

THE LEADERSHIP JOURNAL



Connecting Servant Leaders to Build Better Communities



Program Director's Report: Servant Leadership

A core teaching of Leadership Academy of Madison County (LAMC) is to lead with the philosophy of servant leadership. So, when I started my position as Program Director I was tasked with reading Robert Greenleaf's book *Servant Leadership*. Did you know that Robert Greenleaf coined the phrase "servant leadership" in an essay he wrote in 1970? He challenged those in power that "good leaders must first become good servants." Since reading Greenleaf's book I have been contemplating what "first becoming a good servant" means.

According to the [Robert Greenleaf Center for Servant Leadership's website](#), traditional leadership generally involves the accumulation and exercise of power by one at the "top of the pyramid." Whereas servant leadership focuses on the well-being and success of all. Servant leaders focus on developing the strengths and skills of those around them. Servant leaders take the time to listen to the concerns of those with great power, as well as those with little power so that meaningful change can occur.

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Servant leaders are willing to share their influence and success so a community can grow into a healthy secure place for all. I challenge each of you to take a moment to re-focus on being a servant leader. Who needs you to listen to them? Do you have talents that are needed on a local non-profit board? Is there a group you belong to that has the power and influence to meet the needs of those without a voice?

Best,
Stephanie Fertucci, LAMC '16
Program Director

YLA Gnome Fundraiser

With limitations due to COVID-19, Youth Leadership Academy of Madison County (YLA) shifted from the traditional dance marathon to creating a new community opportunity to fundraise for the class of 2021. Sock gnomes were made by YLA students in February with doorstep drop-off to anyone in Madison County. YLA students chose from 11 youth-serving Madison County non-profits to receive a grant from the **\$4,500 raised with the 326 gnomes** made and sold with love.

Thank you to College Mentors for Kids, Court Appointed Special Advocates, Operation Love, The Village and William Harvey Dance Academy for serving the youth in our community. Congratulations on having your projects chosen by the YLA Class of 2021 to receive funding.



YLA Gnome Fundraiser Sponsors

We appreciate our sponsors for gifting more than \$250 to the gnome project.

BARBARA ANN RIGGS

THE TACKETT FAMILY





Congratulations to the YLA Class of 2021

Taylor Ash - Elwood High School

Ryan Barnett - Anderson High School

Brayden Bates - Alexandria Monroe High School

Lauryn Bates - Frankton High School

Chloe Bell - Pendleton Heights High School

Azaira Black - Alexandria Monroe High School

Sydney Bowers - Alexandria High School

Katelyn Browning - Frankton High School

Tony Chelli - Lapel High School

Caleb Coryell - Alexandria Monroe High School

Chloe Cuneo - Alexandria Monroe High School

Kayleigh Edmundson - Pendleton Heights High School

Caroline Erny - Liberty Christian School

Morgan Erwin - Lapel High School

Emma Farr - Frankton High School

Ella Flanagan - Elwood High School

Logan Flowers - Alexandria Monroe High School

Victoria Gurley - Lapel High School

Elizabeth Hahn - Anderson High School

Benjamin Hockwalt - Anderson High School

Hayden Hornocker - Anderson Preparatory Academy

Wil Logan - Pendleton Heights High School

Berkeley Lord - Pendleton Heights High School

Ellie Manning - Lapel High School

Tommy Manning - Lapel High School

Maxwell Naselroad - Alexandria Monroe High School

Kendall Parker - Alexandria Monroe High School

Alexa Puckey - Pendleton Heights High School

Elizabeth Renner - Lapel High School

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Jacob Sumski - Pendleton Heights High School

Cameron Tackett - Elwood High School

Kylee Thomas - Alexandria Monroe High School

Lilly Williams - Pendleton Heights High School

Ricky Wong - Anderson High School

Jacob Zerker - Anderson High School



YLA Recruiting

Do you know a high school sophomore looking for a fun way to develop their leadership skills, cultivate self-awareness, and impact their community?

Students who will be high school juniors in the 2021-2022 school year can apply by May 14.

Students who apply should be willing to commit to full participation in the program while maintaining satisfactory academic, attendance, and citizenship records.

Tuition is \$750 with scholarships available.



Important Dates

April 1:

Applications live at thelamc.org

April 14:

FB Live Q & A Session at 6 p.m.

May 14:

Applications and references due

Week of May 24:

Acceptance letters mailed

June 21:

Parent information meeting

July 22-23:

Opening retreat (mandatory)



"A leader means being a responsible person and respecting everyone around you. It doesn't always mean being in charge, but it means doing good for yourself and others."

Ryan Barnett, YLA Class of 2021



Congratulations to the Balance Class of 2021

Ian Bailey - Lapel High School

Indiana Wesleyan/Xavier, Pre-Med

Jason Bale - Anderson High School

Undecided, Engineering

Ashley Bell - Pendleton Heights High School

IU, Business/Fashion Merchandising

Nicholas Bitar - Liberty Christian High School

Purdue, Business

Allie Bramwell - Anderson High School

IU, Informatics

Dani Crehan - Pendleton Heights High School

Ball State/Kentucky, Pre-Med

Katherine Duckworth - Alexandria Monroe High School

Purdue, Computer Information Technology

Joel Gaar - Pendleton Heights High School

Miami of Ohio, Psychology

Allison Gast - Alexandria Monroe High School

IU, Undecided

James Glazebrooks - Anderson High School

Western Michigan, Mathematics

Mariela Gonzalez - Guerin High School

IU/IUPUI, Nursing

Thomas Gregor - Elwood High School

Purdue, Computer Engineering

Naomi Haynes - Madison Grant High School

University of Indianapolis, Pediatric Nursing

Reiley Hiser - Alexandria Monroe High School

IU Kokomo, Physical Therapy

Gracyn Hosier - Alexandria Monroe High School

Anderson University, Nursing

Emma Howe - Alexandria Monroe High School

Anderson University, Nursing

Dacoven Kirksey - Anderson High School

IU, Biology

Mariah Mason - Lapel High School

Indiana Wesleyan, Business

Makayla McDole - Lapel High School

Indiana Wesleyan, Psychology/Physical Therapy

Rylee Pyle - Alexandria Monroe High School

Ball State, Pre-Dentistry

Seth Schuck - Lapel High School

IU, Political Science/Criminal Justice

Jack Scott - Anderson Preparatory Academy

Ball State, Construction Management

Derek Stinefield - Alexandria Monroe High School

Olivet, Chemistry/Biology

Riley Sullivan - Elwood High School

Purdue/Ball State, Zoology

Nicholas Thalls - Lapel High School

Purdue, Finance

Lindsey Weddle - Pendleton Heights High School

IU, Chemistry



Adult Academy Recruiting

Do you know someone who would benefit from the LAMC curriculum? How about someone new to Madison County that would have an interest in networking and learning more about their non-profit community? If you do, please talk to them about your Leadership Academy experience, and then send their contact information to [Stephanie Fertucci](#). Your referral will receive a personal invitation to apply. Applications will be accepted starting July 1, 2021, through the [LAMC website](#).

"LAMC has been a wonderful experience from opening doors and meeting new people but most importantly understanding what is going on right here in Madison County."

Brian Garrett, Anderson Country Club

Alumni Report

We want to hear from our Alumni. Please take a moment to "[report out](#)" in relation to servant leadership. What does being a servant leader mean to you? Since graduating how have you applied the concept of servant leadership when working with others? Responses will be presented in the next LAMC newsletter. It might just feel like we are all gathered together for a session. In that spirit, when replying don't forget to introduce yourself and state the year in which you graduated. You might even want to get yourself a bowl of pretzels.

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