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StayConnected@LFGSM

YOUR ALUMNI NETWORK E-UPDATE

We are re-sending the July 2009 E-Newsletter because in the previous e-newsletter the link to the Alumni Success Story was broken. We always want to ensure that our alumni are able to share their stories of success. Additionally, we wanted to make sure that our current months story from fellow alum Stefan Müller is available for all to read. So make sure to read about Stefan's success and send us your story for future editions of the Stay Connected@LFGSM E-Newsletter.

To receive monthly, please add alumnirelations@lfgsm.edu to your address book!



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DO YOU KNOW?

For how many years has the LFGSM graduation ceremony taken place at Navy Pier?

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Monday
July 13
6:30-8:30 pm
L. F. Campus

Monday
July 20
5:30-7:30 pm
Chi. Campus

Thursday
July 23
6:30-8:30 pm
Sch. Campus

REFER A FRIEND TO AN LFGSM MBA PREVIEW

Know someone who can benefit from an LFGSM MBA?

Invite them to attend one of our upcoming MBA Information Sessions. A Lake Forest MBA provides the broad-based knowledge and business experience needed to advance careers. At our MBA Information Sessions, prospective students will meet current students, alumni and faculty, and get answers about financing, class schedules, and balancing an MBA education with a busy life. If you know someone ready to take their career to the next level, have them

[RSVP today!](#)

>> For additional information for all the upcoming previews [GO HERE.](#)

WORKSHOPS BEGIN

July 9

LFCE WEB BASED WORKSHOPS

Register for our new web-based workshops starting in July. Join us for a 3-part series on Success Strategies for Leading Global Virtual Teams. These workshops take place July 9,

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. 16, & 23. These are convenient lunch-time programs that are being offered this summer!

>> **There is introductory pricing for this series.** For additional information and to register, visit www.LFCE.org or contact Howard Prager at 847.574.5212 or hprager@lfgsm.edu.

**1ST
WORKSHOP
BEGINS**

**September 15
11:30 a.m.-1:00
p.m.**

LFCE WEB BASED WORKSHOPS

Register for a 4-part series on Using Innovation to Drive Cost Savings and Increase Profits. These four 90-minute workshops will help you develop a successful innovation action plan to use within your organization. Workshops will be held **September 15, 22, 29 & October 6, 2009!**

>> For additional information visit www.LFCE.org or contact Carole Wald at 847-574-5160 or cwald@lfgsm.edu.

**NEXT
SEMINAR**

**Tuesday
September 29
8:00 a.m.-12:00
p.m.
Lake Forest
Campus**

LFCE SEMINAR FOR MANAGERS OF TELECOMMUTERS

More and more businesses allow employees to work from home. What do managers need to know to effectively manage, measure and motivate these remote workers? Find out by attending one of several Telecommuting Seminars for Managers from **8AM to Noon** at the **LFGSM Lake Forest Campus**. Seminars are scheduled for September 29, October 27, and November 17.

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SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS

Stories of high-achieving LFGSM Alumni to help you Stay Connected.



**From Scientist to Global
Business Leader**

Stefan Müller (Class of 2008) used his LFGSM MBA to bridge the Science and Business worlds together.

>> Read more about Stefan's success and his career [here](#).

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FEATURED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Lake Forest MBA is Now on YouTube!

Become a subscriber to the School's new YouTube channel at www.YouTube.com/LakeForestMBA. View our latest videos; leave your comments; stay on top of what's new at LFGSM. As we increase our library of videos, we hope to create a space that's meaningful for



alumni, students and prospects alike. Still have your Jabberwocky video, or have a great idea for LFGSM video content? E-mail Kate Colbert, Director of Marketing, at kcolbert@lfgsm.edu with your ideas.
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SCHOOL NEWS

LFGSM Scholarship Auction a Great Success

Thank you to all who bid in the 2009 LFGSM Scholarship Auction. **We raised over \$9,000 which is a record for LFGSM auctions.** The transition from online to the silent auction at the event went smoothly. Golf Outing attendees commented on the great variety of items. There were more than 30 amazing packages including sports tickets, once-in-a-lifetime experiences and high-tech toys. In the past 18 months, the number of applications for scholarship assistance has tripled! We expect this number to increase again when we award scholarships in August. Your participation in the Scholarship Auction helps us meet the needs of deserving students!



LFGSM Scholarship Golf Outing & Dinner



Thank you to all who supported this event. We raised over \$50,000 for scholarship. A great time was had by the 2009 LFGSM Scholarship Golf Outing and Dinner attendees. This event is the school's major fundraiser and there were over 110 alumni, faculty, staff, and friends in attendance. **Special guest Jay Hilgenberg of the Chicago Bears** networked with the attendees and handed out prizes to the 1st

place team, premium contest and raffle winners. It was hot but attendees had a lot of fun.

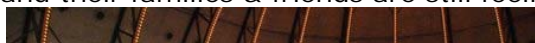
Distinguished Alumni

LFGSM honored two very deserving and accomplished alums with the 2009 Distinguished Alumni Awards:

- **Rick Surkamer** (Class of 1987), President and COO, Sun Times Media Group, was presented with the Professional Achievement Award for his many career achievements. Rick was touched that his brother Geoff nominated him. Geoff spoke of Rick's resilience as a leader in his field and in their family. Rick was very thankful and talked enthusiastically about his time at LFGSM.
- **Steve Gadomski** (Class of 2003), CEO, VantagePoint Benefits Advisors and UEQuest, was presented with the Service Achievement Award for his dedication and service to the school and fundraising efforts. Steve was nominated by fellow alum Pete Spinner, who mentioned how much of a great friend Steve has been. Steve very humbly accepted the award and was thankful for being recognized for all of the work he has done for LFGSM.

