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From the Editor

When new and returning students arrived on campus a few weeks ago, they couldn't help but notice the main lake – usually host to canoe races, jumping fish and diving birds – was drained.

Nearly 2,500 native fish were gingerly moved to other campus freshwater lakes, making way for bulldozers and cranes. This site is to be the home of the Lynn University Remembrance Plaza (at right), built to honor those members of the Lynn University family lost in the 2010 Haiti earthquake.

In this issue, we highlight a variety of gifts that help the university on so many different levels – from funding the first-ever endowed professorship, to presenting a class gift challenge; from a gift of a 400-year-old Bible, to a recordbreaking year for alumni giving.

Special thanks to our Leadership Society donors and alumni whose gifts for the 2010-11 academic year allowed the university to meet emerging needs and challenges, as well as extend financial aid to deserving students.

We remain grateful to all our friends, alumni, parents, faculty and staff whose gifts help us year after year sustain the special features that set Lynn University apart.

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Remembrance Plaza



The university broke ground on the Remembrance plaza last May and anticipates its dedication in winter 2012. The Plaza will tell the story of the four Lynn students and two faculty members who, while on the Journey of Hope service mission in Haiti, lost their lives in the earthquake on Jan. 12, 2010.

LOST FACULTY AND STUDENTS REMAIN FOREVER IN OUR MINDS AND HEARTS



The university continues to raise funds for the Remembrance Plaza. To be a part of this memorial, please contact Judi Nelson, vice president for development and alumni affairs, at 561-237-7467, jlnelson@lynn.edu; or give online at our.lynn.edu/giveremembranceplaza.

ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP MAKES LYNN HISTORY



Ralph Norcio, associate dean and professor of finance and accounting in Lynn's College of Business and Management, was awarded the university's first-ever endowed professorship thanks to a generous \$1.5 million gift from the Homer and Martha Gudelsky Family Foundaton. This high honor is in recognition of Norcio's consistently outstanding performance and ability.

"It was indeed a great honor for me to be awarded the Homer and Martha Gudelsky Endowed Professorship in Business," says Norcio. "The award is especially gratifying since the recognition was the result of my passion for teaching and advising students at Lynn University."

"The Homer and Martha Gudelsky Endowed Professorship in Business is not simply an individual honor for me but validation of the academic programs in general, and the business program in particular, at Lynn University," he adds.

"The Guldesky family has been very successful in the private sector and their commitment to Lynn University is another winning investment in their portfolio."

Editor's Note:

Norcio also was named one of the 2010-11 Faculty Members of the Year by the deans of the university's five academic colleges, the Conservatory of Music, School of Aeronautics and Institute for Achievement and Learning, as well as by a vote of faculty peers.

GUDELSKY FAMILY GENEROSITY EXTENDS TO STUDENTS



The newly-established Martha Gudelsky Endowed Scholarship provides funds to students in need who demonstrate exemplary talent and leadership potential. Energy Maburutse of Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, is the first recipient of this scholarship.

"In my Shona culture, when a child is born, the whole village celebrates the feather in the parents' cap. But on Oct. 15, 1989, when the third child was

born to the Maburutse family, not any beasts were slaughtered. Instead, years of conflict and finger-pointing began because I was the first disabled person born to the extended family, the first disabled person born in my village," writes Marburutse, who has Brittle Bone Syndrome.

Although most children like him in Zimbabwe are kept at home, mostly out of shame, his mother sent him to school in the capital of Harare when he was 7. That is where he learned that he was not alone – there were tens of thousands of disabled children like him; and a vehicle, called a wheelchair, not only existed, but could offer him means of getting around on his own.

Motivated to prove wrong all those who doubted his ability to succeed scholastically, Marburuste was determined to advance in his studies. He was awarded a scholarship to continue his education in Zimbabwe at the King George IV School for Disabled Children, where he learned independent living and gained self-esteem and hope for his future.

Lynn University is pleased to welcome Energy to campus, where he is currently enrolled in the Eugene M. and Chistine E. Lynn College of International Communication. His life goal is to become a leader in disability rights across the globe. "I need to sort out how a young boy in a wheelchair from a remote corner of a landlocked country can make a difference," he says.



PAAC members Peter Smith '02, Greg Sullivan '89, Matt Jaeger '99, Luis Gonzalez '99, Barbara Cambia '81 Not pictured: Betsy Jaeger '02, Jose Duarte '95

PAAC ADVISES PRESIDENT FROM ALUMNI PERSPECTIVE

Members of the President's Alumni Advisory Council (PAAC) gathered last March, the day before the start of Alumni Weekend 2011, for an annual dinner meeting at the home of President Kevin M. Ross.

The group reassembled the next day to tour the newest additions to campus and programs before joining fellow alumni that evening for the Welcome Back Reception.

PAAC members gain a behind-the-scenes look at the university's current and future plans and have the unique ability to advise the president from an alumni viewpoint.

Created during the 2009-10 academic year, this handselected, prestigious group of alumni leaders provides President Ross with solid feedback and ideas for the university. It comprises successful businesspeople actively in touch with their alma mater and who have proven to be great advocates and stewards of Lynn University in their local communities.

PAAC members Barbara Cambia '81 and Peter Smith '02 hail from Boca Raton. Betsy '02 and Matt '99 Jaeger entertained D.C. area alumni at The Congressional Club, while Greg Sullivan '89 hosted the regional club's meeting prior to the reception. Jose Duarte '95, '98 chef and owner of Taranta in Boston, wined and dined alumni at his award-winning restaurant.

Other members have designated gifts in support of the Remembrance Plaza, Institute for Achievement and Learning and the College of Business and Management. All PAAC members are Leadership Society donors who give at a level of \$2,500 or above annually.



