Pomp & Circumstance
More than 450 seniors will graduate May 2

By TANYA CAMBIO
Staff Writer

It’s that time of year when students walk in their caps and gowns to receive their diploma. This year’s graduation will be in the de Hoernle International Center May 2 at 10 a.m.

Graduation means that there is no more class work, and students will now use the skills that they have learned for their careers. “Now that I will be graduating, a chapter has come to an end but hopefully a new one will soon start,” said senior David Leone, International Business major.

George Stephanopoulos will be the keynote speaker at Commencement. He served in the Clinton Administration as a Senior Advisor to the President for Policy and Strategy and was a key board member to distinguished strategists in both Clinton administrations. He is a political analyst on This Week, Good Morning America and other ABC News programs.

Awards will be presented by board members to distinguished graduates. Members of the Student Government Association name students who they feel provide service and commitment to Lynn University as well as maintain a high AGPA to be the student commencement speaker. Once these students are nominated, the administration votes to see who is the best candidate for the award. The outstanding teacher award selected by students will be presented by Provost Dr. Jennifer Braaten.

Many students left home to come to Lynn taking on numerous responsibilities. “Being away from home these past couple of years has been a great preparation for my future,” said senior Stephen Lunn, Funeral Service major.

An estimated 3,000 guests will attend the commencement of 457 seniors. “We are proud of our graduates and hope that they have fulfilling private and professional lives,” said Dr. Braaten. “We believe Lynn University provides a strong foundation for many pursuits individuals may choose.”

Convocation rewards scholars
• Recognizing three levels of scholastic achievement
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By MATTHEW BERNSTEIN
News Editor

At the Honors Convocation March 27, 270 students qualified for awards. However, only approximately 125 were present to receive their certificates.

Dr. Jennifer Braaten, vice president for academic affairs, opened the ceremony. After an invocation from Rev. Martin C. Devetuaux, President Dr. Donald Ross greeted the guests.

Two teachers were recognized: Dr. Ann Crawford as the faculty Teacher of the Year and Dr. Diane Richard-Allerdice for publishing a book. The awards are actually based on three levels of performance. One hundred and seventy students received Academic Honors for maintaining a 3.25 AGPA or higher, 15 credits and no incomplete or grades below C for the semester.

To be named to the Academic Honors Society, 66 students maintained an AGPA of 3.50 or higher for two consecutive semesters and demonstrated dedication, leadership and loyalty.

Thirty two Honor Society students who have a maintained an AGPA of 3.75 or higher were named to the President’s Honor Roll.

“More teachers should attend the ceremony,” said junior Sabine Moret who is on the President’s Honor Roll.

Banquet recognizes leaders

By NICOLE JARDIM
Staff Writer

And the award goes to...

Hollywood has the Oscars and Lynn has the Leadership Banquet.

A night of individual recognition and campus organization awards will take place April 22 at 5 p.m. in the de Hoernle International Center. This year’s guest for the fifth annual ceremony is President Dr. Donald Ross.

“It’s an opportunity to socialize with other leaders and learn about other campus organizations to join,” said senior Carolina Sotomayor said.

Each organization will be given the opportunity to present its activities and accomplishments for the year. Participating campus organizations include Governance, Service, Special Interest, Professional, Social Greek, Media and Para-Professional.

In closing the ceremony, honorary awards, recognition of advisors and year-end awards will be given.

Aline Kokis was recognized for her selection as a finalist for the Florida Student Leader Award, and she will be honored at the banquet.

The Greeks will honor their members who have made outstanding contributions to Lynn and the community throughout the year.

FASHION FILE

Models, Inc.

At the student fashion show, Pamela Landquist models one of the outfits she constructed. Several local businesses donated clothing and accessories for the annual show. See story and more photos on Page 6.
Earn three credits in Ireland during summer vacation

By MATT BERNSTEIN  
News Editor

Be creative this summer by enrolling in "Oscar Wilde and the Writing Process." The course runs from June 22-July 3 and costs $1,650 for tuition, room and board but not airfare.

Professors Dr. Kathryn Kruger and Dr. Diane Richard-Allerdycy will be teaching this 3-credit hour course at the American College Dublin. The special offering of ENG 355: Topics in Literature II fulfills a humanities or literature requirement at the 300-level.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime thing," said Remmi Rabidoux, Study Abroad Coordinator. "Take the opportunity and try it!"

Students will study the works of Oscar Wilde in both lecture and discussion formats which serve as a basis for the creative writing component. Students will keep a daily reading journal, compile a portfolio of their writings and write a critical essay on one of Wilde's works.

McVay redesigns Lynne website

By MATTHEW BERNSTEIN  
News Editor

Next time you're surfing the net, stop by the new Lynn University website (http://www.lynne.edu). Resident Hall Director and Judicial Coordinator Jason McVay has completely redesigned the Internet site.

"It has a new, crisp look," McVay said. "It loads faster, has much more information, and it looks beautiful if you use a stylesheet-enabled browser (Netscape 4.x or Internet Explorer 3.x or above).

The website team has made books for student organizations to post information relevant to their constituents and organizations at other universities.

McVay encourages all current students, alumni, faculty and staff to offer feedback and especially content. Students who have any questions or information to offer, can write to him at jmcvay@lynn.edu
THE REAL WORLD

Guest speakers share their lifetime experiences with IC majors

By MATTHEW LANGLOIS
Staff Writer

What do an advertising company, Nickelodeon and TV/10 have in common? All have professionals who taught lessons as guest speakers for International Communications students in Adjunct Professor Alyce Culpepper’s classes during the spring semester.

