

# THE LEADING EDGE

Monthly Newsletter



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# LJC ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

*Jerry Lindsey*



Jerry is a member of the LJC Class of 2003, which he claims is the Smartest Class Ever! Jerry said that his experience in LJC opened his eyes to many new things in Johnson County. He also appreciated connecting with other community members and the meaningful conversations he had in LJC. Jerry has stayed connected with LJC by volunteering with the Signature Program Economic Development Day for many years.

Jerry grew up in Johnson County and graduated from Clark High School. Afterward, Jerry attended Franklin College where he took a Physical Science class that sparked his interest in weather. He then joined the Army and completed Meteorology training. While doing research in Puerto Rico, he met and married his wife Venus, and they spent 54 wonderful years together.

After the Army, Jerry worked in the Aerospace Services Division of Pan American World Airways for nine and a half years where he was stationed at many islands in the Caribbean and provided meteorological support for the Department of Defense and NASA launches in Cape Canaveral, Florida. Jerry was involved in the launches of Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo spacecraft and he is proud to have been a pioneer in the aerospace program. Jerry says that one of his greatest contributions was helping to put a man on the moon and bringing him home safely.

In 1971, Jerry began a long career with the National Weather Service that took him to Illinois, Ohio, and Indiana. During that time, he also earned a degree in Natural Sciences from the University of Cincinnati. He retired in 1998 after 30 years of federal service. Jerry stays active in weather by volunteering as a cooperative weather observer and sending daily reports to the National Weather Service regarding local temperature and precipitation.

His advice for those of us who are nearing or are in retirement? "Have something you love to do and keep doing it." For Jerry, that means staying in touch and visiting with family, friends, and co-workers. He enjoys spending time with his three children and their families in Ohio. Jerry can also be found walking every weekday morning at Johnson Memorial Health where he has become a familiar face with many staff. In addition, Jerry has served in several leadership roles at Hurricane Community Church and runs the Alumni Association for Clark High School. Jerry has made the most of retirement by connecting with others and serving the community.

One quote that Jerry has taken to heart throughout his life comes from "Markings" by Dag Hammarskjöld, a former UN Secretary-General. In that book, the author writes: "If, while pleading another's cause, you are at the same time seeking something for yourself, you cannot hope to succeed." That is a good reminder to all of us to practice servant leadership throughout the year.

*Written by Jen Whitson*





# SIGNATURE PROGRAM

## *Media and Communications Day*



That feeling when Tandy tells the class they'll be conducting media interviews!



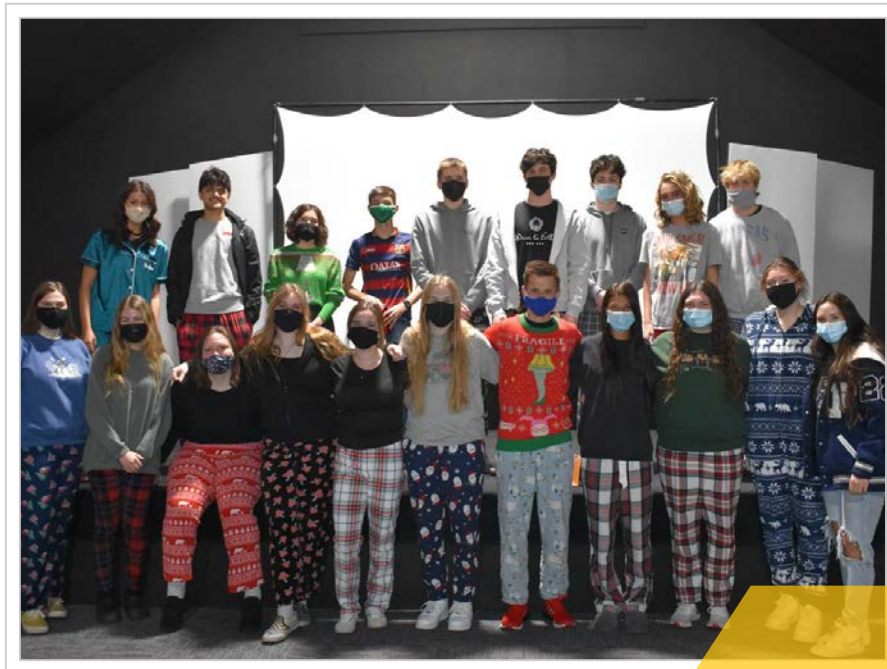
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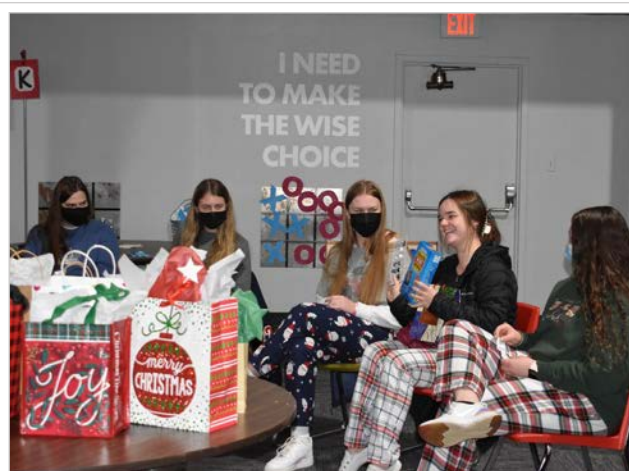


