Below please find the 28th edition of Communique, a weekly newsletter for Lindenwood University employees. If you have an item for Communique, please email <u>squeen@lindenwood.edu</u>

### **Three Holidays Added for Employees**

Lindenwood University employees will receive three additional holidays---two of them before the end of this year!!

President James D. Evans made the announcement Friday during the faculty/staff reception at the Lindenwood Club. He said the board of directors had approved adding Labor Day, the day after Thanksgiving, and Christmas Eve. The day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve are effective immediately.

## **Employee of Month Nominations Due**

Don't forget to submit your nomination for Employee of the Month. The program is to honor top employees at the university who serve in an exemplary manner. All nominees must be permanent full-time or part-time employees who perform at a high level and who exhibit a positive and supportive attitude.

To nominate someone, please write a 75- to 100-word essay explaining why a particular employee should be considered. Some qualities might include outstanding achievement, performance, creative contributions, or improvement beyond what is normally expected of employees; demonstration of outstanding service to LU; and projection of a friendly, considerate attitude toward faculty, staff, students and visitors.

Nominations are not complete without the enthusiastic support of the employee's supervisor. Please send nominations to Judy Shanahan (<u>jshanahan@lindenwood.edu</u>) in the president's office.

### LU Staffers Descend on Belleville to Raise Money

Many Lindenwood employees worked together last month to successfully launch the second phase of a \$3.1 million Campaign for the renovation and expansion of the Belleville Campus. The breakfast kickoff October 23 already has brought in about \$100,000. President James D.

Evans and board members Mark Eckert and Mark Kern spoke, stressing our Belleville campus as a catalyst for growth and prosperity in the community.

President Evans discussed plans for a new Welcome Center, the renovation of the auditorium, classrooms and the library classroom building, as well as exterior landscaping. These are all a part of expanding the campus to meet the educational needs of working adults in the evenings as well as students interested in daytime programs at the baccalaureate and graduate levels.

Lindenwood University currently serves 1,500 Belleville-area residents. Enrollment is expected to exceed 5,500 students over the next decade. The renovation includes building suites adjacent to the historic lttner Auditorium, providing smart classrooms, modernizing classroom buildings, expanding parking opportunities, improved landscaping, and constructing a Welcome Center.

Since announcing naming opportunities available to be reserved on the Belleville Campus, Mary Radcliff, Belleville Campus Director, announced that the Reception Courtyard, the Sunken Garden, the Students Lounge , the Cafe, the Communications Studio, and others have already been sold.

#### Young Tretter has Lesson Plan Published in National Magazine

Alumna Laurie Tretter has had a lesson plan published in the January/February *Music K-8 Magazine*, put out by Plank Road Publishing. This lesson plan is featured in the "Network" section of the publication. Her lesson "Who want to be solfeged challenged?" is a game in which elementary students can practice the musical concepts taught using the Kodaly method of

teaching music. The lesson uses a piece of music put out by the magazine and is a spin-off of the popular game show *Who Wants to be a Millionaire*.

Laurie is the daughter of Dr. Sue Tretter, who has been on the Lindenwood faculty since 1994. Laurie received her Master of Arts in Educational Administration from Lindenwood University in 2004. She also received her B.A. of Music with an emphasis in Music Performance and Music Education from Lindenwood in 2002. She is currently working as an elementary music specialist for the Mehlville School District in St. Louis, MO. Laurie also received her Kodaly and Orff Level I music certifications from Webster University.

# Alum Candace Roberts Joins PR Staff as Graphic Designer

This week, the Public Relations Office welcomes Candace Roberts, who joins the staff as a graphic designer. In that capacity, Roberts will do design work in support of various projects conducted by the PR office.

Roberts is a May 2007 graduate of Lindenwood University; she holds a bachelor's degree in graphic design, was on the Dean's List and played outfield in 2004 and 2005 for the softball team.

Previously, Roberts worked at the University of Nevada–Las Vegas as a graphic designer and production analyst. Roberts joins Communications Director Scott Queen, Public Relations Coordinator Chris Duggan and part-time Graphic Designer Beth Kehl.

"I think it's great they've hired one of their former students," Roberts said. "I'm glad they gave me the opportunity to show what I can do."

# Faculty Display Work at Foundry Arts Centre

The works of Lindenwood art faculty John Troy, Sandy Burke and Grant Hargate are currently on display at the Regional Faculty Exhibition at the Foundry Arts Centre in St. Charles.

The exhibition opened on Nov. 2 and will remain up until Dec. 14 in Galleries I, II and III of the facility. The exhibit also includes work from faculty at Washington University, St. Louis University, University of Missouri–St. Louis, Fontbonne University, Maryville University, St. Louis Community College, St. Charles Community College and Southern Illinois University.

Hours at the Foundry Centre are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday through Saturday and 12 to 4 p.m. on Sunday. It is closed on Mondays. For more information, visit the Foundry Arts Centre website at <u>www.foundryartcentre.org</u> or call 636-255-0270.