Mark Schumacher

He is a man that you may see crashing a train into a car, protecting animals from pesky neighbors, or just checking out what the fans of a Florida sports team are doing. Who is he? He’s Mark Schumacher, a reporter for Miami’s WPLG TV/10.

Schumacher was born and raised in California but his love for news has taken him to Texas, New York and finally Florida in 1995. “I want to stay in the Florida area for a while, this is a good place for news,” he said.

Schumacher is currently a general assignment reporter specializing in live demonstrations for the Eyewitness News Team. His hands-on experience and ability to write good copy has allowed him to be a top commodity at WPLG.

On March 17 Schumacher visited Lynn University and spoke to the next generation in communications. He explained what makes a good reporter and what a reporter does and showed the students exactly what he does everyday. “It is really inspiring to listen to him speak about his work,” sophomore Alero Edodo said.

Schumacher began by giving the students a topic. They had to select the main facts, and then combine the facts to make a 30-second story for TV. He then shared some examples of his work including video and a script showing exactly how they were done.

Schumacher said that Channel 10 did allow him to produce some of his own story ideas because of the “experience and creative background I have.” But he knows TV is a group effort of the reporters, camera operators and the editors to get the story in on time. He said he turns to his cameramen for different viewpoints on a story.

“I liked the interview because it gave me perspective into the workings of television news,” sophomore Daisuke Takizawa said.

Schumacher explained the pros and cons of being in television, and what it takes for a student to make it as a reporter. “Hands-on experience and a degree mixed with hard work and strong communication skills will allow you to do well in this field,” he said.

As with all things, the time with Schumacher came to an end. As he was walking out his pager went off. Just another sign of how busy he is.

Valerie McCarty

Nickelodeon, a network targeted towards the children of today, is not just for the United States but for the world to view. Valerie McCarty, Vice President for Communications, spoke to the students about the work she does and what public relations entails.

“If you have an ego, public relations is not for you,” she said, “because your job is to make some else look good.”

McCarty showed the class examples of her work such as media kits, press releases, and some of the items Nickelodeon is marketing including Ayuda A Tu Mundo! This campaign which means Help Your World, encourages kids to help in their community. “In Latin America volunteer work means they just donate money,” McCarty said. “They’re not doing things themselves.”

Nickelodeon wanted to find out what the kids wanted to do in order to help their communities. This example helped to clarify how public relations is a crucial part to a company’s reputation.

“This will help me make choices as to see if I would like to enter the public relations field,” said sophomore Floriana Acosta.

Brandon Hawthorne

Advertising is a multimillion dollar field that takes creativity and shrewd business skills. Brandon Hawthorne, from Hawthorne/House Advertising, is ranked among South Florida’s top advertising executives.

He spoke to students in the Advertising Writing and Design class about what a full-scale advertising agency does, and explained all the work that goes into one commercial.

To explain his point, he shared an ad campaign that included Dan Marino, the quarterback for the Miami Dolphins, making pasta. This video created a humorous atmosphere that allowed the students to understand how to produce an ad. “Even though I am not an advertising major,” said junior Jason Laudick, “I was able to see the inside of the advertising field.” Discussion led as to what a student must learn to be successful in this field.

Concerning the skills that should be taught to the student to break into the advertising field, Hawthorne said knowing the latest computer software, doing an internship and good communication skills were keys. He told students to take it a step further. “Do things that are beyond what is required in class; show initiative to do things on your own.”

As part of the Doyle International Entrepreneurial Video Library, Jim Crompton shares his scrapbook with Shelbie Casey as Alex Arnott videotapes the interview. Photo by MONIQUE CHONG

Entrepeneurial interviews establish Doyle video library

By SHELDBE CASEY
Staff Writer

Four, four, three, two, one... action!

Another day, another shoot and sometimes two in one day. No, not weapons, just television jargon that television students have picked up so naturally.

This time, Jim Crompton, retired partner of one of the big six international accounting firms is a part of it. From a one-room school to Park Avenue, Crompton’s drive, ambition and influence from his stepmother led him to be a partner in one of the largest accounting firms in the world.

This interview along with others is being compiled by the communications department for the Doyle International Entrepreneurial Video Library. Last year, Lynn graduate Dan Doyle made a donation to the university. His father, who has since passed away, was a successful businessman and the son wanted to do something in his father’s memory. The video library is just that.

The series contains interviews with successful entrepreneurs whose careers have been inspiring including Weldon Case (ALLTEL Corporation) and William Hager (National Council on Compensation Insurance, Inc.).

Students will be able to check out the tapes to gain insight into the business world.

“I think the video library is a useful tool for training our communications students, and I hope it will be useful for our business students looking for good advice to succeed,” said Nat Reed, research assistant for international studies.

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LOOKIN’ GOOD

Fashion students present ‘Millenium’

By JEFFREY FELIZ-YBES

Staff Writer

One of the highlights of Families Weekend was the 30-minute, sold-out engagement of the student fashion show, “Millenium,” on March 28.

“I attended last year’s show, and I saw differences from both shows including the use of many mechanical things and lights,” sophomore Jaime O’Hanlon said. “Each year it gets better and better establishing a great event.”

The audience enjoyed watching students model designer clothing (Versace, Dolce & Gabbana and Moschino) from local stores: Bernini, Louis Vuitton, Elite, Eileen B. Clothetime and Forget Me Not Hat Box Co. One student, Pamela Lundquist, presented items constructed by her which combined crazy elegance with a touch of funk.

Sophomore Susan Earle was Student Director. “I worked my butt off, and it was a beautiful show,” she said.

