



LINCOLN TRAIL COLLEGE *Network*

JUNE 2018

UPCOMING JULY EVENTS

- 1 *Elf, Jr.*
2 p.m., Zwermann Arts Center Theater
- 4 **COLLEGE CLOSED - Independence Day**
- 5 **CNA Exam**
4 p.m., Williams Hall 108
- 10 **Salsa & Tomato Products Workshop**
5:30 p.m., Statesmen Grill
- 19 **CNA Exam**
4 p.m., Williams Hall 110
- 21 **Blue Mafia Concert**
7 p.m., Zwermann Arts Center Theater
- 25 **Last Day to Withdraw from Summer Classes**

Red Cross Blood Drive
9-1, Sports Center
- 27 **Last Day of Summer Semester Classes**

The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon
7 p.m., Zwermann Arts Center Theater
- 28 **Pearson Testing**
8 a.m., Williams Hall 119

The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon
7 p.m., Zwermann Arts Center Theater
- 29 **The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon**
2 p.m., Zwermann Arts Center Theater
- 30-31 **Summer Semester Final Exams**

LTC PHI THETA KAPPA EARNS FIVE STAR HONOR



Lincoln Trail College’s Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society chapter has once again been recognized as one of the best by earning five-star status. That’s the highest level of recognition for a chapter.

“Phi Theta Kappa chapters have five levels of engagement that progress from local, campus involvement to regional involvement to international involvement,” says LTC chapter advisor Kim Schucker. “The Five Star Chapter plan is the roadmap to guiding the chapter through the levels. Chapters like ours use the plan as a guide for building strong, active chapters.”

Schucker says the Five Star plan starts with some basics like holding an induction ceremony, submitting an annual report, and working to create awareness of the chapter on campus. The chapter also elects officers, conducts research on an honors topic, and the chapter has to meet with college administration to set and report chapter goals.

From there, LTC’s chapter developed an Honors in Action project and a college project. LTC’s chapter worked with the college to help with recruitment. The chapter also developed a brochure to help raise awareness about Phi Theta Kappa at Lincoln Trail College and how students can join. For the Honors project, the students studied myth and reality dealing with the building of the pyramids.

To earn the fourth star, LTC’s chapter held to Phi Theta Kappa awareness days on campus. They also attended the Illinois Region Leadership and Honors Topic Conference at Lewis and Clark Community College. In addition to that, the

chapter had to submit a hallmark entry to nationals. Schucker wrote about LTC's officer team.

LTC earned its fifth star by submitting its honors topic research, college project, and an additional hallmark award entry to the national conference.

Shucker says she's also planning to do something new this year. Phi Theta Kappa launched a Five Star Advisor Plan and she says she's planning to pursue that.

PHI THETA KAPPA ATTENDS NATIONAL CONVENTION

BY KIM SCHUCKER, PTK ADVISOR



In April, Lincoln Trail's Phi Theta Kappa chapter sent 6 students and one advisor to Kansas City Missouri to attend the Centennial Celebration Annual Convention of Phi Theta Kappa, dubbed "The Party of the Century"! It was the largest gathering of Phi Theta Kappa members in history with more than four thousand one-hundred in attendance. Kansas City rolled out the red carpet for the event with welcome banners and displays, light shows and an overall hospitality for the honor society participants. Lincoln Trail College's attendees were, Sarah Carty, Mariah Stewart, Robert Ebeling, Madi Moore, Keegan Inboden, Paige Sanders and, faculty advisor Kim Schucker. Robert

Ebeling competed in a job interview competition; one of the several individual competitions offered to members.

The Phi Theta Kappa organization pulled out all stops and offered the best convention in recent history. The days were full of educational forums offering subjects on leadership development, soft skills, workforce readiness, transfer readiness and chapter advisor topics. High energy general sessions broke up the day with the full mass of attendees coming together in one large space to celebrate the achievements of fellow members and chapters and listen to world-renowned speakers. A large college transfer fair was also available for two of the days with around one-hundred colleges represented. Each evening, Phi Theta Kappa sponsored a dinner and a dance with lots of entertainment!



