

An e-newsletter for the employees of Lindenwood University

LU Student Newspaper Debuts Wednesday

The first issue of *The Legacy*, Lindenwood's new student newspaper, will be out Wednesday, March 7.

The newspaper's advisor is journalism professor Tom Pettit, whose editing class will produce the paper with stories from two reporting classes and other communications majors. Pettit said two more papers will be published later in the spring—April 11 and May 9.

Contributions from students are welcome, Pettit said, but stories will be edited. He said space is severely limited in the early editions of the paper. *The Legacy* will serve primarily as a lab project for journalism and other communications majors to learn how to gather and write news.

One necessary skill these students will learn is how to develop reliable sources to help them deliver accurate, dependable stories. Pettit said those

students may call on faculty and staff members for information about events and activities at Lindenwood. He said editors will rely on those same faculty and staff members to clarify and confirm information in stories. Pettit said the help and feedback of faculty and staff is essential to assure quality in news accounts and in the educational experience we provide for Lindenwood students.

"I can assure you that our goal is to teach and insist upon accurate news coverage of the Lindenwood community," Pettit said. Please call Pettit (x4364 (S3120) or production manager Dune Trull in the J-lab (x4336 S3095) with questions. Pettit taught and advised publications for 10 years (1981-83 at Lindenwood) and has been in the newspaper business for more than 25 years (22 years at the *Post-Dispatch*). Trull was in the newspaper business for 15 years.

Lions Win NAIA Wrestling National Championship

The Lindenwood wrestling team dominated the 50th annual NAIA National Championship and won the third national title in program history.

All 12 Lion wrestlers earned All-American honors at the meet as Lindenwood's depth helped it come out on top of the 27 other teams. Lindenwood scored 177 points at the competition, the fourth-most in NAIA history, and won by 67 points, which was the second-largest winning margin at the national wrestling championships.

Lindenwood took over the meet during

the quarterfinal round late Friday night. Eleven Lion wrestlers competed in the quarterfinals and eight won their matches. No other team in the top-five at that point had more than three wrestlers remaining in the championship bracket.

The Lions continued their dominance on day two of the meet with four wrestlers advancing to the championship match and two winning individual NAIA crowns. Lindenwood also had success in the

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Did You Know...

In 1924, Lindenwood's bursar wrote:

"Distinctive courses for women have been embodied in the curriculum so that the training would be both intellectual and practical. An attempt is made to fit young women for their natural sphere in life—as homemakers. It is earnestly believed that an education for women must be not only ornamental but useful."



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Kacky Garner to Market Boone Home, Weldon Spring Site

Lindenwood welcomes new staff member Kacky Garner as the director of marketing for the Daniel Boone and Weldon Spring sites. Garner starts today in the position, which is new to the university. In her new role, Garner will market academic programs at both sites, as well as handle fund raising, tourism and special events at the Boone Home.

Garner was district director for U.S. Senator Jim Talent for four years. In that position, Garner ran an office in the St. Louis area for Senator Talent. Prior to that, she worked for 11 years in Washington, D.C., for U.S.

Congresswoman Jo Ann Emerson (eighth congressional district in Missouri) and her husband, Bill Emerson, who served in that seat before her. Garner currently lives in St. Charles.

“I have a passion for Lindenwood,” she said. “I have been interested in it for a long time. I have worked with the school on some government issues and am interested in what the school means to



Kacky Garner

the students and the community.”

Garner will be based at the Weldon Spring site and will spend quite a bit of time working out of the Boone site. She said she is learning more about Lindenwood and the Boone and Weldon Spring sites and is looking forward to getting the word out about them.

Lindenwood Wrestlers Win National Title

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wrestlebacks, having one third-place finish, two fourth-place showings, three fifth-place winners, one sixth-place finisher and one wrestler coming in seventh place.

Jake Dieffenbach (House Springs, Mo./Oakville) became the fifth Lion wrestler in school history to win two national titles when he won the 165-pound crown this year. Dieffenbach went 5-0 at the national meet, including a 9-8 win in the championship match.

Lindenwood dominated the 174-pound weight class with both of its wrestlers advancing to the championship bout. John Salter (Mt. Olive, Ala.) earned a narrow 3-1 decision over Matt Cauley (O’Fallon, Mo./Fort Zumwalt West) to win the title.

Head coach Joe Parisi was named the NAIA national coach of the year after

the meet. It was the third time that he has received that honor.

The victory capped off one of the best seasons in Lindenwood wrestling history. Among the other highlights were the Lions winning the NAIA National Dual Championship and the NAIA Eastern Regional Championship and having a perfect 8-0 dual record. The national title for the wrestling program was its third this decade, as it also won in 2002 and 2005. The Lions have now finished in the top five nationally for seven straight seasons.

