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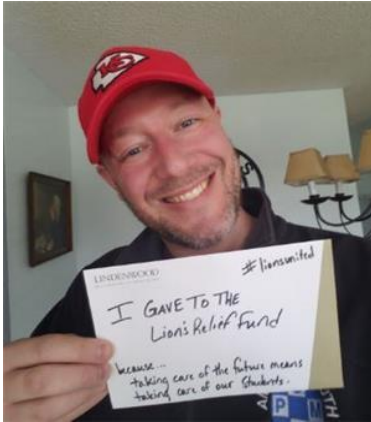
April 3, 2020

## A Video Message From President Porter

A video message from President Porter went out to the Lindenwood community on Tuesday, March 31, highlighting the university's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and its history of rising to meet challenging situations. You can view the message below.



## Lions' Relief Fund Launched to Help Students



Many in the Lindenwood University community have been impacted by COVID-19. Because of this, the Advancement Office has created the new [Lions' Relief Fund](#) to help Lindenwood students who need it more than ever. Please pass along the information about the Lions' Relief Fund to others who care about student success and may also wish to contribute.

The Advancement Office wants to recognize those who are donating to this new Lions' Relief Fund. If you or someone else you know donates, please send a photo with the reason for donation to [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu).

#LionsGive #LionsUnited

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### Stay Connected with Flat Leo!

Are you looking for a fun way to stay connected while at home? Alumni Relations is collecting Leo adventures with the new #FlatLeo so snap a photo of yourself hanging out with Leo in the wild (a.k.a your house) and add it to the collection by using the hashtag #FlatLeo and #LionsUnited and tag it to the Lindenwood University Alumni Facebook page!



[Download Flat Leo Here.](#)

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## Ferrarini Presents Personal Finance Seminar on April 23



[Dr. Tawni Ferrarini](#), associate director of the [Hammond Institute](#), will present a webinar from 6 to 7 p.m. on Thurs., April 23. The session — Personal Finance 104: [Credit and Loans](#) — will use economic reasoning to demonstrate how different credit and loan choices lead to different levels of financial comfort and security. Participants will explore the positive and negative aspects of using credit when debt-to-income ratios are high or low and also discuss how individuals can put the power of compound interest to work for them versus against them in the borrowing and lending market. This webinar is free

and open to all, but [registration](#) is required.

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## COVID-19 SONGWRITING COMPETITION

Faculty and staff are invited to participate in the [COVID-19 Songwriting Competition](#)! Compose an original piece in any genre of music, highlighting life during COVID-19, social distancing, honoring those on the front line, etc... Make a video of your performance and share with [aroyal@lindenwood.edu](mailto:aroyal@lindenwood.edu) by April 10. Student Involvement will share on social media for voting the week of April 13-17.

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## Lindenwood University Book Club Debuts

Alumni Relations and Library Services are partnering up to start a book club! GoodReads will be the hosting platform for the book club. This platform allows for a specific Lindenwood University group, polls about which books you would like to read, discussion boards, and events so that the book club can meet. The next few weeks, the club will be selecting its first book, so don't miss out on the conversation! All staff, faculty, students, and alumni are invited to join in on this new initiative. If you would like to join the book club, please email [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu) to get added to the group.

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## Student Success Stories Sought by Alumni Relations

Alumni are interested in hearing about student success stories during this quarantine time! If you have success stories about Lindenwood students, please email them to [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu). They will be sent out to alumni and shared across the institution over these next few months.

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## Hammond Institute Faculty Publish Op-Ed Articles, Provide COVID-19 Resources, Projections, and Advice

Faculty members in the [Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise](#) have recently published a number of Op-Ed articles associated with the COVID-19 crisis, including:



[Dr. Rik Hafer](#) -- [A Case for Proactive Policies](#) (Joplin Globe - 3-23-20)

[Dr. Rachel Ferguson](#) -- [The Power of Civil Society: Lessons from a Pandemic](#) (Joplin Globe - 3-29-20)

[Dr. Tawni Hunt Ferrarini](#) -- [Preparing for Financial Dips](#) (Gasconade County Republican - 3-30-20)

[Dr. Rik Hafer](#) -- [The Coronavirus and Local Job Loss](#) (Thee Rivers Publishing - 4-2-20)

For more information about the Hammond Institute's ongoing [Op-Ed Campaign](#), please visit the [website](#) or call 636-627-2915.

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## Dr. Grant Black Presents Mad City Money to Area High School Students



[Dr. Grant Black](#), associate director of the [Economic Education Center](#) (EEC) in the Hammond Institute, presented the Mad City Money Financial Reality Simulation in March, as follows:

March 9 -- Maplewood-Richmond Heights High School (approximately 30 students and two teachers)

March 10 -- Grand Center Arts Academy in St.

Louis (approximately 40 students)

[Mad City Money](#) is a two-hour experiential learning program for high school students based on Mad City Money, a hands-on financial simulation developed by the Credit Union National Association.

Students develop financial skills by getting a taste of the real world as they take on the role of an adult – complete with occupation, salary, family, student loan and credit card debts, and medical insurance payments.

For more information about this program or other EEC offerings, please [visit the website](#) or call 636-949-4160.

*Photo cutline: Volunteers from Lindenwood, FCB Bank, Sterling Bank, and Vantage Credit Union assisted with presentations at the Grand Center session. Here, Jim Cochran, vice president of retail experience at Vantage and Lindenwood adjunct instructor talks with a group of students.*

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### Online Instruction Assistance Available for Faculty, Adjuncts

The Office of Lindenwood Online is available to provide support to all faculty and adjuncts as they move their classes to a virtual modality. For assistance, please email [HelpDesk@lindenwood.edu](mailto:HelpDesk@lindenwood.edu).

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## Alumni Award Nominations Sought

Alumni Relations is excited to continue a long-standing tradition of presenting awards to Lindenwood alumni based on their dedication to Lindenwood and the community. All nominations will be reviewed by a committee, and recipients will be honored at the 2020 Reunion & Homecoming Weekend. This year, there are three awards: Alumni Merit Award, Alumni Service Award, and Young Alumni Award. All students, staff, faculty, and alumni may nominate alumni. The deadline to nominate an alumnus is April 30, 2020. [Click here](#) for the nomination form. All questions can be sent to Rachael Heuermann at [rheuermann@lindenwood.edu](mailto:rheuermann@lindenwood.edu) or to 636-949-4964.

### Upcoming Events and Deadlines

All in-person events have been cancelled until further notice. [See the list of all virtual events.](#)

If you would like to have a virtual event posted, please send any applicable posts via the online Marketing and Communications [project request form.](#)

### Submit Information to the Digest

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

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