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Many Costumes Still Available at Halloween Specialty Stores Near Campus

By KELSEY BREINING
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Lynn University students will be dressing in disguise this season with a variety of different types of costumes. Students may want to scare someone with vampire teeth and fake blood, or throw on a pair of cowboy boots and become Daisy Duke. I set out to find the best place to buy Halloween costumes in Boca Raton. I found three fabulous places right down the street. The first place I visited, Party City, is located on Glades Road. It is a great place to find everything from costumes to wigs. Party City also has scary decorations for your house. The store contains a wall of pictures featuring every costume in the store. The picture wall made it very convenient to find exactly what you are looking for. The second stop was the Halloween Costume Superstore, which is also conveniently located on Glades Road.



Specialty stores where one can obtain Halloween costumes.

The Halloween Costume Superstore has a large selection of costumes and accessories at a great price. Spirit Halloween was my last stop. They have a large variety of costumes that are all

organized according to theme. It is a great place for students who are still struggling to find costume ideas. There are great costume superstores throughout Boca Raton. Therefore, there is no reason not to be dressed up for Halloween

Black Friday Madness

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The Much Anticipated Shopping Season is Hastily Approaching

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Thanksgiving is just a week away and that means Black Friday is fast approaching. Black Friday is when stores open their doors at as early as 5 a.m. to shoppers looking for the best sales of the year. This day is one of the most important for store sales in the year and many people will do anything to get their hands on the best items. Black Friday is the first shopping day after Thanksgiving and it has served as the unofficial beginning of the Christmas season ever since the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 1924. The term "Black Friday" has been traced back only to the 1960s. This term originated in Philadelphia in reference to the heavy traffic on that day. More recently the media has used it to refer to the beginning of the period in which retailers are in the black, or turning a profit. It also references the stress and turmoil of Black Tuesday, the 1929 stock market crash. "I do not go shopping on Black Friday because there are too many people," said Lee Zoretic, junior. "I think this year will be even worse because the economy is so bad." Black Friday is often marred by violence and injuries. A few years ago at the entrance to a BrandsMart in Sunrise, a 72 year-old woman was injured when she was caught in a stampede of shoppers. Shoppers actually stood on her back to get into the store. Also a Central Florida woman was seriously injured while in line for DVD players at a Wal-Mart in 2003. Many stores now have warnings on their website about the dangers of Black Friday. Experts are saying that this year will not be quite as bad as previous years. Stores have already had sales for a few weeks due to the economy. Predictions indicate that this year will be Gray Friday instead of Black.

Waste Not, Want Not

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Quick, Easy, and Tasty Recipes for Thanksgiving Leftovers

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Turkey, cranberry sauce, mash potatoes, pumpkin pie oh my! It seems like everyone can not wait for Thanksgiving to enjoy the best home cooked meal of the year. Whether you traveling far or staying at Lynn for the holiday, you are guaranteed to have an unbelievable feast. Most people look forward to the actual Thanksgiving meal where others look forward to the best part, the leftovers. Here are some great ideas to enjoy your favorite turkey day leftover fixings. Turkey Noodles and Gravy: Wondering what to do with all of that turkey and gravy leftover from the night before? Try some turkey noodles and gravy. Go out and buy your favorite noodles thick or thin and bring them to a boil. Cut up leftover turkey into small bite sizes pieces and put them into a small saucepan with gravy. Let this simmer for at least 45 min. or until gravy and turkey are hot; then combine the pasta with the turkey and gravy. Turkey Sandwich: The classic way to go the day after Thanksgiving is the Turkey sandwich. Instead of going down the boring route, with white bread, lettuce and tomato, try something different. Try using a long hoagie roll with swiss cheese, turkey, stuffing and gravy. It is a great way to heat up your Thanksgiving holiday, especially if traveling north. Turkey Day Bowl: The easiest way to enjoy leftovers, get a bowl and load it up with your favorite fixings; turkey, corn, mash potatoes, stuffing and gravy. Heat it up in the microwave, mix it together and enjoy. When you start to get your appetite back after eating way too much the night before, don't forget the leftovers are just as good as the meal itself. The iPulse hopes you enjoy your holiday and hope you share these great tips with friends and family over the holiday break.

