

MONTHLY JET-SETTER

Alumni and Friends,

Happy December! Here at Lewis, our students are preparing for the semester's end and some will welcome their families to Lewis for December Commencement. With chilly temps outside, families preparing to gather, and a spirit of anticipation in the air, it is a perfect time to grab a cup of cocoa and check in on all that is happening at Lewis these days, and all that awaits in 2025. You may even find a great holiday gift idea (look for the candy canes) in this month's Jet-setter issue!



Photos courtesy of Brother Peter Hannon, FSC and the Lewis Photography Club!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

- **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony – Monday, December 2, 2024:** Share in the holiday season's festivities by attending the tree lighting ceremony in front of North Hall at Br. Leo Circle at 4:15 p.m. All are invited to the D'Arcy Great Room for refreshments after the ceremony. This event is sponsored by Mission and Ministry.
- **Men's Volleyball Alumni Day - Saturday, January 18, 2025:** Calling all Lewis Men's Volleyball Alumni! Join your fellow MVB alumni as the Flyers take on Long Beach State University at 7 p.m. in Neil Carey Arena. There will be free food and drink in the Seiler Room during game for all MVB alumni. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)

- **Women's & Men's Basketball Alumni Night - Saturday, January 25, 2025:** Calling all basketball alumni! Join us in Neil Carey Arena as Women's Basketball takes on Rockhurst University at 1 p.m. and Men's Basketball takes on Rockhurst at 3 p.m. There will be a reception with free food and drink for all basketball alumni in the Seiler Room during both games. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)



"Laugh to Create Awareness" Comedy Night – Saturday, February 8, 2025: Save the date! Our annual Laugh to Create Awareness night will be back at the Beverly Arts Center. Proceeds benefit Lewis' mental health counseling services as well as scholarships for students studying to become mental health counselors. It is a night of laughter and raising awareness for mental health. More information coming soon! [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)

- **CoHFAC Kickback - Saturday, March 8, 2025:** Save the date for the 2nd Annual CoHFAC Kickback and get ready for a night you won't soon forget! Enjoy a variety of delicious foods, five unique open bars, and a creative and inspiring program. The CoHFAC Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented to alumnus and longtime Assistant Professor of Communication, John Carey and the studio theatre will be renamed in memory of Keith White. Sponsorship opportunities and tickets are available for purchase. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Day of Giving - Thursday, March 27, 2025:** Mark your calendar for that one-day, annual celebration of ultimate Flyer spirit! We will raise funds for nominated student-centered projects – there will be something for everyone! Stay tuned for more information!
- **Golden Flyer 50 Reunion with Induction of the Class of 1975 - Saturday, May 31, 2025:** We will honor our Class of 1975 (50 years since graduation!) as they are officially inducted into our Golden Flyers society. Don't miss this fun-filled day to reminisce with classmates and fellow Flyers who are already a part of the society. More details are coming in early 2025!



TIS THE SEASON

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift? Shop the Lewis University Bookstore for Flyer gear, gifts, and more to make the holidays extra special. From cozy apparel to unique keepsakes, there's something for every Flyer fan on your list. Start your holiday shopping today and share the Flyer spirit this season, [CLICK HERE!](#)

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you are someone who supports Lewis University, we invite you to tell us why. We would like to know your story and what drives your generosity toward Lewis. Please share your WHY with us by clicking [HERE.](#)

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

Scenes from the October 21 Flyers Concert Chorus performance of "Autumn Leaves," a

lovely jazz standard with rich harmonies, composed by Craig McLeish.



HONORING OUR VETERANS & ACTIVE MILITARY AT LEWIS

This Veterans Day, Lewis installed a flag display at the entrance to campus to honor all those military-affiliated individuals tied to the Flyer community. A special thank you to our Veteran Affairs and Recruitment offices and ROTC students who helped install the flags. To see the list of all those honored, please [CLICK HERE](#).



DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that your year-end gift to Lewis University will help us achieve our \$50 million goal for the ***Students at the Center for a Better World*** campaign? This ambitious initiative focuses on enhancing our campus through vital capital projects, growing our endowment for long-term stability, and providing critical support for scholarships and programs that directly benefit our students. At the core of this campaign is our Mission to deliver a transformative education rooted in Lasallian values. Your generosity through year-end giving plays a pivotal role! Join us in making an impact today!

To learn more or make your gift before year-end, [CLICK HERE](#).

ALUMNI NEWS

Congratulations to **Larry Tucker '84**, recently honored by Lewis' College of Business. Larry received the 24th Annual Adam Smith Award, recognizing him as an outstanding Business alumnus. He has dedicated nearly 40 years to Catholic education, including 22 years (1998-2020) as Principal of Marist High School and most recently serving as President of Marist High School for the past 5 years. To read more, please click [HERE](#).

Congratulations to **Kayla Feigl-Ramos '20** on being promoted to the Area Finance Manager at Penske Truck Leasing.

Congratulations to **Dominick Bartels '23** who was recognized with the Best Brief Award at the 2024 Moot Court Competition at Creighton University School of Law.