# Youth Leadership Academy

# Snapshots



YLA Social Event  
held at  
Victory Christian Church



# ON DEMAND *Punch Cards*

We offer a wonderful opportunity for you and/or your company to keep the professional development going. You can purchase our **On Demand Punch Card for \$500.00 and receive 14 punches.**

The punches can be used in any combination for the 2021-2022 LJC Select Workshops. Half-day workshops require one punch per person. Full-day workshops require two punches per person and the two-day Women's Retreat requires 4 punches per person.

## UPCOMING *Select Workshops*

### From Leader to Coach



 **Friday, January 28, 2022 | 9am - Noon**  
**Johnson County Armory**



**Transforming Your Followers - And Yourself - For Maximum Impact**

We'll help you develop stronger coaching muscles by addressing questions such as: How is coaching related to servant leadership? How do you push people past their comfort zones but maintain their trust? Should you be a player/coach? How can you best think strategically about developing others?

After this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Define the relationship between leading and coaching
- Identify the best practical strategies from well-known coaches
- Practice a variety of coaching approaches and tactics

**REGISTER HERE**

### Women in Leadership



South Grove  
Eye Care



**Friday, February 11, 2022 | 9am - 4:30pm**  
**Johnson County Armory**



**Leading with Happiness**



Let's face it. We all experience stressful times at work. But the mark of a functional work team is the ability to find happiness – even laughter – in the midst of stress. How do you lead with happiness? This workshop will offer you not only the research behind the case for happiness, but also practical tools to lead yourself and others to a happier and more productive life through gratitude, nurturing your team's happiness, and celebrating successes.

**REGISTER HERE**





# Lunch & LEARN

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Noon - 1:00 P.M.



\$10 Per Session



Virtual Sessions Via Zoom



Register at:  
[LeadershipJohnsonCounty.org](http://LeadershipJohnsonCounty.org)



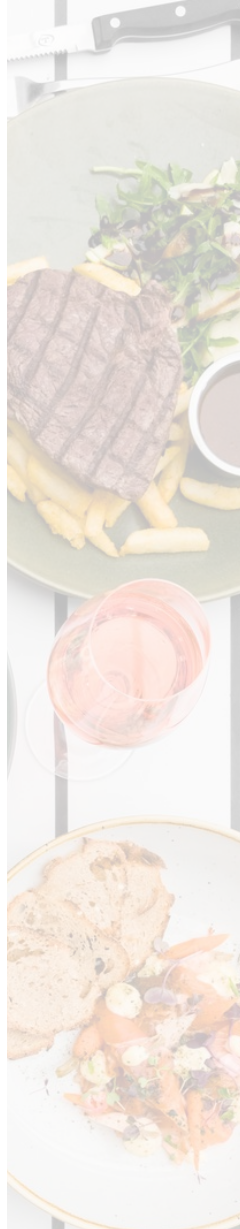
**Greg Pryor | Positive Accountability**  
**Monday, February 14, 2022**

Greg Pryor will discuss how to establish expectations that produce results, manage unmet expectations that impact outcomes, and accomplish these goals by working through people in a positive way.



**Deana Haworth, APR | Dynamite Promotion on a Firecracker Budget**  
**Monday, March 14, 2022**

Join Deana Haworth, APR, as she discusses how to maximize your marketing dollars to make advertising and public relations work for you.



