WE'RE ON THE MOVE
Kevin Ross becomes Lynn University's fifth president
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Letters to Lynn

Hello Dr. Glines (dean of the Institute for Achievement and Learning),
I have been looking at the pictures on Lynn's Web site. Wow, I only wish I were in Florida at the time of these campus events. I am working very hard at a manufacturing company that produces rubber parts for the automobile industry here in Brazil. I have been managing people and making new contacts with different suppliers, mostly from other countries. I hope we can maintain contact from now on. I just would like to let you know that I have never forgotten you and the class where you taught about the different ways people can take in information. That class has definitely helped me in communicating with people and knowing how to express myself more clearly. And for that there does not exist a proper way to show my gratitude to you.
Willi Schwarz,
BA '04
Santa Paula, Brazil

Dear Larry [Cowan, associate vice president of development],
This past weekend [commencement] was a dream come true for our family.
Jay (BA '06) has had to work very hard to get from one step to the next throughout his school career. Along the way, we’ve been blessed with very dedicated and caring educators from nursery school right up to Lynn University. I’ve thanked God many times for His continued guidance along the journey. We’ve always believed that Lynn was the perfect educational fit for Jay and have not been disappointed. He has matured into a confident, poised young man and has made many wonderful, forever friends while at Lynn. We are forever grateful. Best of luck to you and all our friends at Lynn.
Jeannie Ruiger
Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

To: Kevin Ross, Greg Malftano, Sheila Sheppard [president, senior vice president for administration, associate director of the Center for International Programs and Services, respectively]
Good morning, Ladies and Gentlemen:
I wanted to write you all a note to inform you about the South African study tour from which I just returned. As a kid I was always fortunate to travel and see other parts of the world. But this was different. This was an experience that I will never forget. A big thank you to [faculty members] Shaun [Exsteen] and Chad [Barr], two gentlemen who made this trip one of the best experiences of my life. I feel as if I have 15 new friends and memories that I will have for the rest of my life. At first I was hesitant to go on the study tour, being that I was a graduate student, but thanks to Chad and Shaun for talking me into going as this was truly the best experience of my life.
I began my education at Lynn back in '96 and now I am leaving the university with a master's degree and a lifetime full of memories from this study tour. This trip has changed my life in so many ways.
Alison Dines, MBA '07
New York, NY

Dear Lynn Aviation Department Faculty,
I am writing to give a progress update and to thank everyone for all of their help during my flight training. Thank you, Dean Johnson, for encouraging me to apply to the internship program with Continental Express. The program gave me a real insight into the airline industry as well as showing me that it is possible to start a career in the aviation industry straight out of college. I am currently based in Houston, Texas, and fly as a first officer with Continental Express. I enjoy going to work and visiting new places daily. All of the fundamental skills taught to me at the flight school, I use on a daily basis. Thank you all for your insight and inspiration. Please continue providing the same quality of instruction that was given me to the aviators of tomorrow.
Jack Sergeant, BS '05
Wellington, Fla.

Hi Lisa [Dandeu, assistant professor fashion management],
I wanted to thank you so much for bringing all of your wonderful students to assist us at Miami Fashion Week. We couldn't have done it without their help and I hope they enjoyed the experience. We will certainly contact you for other events that come up during the year and look forward to working with you and everyone at Lynn University again next year.
Beth Sobol, executive producer
Miami Fashion Week

We welcome your letters. Send your thoughts and comments to Joyce Shelfo at Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton, FL 33431-5589 or e-mail to jshelfo@lynn.edu.
Message from the President
Lynn University and Boca Raton: two communities - one purpose

Kevin M. Ross
President

Hi neighbors, This is my first column in LynnSights after taking office as Lynn University’s president last July. As you may know, my predecessor and father, Donald Ross, retired last June after leading this institution successfully for 35 years. While I am following in some rather large footsteps, I can say that I am working in very familiar—and favored—territory.

Thirty-four years ago, I lived on this campus with my parents, Don and Helen, when they moved to Boca Raton to revive a struggling two-year women’s college known then as Marymount College. Although we later settled into a more conventional home in Boca, this campus became a second home for me. I climbed trees here and swam in the lakes.

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As our neighbors, you are part of the Lynn community, too. From championship intercollegiate athletics to Library Dodson’s Live at Lynn theatrical performances, Conservatory of Music concerts and our highly popular Dively lecture series (recent speakers include CNN anchor Anderson Cooper and IDEO founder and best-selling author Tom Kelley; TV anchor/reporter Soledad O’Brien joins us on Jan. 29, 2007), it’s all happening right here in your backyard at Lynn. Come visit us soon.

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Scholarship established for Native-American students

The Galena Foundation has committed $140,000 to Lynn University to endow a scholarship for Native-American students. The foundation, based in Englewood, Colo., was established by Gayle and Steve Mooney. Their daughter, Amanda, graduated from Lynn in May 2005 with a Bachelor of Science degree in art. Both Amanda and Gayle Mooney were born in Fairbanks, Alaska, and are members of the Doyon native tribe.

"The Galena Foundation looks for opportunities where we can make a difference, primarily in education," explains Steve Mooney. "We were happy with Amanda's experience at Lynn and thought by establishing this scholarship someone else could have a similar experience there."

A special thanks

A special thanks to 98-year-old Charles Lindemann, a member of Lynn's board of overseers for more than 14 years and a longtime friend and benefactor of Lynn, for founding the Extra Step Employee Recognition Program. Each month, a Lynn employee is spotlighted for excellence in one or more areas of campus community life.

"Lynn has been a great experience for Brittany. It was that little jewel in Florida where she has been able to flourish and grow," said Jinger Heath. The Heaths' most recent donation was a gift of $10,000 to encourage Lynn's drama program. Brittany recently participated in a student-produced play.