Stuff the Turkey Stuff the Bag

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The Basics of Packing and Dressing for this Year's Holiday Season

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Whether staying in the warm weather of South Florida this upcoming Thanksgiving or traveling home for the holiday, one should know just the basics of packing and dressing for their trip. There are many things one can do before traveling to make life a little less hectic. For starters, make a list of everything that you will need while home. For example, if you are going to be in cold weather, remember to pack comfortable boots, sneakers, tennis shoes, sweaters, jeans, sweatshirts and clothes to lounge in. When trying to fit all of this into a suitcase remember the rules of the airport and check online to see the weight maximum of the bag that you will be checking; nobody wants to be charged an extra fifty dollars due to unnecessary packing. If you are traveling by plane, bus, boat or even a car, remember to dress comfortable because when in a confined area and dressed in tight, hard to move around clothing, the trip might seem never ending. Cotton sweats such as pants, sweatshirts, t- shirts and tanks, that are made of soft fabric and are either thick or thin and an excellent way to go as they allow for breathing room and movement, versus a pair of tight skinny jeans that one can barely breathe in. Layering is also a great option because it leaves room for more clothes in your suitcase and also allows you to undress if too hot or bundle up if the weather gets cold. If traveling on a plane, I suggest a pair of not only comfortable shoes, but ones that are easy to put on and take off; nobody wants to be lacing up boots after they check through a busy security line or walking around in uncomfortable heels while trying to hurry to a terminal. If you know that you will be flying home this Thanksgiving break, remember to check your bags to meet the requirements for liquids that are allowed on the plane. Make sure to check the flight times before making any moves on the day of traveling, and if possible, get to the airport early enough to make it through check in and security. Be comfortable, stress free, relax and happy traveling.

Spectacular Stuffing RecipeSpectacular Stuffing Recipe

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A Traditonal Family Recipe of the Fantastic Fan Favorite, Stuffing

By Ali Abruzzese
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Most Thanksgiving dinners consist of a turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, cranberry and of course, stuffing. Stuffing is a fan favorite for many during Thanksgiving since it can be prepared several different ways. “Stuffing is one of my favorite side dishes at Thanksgiving,” said Rory Ginsburg, junior. “I love how my mom prepares it and I definitely look forward to it during the holidays.” Since my mother has topped the charts with her infamous stuffing, why not spread the word with a great homemade stuffing recipe. Although stuffing can be made to stuff the bird, these days stuffing is cooked and served separately. Stuffing can also be one of the most difficult sides to make, or very easing using Stove Top. Stove Top definitely fulfills the “homemade” feel by just boiling water and butter and adding in the ingredients, but for those who are more into putting in time and effort in an unforgettable meal, here is the recipe to follow.

Ingredients: -1 loaf of French bread and cut into $\frac{3}{4}$ inch cubes

- 1 cup of walnuts
- 1 cup of chopped onions
- 1 cup of chopped celery
- 6 Tbsp of butter
- 1 green apple that is chopped
- 5-10 chopped green olives
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1 teaspoon poultry seasoning
- Salt and pepper

Directions:

- Toast the walnuts by heating them in a frying pan on medium heat for a few minutes and stir

until they are slightly browned

-While toasting to bread, let the walnuts cool and roughly chop them

-Heat a large pan on medium heat

-Melt 3 Tbsp of butter in the pan

-Add bread cubes and stir to coat the bread pieces with the melted butter

-Let the bread cubes toast and turn them when they have become golden brown on a side.

-In a large oven, sauté chopped onions and celery on medium high heat with the remaining 3 Tbsp of butter until cooked through (this will take about 5-10 minutes)

-Add the bread

-Add cooked chopped walnuts

-Add green apple, olives and parsley

-Add sage, poultry seasoning, and salt as well as pepper

-Cover and turn heat to low. Cook for one hour or until the apples are cooked through

-Every 10 minutes, add a splash of water to keep moist

-Let sit for about 5 minutes to cool down

Traditions of Giving Thanks

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Whitney Lykins, Senior – “Playing games with the family after our thanksgiving feast!”



Melanie Shanken, Senior – “Eating all of the good food and seeing my friends and family is my favorite tradition.”



Amanda Heidel, Senior – “My favorite tradition is going home, because I love to see all of my friends.”