Congratulations to **Kyla Chalmers '22 '23** on starting her new position as a Child Welfare Specialist.

Congratulations to **Jerry Pettigrew '01** on starting his new position as VP of Talent for Waukesha County Business Alliance.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Meet **Marc Pozdol '88**, our newest alumni representative, who shares his thoughts on his Lewis Experience, life after Lewis, and what inspires him to continue to support our Flyers. "Lewis was a beacon to another path that would allow me an opportunity that I'd never considered." [CLICK HERE TO READ HIS STORY](#).



FLYERS ATHLETICS

We did it, Flyer fans! Thanks to your incredible support, our **Annual Athletic Funds Campaign** exceeded its goal, raising over \$160,000 to support our student-athletes and athletic programs. Your generosity fuels our mission to build a championship culture, empowering our student-athletes to achieve greatness on and off the field. We are profoundly grateful. Together, we are shaping the future of Flyer Athletics—this success wouldn't be possible without you!

For Women's Volleyball (below) scores and schedules, as well as all things Flyers Athletics, [CLICK HERE](#).



INTERESTED IN EARNING AN ADVANCED DEGREE?

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 members who mentor you as you gain 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.

Master New Skills with Continuing Education Courses

Ready to master new skills and take your career to the next level? Lewis University's Continuing Education online courses offer a convenient and effective way to learn. From accounting fundamentals to leadership training, our courses cover a wide range of topics to help you succeed. Beyond career advancement, continuing education contributes to personal growth and professional development. Learning new skills can boost your confidence, increase job satisfaction, and open doors to new career opportunities. At Lewis, we are committed to supporting your journey toward achieving both your personal and professional goals. With project-oriented lessons and 24/7 access, our courses are designed to fit your busy schedule. Enroll now and start learning today. Visit our **Continuing Education Catalog** or contact our admissions office at continuinged@lewisu.edu for more details.

MISSION & MINISTRY

This Advent Season, we invite you to share your prayer intentions, to be remembered at Mass at the Sancta Alberta Chapel, by our University Chaplain, **Father Paul Novak, OSM**. Please email your intentions to Father Paul at pnovak@lewisu.edu.

Lewis University warmly invites students, alumni, and community members to join us for Mass at the Sancta Alberta Chapel. Mass is celebrated on Mondays and Wednesdays at noon, Tuesdays and



Thursdays at 4:30 p.m., and Sundays at 7 p.m. All are welcomed to attend!



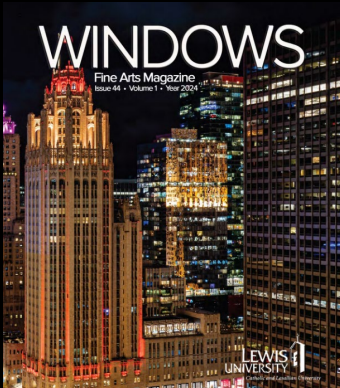
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass:

Thursday, December 12 at 12:15 p.m. in the Sancta Alberta Chapel



Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass:

Monday, December 9 at 12 noon in the Sancta Alberta Chapel



WINDOWS FINE ARTS MAGAZINE

Windows Fine Arts Magazine presents its annual magazine contest! Submissions are open to all Lewis University Alumni and writing categories include poetry, fiction, non-fiction, academic essay, and research report. Categories for visual art are painting, drawing, crafts, and sculpture. Digital Art submission categories are photography, graphic design, and digital illustration. **Submissions are due January 26th, 2025.**

For more information and to download the entry form, [CLICK HERE.](#)

LOOKING TO MAKE A JOB CHANGE?

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



As we approach the end of another remarkable year, it's a time to reflect on what truly matters—family, cherished memories, and the future we wish to secure. In this spirit, Lewis University invites you to consider creating a will through FreeWill, a user-friendly online platform that makes it easy to craft a legally binding will in just 20 minutes. Lewis has partnered with FreeWill to offer this service at no cost, giving you peace of mind and ensuring that those you love are protected.

As you plan for the future, this is also an opportunity to leave a lasting impact by including Lewis University in your legacy. Your support will empower future generations, enabling them to benefit from the same values and educational experiences you had. To create your free will now [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.](#)

If you are interested in what's going on at Lewis, please join our Alumni Rep meeting on **January 15, 2025** at Noon! Message Brandon McGhee at mcgheebr@lewisu.edu for the link!

LEWIS U NEWS

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



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CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA

The Lewis University MBA program just launched its very own Instagram account. Follow them at [@lewisumba](https://www.instagram.com/lewisumba) for updates, news, and professional insights.

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

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.](#)



GIVE THE GIFT OF EDUCATION THIS CHRISTMAS

Looking for a unique Christmas gift for someone who has everything? Consider giving the gift of education to a student in need of financial assistance. This is the kind of present that will change someone's life.

Make your gift by December 31 and it will be tax-deductible for 2024.

[MAKE A GIFT](#)

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

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