop exchanges in other areas such as performing arts groups or faculty programs. Ralph Godsey, LSG treasurer said we should share our rich history with the Soviet students by putting it on a per-son-to-person level, "...show them Americans are the

Yale University, the first school to host the Moscow State University delegation in December, 1986, pioneered the program that the CEC modeled theirs on. Since then, eight other schools have joined including Harvard University, Stanford University, University of Maine System, Williams College, Lafayette College, Santa Clara University, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Texas at Austin. Lindenwood College is the tenth school to be added to this list. Those involved with the program, how-ever, hope it won't be the last. The LSG, working on the

application since August, hopes that the exchange will bring a positive experience to all involved. Watermon hopes it will broaden student's minds. 'Understanding why nations don't always see eye to eye is as easy as understanding why individuals do not."



Lindenwood campus decorated for the Christmas season. Photo by Randi Wallick. More on the walk, Page 2.

### **New Tax Law Affects Graduates**

By Jennifer Thompson

On Aug. 16, 1986, the new tax laws on student financial aid went into effect. For undergraduate and graduate students, scholarships and other aid exceeding the cost of tuition, books and supplies is now tax-

Larry Sackman, Lindenwood College's director of financial aid, said those on full scholarship, and graduate students will be affected the most. He added, "It's not a big deal for most Lindenwood students because it (the tax) is based on the individual's prior income and our average student depends on parental income."

The law is aimed mainly at those graduate students who have tuition paid and teacher's aides who receive living expenses. The IRS opposed this because of those graduate students who do not receive equivalent gifts and pay taxes on income. "It is intended to provide equivalent tax rates to graduate students who were not paying taxes on more than \$6,000 in stipends a year,'

Sackman said.

The effects of the law are not felt until the student is into the realm of \$5,000-\$6,000 of exceeding aid. Since Guaranteed Student I. Samuel Guaranteed Student II Samuel Guaranteed Student I. Samuel Guaranteed Student I. Samuel Guaranteed Student I. Samuel Guaranteed Student I. Samuel Guar teed Student Loans and federal grants do not apply, over a four-year period, \$11,200 in aid may be obtained while only payin taxes of \$400 on the total benefit.

# **ViewPoint**

### **Christmas Reflections**

By Reid Kirby

As Lindenwood students prepare for finals and going home, we should take time out and recall the way we've celebrated the Christmas seasons in the past.

In the days of President Dr. Roemer, a large evergreen in the middle of campus was decorated yearly. The Madrigal singers and feasts began in the early 1970's, and continue today. In Sibley Parlor, Professor John Wehmer's Christmas tree, decorated with antique ornaments and toys, has been a tradition here for many years. Let's not forget Nancy Polette, who tells the children stories around a Christmas tree every year. And in Butler Library, there is a display of antique toys, which started in the early 1970's with Professors bringing in their favorite toy. The Christmas Walk, which President Dr. Spainhower started in 1983 for a "beautiful campus, which we should show, and invite a friend to enjoy," continues this year.

This is a different year, with rumors of the school closing, no heat or water in Young Hall, curious odors evolving from a mysterious walk-in refrigerator, and John Wehmer in New York this December. Nonetheless, things will continue: Young Hall has its heat and water, the school's still open, and Sophia Wehmer (a student) will be taking the honor of decorating the Christmas tree in Sibley Parlor for her uncle.

Before we leave for our celebrations at home, let us recall Dr. Roemer's red memory candles that he sent the alumni in the 1930's with a note telling them to light the candle at midnight on Christmas eve as a spiritual 'homecoming' to remember classmates and memories. Merry Christmas.

### **Subway Express-sions**

"The more I hear, the less I want to know." I'm sure this is someone's quote, but I'm not sure who said it first. I am sure they were speaking of "The Subway Express," though, and the trivial pursuit of gossip that comes from the minds of those too busy to THINK. Excuse the emotion; but I, too, have seen no solutions in the paper. "We all know that CRAP is KING — give us dirty laundry."

Oh, it was fun to read one time, because it showed that the authors possess a great deal of creativity. I just wish we could harness half of that energy to make a positive impact in favor of Lindenwood.

It's strange to hear students talking about the fun they've had here and in the same breath belittle the place that gives them the opportunity to learn and have fun.