Amanda Silbert, Senior – “Making pumpkin pie, yummy!”



Tara Cherry, Senior – “To eat all I can, and not feel bad about it!”

Lynn Students Discuss What Makes Thanksgiving Delightful for Them.

By Kelsey Breining
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Thanksgiving is that one-day every year where one can literally stuff their face and not feel bad about it. It is the time of turkeys, stuffing and pumpkin pie. It is a time for Indian corn, holiday parades and football games. Not only are students looking forward to feasting all day, but also many students have their own unique family traditions they cannot wait to celebrate. Whether students are excited about playing games with their families or looking forward to eating delicious pumpkin pie, all seem to be happy and thankful to celebrate this wonderful holiday. The iPulse went on a mission to find out what Lynn University students' favorite Thanksgiving Day traditions are.

Traditional Holiday Pardon

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President Pardons one Privileged Turkey from Becoming Thanksgiving Dinner

By Mike Griffith
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President Bush pardons turkey.

It is that time of year again. Thanksgiving 2008 has arrived, and once again families are sitting down to meals filled with stuffing, cranberries and of course, the tasty turkey. Even though many turkeys will be eaten in the days to come, one happy individual will be given the chance to live out their life. Every year, the President “pardons” a turkey in good faith. This is a tradition that has a misleading and mythical background. Many Believe that President Harry Truman started the tradition in 1947, and some even claim that President Abraham Lincoln began the turkey saving back in 1863. Through the decades, the media have also claimed that Kennedy and Reagan were the first to use the word “pardon,” but in fact all this confusion ends at President George H.W. Bush in 1989. He began to pardon a turkey every year while in office. Officially every year since then both Clinton and current President George W. Bush have kept the tradition and pardoned a turkey at Thanksgiving. The lucky have spent the rest of their years on a farm outside Washington, D.C. President-elect Obama will most likely continue the path of turkey savior and become a national hero of gobblers across America

iPulse Staff Lends A Hand

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Holiday Hand Turkeys are Donated to Decorate Local Hospital

By Brittany Hutchinson
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While many people will be home giving thanks with their friends and families this season, there will be many who will be unable to share turkey and stuffing at the dinner table. In the spirit of Thanksgiving, the iPulse staff have created hand Turkey decorations for children who will be spending their Thanksgiving at the Delray Medical Center.



The iPulse is glad to be reaching out to the local community after all the support Lynn University has received over the years. Not only does the turkey hand art contribute to a great cause, but it has also allowed staffers to go back to a simpler time in life, when as children, they sat around the kindergarten arts and crafts table carefully tracing and cutting out copies of their hands. As they turned their tracings into turkeys, they learned about how Thanksgiving started when the Pilgrims came to America. It is one of our country's most valued traditions, which allows us to stop for a day each year and look back on all of the blessings in their lives.



The iPulse staff pose in front of turkey decorations. Staff Photo/Joe Carey.

After all, in their first days in America, the Pilgrims themselves faced harsh conditions that many have easily weakened their bodies and spirits. However they were still able to count their blessings and look back and remember the cherished gifts they had received. no matter how few or small they were. With the struggle of today's economy, and the evil that lies in the world reliving such childhood memories and sharing this unique tradition with younger generations helps to remind everyone that despite all that is bad, there is still much good left in the world today. The Lynn community still have much to be thankful for just like the Pilgrims.

Movie on the Wall Presents

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The Widely Acclaimed Blockbuster, The Dark Knight



Tonight at 9 p.m., on Freiburger Lawn, Student Alumni Association and Resident Hall Association is sponsoring "Movie On The Wall." This evening all will watch The Dark Knight featuring the late Heath Ledger. "The Dark Knight was amazing. I saw it in theatres and fell in love with it. I can't wait to see again on the wall," said Cary Palmer, senior. Be sure to head over to the Freiburger Lawn early before seats are full.

The Truth About Lynn

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An Important History Lesson for the Lynn Community

By Kyle Cannon
Special to the iPulse



Students of Marymount College. Photo/Lynn University.