The title was the eighth NAIA national championship for the Lindenwood athletics department, including the seventh since 2002. Including all sports, it was the 22nd overall national championship for Lindenwood.

Classes Encouraged to Attend Martha Ackmann Lecture

Lindenwood's faculty are invited to bring entire classes to the March 8 lecture by Martha Ackmann.

Ackmann, LU Class of '73 and author of "The Mercury 13: The True Story of Thirteen Women and the Dream of Space Flight," will speak at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 8, at Lindenwood's Hyland Performance Arena. The event is the first in a new series of lectures in which high-profile alums return to campus to speak.

Professors are asked to get their tickets from the LU Box Office in Roemer Hall or the Welcome Center. For information on tickets, please contact Charlise Floyd at 949-4909.

Ackmann is a member of the gender studies faculty at Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts. Her best-

selling book tells the remarkable story of women pilots who were secretly tested to be astronauts in the early days of the U.S. space program. When the women scored too well, NASA scrapped the experiment.

"The Mercury 13" received the Amelia Earhart Medal for outstanding contributions to women and flight and the Media Prize from the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

Ackmann has appeared on the "Today" show, CNN, NPR, and the BBC. A popular speaker, she has lectured at the Kennedy Space Center, for many colleges around the country and abroad and for audiences ranging from the Arizona Women Lawyers to the Texas National Guard.

Spring Fling Approaching; Includes Faculty/Staff Game

This year, Spring Fling will be April 20-29. Student Activities will again be running a number of activities during this time. Any recognized student organization, athletic team and dorm is encouraged to participate in Spring Fling by sponsoring an event. This year, we are encouraging challenges between organizations, athletic teams and dorms.

Even though a few organizations already have booked an event, many opportunities still exist. If your group is interested in participating in Spring Fling, please call or stop by the Student Activities Office. The deadline for booking an event is Friday, March 9.

Furthermore, in addition to your organization, athletic team or dorm being promoted on all Spring Fling materials, your group's event will be

listed on the official Spring Fling 2007 shirt sold by Student Activities.

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There will be a faculty/staff softball game at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, as part of Spring Fling festivities. The game will be held at the Lou Brock Sports Complex. Staff members who would like to play should email the Student Activities Office. Faculty members who would like to play should email Joe Cernik.

This game has significance—the last two games have been split and this will be the rubber match. The faculty won at Spring Fling last year, and the staff won the game during Welcome Week.

The same rules as those during Welcome Week will apply. We will again have walks, and team rosters will be limited to 12.

Get Blues Tickets for LU Nights at Scottrade Center

Spend a night with the St. Louis Blues as they go face to face with the Dallas Stars at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 8, and the Edmonton Oilers at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 29.

Simply show your Lindenwood ID at

the Scottrade Center box office to purchase your ticket for \$20 (\$100 value). Tickets will be for lower bowl seating and will be available 90 minutes before the game begins.

Only one ticket may be purchased per Lindenwood ID.

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This past J-term, the Foreign Language Department of Lindenwood University offered an 18-day travel experience trip to Peru. Fifteen students participated in this fantastic Spanish language and culture combination course, and visited many historically, culturally and socially significant sites, such as the very famous Machu Picchu Inca ruins. The students were accompanied by their Spanish Professor, Nancy Cloutier-Davis. This course was designed to offer all students the opportunity to experience and learn first hand about the many aspects of life of this very diverse Spanish-speaking nation

Coffee Conversations Will Deal with Dawkins' Works

The Coffee Conversations series will deal with two works by author Richard Dawkins on Thursdays, March 15 and 22. Both programs will be from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Leadership Room of the Spellmann Campus Center.

The panel discussions and question-and-answer session will deal with Dawkins' works "The God Delusion" on March 15 and "The Virus of Faith" on March 22. The discussion is sponsored by Phi Sigma Tau, the Religion program, the Philosophy program and the Honors College.

Psychology Club Sponsoring Lectures

The Psychology Interest Club is sponsoring two guest speakers on topics selected by the members. The club is open to all students interested in psychology. Students do not have to be psychology majors to attend the programs.

7 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, College Students and Sleep, presented by

clinicians from the SSM Sleep Disorder Clinic, Spellmann Center Leadership Room (4th floor)

7 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, Career Opportunities in Sports Psychology, presented by Joe Stanley, Spellmann Center Leadership Room (4th floor)

Anyone interested may contact Marilyn Patterson at x4526.