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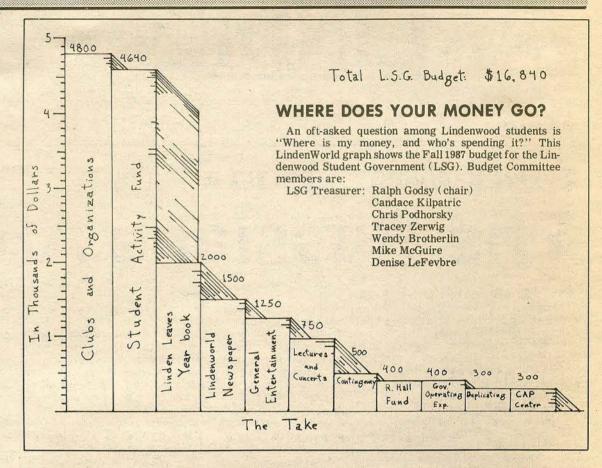
Hopefully, "The Subway Express" will quickly
become a thing of the past. Perhaps everyone eventually
learns to accept reality, stop playing "The Blame Game"
and work out better problem-solving techniques.

In any event, someday the value of your liberal arts education may become one of your most worthy attributes. If nothing else, it allows you to be yourself. And that's who you'll be accountable to for the rest of your life.

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## **Rocky Horror Shows Cult Following**

By Vicki Davenport

Men in sexy female underwear. Women in skimpy maids' uniforms. They are never out of place at the Varsity theater on weekend nights. What is playing at that time, you say? Why it's none other than The Rocky Horror Picture Show, the undisputed King . . no . . . queen of the Midnight Movie Circuit.

Perhaps the reason why Rocky Horror is so popular, is that it is the ultimate in audience participation. The cultists recite the dialog, adding their own additions to the script, and perform a singing, dancing, mime that almost duplicates yet parodies the action taking place on the screen. In addition, many dress in the outrageous costumes and makeup worn in the movie by the various characters.

Lindenwood College even nas its own group of cultists, who recently took part in the Rocky Horror Picture Show Party. A dance was held from 8:00 p.m. to 12 Midnight, and the movie was shown at its traditional midnight hour. As at the Var-sity, several students dressed up as movie characters, and acted out the movie parts in front of the gymnasium's big screen. Among the students dressed in Rocky Horror garb were Mark Hopper as Brad Majors (the male lead), and Cindy Sitz as Janet Weiss (the female lead). lead). Other students included were Lisa LOyet, Robyn Mc-Cune, and Tim Turner. Other students participated in the audience, but the highlight of the film was when everyone rushed to the front to do the "Time Warp.

And how did students react to the film? One sophomore thought it was a great idea, because she had always wanted to see the movie, but was afraid to venture over to the Varsity where all the "crazy freaks" gathered each week. Another student (who admitted that he was one of those "crazy freaks") commented that he went to see the movie at least three or four times a month. "I

don't know why I keep coming back. It's always so absurd that I guess I just have a good time." Whatever the reason, The Rocky Horror Picture Show has endured the Midnight Movie Circuit for over eleven years, and shows no sign of slowing down. As long as there are still men wearing lacy underwear, The Rocky Horror Picture Show will continue to be the ultimate in cult classics.

### A Christmas Thank You

I would like to thank each and everyone who helped me on the Christmas Walk. It would not have been the success it was without all the help and participation put into it.

A special thanks goes to the Christmas Walk Committee composed of Marilyn Morris, Kris Cordes, Judy Shanahan, Carol Whitman, Jerry Rufkahr, Bruce Edler, Bill Wright, Paula Murray, Rose Wetzel, Peter Pitts and Jan Czapla. A very special thanks goes to Ms. Lynne Landholt, past chairperson, who guided me through nearly step by step. Many compliments were made on behalf of the tour guides.

Thanks to the maintenance and ground crews for decorating so well. Another big thanks goes to Marilyn Morris and Jerry Rufkahr for getting me what I needed when I needed it even when I didn't know I needed it! Thanks to Penny and the rest of the kitchen staff for the delicious refreshments which were donated to us.

Without a doubt, the most appreciation goes to the Lindenwood Student Government who sponsored and saved the Walk and without whom the fifth annual event would not have been possible. The Christmas Walk is something which is no doubt on its way to becoming yet another Lindenwood tradition. Your concern and generosity is greatly appreciated by many.