Lynn parents give graciously in 2006

Lynn University parents, Nelson and Jane Riddle, Richard and Jinger Heath, and Edmund and Eloise Geller supported their children and the university with their gracious donations in 2006. Following their son Brendan's May 2006 graduation as a graphic and visual communication major, the Riddles of Gaithersburg, Md., gifted the university $10,000 to support scholarships for students enrolled in Lynn's Institute for Achievement and Learning, which offers programs that support individual learning styles to excel in the classroom. This is the Riddles' second gift of $10,000 to Lynn's institute within the past three years, and they plan to continue supporting the university. "I want to give other people and students the same opportunities to utilize the support system that Lynn provided for my son. Without Lynn he would not have been able to succeed," said Nelson Riddle.

The Heaths, of Dallas, Texas, are current members of Lynn's Parents Executive Committee. This year alone, the Heaths have given three gifts totaling more than $24,000 to support the university. Their daughter, Brittany, a mass communications major specializing in broadcasting, made the decision to join Lynn as a freshman in 2004. "Lynn has been a great experience for Brittany. It was that little jewel in Florida where she has been able to flourish and grow," said Jinger Heath. The Heaths' most recent donation was a gift of $10,000 to encourage Lynn's drama program. Brittany recently participated in a student-produced play.

Also current members of the Parents Executive Committee, the Gellers of Coral Springs, Fla., have made a commitment to donate $75,000 to launch the Wellness Initiative within the Institute for Achievement and Learning. The Wellness Initiative is Lynn University's effort to promote wellness through assessments and strategies that help students address emotional, physical, social and spiritual issues. Lynn has hired Richard Bruno, M.D., to head up this initiative. Edmund Geller, M.D., a varicose vein specialist, said, "I believe in the Wellness Initiative because as a physician I know how critical it is to treat a person as a whole. It is important to pay attention to the mind, body and soul." The Gellers' daughter, Laura, majors in communication and uses the services of the Comprehensive Support Program of the Institute for Achievement and Learning. "We chose to send Laura to Lynn University because it is a small private university with a great educational reputation," Geller added.

Faces of Philanthropy

Jinger & Richard Heath, left, chat with Ann L. Cox (mother of student Sam Plassick '09) at a private dinner they hosted for Lynn parents at the Crescent Club in Dallas, Texas.

Kevin Ross, Employee of the Year Stefano Papale, Donald Ross, Charles Lindemann, Angela Juliano

Luminary

For the first time, two separate convocations are held in May to confer degrees to undergraduates and graduates of the Class of 2006. Irving R. Lipman, Lynn's respected and admired president emeritus, will address the Class of '06, and a special address will be given to those of your choice: better by Ben Stein, actor, delivered his address at Convocation, a special thanks to 98-year-old Charles Lindemann, a member of Lynn's board of overseers for more than 14 years and a long-time friend and benefactor of Lynn, for founding the Extra Step Employee Recognition Program. Each month, a Lynn employee is spotlighted for excellence in one or more areas of campus community life.

Dively

Through the Globalization Lecture Series, Lynn University brings key luminaries whose achievements reflect the world progress. Juliette Dively, former Secretary of Defense, is one of the speakers for prominent in-person dialogue on contemporary issues.

The 2006-07 National Taiwan University brought the World Outreach Program to Lynn. "Middle ground must be found for common understanding and mutual respect," said Ed Weidman, an adviser to the Taiwanese government. Students had the opportunity to discuss the historical and cultural differences between the United States and China. He is the author of The Ten Faces of a Leader: Soledad O'Brien, morning program of the hottest television shows and her brother, David Gergen, son of famous journalist David Gergen, discussed his work in the White House under President Clinton, Philippine government and other leaders.

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Luminaries light up commencement

For the first time in Lynn University history, two separate commencement ceremonies were held in May to accommodate the growing number of students receiving graduate (200) and undergraduate (420) degrees and the families and friends who came to campus to cheer on the Class of 2006.

Irving R. Levine, one of the most renowned and respected journalists in broadcasting and dean emeritus of the Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn College of International Communication, delivered the graduate commencement address, "A Reality Fix for the Class of '06," and advised students to keep an eye on China. "Many countries deserve your attention, but China tops the list. Your lives and those of your children will be influenced for better or worse by this nation," said Levine.

Ben Stein, a lawyer, professor, writer and actor, delivered his undergraduate commencement address, "How to Ruin Your Life," and then countered with "Rules for Making Life Work Well." He told students, "Being kind is better than being smart. The single best thing I did in life was be a good son to my parents."

Stein graduated from Columbia University in 1966 with honors in economics, and from Yale Law School in 1970 as valedictorian of his class. His part as the teacher in the film, Ferris Bueller's Day Off, was recently ranked as one of the 50 most famous scenes in American film. Stein worked as a poverty lawyer in New Haven, Conn., and Washington, D.C.; a trial lawyer in the field of trade regulation at the Federal Trade Commission in Washington, D.C.; and as a university adjunct professor in the fields of mass culture, political and civil rights, liberal law and securities law. In addition, he was a speech writer and lawyer for former U.S. Presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford.

Dively series headliners announced

Through the Dively Frontiers in Globalization Luncheon Lecture Series, Lynn University brings to its campus dynamic individuals whose achievements have contributed to world progress. Established by Lynn benefactor Juliette Dively, created by the board of overseers and assisted by the R.A. Ritter Foundation, the lecture series presents an arena for prominent individuals to engage in spirited dialogue on contemporary issues.


Tom Kelley is one of the world's most respected experts on managing innovation and design—how to make a business more creative in its thinking and processes. Kelley is the general manager of IDEO, the design and development firm that brought us the Apple mouse, Polaroid's I-Zone instant camera, the Palm V and hundreds of other cutting-edge products. He is the author of The Art of Innovation and The Tea Faces of Innovation.

