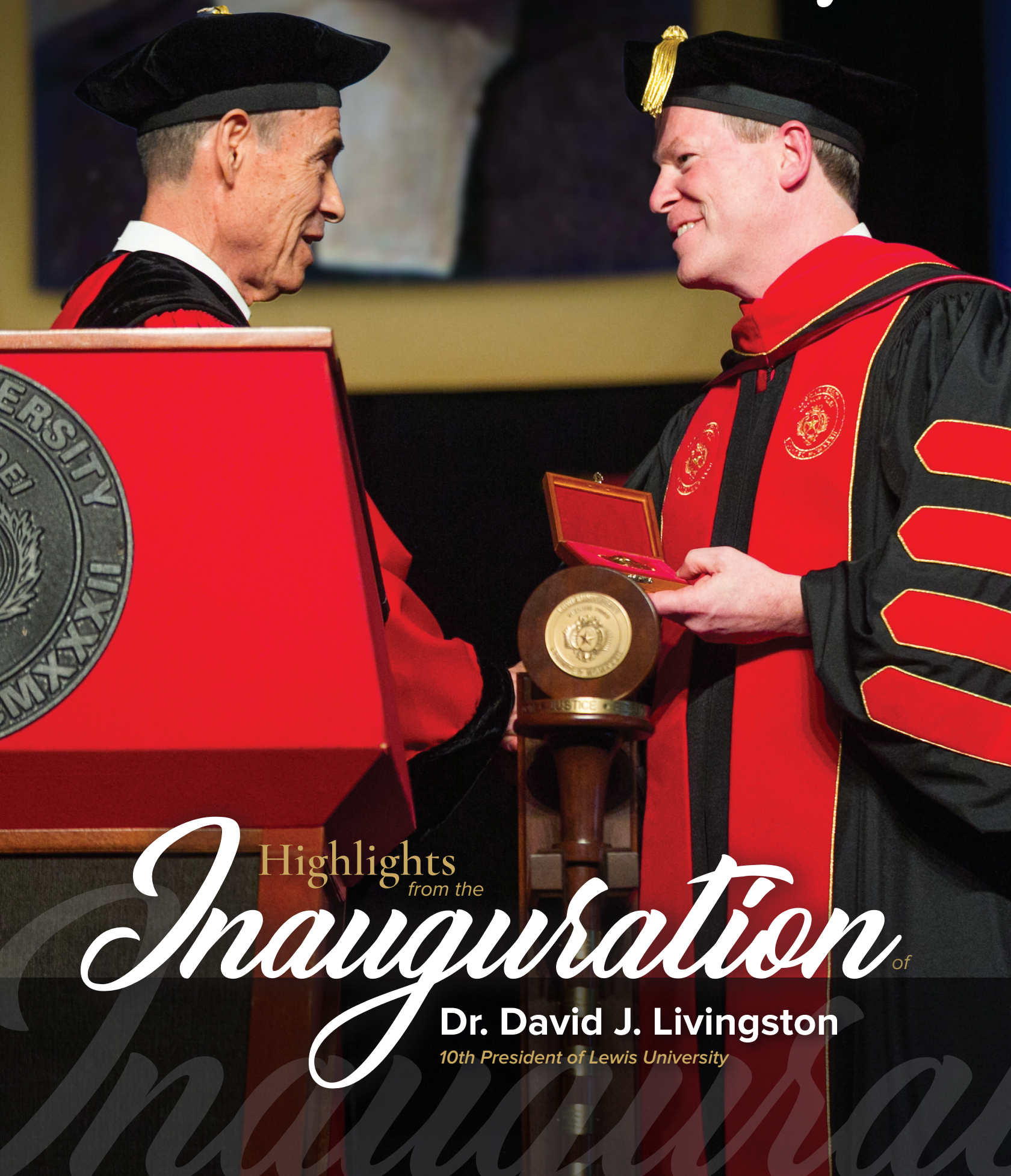


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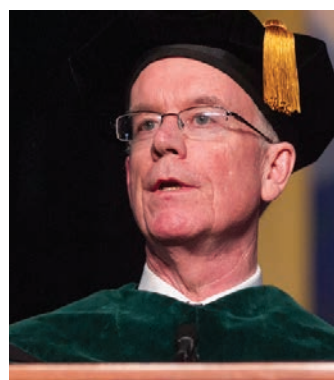
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## Inauguration Highlights



On the feast day of Saint John Baptist de La Salle, April 7, Dr. David J. Livingston was inaugurated as Lewis University's 10th president. Nearly 50 presidents and delegates from other colleges and universities were in attendance, as well as members of the Lewis Board of Trustees, De La Salle Christian Brothers, students, faculty, staff, alumni, benefactors, Livingston family members and friends.





Visit [lewisu.edu/inauguration](http://lewisu.edu/inauguration) to view the photo gallery, video and program from the day.

The day's festivities began with a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Bishop R. Daniel Conlon of the Diocese of Joliet. His homily message focused on how tradition needs to be translated. He said, "Our task is to be childlike in listening to the spirit. Listen to how we can take our wonderful Catholic tradition, Lasallian tradition and translate it into something with power, meaning and life for the students of this university and for our world."

Following the Mass, the inauguration began with an opening procession of delegates, faculty and administration who entered the Fieldhouse with "To Welcome a New Day" by Michael Stewart. The musical piece was specially commissioned for Dr. Livingston's Installation Ceremony. Stewart served as conductor of the *Signum Fidei* Brass Choir for the occasion.

During the ceremony, Brother Gustavo Ramirez Barba, FSC, General Councilor for Association and Mission for the Brothers of the Christian Schools headquartered in Rome, Italy, presented Livingston with the De La Salle Medallion which was blessed by Pope Francis.

Russ Smyth, Chair of the Lewis University Board of Trustees, presented Livingston the Chain of Office. It symbolizes the authority conferred as a sacred trust by the Board of Trustees to the president as the chief executive officer of Lewis University. By virtue of his office, the president is personally

entrusted with the responsibility of promoting the Mission and values that serve as the foundation of Lewis University's service to its students and its distinctive identity as a Catholic University in the Lasallian tradition.

"I believe that Lewis University is well positioned to deliver a meaningful and pragmatic education for our time," said Dr. Livingston during his inaugural address. "It is not enough that we educate students to learn a profession; we must prepare them for the professions we cannot imagine today."

Dr. Livingston offered four concepts – conversation, master learner, experiential learning and freedom – to describe how a contemporary education may help people navigate the changing world.

He said, "My wish for each of our students is that they leave feeling mastery in their subject area and confidence in their ability to make a living, while also knowing that they will enjoy the waves of change that lie ahead because Lewis prepared them with an



unquenchable desire to learn. I am so fortunate, for I have the privilege every day of listening in on this fascinating conversation.”

Dr. Livingston assumed the presidency on July 1, 2016 and brings more than 15 years of academic and leadership experience to Lewis University. Livingston previously led Lourdes University as president. Prior to that experience, he served Mercyhurst University for 16 years in various diverse capacities, including president of the Faculty Senate and vice president for Advancement. Prior to joining the Mercyhurst community, he taught religious studies at Loyola Academy High School in Wilmette, Vanderbilt University in Nashville, the University of St. Francis in Joliet, Joliet Catholic Academy and Loyola University of Chicago.

A native of Dundee, he received his bachelor's degree in chemistry from Augustana College; his master's degree in theology from Loyola University, and his doctorate in theology from Vanderbilt University.



# UNIVERSITY UPDATES

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## NEW CENTER WELCOMES PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

The new Admission Welcome Center has opened on the Romeoville campus. “The former La Salle House was transformed by the Facilities staff to provide a first-class welcome to our prospective students and families,” said Ray Kennelly, senior vice president of Enrollment Management.

The Admissions area had outgrown its previous space in the Brother Paul French, FSC, Learning Resource Center (LRC) due to the volume of

visitors. “It provides our visitors with as positive of an experience as possible, and great first impression of Lewis,” added Kennelly.

The new center is located with easy access to the front entrance of campus and includes dedicated visitor parking. The Admission Welcome Center features a reception area, presentation room and private interview spaces for families.

## PARKLAND COLLEGE GRADUATES GAIN A NEW AVIATION BACHELOR’S DEGREE OPPORTUNITY AT LEWIS



Representatives of Lewis University and the Institute of Aviation at Parkland College signed an articulation agreement Feb. 3 at Lewis University.

“This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to continue their studies and complement their flight training in other aviation fields,” said Wendy Evans, program recruiter for the Institute of Aviation at Parkland College.

The agreement allows Parkland College aviation students the opportunity to earn their associate degree at Parkland and then transfer into one of Lewis University’s seven aviation undergraduate programs to complete a bachelor’s degree. These programs include aviation flight, aviation maintenance, aviation and aerospace technology, air traffic control, unmanned aircraft systems, aviation administration and transportation administration.







## GROUNDBREAKING TAKES PLACE FOR GAFFNEY STUDENT CENTER

The groundbreaking ceremony for the new Student Center took place on April 25. This dynamic new facility in the heart of campus will be a focal point for students, faculty and staff.

The new Student Center will include an expansive new dining hall with a wide variety of food options, a 24-hour convenience store and café, offices for student government and campus organizations, a state-of-the-art gaming area and arcade, and open access space to relax, gather and build community.

The Student Center will be named in honor of President *Emeritus* Brother James Gaffney, FSC, the longest serving president in Lewis history who retired in 2016 after 28 years of dedicated service.

## THE FLYER EARNS AWARDS AT BEST OF THE MIDWEST JOURNALISM CONVENTION



*The Flyer* student newspaper was recognized by the Associated Collegiate Press with three awards

Feb. 19 at the media organization's Best of the Midwest Journalism Convention in Minneapolis.

*The Flyer* editors earned the coveted First-Place Best of Show award in the four-year less than weekly newspaper category. The publication was judged by professional journalists who evaluated the writing, content, layout, design and photography of a complete issue. Student editors' efforts were compared to the efforts of their peers from other Midwestern universities.

In the Newspaper Special Edition category, *The Flyer* was presented with a fifth-place award for its supplement "The Man, The Legend, The Leader" which focused on Brother James Gaffney's

28 years of service as president of Lewis University.

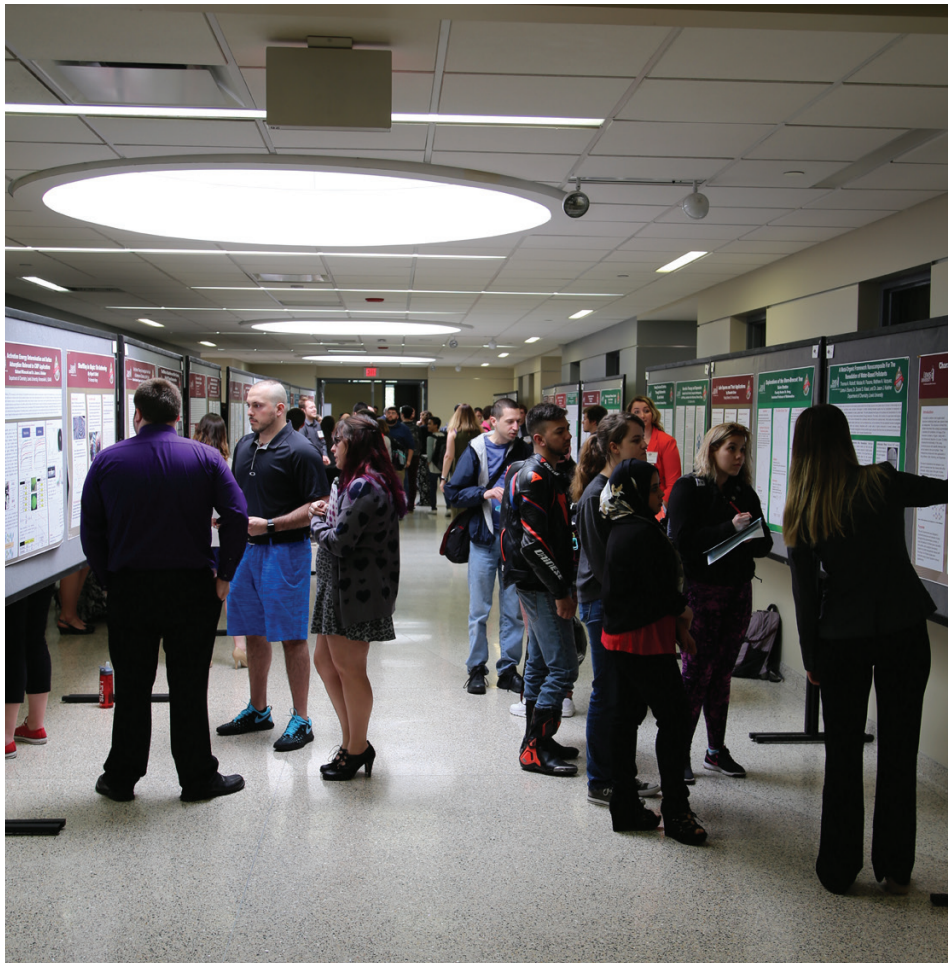
Co-news editor, Bree Scott, was presented with a tenth-place award for her column "Police Brutality: Then and Now." Scott's opinion piece reflected on losing her grandfather to police brutality over ten years ago, and how society continues to be affected by accusations of police brutality.

"Our student editors work tirelessly to produce a quality publication that serves the University community" said Lisa O'Toole, assistant professor of communications and adviser of the bi-weekly print edition. "Earning the first-place Best of Show award is especially poignant, as it recognizes a cohesive team effort."