The show carried out the Millenium theme with a backdrop designed and painted by Terrill O’Hanlon, a sophomore interior design major from New York. The show’s color scheme of shocking red, ancient gold, chic black, silver, gray and midnight blue was seen in the various garments: free flowing and tight dresses, to short skirts as well as men’s complete suits and ties. Music, provided by Stephanie Marville from Bash, a Miami Beach club, tied everything together as the models walked down a straight black runway.

“I was very impressed with the show,” said Associate Professor of the School of Business Donna Sullivan. “I think it was well executed. She taught the students the skills they used to produce the show.”

“Students are involved in team work,” she said. “They learn communication skills and even professional etiquette when working with the community.”

Students enjoyed the camaraderie. “The show gave me the opportunity to work as a team for a great production,” said Mary Betancourt, head of the Production Committee. “If I had to do it again, I would love to work with the same group of people.”

Other models included Alyssa McCoy, a first-time model as well as a member of the Merchandizing Committee, and Michael Mendez. “It was a nerve-wracking experience, but all in all, a very good experience,” he said. “I would like to do it again.”

Another first-time model was senior Roger Stighall from Sweden. “Modeling was easier than I thought,” he said.

The production took three months of preparation and a higher budget. “I thought it was extremely professional,” said Dean of the School of Business, Dr. James Miller, who proposed and received approval for the $1000 budget. Last year it was $400. “The students and Mrs. Sullivan deserve a great deal of credit for a great performance.”

Members of the audience noted the difference. “Because of the budget increase, the quality of the show has risen,” said Associate Professor Ralph Norcio.

INTERNATIONAL POSTCARD

By CHRISTIAN MEIER

Staff Writer

Meet Paola Marcante, an International Communications major. Born in Brasilia, the capital of Brazil, she has traveled through North America, Europe and South America. She enjoys learning languages and speaks English, Portuguese and Spanish.

To her, Brazil is a paradise that is always changing and growing, with kind and humble people. She loves the Amazon and says it must be preserved.

In her spare time she enjoys sports and loves to watch soccer games. One of her dreams is to meet Romario, a great Brazilian soccer player. What people do not know about her is that she is an artist.

Food and Drink

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Thank you: Obrigado
Teacher: Professor
Beer: Cerveja
Please: Por favor
Goodbye: Tchau

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Between classes, sophomore Paola Marcante relaxes by the lake.

Photo by MONIQUE CHONG

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SHUTTERBUGS
Photographers polish skills in shooting, developing prints

By ANDREIA BRUNSTEIN
Staff Writer

All of a sudden a figure starts to appear on a piece of paper that lays in a tray of chemicals. Between shadows, brightness and contrasts, lives a soul willing to be discovered. It is a magical and enchanting process; alchemy that anyone can learn. It is the art of photography.

“The history of photography is the history of modern culture,” says Professor Mark Taylor, responsible for the photography courses at Lynn.

Every morning, newspaper and magazines bring to our homes a world of information and undoubtedly photography rules because “a picture is worth a thousand words.” Who will forget the picture of the fireman holding the baby in his arms in Oklahoma City after the terrorist explosion that destroyed an entire building? “There is hardly an aspect of life and reality that cannot be explored through the study of photography,” Taylor says.

In fact, the photography course has attracted many students over the past 20 years that it has been offered. A unique characteristic is that it attracts students from all majors who want to capture the world seen through the small hole of the viewfinder.

“The art of photography is across the board; it is interdisciplinary,” says Taylor, showing examples of students’ work. Some of them, after taking the class, work as free lancers such as Bill Merrill, a senior in Hotel Management.

However, students planning to take photography because it is an “easy” class better run to the Registrar’s office to change their majors. A lot of work is involved and time consumed in the darkroom.

Besides that, it is not a cheap class. The basic course requires students to have a 35 mm camera, at least five rolls of film and paper to enlarge the negatives. Despite the cost, students who are truly interested will be encouraged to express their own creativity and will be able to learn all the photography procedures from camera technique, picture taking, film developing to print making.

“I really like being able to develop the pictures myself and to see how they came out,” sophomore Erica Sarkin said. In the advanced class, students have the chance to delve deeper into color photography, experiment in composition and techniques of processing.

“In general, the students are delighted by the end of the semester with how much they have learned,” Taylor says. “They start very insecure, but at the end, they improve a lot and have a good feeling of accomplishment.”

REAL TV: LU videotapes series for Adelphia cable

By SHELBIE CASEY
Staff Writer

What do Hoffman’s Chocolate Factory, the Boca Raton News, and the Harid Conservatory, all have in common? They all are locations for Sid Snyder’s Around Our Town television series. LUTV students videotape the program which airs on Adelphia Channel on Monday and Wednesday nights at 7 p.m.

For the past two years Snyder has been interviewing people in the Boca Raton/Delray area.

“Being the Community Relations Coordinator at Adelphia, I wanted to do something that would be of interest to Palm Beach County and Adelphia’s viewing area,” Snyder said. “So I decided to feature the schools, programs and people of Palm Beach County.”

His original camera operator was a retired pilot who videotaped the program for fun using a single camera and microphone. When either Snyder or his guest stumbled, the tape was rewound and they both had to start over again.

In February, Snyder asked the International Communications department for help.

“I wanted to give the students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience,” Snyder said. “So I met with Director Dawn Donnelly, and it has been a happy marriage ever since.”

Junior Sabine Moret from France took advantage of that offer and has been on five shoots so far: Hoffman’s Chocolate Factory, the Harid Conservatory, the Easter Seals office, the Boca Raton News and the Palm Beach City Commission, where they featured Chairman Burt Aaronson.

“I love working with Sid,” Moret said. “He has given me a great opportunity to improve my skills and learn more about the field.”

