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Do You Know?

Do you know that Lindenwood University offers limited versions of Microsoft products at a discounted price for students as well as faculty and staff? The Microsoft Student Select program allows students, staff, and faculty at Lindenwood University to purchase full featured, perpetually-licensed software at special academic discounts up to 80 percent off retail price. The list of software includes Microsoft Office 2011 for Mac, Microsoft Office 2010, Project 2010, Visio 2010, and Microsoft Windows 7.

For more information, visit the <u>software purchase program page</u> on the Lindenwood website.

Rodgers to Lead Academic Support as Associate VP

Dr. Christie Rodgers will assume the position of associate vice president for Student and Academic Support Services (SASS) on March 1. The announcement was made last week by Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Marilyn Abbott.

In her new role, Rodgers will be primarily responsible for the university's efforts to foster student persistence and completion. She will also be over Butler Library, the Office of First-Year Programs,



the new Sophomore Engagement Program, and the SASS mentoring office for at-risk students.

"Lindenwood is developing an exciting new program to improve student engagement and retention," Abbott said. "Dr. Rodgers' expertise in this area will be key to its success. She and her team are already planning a variety of initiatives to connect with our students, particularly with the new freshman who will arrive in August. "

SASS, for which Rodgers has been dean since 2009, offers a variety of services to students to help them to succeed academically, including mentoring, tutoring, and disability services. SASS is also the primary point of contact for faculty who have concerns about specific students. In addition to overseeing these services, Rodgers functions as the student ombudsman, acting as a neutral problem solver between students and university personnel.

Rodgers is excited about the potential for teambuilding among faculty and staff in order to offer greater support to new and continuing students.

"During my 26 years within higher education, my favorite and most memorable experiences have been the one-on-one time spent with students and watching them achieve their academic goals," Rodgers said. "I am very excited for this new role in bringing our academic support teams together to enhance the academic experience for our students."

Dean Cynthia Bice Recognized By Ingram's

Congratulations to Dr. Cynthia Bice, dean of the School of Education, who was honored last week as an Icon of Education by *Ingram's, the Kansas City Business Magazine*. Bice received her award at a luncheon February 10 in Liberty, Mo. As one of 11 winners in Missouri, she and the others will be featured on the magazine's cover later this month.

Pictured is Dr. Bice and her husband, Doug.



Reuter Attends Reception at Scott Air Force Base

Mary Reuter, assistant vice president and executive director of community relations, attended a reception welcoming General Carlton D. Everhart II to Scott Air Force Base.

General Everhart II was honored to celebrate his recent appointment as commander of the United States Air Mobility Command. The reception was hosted by the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois, the Civic Progress, Regional Business Council, the St. Louis Regional Chamber, and the Belle Scott Committee.



Business and civic leaders from across the Bi-State region also heard directly from General Everhart regarding the important work that the Air Mobility Command has been involved in and learned about his distinguished military career.

General Everhart brings more than 30 years of decorated military service experience to his new position as commander of the Air Mobility Command. General Everhart's range of experiences will aid him in assuming the vast responsibilities that come with being the Commander of the Air Mobility Command, which is tasked with providing swift global mobility for every branch of the United States military, as well as coordinating humanitarian aid efforts on both a national and global scale. Air Mobility Command's mission encompasses more than 130,000 active-duty and Air Reserve Component military and civilian personnel.

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