Editors also included Georgianna Presecky, Elizabeth Hyland, Erin Patrick, Samantha Carlson, Kathleen O'Hagan,

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## 2017 CELEBRATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

Lewis University undergraduate students, graduate students and faculty showcased their scholarly work and creative endeavors April 20 during the Sixth Annual Lewis University Celebration of Scholarship.

The day began with a keynote from U.S. Representative Bill Foster [D-IL]. Congressman Foster is a scientist and businessman representing the 11th Congressional District of Illinois. He is the only physicist in Congress.

Foster serves on the House Committee on Financial Services, a position he also held in the 110th and 111th Congress, and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. He participated in the creation of several important reforms in the financial services and housing sectors, most notably the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

Congressman Foster's business career began at age 19 when he and his younger brother co-founded Electronic Theatre Controls, Inc., a company that

now manufactures over half of the theater lighting equipment in the United States.

His scientific career was as a high-energy physicist and particle accelerator designer at Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory (Fermilab). He was a member of the team that discovered the top quark, the heaviest known form of matter. He also led the teams that designed and built several scientific facilities and detectors still in use today, including the Recycler Ring, the latest of Fermilab's giant particle accelerators. When he first ran for Congress, his campaign was endorsed by 31 Nobel Prize Winners.

Throughout his career there were many family members, mentors and people who helped in each phase of his life. His father was a civil rights lawyer who wrote much of the enforcement language behind the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and both of his parents inspired him to go into public service.

During the day, there were 31 concurrent sessions, 119 posters, creative works displays and business plan presentations. Accepted Celebration of Scholarship entries were selected from submitted abstracts. Judges evaluated the poster presentations that reflected the best of undergraduate and graduate projects for the past year.

Awards were given to the following poster presentations.

In the graduate category the first and second place projects were: Early Mobilization for DVT Prevention by Natalie Curry with faculty mentor Dr. Stacie Elder, and Incorporating UAS-supplied Ground and Aerial Data into Emergency Response Applications by Eric Swanson, Robert Landers and Adam Abbasi with Dr. Randy DeMik as faculty mentor.

Because of the large number of undergraduate posters there were two



## THEATRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDS THEATRE FESTIVAL

Twelve Lewis students, along with theatre professors, Keith White and Kevin Trudeau attended the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival (KCACTF) held Jan. 10-15 in Indianapolis, Ind. KCACTF festivals showcase university productions and offer a variety of activities, including workshops, symposia, and student artists' individual recognition through awards and scholarships in playwriting, acting, criticism, directing, and design.

Third year student Zackary Abu-Shanab participated in the KCACTF Awards for Theatrical Design Excellence with his 2016 lighting design for the PLT production of "Clybourne Park." Student designers receive feedback from professionals working in the field with a possible opportunity to exhibit their work at the Kennedy Center.

Christy Carlson, Taylore Cephas and Michael Frale participated in the Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship Auditions. They competed with a partner performing a monologue and a scene in a 3-minute time period. The Lewis student acting partners were respectively Luke Murphy, Kayla Marie Carson and Sean Gallagher.

Other students who attended were Kevin Bukauski, Tyler Senjanin and Bradford Bingham, Jamie Voustros, and Adam Jezl Sikorski.



## FULFILLING THE DREAM

More than 120 high school students heard Troy Cicero's message on "Pain, Peace and Power" at this year's annual Fulfilling the Dream Conference, Feb. 28, held at the St. Charles Borromeo Convocation Hall.



Troy Cicero, president and chief skill officer at MulticultuReal Communications Inc., focused on celebrating differences among peers, living in a proactive way, and managing emotions to think rationally before acting.

During his keynote address, Cicero encouraged students to find solace through difficult times, "When you're in pain – physiological, mental, physical, and even if it's unbearable, when pain enters you when you're going after your dreams, find your peace to endure the pain. Pain yields power."

Prior to Cicero's presentation, students connected with college professionals to gather knowledge about the higher education process and steps to take to achieve their educational goals. Other sessions allowed students to practice professional mannerisms such as proper hand shaking and introducing oneself.

High schools in attendance included: Plainfield East High School, Oak Lawn Community High School, Bloom Trail High School, Elk Grove High School and Thornton Fractional North High School.

separate categories for awards – math and science, and humanistic disciplines.

The first place math and science poster was awarded to Chitosan and Sodium Alginate based Hydrogels for Cadmium (II) Ion Scavenging by Brittany Hauert with Dr. Jason Keleher as faculty mentor. Second place went to Characterization of Phenyl-Treated Silica Mesopores by Mikayla Bertrand with Dr. John Parker as faculty mentor.

First place in the humanistic category was awarded to Mother Nature and Modern Science: Complementary or Contraindicated? by Brian Grossart whose faculty mentor was Dr. Donna Martin. Second place went to Social Media Marketing's Effect on Brand Awareness and Success of Small Businesses by Allison Green whose faculty mentor was Dr. Shan Lin.

# BROTHER JAMES MILLER, FSC MAN, MARTYR, MISSION

**During the week of February 13-22, University Ministry and the Christian Brothers of Lewis University, in collaboration with the Midwest District, sponsored a series of programs and activities titled “Remembering Brother James (Santiago) Miller, FSC and Other Central American Martyrs” to honor the 35th Anniversary of Brother James Miller’s martyrdom in Guatemala. Brother James Miller devoted his life to improving the lives of young boys in Guatemala through education before being brutally shot to death while working outside of the De La Salle Indian Center on February 13, 1982, in the city of Huehuetenango.**

As a dedicated advocate for the poor, Brother James traveled across the globe to work toward peace, social justice, and human rights before his life violently ended. Members of the Lewis community joined together to hear more on the events surrounding his tragic death and the global ministry of the Christian Brothers.

“Brother James Miller was and still is a very special part of the legacy that Lewis University shares,” said director of University Ministry Steven Zlatic. “With everything that is happening in our country right now, it is important to not only honor the amazing work that Brother James Miller and the Christian Brothers do, but to also grow in global awareness and understanding.”



Brother James (Santiago) Miller, FSC was a simple farm boy born in 1944 near Stevens Point, Wisconsin. After completing his postulancy in Missouri, he received the religious habit and started his year in the Novitiate in 1962.

As part of his first teaching assignment, he taught several classes at Cretin High School in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Shortly after, he was sent to Bluefields, Nicaragua and was then reassigned to Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua in 1974. After being ordered by his superiors to leave, he

returned to the United States for a short period of time.

In 1981, he was asked to return to Central America, this time to Guatemala. “Brother James knew he was going back to face his death and would not be returning home,” said a reflection panel full of Christian Brother colleagues, friends, and family at one of the week’s events. “He was devoted to his work, and willing to die during the revolution in Guatemala. He was prepared to give up his life to finish the work of God.”

There he worked at a local Indian Center in Huehuetenango where he and Brother Paul Joslin, FSC acted as mentors to young men finishing up their high school career. In this area, it was very common for the Guatemalan military to round up young boys from the streets and recruit them into the army. Although students were exempt from military service, the indigenous boys from the Indian Center were often picked up and forced into the army.

A few days prior to Brother James’ death, a student had been taken from the Indian Center. One of the Brothers traveled to the military base to provide proof that the boy was a student, but he only infuriated the authorities. The Brothers were encouraged to travel in groups and never go outside alone after that incident. On February 13, 1982, Brother James went outside alone to repair the exterior wall of the Indian Center when three men approached and shot him.

“I was in shock and did not actually believe the news when I first heard it,” said Brother Paul Joslin, FSC, a friend and colleague of Brother James and university



minister. “We were advised not to leave the Indian Center alone, but he was right outside the front door when he was killed.”

Brother Paul returned to the United States with Brother James’ body a few days later and was inspired by the love and support from his family and friends during this tragedy.

“There is a strong belief that he was martyred over the Christian Brothers’ efforts to prevent the young Guatemalan boys from being pulled into the military. He believed in these young men and believed they had much potential to change the future of their country. We simply wanted to tell his story to the Lewis community,” added Brother Paul. “Brother James represents over 200,000 individuals who have met the same fate, yet remain nameless. In honoring him, we are also honoring all of those without a voice.”

Brother James had been well aware of the oppression of the Guatemalan Indian people, but he continued his mission to provide training in job and leadership skills for people he knew held so much potential.

Part of the two weeks of presentations included the dedication of The Brother James Miller, FSC Chapel in Lewis University’s St. Charles Borromeo Convocation Hall. This prayer space features a crucifix, an image of a sculpture of Br. James Miller, FSC, seating for eight, and a simple table. The University is grateful to Phil and Patty Dion whose generous donation in honor of Brother Philip Johnson, FSC, made the Brother James Miller, FSC Chapel possible.



## COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

Winter Commencement ceremonies were held for more than 800 students on Dec. 17 and 18.

On Saturday, 360 men and women were awarded master's degrees during the graduate degree ceremony. The Sunday schedule began with the Baccalaureate Liturgy. During the undergraduate degree ceremony, 458 students were awarded bachelor's degrees. The President's Reception for Graduates was held after both ceremonies for graduates and their guests.



**Austin Soukup** offered the Lasallian Address during the undergraduate ceremony. He earned a B.S. in Business Administration. His speech shared how the University Mission values and focus on ethics taught him to look at his future profession in a new way.



**Melissa Jimenez** received the Father Aquinas Colgan Award for her transformation while earning a B.A. in Social Work. The special recognition is awarded to a graduating senior at each of the University's undergraduate ceremonies held in May and December.



## SI SE PUEDE CONFERENCE

More than 60 students from Curie Metropolitan High School and De La Salle Institute attended the annual Si Se Puede Conference, held Oct. 6 at Lewis University.

The conference is in honor of Dolores Huerta and Cesar E. Chavez, co-founders of the United Farm Workers (UFW). They educated farmworkers about their worker's rights and mobilized thousands of people using nonviolent tactics for peace and social justice. In the spirit of Chavez and Huerta, who strongly believed in community empowerment, the Si Se



Puede Conference serves as a beacon of hope for many Latino high school students whom would otherwise feel a college degree is not attainable.

Dr. Aliza Gilbert, college counselor at Highland Park High School, provided a keynote address to students at this year's conference. The recipient of the NACAC Human Relations Award said, "Things don't always work out in life the way you planned. Make the most of the experiences you have. It can be really powerful."

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS HOSTS LEADERS SEMINAR

Executives from Unified Agency and MTH Industries joined other business leaders in sharing lessons with more than 130 high school students on Oct. 14 at the College of Business' sixth annual Business Leaders Seminar.

Accounting, economics, finance, information systems, information security, business administration, marketing, international business and social media marketing were topics of discussion.

Students gained knowledge from Joe Hatch, chief financial officer of Olmarc Packaging (retired), Kevin Glowacki, director of Berkley Research Group, and Amanda Joyce, cyber security analyst for Argonne National Laboratory. Ken Lomasney, chief operating officer of Unified Agency and Michael Swanberg, president/CEO of MTH Industries also shared business acumen.

## LEWIS STUDENTS HIGHLIGHTED IN STARTERSTV SNAPCHAT



Students in the Technology and Innovation class in Exercise and Movement Science recently took over the Snapchat account for StartersTV. The organization is a global community of technologists and sports enthusiasts united around the common goal of pushing sports into the future.

StartersTV is featuring the Snapchat takeover on its YouTube channel. On the video, the students demonstrate their student-created technology that monitors basketball games, tennis matches and even calculates the speed of swinging a baseball bat.

The uploaded snaps highlighted some of the concepts and technology featured in the class. Taught by Zach

Binkley, assistant professor of Sport and Exercise Science, the Technology and Innovation in Sport and Exercise course introduces students to the application and development of technology within sport and exercise science. The students investigate how technology is currently used within each of the sport and exercise science sub-disciplines. Students also conceptualize a new technology and propose how to take the product to the public

Participating in the Snapchat takeover were Zak Arcara, Aurora Breeden, Nate Branchaw, Michael Freeman, Phil Leibham, Andrea Jozefat, Richard Lathus, Yesenia Gonzalez, Kyriakos Kalamaras, Anton Levitin, Lanie Schweickert and Michael Paris.

## ADELMANN COLLECTION GAINS ORAL HISTORIES

Students in Dr. Dennis H. Cremin's History of Illinois class recorded oral histories with residents of nearby Fairmont neighborhood in Lockport. The students created a set of questions to ask residents of the community. After the interviews, they created a listening log, gathering all of the donation documents, and depositing them in the Adelmann Regional History Collection at Lewis University.

Students who worked on the project included: Brandon Ceplecha, Troy Costabile, Brody Fay, Rafael Marzo, Richard Maska, Raymond McGlynn, Katie Rogala, and Charlie Wright.

## RETREAT INSPIRES STUDENTS TO "BE THE CHANGE"

Local, national, and global realities concerning poverty were the focus of the Lewis University Catalyst Retreat at the Brother David Darst Center on Chicago's south side. It was the eighth year Lewis University Ministry offered this immersion experience that explores issues of social justice through the lens of Christian social teachings of peace, justice and respect for human dignity and the environment.

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"The Catalyst Retreat taught me about the issues facing our world, it opened my eyes to the strength that can come from a group of people who care so much, and it showed me the importance of hope in a world that is, at times, full of pain and darkness," said Caitlyn Quinlan, director of the Catalyst VIII Retreat.

The other student leaders were Alexis Pullins, Latimer Ferrel, Abby Persicketti



and Melissa Churchill. The five student leaders spent the fall semester learning about social justice issues, homelessness and hunger, building community, and

preparing to lead a group of 20 students and three faculty/staff members in a weekend of reflection, faith sharing, simple living, and solidarity.

