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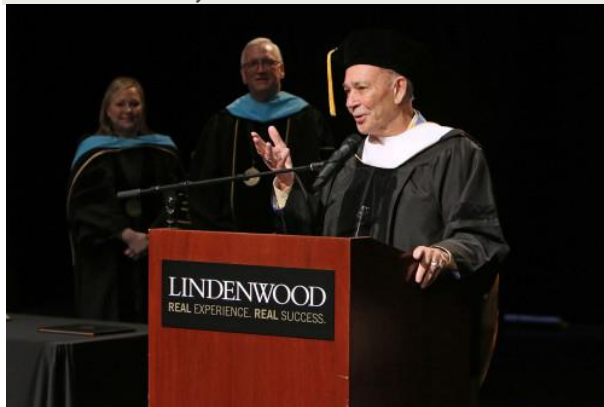
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Lindenwood University President Dr. John Porter awarded Jerry Scheidegger an honorary doctoral degree on October 13 at the Center for the Arts, which bears the Scheidegger name.

Scheidegger, born and raised in St. Charles, has spent years dedicated to serving others and giving to the community in impactful ways. A self-made business leader, he started his career as a vacuum salesman, and his entrepreneurial mindset propelled him forward.

“Jerry Scheidegger is a model of service, philanthropy, and community leadership. He gives generously to others and betters our society for future generations,” Lindenwood President Dr. John Porter said. “Today, we honor your service, philanthropy, and social innovation in the same building that bears your name. The J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts is an enduring reminder of your gifts and good works and will be a legacy that will benefit many generations to come.”

Committed to positive change, Scheidegger serves on the Lindenwood University Board of Trustees and is involved with other area organizations, including Bridgeway Behavioral Health, Youth in Need, Barnes Jewish Hospital, the Salvation Army, Midwest BankCentre, and Duchesne High School. His leadership and generosity have greatly blessed Lindenwood University, the St. Louis Crisis Nursery, and Habitat for Humanity.



Awarding this honorary degree is an outward representation of sincere appreciation and marked excellence demonstrated by Scheidegger. The degree was awarded in recognition of his humble service and passion for making the community a better place.

Joining Scheidegger at the ceremony were members of his family including his wife and fellow philanthropist Ruth Anne, St. Charles City Mayor Dan Borgmeyer, County Executive Steve Ehlmann, the Lindenwood University Board of Trustees, and campus community leaders.