Thank you, Mark Hopper 1987 Christmas Walk Chairperson

## **Emotions Run High During Class Debate**

By Pam Allen

The crowded cafeteria was alive with chatter as students, faculty, and staff awaited what they had heard was to be a debate on Lindenwood's underground newspaper, the Subway

Most every seat was taken during the November 24 lunch hour. Shortly after noon, Alan Schiller, assistant professor of speech, strolled up to the platform, adjusted the microphone on the podium and announced the debate to take place was only an exercise put together by his Business and Professional Speaking class. Representing the class was sophomore Tim Turner.

Schiller began his speech praising the school for building a professional image, putting out newly-designed catalogs, school brochures, and application forms. He spoke of the new logo - five linden trees atop the college name — designed and donated by a public relations firm.

The clutter of knives and forks was silenced as everyone listened, searching for the meaning of the speech. Seconds

later, the crowd exploded in a mixture of cheers and jeers. Schiller condemned the Subway Express, calling it poorly constructed and unprofession-al, and continued arousing the crowd with his remarks throughout the speech.

The crowd was definitely divided. Steve George, a sopho-more, said approximately 40 percent agreed with Schiller's

The other 60 percent filled the cafeteria with cheers and applause as an admittedly nervous Turner approached the platform to give the opposing view. He said the image the college was trying to create was sugar-coated and did not reflect the views of the students. The Subway Express allowed students to do this. The students broke into applause when Turner proposed to the administration, "Why should a stable institution like Lindenwood be afraid of the Subway Express?

By the end of the debate, all were in general agreement, this is the first time so many people actually listened and were interested in a presentation at the cafeteria.

Although only a class exercise, many expressed interest in creating further debates to be held at the cafeteria. Turner says the communication between the students and administrators needs improvement. 'Someone to fire questions at would help tremendously.'

Reactions to both speeches were mixed. Freshman Brian Garofolo and senior Steve

Fleming felt that Schiller got his point across and did a good job of convincing people not to read the Subway Express although both said they would read the paper again.

Another freshman, Jeff Sahm, felt that Turner's speech "fell short, but he did make some good points." Turner aroused the crowd but did not actually respond to Schiller's charges directly. George commented, "Tim's speech was good but needed to be longer."

Most seemed to forget that the speeches were an assignment for the speech class learning to evoke emotion and persuade the audience. Schiller stated after the speech, "Peo-ple got rowdy. That's fine. It was a good opportunity." He then went on to say, "It is freedom of expression." The speech against the Subway Express stirred interest in the paper. Schiller hopes it also stirs interest in his class.

Every day, thousands of college students ready, aim and fire their fingers down their throats to make themselves sick. It's called purging, and while it may seem like the easy way to look healthy, it's actually a sure way to become very ill.

Left unchecked, bulimia can cause rotten teeth, dehydration, a ruptured stomach or esophagus, and kidney failure. In its latter stages, it can cause the heart to skip beats, until one day it skips for good. But there is hope.

Through support group counseling, the professionals at St. John's Mercy Medical Center can help bulimia and anorexia victims find relief from their guilt, depression, and years of loneliness. They can show them how to turn food into nourishment instead of an obsession, and how to start feeling good about them-

At 9 a.m. on the third Saturday of every month, St. John's holds free meetings to discuss eating disorders and their symptoms. To find out more about the meetings, just call 1-800-22ABTEC, or 569-6898 in Missouri.

Everyone is welcome and there are no questions asked, because the people there know first hand how devastating bulimia and anorexia can be. And they won't be pointing fingers at anyone.

#### Indonesian Student Shares Literature

By Kresno Adji Djayandaru

The earliest literature of Southeast Asia is based on ancient tribal epics that were passed orally from one genera-tion to the next. With the intro-duction of writing, most tribal epics were recorded as poetic sagas. Many early books were made from long, narrow strips of dried leaf bound together like a venetian blind, a style of book used until recently in areas such as Bali, Lombok (Indonesia), Thailand and Burma. Most of the great literature came from the outside; from India, the Middle East, and to a lesser extent, from China.

Two famous Indian epics found over most of the Southeast Asia are the Ramayana and Mahabharata, which have inspired countless dances,

These stories were rarely meant for entertainment alone. Their aim was to educate and spread the philosophy of either Hinduism, Buddhism, or Islam. The Ramayana, for example, extols the virtues of the king and the ruling class, and stress-es the duty of the people to serve them. It is the most widespread of all the epics, and is thought to date to the sixth century B.C., although the famous version by Valmiki was probably written around 100 B.C. It was translated from Sanskrit into old Javanese as early as the ninth century; the Thais named their version the Ramakien, while the Burmese absorbed the story from the Thais rather than direct from India.