## RONALD McDONALD HOUSE RECEIVES MORE THAN \$40,000 FROM LEWIS UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

“We can’t thank Lewis University enough for all they have done for us,” said Jim De Maria, vice president of development for Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana.

In the last five years, Lewis Sport Management students raised more than \$40,000 for Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana. The students were enrolled in Foundations of Sport and Fitness Management, a course taught by Karen K. Lockyer, professor of Sport and Exercise Science. The fundraising project is part of the course’s curriculum.

“The project develops many skills that will transfer into the workplace, such as project management, team building skills and logistical planning,” Lockyer commented.



Five Ronald McDonald Houses provide a ‘home away from home’ to keep families together while their child is in the hospital. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana has the

ability to provide 153 families housing each night. In one year, it provides over 43,000 nights of comfort, care and compassion to families.

## SKATE RENTAL WINS ELEVATOR PITCH COMPETITION

Seven Lewis University students pitched their business ideas and products at the fall Lowell Stahl Center of Entrepreneurship and Real Estate Elevator Pitch and Poster Competition. Mackenzie Chesko, a freshman, won the top prize for her idea of creating a roller skate rental storefront in downtown Chicago.

Chesko aimed to create a summer attraction in Chicago similar to the ice-skating held in Millennium Park, which attracts over 100,000 people every

winter. However, with Chesko’s company, Chicagoans would be able to rent skates and roller skate freely throughout the city. Chesko’s family is very active in roller derby competition. Chesko competed at the AAU Junior Olympics in the summer.

Wayne C. Marth, president of Arcline Construction Services, Inc., Terry Arya, chief marketing officer of Christian Brothers Services and Tess Ousley, president of All About Kids Learning Academy served as judges.

### All of the pitches are as follows:

#### **Guardi Housing** by Nikko Guardiola

A housing apartment complex in the Chicagoland area that would be affordable for college students

#### **Power Exchange** by Arelis Navarro

**(2nd prize)** An end piece that is added to the end of a phone charging cord and transfers a percentage of one cell phone’s battery power to another cell phone

#### **Rhino, Inc.** by Agustin Espinal

A polycarbonate phone case with a solar panel backside in order to preserve battery life

#### **Roller Skate Rental** by Mackenzie Chesko

**(1st prize)** A storefront that allows guests to rent skates and freely roam the city of Chicago

#### **Simplex Technologies** by

Sam Garcia and Alex Jacobo

An automation company that specializes in bringing voice-control automation to the home

#### **Weston Technology Services** by Jeremy Weston

A professional technology service to support businesses

#### **Wi-Travel** by Amanda Straziota

A portable device that connects to a cell phone or laptop and allows access to a private Wi-Fi connection while traveling.



*Natalie Lara is pursuing two majors, one in Art and one in Theology. She was a member of the interdisciplinary course, **SCIENCE AND FAITH**, in the fall of her junior year. She describes her experience in this course which brought together students from the sciences and theology.*

As a student who attended a Jesuit high school and enrolled in a Lasallian university, it was easy for me to see the connections between the Ignatian and Lasallian pedagogies. Upon hearing the values of the Lasallian mission statement for the first time three years ago, I immediately drew parallels with the Ignatian Grad-at-Grad values. While Ignatian pedagogy focuses on a practical approach to education that ensures the effectiveness of that education, Lasallian pedagogy focuses on touching the hearts of its students in order to create a lasting impact on their lives. It may be considered blasphemous by some for me to compare the Christian Brothers with the Jesuits, but the devotion that both orders have to maintaining, nurturing, and developing the Catholic Intellectual Tradition in order to make the world a better place is a resemblance that is too prominent to ignore. Lewis University's campus has proven to be a veritable greenhouse for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition to thrive, and one such fruit of this garden is the interdisciplinary course that is Science and Faith.

**SCIENCE,  
FAITH  
AND THE  
SEARCH  
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## ORIGINS OF THE SCIENCE & FAITH COURSE

*During the 2012-13 academic year, faculty members Dr. Jason Keleher (Chemistry) and Dr. Joseph Kozminski (Physics) asked Dr. Dominic Colonna (Theology) to offer a theology course that would be relevant and challenging to students in the science programs. Kozminski had in mind the successful Connections courses that had been offered in previous years. These Connections courses were interdisciplinary and were offered to cohorts of students with similar interests and academic ability. Dr. Colonna asked his science colleagues to collaborate and help plan the syllabus and teach the course. The response of the science faculty was overwhelmingly positive and supportive. In the fall of 2014, Drs. Kozminski, Keleher, Jerry Kavouras (Biology), John Parker (Physics and Chemistry), and Chuck Crowder (Physics) volunteered their time to help with creation of the syllabus and teaching the course. The course was offered again during fall 2016. Again, the science faculty were generous with their time and energy. In addition to Drs. Kozminski, Keleher, Kavouras, Parker, and Crowder helping Dr. Colonna, he invited History professor emeritus, Dr. Ewa Bacon, and Lewis' president, Dr. David Livingston, to help teach the course. Colonna believes that by offering this and other interdisciplinary courses it will strengthen the Catholic and Lasallian Mission of Lewis University.*

The *Lasallian* mission has always been rooted in providing the highest quality education for students in need. Its basis in the Catholic faith has been present since its foundation, and this connection is reflected in Lewis University's commitment to the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. The Catholic Intellectual Tradition refers to the respect that educators in Catholic universities should have for science and reason, as well as how this reason factors into their faith life as disciples of Jesus. A recent addition to the curriculum seeks to enhance students' understanding of the Catholic Intellectual Tradition by integrating faith and reason in a classroom setting. The course, Science and Faith, brings students and faculty from different disciplines together to discuss the ramifications of a faith that utilizes reason as well as how faith impacts scientific discovery. In addition to understanding what faith means in our age of information, the course seeks to introduce students to interdisciplinary cooperation.

As a part of this interdepartmental exchange, the class contained 12 hand-selected students: five theology students and seven science students from different disciplines. The students worked together to interpret theologians and scientists from the opposite point of view, allowing one discipline to understand a text from the perspective of the other. In accomplishing this goal, students learned how reason and faith interacted with one another. One theology student, Fidel Ponce, said that the course "helped expand my understanding of the connection between the scientific realm and the theological.... Further, the discussions between the theology and science majors over the course material really showed that science and theology are on a similar quest for truth and understanding." Interacting with each other and working collaboratively in this fashion helped to bridge a gap between the two realms. While the hard sciences have become increasingly venerated, theological studies seem to have lost their place in our society, despite its relevance in academic history.

The two subjects, which now seem irreconcilable with each other, have a shared history in the Catholic Intellectual Tradition. Monasteries were historically where students were sent to be formally trained in the sciences and humanities, and many renowned universities today owe their existence to those monasteries. It is this exact

history that the Science and Faith course aims to revive in its students. The scientists in this course, much like how we have culturally forgotten the historical role of religion in academia, initially entered the course believing that faith and science operated on separate plains and have nothing to do with one

another. While some students maintained that belief, such as physics major Justin Fortes, many seemed to agree that learning about theology helps students to be "more culturally aware, and [who] are better able to handle situations that may require people of different backgrounds to communicate with one another." In addition to developing a deeper sense of cultural awareness, Justin has found that the course impacted his reasons for pursuing science. His faith places him in a larger context which motivates him to pursue scientific discoveries for the betterment of the community and his peers.

## *Science and Faith*

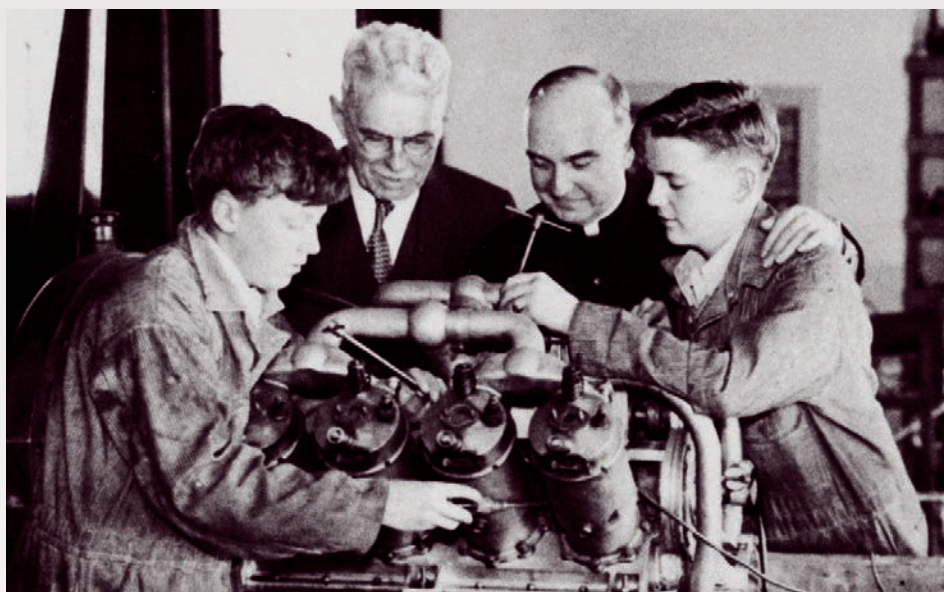
attempts to bridge the gap between head and heart for Lewis students. For me, I understand this gap in terms of my Jesuit and Lasallian training. These two approaches represent two halves of one whole. In our daily lives, we are called to fully utilize all aspects of our humanity: our hearts and our minds. Theology swims in the ocean of subjectivity and unprovable reasoning; it is the emotion that drives our passions. On the other hand, science walks on the earth of empirical evidence and hard facts; it is the force that grounds us and allows our emotions to produce change in the world. My academic heritage has influenced the way that I make decisions. I have come to realize that I cannot rely on either my logic or my emotions alone; the discernment process involves both of these functions working cooperatively, much in the same way that this course seeks to develop in its students.



## Humble Origins

### Lewis University Celebrates 85 Years

by Dr. Kurt Schackmuth '98 & '02, Vice President for Mission



By the 1920s, Chicago and its surrounding communities were populated with immigrants from around the world and the Catholic population of the region had soared. The Archdiocese of Chicago had built a great number of churches and schools to serve its parishioners. Not content to educate just those students whose parents could afford it, the Most Reverend Bernard J. Sheil, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago had a dream to establish a school to provide work skills for the disadvantaged boys of Chicago. His commitment to the youth of the city and this nation was driven by a belief that young people deserved the very best education possible along with leadership opportunities and spiritual guidance.

In his 1951 book, *Bishop Sheil and the CYO*, Roger Treat described the founding of what was to become Lewis University: "...as if by divine plan, Michael and Frances Fitzpatrick approached Cardinal Mundelein [Archbishop of Chicago], offering to donate part of their acreage to the Church for whatever purpose it might best be used... This wish on the part of the Fitzpatrick's coincided...to the hour when Bishop Sheil was starting the search for land on which to create part of his dream..."

Although it may never be known if it was a coincidence that the generous donation of 170 acres of land from the Fitzpatricks on June 1, 1920 came at the exact moment that Bishop Sheil was seeking land to build that school, as Treat suggests, it is certainly evident that Sheil's ambitious planning, energy, vision and creativity in the ten years following the donation made the founding of the school possible.

During the mid 1920s, George Cardinal Mundelein and Bishop Sheil developed the vision and cultivated the necessary plans for such an ambitious project. By the end of decade, the Cardinal transferred total responsibility for the school initiative to Sheil. Despite the uncertain economic circumstances of the 1920s, Sheil sought donors who were willing to assist with the financing of the school. He turned to the Holy Name Society of Chicago, an organization of men from parishes who found creative ways in which to support Archdiocesan projects. At the time, over 150,000 Chicagoans considered themselves members of the Society.

The Holy Name Society depended on one agency in particular to raise funds for the proposed new school, the Catholic Salvage Bureau. Through the Bureau, the Society collected household items and raw materials that could then be resold. Monies raised from the sale of these materials were donated to the new school. It was the enormously successful early fundraising efforts of the Holy Name Society that turned plans on paper into bricks and mortar. In recognition and gratitude for the efforts of this generous group, the new school would be called "Holy Name Technical School."

While funds were being raised, the Franciscan Brothers of the Holy Cross contacted Cardinal Mundelein in 1927. The Franciscans expressed their interest in relocating from Louisiana and pursuing a new ministry in the North. After a series of discussions, the German-speaking Franciscan Brothers agreed to serve as the first administrators, teachers and support staff for the school. Brother Hildolph Caspar, FFSC, Superior of the small community, played an integral role in establishing order and providing structure to the new institution. Brother Hildolph's gifts were especially valuable because a sense of strong discipline was to be an important educational component of the school.

Bishop Sheil stated that the goal of this new high school was "to make each boy into a good citizen, a good Catholic, a good and useful workman." He continued, "It is our hope that when a boy becomes a man he will be able to go out into the world equipped in heart, mind and hand to serve God and humanity, and that his desire to do so will be great." The Bishop's original intent was for the school to teach a variety of skills and self confidence that, after graduation, would position students to quickly gain employment in a depressed economy.

(Opposite page): Students show Frank J. Lewis and Bishop Bernard J. Sheil some of the important parts of an airplane engine; (below) An archival photo depicts the vast crowd that gathered for the formal dedication and blessing on May 30, 1932; Cardinal Mundelein presided over the special campus blessing ceremony; Among the faculty who would teach at the new school was Albert “Al” Luke, a pioneer helicopter pilot who played a major role in the development of the curriculum.