Soledad O'Brien co-anchors CNN's flagship morning program, American Morning. She has contributed reports for the Today show and weekend editions of NBC Nightly News, and covered such notable stories as JFK Jr.'s plane crash and the school shootings in Colorado and Oregon. She also covered the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster and later anchored NBC's weekend coverage of the war in Iraq. A graduate of Harvard University, O'Brien won a local Emmy for her work as a co-host of The Zone, was named to Irish American magazine's Top 100 Irish Americans list and honored with the Hispanic Achievement Award in Communications. David Gergen, commentator, editor, teacher, public servant, and best-selling author, has served in the White House as an advisor to Presidents Nixon, Ford, Reagan and Clinton. He currently serves as editor-at-large at U.S. News & World Report and as a regular television commentator. His best-selling book, EyeWitness to Power, was published in 2000. For five years, he teamed up with Mark Shields for political commentary every Friday night on the MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour and the two won numerous accolades for their political coverage. Gergen is a professor of public service at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and is director of its Center for Public Leadership.
Rosses feted upon retirement

Two community gala celebrations were held to honor Donald E. and Helen L. Ross upon their retirement in June after 35 years as president and first lady of Lynn University.

In February, Christopher E. Lynn, chair of Lynn University's board of trustees, hosted a dinner at the Delray Beach Marriott to honor Helen Ross. More than 150 close friends feted Helen, beloved founder of the highly successful Pine Tree Camps and current Lynn resident. Among those attending were Kathleen Clrman, Lynn's archivist; Fr. Marty Devereaux, campus minister; Sue Merrill, co-founder of Pine Tree Camps and current director of Campus Kampers; Don & Helen Ross; John Motttumo, an alumnus '75 and current senior vice president of administration; and Sister Richard Marie Beck, Marymount's director of admissions.

The Rosses enjoyed the first dance at the reception honoring Helen at the Delray Beach Marriott.

Some of the original staff members from Marymount College still affiliated with Lynn University: from left, Art Landgren, board of trustees member and former director of purchasing; and wife Joan; Kathleen Chune, Lynn's archivist; Fr. Marty Devereaux, campus minister; Sue Merrill, co-founder of Pine Tree Camps and current director of Campus Kampers; Don & Helen Ross; John Motttumo, an alumnus '75 and current senior vice president of administration; and Sister Richard Marie Beck, Marymount's director of admissions.

Thanks for the Memories

Christine Lynn with Don & Helen Ross at Boca West

Rosses leave lasting impression on first Founders Day

Lynn University held its first-ever Founders Day in honor of Donald and Helen Ross.

Students, faculty and staff lined the circular driveway, graced with international flags to represent Lynn's students from more than 90 countries, to greet the Rosses on their morning arrival on campus.

A cheering crowd waved cups emblazoned with the slogan, "Thank you for saving our college"—a reference to the day in November 1971 when Donald Ross visited the almost-bankrupt Marymount College and saw the students standing outside the entrance to the school with cups, making pleas for funds to keep their school's doors open.

During the day's celebration, the Rosses marked their 35 years of leadership by leaving their handprints in concrete along the college's main walkway. Afterwards, they mingled with their university "family" at Coffee in the Courtyard and later at a barbecue on the lawn.

A live band entertained, and student government officers presented the Rosses with gifts as tokens of the students' appreciation.

The Rosses leave their handprints in cement along the campus main walkway.

Although Katrina created havoc along the Gulf Coast and in the Carolinas, the Rosses were able to continue to support the students back home. They flew two of the professional cheerleaders to St. Bernard's in search of fishing and rebuiding, and organized an outpouring of support for Katrina Outreach.

Christine Lynn with Don & Helen Ross at Boca West

Lynn celebrates Rolando Rodriguez's 90th birthday

(right) The Lynn University Chapel was packed for the celebration of musician Rolando Rodriguez's 90th birthday.

(above) The Lynn University Theatre performed "The Importance of Being Earnest" for the birthday celebration.
The Lynnsights

Good Knights Give Back

Lynn takes to the skies for Katrina victims

Although Katrina, the history-making hurricane that made landfall on Aug. 29, 2005, struck the Gulf Coast more than a year ago, survivors continue to struggle to put their lives and homes back together. In June, Lynn University took to the skies to help.

Four Lynn University Burton D. Morgan School of Aeronautics students and members of the professional aviation fraternity, Alpha Eta Rho, flew two of the university's Cessna planes to St. Bernard's Parish in Louisiana. Prior to flight, students collected donations of clothes, bedding and books from Lynn students and organized an outreach program, Lynn Aviation Katrina Outreach (L.A.K.O.).

Ronnette Collie from Nassau, Bahamas, a 2006 Lynn grad and secretary of the fraternity, spearheaded the efforts. Philip Prada of Boca Raton served as lead pilot along with certified pilot, Patrick Godfrey of Philmont, Va. Tuduetao Tebape, a 2006 Lynn grad from Gaborone, Botswana, served as the fraternity's public relations coordinator.

The L.A.K.O team joined volunteers for Habitat for Humanity and helped gut damaged homes of elderly and disabled people in the area. This story was featured in local news media.

Fashion students are 'model' citizens

Senior and junior students in Professor Lisa Dandeno's fashion events management class presented a formal runway show, An Explosion of Color, during Lynn's Parents and Alumni Weekend in March. Students solicited area retailers and vendors for colorful fashions, and acquired more than 50 raffle items ranging in value from $40 to $5,000. In just 30 minutes, the students promoted their charitable raffle to the more than 700 attendees and raised $2,100 for Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA). In addition to the funds, a large donation of clothing was made to AVDA on behalf of Lynn University.

Students help keep our beaches clean

Lynn's Institute for Achievement and Learning hosted its third annual Beach Clean-up Day at Deerfield Beach recently. Approximately 70 students took this opportunity to give back to the community surrounding Lynn University.
The millennial generation, sometimes known as Gen Next or Generation Y, is the latest group of students entering college today. The Internet-savvy millennials, born after 1982, belong to a group almost as large as the baby boomers who they see as selfish, hollow, cynical, and aloof.