The programs are taped and edited with Lynn University’s equipment.

“The show is so much easier now,” Snyder said. “The capabilities, qualities and professionalism of the students are wonderful. The final product is as professional as I have ever seen.”

Crew members working on the shoots include Alex Arnott, Patrick Battle, Monique Chong and Giovanny Velez, Director of Telecommunications, Dawn Donnelly, supervisors.

“I think this is a great opportunity for Sabine,” Donnelly said. “Practical experience is required for the curriculum and working on Around Our Town gives students a taste of the real world.”

RA’s make dorm life like home

By ROSA CORDERO
Staff Writer

While attending Lynn 600 of the student body lives on campus in four different buildings: Trinity, de Hornle, Frieburger and Lynn.

Resident Directors are in charge of the Resident Assistants who are responsible for each wing.

The job of the RA is to ensure that the students are comfortable and safe. RAs organize activities like movie nights or pizza parties for their residents.

“I love being an RA because I have the opportunity to plan activities that build friendships among residents,” said Pati Flaherty, Trinity.

During the Academy Awards students gathered in front of the TVs and made “kissing balls” while watching the stars win. “The activities bring us closer together,” said Marie Kolbet about her RA, Aline Kokis.

Trinity and Lynn share the same RAs. Carla Cordero and each dorm has three RAs per floor. Both Jason McVay (RD for DeHornele) and Anna Tsukanov (Frieburger) have four RAs.

“They helped me with my transition from home to dorm life,” Zelina Matthews said.

E-MAIL
Gaining Internet access in residence halls

By Tanya Camblo
Staff Writer

Are you tired of walking all the way to the computer lab just to see who e-mailed you? Stop right now because you do not have to anymore!

Currently Trinity and the D-wing of de Hornle have Internet access and more buildings are planning to have it in the fall. In order to have this service, students need a 100 BaseT Ethernet card installed in their computer.

“It costs about $60-$100 but it is well worth it,” RHD Jason McVay said. “The 100 Base T is very fast and is the top of the line.”

“The new Internet service is a great idea,” said Jason Swan, a senior in the funeral services department. “It is something the school needs to grow.”

Students can obtain their user names and password through the university.

Anyone who wants more information about this new Internet service should contact RHD, Jason McVay. McVay can be reached Monday through Friday between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. at 998-2238 or de Hornle Hall room D114.
Sophomore Greg Belkin helps Theta Xi win the Football Challenge, 21-14.

Denise Mutschlecher from Tri Sigma and Drew MacKinnon from Pi Lambda Phi were crowned Queen and King of Greek Week.

DOWN & DIRTY
Fraternities, sorority share embarrassing moments, fellowship in first annual Greek Week activities

By NATALIE SMITH
Staff Writer

Tri Sigma received the most points and took home the trophy for first place. Pi Lambda Phi came in second leaving Theta Xi last.

Drew MacKinnon of Pi Lambda Phi and Denise Mutschlechner of Tri Sigma and were crowned Greek King and Queen. The week was sponsored by the Greek organizations on campus.

"For its first year, Greek Week was very well organized, and I can't wait to see what they do next year," Mutschlechner said.

WaterWars kicked off the week with five competitions: dress relay, greased melon race, kickboard race, penny dive and raft race. "Although the water was cold, it was my favorite event," said Greek Council President and member of Theta Xi, Todd Simmons. WLYN broadcast from the event.

It was more than just games. "I think that it is great that they incorporated community service into their week of fun," Troy Stone, Independent

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In WaterWars, Aimee Ryan from Tri Sigma braves the cold water to help her sorority win.

Sophomore Pat Stein from Theta Xi puts on his "uniform" of Saran Wrap for the Leg Wrap competition to put them in the lead.

Colleen Lynch from Tri Sigma "enjoys" the cherry pie for the Pie Eating contest. Theta Xi won the Greek Olympics.
NO BLUE PLATE SPECIAL HERE!

Hospitality majors serve classic cuisine in Christine Room

By NICOLE JARDIM
Staff Writer

The Christine Room is open to its members for lunch every day. Each semester, these members will become familiar with yet another group of students working there. Yes, students.

This is so because every semester, David Shapiro, the director of training for the Christine Room, takes its bartending skills.

Dining in the Christine Room is a special treat for Student Activities Coordinator Stephanie Carulli and junior Jason Laudick. They are served by juniors Barry Weisbaus and Nicole Rosenberg.

Students who attend meetings, give suggestions, get their

just desserts

By MATTHEW LANGLOIS
Staff Writer

Students looking to create change have been heard. At the February meeting of the food service committee, the focus concerned the students’ feelings about the food and the changes that should be made. The agenda for the meeting was actually created by the students who dislike some of the conditions of the cafeteria.

Students who live on campus often hear grumblings about the cafeteria food. Some students who have attended other colleges will tell you that the food is actually not that bad.

"The food is very good as compared to other colleges I have attended," said James Lineen said.

But one thing is for certain, many students believe that the menu needs to be made. Some of the changes include a sandwich/deli bar for dinner at least once a week, more of the sizzling salads, a breakfast donut day, more of the round pizza, taco bar at lunch every two weeks, and a focus on a fruit/vegetable every week.

The administration of Lynn and the catering company have heard the cries of the student body and are willing to make changes for the student benefit. "We want an open forum, and for the first 10 who sign up and come to the next meeting, we will give them a free movie pass," said Rick Coelho, the area food service coordinator for TFSD.

Freshman Kenny Zegarek completes his meal at the condiment bar in the cafeteria.

The next meeting has not been announced as of yet, but if you have any suggestions for the food service committee, the next meeting will be posted on the tables in the cafe.