## A Glimpse At Dance

By Pam Allen

In an attempt to build interest in Lindenwood's dance pro-gram, an informal dance recital was held Nov. 17 in Parker Hall's second-floor lounge.

About 15 students attended.
"Glimpses," a 35-minute lecture and dance participation program was directed by Lorilee Saucier, instructor of beginning and intermediate dance classes at the college.

The three performers, stu-dents of Lindenwood's dance program, Leah Blevins, Jill Miller and Kelli Kackhim, chose three members from the audience to participate, bring-ing laughs and applause from

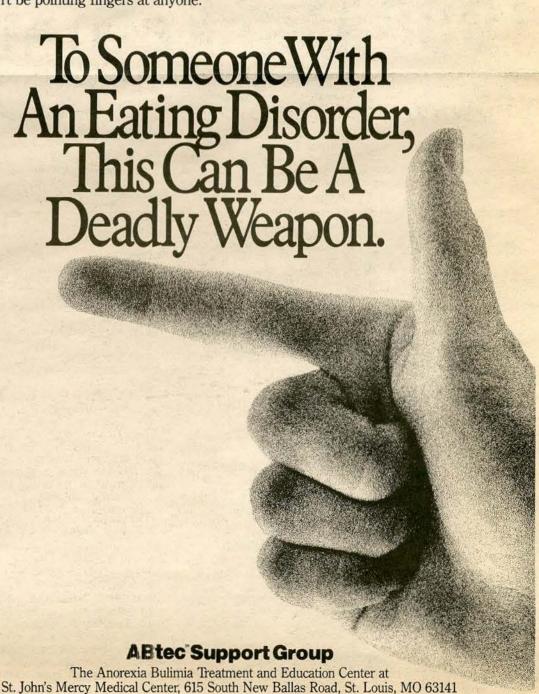
the audience.

Accompanied by Alan Schilling, the performers twirled and leaped with the music. Ms. Saucier said her dancers had choreographed in class.

The dance program will benefit from the performance by demonstrating what kind of dance instruction is offered, as well as by showcasing the tal-ents of the students, Ms. Saucier said. She said she hopes an increase in dance class enrollment will be felt by the fall semester.

A similar program will be held at the end of spring semes-

Come join the LindenWorld Staff. ositions available for second semester. Contact Pam Allen, box 40, for more information.



# SportsWorld

# **Lions Expect** Strong Season

The Lindenwood basketball team is expected to make a roar this year as the team strives to a strong, winning sea-

Led by their captain, Melvin Starkey, the Lions are predicted to have a solid and productive year. New arrivals to the team have helped out a great deal even in the few games the Lions have played.

Rusty Aydelott, a freshman from Troy, Mo. is a proven starter on the team. Aydelott is averaging a whopping 22 points per game, and in an early season game, he scored a car-eer high, forty-two points.

The Lions were lucky not to lose many players last season. Rich Mathews, Kirk Landwehrmier, Don Keiser, Tim Turner, and Mike McGuire all returned to provide unity and skill. Chris Sonker, Todd Rumbo, and Rusty Aydelott, are the rookies on the team, which add a great deal of strength in the line up.

Todd Davis, the red-shirted sophomore, ineligible last season as he transferred from Florissant Valley Community College, is expected to be a wrecking force this year. He will share the starting duties with Rich Mathews.

Coach Larry Logan says, "Our team is expected to win a lot of ball games this year, and if we have strong crowd support, that will help us even more."

At the moment, the Lions are experiencing difficulty, but are expected to raise their record above the five hundred mark in the next few games.



Lindenwood's Men's and Women's Basketball Team. Back row l-r: Coach Harris. Tim Turner, Don Kaiser, Rich Matthews, Keith Harrison, Rusty Aydellott, Chris Sonksen, Kirk Landwehrmier, Todd Davis, Mike McGuire,

Coach Logan.

Front row I-r: Ass't. Coach, Jocelyn Davis, Tricia Frazer, Courtney Austin, Stephanie Costly, Charlotte Farmer, Kim Johnson, Lisa Fisk, Michelle Feligh, Shelly Davis.

# Basketball Schedule

Saturday (W), 01/16/88, Central Methodist (A), Fayette, MO, 3:00.

