

MONTHLY
JET-SETTER 

Alumni and Friends,

As we approach the Feast Day of St. John Baptist de La Salle on April 7th, let us remember to model this great Saint whose value of both teaching, and learning for all, are the inspiration at the core of this Lasallian university. *"Live Jesus in our hearts, forever. St. John Baptist de La Salle, pray for us!"*



Students at the center,
FOR A BETTER WORLD
COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN

EXCITING NEWS!

Lewis University has embarked on a \$50 million comprehensive campaign, **"Students at the Center for a Better World."** This Campaign is designed to propel our Lasallian Mission forward by funding our Strategic Plan through three key pillars: spaces and places, endowment growth, and scholarships and programs. To view Dr. Livingston's announcement on March 21, [VIEW HERE](#). To read the press release, [CLICK HERE](#).

For more information, please visit www.support.lewisu.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

- **Sczepaniak Spring Lecture - Thursday, April 4, 2024:** This free event will chart the evolution of the northeastern Illinois Freedom Network and show how, despite its small Black community, Chicago emerged as a point of refuge presented by Dr. Larry

McClellan. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)

- **Br. Bernard Rapp Lecture on Faith and Science – Monday, April 8, 2024:** Learn about how Environmental Science and the Catholic Church overlap at "Fresh Waters: Science, Values, and the Role of Theology," the 3rd Annual Br. Bernard Rapp Lecture on Faith and Science at 3:30 p.m. in AS building. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Flyers Softball Doubleheader & Tailgate - Sunday, April 14:** All Lewis Softball alumni, families, and friends are welcome to join Flyers' Softball for a tailgate with free snacks, soft drinks, and water as they take on Missouri S & T in a doubleheader! [CLICK TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Celebration of Scholarship – April 17 & 18, 2024:** Mark your calendars for the twelfth annual Celebration of Scholarship. This event is a platform for students to present their work to the Lewis Community. Alumni are encouraged to attend! The annual Brother Joel Damian FSC Business Plan and Pitch Competition will be included in this event on April 18th.
- **Godspell – April 19-21, 2024:** To purchase tickets for this show at Philip Lynch Theatre, [CLICK HERE.](#)
- **Prospective Student Day Volunteering - Saturday, April 20:** Join us as we welcome prospective students and their families to campus to see all that Lewis University has to offer. Help with student check-in, answer questions, and assist with self-guided campus tours from 8:30 to noon. [CLICK HERE TO VOLUNTEER.](#)
- **Promoting Nurse Well-Being: Practices for Supporting a Healthy Mindset - Tuesday, April 23, 2024:** Lewis University is hosting a seminar at our Oak Brook campus designed to support a healthier you. In addition to the presentation, participants are invited to network and tour our facility. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Lewis Plane Pull - Saturday, April 27, 2024:** The 4th annual Lewis University Plane Pull features the ultimate tug-of-war competition! Teams of 10 raise a minimum of \$500 in funds for the opportunity to test their strength by pulling a United Airlines aircraft 12 feet as fast as possible. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **College of Nursing and Health Sciences Spring Event - Wednesday, May 1:** Join us for a presentation meant to increase awareness of how nurses impact the community. We will identify reasons for choosing nursing as a profession and discuss innovative solutions to address onboarding, the creation of a safe work environment, as well as health equity, diversity, and inclusion support for all RNs. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Golden Flyers 50 Year Reunion – Saturday, May 18, 2024:** Save the Date! We will 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!
- **EAA Airventure Oshkosh - Monday, July 22 -27, 2024:** Save the Date for EAA Airventure Oshkosh which will take place this summer. We will host an alumni

gathering for Lewis alumni on July 27! Stay tuned for more details.

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

Campus Visit

On March 12th, representatives from Rich Township District and Aerostar Consulting visited campus and checked out program offerings in COAST.



Day of Giving

On March 21, the Lewis University community celebrated its annual Day of Giving! Thank you to the alumni, faculty, staff, and students who joined us at Stritch Hall as we raised both fun and funds for worthy projects that benefit our students! We are happy to report that we raised more than \$110,000 and received more than 400 gifts! **THANK YOU!**

To watch a video recap of the day, [CLICK HERE](#).



