

Lindenwood University

Digital Commons@Lindenwood University

Archived Lindenwood Press Releases

Public Relations

11-1-2012

Lindenwood Community Rallies to Support Injured Student

Lindenwood University

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.lindenwood.edu/press_releases



Part of the [Business and Corporate Communications Commons](#)

LINDENWOOD

Lindenwood Community Rallies to Support Injured Student

November 1, 2012

Nearly 300 people attended a prayer service Thursday in Hunter Stadium in support of Lindenwood University freshman Sterling Thomas, who suffered a severe spinal cord injury Saturday in the Lions' victory over Missouri Southern.



Sterling Thomas

Speakers included Lindenwood President James D. Evans, Athletics Director John Creer, Coach Patrick Ross, Head Athletic Trainer Randy Biggerstaff, team captain Malach Radigan, and Thomas' youth pastor from his home in Tulsa, Okla., Justin Taylor.

Ross told the crowd he was impressed by the Lindenwood community's support for Thomas and encouraged them to "be there for Sterling six months from now and a year from now" as well.

Radigan talked about Thomas' strong work ethic and constant drive for improvement. He also reflected on praying alongside Thomas on many occasions.

The common thread of the brief prayer service was support and prayer for Thomas and his family during his recovery.

After the service, hundreds of bracelets that say "ST #27 – LU SOLDIER" were being sold. All proceeds go to assist the Thomas family with their expenses. Anyone seeking to contribute to the Sterling Thomas fund at Lindenwood University should call Jane Baum at 636 949-4427 or email her at jbaum@lindenwood.edu.

Press Release Contact:

Public Relations

Lindenwood University
publicRelations@lindenwood.edu

© 1827-2012 Lindenwood University • 209 S. Kingshighway • St. Charles, MO 63301

Switchboard (636) 949-2000
Undergraduate Admissions (636) 949-4949
Evening & Graduate Admissions (636) 949-4933