## Thank you!

LJC recently received this amazing delivery of items from our Amazon Wishlist. We're beyond grateful for the support of our community. Together we can make a difference!



# Meet the Signature Class of 2022!

## Lindsey Turner

Treasury Management Officer at Mutual Savings Bank

**Family:** Paul-Husband, Daughters- Olivia (10), Maya (7),  
Dogs- Zoe & Lola (Chihuahuas)



### Hobbies and interests?

I enjoy watching the Pacers and Colts play. I also enjoy baking, especially cheesecakes, and spending time with my family.

### Something on your bucket list?

I would love to visit New York City at Christmas time and experience Rockefeller Center and Times Square! I would also love to take a Mediterranean Cruise!

### What is your favorite pizza?

Sausage and pepperoni stuffed crust pizza-nothing else belongs on pizza, especially pineapple...GROSS!!!

## Christi Choban

Advisor Assistant for Waddell & Reed

**Family:** Jake

### Favorite quote?

There's no place like home.

### What's one word you'd use to describe yourself?

Creative.

### Hobbies and interests?

I like movies, drawing, and traveling.



# Meet the Signature Class of 2022!

## Lorrie Garrigus

HR Payroll & Benefits Specialist, Nachi

**Family:** Shawn, husband and two sons,  
Luke & his wife Charissa (Catlin) and Adam Garrigus



### What's innovative in your field?

Going paperless and implementing a seamless process and excellent experience for new hires and the current associates at Nachi!

### Name of a local business you utilize personally or professionally that provides an outstanding service:

Middle David's candle shop in Franklin. I love how involved they are with the community.

### What inspires you?

Women who compliment and support one another.



## LJC Annual Awards

Each year, Leadership Johnson County honors leaders for their contributions to our community. LJC presents these recognitions at our annual Signature Program graduation ceremony. Nominations are due April 15, 2022. [Nomination forms can be found here.](#)

### Diane Black Servant Leader Award

#### Criteria:

- Recipients must be graduates of the Leadership Johnson County Signature Program.
- Candidates must display ample evidence of servant leadership.
- They must be actively participating in a relevant project or program that benefits Johnson County.
- Recipients shall not be eligible to apply again for three years after receiving the award.

### Bonnie Pribush Distinguished Leadership Award

#### Criteria:

- The recipient must be a graduate of the LJC Signature Program still residing in the Johnson County area.
- The recipient will be evaluated based on her/his accomplishments in community service and leadership.
- The recipient exemplifies the spirit and goals for civic involvement and servant leadership.



# LJC ALUMNI *News*

Cathy Armour ('22) was recently promoted to President & CEO of the Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving Central Indiana. She previously served as the chapter's chief operating officer and chief financial officer. Congrats, Cathy!

Michael Waddick ('10), was recently promoted at Rolls Royce. He is now the Legacy Program Manager. He has enjoyed serving Rolls Royce for 24 years now. Congratulations, Mike!



Heather Dougherty ('18) was selected as one of three 4-H Extension Educators across the State of Indiana to receive the Achievement in Service Award. This award is to recognize NAE4-HPYD members for significant accomplishments in various stages of their career and for contributions to the 4-H Youth Development profession.

Heather was also inducted into Epsilon Sigma Phi for Purdue Extension (ESP). Congrats, Heather!

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Nicholas Coy (YLA '21) recently hosted a very successful food drive for the Franklin Cub Pantry as part of his senior project. Great work, Nicholas!

Emily Wood ('07) recently got engaged to Edward Olibo during a trip to Naples, Florida. Congrats to Emily!



Andrew Jones (YLA '22) and Jenna Kelsay (YLA '21) are both Lilly Scholars awarded by the Johnson County Community Foundation. Congrats to both!

# LJC ALUMNI *News*



Erik Bare ('21) was recently awarded the "Avenues of Service Award" for his "Above and Beyond" leadership during his term as President of Greenwood Rotary Club.

*(Image on left.)*

Bare was also named the 2021 "Ernie Mishler Distinguished Service Award" recipient for "upholding and furthering the principles and ideals of the Rotary way of life as exemplified by former Rotarian and Greenwood community leader, Mr. Ernie Mishler. *(Image on right.)*

Well deserved, Erik!



