

New Associate Joins IA Team

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Elizabeth King has been named Institutional Advancement Associate at Lindenwood University. She provides support in planning and executing alumni and development special events, assists with solicitation activities, and coordinates communication with current and prospective donors.



She brings more than 10 years of experience to the position, including employment as a promotions coordinator for the American Poolplayers Association and as a marketing specialist for MasterCard Worldwide. She most recently worked for three years as community events manager at Baue Funeral Homes in St. Charles.

King is a Lindenwood alumna, having earned a bachelor's degree in mass communication in 2000 and a graduate degree in communication from the University in 2001. She said she is looking forward to using her skills and talents to benefit her alma mater.

"When this opportunity came about, I thought it was a wonderful way to reconnect with the University. It's very exciting to be able to use my strong event planning and organizational experience to help the Institutional Advancement Office meet its goals."

King resides in O'Fallon, Mo., with her husband, Jeremy, and dog, Jenny. Outside of work, she and her husband enjoy traveling and are members of the Midwest Jeep Thing club.

Did You Know?

Did you know...With earthquakes in the news recently, did you know that George Sibley wrote about the New Madrid earthquakes that occurred between 1811 and 1812? He reported seeing the Missouri River rolling backwards. At the time, George was in charge of Fort Osage near Kansas City, Missouri

New Coaches on Board in Athletics

Lindenwood University has welcomed to its athletics department Assistant Baseball Coaches Gary Ramirez and Nate Beuster, Head Gymnastics Coach Gretchen Goerlitz, and Assistant Women's Softball coach Glenn Knaebel.

Ramirez will focus on infield play and offensive training for the baseball team. He has extensive coaching experience at the high school and collegiate levels and also served as the owner and operator of Five Tool Baseball School in his hometown of West Covina, Ca., for more than 25 years.



Ramirez, Goerlitz, Beuster, Knaebel

"When I was leaving to come to St. Louis and saying goodbye, so many of the kids talked to me about how life-changing their experiences has been," Ramirez said. "Teaching them how to do well at something they love is very rewarding, and I'm ready to get

going here at Lindenwood.”

Beuster serves as Assistant Baseball Coach in charge of pitching. He earned an undergraduate degree in 2008 from Culver-Stockton College, where he also played baseball under Doug Bletcher, who is now Lindenwood’s head coach.

After graduation, Beuster earned a graduate degree in education from Lindenwood while serving as a graduate assistant and pitching coach. He then worked for two years as an assistant baseball coach at Bryon College in Dayton, Tenn., before accepting his current position.

“I’m looking forward to developing a top Division II baseball program at Lindenwood,” Beuster said. “Nineteen of our 36 players are freshman, so it’s going to be a unique and exciting challenge to see what this class can do.”

Goerlitz, Head Gymnastics Coach, is a native of Wisconsin. She earned an undergraduate degree in cognitive neuroscience in 2007 from the University of Denver and then coached gymnastics for one summer in Bermuda.

She earned a master’s degree in exercise physiology in 2009 from Texas Woman’s University before working as the head gymnastics coach at Centenary College of Louisiana. There, she gained valuable experience in building a school program that helped prepare her for her role at Lindenwood.

“Right now, I’m recruiting and working on putting the program together,” said Goerlitz. “I have a couple of girls to train with this year and we are shooting to have a full team by next fall. We will begin competing in 2013.”

Knaebel is the new assistant softball coach. He served as a part-time coach last year and as an assistant softball coach from 2009-2010 at Saint Louis University. Originally from Jefferson City, he has been involving in coaching for many years.

“Instead of going on to play after graduation, I took a scholarship to coach at Lincoln University near my hometown and just ran with it from there,” Knaebel said. “I share with Lindenwood the desire to compete for a national championship and create a top 25-program.”

Employee of Month Nominations Open

Don't forget to submit your nomination for Employee of the Month to Judy Shanahan in the president's office.

The Employee of the Month program honors top employees at the University who serve in an exemplary manner. All nominees must be permanent full-time employees who exhibit a positive and supportive attitude.

To nominate someone, please write a brief essay explaining why a particular employee should be considered. Some qualities might include outstanding achievement, performance, creative contributions, or improvement beyond what is normally expected of employees; demonstration of outstanding service to Lindenwood; and projection of a friendly, considerate attitude toward co-workers, students, and visitors.

Nominations are not complete without the enthusiastic support of the employee's supervisor. Please send nominations to jshanahan@lindenwood.edu.