CRUISING

Spring Fling provides one last chance to party, relieve year end stress

By LORI BRUNNER
Staff Writer

Spring Fling came April 17!

Last year there were volleyball tournaments and Hooter’s girls serving beer at the beer garden later that afternoon. At night there was a party at the Surf Club.

This year students took advantage of Florida and went on a cruise on the Rambling Rose Riverboat. The boat took off at 9 p.m. and traveled down the Intracoastal Waterway, and docked at 11:30 p.m. There was a DJ, hors d’oeuvres, and a cash bar. Transportation was available from Lynn to and from the boat for students who needed it.

The next day, beginning at noon, the RA challenge took place. All the RAs got together and planned an afternoon of activities, everything from canoeing to eating. Off campus students participated by contacting Residence Life.

Student who took advantage of Spring Fling had a good time with friends and found it as a good way to relieve the end-of-the-year stress.
EDITORIAL

Alcohol use can be deadly when mixed with driving

Today, one in every three college students drink just to get drunk. Each year, students spend $5.5 billion on alcohol, more than they spend on soft drinks, milk, coffee or books combined.

Sixty percent of college women diagnosed with a sexually transmitted disease were drunk at the time of infection which proves that the effects of alcohol can cause a lifetime of illnesses that could have been avoided as well as death.

Alcohol use is the number one drug problem among today's youth. Every day, people between the ages of 16 and 21 die in alcohol-related crashes. Last year, over 17,000 people were killed in crashes involving alcohol in the United States. It is estimated that 2.6 million drunk driving crashes each year victimize four million innocent people who are injured or have their vehicle damaged.

Since 1980, more than 2,300 anti-drunk driving laws have been passed. However, many students think that from a little drinking and a little partying no consequences can emerge. The statistics above show how anyone can be affected.

Alcoholism is a disease that can be treated. As a community we need to begin to think about lifelong consequences that something as dangerous as drinking and driving can cause to you and everyone around you.

If you feel like alcohol is a problem, please seek help; it is as close as a phone call. The health center has counselors who can help, and you can reach them at 997-5507. Or you can find them at the student services center in de Hoernle Residence Hall. You can even call the Addictions Counseling Hotline at 1-800-762-5433.

If you decide to go out and drink, Lynn University provides a designated driver program. Safe Ride operates Wednesday through Saturday 11 p.m.-3 a.m. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this program, and all the AA programs that are available.

Practice the use of designated drivers or the total abstinence of alcohol.

End of the year brings back memories, lunch with trustees, thank you to staff

Another year has passed and all we set out to do has been done!

At the March 31 Board of Trustees meeting in the Green Center, the members discussed university issues and future plans. Afterwards, some SGA members had the opportunity to eat lunch in the Christine Room with President Ross and some of the trustees.

This was a great opportunity for the students to relay some of their concerns including the need for more computers and internet services in the dorms. We also suggested having a student representative sit in on the board meetings.

Vice President for Student Administration and Student Services Greg Malfitano was surprised by SGA with an appreciation party for his 25 years of service to Lynn. The student body, faculty and administration celebrated his accomplishments.

Since this is my last column there are quite a few people I would like to thank for their hard work and support throughout the year. Jason Laudick - Thank you for everything! You have not only served on the Executive Board but also you have been there to listen to me even when I made no sense. Good luck next year!

Mark Sullivan - You came to SOA in the middle of the year and now you are on the Executive Board. Thank you for being there for me as well as for RHA, Matt Jeager - It has been along year. Did you ever think we would have made it this far? You have been with me since day one. Thank you for your help and good luck next year. Harriet Hunter - You joined us only a few months ago, but you have done a great job. Keep up the good work and good luck! Adam Platzner - You have been a great help to me as well as to SGA. Thank you for your help with the constitution.

On the faculty and administration side, thank you President Ross, Mr. Malfitano, Mrs. Culpepper, Stephanie Carulli, Beth Howes and Karla Cordera for your support and help with SGA. Jim Hundrieser - My adviser, my mentor and a good friend - thank you for everything. You have been there for me and supported my ideas and encouraged me throughout the year. I cannot thank you enough for everything you have done.

Most importantly, thanks go to the entire student body and staff for your support in all our activities and projects. Without all of you, we would not be where we are today.
Cast of Primary Colors shines on big screen

Review by ALEX FLIPSE
Staff Writer

A few weeks ago, I told a friend of mine that I was looking forward to seeing the movie Primary Colors. He was less than enthusiastic about it. “I don’t like anything to do with politics,” he said. “Politics is boring.”

It’s very likely that he hasn’t watched a lot of television lately or seen a lot of movies, for that matter. Depending on your point of view, the timing of certain Hollywood movies has been either a spin doctor’s nightmare or a publicist’s dream.

First, at the same time the Lewinsky scandal broke out, Hollywood came out with Wag the Dog, a movie in which a war is staged to distract the public from a sexual scandal involving the President.

Now, as people continue to mutter words like “Zipper Gate” and “Tail Gate” in the same breath as “Bill Clinton,” Universal Studios has released Primary Colors. This movie is an adaptation of Joe Klein’s best-selling novel about the 1992 Presidential campaign trail.

John Travolta turns in a surprising performance as Governor Jack Stanton, a character modeled after a famous Arkansas governor. (We’ll retain his anonymity.) Travolta is the only man I know who can charm his audience while stumbling out of a hotel room buttoning his shirt, as an entire campaign staff remains oblivious to a ditzy librarian who’s struggling to get her dress back on. This movie loves Travolta.

