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CARNEY SMITH AND SKIP SMITH**NEW RECEPTION ROOM WILL HOST SOCIAL EVENTS AND STUDENT-ATHLETE
FUNCTIONS.**by [Jim Hanchett](#) | February 14, 2020*Above: Lindsey Carney Smith**Read time: about 2 min*

The reception room overlooking the Freeman Center home of Captains basketball, volleyball and indoor track and field has been named in honor of Lindsey Carney Smith ('01) and Skip Smith.

The Carney Smith Reception Room honors the generosity of the Smiths and Lindsey Carney Smith's extraordinary achievements on the basketball court.

"Lindsey and Skip have contributed immensely to the success of Christopher Newport and it is entirely fitting that a place of celebration and fellowship is named in their honor," said President Paul Tribble. "We look forward to years of joyous gatherings in the Carney Smith Reception Room."

Lindsey Carney Smith serves on the Christopher Newport Board of Visitors, is the chair of the Athletic Advisory Council, an adjunct professor in the pre-law program and advises students.

Lindsey Carney Smith was recently named the managing partner for the Newport News law firm of Patten, Wornom, Hatten, Diamonstein, L.C. Skip Smith is the vice president for real estate development for W.M. Jordan Company of Newport News.

“Our student-athletes will benefit from the connections that are forged in the Carney Smith Reception Room, and they will be inspired by the leadership exemplified by Skip and Lindsey in their careers and their contributions to the university and community,” said Director of Athletics Kyle McMullin.

As a point guard, Lindsey Carney Smith was the floor leader for the Captains and ended her junior and senior seasons leading the team in assists and steals. She earned an all-Dixie Conference tournament selection in 2000, second team all-Dixie Conference selection in 2001 and set the Freeman Center record when she assisted her teammates 11 times in a win over Ferrum on January 21, 2001.

The Carney Smith Reception Room is a multipurpose and spacious reception area. It serves as the site of pre-game, halftime, post-game socials and athletic department and campus meetings, as well as team and student-athlete functions. The athletic-themed room will highlight the career of Lindsey Carney Smith.

More about Lindsey Carney Smith

Lindsey Carney Smith graduated from Christopher Newport in 2001 with a degree in governmental administration (with a concentration in legal studies) and went on to earn her law degree from the Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William & Mary.

Her sister, Hillary Carney, also attended Christopher Newport and was a stellar soccer player and former assistant coach who holds numerous honors including being named first team all-state, first team all-USA South and the USA South tournament's most valuable player.

More about Skip Smith

As vice president of development at W.M. Jordan Company, Skip Smith develops strategic solutions leading to new developments that benefit the region, including the Newport News Tech Center.

Since joining the company in 1986, Smith has worked in diverse roles, including project superintendent, preconstruction manager, business developer and project executive.

He serves on the boards of the United Way of the Virginia Peninsula and the Virginia Beach Rescue Squad Foundation. He is past president of the Hampton Roads Association for Commercial Real Estate, past chairman of the DePaul Health Foundation and past chairman of the Mary Immaculate Foundation.
