

Legacy of Philanthropy

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Linda Dolny-Lister

Bear Necessities Food Pantry: New Location, Same Great Service!



The Bear Necessities Food Pantry was on the move this summer! The Pantry has moved from its prior home in Lide Apartments to its new location in Genesis Building, adjacent to the Wellness Center and Student Success Center.

The pantry offers both perishable and non-perishable items throughout the academic year. The market, offering fresh produce, meats, and several varieties of canned goods is a critical resource in support of students experiencing food insecurity. The service is free to all Lander University students by providing their student ID number.

The pantry accepts donations from the local community and is greatly appreciative of the generous support from the Greenwood Food Bank. If you would like to support the pantry, visit our Amazon registry (<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/36JM2OZ6PPK26>). Commonly requested items are toiletries, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products and fresh produce and vegetables. Monetary donations are welcomed using the link: <https://www.lander.edu/about/offices-departments/university-advancement/lander-foundation/giving.html>.

Bear Necessities is run through the efforts of Lander University staff, faculty and volunteers. The pantry is open Wednesdays from 3:30pm- 6:30pm and Thursdays from 10am- 1pm or by appointment. For inquiries about the Food Pantry, email bearnecessities@lander.edu. #NoBearcatGoesHungry

The Brotherhood Creates Space for Men's Wellness on Campus

By CJ McFadden

The Brotherhood, a Lander student organization founded in spring 2026, was created to give men a place to talk openly about



what they're dealing with socially, emotionally, and mentally. Organization president Dylan Evans, a third-year nursing student, said he started the club to "provide a space for men to talk

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FBI Special Agent Guest Speaker

Monday, October 5, 2026, 1pm

Learning Center, 3rd Floor, LC 300

Join us to hear from a FBI Special Agent who played a significant role in the first hours of the investigation of the June 2015 mass shooting at the Emanuel African Methodist Church, in Charleston, South Carolina



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Bringing the One Love Foundation to Lander

By Sofia Padovano

The One Love Foundation's goal is to end relationship abuse. They do this through teachings, workshops, and videos.

The non-profit organization was founded in 2010, after University of Virginia Senior Yeardeley Love was murdered by her boyfriend in her apartment, after a domestic dispute. The Love Foundation works with college students (and students in general) on healthy relationships.

This school year Dave Drucker, Landers Title IX coordinator, has coordinated with The One Love Foundation to bring their teachings to Lander.

things like boundaries and attraction can be morphed into power."

Drucker, despite starting

include video demonstrations.

Drucker also states, "These teachings can help show students they may be in an

come to campus.

Drucker then plans to create programs to spread these teachings. Such as host gather-



Dr. Dave Drucker

Drucker said he hopes to bring these teachings to campus to help educate students on the signs of unhealthy relationships. He states, "For young people in relationships,

at Lander just this April, has been in contact with the foundation for many years. Drucker has been a Title IX coordinator for nearly 11 years at a previous institution.

Druckers' plan is to work through One Love to bring their teachings to campus. One way is through the foundations online training.

This training essentially covers the signs of unhealthy relationships. It also highlights the importance of knowing the signs as both a bystander and an upstander.

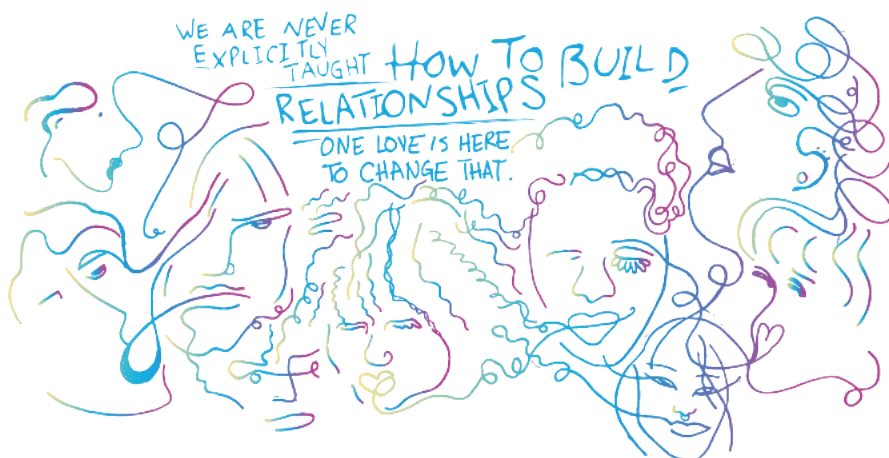
This includes how to set boundaries, effective communication, and consent, as well as warning signs of abuse in relationships. It highlights the importance of visual aspects, which is why they

unhealthy relationship and not even know it." That's the help Drucker plans to bring from The One Love Foundation to campus.

One Love offers an education course called "train the

ings where mentors can relay these teachings to other young adults and students. He calls this "peer to peer training."