Travolta’s performance is rivaled by Emma Thompson as Susan Stanton, the governor’s wife. Her acting in this film is certainly wide-ranging; one minute she’s screaming at the governor at the top of her lungs (you’d be surprised at the amount of gusto Thompson puts into the F-word), and the next, she forgets all about it and succumbs to Travolta’s embrace after he sings “It’s a Holiday.”

Yet, Thompson does so much more than portray Mrs. Stanton as a clueless bitch. One of her best moments is when the Stantons appear on television to respond to sexual allegations. Thompson appears quite conflicted. As she tries to put forth the illusion to the public that they are a happy couple, you can tell that Susan secretly wants to give her husband a right cross. You then wonder how much she sees and knows.

But make no mistake; this is more than a kiss-and-tell movie. In fact, the Stantons themselves even take a back seat to jabs at the political process, seen mostly through the eyes of Stanton’s campaign manager Henry Burton, played by Adrian Lester.

At first, he appears to be a bland, stock character, but Burton soon holds his own as straight man to Billy Bob Thornton, and can even get some laughs himself through some well-placed comments.

One of the funniest parts of the movie is when Burton watches the Stantons’ televised appearance on a television set in a diner. As we see Susan Stanton stand up for her husband, Burton listens with dismay to the comments of those around him. When a commercial break airs, he receives a phone call on his cellular phone from Mrs. Stanton. “So, how’d it go?” she asks.

“Great,” deadpans Burton, “but they think you should keep your hair long.”

Some audience members may be disappointed when they find that Primary Colors doesn’t move as fast-paced as Wag the Dog did. Yet, the constant parallels with reality and quasi-documentary effect make Colors even more fascinating to watch.

Free show makes lots of noise

By NATALIE SMITH
Staff Writer

I’m a music lover, however I am not knowledgeable about rap.

I had heard of the group, De La Soul, who performed on campus March 21, but not extensively. For a group that was semi-popular years ago, I felt that it was a nice to see them. However, for an act as costly as this one (approximately $15,000) I would have expected a better show.

The attendance was fairly poor and many of the concert goers did not attend Lynn. Even the date wasn’t good because several sports teams were out of town during this time.

Some charming aspects were the Mardi Gras style beads given out and the DJ set up for pre-show entertainment. I found that there were many diverse opinions on the show.

Freshman, Becky Gerina: “I had a chance to meet the group and I thought they were really nice guys.”

Sophomore, Drew MacKinnon: “I missed it because the publicity wasn’t appealing enough.”

Junior, Ryan Ancoia: “The theatre was incredible. It set the whole atmosphere of the show. It was worth the hour wait.”

Senior, Greg Belkin: “It thought the room was way small and for the kind of acoustics it should not have been held in that room.”

Freshman, Joey Doore: “It was terrible. They were late.”

Sophomore, Maria Mallozzi: “I didn’t think De La Soul gave a good representation of what students were expecting.”

Sophomore, Kevin Gimbel: “The acoustics were just horrible and the room was too dark.”

Student Activities Advisor, Jim Hundrieser: “I thought for that type of group, they were good and I was pleased with the turnout.”

Senior, Denise Mutschlechner: “Although I don’t listen to De La Soul, it was a great way to come on campus and hang out with my friends at a time when I wouldn’t normally be there.”

Junior, Matthew Bernstein: “I wish more students had attended and shown our school spirit.”

Wild Things twists plot as sexy film

By JOSE ARANO
Special to The Pulse

If you think you have figured it out, think again! Wild Things is a sexy film with enough twists and turns to keep the audience wondering, drooling, and even jumping off their seats.

Sam Lombardo, played by Matt Dillon from In & Out, is a popular guidance counselor who is a bit of a ladies man. He finds himself accused of rape by millionaire brat, Kelly Van Ryan, Denise Richards from Starship Troopers, who is later joined in testimony by Suzie, a trashy Everglades chick, played by Neve Campbell from Scream 2.

Officer Duquette is a pushy detective who is against all odds in the rape case. Duquette is played by Kevin Bacon, previously in Murder in the First, who delivers an outstanding performance throughout the film. Ken Bowden (Bill Murray, Groundhog Day) is the wise guy lawyer who saves the day.

If you like unpredictablethemes with a twisted plot and good actors, this movie is for you. Nevertheless, in the end it is all about power and going all the way, in every sense of the word. Don’t leave when the credits start to appear. This is where the director shows unseen footage that clears the plot.

The soundtrack blends in well with the sexy twisted plot. It is mostly ambient instrumental sounds. The director oversees the ending by twisting loose ends even more when the viewer, like myself, would be satisfied with just a good final twist.

Senior Carrie Glista works on fashion designs for her portfolio that will be in the May exhibit in the Schmidt Building lobby.

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Lynn University campus.

Majors exhibit portfolios

Art, fashion design students share work

By JEFFREY FELIZ-YBES
Staff Writer

Students in the Portfolio Exhibition class will present their work April 27 from 5-7 p.m. in the lobby of the Schmidt Building.

The exhibition, which runs from April 22-May 15, will feature the work of art and fashion design students in Adjunct Professor Glenn Tuscano’s class.

“They will gain the opportunity to exhibit the best of their work to other students and administration in preparation for employment,” Tuscano said.

Ten students will be on hand to discuss their work. “I will be graduating this May and I would like to share with everyone some of the many things I was able to do here,” senior Berrak Koyuncu said.

Other students exhibiting their work include Andrea Brunstein, Gareth Dunn, Jeffrey Feliz-Ybes, Carrie Olista, Gabriela Lach, Hector Negron, Denise Mutschlechner, Marlene Parness and Selene van Bexhorst.