COHFAC Kickback

Thank you to all of the alumni who joined us on Friday, March 22 to celebrate Lewis' College of Humanities, Fine Arts, and Communications at the CoHFAC Kickback! It was a fantastic evening full of creativity and fun!

"Many thanks to Dr. Chris Sindt, Provost of Lewis University, Dr. David Livingston, President, and members of the board of trustees for their unwavering support of The College of Humanities, Fine Arts and Communications. Special thanks to the dedicated efforts of the hard-working and creative faculty and staff in our college for their commitment to this event. And thanks to our amazing students who contributed by performing, writing poetry and interacting with our guests. Also, special thanks to all who attended, including our generous donors who help make our programming richer and provide vital access for our students."

- Mark Swain, Interim Dean of the College of Humanities, Fine Arts and Communications.



EVENT PHOTOS

To check out photos from Day of Giving and our alumni events, [CLICK HERE.](#)

ALUMNI NEWS

Thank you to Lewis University alumna **Kylen Mills '12** for recently talking with our digital media students about sourcing and pitching stories.

Thank you to the Founder and CEO of Fellers Consulting Group LLC, **Matthew Fellers '06**, for joining us on an episode of Good Morning Lewis on March 5!

Our thanks to alumna, **Jenna Lack '23** for her presentation recently to Lewis' Women in Business Club! Students learned about recruiting tips and best practices they could use at the Career Expo.

Thank you to **Kendall Dale '17** who recently shared insights on her design journey and early career in technology at Lewis University's Tech & Design symposium.

Thank you to **Chief James Black**, Village of Crystal Lake Police Department, and **Sergeant Ted Crawford**, Hanover Park Police Department, for their mentoring of our Lewis students. "I have two Lewis grads who have volunteered to work with my English students/criminal and social justice majors many times over the years. Chief Black and Sergeant Crawford's advice and input made such a difference over the years. Chief Black and Sergeant Crawford have a true commitment to Lasallian values, and it showed by their level of engagement with my classes," said Suzanne Wielgos, English Professor.

Congratulations to **Dr. Kiantra Loza '14 '16** for her new role as Director of Admissions & Outreach, Campus Central and International Student Services at the College of DuPage. "It was my mentors at Lewis that had a profound impact on my personal growth and offered me crucial support at a time when I needed it the most. I have always envisioned myself serving students and making an impact in the same way my mentors did for me. Each day I aspire to be the support I needed back then," stated Loza.

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.](#)



ARTS & IDEAS

Lewis University's Arts and Ideas program presents an exhilarating array of events this spring semester, featuring a distinguished Presidential art show, captivating music performances, and engaging theater productions. To explore further, [CLICK HERE.](#)

LOOKING TO MAKE A JOB CHANGE?

Thank you to our 70+ organizations that joined us for the Career Expo on March 20! Congrats to KATIE SCEARS who won the Lewis alumni swag raffle.

To check out Lewis U's Career Services resources for alumni: [CLICK HERE.](#)

Interested in volunteering as a classroom speaker, career advisor, mock interview analyst, or professional resource for students? Or maybe you'd like to represent your company at one of Lewis' job fairs? If so, please email alumni@lewisu.edu and we will connect you!

FREEWILL

Protect those you love by creating a will through Free Will this month! **FREEWILL** 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?

In today's data-driven economy, innovations in technology have become key pillars as sources of growth. That's why Lewis has developed master's programs in [Computer Science](#), [Data Science](#) and [Cybersecurity](#) that are designed to provide you with the skills and knowledge to impact the world for the better. Or, you can earn a [certificate in Data Science or Computational Biology and Informatics](#) if that better suits your professional needs.



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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



Stay in the loop with the latest Flyer athletics news and updates to support your favorite teams. From game schedules to player highlights, never miss a beat in following your beloved Flyer athletes, [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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