Drucker plans to spread these teachings through large groups on campus. Such as



trainer." This is where teachers, staff, and even students can be trained to be mentors for the foundations teachings on campus. This would eliminate the foundation having to

Greek life, athletic groups, classes, and student organizations.

These programs will start in October. October also is recognized as National Domestic Violence Awareness month.

Lander Welcomes TP USA Chapter

By Lily Ardito

For some Lander University students, getting involved in politics now means more than simply following the news or voting. With the formation of a new Turning Point USA chapter on campus, students have a new opportunity to participate in political discussions, attend events, and connect with others who share an interest in civic engagement.

"The new chapter is designed to give Lander students a place to discuss current events, their political stance, and connect with other students, either with the same or different political opinions. As the organization continues to establish itself on campus and grow, its members hope to give students different opportunities to have their voices heard," said Lindsey Pysell, vice president of Lander's TPUSA chapter.



The creation of Lander's chapter comes just one year after Charlie Kirk, founder of TPUSA, was fatally shot while speaking at Utah Valley University.

"I've always been conservative, and when Charlie Kirk was assassinated, that showed me that political violence has escalated to a point similar to the era of the civil rights movement, said Pysell. "It is more important now than ever to stand up for what we believe in. We need to have courage for our faith," added Pysell. "Who am I to continue to placate people and not speak up and try to do something about it."

Since this organization is just getting started, many students may not know that it exists. Pysell mentioned how the chapter will be hosting a trivia night on Oct. 14th, and they will be contacting other political clubs on campus. Pysell explained that there are already plans for political discussion with the Lander Democrats.

For Pysell and the rest of the chapter's members, the organization's first year at Lander will be an opportunity to build something new and determine what role the chapter will play on campus in the upcoming years. "We want people to come and share their ideas. We even want people who disagree with us to come, so that we can work through these issues and find common ground."

The Brotherhood

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about social, relationship, and mental issues at a predominantly female school," hoping to challenge the idea that men must handle their struggles in silence..

Evans said the club's mission is to support men's overall well-being through connection and honest conversation. He explained that the name represents "strength and inclusion," which reflects the kind of environment the group is trying to build. The Brotherhood currently has around 26 members, including its executive board, and Evans said the goal is to continue growing while keeping the group welcoming and comfortable.

Evans explained that he stepped into the leadership role because he wanted to advocate for men who feel lonely or overlooked. He said his leadership is guided by "friendship, camaraderie, and peace," and those values shape the club's plans for the year. The Brotherhood intends to host discussion-based events, practical workshops, and eventually a yearly retreat focused on fellowship and personal growth.

Students and faculty have responded positively, saying the club fills a real need on campus. Evans said he wants the organization to be known for events students genuinely enjoy and for helping members see "there is a light at the end of the tunnel." For Evans, the most rewarding part is seeing joy on students' faces and knowing the club is making a difference.



FALL 2026 WORKSHOP I: Recognizing Signs of Abuse and South Carolina Mandated Reporting

**TUES., OCTOBER 13, 2026
3:30-5:30 PM; LC 300**

Who Should Take This Workshop?

Any future professional that will be working with children/adolescents/families/ or adults (all ages).

Training Workshop Description

This training workshop will provide participants with practical knowledge to recognize common physical, emotional, sexual, and behavioral signs of abuse and neglect in children, adolescents, and vulnerable adults. Participants will learn about the responsibilities of a South Carolina mandated reporter, including when and how to make a report.

Certificate

Participants who complete the full two-hour training will receive a Certificate of Completion from Stacey Olson, LISW-CP as a training representative of the South Carolina Children's Law Center.

Scan code to register:



Questions? hass@lander.edu

College Democrats Create Space for Politics on Campus

By Peyton Henson

For many college students, politics can seem intimidating, especially as they still navigate where they stand on different issues. Lander University College Democrats strive to create a welcoming environment where students can become informed, engage in political discussions and involve themselves on campus. Club President

the Democratic Party. We even have some Republicans that regularly show up to our meetings. Our meetings are open to the public, truly all are welcomed.”

Cooley states students have more opportunities to participate in politics than they realize. “I wish more students understood just how much they can do right now! They can attend local party meetings, work with campaigns, and even run for

ant politics are.

“I was always interested in politics, but now being an active member of a political organization made me realize how truly important things like voting, protests, outreach and community actually are. It gave me insight into how politics affects my life, and I'm extremely grateful for that,” Santangelo said.

For anyone interested in becoming more



Jonah Cooley and Vice President Dante Santangelo share insight into the organization, future goals and what students can expect from the club.

“Our organization is dedicated to making government more accessible to Lander students by connecting them with elected officials and party officials, while also providing them with an environment where they can discuss current events,” Cooley said.

“Anybody,” Santangelo said when asked who can partake in this organization. “We have people that attend our meetings from all different types of backgrounds within

many elected offices.”

The organization has become involved with “several local and statewide campaigns, local No Kings protests, and local Democratic Parties,” Cooley said. The club plans to organize Get Out the Vote activities, including door-knocking and phone-banking.