Sheil also recognized the growth of and worldwide interest in the new field of aviation. His choice of aviation as a career choice for the school served to capture the promise of the future. Roger Treat described the mesmerizing effect this new vocation was having on the youth of the late 1920s and early 1930s: “To become a pilot had become the romantic wish of the youth of America, replacing earlier ambitions to be cowboys, railway engineers or skippers of sailing ships.” Early on, Sheil had decided that the school would offer both a practical education, teaching students mechanical and hands-on skills, and a Catholic education, instilling in them values that would guide them through life.

The groundbreaking for Holy Name Technical School took place on a cold, cloudy Monday, February 9, 1931, in a barren field across the road from the Fitzpatrick family’s limestone farmhouse. Men dressed in black overcoats and fedoras joined Bishop Sheil and various other Church leaders for the ceremonial turn of the shovel. Michael Fitzpatrick, 87 years of age, attended the brief ceremony with his sister, Frances, age 84.

The school’s contractor, W. J. Lynch, and architect, Joe V. McCarthy immediately began work on St. Joseph Hall, a massive brick hangar and instructional facility housing classrooms, machine shops, laboratories and space for airplanes, parts

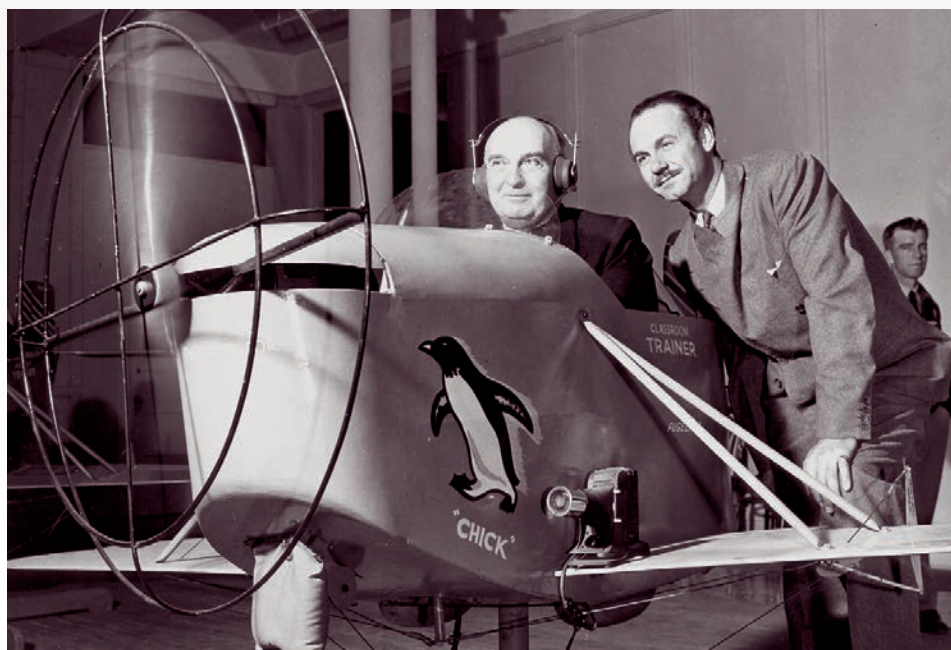
and other equipment. According to the plan, several smaller structures for housing and support services also were constructed.

As the construction of the first buildings got underway, Sheil advanced his plans for the school, overseeing the development of its curriculum, refining the process for admission, recruiting faculty, and working with donors to attract their support and interest. Bishop Sheil’s continued search for funds found the generosity of one man who would also prove to have immeasurable impact on the institution in the coming years, Frank J. Lewis.

A well-respected real estate developer, manufacturer and benefactor of the Catholic Church in Chicago, Frank J. Lewis saw early on the benefits this new project could offer young men. Lewis had access to tremendous resources—particularly construction materials salvaged from demolished buildings in Chicago. He arranged for materials from these sites and other razed structures to be used for the construction of the school’s buildings.

Meanwhile, Bishop Sheil continued to tell Chicago leaders and potential benefactors about the project. In a speech given to the National Council of Catholic Men at the historic Congress Hotel in Chicago after the opening of the school, Sheil reflected “Some few years ago, we opened at Lockport, Illinois, the Holy Name Technical School, wherein young boys are instructed in technical knowledge of aviation, radio, and home refrigeration. The entrance fee is absolute poverty. If the boy’s parents can afford to pay tuition, the boy is not accepted.” Indeed, this was the case.

Hundreds of students applied to the school, taking the test for admission at Quigley Seminary. *The Sunday Times* of May 29, 1932, a day before the official dedication of the school, declared, “Representing a modern step in religious benevolence, the school will serve exclusively as a ‘proving ground’ for the development of talent in boys whose parents are unable to provide them with an opportunity to rise from the rut of poverty.” Bishop Sheil’s



# Historic Timepiece

Major William Sickinger, school superintendent, Bishop Sheil, and Brother Hildolph Caspar, FFSC, superior of the German Franciscan Brothers community; the first building constructed on campus, now part of the Oremus Fine Arts Center.



newest and most exciting project to date had attracted significant media coverage and great interest by the church-going public.

A mere 18 months after breaking ground, workers had built the first hangar, the dedication and blessing ceremony was scheduled, and though classes wouldn't begin until September, nine boys had already arrived. On May 22, the first airplane, piloted by Joliet aviator Nels Mundel, descended onto the new landing field which had been carved out of an adjacent crop of soybeans. His arrival was considered merely a test landing for the air traffic that was expected a week later for the dedication ceremonies on May 30.

A massive outdoor, golden-canopied altar and stage, designed and constructed specifically for the occasion, dominated the grounds. Guests began arriving as early as 10:00 a.m. in order to find the perfect place to see all of the pageantry and greet Cardinal Mundelein, who was scheduled to arrive at noon. Five military bands played stirring music, while 2,700 Catholic Boy Scouts and Sea Scouts practiced their roles for the 2:30 p.m. start of the ceremonies which began with the official blessing of the main classroom and hangar facility.

*The Joliet Herald News* reported, "With a fleet of military airplanes dipping in an aerial salute overhead, George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago...entered the hangar of the new Holy Name Technical



School near Lockport and raised his right hand in blessing, officially dedicating the first unit of the new Catholic educational institution." The program included the investment of Frederick Massman, president of the archdiocesan union of the Holy Name Society, as a Knight of Saint Gregory. Later, a flag raising took place near the hangar building as John Pane Gasser of the Detroit Opera Company sang the National Anthem. The entire crowd then joined in a rousing rendition of "America" accompanied by the stirring music of military bands that played loud enough to drown out the airplanes from the 33rd Division of the Illinois National Guard, who "maintained a rhythmic circling overhead and regularly dipped in a low salute behind the altar."

Newspapers estimated that between 10,000 and 30,000 people from around the Chicagoland area were in attendance. Called "colorful and impressive" by the press, the ceremony was a moment of pride, exhilaration, and great achievement for all the parishes and families, but especially for the members of the Holy Name Society, who saw this institution as their gift to the Archdiocese of Chicago and to the future of the young men who would attend the school. The School represented a brighter future for the children who had never known the prosperity of the 1920s. It meant that for the poorest of the poor, there would be an opportunity to learn new skills, receive a healthy, Catholic education, and to enter the workforce with a practical education that would make it possible for them to succeed.

Today, 85 years after Bishop Sheil first envisioned Holy Name Technical School's mission and the impact it could have on the lives of young people during the Great Depression, Lewis University is a comprehensive Catholic and Lasallian institution of higher education that, in much the same way, continues to thrive on an entrepreneurial spirit, offer access to an affordable education, and which is known for high-quality, values-based liberal and professional education.

# FACULTY NEWS

## KOZMINSKI SPEAKS AT THE AMERICAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY MEETING



Dr. Joseph Kozminski (Physics) presented a talk entitled “AAPT Lab Recommendations: Past, Present, and Future” in the Jonathan F. Reichert

and Barbara Wolff-Reichert Award for Excellence in Advanced Laboratory Instruction Session at the American Physical Society (APS) meeting this past March in New Orleans. The APS meeting is the largest physics conference of the year, drawing more than 10,000 physicists from across the globe. The talk covered the development of the “AAPT (American Association of Physics Teachers) Recommendations for the Undergraduate Physics Laboratory Curriculum” which Dr. Kozminski led the writing of and which were endorsed in November 2014; current examples of implementation of the recommendations; and plans for the future of the recommendations. ■

## DR. CREMIN PRESENTS ON DANIEL BURNHAM’S PLAN FOR MANILA



This past February, Dr. Dennis Cremin (History) presented “Burnham in Chicago and Manila” as part of the “Heritage Manila, Heritage Cities” Forum

at De La Salle University in Manila, Philippines. Cremin discussed Chicago city planner Daniel H. Burnham’s grand plan for Manila, which Burnham unveiled in 1905. The plan was discarded due to political and cultural changes. More than a hundred years later, only a few parts of his plan were completely followed, noted by many as an “urban planning mistake.” ■

## BUSINESS PROFESSOR PRESENTS PAPER ON THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT



Dr. Jeffrey Trask (Business) presented a research paper titled, “Implications of the Affordable Care Act for A Local Hospital’s Emergency

Department: A Change in Payer Mix and Volume of Uninsured Individuals” at the Academy of Business Research in New Orleans in March. Dr. Trask’s work focused on the emergency room usage among uninsured individuals before and after the Affordable Care Act was passed. ■

## DR. STEVEN NAWARA AUTHORS RESEARCH ON VOTING HABITS

Dr. Steven Nawara (Political Science) published a research article called “The Abilities and Decisions of Regular and Irregular Voters” in the November 2016 issue of the *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties*. Using twenty years of survey data to isolate people who regularly vote in elections from those who occasionally do so, Dr. Nawara found that regular voters are more knowledgeable and involved in the political system than irregular voters and likely to consider economic and social policies when casting ballots. Irregular voters, on the other hand, are not often swayed by their economic preferences, instead relying mostly on social issues when voting. ■

## ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROFESSORS AUTHOR ARTICLE IN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL

Dr. Michael Cherry and Dr. Sheila Boysen-Rotelli co-wrote an article titled, “What Theories of Leadership are Implicit in a Coach Approach?” which was published in the October 2016 issue of *Philosophy of Coaching: An International Journal*. The pair identified organizational coaching trends to provide a framework for the exploration of several leadership theories. These leadership theories could inform the coach approach for executive, leadership and business coaches. ■

## HISTORY PROFESSOR PRESENTS RESEARCH ON BLACK AND WHITE FARM OWNERS IN THE SOUTH



Dr. Mark Schultz (History) presented a paper entitled, “Degrees of Segregation; Settlement Patterns, Black Farm Owners,

and the Shaping of Rural Community in Georgia and Arkansas,” at the “Marking Race, Making History: A Conference in Celebration of the Career of Thomas Holt,” in April 2016 in Chicago. Schultz examined variations in social distance between black and white farm owners in Georgia and Arkansas. In Georgia, African American slaves worked on white-owned plantations for a hundred years before emancipation, whereas, much of Arkansas had not been turned into farmland until after the Civil War. When Arkansas was settled, it was done so as the state was clear-cut in largely all-black or all-white sections. Therefore, while both states were marked by racial hierarchy and segregation, a much higher density of social ties stretched across the race lines in Georgia than was true in Arkansas. ■

## NURSING PROFESSOR CONTRIBUTES TO REPORT ON NURSING WORKPLACE IN ILLINOIS



Stephanie Gedzyk-Nieman (Nursing) collaborated with the Illinois Center for Nursing and the Illinois Department of Financial and

Professional Regulation Board of Nursing to generate a report analyzing trends in Illinois pre-licensure nursing programs, faculty, and students from 2011-2015. A key component in meeting nursing workforce supply is Illinois’ ability to produce new nurses through the pre-licensure nursing education system. The report examined the type, demand, and outcomes of existing programs, in addition to student and faculty characteristics. ■

## BUILDING EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES TO ENHANCE REAL-WORLD LEARNING

To give students a leading edge when they begin their careers, Lewis University is working with donors and community partners to establish real-world learning experiences that enhance education and provide cutting-edge opportunities.



### SOUTHWEST AIRLINES DONATES ENGINE

Southwest Airlines (SWA) donated an engine to the Lewis University aviation program at a dedication celebration attended by students, faculty, staff and alumni on Nov. 7 on the main campus.

“When we donate an engine to a school, we understand the relevance of that engine and what is needed to advance education,” said Rodney Blake, manager Powerplant Aircraft Technical Services at Southwest Airlines. “We have many employees who have gone through Lewis University and gone on to employment at Southwest Airlines. Times are changing and we’re counting on you to be our future. We hope you can use this donation to enhance your education.”

“This engine donation is an invaluable tool for teaching students what current technologies of aviation power plants exist and how they operate,” added R. Eric Jones, chair and assistant professor of Aviation and Transportation Studies. “It helps our students – both flight and maintenance – learn high bypass engine technology from theory to reality as they work on equipment they will see in the industry after graduation.”

This engine gift is the latest in several donations and initiatives between Southwest Airlines and Lewis University. The 737 Southwest Airlines engine is a CFM manufactured 56-3 engine that can create around 20,000 pounds of thrust on wing. Donations also include a TUG to help transport heavy materials around the Lewis University Aviation Department. Southwest was generous with time, resources and assistance in 2014 when Lewis University students, faculty and staff overhauled the Lewis University 737 aircraft. Numerous student groups tour the Southwest Airlines facilities every year. Southwest employees have provided professional insights at various Lewis University Aviation events, including aviation career conferences.

*Pictured above (l to r): R. Eric Jones of Lewis University, Alton Lynch of Southwest Airlines, Rodney Blake of Southwest Airlines, Dr. David Livingston, president of Lewis University and Ryan Phillips of Lewis University*

To learn more about how gifts impact education, visit [alumni.lewisu.edu/GiftsAtWork](http://alumni.lewisu.edu/GiftsAtWork).



