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2014 Undergraduate



Graduate Commencement



LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY

BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Sunday, May 18, 2014 • 2 p.m.

Gateway Center • Collinsville, Illinois

The crest displayed on the front of the program is the Sibley family crest that is generally accepted as the oldest and most familiar symbol of our university system. While no image of the crest appears in Lindenwood's records before 1917, a drawing exists in the archives in which the image appears on the chimney of the fireplace in the Cardy Reading Room of Butler Library on the St. Charles campus. While the spelling (Sybly) associated with the crest in Bernard Burke's General Armory differs from the current and more widely-accepted spelling (Sibley) of the name, Lindenwood administrators, historians, and archivists believe the Sibley family mentioned in the General Armory is the same family as that of Major George Sibley.

The family crest evolved from and has become synonymous with the coat of arms, which was used to distinguish one man from another on the battlefield. It is for this reason that the shield and the helmet are the central images. The crest was adopted around the time of the Crusades and was used as a form of communication to convey information to others about a clan or a family. Since so much of the population was illiterate, decorating shields, helmets, armor, etc., with the crest was an important way of disseminating information. Heraldry was particularly significant.

The description of the crest is as follows: a walking griffin on a red and blue shield surrounded by three silver crescents. The colors and icons all have special significance:

Blue Red Silver

Griffin

Crescent moon Helmet facing left, closed visor Loyalty and truth

Military fortitude and magnanimity

Peace and sincerity

Vigilance and eagerness in pursuit, valor, and death-defying bravery

One enlightened or honored by his sovereign

Non-royal lineage

The motto, according to research provided by John Wehmer, Lindenwood Professor Emeritus, means "to be and not to seem." It is taken from the words of Roman historian and politician Sallust who wrote, "Esse quam videra bonus malebat" which, paraphrased, means Sallust wanted to <u>be</u> a good man rather than just merely <u>seem</u> to be one.

Lindenwood University-Belleville Undergraduate & Graduate Commencement

The Ceremony

Welcome to the 2014 Lindenwood University-Belleville commencement ceremony. While this event marks the second year for this new tradition at Lindenwood Belleville, it is also filled with symbols and traditions that remind us of the noble purpose of colleges and universities.

Academic customs originated within the medieval church, and the order of procession follows ecclesiastical custom with the most honored members of the procession at the end. We are pleased to have Lindenwood University graduate assistants and staff members serving as marshals for the processional and recessional. They direct the students, faculty, Board members, administrators, and platform party to their designated seating throughout the room.

Since Mary Easton Sibley was an accomplished musician, it is only fitting that the processional be led into the ceremony with music. In recognition of the Scottish-English roots of Mrs. Sibley, we have elected a bagpiper to usher in the participants.

The bagpiper, followed by the flag bearers and the graduating students, leads the procession. The faculty follows the students in the processional; members of the Alumni Board, the University Board of Directors, and the platform party follow in order. The President, preceded by the Faculty Marshal (faculty member with the longest standing at the campus), is the last to enter the ceremonial area.

Before entering the venue, the students process through parallel rows of faculty members who honor them by "clapping them in" or applauding the soon-to-be graduates as they proceed to the ceremony. In this way, the professors have a formal way of commending the students and expressing pride in their accomplishments.

As the faculty members enter the ceremonial space, the students reciprocate and honor their instructors with applause. This tradition demonstrates the bond that is created between teacher and student on the Lindenwood campus.

During the commencement ceremony, various individuals address the attendees, and the University awards honorary degrees to worthy recipients for institutional and societal contributions. These degrees, awarded honoris causa ("for honorary cause"), represent Lindenwood University's most time-honored way to recognize significant service and achievement.

Once the honorary degrees have been bestowed, the candidates for degrees are presented to the President by the Dean of Academics. Each student's name is read by a designated member of the faculty, and the President presents the diploma symbolically to the student. Once all the degrees have been conferred, the bagpiper leads the recessional in reverse order of entry with the newest alumni at the end of the procession.

We hope you enjoy the commencement ceremony and that you will follow our protocol for the enjoyment of all concerned. We ask that you stay for the entire event out of respect for all of the graduates. During the conferring of degrees, we ask that you refrain from applicate until all the graduates have been presented. However, if there are spontaneous demonstrations of joy and pride, please keep them to a minimum so that each individual graduate can be respected and honored.

Finally, we ask that you please stand for the processional and invocation, as well as for the benediction and recessional.