“Stand your ground,” Santangelo said. “Be loud, be proud, don't let anyone scare you or trick you into thinking your voice doesn't matter. It matters more than you think it does.”

Santangelo said his involvement in the organization made him realize how import-

politically involved, Santangelo suggests they start by voting. “Vote! Voting is the best and most important way to be engaged in politics. Do your research into candidates and decide who you would like to vote for. Voting changes the way our nation works,” Santangelo said. “If you want change or to be more politically engaged, the first step is at the ballot box.”

The College Democrats plan to bring political speakers to campus during the semester and create an environment to voice your opinions. All students are welcome to attend College Democrats meetings and events!

Bearcat Hangouts:

Lander Students Find Favorite Spots to Relax Between Classes

By Reef Beal

Lander students are past the honeymoon stage of the fall semester. The magic of being back at school has faded, and reality has set in. Homework may be piling up, and weekly tests are hitting hard. So, where are students making themselves feel most comfortable on campus in between class?

Thankfully, Lander's campus has many unique and promising options for each kind of student. Whether it's social, having some personal time alone or simply getting some work done. Lander has it all.

Some hotspots on campus this year are the pool, cafe, library, and the Bearcat Lounge.

The library seems to be a hub for students. Ryan Peyton, fellow Bearcat, had plenty to say, "The library meets all my needs really, I can get my work done, have some personal time, as well as socialize and hang with the fella's in-between classes." He also mentioned that the private pods in the library were one of his favorite places on campus. "The pods allow me to escape the noise, and I often find myself in there with my friends, sometimes not even doing schoolwork," Peyton said.

If you're looking for a laid-back environment, the Bearcat Lounge is for you! Many students praise it for its inviting atmosphere and options for relaxation, offering ping pong and billiards tables. It's a popular area for meeting up with friends or making new ones.

Dane Shimmel, avid pool player and student athlete, said, "The Bearcat Lounge is such a luxury for students. It's my favorite way to waste time between classes. I think the big attraction for students is that Chick-Fil-a is just a few steps away along with the cafe making it super easy to get my and other students needs meet."

Lander's campus also offers a large arrangement of outdoor seating and areas for students to gather and socialize. If you're feeling completely burned out from classes, go ahead and grab a hammock and take a quick bearcat hibernation.

Lander has lots to offer other than classes, so get out there and enjoy the campus and make some friends. Explore the magic of being back to school and relax in good company.



Student Spotlight:

Kenderrius Hackett says "Yes" to Opportunities

By Siera Bouffard

Taking Advantage of Every Opportunity - that is Kenderrius Hackett

For Hackett, a typical weekday morning begins at 4:30 a.m. with a trip to the gym. He returns home around 7

of the classroom.

Between maintaining a 3.9 GPA, making the President's List and working while attending Lander, Hackett has also gained experience through internships while studying for cybersecurity certifications. He

experience he has gained outside of the classroom has been incredibly helpful as well.

"I'm proud of the grades, but I'm even more proud that I've been able to combine what I've learned academically with real-world experience," Hackett said.

For Hackett, taking advantage of opportunities means taking the initiative to put yourself out there and find them. He said one of the biggest lessons he has learned during college is that opportunities aren't always going to come to you.

"You have to apply for things, introduce yourself to people, ask questions and sometimes take chances even when you don't know exactly

where they will lead," Hackett said.

His experience at Self Regional is one example of how he has taken that lesson to heart. After working as a patient care technician, Hackett had the opportunity to move into an IT internship with the organization. This new position has allowed him to gain experience related to his cybersecurity studies.

Hackett's focus on taking advantage of opportunities can also be seen beyond his work experience. He has continued to prepare for his future career by studying for cybersecurity certifications and pursuing experiences that can give him

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a.m. to do a quick Bible study before checking his emails and setting his tasks for the day. After that, he heads to his IT internship at Self Regional Healthcare. Later, he continues his day by going to class and then heading back to study.

Hackett is a senior cybersecurity major at Lander University who also minors in data science and homeland security. Throughout his time at Lander, Hackett has taken advantage of many opportunities, both inside and outside

previously worked as a patient care technician at Self Regional Healthcare but recently moved into an IT internship with the organization. The internship has allowed him to learn more about technology in a health care environment.

"I've been able to learn about the systems that support patient care and how IT and cybersecurity are connected to the overall operation of a hospital," Hackett said.