In 2001, researchers Howe and Strauss identified the seven characteristics of the millennial generation as:

1. Special—vital to the nation and to their parents' sense of purpose
2. Sheltered—the focus of the most sweeping youth safety movement in American history, leading them to believe they are more worldly and safe than they really are
3. Confident—exude great levels of self-confidence, trust and optimism
4. Team oriented—develop strong team instincts and peer bonds
5. Achieving—accountability and higher school standards put them on track to become the best-educated and best-behaved adults in our nation's history
6. Pressured—pushed to study hard, avoid personal risk and take full advantage of opportunities, there is strong pressure to succeed and receive trophies and acknowledgement for the smallest of achievements
7. Conventional—compliant with social rules and more comfortable with their parents' values than any other generation

The millennials, filled with hope, ideals, and positive dreams:

• Seek opportunities to learn, especially if it will help them better understand
• Place a very high value on friendship and stay connected through
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Lynn Hunsdrierer is on his second tour of duty at Lynn University. From 1992 to 2001, he was the director of residence life, associate dean for student services and dean for assessment, planning and student services. He went on to serve as vice president for student affairs and enrollment management at Marymount Manhattan College. In 2004, he joined forces with the National Collegiate Athletics Association Coaches Academy and began his research on the millennial generation. Since then, he has presented nationally to more than 300 coaches and worked with schools such as Michigan State University, the University of Tennessee and Clemson University. He returned to Lynn in the summer of 2005. Hunsdrierer received his Ph.D. from Barry University.

Karla Stein
senior vice president for international relations

Lynn University welcomes students from around the world and takes its students on cross-cultural adventures to experience the world.

• For the 2005-06 academic year, Lynn University students participated in study abroad programs to Ireland, Italy, Greece, England, Spain, Mexico, Israel, Costa Rica, and Czech Republic.
• The four annual Academic Adventures, a program designed for freshmen to build on what they have learned in the classroom about the area's people, history and culture, went to J amaica, Grand Cayman Island and Mexico.
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Karla Wincewicz Stein, who oversees the Office of Admissions and the Center for International Programs and Services, joined Lynn as the senior vice president of global enrollment management and international programs and services in 2001. Having worked in the area of public and private higher education for almost 30 years, Stein has extensive experience in global enrollment management, admissions, marketing, study abroad programming and international education. She represents Lynn University on the U.S. taskforce for global education and immigration as well as other national and international organizations. Stein received her Ph.D. from Georgia State University.
Great Thinking

LynnOVations hosts distinguished industry leaders

Created by Michael Hampton, dean of Lynn's College of Hospitality Management, the LynnOVations in Hospitality Distinguished Leader Lecture Series brings noted professionals to campus to offer information, inspiration and real-world advice to students.

In its inaugural year, the 2005-06 series speakers included Gary Williams, president of Coakley & Williams Hotel Management Company; Allan L. Schuman, chairman of the board of Ecolab, Inc.; David Samson, president of the Florida Marlin; George Donovan, president and CEO of Bluegreen Corporation of Boca Raton; and Mitch Holthus, the "Voice of the Kansas City Chiefs."

For this academic year, students and hospitality industry professionals will hear from Palm Beach philanthropist Bill Meyer, chairman of Meyer Jaraba Hotels and owner of Devonshire, senior living centers in Palm Beach and Palm Beach Gardens; Bobby Ginn, president and CEO of the Ginn Company (The Conservatory at Hammock Beach, NASCAR teams, PGA tournaments); Colin Reed, formerly the CFO for Harrah's Entertainment and current chairman, president and CEO of Gaylord Entertainment (Opryland Hotel, Grand Ole Opry, ResortQuest); Richard Kessler, the former president of Days Inn and current president of the Kessler Collection, which specializes in developing historic and boutique hotels. Also scheduled to speak is Julia Stewart, CEO responsible for transforming one of the world's most widely known restaurant brands, IHOP, into a thriving and innovative chain.

Students name outstanding professor

Jim Miller, a professor in Lynn's College of Business and Management since 1985, received the Outstanding Professor of the Year award for the 2005-06 academic year. Each graduating class selects a faculty member they think epitomizes excellence in teaching—encouraging learning both inside and outside of the classroom, challenging students to do their very best, and inspiring them to do great things now and in the future. Miller was presented the award by Donald Ross, president.

New learning center established in Dublin

Lynn's Institute for Achievement and Learning is pleased to introduce The Learning Center at Lynn's sister school, the American College Dublin. This is the first center of its kind to be housed within a university in Ireland and provides an opportunity for nontraditional learners to have a traditional learning experience with added academic support services. Laura Thal, program coordinator for the Institute for Achievement and Learning at Lynn University, is currently in Dublin to facilitate the center’s opening and will return to Lynn after designating a new center facilitator.

Students embark on Asian study tour

In accordance with one directive of Lynn University's strategic plan, Lynn 2020, to add additional programs abroad in Asia, 15 Lynn business majors led by Elidon Berresin, professor in the College of Business and Management, took an 18-day study tour of Hong Kong, China and Singapore recently. They visited businesses including Morgan Stanley, Salomon Smith Barney, Harrah's Entertainment and current chairman, president and CEO of Gaylord Entertainment (Opryland Hotel, Grand Ole Opry, ResortQuest); Richard Kessler, the former president of Days Inn and current president of the Kessler Collection, which specializes in developing historic and boutique hotels. Also scheduled to speak is Julia Stewart, CEO responsible for transforming one of the world's most widely known restaurant brands, IHOP, into a thriving and innovative chain.

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Kevin Ross accepts the president's medallion from his father, Don Ross.