Graduation was Spectacular

Graduation 2009 is now in the record books and hopefully the students and their families & friends are still feeling the glow of a great event.



There were over 2000 in

attendance at Navy Pier to support the newest graduates of LFGSM. The graduates heard an inspiring speech from Distinguished Executive Award recipient David Speer, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Illinois Tool Works. One of 12 valedictorians, Ernie Jones, gave an upbeat and heartfelt commencement speech to his classmates and thanked his wife, who also graduated, faculty, and staff. The Distinguished Faculty Award recipient, Z. John Babij, also addressed the graduates wishing them great success. After the graduation, attendees enjoyed refreshments, the beautiful weather, and great company.

Meet LFGSM's newest Board Members

The Board of Directors voted in its two newest members: **Bill Colbourne, Senior Vice President, HR & Administration at Blue Cross Blue Shield Association and Pam Mix, Vice President, Human Resources and Governance Services at the College of American Pathologists**, both of whom will join the HR Committee. We are delighted to have Pam and Bill join the volunteer governance team at LFGSM. They bring a wealth of experience in both the for-profit and not-for-profit sectors, and are passionate about higher education. They also share a strong dedication to, and a wealth of experience in, HR leadership. Without doubt, they will strengthen our ability to execute our mission and serve our constituents. We are fortunate to have such skilled and dedicated friends and supporters. To read more about our newest Board Members [GO HERE!](#)

Lake Forest Graduate School of Management Announces New Degree Program for High School Business Teachers

LFGSM is pleased to announce its plans for a **Master of Business Education (MBE)** degree, open exclusively to qualified secondary educators in northern Illinois. The program was initially developed in collaboration with the Northwest Suburban Education to Careers Partnership, and expects to attract its first cohort of students primarily from among the business teachers at public high school districts 211 and 214, two of the largest school districts in the state of Illinois. Teachers from other districts are welcome to apply as well. For more information, visit www.LakeForestMBE.org.

Summer Classes - There is still time to register!

For more information on classes, go to [Summer Elective Course Descriptions](#) .

To register for a summer elective, contact the Registrar via:

Phone: 847.574.5208

Email: cperlstrom@lfgsm.edu

Remember alums receive a 50% discount on all classes!

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ALUMNI ACTION

Refer a Student to LFGSM

Know someone who could benefit from an LFGSM MBA? **Refer qualified**

friends and colleagues [here](#). Those interested in more information about an LFGSM MBA are welcome to attend [an MBA Preview](#). Your referrals help keep the LFGSM network strong!

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WORKING FOR YOU

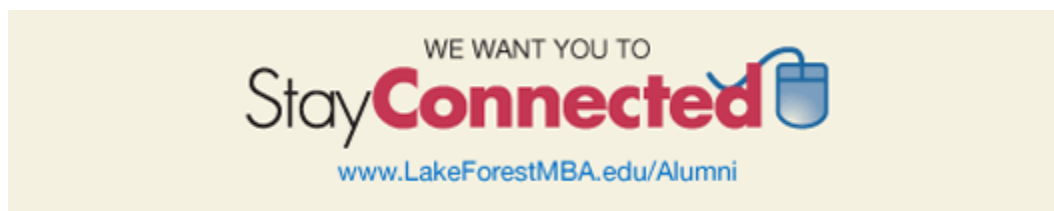
New Online Learning Modules

- *Have you had a problem understanding how to use Excel at work?*
- *Is business math just a fuzzy concept that keeps you up at night?*
- *Do you struggle with writing a document that is easy to understand and delivers a compelling message?*

Working with leading learning partners, **Lake Forest is now offering a series of online, self-directed learning modules that will help you improve your Excel (2003 or 2007), business math, and writing skills.** The Excel and business math programs are used at top business schools, such as Stanford School of Business and Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business, and the writing program has been used at major corporations, such as the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and the Metro Transportation Group of Illinois. These programs have been specifically configured to improve your skills in areas that will ensure your success in your current job.

To register and for more information [GO HERE!](#)

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ALUMNI NEWS BRIEFS

See previous News Briefs or Share your News Briefs - your fellow alumni want to hear from you!

Class of 2007

Carl Baldassarra retired from Schirmer Engineering and has a new position with The RJA Group as Executive VP.

Brad Hargett is CEO at InQuinox, a consulting services and software/hardware development company based in Austin, TX.

Class of 2004

John Day has a new position with Paslode as the Business Unit Controller. Paslode is a subsidiary of ITW.

Class of 2003

Marlene Washington was promoted to Director, US Sales Performance Management at Abbott Vascular Division.

Class of 2000

Mike Jannusch and his wife are expecting a baby this month.

Mike Raffety has been promoted to VP on the Availability Team within the Worldwide Technology group at Northern Trust.

Class of 1991

Andrew Miclot has joined ArthroCare as Senior VP and General Manager of ArthroCare's Ear, Nose, and Throat Business.

Class of 1989

Terence Vollrath was Named Executive VP of Cody Laboratories, a manufacturer and supplier of bulk active pharmaceutical ingredients.

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ANSWER TO "DID YOU KNOW?"

The LFGSM Graduation Ceremony has been housed at Navy Pier since 1994?

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