Hackett said that not only is he proud of his academic accomplishments, but the expe-

Wind Ensemble

Directed by Dr. Reed Gallo

Selections include:
Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral
March and Procession of Bacchus
Funeral March of a Marionette
Coronation March

Tuesday, October 6, 2026, 7 pm

Lander University
 Abney Cultural Center Auditorium
 320 Stanley Avenue, Greenwood, SC

Free and open to the public
 For more information: music@lander.edu

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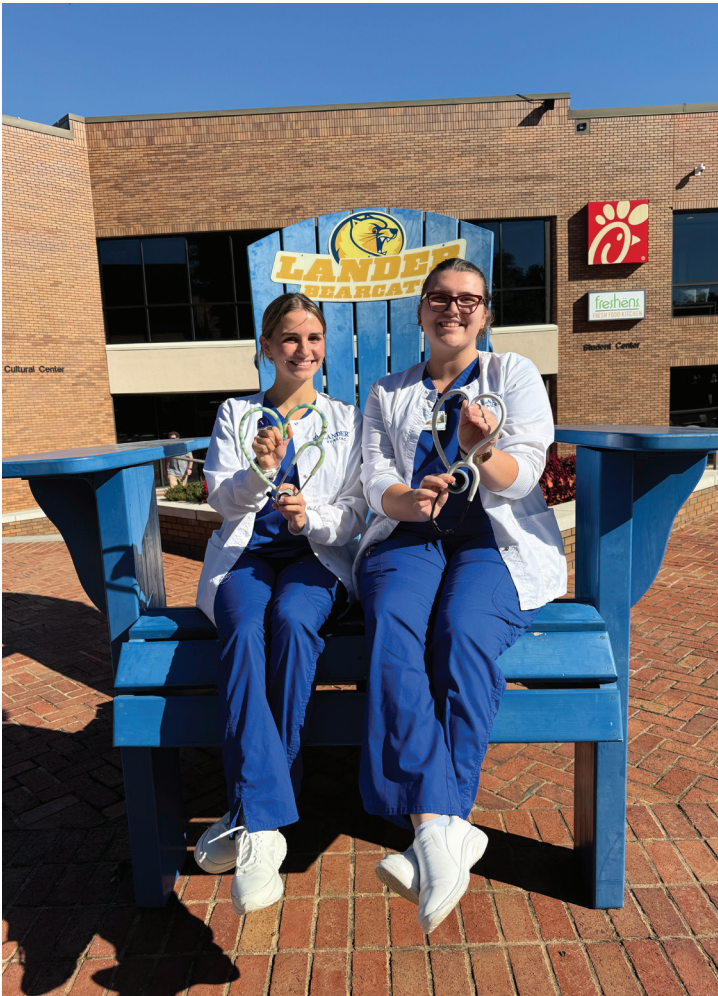
"Stop by and say Hi," says Lander Marketplace's Bruce Brannon, affectionately known as the Old Man.



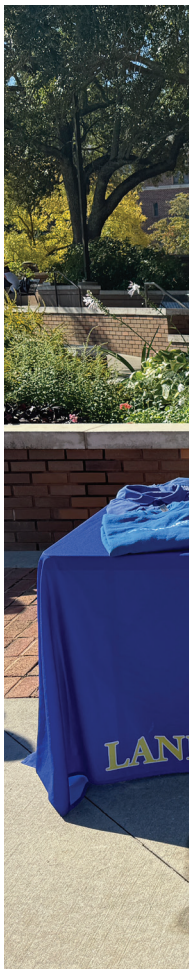
"Lander's campus is beautiful," said David Holsclaw. Dana Holsclaw (right) and her parents just completed a tour of Lander University with Presidential Ambassador Destiny Goralski. David Holsclaw will be back next fall.



Freshmen Olivia Vesselee and Raiana Boyd enjoy a cool evening breeze.



"We love Lander nursing," said CJ Doss and Katie Lea.



Sylvia Donne ru



nts David and Katie from James Island
Dana is considering enrolling at Lander



Follow us @LanderCatholics on Instagram. Students interested in joining the Lander Catholic Association can email advisor Robert Stevenson at rstevenson@lander.edu for more information



ns the Lander Presidential Ambassadors table to collect PA applications which are due by mid October.



LUPD Chief Greg Allen takes a minute to chat with nursing major Janeli Allen between classes on a beautiful afternoon.

CONGRATULATIONS on your outstanding service!

September Employee of the Month:

Congratulations to Hannah Beaty (Admissions Office) for being awarded as the most recent staff Employee of the Month. Beaty was nominated for exemplifying Lander's Core Values by being a hard worker and always going above and beyond by helping students, parents, and staff. Your role is vital to enrollment breaking enrollment records for Lander University.



As a reminder, Nomination Forms are located on the HR Forms site and should be delivered to Human Resources no later than the last day of the month for consideration for the following month's award. Currently sitting members of Staff Senate are not eligible to be nominated or to nominate others during their term.

Gamma Phi Beta Crescent Classic Week



Gamma Phi Beta: "This week is our crescent classic week, and we're focusing on building strong girls." Gamma Phi Beta sisters are having various activities such as friendship bracelets, what makes a strong girl board, words of affirmation, and a campuswide period packing project to support our philanthropic partner Girls on the Run!!

Profile: Hackett

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more connections and experience.

Hackett is also affiliated with the Greenwood Promise.

