JET-SETTER

Alumni and Friends,

Happy June from all of us in the Lewis University Alumni Office! We celebrated four graduation ceremonies during Mother's Day weekend and the campus was in full bloom for all of our family members and guests! Join us as we welcome our more than 1,000 new Flyer alumni! Please take some time to enjoy this month's Jet-Setter and learn about what's happening here at Lewis.

THE POWER OF A GIFT

Recently an alumna donated both a Yamaha guitar and trumpet to our Music program. Enjoy this video that shows so beautifully the unique impact a gift can have on different students, **CLICK HERE**.

CALLING ALL LEWIS ALUMNI SWEETHEARTS!

If you and your spouse, partner, boyfriend, or girlfriend are Lewis sweethearts, please email attimul@lewisu.edu and let us know. Or, if you know of a Lewis Sweetheart pair, please let us know. We are planning a little something special for our Lewis Sweethearts at Signum Fidei on October 19 and we want as many Lewis Sweethearts in attendance as possible!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

- Flyer Athletics Golf Outing– Friday, June 14, 2024: The 44th annual Flyer Golf Outing will take place at Cog Hill Golf & Country Club with a 1:00 PM shotgun start. Sponsorship opportunities are available. CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.
- **EAA Airventure Oshkosh Monday, July 22 -27, 2024**: We will host a gathering for Lewis alumni on Saturday, July 27 at Booth #53 at Aviation Gateway Park!

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.

Can't make the gathering on Saturday but will be at EAA during the week? Stop by Lewis' booth (#53) and register for a chance to win some cool Lewis swag items! To let us know you'll be stopping by during the week, **CLICK HERE**.

- Lewis Hockey Club Golf Outing Sunday, August 18, 2024: Join us at our annual Golf Outing at the Links at Carillon as we support the Lewis University Hockey Club Team. There will be a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Sponsorship opportunities are available. CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.
- Move-In Day Wednesday, August 21, 2024: Save the date for Freshman
 Move-In Day and help our Lewis freshmen move into their dorms! More information
 to come on how to volunteer and be a part of the day.
- **Signum Fidei Saturday, October 19, 2024:** The night will include music from the LU Band with guest student performers, dueling pianos, dancing, a student art show, and more, all to support Lewis University's Mission Fund! Sponsorships are available! For more information and to purchase tickets, please **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**.

DID YOU RECEIVE MISSION FUND ASSISTANCE WHEN YOU ATTENDED LEWIS?

We would love to hear your impact story if you are willing to share it with us. If so, please email Kathleen Hillsman at khillsman@lewisu.edu.

DID YOU KNOW?

Lewis is **CHARGING** ahead! Lewis University has been in the process of installing electric vehicle charging stations around its campus! Each parking lot will be equipped with two dual-port charging stations for a total of twelve new stations throughout our campus. One of the charging stations will be ADA-accessible. Keep an eye out for these stations on campus if you have an electric vehicle!

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

"I Love Lewis Day"

On Thursday, April 25th from 4 to 6 p.m., "I Love Lewis Day" was hosted for students by Lewis' Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion group on campus. Students enjoyed treats from different food trucks, a climbing wall, airbrushed tattoos, bull riding, and much more!







Wellness Break

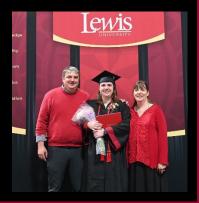
During finals this spring, students were invited to take a break from studying and writing papers to enjoy the company of some little furry friends. Along with "Jet," Lewis' own support dog, puppies were hosted on campus for some play and snuggle time with students. Click HERE for a video to take a 30-second mental health break!

Spring Commencement

Lewis University celebrated May Commencement ceremonies for more than 1,000 students May 10-11 on the university's campus in Romeoville. Congratulations to our newest graduates and welcome to the alumni association!









GOLDEN FLYER REUNION PHOTOS

On Saturday, May 18th, Lewis welcomed the Golden Flyers (graduates from 50 or more years ago) back to campus for Mass, Brunch, campus tours, and time to reconnect. We also happily inducted the Class of 1974 into this distinguished society. To check out photos from the Golden Flyers Reunion and other alumni events, **CLICK HERE**.

THANK YOU to the 1974 Volunteer Committee: **Kathleen Huber Halloran**, **Bob Landi**, **Dan McCarthy** and **Joe Zdziarski**, who made this year's event special!

Thanks to **Tom Kennedy '62**, who has generously donated 500 copies of his book, "Coach Like Gordie" to Lewis. Tom traveled in for the Golden Flyers gathering from Colorado! Anyone who would like to purchase a copy or copies of the book can email the Lewis University Alumni Office at alumni@lewisu.edu and we can process your order for a free-will donation.







ALUMNI NEWS

Thank you, **Kelly Kolton '17, Kiantra Thornton '14, Chris Hueg '11,** and **Adam Washington '04** for serving as Alumni Speakers at Spring Commencement!

Congratulations to the following alumni: **Selena Landa '10, Amber Witry '16** and **Stacey Vander Heide '13** on being honored with Plainfield SD202 Awards of Excellence!

Congratulations to **Ryan Cupples '23**, who won our December graduate Young Alumni Survey drawing! Ryan will be sent a nice prize of some Lewis swag! Thank you to all who filled out our survey!

FLYERS ATHLETICS



Lewis Athletics honored 82 student-athletes who recently graduated from Lewis this Spring. To stay up-to-date on all things athletics, CLICK **HERE.**

TRAVELING TO ITALY

Before setting off for Europe June 3-12, the Lewis U Softball team prepared with a Commissioning led by University Ministry's Father Paul Novak, OSM, and Nia White. The student-athletes will be playing softball and studying history, while they visit Venice, Florence, and Rome.





INTERESTED IN EARNING AN ADVANCED DEGREE?

Our <u>Organizational Leadership, MA</u> program has recently been redesigned to better provide you with the education you need to excel in your career. That's why we've implemented stackable micro-credentials that reflect the skills that employers actively look for in today's market.

<u>Apply now</u> or contact the Office of Graduate Admission at (815) 836-5610 or grad@lewisu.edu to learn more.

LOOKING TO MAKE A JOB CHANGE?

To create your free will now CLICK HERE.

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 F

Safeguard your loved ones with a will crafted via Free Will this month! Lewis University teamed up with FreeWill, an innovative online platform that seamlessly walks you through the creation of a legally binding will. It's quick, it's free, and you can finish it in under 20 minutes. Beyond ensuring the well-being of your loved ones, you also have the opportunity to leave a lasting mark on Lewis University, shaping your legacy for generations to come.

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.**

Better yet, join us for our next quarterly Zoom lunch on Wednesday, July 17 at noon (CST)! Hosted by our Assistant Director of Alumni Engagement, Brandon McGhee '08 '10, this meeting is a chance to connect during lunchtime and hear about the latest from the Lewis Alumni Office! If you'd like to join us, simply email mcgheebr@lewisu.edu and Brandon will send you the Zoom link!



FREEWILL

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.

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**.

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**.

LEWIS U NEWS

To check out all the latest news from Lewis U, **CLICK HERE**.

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

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