## McCORMICK FOUNDATION GRANT

Lewis University enrolls more than 500 veterans, service members, cadets, and military family members. Because these military students' success is important at Lewis, the University is partnering with Joliet Junior College and the College of DuPage to enhance student veteran retention and educational achievement. The "Student Veteran Peer-to-Peer Mentorship Model from Community College to 4-Year University" is set to begin fall 2017 and sponsored by a \$49,500 McCormick Foundation grant.

"This program enables us to connect with nearly 2,000 student veterans and better assist them through their entire process of attending a community college or 4-year university. It will also aid those at the community college level interested in a four year degree to better understand the transition," Roman Ortega Jr., director of Lewis University Veteran Affairs (pictured above), commented.

This program will engage student veterans early in their college education and continue through their degree completion at their respective institutions.

### ROBERT R. McCORMICK FOUNDATION

The one-on-one support component of the program will assist student veterans as they navigate college life, identify challenges they are facing, refer them to the appropriate resource on or off campus, and provide ongoing support to their academic and personal ventures. For more information, contact Roman Ortega Jr. at [ortegaro@lewisu.edu](mailto:ortegaro@lewisu.edu) or call (815) 836-5339.



## JAMES P. '60 AND MARY C. SZCZEPANIAK ENDOWED LECTURE SERIES

Lewis University held the inaugural James P. '60 and Mary C. Szcapaniak Lecture Series event, "Bars and Stripes: The Old Joliet Prison," on Thursday, Oct. 27, 2016. Presented by historian Dr. Robert Sterling, more than 150 attendees from both Lewis University and the community came to learn more about the beginnings of the Joliet Prison. This endowed lecture series offers students the opportunity to learn from local and national experts, and establish Lewis as a leader in historical education for both students and the community. The second lecture was held on March 22 with speaker Dr. Ben Johnson on "How the Mexican Border Became a Problem: Pancho Villa and Beyond."

*Pictured above (l to r): Dr. Robert Sterling, Fran Szcapaniak (Jim's widow), and Lois Geary (Jim's sister).*



## SHANNON GARDNER SCHOLARSHIP GIFT

On Feb. 22, 2017, Heartland Blood Centers presented a gift to the Shannon Gardner Scholarship. The Student Nursing Association organized a blood drive and Heartland presented the check in appreciation of their efforts.

*Pictured (l to r): Kathy McDannel, faculty adviser for the Student Nurses Association and nursing faculty member; student co-chairs of the 2016-2017 blood drive Gabrielle Young and Tiffany Szymanski; and Julie Kinsella with Heartland Blood Center.*



### COMPUTATIONAL LAB

Lewis dedicated a computational science lab in honor of Dr. Paul and Kathleen Kaiser on March 14. The lab is housed in the Academic Science Center on the main campus and will provide new opportunities for students of multiple disciplines to use computers to advance science by modeling and simulating the physical world. Part of this celebration included a crowdfunding campaign to raise funds for a new Supercomputer, which is expected to be operational by the 2017 fall semester. This initiative raised more than \$25,000. As a mathematician who later turned his attention to computing, Dr. Paul Kaiser championed computational science – the study of how computers perform calculations and the very nature of what is calculable – as an area of academic focus at Lewis University. Together, he and Kathleen have been generous supporters of Lewis, education and their community. Read more online at [lewisu.edu/academics/comsci](http://lewisu.edu/academics/comsci).

*Pictured above (l to r): Dr. Ray Klump, Kathleen Kaiser, Dr. Paul Kaiser, Dr. David Livingston, Dr. Bonnie Bondavalli*

### DONORS CREATE OPPORTUNITIES AND DRIVE DISCOVERY

The Computer and Mathematical Sciences (CaMS) Cyber Defense Group took home the Third Place trophy at the State of Illinois Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition (IL-CCDC) on Feb. 18. For this group, the generosity of donors made a significant difference—all of the tools they used to train came from gifts to the program.

In addition, their registrations in competitions and their travel to places like the Rochester Institute of Technology and the Iowa State University competition have all been financed by gifts to the University.

“The Cyber Defense Club provides a means for students to engage in real life simulations of enterprise



cyber security operations through cyber security and networking infrastructure competitions. It also helps students understand the importance of teamwork, which is an extremely valuable skill in the real world,” said Joey Casalino.

*Pictured (l to r): Bryon Nush, Joey Casalino, Ryan Meeker, Randle Ross, John Kegaly, Brian White, and Cody Cosentino. Not pictured is Gabe Diaz DeLeon, who also competed.*

To make a gift and inspire the future of Lewis students, visit [lewisu.edu/Give](http://lewisu.edu/Give).

## 20% TUITION DISCOUNT *for Lewis Alumni*

Lewis alumni qualify for a 20% tuition discount when admitted into a qualifying graduate degree, doctoral degree, second bachelor degree or certificate program at Lewis University.

For more information regarding the **Frequent Flyer Discount Program** eligibility, please contact the Office of Graduate Admission [grad@lewisu.edu](mailto:grad@lewisu.edu) or **(815) 836-5610**.





## Lewis Women's Volleyball Advances to NCAA Final Four

The Lewis University women's volleyball team won the 2016 NCAA Midwest Regional Championship and advanced to the 'Final Four' for the first time since 1981.

The Flyers were led by Great Lakes Valley Conference Player of the Year and AVCA Second Team All-American Aly Schneider. Schneider registered 392 kills this season and led the Flyers with 3.19 kills-per-set. She was also a force defensively, leading Lewis with 116 total blocks and 0.94 blocks-per-set.

Schneider can thank redshirt sophomore setter Abby Becker for being on the other

end of her kills. Becker, a unanimous All-GLVC First Team selection, dished out 1,465 assists and helped Lewis to a team hitting percentage of .258. For her efforts, she was selected to the AVCA All-America Third Team.

Lewis sophomore outside hitter Elizabeth Hyland claimed AVCA Honorable Mention All-America accolades after being selected to the All-GLVC First Team. Hyland led the Flyers in kills (405) and was second on the squad with 420 digs.

## Lewis Athletics Places Second in GLVC All-Sports Trophy Standings

The Great Lakes Valley Conference announced on May 15, that the Lewis University Athletics Department has finished second in the 2016-17 GLVC All-Sports Trophy Standings. This marks the fifth-straight year that the Flyers have earned a runner-up finish.

Indianapolis (177 points) won the title for the sixth-straight year, followed by the Flyers (160) and their combined three conference championships in men's and women's track and field.

"Athletic consistency has been a hallmark of our department and the GLVC is a tremendous benchmark for our programs," Lewis director of athletics Dr. John Planek said. "Our fifth consecutive second place finish is a testament to the hard work of our players and coaches."

The GLVC All-Sports Trophy is presented to the institution that demonstrates the best all-around performance in the league's 21 sponsored sports. Points are allocated based on overall finish in the league standings and finish in their respective conference tournaments.

## Inaugural Flyer Red Dinner a Sweeping Success For Lewis Athletics Department

The inaugural Flyer Red Dinner – presented by the Lewis University Athletics Department – drew over 300 people to the Drury Lane Theater and Conference Center on March 17.

The Flyer Red Dinner featured the induction of former student-athletes Duane Chappell (men's track and field), Robin (Martz) Hammer (softball), Eduardo Quinones (men's volleyball) and Kirk Vucsko (men's basketball/ baseball) into the Lewis Athletics Hall of Fame. Former Lewis Athletics Director and Coach Paul Ruddy was also recognized as the Lasallian of the Year.

The program also featured a silent auction featuring several local sports teams and events. All funds raised from the dinner and silent auction will directly benefit current and future Lewis student-athletes.

"The Flyer Red Dinner was a tremendous success," Lewis director of athletics, Dr. John Planek said. "Our inaugural efforts combining a major fundraising initiative with our Hall of Fame inductions proved to be very well received."

"Our efforts this year will help us grow this event in the future for the benefit of our student-athletes."



**FLYER RED**  
*Dinner*





## Lewis Athletics Sets New School-Record for Br. David Delahanty, FSC, Awards

Lewis University student-athletes set a new school-record on April 24, taking home a school-record 210 Br. David Delahanty Awards at the Convocation Hall located within the St. Charles Borromeo Center.

The Delahanty Award recognizes student-athletes who maintained a cumulative grade-point-average of 3.25 or higher as of December 31, 2016. In total, 59.7% (210 of 352) of the student-athlete population were in attendance at the awards ceremony, and that group totaled a cumulative GPA of 3.63.

"Academic excellence is at the core of our athletics department," Lewis director of athletics, Dr. John Planek said. "From recruiting to graduation, our coaches, faculty and staff work extraordinarily hard to ensure consistent academic success."

The Lewis women's cross country/track and field team had the most Delahanty Award winners with 27 recipients, which accounts for 12.9% of the 210 award winners. Every member of the Lewis women's golf team earned Delahanty Awards for the highest percentage of recipients of any Flyer squad.

Two student-athletes that received special recognition were Trent

Chamness and Nicole Dominguez. Chamness (men's swimming) and Dominguez (women's soccer) both took home the Senior Student-Athlete Award, given to the male and female senior student-athletes with the highest cumulative grade point average.

Chamness (pictured above with Dr. John Planek), was a double major in Information Systems and Information Security/Risk Management. Dominguez (pictured top left) was a psychology major with a natural sciences minor.

Br. David Delahanty, FSC, served as President of Lewis from June, 1982 until his untimely death in October, 1987. A personal advocate of physical fitness, Br. David encouraged Lewis students to achieve excellence not only in the academic sphere, but also in the athletic arena. Following his death, several members of Lewis' athletic teams inquired if they could wear black arm bands to mourn the popular president. After much consultation, it was decided that Br. David would have preferred a tribute to athletes based on their academic achievements. The first ceremony took place in 1988.



## Farrough and Smallwood Notch All-America Outings

The Lewis University women's track and field team received All-America outings from seniors Amanda Farrough

(left) and Phoenix Smallwood (right) at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Farrough earned her seventh career All-America award with an eighth-place finish of 16:37.34 in the 5,000-meter run. Smallwood was eighth in the long jump with a leap of 6.19 meters. The Flyers finished 62nd overall at the meet.

## Lewis Athletics Raises School-Record In Annual Crowdfunding Campaign

The third annual Flyer Friends and Family Crowdfunding Campaign raised over \$75,000, shattering last year's standard of nearly \$65,000. It is the most money raised for the Lewis University Athletics Department in school history.

The campaign saw an increase of over 15% in total campaign dollars raised and 10% growth in donors and gifts. Over 800 gifts were made for the campaign.

A record 11 programs raised more money than last year and seven teams surpassed their fundraising goal of \$5,000. There has been nearly \$200,000 raised in the three-year history of the campaign.

The funds raised will be used to purchase equipment, provide new training opportunities and travel to out-of-state competitions for all Flyer athletic teams.

"I am overwhelmed and thankful to all of our Flyer supporters who continue to make a positive impact on the lives of our 400 student-athletes," Lewis associate athletics director / director of external relations, Brian Sisson said. "I want to thank Luigi Amendola, Kathryn Risor Heise and the Lewis University Advancement staff for helping once again collaborate on a successful campaign."

The team that raised the most money during the campaign was the Lewis men's volleyball team, as they collected \$11,535. They also hit three \$500 incentive categories including the program to hit its \$5,000 goal the quickest, most raised overall and the biggest increase (\$4,260) from the 2015 campaign.

"We had a fantastic show of support for our program and the athletics department," Lewis head men's volleyball coach, Dan Friend said. "A sincere thank you from all of us to those Flyer fans and their continued support of Lewis Athletics."

The women's tennis team earned the fourth \$500 incentive, as each of its student-athletes averaged 5.5 gifts.

The Flyer Friends and Family campaign ran from late Sept.-Nov. 30.



## Lewis Women's Basketball Duo Claim All-America Accolades

Lewis University forward Jessica Kelliher was named to three different All-America women's basketball teams, while redshirt senior Jamie Johnson was selected to two.

Kelliher (pictured top) was named a Division II Bulletin Third Team All-American and WBCA and D2CCA Honorable Mention All-American. Johnson was tabbed to both the Division II Bulletin and WBCA Honorable Mention All-America teams.

Kelliher, the 2017 Great Lakes Valley Conference Player of the Year, led the conference in scoring (19.7 ppg.). She scored in double-figures in 31 out of 32 games, including 15 games of 20+ points and three games of 30+ points. The sophomore forward set a school-record with 18 baskets on 18-for-19 shooting to finish with 38 points against Maryville (Jan. 14).

The Waukesha, Wis., native also set a school-record with a field goal percentage of 65.2% (258-for-396), which was also the best in NCAA Division II.

Kelliher has the best career field goal percentage (62.8%) of any active Division II player and the second-highest career scoring average (19.0 ppg.).

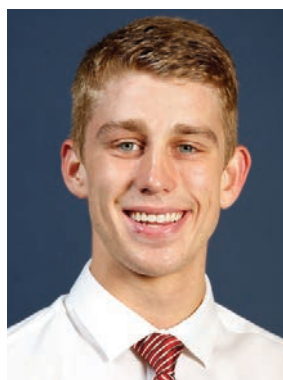


A three-time All-GLVC First Team selection, Johnson (pictured above) finished as Lewis' all-time leading scorer (2,059 points) and was the fifth-leading scorer among then-active NCAA Division II players. The redshirt senior guard led the Great Lakes Valley Conference in free throw percentage (.879), was second in three-pointers made (79) and is third in scoring (17.6 ppg.). Those 79 trifectas are the second-most in school-history for a single season.