Established in 1962, Lynn University started off as Marymount College. After creating Wilmington College in DE, President Emeritus Donald E. Ross took a trip to Marymount College, two-year Catholic women's college, to buy the library's books. It was closing its doors due to bankruptcy. After witnessing the hard work and dedication of the students to save their school and the beautiful landscape, Ross was inspired. Several months after his initial visit, he moved his family to Trinity Hall located on campus, where Ross set out to develop the school. In 1971, he was elected president of Marymount College after convincing investors to save the two-year Catholic women's college. In 1974, the name Marymount College was changed to the College of Boca Raton. After receiving a large donation in 1991 from Eugene and Christine E. Lynn, the College of Boca Raton changed its name to Lynn University in thanks to its large contributors. In less than 20 years, Ross was able to turn a college that was on the verge of closing into a four year accredited university with a master's program. Lynn offers majors in the College of Arts and Sciences, Business and Management, Education, Hospitality Management, International Communication, the Conservatory of Music and the School of Aeronautics. and handed Lynn University over to his son, Kevin. In 2006, Kevin gave the first State of the University address.

Students Study in Self-Defence

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Moshe Katz Instructed Students in the Israeli Martial Arts of Krav Maga

By Kelsey Breining
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Lynn University was proud to welcome Moshe Katz this month for a second year in a row. Moshe Katz is a well-known self-defense instructor in the Israeli martial art of Krav Maga. Ryan Feigenblatt, President of Hillel at Lynn, met Katz in Israel and invited him to teach the unique martial art.

“I’m thrilled to host Moshe Katz on his U.S. tour from Israel for the second year in a row” said Feigenblatt. “This program was made possible thanks to the large turnout in 2007.”

It appears that students just could not get enough of Katz because this year even more students joined him to learn the crucial aspects of self-defense. Katz has been teaching self-defense for about 20 years, and has been touring campuses all throughout the U.S. and Canada. Katz believes self-defense helps build self-confidence. “I like to give people basic self-defense survival skills, derived from what we do in Israel,” said Katz. “In Israel we deal with danger on a daily basis, self-defense has to be practical, that’s what we try to share during the program at Lynn.”

Katz began his training in the 1980s as a student in Jerusalem. In 1993 he founded Mt. Spirit Warrior School of Martial Art just outside of Jerusalem. His school includes instruction in just about everything from kickboxing to jujitsu fighting and even hand-to-knife defense. While Katz wants his students to become fully aware of any and all self-defense methods, his favorite teaching method is Krav Maga. The program combines the most effective techniques from Israeli, American, Brazilian, Japanese and Russians styles all rolled up into one effective training program.

Student Witness to Fatal Folly

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Female Fires Gun Shots Upsetting Quiet Community Near Campus

By Amy Lyus

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As many students know, Vistazo apartment complex is a very convenient and safe place to live near campus. Recently, on the other hand, it was not such a safe environment to be in. After being dropped off from a delicious dinner, I received a phone call from student Rachel Rooth, junior. Rooth informed me that the police had every house and its respective owner on lock down. "I heard a gun shot and ran upstairs to my friends room to ask if she had heard it also," Rooth said. "I looked outside and saw a girl and boy running across the street, and the girl had a gun in her hand." About 30 minutes later, Rooth and her two roommates received a knock on the door from two police officers, one of which was armed with guns and wearing a bulletproof vest. "Were you a witness to anything that just happened?" said the officer. Rooth explained that she had heard the gunshot and seen the two frantically running away from the sound where the gun had been fired. After the Boca Police went door to door in the local Vistazo Apartment complex, they soon found out that the young adults had shot holes in a neighbor's brick wall close to the garage.



The "Spirit of Giving" tree in the Student Center Lobby and two of the many hand drawn cards.
Staff Photos/Carolina Gonzalez.

No one was killed or injured, but it does make one wonder as to the safety of the Boca Raton community. It has been assumed that the Boca community is a secure area, but future students planning on living off campus must be sure to look into security and especially look for complexes with gated communities. One must be sure to place safety as a priority when shopping for a residence.

Mizner Park's Top Priority

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Minzer Park Increases Security Measures to Ensure Safety for All

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Minzer Park Amphitheater and layout.

