

MONTHLY JET-SETTER

Alumni and Friends,

"Baby, it's cold outside!" Why not come in from the cold and enjoy events off and on campus like Lewis' annual comedy night at the Beverly Arts Center, our Day of Giving celebration at Stritch Hall (with coffee and cookies for all), an art invitational, or a great play. There's plenty going on for Flyers of all ages to get us through these chilly winter months!

FEATURED EVENTS:



Laugh to Create Awareness – Saturday, February 24, 2024 - Beverly Arts Center (2407 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL 60655): Come enjoy the comedy of Mr. Derick, Maggie Dipalo (Mother McAuley alumna), and Joe Kilgallon! For ticket and event sponsorships, please [CLICK HERE](#).



Day of Giving - Thursday, March 21, 2024: Mark your calendar and plan to show some Flyer love as we celebrate our 2024 Day of Giving! Join us if you can at **Stritch Hall** and make your gift in person between **9 a.m. and 3 p.m.!** We will have sweet treats, coffee, lemonade, and a student candy bar! Once again, we will raise funds for different student-centered projects that were nominated by faculty, staff, and students. There is something for everyone so stay tuned for more information!

THE VOTES ARE IN! We received an overwhelming response to our Sock Choice Survey! Stay tuned for the

big Day of Giving sock reveal later in February! Thank you to all who voted!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Save the date or register for an upcoming event. We hope to see you soon!

- **Conversations with Dr. Livingston – Wednesday, February 14, 2024:** Join Dr. Livingston at St. Augustine College at Lewis University (1345 W. Argyle St. Chicago, IL 60640) for coffee and conversation, followed by a campus tour. Afterward, there will be an opportunity to receive ashes for Ash Wednesday. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Exit Strategy - February 16-18 & February 22-25, 2024:** To purchase tickets for this show at Philip Lynch Theatre, [CLICK HERE.](#)
- **Flyer Red Dinner - Wednesday, March 13, 2024:** Join us for an evening at Bolingbrook Golf Club to celebrate Flyers Athletics as we honor our new inductees into the Hall of Fame! Cocktail Hour begins at 6 p.m. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#) Can't make it? Consider sponsoring a student who'd like to attend. Sponsorships available as well.
- **Spring Men's Volleyball Reception - Saturday, March 16, 2024:** Come root for the Flyers Men's Volleyball Team as they take on Quincy University at 4 p.m. in the Neil Carey Arena. There will be a reception in the Seiler Room during the game for all Men's Volleyball alumni (wristband required). After the game, there will be an alumni gathering at Nik & Ivy's Brewing Company. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **TEDx Lewis University – Thursday, March 21, 2024:** Love hearing new ideas and perspectives? Plan to attend TEDx Lewis University where you can hear from members of the Lewis community who will give timely and passionate talks on a range of topics. TEDx Lewis University will take place at the Philip Lynch Theatre at Lewis. Mark your calendar!
- **Godspell – April 19-21, 2024:** To purchase tickets for this show at Philip Lynch Theatre, [CLICK HERE.](#)
- **Golden Flyers 50 Year Reunion – Saturday, May 18, 2024:** Save the Date! We will especially honor our Class of 1974 (50 years since graduation!) as they are officially inducted into our Golden Flyers society. Don't miss this fun-filled day to reminisce with former classmates and fellow Flyers who are already a part of the society. More details are coming soon!

LEWIS UNIVERSITY

Are you involved in Youth Sports?

Do you make decisions recognizing signs of concussion during athletic events?



We are looking for new Focus Group members to talk about their involvement in youth sports and recognizing potential concussion.

If you meet the following criteria, we want you to participate:

- Role in Sports: Coach, Athletic Trainer or Administrator
- Must have at least one year experience in the role (*this may be volunteer experience*)
- Your role involves youth sports (athletes under 18 years of age)
- You are 18 years of age or older

What will you do?

- Join a discussion with up to 6 people involved in youth sports
- Provide insights and feedback during a 2 hour discussion
- Focus groups will be held at Lewis University or via Zoom
- Receive a \$75 Gift Card at completion of Focus Group

For more information or to schedule your participation in a Focus Group contact:

Ann Guernon, PhD, CCC-SLP

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This study is funded by Lewis University via the Brother Bernard Rapp Research Focus Award. Title of the Study: Advancing Confident Decision-Making about Concussion for Youth Coaches through Refinement of Coach Competency Tool.

WANT TO PARTICIPATE?

Lewis University is looking for volunteers who are involved in youth sports (and recognizing potential concussions) to become part of focus groups for research. Participants will receive a \$75 gift card after the focus group has been completed. A person must meet the following criteria to participate:

- 1.) Role involved in sports: coach, athletic trainer or administrator
- 2.) At least 1 year experience in role
- 3.) Role involves youth sports (under 18 yrs. old)
- 4.) You are 18 years or older

For more information or to schedule your participation in the focus group, please contact Ann Guernon PhD, CCC-SLP, at aguernon@lewisu.edu.

EVENT PHOTOS

We challenge you to attend at least one alumni event this year! To check out photos from our alumni events, [CLICK HERE](#).