Johnson, who missed two seasons due to injury, scored in double-figures in 29 out of 32 games, including 14 games of 20+ points or more and a season-high 31 points against Saginaw Valley State (Dec. 30).

Lewis finished the 2016-17 campaign with a record of 23-9 and advanced to its fifth consecutive NCAA Tournament.

## Coenen Named AVCA and VolleyballMag.com Second Team All-American



The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) and *VolleyballMag.com* that Lewis University redshirt freshman Ryan Coenen has been named to the AVCA and *VolleyballMag.com* All-America Second Teams.

Coenen, a Midwestern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association First Team selection and MIVA Co-Freshman of the Year, averaged 3.2 kills-per-set and was second on the squad in kills (342). The AVCA

Newcomer of the Year recorded double-digit kills in 20 out of 27 matches and had four matches of 20+ kills.

Against ranked teams, Coenen finished with a team-best 189 kills and averaged 3.38 kills-per-set, while hitting .319 (189 kills, 59 errors, 408 kills) in 14 matches.

Coenen was not the only Flyer to be recognized by the AVCA and *VolleyballMag.com*, as redshirt sophomore opposite hitter Mitch Perinar, redshirt sophomore libero Michael Simmons and sophomore setter Matt Yoshimoto were each selected as Honorable Mention All-Americans.

"All four of these guys played important roles for us this season and were a big reason for our success," Lewis head men's volleyball coach Dan Friend said of his All-Americans. "I'm looking forward to seeing what the next few years have in store for our team."

Perinar, who was named to the All-MIVA First Team, led the Flyers with 359 kills and averaged 3.18 kills-per-set. He finished with a hitting percentage of .301 (336 kills, 102 errors, 759 attacks) – which was good for ninth in the conference. Perinar is a two-time MIVA Offensive Player of the Week and was selected as the Sports Imports / AVCA Player of the Week for the period ending April 9.

Simmons, who was an All-MIVA First Team honoree, led the conference in digs (257) and averaged 2.11 digs-per-set – good for second best in the league. He recorded double-digit digs in eight matches this season, highlighted by a pair of 17-dig outings against both Harvard (Jan. 13) and Pepperdine (Jan. 14). Those 17 digs tie him for the fourth most in school history for a single match during the rally scoring era.

In his first season as the Flyers' starting setter, Yoshimoto guided Lewis to a team hitting percentage of .308 (1454-480-3167). That mark is the seventh best hitting percentage in school-history for a single-season. The California native, who was named the MIVA Offensive Player of the Week on March 7th, recorded 30 or more assists in 25 contests, highlighted by 55 helpers against Harvard.

Lewis finished the 2017 campaign with a mark of 23-7.

## Lewis Athletics Tabs Samantha Quigley Smith as New Head Women's Hoops Coach

Lewis University Director of Athletics, Dr. John Planek, announced on May 22 that he has hired Samantha Quigley Smith as the 13th head women's basketball coach in school-history.

"The Lewis women's basketball program has forged a formidable path at the Division II level and we certainly feel that Coach (Samantha) Quigley Smith can help us continue on this path of excellence," Planek said.

Quigley comes to Lewis via the University of St. Francis in Joliet, where the Fighting Saints recorded a mark of 101-62 (.620) in her five seasons (2012-17) as head coach. She served as an assistant coach for USF in 2011-12 under her uncle and former Lewis University head women's basketball coach Brian Michalak (1993-2002).

"I am so very excited to accept the position as Lewis University's head women's basketball coach," Quigley Smith said. "Coaching at the NCAA level and in such a great conference like the Great Lakes Valley Conference has been a dream of mine and I cannot wait to get started."

Quigley Smith believes that Lewis is a perfect fit for her family.

"What attracted me to the position was that Lewis is a Catholic Institution with a similar value system (to St. Francis)," Quigley Smith continued. "The athletic department has been extremely successful and I certainly look forward to being a part of that!"

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While excited for the next chapter in her life, Quigley Smith is thankful for her time in Joliet.

"My experiences at St. Francis have certainly prepared me for this opportunity and I cannot thank them enough," Quigley Smith said. "USF gave me my first start at a young age and that is something I will forever be grateful for.

"The people I've worked with and the student-athletes that have been a part of our

success at St. Francis made this decision extremely difficult," Quigley Smith continued. "I would also like to thank my husband (Greg) and entire family for being so helpful and supportive through the process.

"They have been my biggest fans and I love them for that!"

In the past two seasons, the Fighting Saints have registered a mark of 62-7 (.899) with two Top 10 finishes in the NAIA Division II Coaches Poll, including a No. 1 ranking in the final 2017 poll. Her 2015-16 squad was the first USF team to advance to the NAIA National Tournament in 13 seasons. In that span, Quigley Smith mentored All-Americans in Charnelle Reed and Jordan Giddings.

Last year, Quigley Smith guided USF to a mark of 34-2, helping the Fighting Saints to an undefeated slate in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference (CCAC) and a berth in the NAIA Division II Semifinals. One of those 34 wins was an 80-69 victory in December over then-No. 18 ranked Lewis.

For her efforts, Quigley Smith was named the CCAC Coach of the Year for a second-consecutive season. She was also selected as the Illinois Basketball Coach Association (IBCA) Coach of the Year and a WBCA/United States Marine Corps NAIA National Coach of the Year Award finalist.

Academics are important to Quigley Smith as well, as she propelled USF's team cumulative grade point average from 2.35 to 3.5 during her tenure. She had several student-athletes with a 4.0 grade point average and had two achieve WBCA Academic All-America status.

Quigley Smith also brings an international flair to Romeoville as she has spent the last two summers as an assistant coach with USA Basketball, serving on the staff of the Women's U17 National Team in 2016 and the U16 National Team, which captured the bronze medal at the 2015 FIBA Americas Championship in Puebla, Mexico.

Quigley Smith is a highly decorated former Division I student-athlete, as she played for DePaul from 2006-11. She left the Lincoln Park campus with 1,273 points scored – good for 20th in school-history – and third in Blue Demon history with 484 assists.

The 2006 Joliet Catholic graduate was a two-time All-Big East selection and was named an Honorable Mention WBCA All-American in 2011 and a finalist for the



Nancy Lieberman Award as a senior. The same season, Quigley Smith earned Capital One Academic All-District honors and was the recipient of the Big East Sportsmanship Award.

As a high school senior, Quigley Smith was selected as the 2006 *Chicago Sun-Times* Female Athlete of the Year as a basketball, volleyball and softball standout. She was a two-time Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA) All-State First Team and Associated Press Class AA All-State Third Team selection in basketball, as she finished with 1,910 career points in a JCA uniform. Following her senior season, Quigley was a Parade All-American and McDonald's All-America nominee.

Quigley Smith has ties to Lewis, as the Fighting Saints play on Pat Quigley Court – named after her father – in the Sullivan Center named for Lewis Hall of Famer Pat Sullivan (basketball/baseball). Sullivan went on to St. Francis (Ill.) where he coached Quigley Smith's stepfather Don Strle on the basketball court.

Quigley Smith replaces Kristen Gillespie who was named the head women's basketball coach at Illinois State in April. She inherits a squad that features 2017 Great Lakes Valley Conference Player of the Year Jessica Kelliher and advanced to the NCAA Regional Tournament for the fifth-straight season.

She resides in Shorewood, Ill., with her husband Greg Smith, sons Cooper, Jackson and daughter Logan.



## Johnson Receives GLVC Scharf Paragon Award

The Great Lakes Valley Conference announced on May 22 that Lewis University's Jamie Johnson has been selected as the female recipient of the 2017 Richard F. Scharf Paragon Award.

The Richard F. Scharf Paragon Award was established prior to the 1990-91 season in honor of Richard F. Scharf, Commissioner Emeritus of the GLVC. It is awarded annually to one male and one female student-athlete, based upon academic excellence, athletic ability and achievement, character and leadership.

Johnson was recognized at the Enterprise Rent-A-Car GLVC Awards Banquet at the Drury Plaza Hotel in St. Louis, Mo., on May 23.

The South Holland, Ill., native, who was the 2015 GLVC Women's Basketball Player of the Year, is a three-time All-GLVC First Team selection and two-time All-American (2015, '17). Johnson, who left Lewis as its all-time leading scorer, was a member of five Flyer teams that advanced to the NCAA Tournament, including a run to the NCAA Elite Eight in 2015.

Academically, Johnson received both her bachelor's (communication studies) and master's (business administration) degrees from Lewis University with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. She is a six-time recipient of the Br. David Delahanty, FSC, Award – given to Lewis student-athletes for academic excellence and will be a six-time Academic All-GLVC selection.

Johnson was a 2015 Capital One Academic All-America First Team selection and NCAA Elite 89 winner for academic excellence of all participants at the 2015 NCAA Tournament. She was also selected as the Lewis Senior Student-Athlete of the Year.

She is active outside of the court and classroom as well.

Johnson was a member of both the Intercollegiate Athletic Advisory Committee (2012-17) and Student Athletic Advisory Committee (2011-16). She was a yearly volunteer camp counselor at Lewis University Youth Basketball Camps (2011-16) and was a volunteer pilot leader for Lewis University Welcome Days in 2014.

She often volunteered at various Chicagoland Soup Kitchens and Food Pantries, while helping fundraise for Make-A-Wish Foundation and Ronald McDonald House charities.

Johnson is the first Flyer to win the award in 10 years, as both Andy Tremble and Mary Moskal each won the award in 2007.



## Miranda Earns NCAA All-America Honors

Lewis University's Sergio Miranda placed fourth overall in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:50.40 to earn All-America honors at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships on May 27.

That performance helped Lewis finish 46th overall at the meet.

## Lewis Athletics Wins Inaugural Dr. Joseph J. McGowan Visionary Award

The Great Lakes Valley Conference announced on May 23 that Lewis University has been chosen as the first recipient of the GLVC Dr. Joseph J. McGowan Visionary Award.

The Visionary Award is named after former Bellarmine University President Dr. Joseph J. McGowan who passed away in 2016. The award is presented to the GLVC institution that displays vision and exemplary programming to promote and advance the student-athlete experience.

Lewis was chosen for this award through its "Spread Your Wings" program.

"Spread Your Wings" is a community engagement initiative for Lewis University Athletics, incorporating the five commitment areas (academic, athletic, career development, personal development and service) of the NCAA/CHAMPS Lifeskills program. The initiative includes a contest among all of the athletics programs where each team is measured based on its participation.

"Our student-athletes with assistance from our great staff continue to do an amazing job in the classroom, in competition, with their personal and career development and helping in the community," Lewis associate director of athletics and program coordinator, Brian Sisson said. "Our student-athletes realize they are leaders in this community and all of our programs take that to heart.

"It is truly an honor to be selected for this inaugural award."

Behind the friendly competition between programs, is hours of hard work for every Lewis student-athlete. The academic year saw student-athletes attend athlete nutrition, alcohol awareness and graduate school seminars as well as campus speakers, campus plays, academic and technology educational labs and school music performances

Some of the organizations Lewis teams worked with include: MorningStar Mission, Christmas Giving Tree, USA Volleyball, Anne Sullivan Grade School, Make a Wish, DAK Foundation, Our Lady of Angels (Joliet), Feed My Starving Children, Relay For Life, WillCountyGreen, Northern Illinois Food Bank, Reading For Life and United Way.



# LEWIS ALUMNI ENTREPRENEURS

## A Quickly Growing Path in Today's Marketplace

In the early 1990s, there wasn't a vibrant video game industry. The only way for alumnae **Dana Dominiak '91** to develop video games was to start her own business.

"I just wanted to make video games. It was really that simple. I didn't realize back then it would take years to get a game published, but I never stopped. When we had no jobs, no prospects, no money, no hope, I just kept going until something happened," she said.

Since its entrepreneurial debut in 1993, her company, Webfoot Technologies, Inc., has had many success stories – along with many failures. "Failures create the next successes," says Dominiak. "I believe if people cannot accept failure, they will have trouble finding success." Though she officially created her business after graduation, Dominiak had begun developing software and technology for the video game industry during her years in the classroom at Lewis, even titling homework assignments as "Webfoot Software."

Now one of the oldest video game developers in continuous existence since the time of DOS, Webfoot has an extensive code base of existing C++ games and routines, which allows them to quickly create just about any genre of game that is extremely stable. The company currently has ten employees, although there were times during the Gameboy years that they employed closer to 30 – and many of them are Lewis University graduates searching for a career in the same industry that captivated her as a youth. Together, they've developed video game software for Nintendo 3DS, Nintendo Wii, Windows, Mac, Android, iPhone, and many other platforms over the decades. "We created a series of 5 best-selling Dragonball Z titles for Atari, as well as hit games like 3D Frog Frenzy for Cosmi and My Little Pony games for Hasbro."

According to a 2016 report by the Kauffman Foundation, "Entrepreneurship fuels economic growth, with new and young businesses accounting for nearly all net new job creation. Increasing the number of entrepreneurs, and creating conditions for them to succeed, has the potential to improve economic

opportunities for all Americans." Entrepreneurship is increasing; one of the groups driving these increases is women, though men still make up 60% of entrepreneurs.

Dominiak, whose company is entering its 25th year in business, works with publishers in New York, Minnesota, California, Europe and Asia. In fact, their products have been sold on every continent except Antarctica. "I really have to be careful to put my time and effort into the most important tasks, because I could easily wear myself out and become too frazzled. Priority always goes to new business development and finishing contracts. There are ten million things that need to be done, but you have to pick your battles. I think this is one area where women can really falter, because they often try to do too much; to overachieve." Dominiak says the key is understanding that you need a rest is just as important as working hard, and hiring people you trust can do a job well.