By taking advantage of opportunities with the Greenwood Promise, Hackett has received financial support through his junior and senior years at Lander.

The financial assistance has helped reduce some of the financial pressure that comes with going to college while also allowing Hackett to spend more time on his education and career opportunities.

For Hackett, the support has been another example of taking advantage of the opportunities around him.

"Having that financial assistance has allowed me to focus more on school and the opportunities that come with college.

MIDTERM MOTIVATION Q&A

by Saige Peterson

More than half of young adults lose motivation to complete work during midterms, according to the 52nd Harvard Youth Poll (April 2026). The study found that around 59% of college students between 18-29 feel some form of academic burnout during periods like this. Sudents must be intentional to stay on top of their work while finding their motivation every day. **Every college student has a “why?” that keeps them motivated. Here’s what a few Lander students said about their daily motivation:**



Nicolly Oh
Sophomore – Nursing

“Something I always tell myself is, if I can’t do it for myself, do it for the people who put me in college. I always think about my dad and how he sacrificed so much to get me to where I am today.”



Franky St. Louis
Junior – Physical Therapy

“I just think about my future and wanting to be successful in everything I do. I’m just trying to be the best version of myself.”



Aubrey Gilligan
Sophomore – Early Childhood Education

“I think about having a great meal for Thanksgiving.”



Brendan Jayaprakash
Junior – Business Marketing

“Every day that I get up and tackle the day properly is another day I am closer to going back home, seeing my family, and having a nice holiday... I am also very excited for tennis nationals and regionals.”



Isabella Bryant
Sophomore – Exercise Science

“I think about how it is a privilege to be here at school, go to class, and do our assignments every day. Our main purpose is to glorify God, so in everything we do, we want to excel at it.”



Cornelis Johannes Stam IV
Sophomore – Business Administration

“I am motivated by the commitment that I have and the opportunity I’ve been given. As a student-athlete, I feel like there is a responsibility to positively represent my team as a baseball player.”



Corbin Helton
Freshman – Medical Biology

“I look at how blessed I am for the opportunity to go to school here.”



Lizzy Sexton
Freshman – Criminology

“I want to be the best version of myself, get the degree that I want, and be successful in the future while also playing soccer and being there for my team. I am grateful to wake up and live for others.”

Lander Alumna, Trustee Linda Dolny-Lister makes Transformational Gift to Name Residence Hall, Fund Scholarships

A legacy of generosity and service at Lander University will soon be reflected in a new name on one of the campus's largest buildings — and in new opportunities for students to pursue their dreams of a college education.

Linda Dolny-Lister, a member of Lander's Board of Trustees and a longtime supporter of the University, is making a significant philanthropic investment that will name the university's most recently constructed residence hall as Dolny Hall. Since its opening, the building has been referred to as New Hall.

Lander President Richard Cosentino said the investment builds upon Dolny-Lister's long record of service and philanthropy to Lander, adding that it will have "generational impact" for students.

"Linda Dolny-Lister has contributed so much to Lander over the years, and this gift is another reflection of the deep commitment she has to her alma mater. In each of her roles as alumna, scholarship donor and trustee, she has helped make Lander stronger and opened doors for our students," he said. "We are profoundly grateful for her enduring belief in our institution and mission."

Lander's Board of Trustees voted Tuesday to approve the building's official naming as Dolny Hall, with a ceremony and signage unveiling planned for the spring. The three story, 70,000-sq.-ft. residence hall houses more than 200 students and features study and social rooms on each floor, as well as a multipurpose classroom. Its location near the University's recreation facilities and arena makes it a popular choice

among students, with easy access to classrooms and campus life.

"I believe strongly in what a Lander education can mean in a young person's life because I have seen its impact time and time again," Dolny-Lister said. "Supporting Lander is one way I can help pay that forward. I want Lander students to have the same opportunity to discover their capabilities, and my family and I are grateful to play a small part in that."



The impact of naming opportunities is exponential, Cosentino said, extending far beyond the initial donation.

"A gift of this magnitude immediately strengthens Lander's endowment, but most importantly, it fosters new opportunities

The undisclosed gift in excess of \$1 million will support the University's endowment and go toward the Presidential Medallion Scholarship fund, providing assistance to students with exceptional academic performance and demonstrated financial need.

for our students for generations to come. That's what makes a gift like this so meaningful. It becomes a part of Lander's future and will continue to make a difference year after year."

Taylor Cook, Lander's vice president for advancement and

executive director for The Lander Foundation, said this substantial investment will further Lander's mission to expand access to an affordable, high-quality education and exceptional student experience.

"With this gift, Linda is doing more than putting her name on a building for the next 20 years. She is creating opportunities for so many students who, without this support, would not be able to choose to attend Lander or thrive during their time here,"

She began her career in executive training and leadership with Union Carbide and became the founder and

owner of Positive Management Leadership Associates Inc., in Greenwood. Over the years, Dolny-Lister and her late husband, Stephen B. Dolny, established several endowed scholarships at the University. After his death, she made a gift to name the University's baseball stadium in his memory. Dolny Stadium was dedicated in February 2012.