Mizner Park, well-liked spot among locals, is rethinking safety regulations as a result of rowdy concerts that have been held in the past. The Amphitheater is a popular concert venue among Palm Beach County residents and visitors reaching more than 8,000 nightly. "I think it is a good idea to increase security," said Alica Mourgue D' Algue, junior. "It isn't bad to increase security measures for our own good and safety. A California-native band, Slightly Stoopid, performed on the amphitheater stage recently. The concert caused fans to be noisy enough to require Mizner Park to have 30 extra officers on site. The police on hand were forced to break up fights and curb underage drinking and drug use. In addition, fire rescue rushed six people to the hospital for alcohol poisoning and other drug related issues. This, in turn, tied up the cities' units for many hours. Past concerts have had a higher turnout than originally expected, but none like what was seen at this most recent concert. No one was arrested at the concert, but traffic was unable to move through Mizner Park due to the crowd. This concert also cost the city \$25,000 just to control the turn out. In addition, a letter was sent to the center for performing arts at Mizner Park from the city officials telling them that the concert violated their lease agreement. However, the city is not trying to reclaim the cost of the concert. "An increase in security would be great," said Candace Spencer, senior. "People may have a tendency to say it's Boca, nothing ever happens here, but things do. Ignoring it is not the way." Another band by the name of O.A.R was supposed to be performing at the Mizner Park Amphitheater. However, in response to the Slightly Stoopid concert the concert was moved to Pompano Beach. This is not the first time that Slightly Stoopid has performed on the Mizner Park stage; the band performed a year ago

without any problems. The venue does not plan to refuse certain genres the right to play on their stage as a result to the concert. Instead, they will be sure to take more precautions if another band like Slightly Stoopid should perform at the amphitheater again. The city now plans to get a more advanced idea of bands with a history of crowds similar to what was seen at the concert. In addition, they plan on designating areas where excess fans can stand and they will also restrict people from standing and assign parking spots to those that have tickets only. In terms of using the police, the city would like to no longer pull officers from other parts of the city. The concert was heavily announced on the radio well in advanced to the show which may have had something to do with the outcome. About 4,200 people were in the crowd for the concert.

Women Look to Rebound

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Women's Basketball Team is Stacking Up Against Competition

By Gene Proisnitzer
Staff Writer



Lynn University's Women's Basketball team portrait. Photo/Lynn University.

After a successful first season under head coach Nikki Sullivan, the Fighting Knights are looking for bigger things this year with a great returning squad and a great recruiting class.

The Knights return six players, including three starters, from a team that went 16-12. These players are lead by leading scorer Jade Williams, one of four seniors. Williams set career marks with 15.9 points per game, 157 rebounds, and three pointers made with 52.

"I enjoyed watching Jade lead the team last year," said Jesse Kopp, sophomore. "She is great at setting the tone for the rest of her teammates. She always finds a way to get her teammates involved."

Another one of Coach Sullivan's seniors is Crystal Ahmed, who is a threat on both sides of the court. Last year, Crystal improved in all aspects of her game, doubling her scoring and rebounding averages while hitting a team-high 43.1% of her shots from the field. She also recorded the first ever triple-double in program history, with a 14 point, 12 rebound, 12 assist

game against 2008 NCAA Division II National Quarterfinalist Wingate.

The other seniors include Eve Skardzinska and Carly Golden. Sophomores Cara Dolci and Natalie Basore are also returning and adding to this are junior newcomers Erica Gordon and Cedrica Yapp; sophomore Chelsea Patterson; and freshmen Marquis Lee and Madeleine Doyle. Lee was a Street & Smith Honorable Mention All-American and McDonalds All-America nominee.

“I’m really looking forward to watching the team play this year,” said Sam Austin, junior. “I think this team has a lot of experience and will represent our school proudly.”

The Fighting Knights were picked to finish third in the conference by coaches and sports information directors around the conference.

The first chance to see the Blue & White in action will be Nov. 21 at the de Hoernle Sports and Cultural Center against Puerto Rico- Mayaguez.

The Role of “The Sniper”

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Nick Acevedo will be Performing on Broadway in January

By Brooks Alexander

Special to the iPulse



Nick Acevedo looks through in his role as a sniper. Photo/Brooks Alexander Special to the iPulse.