"Entrepreneurship is the engine of our economic system," adds Kristin Burton, director of the Lowell Stahl Center for Entrepreneurship and Real Estate at Lewis University. Burton, who partners with both the University and the community in her role with the Stahl Center, says that most of the jobs aren't coming from large corporations but from smaller businesses. She adds that entrepreneurship is so important because these ventures are the key contributors to new job growth. And though many think of only the business field when they think of entrepreneurship, that is not necessarily the case. "Entrepreneurs are in all fields, from education to business, from services to products."

In Will County alone, companies that began as entrepreneurial ventures are now providing significant job opportunities. Amazon, which just moved into Joliet, Illinois, recently hired around 4,000 people, says Burton. "They are the second largest employer in Will County," she adds. "Amazon started with one person, one idea. Now it's changing the lives of not just the people utilizing the service, but those in the job market seeking employment. Amazon provides an exceptional model for transforming ideas into reality."

Alumnus **John Cumbee III '78, '80**, began as an entrepreneur shortly after college and has since established and sold three successfully managed multi-million dollar companies. He's worked with several Fortune 500 companies including PepsiCo., Inc., Ford Motor Company, Honda Motor Company, and Caterpillar, Inc. throughout his career.

“You have to be willing to work hard, know that risk and reward are parallel, keep your priorities in overall life straight,” explains Cumbee. “And, supportive family and some luck of course help out a bit. Earning my MBA from Lewis and my experience at Mobil Oil prepared me to found Cumbee Freight Systems, Inc., in 1984, a trucking company with 40 employees.”

Cumbee believes that to find success, a person must have “honesty, passion for what you do, and compassion for employees. Do something you have a passion for and not the money, per se. Money is convenience – not happiness.” And, one must know the industry before putting money into it. One of the keys to success that he’s learned over the years, he relays, is that a successful entrepreneur will realize he or she will probably work more than most everyone else. And, they will keep growing the company inside the parameters of integrity and morals for the next generation. It’s not always the best idea that gets to the top; it’s usually the one with the person most willing to put in the work.

And work he did. Cumbee saw an opportunity to grow his idea even bigger in the 1980s. After selling the company, he became owner and president of Able Temps, Inc., another entrepreneurial venture where he employed approximately 1,500 people. In 1998, John sold Able Temps, Inc., and created Altus Partners, specializing in mergers and acquisitions. In 2002, John returned to the trucking business again and, while still owning and operating Altus Partners, established Blue Chip Trucking Company. He sold Blue Chip in June of 2007, after which he launched his newest company, Integrity Trade Services, Inc., a staffing agency which currently has 11 offices in six states.

“The economy is stronger when there are many smaller companies,” says Dominiak. “Too many large companies create instability because they are ‘too big to fail.’ If we had more companies that were smaller, risk would be spread out and the world would be a fairer playing field. Right now wealth is super concentrated around too few people.”

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*Through the generosity of Lowell Stahl, the Stahl Center for Entrepreneurship and Real Estate was established to instill entrepreneurial thinking at Lewis and to create a community of practitioners with a lifelong commitment to achieving social and economic progress through entrepreneurship.*

*Students can earn a certificate or minor in Entrepreneurship, participate in programs such as a business plan competition or elevator pitch competition, learn from guest speakers, and have access to mentors through the Collegiate Entrepreneurs Organization global network. Learn more at [lewisu.edu/stahlcenter](http://lewisu.edu/stahlcenter)*

## Bringing Opportunities to the Community

“One of the most important pieces of advice I give to someone looking to begin their own business is not to go it alone. Look for the resources in your area – there are many,” explains Burton. “Instead of going to a bank looking for funding with an idea, get mentored, build a solid business framework and obtain customers, then look for funding opportunities. Incubators, Accelerators and business development centers are great resources for this stage.”

Though the concept of entrepreneurship has been the same over time, technology continues to change how it happens. “Crowdfunding and lean startups are newer ways to describe how our economy is creating new avenues for this path. Entrepreneurship has never been an academic program but rather a trade; now, it’s beginning to be taught as a new way of thinking and communicating ideas,” says Burton.



A partnership with Lewis University and the Des Plaines River Valley Enterprise Zone will work through the Regional Alliance Business Incubator project to provide expert guidance and support to local entrepreneurs, enabling not just Lewis students to go out into the world and become entrepreneurs, but aid local citizens with achieving their entrepreneurial dreams.

Phase one of the program includes a feasibility study which, if ending in positive results, will lead to the Alliance Incubator (housed at Lewis University’s Fitzpatrick House and funded by the Enterprise Zone in addition to in-kind donations by Lewis) opening next fall.

According to the Village of Romeoville, using a mix of educational workshops and Lewis’ existing intellectual, technological, and material resources, the Alliance Incubator’s goal is to create a state-of-the-art business program with STEM related, product based, and information technology companies at the heart. Once the incubator is established, the five first-year tenants will receive “mentoring and strategic coaching, networking opportunities, assistance with loan applications and venture capital presentations, potential small seed grants, business training offerings, and faculty expert support during the start-up process.” As part of the partnership, tenants will pay rent and will be expected to locate their businesses within the Enterprise Zone boundaries (which consists of the Romeoville, Joliet, Lockport, and Rockdale communities). The program then hopes to graduate these tenants after a two-year stay while also accepting five new tenants each year.

“Incubator tenants will have the opportunity to work with Lewis faculty on refining their product or service. As an example, an entrepreneur might work in the Maker Lab to create a prototype, or use the media studio to create a product video for their business,” says Burton. “We hope the passion for entrepreneurship resonates through our students as they work with entrepreneurs in the community to provide solutions for complex problems. In addition, an increasing number of existing companies are hiring entrepreneurial employees to be intra-preneurs: creative thinkers with innovative mindsets. Everyone is looking for next greatest invention in their industry, and that requires synergistic relationships and the ability to pioneer as we look to the future,” says Burton.

# alumni Profiles

## Ed Hartig

### CHICAGO CUBS HISTORIAN

“Over 45 years of emotions and thoughts rushed through my head when the Cubs finally won the World Series,” says Ed Hartig ’87. “I remembered the first time my father took me to Wrigley Field; all the losing seasons, the near misses, and the seasons that ended almost as soon as they started.”

A lifelong baseball fan and historian for the Chicago Cubs, Ed is proud to have witnessed his favorite team make history with the first World Series win since 1908. During his years at Lewis, he worked with *The Baseball Encyclopedia* while at Lewis, spending a lot of time pouring through micro-film and completing data entry. Between the data from *The Baseball Encyclopedia* and his personal collection of baseball books, media guides, scorecards, photographs, and newspapers, Ed had built a quite extensive baseball library before the age of 20.

“I was comfortable using computers, I had the necessary historical data and was a lifelong Cubs fan; I was off to a good start,” says Ed.

A few years later, a friend of Ed’s who worked for the Chicago Cubs began



*Ed Hartig ’87 and his daughter Maddie pose with the World Series Trophy. (Below) Ed Hartig with Judy Hsu and Terrell Brown of the ABC-TV Channel 7. Ed contributed to the coverage of the passing of Chicago Cubs Hall of Famer Ernie Banks.*

calling him to fact-check an article or ask his opinion on a story. After nearly five years, this friendly favor turned into an opportunity to write for the team’s monthly magazine called *Vine Line*, and proof the historical records for the team’s annual media guide as a freelance researcher/writer. He started giving tours of Wrigley Field for the team’s charity and then began working for the team with local and national media.

Now after years of working for the Cubs, Ed is beyond thrilled to be a part of this very special piece of history for Chicago.

Ed was able to share this extraordinary experience with his daughter, who went to several of the games with him last season. She rode with him on one of the lead trolleys for the parade and rally that drew in over five million fans. “Riding along Lake Shore Drive and seeing all of the fans – hundreds deep, holding up signs of loved

ones who were not with us to celebrate – really showed me how special this team is to its fans, including me,” he says.

Ed’s only disappointment is that his mother was not around to see him receive his World Series ring, having recently passed away.

Besides serving as the historian for the Chicago Cubs, Ed has also worked for the Nielsen Company as a principal data scientist since 2005, supporting the company’s consumer package goods services. In this position, he is able to research the “why” behind what people buy.

Ed was first exposed to Lewis when he began attending baseball, basketball and soccer games while his sister, Patti Hartig ’80, was a student at the university. Following in his sister’s footsteps, he too attended Lewis and gained experience that propelled his career.





# Luke Kramarz

## U.S. ARMY

Most college graduates celebrate with their friends and family after the ceremony, but Luke Kramarz '14 had something much different planned – he and his fiancé Elaine (Belen) Kramarz '14 (pictured right) married just two hours after graduation at Lewis University, and one hour after he was commissioned into the U.S. Army.

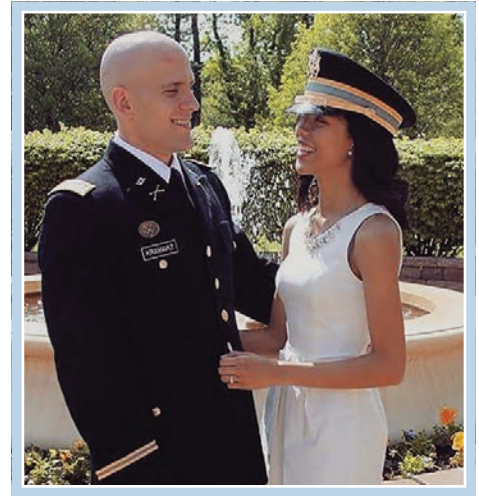
Luke currently serves as an Infantry Officer for the U.S. Army in Kosovo (pictured below), as part of the NATO mission. Their peace-keeping mission descends from international efforts to build peace and stability in an area where significant conflict took place in the late 1990's.

Luke began his time as an Infantry Officer in Ft. Benning, Georgia where he finished his training, before being stationed in Fort Carson, Colorado, where he now resides. "As a junior Infantry Officer, I have been trained to lead small groups of about 40 soldiers to accomplish combat tasks such as establishing security checkpoints

or seizing terrain during a battle," says Luke. "However, the NATO mission is very different from anything I was trained for."

This lightly publicized mission has helped maintain stability for the past 17 years in a historically unstable region located in Europe. "It is a very peaceful mission, but one with plenty of opportunities for soldiers to better themselves, namely in interpersonal skills," Luke says. "I lead a small team of soldiers with a goal of establishing relationships with civilians, in an effort to help this country continue to move forward."

Having emigrated to the U.S. from Poland in 1997, Luke has made it a goal of his to give back to a country that has presented him with so many opportunities. During this mission in Kosovo, Luke and his soldiers have focused their energy on attending classes with children, playing sports with them, and coordinating events such as concerts.



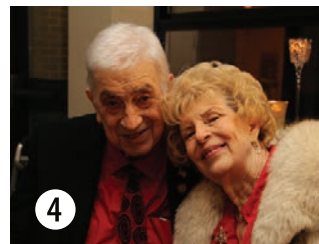
"My personal goal here in Kosovo is to spend as much time as possible in schools, as I firmly believe that if anyone will finally be able to completely overcome the biases that still exist here, it will be the kids," adds Luke.

Luke's favorite part of this job is to play a part in bringing opportunities for positive change and a better life – such as getting a water pump donated to a school – to people in the area. "That water pump may not seem like a big deal to most, but when it means that that school will now have drinkable water, it is a huge accomplishment," says Luke with a smile.

Luke plans on transitioning from the Infantry into Civil Affairs sometime in the next few years. "I have enjoyed this mission, especially working with a small team that focuses on helping people, and as there are elements of Civil Affairs that do this, I plan on trying to do that," Luke says.

In his free time, Luke is working on publishing his first written fantasy novel and working on his second, in hopes that they will be part of a three- or four-part series. He also looks forward to any time he can spend with his wife Elaine, who graduated with a bachelor's in early childhood education and is teaching kindergarten in Colorado.





## Events & Celebrations

### Chicago White Sox vs. Chicago Cubs

Lewis alumni and friends joined together in Arizona as the 2016 World Series Champion Chicago Cubs and the Chicago White Sox went head-to-head in a pre-season battle in Mesa, Arizona on February 27. **1** Pictured are: Tim Ferrarell '79, Bill Hartmann '78, Kathy Halloran '74, Joe Falese '78 '84, John McIntire '78, Clif Kelly '78, Kevin Newquist '78, and Ken Feeney '80.

### Sarasota and Naples

**2** Susan O'Neill '79, Mary Jane Whiteside, Mike Morefield '78, and Dennis Tonelli joined Dr. David Livingston in Florida in March for an alumni gathering (and some warm weather)!

### President's Circle Celebration 2016

Generous donors attended the annual President's Circle dinner event on December 2, 2016. With a unique new format, this year's event program focused on demonstrating the impact our donors have on the lives of our students, faculty, and alumni, with highlights including the Sczepaniak lecture series, Girls Create with Technology program, and the importance of scholarships in allowing students to finish their degree and move onto careers that will give back to helping the next generation attending college. Our President's Circle members provide significant growth opportunities for academic programs, athletics, scholarships, facilities, and more. For more information on becoming a President's Circle member, visit us online at [alumni.lewisu.edu/circle](http://alumni.lewisu.edu/circle).

**3** President's Circle Celebration guests heard from students and alumni who have benefited from the generosity of donors both through scholarship and academic opportunities **4** Rich '59 and Sharon Incandela enjoy each other's company as they mingle with guests. **5** Performances by the Gospel Choir and **6** the Philip Lynch Theatre provided musical entertainment for the evening. **7** Brother Larry Schatz, FSC, Joan and Dr. David Livingston, and Dawn and Russ Smyth take a pause from the festivities for a photo.





