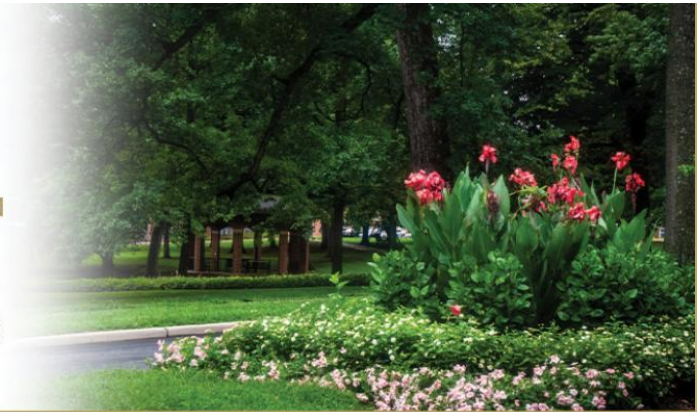


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EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER



April 3, 2024

CAMPUS-WIDE NEWS BROUGHT STRAIGHT TO **YOUR INBOX.**

GOOD MORNING LINDENWOOD LIONS!

Giving Week is Underway!



Giving Week 2024 runs through Saturday, April 6. This year marks the fourth annual celebration of philanthropy. This fundraising and community engagement initiative offers a chance for Lions all over the world to band together to show support of Lindenwood's

current and future students.

The Advancement department will have a table set up with Lindenwood swag Friday in Spellmann Center from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

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Eclipse Watch Party

First Year Programs is hosting a watch party for the solar eclipse from Monday, April 8, from 12:30-2:30 p.m. on the Evans Commons lawn. Mark your calendars for food, prizes, music, and more. Viewing glasses will be provided.

Applications for PRIDE Fund Now Open

The Office of Research and Creative Activity invites you to submit a project to be considered for the 2024-25 PRIDE Fund!

The President's Research, Innovation, and Development toward Excellence (PRIDE) Fund provides faculty and staff with support for projects promoting research, scholarship, and creative activity.

This internal grant allows faculty and staff to test new ideas, provide runway for pilot projects, develop new partnerships and experiences, and create pathways to innovation. The competitive annual award funds projects on an application basis for projects implemented over the course of the academic year. The PRIDE Fund is particularly invested in supporting projects with:

- A prospect of future funding, partnership, or ongoing development
- Engagement with student experiences and opportunities
- Space for engagement with community partners or regional issues
- Interdisciplinary collaboration across the institution

[Additional information](#) about the PRIDE Fund is available.

Award Timelines

- PRIDE Fund application opened Monday, April 1
- Applications due Tuesday, April 30
- Award notifications will be made Monday, June 3
- Project period runs from Monday, July 1 through Monday, June 30, 2025

Contact [Laura Wehmer-Callahan](#) with questions.

Setting You Up for Financial Success

Join President Dr. John R. Porter and First Lady Beverly Porter as they share practical tips to help young adults navigate their finances during and after college Tuesday, April 9, from 12:15-1 p.m. in Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall.

Discover their best pieces of advice they learned from their own experiences. Explore common financial challenges and straightforward strategies to overcome them.

This event is free, but registration is required. Join in-person or virtually via Teams.

Faculty and staff can earn professional development credit. Encourage students to participate by sharing the [link](#) on your Canvas course pages and offering class incentives. Light snacks will be provided.

This event is part of the Get Money Smart @ Lindenwood series, as well as the campus and community outreach of the Economic Education Center.



[Register](#)

Ballot of the Lions

Ballot of the Lions is an immersive voter-experience event that demystifies the voting experience in Missouri, and it offers resources on how to vote. Vote for the best organization, club, or sports team on campus. This event will be held Wednesday, April 10, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Library & Academic Resources Center Atrium. Winners will receive a T-shirt and gift card.

Medicare 101 Session

The Benefits Office is hosting a Medicare 101 session Monday, April 15, from 11 a.m.-noon in the Learning Academy, LARC 009. This is a hybrid session open to all employees. Learn about Medicare – understanding your choices, eligibility and enrollment, and more!

This session will be hosted by Ken Lanter, a licensed agent with United Healthcare Medicare Solutions.

Contact [Jessica Bucci](#) with any questions.

[Register](#)

Staff Scavenger Hunt

Join Staff Council at the Library & Academic Resources Center on Friday, April 12, from 2-4 p.m. for a scavenger hunt social! Gather with your department, friends, or both, and complete the scavenger hunt together.