Dolny-Lister was elected to Lander's Board of Trustees in 2008 and was named secretary of the board in 2013.

She served as the board's chair from 2017-2021. She also has served on the advisory board of Lander's Department of Business Administration and on the board of trustees of The Lander Foundation.

Cosentino called Dolny-Lister "an extraordinary leader, trusted adviser and dear friend whose wisdom and counsel have meant more to me than words can express. Her unwavering commitment to Lander has helped guide our University through important decisions, strengthen our financial foundation and position us for continued growth."

Dolny-Lister's dedication and passionate philanthropic support have also set an example for all leaders of higher education, Cook added.

"Not only has she given of her time, talent and resources to support the University that paved the path for her, she is now directly paving that path for others," Cook said. "This is a defining moment in her legacy at Lander."

English and education, Dolny-Lister also earned a

master's degree in religion and religious studies from the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. She was awarded an honorary doctor of humane letters degree by Lander in 2004.

Alumna Credits Professors for her Success

By Kylee Arroyo

For college students, relationships can feel like small parts of



everyday life. For Lander University alumna Kaitlyn Hobson, however, those experiences

have become some of the most meaningful parts of her college career. During her four years at Lander University, Hobson overcame homesickness, physical illness and studying for online courses during the global pandemic.

Since graduation, Hobson went on to use her degree to be a special education teacher in Suffolk, VA. She credits her resilience to her special education and education professors.

"I had incredibly caring teachers while at Lander, and I'll never forget that," Hobson said. "Dr. Hoyle and Dr. Collier were both so wonderful as teachers and as people."

Hobson said she now uses what she learned from her professors in her career as a teacher. She says her experience as a Lander student changed the way she thinks about the relationship between educators and their students.

"My experience at Lander helped me to be a more caring teacher," Hobson said. "It helped me to take the time to get to know each and every one

of my students and develop a relationship with them."

Hobson said she hopes her experience can be a reminder to current Lander students that college is about more than classes and grades. The professors that students meet, relationships they build and resources they use can continue to affect their lives long after they leave campus.

For Hobson, the lessons she learned at Lander became part of the way she approaches her own students, demonstrating how the Lander experience can follow students into their careers and beyond.

Intramurals offer Fun, Exercise, Competition

By Brayden Stallings

Lander intramurals offer competition and community for students of all majors.

Lander University students looking for competition, exercise, or a way to meet new people can find those opportunities through the university's growing intramural sports program.

Wyatt McInerney, head of the Campus Recreation Department at Lander University, said intramurals give students the opportunity to participate in organized sports even if they are not competing at the collegiate varsity level.

The program offers competitive and recreational divisions. McInerney said students with previous experience in a sport may choose the competitive division, while the recreational division gives beginners a chance to learn about a sport and have fun.

Basketball, volleyball and flag football are currently among the most popular intramural sports at Lander, McInerney said. He estimated that 800 to 1,000 stu-

dents participate throughout the year across the program's four seasonal periods.

McInerney said intramurals also provide another way for students to stay physically active.

"I also think it's good for students, especially nowadays, to get out of the dorm room and be social," McInerney said. "And this is a great way to do that."

Organizing intramurals involves creating schedules, hiring and training referees and managing events. McInerney said one of the biggest challenges is holding students accountable for participating after they sign up and maintaining communication when they cannot attend.

Despite that challenge, McInerney said the program has grown.

"I think it's definitely grown," McInerney said. "We have one of our biggest enrollments this semester, which has been awesome."

Students also do not need to



form their own team before participating. McInerney said students can sign up as free agents and be assigned to a team.

For McInerney, the connections students make during intramurals are an important part of the total Lander University experience.

Lander Students Daily Affirmation Station



The ever-popular Affirmation Station, hosted by Lander University's office of Campus Engagement is currently asking students "What is your favorite class this semester and why? Questions change weekly.

Lander University October Events Continued

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Volleyball
6 - 9 PM

Volleyball Bearcats vs.
USC Aiken at Finis Horne
Arena

Oct. 17

Men's Tennis
ITA Regional Regional Cham-
pionships in Sumter

Women's Tennis
ITA Regional Regional Cham-
pionships in Sumter

Cross Country
Upstate Invitational Cross
County Meet in Spartan-
burg, SC

Women's Rugby 10 - 1 pm
Women's Rugby Bearcats
@ St. Bonaventure in St.
Bonaventure, NY

Field Hockey 12 - 3 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats
vs. Coker at Frank Hill
Stadium

Women's Soccer 1 - 4 PM
Women's Soccer Bearcats
vs. Middle Georgia at Van
Taylor Stadium