ALUMNI NEWS

The Illinois Supreme Court and Justice Lisa Holder White '90 announced the appointment of Associate Judge Nigel Graham '05 as a Resident Circuit Judge for McDonough County in the Ninth Judicial Circuit.

Congratulations to Michael Sommerfeld '05 will be the new Director of Athletics for Lemont High School District 210.

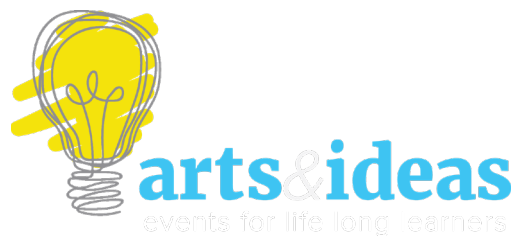
Congratulations to Dan McCarthy '74 and Mitch Tomaszewicz '85 who were inducted into the Lewis University Academy of Coaches in January.

Congratulations to Roy Selvik '19, who was appointed the Chief of the Addison Police Department.

Congratulations to Rolla Sweis '08, who was named President and CEO of La Rabida Children's Hospital in Chicago.

ALUMNI DIRECTORY

Register or update your information in our Lewis Alumni Directory! This is a great way to connect with classmates and network with fellow Flyers. To update your information or register, [CLICK HERE](#).



Lewis University's Arts and Ideas program is gearing up for an exciting spring semester, offering a diverse lineup of events including a prestigious Presidential art show, mesmerizing music performances, and compelling theater acts – ensuring there's something for everyone. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.



PODCAST: LEWIS EDITION

Need a good podcast to listen to while working out or driving? Check out the Science CoAST podcast hosted by Lewis' Dr. Mallory Havens and Dr. Chris White! They discuss different timely questions we all ask and some we haven't even thought of yet! [CLICK HERE TO WATCH EPISODES](#).



CAREER EXPO

Career Services at Lewis University is hosting a Career Expo open to alumni. The expo will be March 20, 2024 from 12:00pm to 3:00pm in the fieldhouse. It is an opportunity to meet with 70+ employers at this internship and job fair. One resume will be collected at the door as your admission ticket. Please bring plenty of resumes to give out to employers. There is no onsite copy center. Resumes and professional attire will be required.

To learn more about Career Services resources available to alumni, [CLICK HERE](#).

FREEWILL 

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Protect those you love by creating a will through Free Will this month! Lewis University has partnered with FreeWill, an online tool that guides you through the process of creating a legally valid will. It's easy to use, free of charge, and can be completed in 20 minutes or less. In addition to taking care of your loved ones and their future, you have the option to establish your legacy at Lewis University. To create your free will now [CLICK HERE](#).

INTERESTED IN EARNING AN ADVANCED DEGREE?

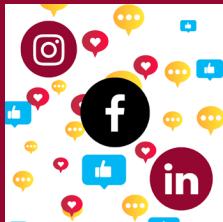
If you're a solution-oriented critical thinker who enjoys helping others with day-to-day activities, a [Master's in Occupational Therapy](#) is for you. We provide the knowledge, skills, and experience to help those with developmental, physical, cognitive, psychological, and sensory performance issues. We're accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) with a current graduation rate of 100%. Please apply through the [OT Centralized Application Service](#) and pay your application fee there. We will start a new cohort each fall. OTCAS opens their new application in mid-July each year. Our priority deadline is November 15th with a final deadline of March 1st. Contact Nancy Wiksten with questions at (815) 836-5628 or wikstena@lewisu.edu.



The ability to communicate is one of our greatest assets. As a Speech-Language Pathologist, you can impact the world for the better by helping those with communication disorders improve their interactions with others. And as a student in our [Master's in Speech-Language Pathology](#), you'll find faculty who partner with you and mentor you as you work toward learning the knowledge and skills required for clinical practice. Upon graduation, you'll be prepared to work in a variety of settings, including schools, healthcare facilities, private clinics, and more.

[Apply now](#) or contact Rhonda Richter at

(815) 836-5811 or richterh@lewisu.edu to learn more.



CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA

To check out a comprehensive listing of all of our Lewis U social media channels, [CLICK HERE](#). Like and follow the Alumni social media pages to receive updates on upcoming events and stories from Alumni.



FLYERS ATHLETICS

Congrats to all the fall sports teams on their hard work and athletic successes! Good luck to our spring sport teams, as they begin their seasons. To stay up-to-date on our athletic programs, [CLICK HERE](#).



WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET MORE INVOLVED IN THE LEWIS UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION?

Become an Alumni Representative! Alumni Representatives make a commitment to serve their alma mater with their **time, talent, and treasure**. Would you like to learn more about the responsibilities of serving as a Lewis U Alumni Rep? [CLICK HERE](#).

LEWIS U NEWS

To check out all the latest news from Lewis U, [CLICK HERE.](#)

MAKE A GIFT

Consider making a gift to Lewis University and make an impact on a Flyer's education. To choose from a variety of impact areas, please [CLICK HERE.](#)

Questions? Please email Kathleen Hillsman in the Alumni Office at khillsman@lewisu.edu.

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