**Peter Goerner ('00)** recently retired from Rolls Royce after 26 years as their Financial Manager. Peter worked in banking for 13 years prior to his time at Rolls Royce and still serves as the voice of Greenwood High School, where he is the announcer for their athletic events. Enjoy your retirement, Peter!

This month, **Jake Sappenfield ('15)** started a new position as Sr. Vice President Indianapolis Commercial Market Manager at First Financial Bank.

Congratulations, Jake!

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**Weston Bryant ('20)** and his wife had a baby boy on January 11.

Please welcome Murphy Joseph Bryant!

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# LJC Applications Are Live!

## Signature Program

Adults must live in Johnson County or work/have been involved in Johnson County for at least two years.

[Learn more and apply here.](#)

## Youth Leadership Academy

Youth applicants need to be current sophomores or juniors at a Johnson County school or live in Johnson County.

[Learn more and apply here.](#)

Do you know someone who could benefit professionally and personally from our program? Nominations can be made by emailing Lisa Kress at [lkress@franklincollege.edu](mailto:lkress@franklincollege.edu).

Applications are due by midnight on March 2nd, 2022.



Eric Klinkowski's ('12) company SmokEy Lights was a finalist in the Indiana Chamber's Coolest Thing Made in Indiana contest! Congrats, Eric!

Visit [smokeylights.com](http://smokeylights.com) for more information and to view some amazing creations made with repurposed items!

SmokEy Lights LLC  
Lamps



These unique lamps are designed to evoke emotion and delight. Manufactured deep in an underground lab by the award-winning Chief Luminary, SmokEy Lights appeal to all types of people—those who love deep wood tones reminiscent of a gentleman's library, perhaps those who are attracted to a more steampunk aesthetic, or even those that love nostalgia and whimsy twisted together. There is always a SmokEy Light that will speak to you. Each SmokEy Light is crafted with care and many include repurposed pieces. The Chief Luminary delights in rescuing forgotten relics of our past and giving them new life. Proudly made in Indiana with parts sourced from across the U.S. [www.smokeylights.com](http://www.smokeylights.com) Franklin



**Fewer than 30 tickets are left for  
the Mix It Up event!**



# Mix it Up!

**A Fun Twist to our Annual Wine Event!**  
Friday, March 4th, 2022 - 7pm  
The Nest Event Center\*, Greenwood

Single Ticket: \$140  
VIP Upgrade: \$30  
Couple Ticket: \$250  
VIP Upgrade: \$50  
Table (10): \$1,250  
VIP Upgrade: \$250

Please contact Tandy Shuck with any questions:  
tshuck@franklincollege.edu



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\*This event is scheduled to be in person. If any unforeseen public health circumstances arise, your ticket will be honored for an exciting virtual event.

.....> **Call for gift cards and spirits!** <.....

In addition to the silent and live auctions, we are having a Spirit Pull & a Gift Card Pull where guests will make a donation in exchange for a mystery bottle or mystery gift card - everyone is a winner!

We're now accepting donations of **gift cards \$10+ and/or spirits** for these two pulls! If interested, we can arrange pickup or they can be dropped off at the LJC house. Please contact Tandy with any questions.

# Community Calendar OF EVENTS

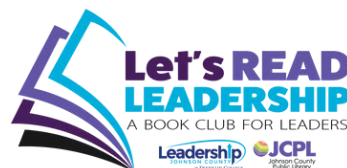
January - February 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JAN 16	JAN 17	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20 6-7pm LJC Info Session @ FC Dietz Center	JAN 21	JAN 22
JAN 23	JAN 24	JAN 25	JAN 26	JAN 27	JAN 28 9am - noon LJC Select Workshop - From Leader to Coach @ Johnson County Armory	JAN 29
JAN 30	JAN 31	FEB 1	FEB 2	FEB 3	FEB 4	FEB 5
FEB 6	FEB 7	FEB 8	FEB 9 Signature Program Day - Social Services & Healthy Lifestyles	FEB 10	FEB 11 9am - 4:30pm LJC Select Workshop Women in Leadership @ Johnson County Armory	FEB 12
FEB 13	FEB 14 noon - 1pm Lunch & Learn: Positive Accountability via Zoom	FEB 15 Youth Leadership Academy - Planning/Project Management Day	FEB 16 8-9am LJC Info Session @ FC Dietz Center	FEB 17	FEB 18	FEB 19



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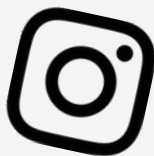


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