How have you seen Lynn change and develop?

We believe in the potential in people, and we've responded to the needs of individuals and our community. Our academic programs, for example, have grown. Our Conservatory of Music, which we added in 1999, is one of the nation's finest conservatories of music within a university environment and a cultural gem in this region. Our Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn College of International Communication has flourished with state-of-the-art broadcast journalism curriculum, studios and equipment. Our study tours, including Academic Adventure at sea and the Adirondack Experience, are among the most innovative in higher education. Our alumni and parents network is thriving and extends worldwide. And our financial strength is increasing—thanks to our many generous friends.

Our development now is happening so rapidly. With more established institutions, you usually read about their founding long ago, but here, our history and lore are being written right now.

You obtained your doctorate while fulfilling important jobs here at Lynn. What was that experience like, and what role did your family play during this busy time?

Earning my doctorate took six years, and I think my wife, Kristen, bore most of the burden. During that time we had two children. Ainsley and Graham. I was gone a lot of weekends, and when I was home on the weekends, much of the time I was writing. Mondays through Fridays were consumed with work. Many nights I stayed after hours, doing my research and writing. I also missed holidays and vacations. It was hard, but you do what you need to do. You make it happen.

I dedicated my dissertation to Kristen. Ainsley knows the word "dissertation" very well. I came home from Nashville after my defense, and there was this big sign on the house that read, "Congratulations, Dr. Daddy!" That Ainsley and Graham helped make. The experience of working at Lynn and studying at Vanderbilt was somewhat complementary and began a fine relationship between the institutions. It provided me a network of resources that came to hear at Lynn, from people, to products and services that otherwise I wouldn't have had access to.

As chief operating officer, one of your major priorities was supervising the development of Lynn 2020, the university's strategic plan. Why was this initiative so important at this time?

At this pivotal point in our organizational lifecycle, I and the leadership team recognized that this was the time to marshal all of our resources, to come together and decide how we're going to move forward, how we're going to differentiate ourselves from the other colleges and universities out there. We knew we needed a series of actionable steps that would get us there. Because we care deeply about the place, we wanted to bring in the best in the field to help facilitate our plan. That's why we sought out George Keller, an acclaimed innovator in higher education strategic planning.

Even before Keller arrived, one of the chairs of our SACS [Southern Association of Colleges and Schools] review had told my father in his final analysis that Lynn is on the verge of greatness. Keller called it a "tipping point." I like that we're constantly striving to get better. Continual improvement. Continual assessment and being honest with ourselves. This was the right time.
On July 1, 2010, I began my new role as president of Lynn University. I wasn't sure if we were meeting that challenge, but I did know that we were on the right path. I believe that our development of resources, both human and financial, is crucial to our success.

At the same time, I think this position helps me keep a long-term view of the university's strategic plan. This is important because we must be realistic about how we can, or in some cases cannot, meet those challenges.

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LYNNUNIVERSITY
Cheering the Home Team
Bring in the sun

Lynn University is proud and excited to host the Sunshine State Conference Basketball Tournament this year. The games take place from Feb. 28 to March 4, 2007, with the finals being aired live on Sun Sports TV/Fox Sports Net. Additionally, all games will be broadcast live through audio and video web streaming by logging on to www.lynn.edu/athletics. The winners of the men’s and women’s bracket will receive an automatic bid into the NCAA Division II Regional Tournament. Watch for Sunset soda cans on shelves in your local supermarkets throughout January and February. Cans with labels advertising Lynn as the host of the 2007 Sunshine State Conference Basketball Championship are good for one day of free admission to tournament games. For more information visit www.lynn.edu/sachoops.

Season Roundup
Fighting Knights stay victory road

The spring semester was very rewarding for the Lynn University Fighting Knights, with five out of the six teams making the post-season. Of the five teams that made the NCAA Tournament, four finished in the top-four, including a national runner-up, while 13 student-athletes earned All-America recognition.

Men’s tennis
After the tragic loss of tennis standout Aivaras Babekas, few could have predicted the men’s tennis team to succeed as they did. But the Knights claimed their first outright Sunshine State Conference (SSC) title, won their second consecutive South Regional, and reached the NCAA Championship match for the first time in school history, dropping a heartbreaking match to Valdosta State 5-2. Along the way, LU went a program record 21-6, saw Julien Carnwath named SSC Freshman of the Year along with five All-SSC selections and four ITA All-Americans. Head coach Mike Perez was named SSC Men’s Tennis Coach of the Year.

Women’s tennis
A perennial national contender, the women’s tennis team once again proved it was tops in the country. Lynn won its sixth SSC crown, Victoria Weltz was named SSC Player of the Year, six Fighting Knights were named All-SSC teams, and four members of the women’s tennis team earned All-America honors. LU lost to Armstrong Atlantic 5-4 in the NCAA semifinals to finish the season 23-9, the seventh consecutive 20+ win season and 11th overall. The women’s tennis team has reached the quarterfinals or better at the NCAA Tournament for 10 consecutive years and has reached the post-season for 15 straight seasons.

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FIGHTING KNIGHTS: Lynn Men’s National Championship;

LU’s Christiaan Verwey was named Atlantic Sun Men’s National Championship Player of the Year. Verwey won the championship match in straight sets, 6-1, 6-0, dropping a heartbreaker to Valdosta State 5-4 in the semifinals to finish the season 19-11, while the team went 9-9 in conference play.

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Female athletics director named

Kristen Moraz is Lynn’s new athletics director. Not only is Moraz Lynn’s first female athletics director in 23 years, but also one of fewer than 50 (out of 289) women athletic directors in the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Division II. A member of the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators, Moraz was recruited by Lynn for its first women’s basketball team in 1993. At Lynn, she became a four-year letter winner who served as team captain during her senior year and was part of the Fighting Knights’ 24-5 squad that advanced to the NAIA National Tournament.

