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## **Did You Know?**

Did you know alumna Betty Cole Dukert ('46) went on from Lindenwood to eventually become producer of NBC's award-winning *Meet the Press*? She held the position for four decades before retiring in 1998.

## **Turner Wins Award for Teaching Excellence**

Julie Turner, associate professor and department chair of nonprofit administration, was recognized by the Emerson Excellence in Teaching Awards program on Nov. 22 at the Ritz-Carlton, St. Louis. The Excellence in Teaching Awards annually recognize more than 100 educators in the St. Louis metropolitan area – from kindergarten teachers to college professors – who are examples of excellence in their field.



Turner, who has worked at Lindenwood for over eight years, said she was surprised and humbled by the award.

"I truly enjoy finding new and innovative ways to deliver content and to energize instructional practices, so to have these efforts noticed is very rewarding," Turner said. "Making learning fun and relevant brings me great satisfaction!"

Award recipients are selected by the chief administrators of their school districts or educational institutions. The employing educational institution must be located in the St. Louis metropolitan area, which includes Franklin County,

Jefferson County, St. Charles County, St. Louis City, St. Louis County; and (in Illinois) Jersey County, Madison County, Monroe County, and St. Clair County.

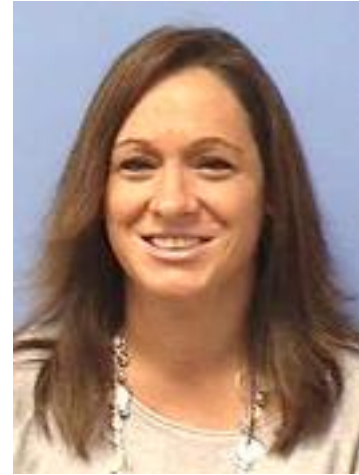
## **Brownfield Appointed Executive Assistant to President at Belleville**

Lindenwood University-Belleville President Brett Barger is pleased to announce the appointment of Belleville native Jill Brownfield as the new executive assistant to the president effective Nov.

23. Brownfield has a Bachelor of Arts in psychology from Eastern Illinois University and a Master of Arts in criminology and criminal justice from University of Missouri—St. Louis.

Brownfield comes to Lindenwood-Belleville from Volkert, Inc., where she was the executive assistant and office administrator since 2007.

“I am honored and enthusiastic to be part of Lindenwood University,” Brownfield said. “This University has transformed the lives of many successful students and the city of Belleville. Being born and raised in Belleville, I am excited to be part of Lindenwood’s ongoing growth and success.”



## **Williamson Appointed to O’Fallon YMCA Board of Directors**

Dean of First-Year Programs and Associate Professor of Education Dr. Shane Williamson was appointed to the O’Fallon YMCA Board of Directors. Williamson was recommended to serve on the board by Dr. Patrick Walker, associate professor of nonprofit administration at Lindenwood.

After being interviewed by the Board Development Committee and the chair of the Board of Directors, Williamson accepted the offer to serve on the board on Nov. 16.

Williamson has been involved with the O’Fallon YMCA in several ways, including coaching basketball for the past two years. Her son also attends the YMCA summer camp.



“It is a true honor to serve on the O’Fallon YMCA Board of Directors, because it allows me an opportunity to give back to an organization that has done so much for me, my family, and the community,” Williamson said. “The YMCA is aligned with my priorities and that is putting God and family first.”

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