Nick Acevedo, sophomore, is performing on Broadway on Jan. 13, thanks to professors Adam and Carrie Simpson’s creation of the “Boca to Broadway” J-Term class. Acevedo noticed his talent in the field of acting two years ago at Olympic Heights Community High School in the musical “Singing in the Rain.” “This is a big jump from going to a community school to a university and landing on Broadway,” said Acevedo. This year, Acevedo’s main focus is to gain knowledge from the Broadway experience, by working with actors that are more experienced than him, and retrospectively the business end such as the reality of it as a whole. In “The Sniper” Acevedo plays the role of Zak, an Israeli soldier who does what he is told, no matter who gets in his sight lines. “The Sniper” will be directed by Professor Adam Simpson and Brooks Alexander, junior. Acevedo appreciates the sensitivity in which they approach him and how they take into consideration the status of being an amateur actor when being directed. The role of being a sniper is taking Acevedo out of his norm when it comes to acting. “I always relied on my natural talents and was more comfortable with the roles where I could use more of my own personality,” said Acevedo. “I am greatly enthusiastic about making my dreams come true and getting college credit for it.” “The Sniper” is a show that one does not want to pass up. The first showing of “Boca to Broadway” is in the Amarnick Goldstein Theatre on Nov. 19. Show your support for the students and enjoy a once in a lifetime opportunity.

Get Into the “Spirit of Giving”

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Students, Faculty and Staff are Invited to Help Grant 100 Wishes

By Taryn Hamill
Special to the iPulse



The Office of Student Involvement in conjunction with Student Government Association and Employee Services is on a mission to grant 100 wishes. These are the wishes of children who have yet to feel the anticipation of presents this holiday season. There is a beautifully decorated tree in the Student Center Lobby, which is adorned with crayon colored snowman cards and will remain in the lobby from now until Nov. 28. Students, faculty and staff have until Nov. 28 to personally select a card from the tree. Each child has written on the back of the card what he or she would like this holiday season. None of the presents listed on the back of the card exceeds the price of \$30. After selecting a card, students, faculty, and staff can go and purchase the gift listed on the back of the card he or she has selected. Once the gift has been purchased, please return the gift and the hand drawn card with the child's name to either Employee Services or the Office of Student Involvement on or before Dec. 9. To the children receiving the gifts, the value is in more than the material item or gift card, these gifts give the children hope and confidence that there are people who care about



them. These gifts will bring many well deserved smiles. Ryan Brooks, sophomore, is currently coordinating a video focused on the Spirit of Giving. He has been seen around campus asking everyone what giving means to them and this is what it means to him, "Giving means taking time to make someone's day better. More than just taking time; it's wanting to give that builds character and determines who you are." Brook's finished video on the Spirit of giving will be available for viewing next week on both MyLynn and YouTube.



The "Spirit of Giving" tree in the Student Center Lobby and two of the many hand drawn cards. Staff Photos/Carolina Gonzalez.

With help of the Lynn community 100 wishes will be granted and if the community can make a difference in just one day of a child's life, then to that one child, the granting of this wish means the world. Winston Churchill said, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." This holiday season take time to grant a wish and remember that the spirit of giving brings meaning to life, both to those who receive and especially to those who give

WOLD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

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The Official Groundbreaking Ceremony to Take Place Nov. 19 at 4 p.m.

By Laura Vann
Special to the iPulse



An illustration of the future Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center. LU Photo.

Lynn University will host an official groundbreaking ceremony for the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 4 p.m. on the theater's future site. But rather than a traditional ground breaking featuring donors and campus officials with golden shovels, this event will be, well, a bit more dramatic (featuring, for example, a large, 50-by-70 foot stage and dramatic curtain drop). Lynn President Kevin M. Ross, Conservatory of Music Dean Jon Robertson, Florida's "First Lady of Theater" Jan McArt, and Boca Raton Mayor Susan Whelchel will be on hand to celebrate the ceremonial start of construction and honor the vision and support of lead donor Elaine J. Wold, who has committed \$9.3 million for construction of the theater that will bear her and her late husband's name. The 20-minute groundbreaking ceremony will be open to the entire Lynn University community as well as invited guests and will end with a surprise flourish befitting the site's future function. Wold began supporting Lynn's fledgling theater arts program in 2003 with \$1 million gift that created the Keith C. Wold, MD Memorial Fund for the Development of Theater Arts, in honor of her late husband. In May of 2007, the university publicly announced Elaine J. Wold's gift of \$6 million gift through her foundation toward the construction of The Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center. In his State of the University address last month, President Ross announced that Wold had more recently made an additional \$2.3 million challenge grant in support of the theater. Today, Wold's vision is on the verge of becoming a reality. The 750-seat performing arts center will be home to live theatrical performances by the College of International Communication's drama program and professional Live at Lynn series, as well as Conservatory of Music concerts and other university-hosted events. The center will feature

