

## Kane Reaches 30-Year LU Anniversary

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Housekeeper Larry Kane recently celebrated 30 years of employment at Lindenwood University. He officially reached the milestone on April 5, 2013.



Kane came to Lindenwood from his previous employer, Rockwell International, in 1983. He's worked in the University's Housekeeping Department since then and is currently responsible for duties within Cobbs, Parker, Guffey, and Flowers Halls.

"I've seen three presidents during my time here, and I've watched the campus grow from what seemed like it was just a few hundred kids or so," Kane said. "Lindenwood has grown to become part of my life, a very important one. I'd like to see my grandkids go here someday."

The St. Louis native resides in Troy, Mo., with his wife of 37 years, Faith. The couple enjoys spending time with their children, Corina and Andrea, and grandchildren, Nicholas and Alex.

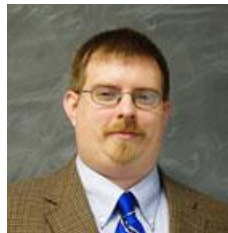
## Did You Know?

**Did you know that in October 1980 four of the top Olympic women's field hockey teams played a couple of exhibition games at Lindenwood? Earlier that year, the United States had boycotted the Summer Olympics in Moscow because of the Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan. Field hockey has been a sport at LU since the 1920s.**

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## Wintz Paper to Appear in Math Journal

Nick Wintz, PhD, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, has written a research paper that has been accepted for publication by the Journal of Mathematical Analysis and Applications. The title of the piece is "The Kalman Filter for Linear Systems on Time Scales."



The original discrete filter can be attributed to R.E. Kalman in 1960. One of the first applications of the filter was navigating to the moon during the Apollo program. Since then, the Kalman filter and its variants have been used in applied problems that include navigation,

weather, ballistics, facial recognition, and financial markets.

“The Kalman filter is essentially an observer that estimates a process whose information is missing or corrupted,” said Wintz. “At the same time, the goal is to minimize the error in this estimate.”

Wintz co-authored his paper about the Kalman Filter for linear systems on time scales with his former dissertation advisor Martin Bohner, PhD, of Missouri University of Science and Technology. The paper discusses a hybrid filter created by the pair that can estimate processes with discrete or continuous measurements, or a combination of the two.

“As a result, the discrete and continuous versions are special cases,” Wintz said. “At the same time, their filter retains the numerical ease of the original filter.”

Wintz will review the research article one final time before it appears in the scholarly publication. A preprint of the article is now available at [bit.ly/WintzPaper](http://bit.ly/WintzPaper).

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## Dames Speaks in Indonesia

Christina Dames, PhD, Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Sociology, delivered an address on May 22 at the Center for Southeast Asian Studies in Jakarta, Indonesia. The title of her presentation was, “Credit and Change in Kalimantan Barat.”



Dames was invited to give the presentation by Yosef Djakababa and Amelia Dotulong Liwe, founders of the Center for Southeastern Asian Studies in Indonesia. She has known the duo since her time as a student at the University of Wisconsin – Madison, where they served as her Indonesian language instructors.

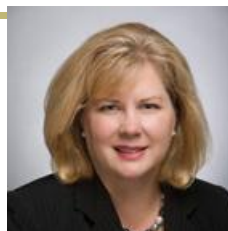
During her presentation, Dames discussed the spread of formal financial institutions in the expansive, rugged, and sparsely populated province of Kalimantan Barat. In addition to banks, credit and savings services are becoming increasingly available to the general population there.

Dames' address explored the far-reaching effects this growing accessibility to financial institutions has had in terms of work, transportation, education, and healthcare. She also investigated the different ways in which people are using various institutions during this financial transformation in the region.

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## Mangels Selected for FOCUS St. Louis Leadership Class

Susan Mangels, PhD, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, has been selected as a member of the



FOCUS St. Louis® 2013-2014 Leadership St. Louis (LSL) class. She joins a prestigious and diverse group of nearly two thousand community leaders who have graduated from the LSL program since its inception in 1976.

FOCUS St. Louis® is the region's premier leadership organization. It's a nonprofit that develops and connects diverse leaders from public, private, and civic sectors, and empowers them to work together to build a thriving St. Louis community.

As a member of this year's LSL class, Mangels will complete an 18-day, 9-month curriculum that explores such issues as economic development, education, poverty and social services, racism, arts and culture, and the criminal justice system.

"I'm excited to be chosen for this year's LSL class and I'm looking forward to connecting many people with the great things we have going on at Lindenwood," she said.

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