Greg Malftiano, senior vice president of administration, said of Moraz, “As Lynn’s associate athletics director/senior woman administrator for the past four years, Kristen distinguished herself as one of the country’s brightest and most capable athletics administrators. We are confident that under Kristen’s leadership, our national championship-winning athletics programs will soar to even greater heights.”

Men’s golf

The men’s golf team placed fourth at the NCAA Division II Men’s Golf National Championship, improving four spots from the previous year. Junior Matt Bokolatz led the Fighting Knights, tying for 11th individuality, the second consecutive year Lynn had a student-athlete finish in the top 15. The Blue & White also claimed its second SSC championship in three years while having Hoyt McGady named SSC Golfer of the Year and a Ping Second Team All-American. Keir McNicol succeeded on the links and in the classroom as he was named the 2005-06 Lynn University Male Scholar Athlete of the Year and is an ESPN Magazine Academic All-District selection.

Women’s golf

Making its first trip as a team to the NCAA Division II Women’s Golf National Championship since their first year in the NCAA, Lynn University finished third in the nation. Natasha Morgan and Elisabeth Whitehouse, NGCA All-America honorees, set program records for scoring average by an individual (Morgan 76.57) and helped with the team’s program low 78.71 stroke average.

Baseball

Men’s baseball reached the NCAA Regional Tournament for the first time in program history and defeated Albany State 12-7 for its first regional victory. The Blue & White succeeded behind the steady hitting of Nicolas Bolzert, an All-South Region selection who set program records for hits, triples and fielding percentage in a season, and the senior leadership of Jimmy Bacon and George Brandner, who both set career highs in home runs and RBI.

Lynn claims SSC Mayor’s Cup for second consecutive year

Concluding another dominant year in the men’s division of the Sunshine State Conference, Lynn University claimed its second consecutive SSC Mayor’s Cup for all sports competition. The 2005-06 award was announced by Commissioner Michael J. Marcelli and is sponsored by the mayors of the nine communities in which SSC schools are located. The Fighting Knights competed in five of the six recognized sports and held a four point margin over second place Rollins College. Lynn becomes the fifth school to win the men’s division Mayor’s Cup multiple times since the awards inception in 1987.

Lynn places 10th in Sports Academy Director’s Cup

A successful intercollegiate athletic year has parlayed itself into a 10th place ranking for Lynn University in the U.S. Sports Academy Director’s Cup in Division II. The prestigious award is presented annually by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, the United States Sports Academy and USA Today, to the best overall collegiate athletics program in the country. Lynn moved up two spots from the previous ranking and led the Sunshine State Conference, which had four schools in the top 20 for the second consecutive year. Standings for the 2005-06 Sports Academy Director’s Cup are based on a school’s performance in NCAA championship competition and the size of the championship bracket in that sport.

Never Miss a Game!

The Fighting Knights utilize Stretch Internet Radio for live Internet radio broadcasts, and CNTV’s live stat program, Game Tracker, for volleyball, men’s and women’s soccer, men’s and women’s basketball, baseball and softball. Fans can access the live broadcast by logging on to www.lynn.edu/athletics and following the link to “Live Audio.” For a complete listing of all sports events, visit www.lynn.edu/athletics.
Annual Extravaganza changes format, keeps focus on scholarships

The Excalibur Society of Lynn University raises much-needed scholarship dollars for deserving students through its annual major fundraiser, Extravaganza. Traditionally, this event has been a "ladies day out," featuring pre-holiday shopping and fashion show.

This year, in an effort to include more members of the male gender, the 14th annual Extravaganza planning committee, co-chaired by Marcia Cohen and Gloria Soloff, has changed the usual format for the event to offer a musical luncheon.

Themed "Around the World with Lynn," the event is craft to spotlight the university’s international student population, representing 93 nations from around the world. With the induction of The Excalibur Society's first male president, this year's Extravaganza will attract husbands and significant others.

The luncheon, set for 11:30 a.m., Sunday, Jan. 28, 2007, at Boca Raton Country Club, will feature live entertainment, silent auction, grand prizes and more.

Co-chairs Cohen and Soloff, along with committee members Vivian Allen, Stueden Caplan, Paul Carmean, Mary Ellen Courier, Ruth Feigl, Kathie Keche, Rosemary Krieger, Linda Melker, Julie Meyerson, Peggy Stein, Liz Wilsman, Joan Weidenfeld, Margaret Westervelt and June Zarnojak are pleased to announce Yvonne S. Boice as honorary chair.

Boice, an active community leader and philanthropist, is the owner of Fugazy Travel in Boca Raton. She brings her renowned party-planning expertise, her extensive travel experiences and knowledge of the countries and cultures around the world to support this highly popular event.

Every year, David Stern provides the grand raffle prize of a piece from his exquisite jewelry collection. This year, Stern’s one-of-a-kind design is an 18 kt. white gold necklace with black onyx and diamonds, valued at $6,000.

For more information on The Excalibur Society or the Extravaganza, call Desirée McKim at 561-237-7750 or e-mail dmckim@lynn.edu.

Luncheon series serves up food for thought

The Excalibur Society of Lynn University hosts three luncheons per year for current members to invite guests to learn about the mission of this scholarship fundraising auxiliary. In addition to enjoying a delicious lunch on campus, attendees hear firsthand from an Excalibur Scholarship recipient and partake in an informative and entertaining presentation by a guest speaker.

The 2005-06 luncheon series brought to campus Jose Lambert, columnist for The Palm Beach Post, who dished the latest gossip; Marsha Glens, dean of Lynn's Institute for Achievement and Learning, who discussed the various methods we employ to learn in our own way; and Isabel Makie, a professional lecturer, who informed attendees about medical issues not always discussed in a doctor's office due to time constraints.