Men's Rugby 1 - 4 PM
Men's Rugby Bearcats
@ Appalachian State in
Boone, NC

Volleyball 3 - 6 PM
Volleyball Bearcats vs.
USC Aiken at Finis Horne
Arena

Esports 7 - 10 PM
Esports Bearcats - JV Ri-
vals Team vs. Huntingdon

Oct. 18

Men's Tennis
ITA Regional Regional Cham-
pionships in Sumter

Women's Tennis
ITA Regional Regional Cham-
pionships in Sumter

Esports 2 - 5 PM
Esports Bearcats - Varsity Ri-
vals Team vs. West Georgia

Esports 5 - 8 PM

Esports Bearcats - Varsity
Rocket League Team vs.
Huntingdon

Oct. 19

Men's Tennis
ITA Regional Regional Cham-
pionships in Sumter

Men's Golf
2026 Patriot Fall Classic Golf
Tournament

Spring & Summer Registration
for Continuing Students Begins

Birds of Prey 11 AM - 2 PM

Oct. 20

Men's Golf
2026 Patriot Fall Classic Golf
Tournament

Volleyball 6 - 9 PM
Volleyball Bearcats @ Emman-
uel in Franklin Springs, GA

Field Hockey 7 - 10 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats vs.
Wingate at Frank Hill Stadium

Esports 8 - 11 PM
Esports Bearcats - Varsity
Rocket League Team vs. SC

Oct. 21

Film Screening - "Little Shop of
Horrors (1960)" 5 - 7 PM

Men's Soccer 6 - 9 PM
Men's Soccer Bearcats @ USC
Aiken in Aiken, SC

Esports 8 - 11 PM
Esports Bearcats - Academy
Valorant Team vs. East Caro-
lina

Esports

8 - 11 PM

Esports Bearcats - Premier
Valorant Team vs. UNC
Charlotte

Oct. 23

Cross Country
Coker Invitational Cross
Country Meet in Darlington,
SC

Women's Rugby 2 - 5 PM
Women's Rugby Bearcats @
Coastal Carolina in Conway,
SC

Volleyball 6 - 9 PM
Volleyball Bearcats @ Georgia
College in Milledgeville, GA

Men's Rugby 6 - 9 PM
Men's Rugby Bearcats @
Queens in Charlotte, NC

Oct. 24

Club Volleyball Tournament
10 AM - 6 PM

Women's Soccer 1 - 4 PM
Women's Soccer Bearcats @
Georgia College in Milled-
geville, GA

Field Hockey 1 - 4 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats @ Bel-
mont Abbey in Belmont, NC

Volleyball 3 - 6 PM
Volleyball Bearcats @ Georgia
College in Milledgeville, GA

Men's Soccer 3 - 6 PM
Men's Soccer Bearcats vs.
Flagler at Van Taylor Stadium

Esports 7 - 10 PM
Esports Bearcats - JV Rivals
Team vs. Georgia College

Oct. 25

Esports 2 - 5 PM
Esports Bearcats - Varsity Ri-
vals Team vs. Florida Southern

Esports 5 - 8 PM

Esports Bearcats - Varsity Rock-
et League Team vs. Columbus
State

Oct. 26

Women's Golf
Flagler Fall Slam Women's Golf
Tournament Day 1

Oct. 27

Women's Golf
Flagler Fall Slam Women's Golf
Tournament

Kick Up Your Boots: Line
Dancing 101 with Yonna
6 - 8 PM

Field Hockey 7 - 10 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats vs. Con-
verse at Frank Hill Stadium

Esports 8 - 11 PM
Esports Bearcats - Varsity
Rocket League Team vs. UNC
Charlotte

Oct. 28

Esports 8 - 11 PM
Esports Bearcats - Academy
Valorant Team vs. Charleston
Southern
8 - 11 PM
Esports Bearcats - Premier
Valorant Team vs. High Point

Oct. 30

Volleyball 6 - 9 PM
Volleyball Bearcats vs. Augusta
at Finis Horne Arena Day 2

Oct. 31

Field Hockey 11 AM - 2 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats vs. Bar-
ton at Frank Hill Stadium

Volleyball 3 - 6 PM
Volleyball Bearcats vs. Augusta
at Finis Horne Arena Day 2

Esports 7 - 10 PM
Esports Bearcats - JV Rivals
Team vs. USC Aiken

Enjoy Fall Break

October 8-9

Lander University October Events

October 1
Halloween Craft Workshop
7 - 8:30 PM

Oct. 2
Men's Tennis
Men's Tennis Bearcat Invitational Tournament

Women's Tennis
Women's Tennis Lander Challenger Tournament

Mustache & Monologue with The Lander Acts 3 - 4 pm

Volleyball 6 - 9 PM
Volleyball Bearcats vs. Flagler in Finis Horne

Oct. 3
Men's Tennis
Men's Tennis Bearcat Invitational Tournament

Women's Tennis
Women's Tennis Lander Challenger Tournament

Men's Rugby 1 - 4 PM
Men's Rugby Bearcats @ Coastal Carolina in Conway, SC

Field Hockey 1 - 4 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats vs. Belmont Abbey at Frank Hill Stadium