This course inspired me to make my work of better quality in order to share it,” Parness said.
**SOCCER KICKS!**

Lynn makes it to final four

By BENJAMINTUBBS

Sports Editor

The men’s soccer team finished with a winning record of 19-2 and ended regular season play ranked number one in the Sunshine State Conference. Darren Warham and Gareth Dunn both were awarded first team all American for their fall performances.

The soccer team pushed on through the final four, that was hosted by Lynn, into the national championship. The men were defeated by Cal State, Bakersfield with the score of 1-0.

With many of the starting players returning “the future looks bright, and we are doing excellent academically” with a team G.P.A. of 3.51, said head coach Shaun Pendleton. The Knights soccer team is predicted to be very competitive in the upcoming fall season.

The women’s soccer team finished its fall season in the NCAA Division II National Final Four Tournament with 19-2-1 record. The season record was spearheaded by an 18-game winning streak. The women reached the final four for the seventh consecutive year, but were still unable to grasp the national championship.

Former assistant coach, now new head coach, Rocky Orezzoli said that the loss was a disappointment, “but we always set high standards.”

The four strongest players of the fall season were leading goal scorer Jannie Nicholaisen, sweeper-captain Sophomore Marie Kilbert help the women’s team make it to the final four.

Adele Talamo, who played every minute of every game, midfielder Marie Kolbert, a member of the Swedish national team and Michelle Cox, a member of the Scottish national team.

First year head coach Rocky Orezzoli has been an assistant coach at the Spanish River High School for five years. He was voted coach of the year nine times at the high school level, five by the Sun-Sentinel, twice by the Palm Beach Post and twice by the Boca Raton News.

In the fall, the women have a great core of returning players along with four or five new recruits.

“We have talent to reach the final four again,” said Orezzoli about the outlook for the season.

**Basketball looks to next season**

By BENJAMINTUBBS

Sports Editor

The men’s basketball team finished with the best record in the Sunshine State Conference, 22-7. The 1997 Pepsi-Classic hosted by Lynn was also won by Lynn University men’s basketball.

“Seniors Coy Patterson and Jerron Jones are both regarded as two of the top guards in Division II play, averaging 20 plus points a game,” said head coach Jeff Price.

The men were seeded number two in the region of the NCAA national tournament. Lynn lost in overtime to Delta State in the regional finals. At that point Delta State had retained a 28-game home winning streak.

Head coach Jeff Price holds a career record of 111-36 for his five years at Lynn. “We will have a strong returning team next season,” Price said.

“Everyone returns except two players, Patterson and Jones.”

The women’s basketball team struggled this season with a 8-18 record. Its top players include forward Gulsah Akkaya averaged 19.8 points per game and made the second team All-Region (South) and Julia Pavlova, a forward from Russia averaged 12 points a game and was a dominant rebounder.

The Knights did not fare well in the conference rankings. “Many of our games where lost by five or seven points,” said a disappointed Coach Cheryl Feeney. Coach Feeney is a 1978 graduate of Ball State. Coach Feeney wants to recruit size for next season to help create chemistry to go along with eight returning players.
CATCHING ON

Robinson signals softball team’s beginning

By KATHERINE ACTON
Staff Writer

Her duty is to crouch behind the plate and direct the pitcher where to throw the next pitch, by using nonverbal communication. The pitcher and the team depend on her to present a target for the pitcher to hit in order to throw the perfect pitch. For if it is not a perfect pitch, then the team is doomed because the game begins with a pitch of the ball.

This person is the catcher, and on the Lynn softball team Destini Robinson holds this duty.

Robinson has been playing baseball for nine years and fast pitch softball for five. This 19-year-old freshman is the catcher on the Lynn softball team. The accounting major is on a full softball scholarship from Lake Weir High School near Ocala, Fla.

The first-year team includes 12 women. The team competes in the Sunshine State Conference division, playing against teams from Northwood University, Nova, FAU.

So far the girls have managed to win three games which is respectable for a first-year team. All players accomplished full time students and fulfill NCAA eligibility requirements in order to play on the team.

“We have a fantastic nucleus of softball players interested in playing a higher level of competitive softball,” Coach Lindy Binns said. “We hope to bring in more players to add to the roster next year.”

All the players are working hard, but all are anticipating what success they can achieve next season.

“As far as I can see we are just warming up this season, becoming familiar with playing together as a team, and in this league, Robinson said. “We can’t wait till next year, then we’ll be ready.”

With more games left to play for this season, the players want to see more fans out there cheering.

When a new team is formed, the players have to learn how to adjust to new players abilities and coach’s expectations. The transition is tough, but this young team is still young.

By JEFF SCHALY
Sports Information Director

Second-year head coach Gregg Kilby headed into the 1998 season with a team full of youth. The Knights’ roster features 17 new faces. Gone from last year’s 29-24 squad are six of the top seven hitters and the top two pitchers.

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Baker is the Knights’ top returning hitter. He hit .337 last year with 12 home runs and 48 runs batted in. Quijano, who missed 15 game due to a stress fracture in his foot, hit .244 with 8 doubles and 16 RBI. Lee hit .235 and 11 RBIs.

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Tanto, Skold lead golfers

Women will not repeat as national champions; fail to qualify for tournament

By ALESSANDRA KIYOTA
Special to The Pulsestroke

Because the women’s golf team finished with a third place rank in the conference it did not qualify for the nationals. Last year the women won the NAIA title.

According to Coach Gregg Cox, “not returning to defend their national championship” was the biggest disappointment of the season. However the highlight of the season was finishing second out of 15 teams at the Stetson Division I tournament. 

Leading the team during the 1997-98 season were Gloria Tanto and Carin Skold because of their low stroke averages.