At the final luncheon of last season, Paul Carmean, incoming president, presented Vivian Allen, outgoing president, with a sculpture of an

Excalibur Scholarship recipient Zaneta Uranova from Czech Republic poses with scholarship supporter Jennifer Saumels.

Excalibur sword in appreciation for her years of helping to raise scholarship dollars for deserving Lynn students. Allen is a Life Member of The Excalibur Society.
The 2007 luncheons are set for Wednesdays, Feb. 21, March 21 and April 25. Edna Hibel, referred to as America’s best loved and most versatile artist and Palm Beach County’s most famous artist, is scheduled to lead the luncheon series as the Feb. 21 speaker.

For information call Desirée McKim at 561-237-7750 or e-mail dmckim@lynn.edu.

On behalf of The Excalibur Society, President Paul Carmán presents Vivian Allen, ex-officio president, with an Excalibur sculpture in thanks for her years of service.

"Stephanie and Child" by Edna Hibel, oil and charcoal on silk, 37" x 28", in the permanent collection of the Hibel Museum of Art, Jupiter, Florida

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Political candidates interviewed on campus

Since 2000, Emmy Award-winning veteran journalist and broadcaster Jim Brossmer, a visiting professor of journalism in the Lynn College of International Communication, conducts television interviews with candidates for political office. Contracted by WPTV, Brossmer holds these interviews in Lynn University’s television studio.

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Candidates, including hopefuls for the U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, Florida governor, Florida chief financial officer, agriculture commissioner as well as state house and senate seats, visited Lynn’s campus. Students and faculty were invited to attend the tapings to meet the candidates.

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Conservatory welcomes four to faculty

Four illustrious musicians have joined the Lynn University Conservatory of Music’s faculty: violinists Elmar Oliveira and Carol Cole, cellist David Cole and double bassist Mark Morton.

Oliveira, one of the most commanding violinists of this century, was 9 when he began studying the violin. He is the first and only American violinist to win the Gold Medal at Moscow’s Tchaikovsky International Competition, and the first violinist to receive the coveted Avery Fisher Prize in addition to capturing first prizes at the Naumburg International Competition and the G.B.市政府 Competition. He is a two-time Grammy nominee and has appeared as soloist with the world’s greatest orchestras and in recital on five continents.

Carol Cole made her debut with the San Francisco Symphony at the age of 13 as winner of the San Francisco Young Artists competition. She has appeared at major music centers in 20 countries and in more than 25 U.S. states. She has performed in the world’s most prestigious music festivals, including the Spoleto Festival of Two Worlds in Italy; Konzerthaus in Rottweil, Germany; Jeunesses Musicales in Belgrade, Serbia & Montenegro; Grand Teton in Jackson Hole, Wyo.; Festival Miami; Philadelphia’s Mozart on the Square; and the String Seminar at Carnegie Hall. She has backed artists such as Ray Charles, Natalie Cole, Nestor Torres, Gloria Estefan, Dizzy Gillespie, Frank Sinatra and Frank Sinatra Jr. She is a member of the Miami Symphonic Strings recording orchestra, which recently released a CD from the Criteria Studios in Miami featuring Barry Gibb and Barbra Streisand.

Cellist David Cole won the Young Artist of the Year award from Philadelphia in 1961 with a television presentation by Anschel Bruseloff and Eugene Ormandy. Since, he has made over 80 solo and chamber music appearances throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and the Caribbean, including Tanglewood Festival Orchestra under the direction of Eugene Ormandy, Marlboro Chamber Orchestra under the direction of Pablo Casals, La Scala Orchestra Mila and the Florida Philharmonic. He has taught at the New School of Music in Philadelphia; the Intituzione Sinfonica Abruzzese School for Strings in L’Aquila, Italy; the New World School of Art; and the String Seminar at Carnegie Hall. He has received the coveted Avery Fisher Prize, which raises scholarship funds for conservatory students. For more information, call Jules Studer at 561-237-9000 or e-mail jules@lynn.edu.

Mark Morton, Carol and David Cole, Elmar Oliveira

A change of venue

The Lynn University Conservatory of Music’s 2006-07 Philharmonia Orchestra season is presented in a new venue and includes two performances of each concert. Performances take place Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 4 p.m. at the Roberts Theatre in the Andrews Hall Center for the Performing Arts at Saint Andrews School, 3900 Jog Road, Boca Raton. Concert tickets are $30 each. For purchase tickets, call the box office at 561-237-9900 or e-mail tickets@lynn.edu. For a complete listing of philharmonia concerts, please visit the Web site www.lynn.edu/music, or call the box office.
Ring in the holiday season with Lynn

Lynn University has rekindled a favorite seasonal tradition by bringing the fourth annual Family Holiday Concert to the Boca Raton Resort & Club, 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 10. The day’s festivities include visits with Santa and songs of the season performed by community choirs accompanied by the Lynn University Philharmonia Orchestra. The concert, conducted by Albert-George Schram, is sponsored and hosted by the Friends of the Conservatory, an auxiliary that raises scholarship funds for conservatory students. For more information, call Joanne Studer at 561-237-7467.

Live at Lynn presents...

Jan McArt, director of theatre arts program development at Lynn University, presents Libby Dodson’s Live at Lynn series with all shows held on campus in the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall.

Saturday, Nov. 18, 2 & 8 p.m. (reception following the 8 p.m. show)
KT Sullivan and Mark Nadler sizzle in Sweet & Lowdown, an evening of pure Gershwin. Sponsored by Elaine Wold, this two-act evening includes some of the hit numbers from the award-winning off-Broadway Gershwin revue, American Rhapsody.

Saturday, Jan. 13, 2 & 8 p.m. (reception following the 8 p.m. show)
Sponsored by Madelyn Savarick, this perform-


Saturday, Jan. 27 – 8 p.m. (reception following the show)
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Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007 – 2 p.m.
100 Years of Broadway

Featuring a powerhouse group of current Broadway stars performing selections from the biggest shows of the century, this show is sponsored by Madelyn Savarick.