Monday (M), 01/18/88, Green-

ville College, Home, 7:30.
Saturday (M), 01/23/88, Missouri Baptist College, Home,

Monday (M), 01/25/88, San-ford Brown College, TBA, 7:30.

Parks College, Home, 3:00.

Monday (M), 02/01/88, Maryville College, Home, 7:30.

Wednesday (W), 02/03/88, Fontbonne (A), STL-Fontbonne, 7:00.

Saturday (W), 02/06/88, Harris-Stowe (H), St. Charles High, ris-Stowe College, Home, 3:00.

Monday (W), 02/08/88, Webster (A), Webster, 7:30.

Monday (M), 02/08/88, Columbia College, Home, 7:30.

Wednesday (W), 02/10/88, Mo. Baptist (H), St. Charles High, 7:00.

Louis Christian, St. Louis, 7:30. Saturday (M), 02/13/88, Bryan College, Dayton, TN,

7:30. Sunday (M), 02/14/88, TBA,

TBA, TBA. Monday (W), 02/15/88, Greenville (A), Greenville, IL, 7:00.
Tuesday (M), 02/16/88,

IL. 7:30. Wednesday (W), 02/17/88, McKendree (H), St. Charles

Greenville College, Greenville,

High, 7:00. Friday (W), 02/19/88, Illinois College (T), Jacksonville, IL, nibal LaGrange College, Home,

Saturday (W), 02/20/88, McMurray (T), Jacksonville, IL. 7:00.

Monday (W), 02/22/88, Prin-

cipia (A), Elsah, IL, 7:00. Tuesday (M), 02/23/88, West-minster College, Fulton, 7:30.

Wednesday (W), 02/24/88, William Woods (H), St. Charles

Thursday (M), 02/25/88, Blackburn College, Home, 7:30. Friday (W), 02/26/88, McKendree (A), Lebanon, IL,

# Personals

Thanks Secret Santa -Sharon Lawson.

Love Ya Bry! SML.

To Miss Silver from Mr.

Hey Al - When are you going to ask Wendy out?

Merry Christmas, Love Secret Santa.

Hi Joycelyn! Luv Courtney. Merry Christmas, Allen, my campus bro! Luv U lots, Courtney.

Merry Christmas: Stacy, Rhonda, Vickers, Melissa, Hanes, Donna, Rusty, Diann, Lisa N., Basketball Chicks, all the black folks.

Dear Bryan, Merry Christ-mas. I'll miss you. I LOVE YOU! Love always, Denise.

Merry Christmas Courtney!! Hope you start off the new year with a bang!! Love Ya! Joycelyn.

Wishing everybody and their families at Lindenwood a jolly Christmas! Especially Vickers! Love Joycelyn.

Merry Christmas Shelly! Love Ya, Betty Hart.

Merry Christmas everyone! Have a good break. Love,

Tim and Matt, I'm sorry! Marta.

I WILL BE EATING SNAKES FOR XMAS!

Hi Cara!

Merry Christmas Cindy! Your Secret Santa.

Merry Christmas Everyone! WANTED: One man, slightly used, must be in good condition. Call 949-2000 ext. 371. Ask for LaVon. Room 312.

Happy Holidays to Susan, Ron, LaVon, and Jason. I love you all!

Merry Christmas Lindenwood! From Diann.

Merry Christmas Candy, Love Scott. Merry Christmas Mel, From

your Secret Santa. To Lisa Neager: Merry Christmas! Love, Secret Santa.

Merry Christmas Kristen. Sharon.

E., Clean your room!

Joycelyn - Merry Christmas! Have a great day! From Santa. Greg R. - Have a great day! Good luck on your finals. Love

Cathy. Ronnie, Merry Christmas! Love Us.

McFarland: I want your BUNS! You'll get the YUM-YUM! Chocolate Candy.

MERRY CHRISTMAS: Courtney, Joycelyn, Yimberly, Rhonda, Bellbeefer, Pam, Mertz, Whoopi, Ann. Love, Vicki. P.S. The Fuschia Bed, head needs a new STUDY GUIDE? Any offers?

HAPPY HOLIDAYS RAO! From your favorite pupils: Todd, Vicki, Joni, Paul. To Todd Beffa: Go West,

make a left, you can't miss it. P.S. if you hit the Pacific ocean, you've gone too far. Love, Pam.

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