Lindenwood History

Lindenwood was founded in 1827 by Mary Easton Sibley (1800-1878) and George C. Sibley (1782-1863), making it the second oldest institution of higher learning west of the Mississippi River, and the institution was incorporated by the Missouri Legislature in 1853. The Sibleys deeded the Lindenwood property to the St. Louis Presbytery on February 24, 1853, the start of a formal affiliation that lasted over a century. While Lindenwood is fully independent today, the University enjoys an historical relationship with the Presbyterian Church and remains true to its founding values.

Lindenwood University was originally called Lindenwood Female College and educated only young women. The first commencement ceremony was held in 1858. In 1969, the institution became coordinate and then coeducational. Evening programs were established in 1972, and graduate studies were instituted in 1975. Lindenwood became a university in 1997, a regional university in 2003, and a doctoral institution in 2007.

Founded in 2003 on the historic site of the former Belleville Township High School, Lindenwood University-Belleville echoes the educational values of its founders while adapting to meet the needs of its growing student body. Upon approval of the Higher Learning Commission and the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Lindenwood University acquired ownership of the Belleville campus through key partnership agreements with the City of Belleville and St. Clair County.

Initially an extension site of the University, LU-Belleville first began offering Master of Arts programs in education and educational administration in an evening program for working professionals. In 2004, the campus' number of degree options more than tripled when it received approval to offer additional bachelor's and master's degrees through an accelerated evening format called LCIE (Lindenwood College for Individualized Education).

In the fall of 2009, a traditional daytime semester program was started, with an enrollment that has grown from 100 day students at its inception to nearly 1,000 today. Lindenwood University-Belleville was named a full-service campus by the Higher Learning Commission and the State of Illinois in 2011.

Currently, the Belleville campus provides its 2,000 students with more than 30 undergraduate and graduate degree options in day and evening formats.

Lindenwood University-Belleville has created a name for itself in both the community and region as a thriving academic and cultural center dedicated to liberal arts education in the highest sense of the term.

Lindenwood Mission Statement

Lindenwood University offers values-centered programs leading to the development of the whole person—an educated, responsible citizen of a global community.

Lindenwood is committed to:

- providing an integrative liberal arts curriculum;
- offering professional and pre-professional degree programs;
- focusing on the talents, interests, and future of the student;
- supporting academic freedom and the unrestricted search for truth;
- affording cultural enrichment to the surrounding community;
- promoting ethical lifestyles;
- developing adaptive thinking and problem-solving skills;
- furthering lifelong learning.

Lindenwood is an independent, public-serving liberal arts university that has a historical relationship with the Presbyterian Church and is firmly rooted in Judeo-Christian values. These values include belief in an ordered, purposeful universe, the dignity of work, the worth and integrity of the individual, the obligations and privileges of citizenship, and the primacy of truth.

Participants

Jerry M. BladdickLindenwood University-Belleville *President**
James D. Evans
Jim J. Shoemake
Keith A. Russell II
Marsha Parker
Sandra H. Magnus
Judith Forstmann Brown. Lindenwood University Alumni Association Board President
Michael M. Mason

Recognition

We express our thanks to the Lindenwood University staff and graduate assistants for serving as today's ushers and marshals.

Program

*PROCESSIONAL
*INVOCATION
*"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
REMARKS FROM THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT
GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THE ADDRESS
CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREE
GREETINGS FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONJudith Forstmann Brown *President of the Alumni Association Board**
PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES
MASTER OF ARTS, MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, MASTER OF SCIENCE, BACHELOR OF ARTS, BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
Cindy Manjounes, Associate Dean of Academics
Marsha Parker, Professor and Director of Theatre Paige Mettler-Cherry, Associate Professor of Biology
*BENEDICTION
*RECESSIONAL