Susan Cain, an expert in leadership, author and, founder of the "Quiet Revolution", was a keynote speaker in one general session. She talked to us about introverts and extroverts. She implored us that the world needs us all and for us to realize that introverts and extroverts can both be highly effective leaders. Social psychologist and bestselling author Amy Cuddy also delivered a powerful talk in one of the general sessions. She is an expert on the behavioral science of power, presence, and prejudice and teaches leadership at Harvard University. She had us all practicing our "power stances!" Stand strong! Chris Riddel, an award-winning global futurist, and industry-recognized inspirational keynote speaker on emerging trends in our hyper-connected world was the third speaker in our general sessions. The speaker in the fourth general session and, a crowd favorite, was Daveed Diggs, Tony and Grammy Award Winner for his role as Thomas Jefferson in the Broadway hit *Hamilton*. He participated in a Q&A session giving insight into his ideas and beliefs.

The members obtain valuable information about opportunities with Phi Theta Kappa at these conventions plus they are able to explore their personal and career interests. They learn about making themselves and their chapter reach higher goals. The energy is contagious at these events! The motivation levels rise and the creativity flows. It was unanimous from our LTC members, that the Annual Phi Theta Kappa Convention was well worth the trip!

LTC CHILDREN'S SUMMER THEATER PERFORMING *ELF JR.*

Lincoln Trail College Children's Summer Theater director Tara Gallion encourages you to embrace your "inner elf" and join them on a holiday adventure when its students perform *Elf JR.* June 29 – July 1. Based on the New Line Cinema motion picture, the show follows Buddy on his quest to find his birth father and restore everyone's Christmas spirit along the way. The show features songs by Tony Award-nominees, Matthew Sklar and Chad Beguelin, with a book by Tony Award-winners, Thomas Meehan and Bob Martin, and is sure to make you feel jolly even in the middle of summer.

The cast is led by a group of eighth graders in their final Children's Summer Theater production. Xavier Brown, a veteran performer appearing in multiple children's and mainstage productions including *The Nerd*, *The Music Man* and last summer's *Madagascar JR*, brings Buddy to life. Elizabeth Boyd, who headlined last fall's *Annie* plays Jovie, the cynical Macy's employee with a soft heart. Evan Gower, building on his comedic performance as Kowalski last summer will play Buddy's dad, hard-nosed publishing executive Walter Hobbs.

Santa Claus, played by Devon Cheesman, oversees a group of North Pole elves, including Evan Fiscus as Charlie and Savannah Christy as Shawanda. Lyla Stewart, Leah Correll, Ashtyn Reid, Ella Mosbey, and Micaela Vega are featured in the workshop which also includes Anthony Tran, Seth Mason, Lucas Aydt, Dylan Corn, Ella Bunten, Aleia Trueman, Brylee Tingley, Mya Wright, Anna Osborn, Kayla Corn, Lily Brown, Harper Gallion, Piper Bonnell, Josie Short, Alexis Inboden, Harper Weck, Ellie Schutte, Klaira Strohm, Audrey Bradbury, Terynn Loftis, and Jasleen Sharma.

Some of the New Yorkers Buddy meets include Business Woman Addison Johnson, Jogger Jacob Meese, Flyer Guy Adin Gower, Passerby Grace Gower, and Teenager Hunter Murrell along with Kifer Stevens, Gracie Inboden, Riley Erton, Katelyn Murrell, Sophie Stark, Samantha Davis, Mary Alice Elliot, Callie Reid, Mallory Mosbey, Victoria McMillan, and Kinley Bradbury.

Once Buddy connects with Walter, he meets his new family and the staff at Greenway Publishing. Rachel Wiseman plays Walter's wife, Emily, and Zachary Chamblin is Michael, Walter and Emily's son. Victoriya Cheesman takes the stage as Walter's secretary Deb, Jacob Meese is Sam, Quinn Wesley is Chadwick, Morgan Fiscus is Matthews, Katelyn Murrell is Sarah, Dylan Corn and Lucas Aydt are security guards and Gabe Bailey is Mr. Greenway.

At Macy's, Buddy meets Saleswoman Victoria McMillan, Manager Lindsey Hevron and employees Mallory Mosbey, Sicily Rawlings, Allison Meese, Kinley Bradbury, Amara Bricker, Isabelle Sutfin, Lauren Correll, Morgan Fiscus, and Quinn Wesley.