## Men's Volleyball Alumni Gathering

In January, Men's Volleyball alumni gathered for a weekend of festivities. **8** Lucas Yanez '15, BJ Boldog '13, MBA '14, Omar Sanchez '12, Pat Lilly '15, Yiwei Zhou '14, MBA '16, Andy Orf '15, Jay Petty '11, and Marc Denson '13, MBA '16. **9** Alumni returned to play against the current team with head coach Dan Friend.

## Cookies with Santa

On December 4, 2016, alumni and their children joined Lewis University for Cookies with Santa! Santa, who bears a striking resemblance to alumnus Chris Hueg '11, '16, listened to the children's Christmas lists and families enjoyed cookies and crafts afterwards. Pictured are **10** Juliana and Jackson Zych, children of Jeff and Jenn (Klima) Zych '01. **11** Nicholas, the youngest son of Kurt '98, '02 and Eileen Schackmuth, eventually adored Santa from a distance!

## Celebrating Women in Leadership Conference is Another Success

Lewis University hosted its third annual Celebrating Women in Leadership Conference on Oct. 7. The one-day, on-campus conference featured female leaders who are alumnae and friends of the University. Conference attendees participated in morning activities for personal enrichment, including one-on-one resume reviews, 30-minute individual coaching sessions and a presentation titled "Growing Through Spiritual Small Groups: Opportunity for Leadership Development" which was led by Linda Luedtke '82, MSN '89 and Jennifer Rutherford from University Ministry. Attendees also networked at a wine and cheese celebration in the Oremus Fine Arts Center.

**12** Kay Bolden, executive director of the Warren-Sharpe Community Center, provided a keynote address. She shared stories about how boys and girls are taught differently, whether it is on purpose or accident. She also discussed how women need to build each other up. Other speakers included Mary L. Spreitzer '96, MBA '98; Debra Heinzel '82; Debbie Petropoulos; Representative Natalie Manley, MA '15; Sergeant Margaret Kielczynski, Ret. '77; La Vada D. Humphrey '02; Premalatha Mony, MA '10; Mary E. Lancaster '88, C.P.A.; Nancy Hinz Balcer Novak, CFP '76; and Geneva Reed, MA '12.

## Alumni Day and All Decades Teams

What an incredible Alumni Day on January 28, as Lewis honored the All-Decades Teams (1990s)! In addition to recognizing our All-Decades teams, we also retired the jersey of the late Wayne Molis '66, with his family in attendance for the celebration. **13** Women's honorees included Carey Jewell '02, Bonnie (Richrath) Spielman '94, Brenda (Wegrzyn) Michalek '95, Kellie (Harmas) Riggs '00, Joy King '97, Julie (Giles) Cesarini '94, Jackie (Wayne) Mitchum '92, LaRita Harrington-Wilcher, Heather Compton '97, and Stacy Alexander '99. **14** Men's honorees included Milosh Pujo '99, Rich Aigner '95, John Adams '93, Marc Boone '98, Zeke Clerk, Roger Suchy '96, Tarrie Monroe '01, Scott Riley '99, Josh Virostko '02, and Jeremy Warner '00. **15** Molis, a 1980 inductee into the Lewis Athletics Hall of Fame, competed for the Flyers from 1963-65. He was the team MVP following the 1964-65 campaign, as he averaged a team-best 23.3 points-per-game for Lewis. Following that season, Molis was drafted in the 10th round by the New York Knicks. He still holds the Lewis school-record for field goals in a game with 20 buckets against Chicago Teachers College in the 1963-64 campaign.

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## Alumni Come to Campus to Share Expertise

**Bryan T. Durkin '82, MBA '93**, president of CME Group, the world's leading and most diverse derivatives marketplace, provided a business case for attaching oneself to ethical principles during the 2017 Lewis University College of Business Ethics Week.

Durkin, a Lewis University alumnus, is responsible for overseeing the CME Group's Technology, Global Operations, Market Technology and Data Services, and International businesses, as well as the company's GFX division. He stressed the importance of a strong education in forming one's personal judgment, adding, "I know I received a great deal of this ethical grounding from this university."

The former Lewis University adjunct instructor has been part of the futures industry in Chicago for more than 30 years, beginning his career with the Office of Investigations and Audits at the Chicago Board of Trade. He has held several key positions at CBOT, and then later at CME Group, including roles as CME Group's Chief Commercial Officer and Chief Operating Officer. And, as part of his responsibilities, he led the global integrations following CME Group's merger with the Chicago Board of Trade and CME Group's acquisition of the New York Mercantile Exchange.

"Every day, CME Group provides economic value, integrity, confidence and trust in the marketplace," added Durkin, who earned a bachelor's and master's degree from the Lewis University College of Business. Durkin and his wife have also established the Bryan T. and Mary C. Durkin Endowed Scholarship for College of Business students, which was first awarded in 2016.

Ethics Week is an annual observance for the College of Business. Professors put an extra emphasis on integrating ethical leadership into their lessons during the week. Some focus on challenging ethical dilemmas, while others create dynamic student projects, such as developing a code of ethics and writing reflective papers and essays.



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**Jay Johnson, '98, '07** Computer Science alumnus and IT Manager at Argonne National Laboratory, presented "Practical Approaches to Multifactor Authentication" to Lewis Computer Science students and faculty.

Former WFLY-TV News Director and General Manager **Shane Gustafson '15** now works as a reporter for WMBD-TV in Peoria, Ill. Shane recently visited campus to speak with the Field Production class taught by Tracy Hemmingway, assistant professor of Communication, about his career in reporting and offer advice to current students in the Radio/TV Broadcasting program.

Artist and alumna **Jane (Caldwell) Stiker '56** visited campus and brought a copy of the program from one of the first plays at Lewis.

**Bill Storie '69** returned to Dr. Dennis Cremin's class to present on "The Rise of the American Colossus."

**Richard Joyce '73** spoke to Lewis University's Phi Alpha Theta Chapter on "A Community in Turmoil, Spring Valley, Illinois: Another Look at Workers in the Late Nineteenth Century."

Alumni can learn more about speaking and volunteer opportunities online at [alumni.lewisu.edu/volunteer](http://alumni.lewisu.edu/volunteer).

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# class notes

## Weddings/ Engagements

### Janine Kozak-Stalcup '93, MBA '96

(Psychology/Business/Marketing) and David Muzzall wed on Nov. 12, 2016, at the Abbington in Glen Ellyn, Ill.

**Christopher Thurlby '12** (Air Traffic Control Management) and **Hollyn (Holsinger) Thurlby '15** (Nursing) were married September 5, 2015.

**Kevin Veatch '12** (Marketing) and **Shelby Ray '13** (Broadcast Journalism) were recently engaged. The couple met on the spring Koinonia trip in 2012.

**John Nickas '14** (History/Secondary Education) and **Stephanie Slivka '14** (Special Education & Elementary Education) got engaged in Sept. 2016 and will be married on October 6, 2017. John is teaching 8th grade social studies in Aurora and Stephanie is teaching 1st grade in Sleepy Hollow.

**Kelly Rohder '15** (Organizational Leadership) and Rodney Tonelli were recently engaged.

## Births



### Nicholas

#### Waldenmeyer

'03, '09 (Criminal Justice/Master's in Public Safety Administration) and Nicole Waldenmeyer are proud to

announce that Lucia "Lucy" Eve was born on Dec. 21, 2015. Lucy was welcomed home by her big sisters, Layla and Alina.



### Brittany

#### Plahm '15

(Nursing) and her husband, Michael, welcomed their sixth child, Jaxson Kane. She was recently offered a position as a NICU nurse.

## Jobs/Awards

**Ayanna (Collins) Hypolite '04 '06** (Business Administration) passed the Florida bar exam and received an Associate Attorney position with the law firm of Wershow & Schneider, P.A. in Gainesville, Fla.. The law firm practices family law and probate law.



**Adam Olszeski '10** (Journalism) joined the law firm of Williams Venker & Sanders in St. Louis as an associate. Adam graduated from St. Louis University Law School in 2013 and his current practice focuses on products liability, medical malpractice and insurance litigation.

**Brian Zankowski '10, MA '15** (Aviation Flight Management/Economics/Finance) started his career

at Abbott Laboratories in their Corporate Aviation Department and currently flies their Kingair 350. Brian was recently engaged to Allison Doll and plans to be married Sept. 24, 2017. He was named the Chairman of the Chicago Area Business Aviation Association (CABAA) Scholarship and Mentoring Committee. In 2013 he won the CABAA/Flightsafety Professional Training Award. Since 2010, CABAA has supported over \$225,000 in scholarship monies and awards to Lewis students.

**Bridget Foliard '12** (Radio/TV Broadcasting) recently received two awards for the PR campaign called "Love The Gums You're With" – a Golden Trumpet Award presented by the Publicity Club of Chicago and a Skyline Award presented by the Public Relations Society of America, Chicago Chapter. Last year, she received a Silver Anvil from the Public Relations Society of America, which is the most prestigious award in public relations.



### Ensign Alex Mann '14

(Air Traffic Control Management) earned his wings of gold as a Naval Flight Officer. He is stationed at Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, Fla., flying the P-3 Orion.

### Jennifer McGowan '16

(Secondary Education)

was recognized as an Outstanding Beginning Teacher by the Illinois Association of Colleges of Teacher Education (IACTE) on March 28 at the IACTE meeting in Springfield, Ill. McGowan is a first year psychology, government and history teacher at Joliet Central High School. As an undergraduate, she was extremely active in campus life and served the College as a Student Ambassador doing presentations for parents and prospective students.

She completed her student teaching in the spring of 2016 at Joliet High School and was encouraged by her university supervisor, Larry Wiers, to spend some years in the classroom because she has a great gift for teaching and the ability to touch the hearts and minds of her students.

McGowan views herself as a social justice advocate and promotes quality education for all students. She is interested in pursuing a graduate degree in School Counseling at Lewis in the future.

Alumni **John "Jack" '77** and **Eileen (Tokars) Tumpane '79** are the parents of John Tumpane, who was recently hired by Major League Baseball as a full-time umpire.

If you have news, let us know!  
Email [alumni@lewisu.edu](mailto:alumni@lewisu.edu).

# Things to do

**FRIDAY,  
JUNE 9**

**37th Annual  
Flyer Athletics  
Fund Golf  
Outing**

*Cog Hill Golf and  
Country Club in Lemont*

**TUESDAY &  
WEDNESDAY,  
JULY 18-19**

**TKE Reunion  
and 50 Year  
Celebration**

**SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 9**

***Signum Fidei  
Celebration***

**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 21**

**Golden Flyers  
and 50 Year  
Reunion for the  
Class of 1967**

*Details are available at*

***alumni.lewisu.edu/Events***

**FRIDAY,  
DECEMBER 1**

**President's  
Circle  
Celebration**

**SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 3**

**Cookies  
with Santa**

## In Memoriam

**Robert W. Piercy '50**  
February 13, 2017

**Eugene F. Meyer '60**  
January 16, 2017

**Carol E. (Rodziczak)  
Tolone '62**  
March 20, 2017

**Francis J. Cassidy '64**  
November 24, 2016

**Leonard E. Miller '65**  
March 5, 2017

**Nicholas M. Slimack '65**  
January 8, 2017

**Edward R. Greenup '67**  
October 31, 2016

**Richard A. McCue '67**  
December 19, 2016

**Philip M. Duffin '68**  
December 22, 2016

**Phillip J. Cashen '69**  
December 5, 2016

**Joseph J. Steinbach '69**  
November 4, 2016

**Frank J. Horvath '73**  
December 29, 2016

**John C. Olson '73**  
February 9, 2017

**Stephen C. Mott '75 '88**  
March 6, 2017

**Carolyn (Gaskey) Roy '75**  
November 20, 2016

**Diane K. Vlasak '77**  
January 14, 2017

**Thomas E. Byron '79**  
April 8, 2017

**Robert L. Gray '79**  
October 8, 2016

**Michael E. Haley '81**  
December 31, 2016

**Terrence M. Lee '81**  
February 1, 2017

**Richard C. Peck '82**  
October 11, 2016

**Michael E. Bastian '83**  
October 9, 2016

**Edward A. Krutulius '86**  
November 26, 2016

**Judith J. Ferguson '89**  
February 8, 2017

**Daniel L. Lantz '89**  
February 11, 2017

**Dwain T. Givens '93 '07**  
October 12, 2016

**Melody Ford '96**  
December 6, 2016

**Anne L. Zawaski '02**  
January 19, 2017

**Diane L. Hartman '05**  
January 14, 2017

**Leonore A. Mlynar '15**  
February 20, 2017

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## *Generosity* Can Be Everlasting



Stanley and Catherine Senffner enjoy a special luncheon with Allison Luna '16. Allison is the inaugural recipient of an endowed scholarship generously established by Catherine's brother, Larry Zlogar '69, in his estate plans.

Lewis University, consistent with our Catholic heritage and Lasallian values, provides our students with a vibrant educational experience that prepares them to succeed in an ever-changing and increasingly global work environment. However, as a not-for-profit institution, we must rely on partnerships with our faculty and staff, alumni and other friends to grow our margin of excellence and advance our educational mission.

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Planning your estate and legacy for future generations, including your charitable interests, takes careful evaluation. We would be happy to assist you and your advisors with no obligation. Please contact Robert A. Kanonik, JD, Director of Planned Giving at (815) 836-5813 or [kanoniro@lewisu.edu](mailto:kanoniro@lewisu.edu).

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