

LEWIS ALUMNI & FRIENDS

MONTHLY JET-SETTER

The 2023-2024 academic year has kicked off!

We welcomed our students back to campus the week of August 23rd and classes began on August 28th. Below are a few photos from our Welcome Week. **THANK YOU** to all our alumni volunteers who assisted with Move-In Day! [CLICK HERE FOR A VIDEO FROM THE DAY.](#)

Missed Move-In Day, but want to get involved? Register below for an upcoming event.





FEATURED EVENTS:

LEWIS*fest*
2023

Please join us **Saturday, September 23** at Lewis University for our inaugural **Lewis Fest celebration!** Students and their families, alumni, faculty, staff and their families are all welcome. It will be a day full of food, drinks, activities, and Flyer FUN! To learn more about the event and to register for wristbands, please [CLICK HERE.](#)



Please join us **Saturday, October 21** at the House of Blues Chicago for our annual **Signum Fidei celebration!** We invite you to enjoy a fantastic evening of music, dancing, food, and drink, all in support of the Mission Fund. **During the evening's program we will honor the many years of dedicated service of Mary DeGraw.** To learn more about the event, purchase tickets, or register as a sponsor, please [CLICK HERE.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

- **Baseball Golf Outing - Saturday, September 9:** The Baseball Golf Outing on September 9 has reached capacity and registration is now closed. If you would still like to make a gift to support the Baseball program, please [CLICK HERE.](#)
- **James P. '60 and Mary C. Szczepaniak Lecture - Thursday, September 14:** **Regional History Symposium: Place and the Environment on the Occasion of the 175th Anniversary of the Illinois & Michigan** - Several guest speakers will be featured with the first presentation beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Convocation Hall. A light lunch will be offered with afternoon lectures to follow. For more information and to register, please [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)

- **Department of Education Celebration - Thursday, September 28:** On Thursday, September 28 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., Lewis U's Department of Education will open the anniversary time capsule that was assembled 10 years ago to celebrate the formal designation of the College of Education (2003). Enjoy light refreshments and tours of new spaces/studios. Announcing the new Department of Education Innovation Studio! De La Salle 327 has been transformed into a studio space for educational technology and innovation. The space will be open to community use at least twice a semester. The first open session will follow the DOE celebration on September 28, with studio resources available from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- **Men's Volleyball Legacy Fund Annual Golf Tournament - Friday, September 29:** The Men's Volleyball Golf Outing will take place at Cog Hill Golf & Country Club (12294 Archer Avenue, Lemont, IL) course #1. It will begin at 9 am and conclude at 2pm. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Men's Volleyball Alumni Game & Reception - Saturday, September 30:** It will be a night to celebrate the 30 years of the Lewis Men's Volleyball Program with an alumni game at the Neil Carey Arena at 3 p.m. with a reception to follow at Nik & Ivy Brewing Company. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **Lewis Crossover Cross Country Invite - Saturday, October 7:** Flyers Cross Country is hosting its annual invitational on October 7th (first race at 9:45am)! It's the biggest D2-only meet in the country and usually has 30+ different schools in attendance. They invite all alumni to attend and support the Flyers!
- **Gros Memorial Event - Thursday, October 19:** Keynote Speaker, **Leah Thomas**, author of *The Intersectional Environmentalist: How to Dismantle Systems of Oppression to Protect People & Planet*, will inspire the Lewis Community on issues related to environmental justice at 7 p.m. at Lewis University's Convocation Hall. To purchase in-person or streaming tickets, please [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)
- **WLRA 50th Anniversary Celebration - Saturday, November 4:** Celebrate the 50th anniversary of WLRA at De La Salle Hall at 5 p.m. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.](#)

ALUMNI VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

John Wightkin, the Coordinator of the Lewis U Innovation Hub & Stahl Center, is teaching an Entrepreneurship class this semester and is looking for alumni to visit class (in-person, if possible) to help mentor students as they develop business ideas and present their research findings. This is a class-by-class commitment, not long-term. Classes meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-10:15 a.m. if you are interested in signing up for a day, or if you would like additional information, please email John at jwightkin@lewisu.edu.

WELCOME CLASS OF 2027

On August 24, 2023, the Lewis University Community welcomed a new group of Flyers to campus.



LEWIS U NEWS

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

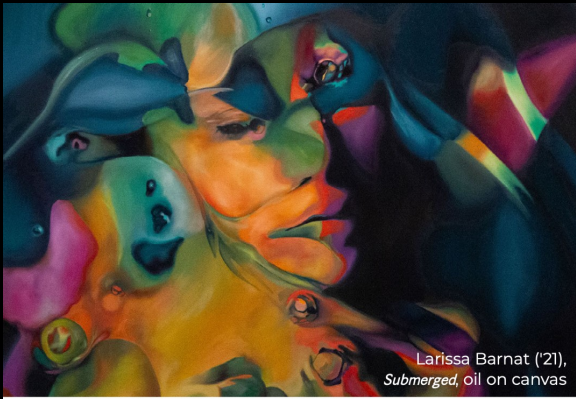


HONORING OUR VETERANS & ACTIVE MILITARY AT LEWIS FOR VETERANS DAY

This Veterans Day, we would like to recognize and honor all those active-duty military and veterans who are connected to our Lewis University community. Please submit the names of the service members you'd like to be included (living and deceased alumni veterans, family members, friends). All names submitted will be honored with a small flag displayed on campus during the week of Veterans Day. To submit the name of anyone you'd like to honor, please [CLICK HERE.](#)

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.](#)



SAVE THE DATES
FEBRUARY 5-MARCH 8, 2024



LEWIS ALUMNI
ART AND DESIGN
INVITATIONAL

The Lewis Alumni Art and Design Invitational

In celebration of our 100th show in the Wadsworth Family Gallery, all **Lewis Alumni** are invited to submit up to **three works** of art or design for the Lewis Alumni Art and Design Invitational. Artwork submissions may be dropped off January 21 or 22. For more information and entry form coming soon, [**CLICK HERE.**](#)

Contact Gallery Coordinator, Natalie Swain, with questions swainna@lewisu.edu

Follow us on [**Facebook**](#) and [**Instagram**](#) to get

the latest information about all gallery events.

For additional Arts and Ideas Events, please [**CLICK HERE.**](#)

LEWIS FLYERS ATHLETICS



To follow your favorite Flyers Athletics teams or to check the latest scores, [**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!



INTERESTED IN EARNING AN ADVANCED DEGREE?

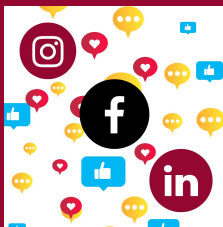
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Apply now or contact the Office of Graduate Admission at (815) 836-5610 or grad@lewisu.edu to learn more.

ALUMNI HAPPENINGS

Thank you to all those who stopped by Lewis University's booth and alumni gathering in late July at the **EAA event in Oshkosh, Wisconsin!** We enjoyed visiting with you and connecting over our shared passion for aviation! Congratulations to **Kelly Harris '88** who won our Lewis Alumni Swag Raffle prize! To check out more photos from our recent Lewis alumni events, [**CLICK HERE.**](#)





CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA

To check out this 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.

DID YOU KNOW?

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 can use this tool to start your legacy with Lewis University. 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](#).

MAKE A GIFT

Consider 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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