Lindenwood University-Belleville Graduates

Graduate Degrees

Master of Arts

Jocelyn Nicole Acoff Daniel Edward Adams

LaTasha LaShell Addison-Ward

Ashley Chabre Anderson

Veteran Honors

Angelia Denise Anderson Hill

Sara Elizabeth Andrews

Stephanie Lynn Arzavala

Carrie Elizabeth Bair

Mark Edward Becker

Victoria Michele Biffar

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Rachel Lynn Bretz

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Carla Ann Bridges

Crystal Dawn Brooks

Todd A. Brown

Joy Lynn Brueggeman

Priscilla Marie Burrell

Bernice B. Bush

Marqueto Michelle Caffey-Hopkins

Tommy Carl Calhoun

Veteran Honors

Rebecca Lynn Choate

Mary O. Clark

William Robert Clark

LaRhonda Shontele Coleman

Marquette S. Connor

Bonita Copeland

Ciara Florence Corley

Amanda Marie Cox

Michael W. Cox

Rhain K. Crawford

Katrina Yvette Criggler

Mark Scott Curry

Nicole Lynn Deihl

Susan Amber Denbow

Stephanie Amber Douglas

Nicole Sue Edmonds

David Lawrence Fairchild

Jumah Amara Fennov

Brandon Douglas Ferguson

Robin Lee Fiengo

Belinda Flowers

Jennie Ruth Fowler

Breanne Marie Fulton

Casey Ann Garrett

Tanya Antoinette Gasper

Stefanie R. Gaubatz

Diejunie R. Oddodia

Eileen Ann Gerace Gwendolyn Gilliland-Green

Brianna Elizabeth Gonzales

Andrew Richard Anthony Gray

Katelyn Frieda Hagarty

Kilev Rae Halbrook

Winter-Noel T. Hall

Samantha Lee Hamlin

Thomas Edward Harrell

Patrice A. Harris

Justin LaVelle Harrison

Michelle Marie Hemmer-Schwoebel

Tamara D. Henderson

Tina M. Henson

Rachelle Lynne Hinchey

Donald Charles Holland

Veteran Honors

Cierra Kristen Howard

Jessica E. Hubbs

Amaris Motesse James

Charles Truvon Jennings

Angela Mae Johnson

Logan Ray Johnson

Sheila Johnson

LaToya A. Jones

Rapheal Gene Jones

Brent Robert Jones

Amelia I. Jumper

Geralyn Inman Kaufmann

Breanna Marie Kemper-Damm

John Charles Kennedy

Amber Leanne Kimmle

Julie Ann Kirkland

Amanda Layne Kohring

Raelene Morgan Krause

Samantha Brooke Krieg

Shiriela Denae Lewis-Coleman

Garrick Wayne Liefer

Lonnie La'Dale Lucas

Lonnie La Daie Lucia

Kelly Christine Maher

Jennifer Louise Mayo

Shakira Giovanni McCottrell

Patrick Joseph McEvilly

Stephanie Nicole McGovern

Daniel Patrick McSparin

Whitney Montrice Mitchell

Christine Ellen Mitchell-Endsley

Kelly Ann Moore

Scot M. Morris

Sylvia E. Morrisette

Veteran Honors

Nicole Teresa Mueller

Breanna E. Murphy

Jennifer Lee Nance

Tiffany Renea Nard

Tijjany Kenea Wara

Luciana Tenè Nelson

Lynn Niermann

Zachary Ignatius Parker

Rosemary Pelly

Jamie Nicole Pence

Laura Deann Pierce

Susan Elizabeth Price

Lonnitta Rose Pullum

Kaylle Jean Ramseier

DeNeen Terrae Redd-Readus

Sarah Ann Renner

Frances Idonia Rice

Cydney Lea Richardson

Melanie Patreece Rogers

Rosalyn Ross

Mary Lynn Routier

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Marcus Juan Wilborn
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Melissa Ann Catherine Wilkerson
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Shelia Mae Young

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Lindsey June Waters Charles Edwin Watts Betty Chantel Williams Jami Lynne Wright Nicholas Jared Yates Kyle William Yeager

Master of Science

Katherine Marie Adams Dawn Roshawn Adams April Nicole Anderson Christine M. Arnold La'Keshia Shonta Austin Denise M. Balentine Edward Joseph Barger Travis E. Barker, Jr. Veteran Honors Charrell Celeise Barksdale Celeste Nacree Brown Gregory Schuyler Brown Veteran Honors Cynthia A. Broyles Donna Marie Bullock LaVondia Leona Burris Jasmine Tremia Chamberlain Timothy Terrell Cistrunk Evelyn Coleman Daniel Randall Collins Kimberly Michele Combs Julie Ann Crawford Elaine Christina Dandridge Nathan Glen Dickey Omelia R. Durso-Missey Teagan Renee Ellis Mehreen Fatima Shellev Lee Feazel Mario X. Fennov First Responder Honors

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William Dean Frick, Jr.
Etoria Shantell Goodwin
LaTonya Danielle Gray
Carolyn E. Gray
Christie Michelle Gray
Lena M. Guthrie
Cory Jarel Harris
Tomiera L. Harris