CLASS OF 2011 LEAVES ITS LEGACY

The Class of 2011 selected an outdoor sitting area as its parting gift to the university. Located between residence halls and near the existing barbecues (gifts from the Class of 2006), this central meeting space provides students with a place to study, spend time with friends and hold get-togethers.

Greg Sullivan '89 presented a challenge to his fellow alumni: for every dollar given toward the 2011 class gift, he will match up to \$2,500. More than half of the graduating class contributed, making the grand total more than \$8,100.



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Lynn University thanks donors with special receptions







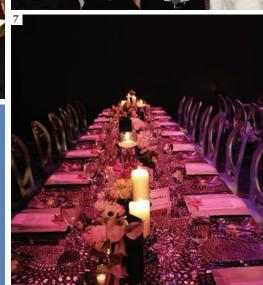
DONORS PLAY LEADING ROLES

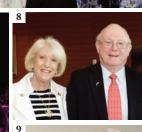
Donors to the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center and its endowment played the starring roles when they were treated to an extraordinary dinner on stage to mark the center's one-year anniversary. Dramatic lighting and performances by Lynn conservatory students set the stage for a unique on-campus dining experience. Opened in March 2010, the new center welcomed more than 20,000 visitors in its first year.



























- 2. Deanna & Christopher Wheeler
- 3. Barbara & Richard Schmidt
- 4. Kevin M. Ross, Christine Lynn, Jon Robertson, Elaine Wold, Keith C. Wold Jr., Florence Robertson
- 5. Donald & Helen Ross, Annie & Louis Green
- 6. Gail Wasserman
- 7. Dramatic lighting and table setting create the mood.
- 8. Helga & Melvin Lechner
- 9. Margaret Mary & John Shuff, George Elmore
- 10. Libby Postlethwaite, Linda Postlethwaite
- 11. Don Marszalek, Diana Wold Marszalek, Kathy & Ron Assaf
- 12. Judi Nelson, Arthur Landgren
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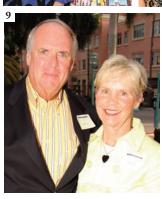


















- 1. Colette Katz, Pat Toppel
- 2. Arthur Handler, Ruth Shiller, Jean & Irving Chernow
- 3. Jan McArt, Martin & Edith Stein
- 4. John Gallo, Christine Lynn
- 5. Sally Shutt
- 6. Holli Rockwell, Judi Nelson
- 7. Yvonne Boice, Al Zucaro
- 8. Donors enjoy stage front seating.
- 9. Jim & Kay Cook
- 10. Flossy Keesely
- 11. Pat Thomas, Elaine Wold, Helen Ross
- 12. Stephen & Florence Soble
- 13. Dale & Sylvia Oliver
- 14. Jay & Carol Weitzman, Peggy & Doug Briggs

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OLEWINE, PERPERS RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES

Last May, President Kevin M. Ross presented Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*, degrees to longtime friends and loyal benefactors, Benjamin Olewine III and Harold and Mary Perper.



BENJAMIN OLEWINE III, a resident of Harrisburg, Pa., is a major contributor to many organizations focusing on education, healthcare, children, culinary arts, medical research and environmental issues. He provided for The Benjamin Olewine III Culinary Institute at Lynn University to instruct and inspire students

to become successful professionals who will make useful contributions to the global community through the hospitality industry. He also contributed to the university's new performing arts center, naming the entrance garden; and is a consistent annual donor to the Leadership Society.

Boca Raton residents, MARY AND HAROLD PERPER, have been generous philanthropists to numerous community organizations including Lynn University, Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Hospice by the Sea, Boca Raton Museum of Art, United Way of Palm Beach County and the Florence Fuller Child Development Centers. Harold served on the university's board of overseers, and Mary was a charter member and served on the board of directors of the Lynn University Excalibur Society. The Perper name is very familiar on campus.

With their gifts, the Perpers have touched every aspect of student life at Lynn – the arts, athletics, scholarships, gathering and study spaces. They received Lynn University's annual Boca Raton Award in 2005 for their philanthropy, civic achievement, vision and leadership; and are acknowledged for their patronage in the university's Leadership Society and the exclusive E.M. Lynn Society, that recognizes donors who have made cumulative gifts of \$1 million or more.



FOUR HUNDRED-YEAR-OLD BIBLE ENHANCES CURRICULUM



Lynn University is grateful to Tina Zegas, mother of senior Leah Zegas, for her donation of a Breeches Bible. This 400-year-old Bible, printed in 1603, is now permanently housed in the E.M. Lynn Library and makes a welcomed addition to the university's

core curriculum, Dialogues of Learning. "An historical text like the Breeches Bible is an extraordinary gift for students in the Dialogues of Learning. In addition to exploring theoretical concepts related to belief and reason, through "hands-on" experiential learning, the Breeches Bible will allow students to explore a primary biblical text that will enrich their academic experience at

Lynn," states Katrina Carter-Tellison, dean of the College of Liberal Education and chair of the Dialogues of Learning.

This Bible is significant because of the history surrounding it. When Mary

Tudor became Queen of England in 1553, she tried to reverse the policies of her father Henry VIII (who had made himself head of the Church of England) and her brother Edward VI (who had encouraged the Protestant faith) and restore the Roman Catholic religion.

Nicknamed "Bloody Mary," the queen pursued a policy of burning both Bibles and Protestants. Many Protestant scholars fled from England to Geneva, where they produced the first English Bible translated entirely from the Greek and Hebrew.

Officially known as the Geneva Bible, this translation is referred to as the Breeches Bible because, according to Genesis 3:7, Adam and Eve sewed fig leaves together to make "breeches."

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Lynn University alumni brought in the highest alumni giving rate to date – 7.43 percent – for academic year July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. **Way to go, Knights!**

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