Anna Osborn as Santa's Helper helps a group of parents and children get organized to see Fake Santa played by Kifer Stevens. The parents include Gabe Bailey, Grace Gower, Gracie Inboden, Riley Erton, and Callie Reid. The kids are played by Hunter Murrell, Evan Fiscus, Alexis Inboden, Josie Short, Ellie Schutte, Harper Gallion and Terynn Loftis. Policemen Adin Gower and Addison Johnson are called in to restore order.

The crowd at Rockefeller Center includes Hunter Murrell, Kifer Stevens, Gracie Inboden, Riley Erton, Katelynn Murrell, Sophie Stark, Samantha Davis, Mary Alice Elliot, Adin Gower, Addison Johnson, Grace Gower, Jacob Meese, Callie Reid, Mallory Mosbey, Victoria McMillan, Kinley Bradbury, Allison Meese, and Sicily Rawlings.

The Carolers in Central Park are Lyla Stewart, Leah Correll, Ashtyn Reid, Ella Mosbey, Micaela Vega, Evan Fiscus, Savannah Christy, Anthony Tran, Seth Mason, Lucas Aydt, Dylan Corn, Ella Bunten, Aleia Trueman, Brylee Tingley, Mya Wright, Anna Osborn, Kayla Corn, Lily Brown, Harper Gallion, Piper Bonnell, Josie Short, Alexis Inboden, Harper Weck, Ellie Schutte, Klaira Strohm, Audrey Bradbury, Terynn Loftis, and Jasleen Sharma.

Isabelle Sutfin as Charlotte Dennon, Lauren Correll as Darlene Lambert and Amara Bricker as Emma Van Brocklin complete the cast.

Performances are June 29 and 30 at 7 p.m. and July 1 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and can be reserved by contacting the Performing Arts Office at (618) 544-8657 ext 1433. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday –Thursday and 8-12 Friday.

LTC SUMMER STAGE PERFORMING THE BROTHERS GRIMM SPECTACULATHON



LTC SUMMER STAGE
presents

A COMEDY BY DON ZOLIDAS
DIRECTED BY BRENNAN SETH TRACY

AUDITIONS
JUNE 18 AND 19
7 P.M.
READ THRU JUNE 21
REHEARSALS BEGIN
JULY 2

The Brothers Grimm
SPECTACULATHON

JULY 27-28 7PM
JULY 29 2PM

Lincoln Trail College is pleased to announce that auditions for the LTC Summer Stage production of the Don Zolidis comedy *The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon* will take place in the LTC Theater Monday and Tuesday, June 18 and 19 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Auditioners should attend only one session and plan on reading the dialogue for their preferred role. However, actors may be asked to read other characters and may be considered for other roles. Please bring your list of scheduling conflicts and

preferences at the time of your audition.

In the *Spectaculathon*, the fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm are turned on their heads in a fast-paced, rollicking ride as two narrators and several actors attempt to combine all 209 stories ranging from classics like *Snow White*, *Cinderella*, and *Hansel and Gretel* to more bizarre, obscure stories like *The Devil's Grandmother* and *The Girl Without Hands*. It's a wild, free-form comedy with lots of audience participation and madcap fun. There are a number of opportunities to help backstage as well.


Rehearsals will begin with a full cast read-through on Thursday, June 21 at 6 p.m. The rehearsal schedule will be discussed at the first read-through. Performances will be in the LTC Zwermann Arts Center July 27-29. The show will be under the direction of Brennan Seth Tracy.

ELEMENTARY CLASS DONATES TO THEATER RENAISSANCE



Students in Beth Rynke's second grade class at Washington Elementary School helped raise money for Lincoln Trail College's Theater Renaissance Campaign. The students worked their way through Stephen Covey's *7 Habits of Happy Kids* and as a part of the Leader in Me section, they decided to do a fundraiser. WES Principal Jason Stark heard LTC Foundation Executive Director Rod Harmon talk about the Theater Renaissance Campaign and Stark suggested to the kids that the campaign receive the funds. Many of the kids in the class have been a part of LTC's Children's Summer Theater Workshop or take lessons at the college, so they were very enthusiastic about helping with the project. Altogether, the students raised \$301 for the Renaissance Campaign.