Debbreca La'Shaye Harris AleGrvan Riquel Harris Mark William Heffernan Cynthia M. Horton Edward Lamar Jackson Jessica Nichole Jerashen Deondra Carnell Johnson Veteran Honors Todd J. Keilbach First Responder Honors Heather Leigh Kessler Wavne J. Kevs Anna Lee Kimball Veteran Honors Jeremy Michael Klein First Responder Honors Phillip R. Koch Thomas Joseph Krueger Shawna Larsh Bartholomew James Levy LeMorris D. Lewins Todd A. Lindsay Luberta Marie Lytle Monika Shantel Mason Darren Stacev Mims Veteran Honors Michael Joseph Missey First Responder Honors Armathia Leona Nash Kelly Renee Neighbors Danetta Michelle Nelson Jameshia O. Nixon Michelle Ann Pannier Monik Latrease Patterson Shamika M. Patterson Teoria K. Pawnell Veteran Honors Dana Renee Pea John Riley Pegg

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Brett A. Perkins
Deidre Marie Powell
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Undergraduate Degrees

Bachelor of Arts Alexandria Kuuleilani Alakai

Sheila J. Austin

Amanda Jo Bailey
Christa N. Barnett
Summa Cum Laude
Marva Bell
Mary Katherine Bernal
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Michael Paul Blattner
Rodney Tyler Boring
Stephen J. Bowles
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Nicole M. Clay Teneshia Nicole Cozart Lindsev Kay Crawford Joshua Alan Dolmage Teri Anne Dunn Renee Patricia Edwards Katve Natosh Elbert Veteran Honors Denise R. Embery Veteran Honors Madison Lee Farrier Summa Cum Laude Clarice Laureen Faughn Cum Laude Genaro Fernandez Rachel L. Flannery Courtney Chrystyne Forsyth Summa Cum Laude Carli Jo Francis Natasha-Liz Milagro Galarza Yolanda Renee Gann Magna Cum Laude Erica Shavon Gatlin Veteran Honors Jacob Troy Gegg Lloyd Edwin Givens Michael Thomas Glover Joseph Walter Grau Chad Robert Hill Stephanie Rae Hill Wesley W. Hockaday Stephanie Rana Hodge Amanda Elizabeth Hoffarth Cum Laude Stephanie Leeanne Holiday Ashlie Nicole Janish Shervl L. Jenkins Shakayla Elaine Johnson Veteran Honors Alex Peter Joseph Stanley Benjamin Junge Cum Laude Conor Joseph Keeley Anthony Kersting Chantaivia T. Knight Jarrid Wayne Kraft John R. Krodinger Summa Cum Laude Daniel Richard Kurich

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Vincent Anthony Hannon

Bachelor of Science

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Julie Michele Calvert Cum Laude

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LaDonna Loraine Nichols

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Jeffrey Louis Papenberg

Cum Laude

Derek Steven Parker

Summa Cum Laude

Shawn Michael Philpott

Carole Ann Presson

Magna Cum Laude

Matthew Allan Pridmore

Cum Laude

Randi Rochelle Rains

Cum Laude

Antoinette Reed

Cameron John Rettig

Summa Cum Laude

James Donald Rogers

Tara Noel Rujawitz

Magna Cum Laude

Michael Allen Sanford

Cum Laude

Corey Michael Scher

Karl Anthony Schofield

Kristy Joanne Scott

Wakisha Loquette Scott

Heather Lynn Shaw

Summa Cum Laude

Tammi Sheree Shipp

Trey Jeffrey Simmons

Laura Lynn Sims

Carolyn Denise Smith

Monique Michelle Spraggins

Mark Bernard Staten

Veteran Honors

Heather M. Stone

Eric Michael Stott

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Marieta T. Sumrall

Carrie Micah Taylor

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First Responder Honors

Erica Lynne Tolbert

Emily Suzanne Totel

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Karima T. Tucker

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Robert M. Wagner

Magna Cum Laude

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Hollie Lee Williams

Stephen Michael Williams

Summa Cum Laude

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Academic Dress, Regalia, and Symbols

The caps, gowns, and hoods worn by the faculty and students at this graduation are today's formal dress of the worldwide academic community. While now worn only on festive occasions, such as commencement, such dress was originally the normal garb of academics as they went about their daily business. Originating in Europe more than a thousand years ago, like universities and colleges themselves, academic dress first developed within the church, and all academics were once at least in minor ecclesiastical orders. The robes and hoods are stylized versions of these monastic robes. There was a practical aspect of the robes, as well: most in the early days were made of wool to keep individuals warm as they studied and worked in cold and drafty monasteries, churches, and university buildings.