In addition to Tanto and Skold these women represented the team this season: Erica Kiyota, Pamela Landquist, Claire Davies, Suzanne Murtha, Maria Guiterrez, Colette Konicek, Carrie Lilier and Katie Cruise.

In the future Cox said he is expecting seven returning players to improve and to add two more women. “I hope to win another national championship in 1999,” he said.

Next season the team will not be the same. It loses three original players: Kiyota, who is graduating, and Davies and Murtha who are leaving the team.

Youth replaces experience on Kilby’s baseball team

Lynn loses six top hitters and top two pitchers

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Freshman Brant St. Louis pitches to a Gator batter.

Freshman James Davis leads the Knights in several offensive categories. He is the leading hitter with a .359 (51-for-142) batting average and is top in RBIs (27), doubles (11), and hits (51). Junior first baseman Brian Lee is second on the team in hitting with a .307 (49-for-139) batting average. Freshman outfielder Landon Thomas is hitting .317 and has a team-high four triples and 13 stolen bases.

On the mound, Sophomore relief pitcher Jesse Kapellusch continues to lead the Sunshine State Conference in saves with eight.
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RINGS OF FIRE
With three national titles, is a fourth possible?

By BRENTON LE-GRAND
Staff Writer
Marines Duarte and Ali Peshkin-Schwartz are starting to run out of fingers. With three national championship rings each, these seniors are striving for their fourth consecutive title this season.

Both women are players on Lynn University’s tennis team. In the past three years they have won two NAIA national titles and one NCAA Division II title. This season their 13-0 record suggests that they might do the same again.

“This is a great team, and I think we have a very good chance of retaining the national championship,” said Duarte who graduated in May with a degree in business.

Duarte entered Lynn in January 1995 whereas Peshkin-Schwartz has been enrolled since September 1994.

“When I first came to Lynn, the team made me feel welcome and I was comfortable from the start,” Duarte said. She has lived away from her home country, Venezuela, for the past four years, which is not uncommon for players on the international squad. Eleven of the 15 are from countries other than the United States.

Coach Michael Perez recruited both players. “We just won a match over Dartmouth University, an Ivy League school,” Perez said, “and that keeps us in good stead for the upcoming nationals.”

Peshkin-Schwartz is from Boca Raton and is majoring in accounting. She plans to “find a job after college and in some way be involved with tennis.”

Both players travel throughout the United States during the academic year. “Four years of high-level competition while maintaining an impressive GPA has proven Ali can balance hectic schedule,” said freshman Troy Stone, a member of the men’s team.

Both the men’s and women’s teams are heading to Springfield, Missouri for the national tournament the second week of May. If the women win, it will be their fourth consecutive championship with both seniors experiencing almost perfect college careers. This feat is rarely achieved in college sports and has never be done at Lynn.

Senior Marines Duarte lines up for a forehead against Dartmouth University. She is hoping to win her fourth championship ring in May 1998.

By TANYA CAMBO
Staff Writer
Currently the Lynn University men’s tennis team is ranked fourth nationally in Division II of the NCAA. Part of this achievement is because of sophomore Radovan Forgacs.

He came to Lynn from the Czech Republic because of the weather in Boca Raton. Currently he is the number two player on the team and holds a 12-2 record.

He said his greatest victory comes when he wins a match or when he contributes to the winning of the team. He said his greatest disappointment would be “if we do not reach the national tournament.”

The April 3 match against Barry was significant because Barry is currently ranked second nationally. Lynn lost the match, 5-3, Forgacs won in singles and lost in doubles.

Although losing to Barry doesn’t have a direct effect on the team, winning the match would have. If the team had won, it would have avoided going to regionals and gone directly to nationals.

Only the best 16 teams can attend nationals. “We must prepare physically and mentally during practices,” Forgacs said. “This will have impact on the way we play in the tournament.”

Change is inevitable: The Ins and outs of Lynn athletics

In its short history, Lynn athletics have built a very respectable program.

Hosting numerous national championship teams as well as many prosperous student/athletes, it is easy to say that Lynn sports have created a stature as extremely competitive. Like any college program, change is inevitable.

Director of Athletics Dr. Dick Young announced at a press conference April 1 that Rocky Orezzoli has been selected as the new head coach of the women’s soccer team. Orezzoli has the difficult job of replacing the former coach Jim Blankenship who has left Lynn to start the women’s program at the big NCAA Division school, the University of Miami.

In the 12-year history of women’s soccer, Orezzoli is only the second head coach to be named to the program. Prior to his coming to Lynn, he was both the head coach of Spanish River High School’s girls’ soccer team (record 128-14-7) and the assistant coach at Lynn to Blankenship.

The athletic program recently introduced men’s and women’s cross country as its newest fall sport. The additional sport gives Lynn a total of 13 sports.

Arnold Leshin will be the head coach of both teams. He ran cross country and track for four years at Syracuse University. In addition to being an avid runner Leshin is a sports columnist covering events like the Olympics and the 69 Mets. He will also be assisting Jeff Schaly in the sports information directors office. The cross country team is still looking for more talented runners to fill its fall of ’98 roster.

Prior to the above changes, Lynn recently adopted two sports for the varicay program: women’s volleyball in the fall of ’97 and women’s softball in the spring of ’98.

Lindy Bins was named head coach of both sports. She said that all her players “have a tremendous commitment to want to play competitive softball,” and she is “looking to add new players who have the same commitments.”

The athletic department has made its move toward the growth of this university. Lynn athletics have proven to be productive and very competitive in their short history as a collegiate program.

All these well-though out changes and additions can only spell success for the future of Lynn sports. The program can only get better.