

Adam Ulrich Selected as Employee of the Month

CAMS Manager Adam Ulrich is as close to a home-grown Lindenwood employee as one could get. Ulrich has three degrees from Lindenwood, his first obtained in 1993, and he has worked his entire professional career at the university. He can add to that pedigree "Employee of the Month" for April 2009.



Everyone knows Ulrich--not just as the person to go to for help with the CAMS system but also as a devout fan of the St. Louis Blues and Cardinals who has enormous pictures of the old and new Busch stadia on the walls of his office.

Ulrich came to Lindenwood in 1989, when the school was in the midst of a big enrollment push to try to rebuild the student base. Ulrich's father knew a member of the football coaching staff for the new Lions football team, and he referred Ulrich to the school. A native of St. Louis and the oldest of six children, he said Lindenwood offered him a better scholarship package than any of his other choices.

"My parents did not have a lot of money for college, and of my various options Lindenwood was the only affordable one if I wanted to live on campus," Ulrich said.

He completed his bachelor's degree in 1993 and went directly into the MBA program, which he completed in 1995. During his time in grad school, he worked as a graduate assistant in the Registrar's Office.

"A couple of months after graduation, I found out about an opening in the Registrar's Office," Ulrich said. "This was before it was called Academic Services."

He began his professional Lindenwood career in September 1995 as a data coordinator, in which capacity he helped students, answered the phone and entered data. Since then, he has also been director of international services, director of records and CAMS manager.

Ulrich got involved in the CAMS project from the very beginning as part of the implementation team and continues to work to integrate the various offices and make sure that the system works appropriately for the responsibilities of each office.

One of his other duties as to continue to help with the annual Commencement exercises; his part of that is to make sure that every student gets a name card and that everyone is lined up correctly. On graduation day, he helps to ensure that everything goes the way it is supposed to.

Like most employees of the month, Ulrich was surprised to be chosen for the honor, which automatically puts him in the running for Employee of the Year with the other employees of the month from 2009.

"I thought it was a joke at first," Ulrich said. "I don't look at myself as someone who seeks attention. I just try to come in and do my job the best I can. It's definitely flattering that there are people who think enough about me to nominate me for this and then select me for it."

Did You Know?

Did you know that during the 1950s and early 1960s Lindenwood had to use Quonset huts to accommodate the college's office space needs? Quonset huts were designed by the U.S. Navy during World War II to serve as sturdy all-purpose structures that could be built quickly and at little cost. After WWII, the U.S. sold these buildings for \$1,000 each as military surplus. Lindenwood's two Quonset huts were located in what is currently the parking lot at Roemer Hall.

Morros Heading Up Women's Leadership Giving Initiative

Lucy Morros, Ph.D., vice president of institutional advancement, has been named Lindenwood's campus coordinator for the St. Louis' Women's Leadership Giving Initiative (WLG I). She will work to identify, encourage, and recognize women who donate \$1,000 or more to the United Way of Greater St. Louis.

"I think it's going to be a very interesting project," Morros said. "It will work well because Lindenwood is such a strong community supporter and the United Way also does such great things in the community. It's a perfect mix."

The United Way organization supports a system of 200 local health and human service agencies in a 16-county service area in Missouri and Illinois. The WLG I was founded in 1996 by Ellen Sherberg, publisher of the *St. Louis Business Journal*, and has raised nearly \$35 million since its establishment.



LU Commons Groundbreaking Tuesday

A ceremony celebrating the groundbreaking of the LU Commons, Lindenwood's new student center, is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, in front of the Hyland Performance Arena. Attendees are invited to arrive one half-hour early to enjoy free ice cream, cotton candy, popcorn, snow cones and more. Following remarks from city, county and Lindenwood dignitaries, a symbolic groundbreaking will take place.

The 115,000-square-foot LU Commons will feature three basketball courts and one multipurpose court, a suspended track, a variety of exercise and fitness equipment, an additional cafeteria complete with a la carte stations and a large central dining hall, music and game rooms, a mail room, laundry facility, student organization meeting rooms, and office space.

"This is a very exciting building," said Julie Mueller, vice president for operations and finance and chief operating officer. "There truly will be something for everyone."

Early Check-In Established for Lindenwood

For the first time ever, Lindenwood will offer students the opportunity to check-in early before the start of the fall semester. From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., July 20-24, students can visit specific administrative offices, collect verification that all requirements have been satisfied, and then be eligible to check directly into the appropriate residential facility or attend the first day of class on Monday, Aug. 24.

Students will first visit the Business Office to obtain a check-in booklet and address any outstanding balances, and then move on to Financial Aid to verify their grant and scholarship information. The third stop will be the Work and Learn Department, where students will obtain their assignments and student identification cards. They will sign a Buckley Waiver and an emergency text message form in the Student Development Office, and then complete a housing and emergency contact form in the Housing Office to complete the process.

An official stamp will be used to verify that the necessary requirements have been met at each station. If an outstanding issue remains, students will not be able check-in until that issue is resolved.

Seniors can check-in on Monday, July 20; juniors on Tuesday, July 21; sophomores on Wednesday, July 22;

and freshmen on Thursday, July 23. On Friday, July 24, students with all amounts of credit hours can check in early.

For those who do not to take advantage of this opportunity, normal check-in dates are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., August 22-23, in the Hyland Performance Arena. Individuals whose last names begin with the letters A-M will be served on Saturday and those whose names begin with the letters N-Z will be served on Sunday.

For more information, please contact the Student Development Office at 636-949-4985 or at studentdevelopment@lindenwood.edu.



Mary Sibley's Attic Sale May 9

Residents of Cobbs Hall have resurrected the traditional Mary Sibley's Attic yard sale. Students and faculty are invited to sell their wares from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 9, in the Welcome Center parking lot.

"The money we raise will be used for restoration projects around the dorm," said Joe Thorp, resident director of Cobbs Hall. "My hope is that we can make this an annual event, but make a different dorm the beneficiary each year."

The cost to rent space for Saturday's sale is \$20. To reserve a spot, please call Thorp at 636-255-5399.



Lindenwood Athletic Headlines (May)

--Seven Lindenwood programs will compete in their national championship events throughout the month of May. Women's lacrosse and cycling compete this week, women's golf and men's lacrosse have their competitions in the second full week of May, followed by men's and women's track and men's golf championships in the third week.

--The Lions baseball team will host the NAIA Opening Round Tournament on May 12-15 at the Lou Brock Sports Complex. Four teams will join Lindenwood in the double elimination bracket with the winner advancing to the NAIA World Series.

--Lindenwood is one of the co-host for the 2009 NAIA Outdoor Track and Field Championships that will take place on May 21-23 in Edwardsville, Ill.

Last Week's Postseason Results --The Lady Lions softball team ended its season last week with a pair of 2-1 losses to Central Methodist in the best-of-three HAAC Semifinals. Lindenwood ends the year with a 36-27 overall record.

--Lindenwood won four conference titles last week in women's golf, men's and women's outdoor track and field, and men's lacrosse.

The complete Lindenwood athletics weekly newsletter is available at this link:
<http://www.lindenwood.edu/athletics/newsletter/current.pdf>