In Europe, each institution has its own variant of garment, but in America, academic costume follows a uniform code drawn up by a special commission in 1895. The code has three main parts: the cap, the gown, and the hood.

The Oxford type cap or what is termed the "mortarboard" seems to have evolved from the square biretta of Renaissance clergy. It is always black and may be of any appropriate material except velvet, which is reserved for doctors. Many faculty members prefer to wear the Cambridge style cap or beret-style hat. The cap is embellished with a tassel which may be black or the color representing the type of degree or major. In most cases, individuals who have earned a doctoral degree wear a short gold tassel. The tassel is generally "turned" from the right side of the cap to the left once the student has received the diploma.

The academic robes are black except for some doctoral robes. The style of the robe indicates the highest degree earned by the wearer. Baccalaureate or Bachelor sleeves are pointed, and the robe is plain. Undergraduate students who have achieved honors will display a cord worn over the shoulder. As with most component parts of graduation dress and regalia, the color of each cord has meaning:

Cum Laude
(with praise)

White double cord

Magna Cum Laude (with great praise)

Gold double cord

Summa Cum Laude (with highest praise)

Gold and White triple cord

Veterans and First Responders

Red, White, and Blue cord

The Master's robe sleeves are oblong and longer than the undergraduate garments. The Doctoral robe features velvet bands in the front, and the robe sleeve also has velvet bands and is gathered at the wrist. The Doctoral robe itself is cut much fuller than the other two gowns.

The hoods indicate the academic area of the degree, the level of the degree, and the school that granted it. The level of the degree is shown by the size of the hood, the width of the velvet trimming, and in the case of the doctorate, the shape. The Master's, Specialist's, and

Doctoral hoods are three and one-half feet, three and three-quarters feet, and four feet long, respectively. The velvet trimming on the hood indicates its source by color and design. Each university and college has a distinct hood. The Lindenwood University-Belleville hood is lined with maroon and white silk, representing the campus colors.

The colors of the flags located near the dais are reflected in the colors of the tassels worn by the graduates and indicate the various fields of study. The disciplines mentioned below represent majors offered at Lindenwood University-Belleville.

BROWN

Acting

GOLD

Biology, Counseling, Psychology

NUGGET/DRAB

Accounting, Business Administration, Finance, Health Management, Healthcare Administration, Human Resource Management, Marketing,

Sport Management

PURPLE

Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Administration

SAGE GREEN

Physical Education

SKY BLUE

Education, Elementary Education, School Administration, Teaching

WHITE

Advertising-Public Relations-Corporate Communications,

Communications, Corporate Communications, English, Interactive Media

and Web Design, Mass Communications

One of the foremost representations of an academic institution at ceremonial events is the mace. This highly ornamented staff is carried in processionals usually by the longest serving faculty member and is intended to represent the official authority of the institution.

The mace was, in fact, a true weapon and carried by the monarch's Sergeants-at-Arms to protect the king from direct attack. It resembled a type of club with a staff and knot or club head at one end. The mace as a weapon disappeared about the same time as did heavy armor and was replaced by the civic, academic, or ceremonial artifact.

The academic mace represents the internal authority of the institution over the members of its community and independence from external authority. Most of the colleges and universities in the United States have a mace as a symbol of their intellectual sovereignty. In circumstances where there are a number of constituent colleges, campuses, or faculties, a different and/or smaller mace may be carried during ceremonies such as commencement or investiture of a new president.

Designing or creating a mace for a college or campus is an important undertaking because it should represent, at a glance, the mission and purpose of the institution. The Lindenwood University-Belleville mace accomplishes this task. The primary staff is crafted from white oak,

the state tree of Illinois, which is known for its strength and endurance. Carved into the base are two rings that represent the individuality of each campus and the combined mission of the Lindenwood system. Atop the staff is a four-sided ceremonial "capital": two sides bear the Sibley Crest and two sides iterate the University's mission statement.

Probably the most historically significant element of the Lindenwood University-Belleville mace is that it has been carved by a local artist who is Native American. Mary Easton Sibley was a well-known advocate for educating all people regardless of race and gender. Her high regard for the indigenous people of Missouri and Illinois makes the selection of this artist especially apropos for the school and the region. It should represent to all members of the Lindenwood community, both present and future, that our mission is to create educated citizens of a global community.

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