Saturday, March 10 – 8 p.m. (reception following the show)
Shields and Yarnell

Emmy-award winners Shields & Yarnell dazzle audiences of all ages with their stunning artistry and unique blend of mime, movement and comedy. The Carman family sponsors this show.

For ticket information, call the box office at 561-237-7500 or visit www.lynn.edu/liveatlynn. For information on the Libby Dodson’s Live at Lynn series, contact Peggy Peterson at 561-237-7766 or e-mail ppetersoo@lynn.edu.
Breaking the glass ceiling

Laurie Levine, Lynn's vice president for business and finance, is one of six recipients of the Breaking Glass Ceiling Award presented at the Jewish Museum of Florida and sponsored by the Bart and Sandy Goldbery Foundation recently. The award recognizes Florida Jewish professional women who have succeeded in fields generally dominated by men, have been active in the Jewish community and who serve as role models for other women. Levine gave a presentation chronicling her career and specifically noted that at Lynn University she was allowed the freedom to truly "break the glass ceiling," and was supported and embraced for her professional successes as well as her personal qualities as a Jewish woman and mother.

Irving R. Levine of Boca Raton and Washington, D.C., dean emeritus of the Lynn College of International Communication, airs his commentaries monthly on Nightly Business Report on WPBT Channel 2. Check your local listings to hear NBC News speak on various issues concerning the economy.

The comeback kids

During Lynn Weekend in March, a 40th reunion was held for the Marymount College (now Lynn University) Class of 1966. Twenty Marymount grads, along with two of their faculty members, rekindled friendships that began four decades ago. During the weekend, they perused Marymount memorabilia on display, visited their old dorm rooms and classroom buildings, chatted with some of their mentors still on campus, and realized that Marymount lives on at Lynn. During the graduate commencement ceremony in May, Joanne Donnelly Archer (center) was honored with the Distinguished Alumna Award for active community service demonstrated through her New Jersey cable TV show, Blond in the Hood. The show highlights ordinary people doing extraordinary things that make a difference in the lives of others.

A little night music

Lynn's President Kevin M. Ross accepted a donation of more than $13,000 from Boca West Country Club's board of governors chair, Dorothy Backusbaum (grandparent of Lynn student Aaron Backusbaum, '99), Jay DiPietro, club president and general manager; and Arthur Adler, event committee member; after enjoying dinner and a musical evening under the stars with the Lynn University Conservatory of Music Philharmonic Orchestra. This is the second year the orchestra has performed at Boca West Country Club, with the audience growing from 600 to 1,400. Under the baton of Maestro Albert-George Schram, Lynn Conservatory on Parade featured timeless favorites that included big band, Broadway, movie and patriotic selections. All proceeds from the event benefit the Lynn University Conservatory of Music.
Local heroes

At 2006 commencement, President Emeritus Donald E. Ross, far right, and Boca Raton Mayor Steve Abrams, far left, presented Lynn University's Boca Raton Award to Harold and Mary Perper. The annual award is given to an outstanding individual or couple who have helped make this community an even better place in which to live and work, and recognizes philanthropy, civic achievement, vision and leadership. The Perpers have supported virtually every segment of the Boca Raton community—from the smallest of infants at Florence Fuller Child Development Centers to the Boca Raton Museum of Art. The Harold and Mary Perper Teleconferencing Center at Lynn is but one example of their generosity and commitment to the education of future generations. They also support scholarships at Lynn, enabling students to pursue their dreams of a college education.

Community impact

Larry Cowan, associate vice president of development, was named to the board of directors of United Way of Palm Beach County during a breakfast held at Kravis Center in West Palm Beach recently. Cowan is a past president of the United Way of Clinton and Essex Counties (N.Y.), serving on various committees and leading one of the most successful campaign drives for the organization. The United Way's mission is "to improve measurably the lives of individuals and families in Palm Beach County by uniting the resources of donors, volunteers, agencies and the community."

Honors bestowed

During 2006 commencement, Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees were presented to Italian hotelier Roberto Wirth (right photo), president and general manager of the Hotel Hassler in Rome and founder of the International Wine Academy of Italy; and South Florida philanthropist Ruth Coleman (far right photo), a longtime friend and supporter of Lynn University as well as of many nonprofit organizations and individual families.

New face at Lynn

Judith L. Nelson of Salem, Va., joined Lynn as vice president of development and alumni affairs on Sept. 1. Nelson has worked in university advancement for 20 years. For the last 11 years, she was vice president for resource development at Roanoke College in Salem, Va., where she oversaw a six-year capital campaign that raised $85 million, surpassing the campaign's $65 million goal and generating commitments to more than double the college's endowed scholarships, provide for new buildings and renovations, and fund additional faculty. In her new position at Lynn, she will oversee all aspects of Lynn University's advancement program.

Firsthand account

David Jaffe, dean of the Lynn College of International Communication, and his son were living in their Tel Aviv apartment during the summer attacks between Israelis and Hezbollah guerillas. Jaffe was interviewed live on local television Channels 5 and 25 news and via computer video link with Boca Raton News. He told reporters that although people in cities like Haifa have been encouraged to go about their daily lives, there is no question of the tension and fear in the air. Jaffe, using what he learned about living in Florida during hurricane season, stocked up on batteries and water and arrived back in Florida in time for the start of the fall semester.
Who's Lynn?

She is. You might say that Marcy Zambelli, class of 1977, used her Lynn University degree to take her family's business to new heights. After graduating from Lynn and learning every aspect of the company, she's now the chief executive officer of Zambelli Fireworks Internationale, one of the oldest and largest American fireworks companies. It's Zambelli's company that U.S. presidents, the Super Bowl, and world capitals call when they want the kind of event no one can duplicate and everyone will remember.


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