Athletics Steak & Crabfest
1 - 5 PM

Friendship Application Open: Friendship Mixer
2 - 5 PM

Women's Rugby 2 - 5 PM
Women's Rugby Bearcats @ New Haven in West Haven, CT

Esports 7 - 10 PM
Esports Bearcats - JV Rivals Team vs. Huntingdon

Men's Soccer 7 - 10 PM
Men's Soccer Bearcats @ Georgia Southwestern in Americus, GA

Women's Tennis
Women's Tennis Lander Challenger Tournament

Oct. 4 Esports 2 - 5 PM
Esports Bearcats - Varsity Rivals Team vs. Montevallo
5 - 8 PM

Esports Bearcats - Varsity Rocket League Team vs. Kennesaw State
6:30 - 9:30 PM

Esports Bearcats - Varsity Rivals Team vs. Kennesaw State
6:30 - 9:30 PM

Esports Bearcats - Varsity Rocket League Team vs. Centre

Oct. 5
Women's Golf
Glassy Mountain Autumn Classic Golf Tournament

CAB Karaoke
5 - 8 PM

Oct. 6
Women's Golf
Glassy Mountain Autumn Classic Golf Tournament

Pretty Budgeting
6 - 7 PM

Volleyball
6 - 9 PM
Volleyball Bearcats vs. Mars Hill in Finis Horne Arena

Field Hockey
7 - 10 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats vs. Newberry at Frank Hill Stadium

Wind Ensemble 7 - 9 PM
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Oct. 7 11 AM - 1 PM
Don't Drink & Trike!

Women's Soccer 5 - 8 PM
Women's Soccer Bearcats vs. Columbus State at Van Taylor Stadium

Karaoke/Trivia Night
7:20 - 8:20 PM
Men's Soccer 7:30 - 10:30 pm
Men's Soccer Bearcats vs. North Georgia at Van Taylor Stadium

Oct. 8 8 - 11 PM
Esports
Esports Bearcats - Academy Valorant Team vs. UNC

Charlotte
Esports Bearcats - Premier Valorant Team vs. Clemson

Fall Break All Day

Women's Tennis
Women's Tennis Bearcat Invitational Tournament

Oct. 9
Cross Country
Royals Cross Country Invitational Meet in Charlotte, NC

Volleyball 6 - 9 PM
Volleyball Bearcats @ Middle Georgia in Macon

Oct. 10
Women's Tennis
Women's Tennis Bearcat Invitational Tournament

Equestrian Team
IHSA Hunter Seat Equitation Day 1 at the Equestrian Center

Field Hockey
12:30 - 3:30 PM
Field Hockey Bearcats @ Barton in Wilson, NC

Women's Soccer 1 - 4 PM
Women's Soccer Bearcats @ USC Beaufort in Bluffton

Volleyball 3 - 6 PM
Volleyball Bearcats @ Middle Georgia in Macon

Men's Soccer 3:30 - 6:30 pm
Men's Soccer Bearcats @ Clayton State in Morrow, GA

Esports 4 - 7 PM
Esports Bearcats - JV Rivals Team vs. Georgia College
Esports
6 - 9 PM
Esports Bearcats - JV Rivals Team vs. USC Aiken

Oct. 11
Women's Tennis
Women's Tennis Bearcat Invitational Tournament

Equestrian Team
IHSA Hunter Seat Equitation at the Equestrian Center

Esports
5 - 8 PM
Esports Bearcats - Varsity Rocket League Team vs. Flori-

da Southern

Oct. 12
Women's Golf
LeeAnn Noble Memorial Golf Tournament

Dungeons and Bearcats: D&D One-Shot Night
5:30 - 9:30 PM

Women's Golf
LeeAnn Noble Memorial Golf Tournament

Oct. 13
Esports 8 - 11 PM
Esports Bearcats - Varsity Rocket League Team vs. SC

Oct. 14
Bearcat for a Day

Women's Soccer 7 - 10 PM
Women's Soccer Bearcats @ Georgia Southwestern in Americus, GA

Men's Soccer 7 - 10 PM
Men's Soccer Bearcats vs. Middle Georgia at Van Taylor Stadium

Esports 8 - 11 PM
Esports Bearcats - Academy Valorant Team vs. USC Upstate

Esports 8 - 11 PM

Oct. 15
Esports Bearcats - Premier Valorant Team vs. Elon

Costa Rica Trip Interest Meeting 3:30 - 5 PM

LU Hot Takes 6 - 8:30 PM

Full Colors Student Drag Show
7 - 10 PM

American Revolution Experience

Oct. 16 Men's Tennis
ITA Regional Regional Championships in Sumter, SC

Women's Tennis
ITA Regional Regional Championships in Sumter, SC

Pop the Balloon or Find Love: Bearcat Edition

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