Contact [Tim McNamee](#), [Shannon Kobal](#), or [Janet Owens](#) for more details.

PCB&E 15th Annual Golf Classic

The Robert W. Plaster College of Business and Entrepreneurship invites you to our 15th annual Golf Classic on Friday, April 26, at the Falls Golf Club in O'Fallon, Missouri. This student-led golf tournament helps raise funds in support of numerous experiential learning opportunities for current and future students.



The tournament will consist of golfing, raffles, a silent auction, as well as appetizers and drinks. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m.

Even if you're not a golfer, come out and join us for a day of fun!

[Register](#)

Media Inquiries – Faculty and Staff

In accordance with the University's [Communications Policies and Procedures](#), members of the Lindenwood faculty and staff who receive requests from the media for interviews or comments should contact the University Spokesperson before participating. The spokesperson will assist you in evaluating the request and provide guidance regarding participation. University Spokesperson Julee Mitsler can be reached [by email](#) or phone (636) 949-4913.



Recognize Employees Who Live Out Lindenwood's Core Values!

Use the [link](#) under the "Announcements" section on your Workday home screen to access the form that allows us to recognize employees that we see living out LU's core values.

Value: We put our students first.

One may not think of our Creative Director role as being very student-facing, but as manager, **Brad Hansen** works closely with student designers – sometimes for years. Brad has recently been recognized as a mentor by one of our current graduating student workers and will join them during the Honors Academy celebration on Friday, April 19. This is a testament to Brad's hard work and commitment to Lindenwood's first core value: We put our students first. This is also a perfect example that shows all of us can positively impact the student experience, regardless of our role. The training, direction, and support Brad offers our student workers give them an outstanding experience, with very positive real-world outcomes.

Value: We do what is right.

Department of Public Safety and Security Officer **Faith McKnight** consistently puts others first in her job and does so with grace and professionalism.

View all of the [submissions](#) that recognize employees who live out our values.

[Submit Your VIP Moment](#)



Feed Your Mind Fridays: Supervising Students in Curricular and Co-Curricular Experiences

April 5, noon-1 p.m.

Online

Feed Your Mind Fridays are brief discussions on current research and practice in higher education that are held on three Fridays during the Spring 2024 semester. These hourlong sessions are online only. We encourage faculty, staff, and students to join us for these thought-provoking, interactive sessions. Dr. Jamie Workman will lead the session.

[Register](#)

GenAI PLC Team

April 4, 11 a.m.-noon
Online

April 8, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Lindenwood Learning Academy, LARC 009

A Professional Learning Community (PLC) Team is a group of dedicated individuals who share an interest in promoting learning within the Lindenwood community. These teams share an interest in Generative AI and will focus on providing actionable steps to help Lindenwood faculty learn about GenAI and how/when to use it.

[Register](#)

Student Academic Showcase

April 9, noon-4 p.m.
Library & Academic Resources Center

The Student Academic Showcase is an event for students to display their scholarly and creative projects to Lindenwood faculty, staff, and fellow students. Students' work will be featured in poster formats or as presentations in concurrent oral sessions. The Welcome Session and the Oral Presentations will be livestreamed.

[More Information](#)

Performance Evaluation Training for Staff and Staff Administrators

April 9, 1-3 p.m.
Lindenwood Learning Academy, LARC, 010

This two-hour session is designed to train staff and staff administrators on how to complete final evaluations, which are due starting Tuesday, July 16, and run through Thursday, August 15. The first hour is designed to teach staff who are being evaluated on their responsibilities in the evaluation process. The second hour will train staff administrators on how to complete and review the final evaluation with their staff.

[Register](#)

AI Panel and Workshop

April 10, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Online

The College of Arts and Humanities is leading a panel and workshop to recap the state of available tools and their practical use for faculty in instructional and office settings. You will leave this session having worked with the tools and with a clearer understanding of their application for task completion.

[Register](#)



SPRING SEMESTER HOURS

LARC/LIBRARY SERVICES

- Monday-Thursday: 8 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Sunday: 2 p.m.-10 p.m.

EVANS COMMONS REC CENTER

- Monday-Friday: 6 a.m.-9 p.m.
- Saturday-Sunday: 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

LU BOX OFFICE

- Tuesday-Friday: Noon-4 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Sunday-Monday: Closed

STARBUCKS

- Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Saturday: Closed
- Sunday: 2 p.m.-9 p.m.

BOYLE FAMILY ART GALLERY

- Monday: 1-6 p.m.
- Tuesday: Noon-5 p.m.
- Wednesday-Friday: 1-6 p.m.
- Saturday-Sunday: Closed



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