STUDENT ATHLETES COMBINE FOR 3.21 GPA IN 2017-18 ACADEMIC YEAR







LINCOLN TRAIL COLLEGE

2017-18 ATHLETICS REPORT CARD

SPORT	FALL '17	SPRING '18	OVERALL
SOFTBALL	3.33	3.51	3.41
BASEBALL	3.36	3.27	3.32
VOLLEYBALL	3.31	3.30	3.31
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL	3.19	3.15	3.17
GOLF	3.15	2.77	2.99
MEN'S BASKETBALL	3.02	2.44	2.75
LTC ATHLETICS OVERALL	3.26	3.15	3.21

9 CONSECUTIVE SEMESTERS WITH AN OVERALL GPA ABOVE 3.0.

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For the ninth consecutive semester, student-athletes at Lincoln Trail College have combined to have a GPA of at least 3.0. The athletes combined for a 3.15 GPA in the Spring '18 semester and for the 2017-18 academic year, they combined for a 3.21 GPA.

“I’m really proud of our athletes,” says Athletic Director Kevin Bowers. “They work very hard in their sports, but they also put in a lot of effort in the classroom and that shows.”

The softball team recorded the top marks among LTC teams with a combined 3.41 GPA for the academic year. The team had a 3.51 GPA in the spring.

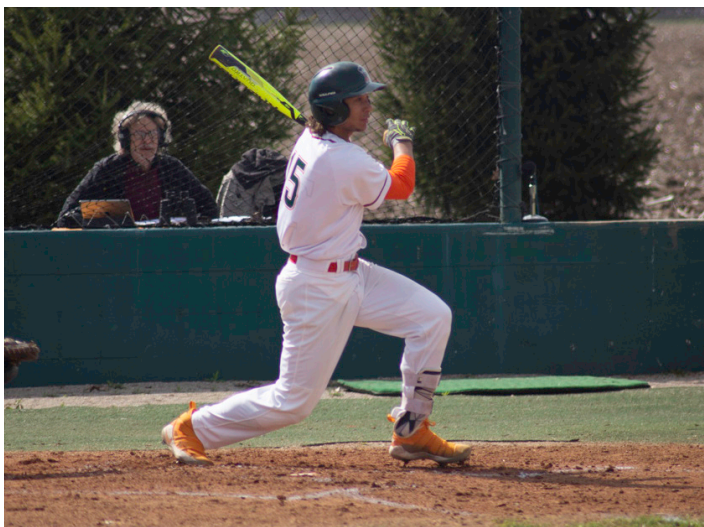
The baseball team finished the year with a 3.32 GPA and the volleyball team was right behind with a 3.31 GPA. The women’s basketball team had a 3.17 GPA, the golf team finished the year with a 2.99 GPA and the men’s basketball team ended the year with a 2.75 GPA.

“We want our players to succeed academically,” says Bowers. “When they succeed in the classroom, that sets them up to be successful after they leave Lincoln Trail College and that’s very important to our coaches and the faculty and staff at the college.”

Bowers says that one of the reasons student-athletes at Lincoln Trail College are able to perform as well as they do in the classroom is because of the academic help available to not just athletes, but all students. “We’re very fortunate to have so many caring people at LTC. Our instructors work hard to set up our students to succeed. We also have great resources available in the Learning Skills Center and in the Library. Our advisors also do a great job.”

FOUR SPRING ATHLETES EARN POSTSEASON HONORS

Four Lincoln Trail College athletes have been honored for their achievements on the field this spring.



Outfielder Jordan Brewer was named All-Northern District, All-Great Rivers Athletic Conference, and All-Region. Brewer, who committed to the University of Michigan, batted .367 with 31 RBI. Brewer is a two-time All-Conference and All-Region selection.



Pitcher Kaleb Huxford earned All-Conference and All-Region honors. Huxford, who committed to Saint Leo University, went 5-1 with a 1.53 ERA for the Statesmen. He struck out 74 batters in his 59 innings pitched.



Outfielder Tucker Greer earned All-Conference honors. Greer had a .357 average with 22 RBI for the Statesmen. He's committed to Young Harris College.



Softball player Amanda Craig earned All-Conference honors. Craig, who committed to Oakland City University, had a .324 average with 25 RBI. She led the Lady Statesmen with 18 doubles.