superb acoustics, a modern lighting system, a large, light-filled lobby, and flexible space well-suited for dramatic productions, concerts and other cultural events. With an elegant salon, outdoor sunset terrace and intimate rehearsal studio, this transformational new center will offer opportunities for teaching, learning and performing. “Elaine is truly a difference maker in our community, and her grace and generosity will have a tremendous impact on our students,” said President Ross at his annual State of the University address. The Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, designed by nationally acclaimed architect Herbert S. Newman, is scheduled to be completed in December 2009 and will be the first building constructed on Lynn’s campus in five years – and the first building since Ross was named president. For more information on the groundbreaking of The Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center contact Laura Vann at lvann@lynn.edu or call 561-237-7967 (o) / 561-289-0159 (c).

Blending Times with Bender

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Communication Students Experience the Golden Age of Radio

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For many of the residents of Boca Raton, the Golden Age of Radio is a distant memory of days gone by. For the students of The Eugene M. and Christie E. Lynn College of International Communication, it is an era in history that they have only read or heard about. Professor Coleman Bender however came up with a way to bridge the gap between these two age groups. Bender decided to have his students give a live performance of “Hand In Milk Bottle” from the old radio show, “Fibber McGee & Molly.”



Students from Bender’s Oral Interpretation class, along with selected students from some of his other classes, performed at two different locations in Boca Raton and Delray Beach. Iowa natives Jack and Gerry Little of Delray Beach were glad they could remember the old times. For Gerry, it was fun to watch a group of students perform a show that occurred before their time. “The cast didn’t know who they were, but the audience did,” said Gerry. For her husband, the price was just right. “It’s nice that they are going around and providing entertainment at no cost to us,” said Jack.



The residents were not the only ones who received something out of the performances. “It was a really enjoyable experience,” said Christine Thibodeau, senior. “It felt great to bring joy to senior citizens.” Thibodeau is pursuing a career in communication and knows that any extra interaction with people will help her

develop crucial skills for the future. Overall, the experience of combining old time radio with a modern day performance is one that will not be forgotten and enjoyed by all who took part in it.

The Brilliant Bahamas

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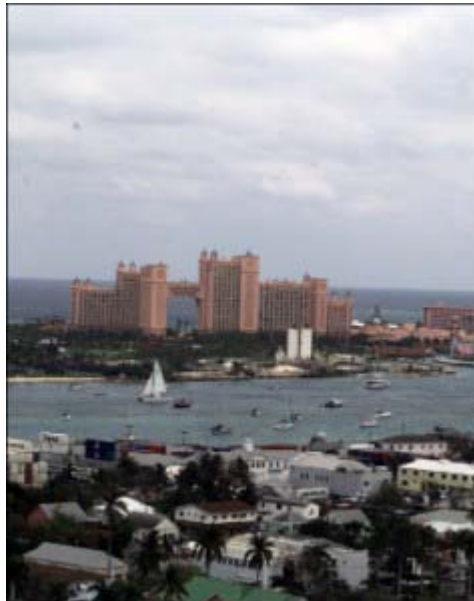
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Taking a Look at the Famous Island Destination



Calm waters and cooling tradewinds have rightfully earned the Bahamas an international reputation for sailing, with regattas and races held year-round. The same conditions that make these islands so amenable to sailors and fisherman draw visitors to the vast and diverse underwater parks. The Bahamas offer inexhaustible



pleasures and challenges to snorkelers and divers. The natural beauty of the water extends to the thousands of miles of shoreline, which has some of the world's most stunningly beautiful and unsullied beaches. Source: Geographia.



The ocean view at sunset in Abaco, Bahamas

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History of this Island Nation

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From Pirates and Privateers to Rum-running and Eventual Prosperity



Documented Bahamian history begins with the words, “Baja Mar,” the name the Spanish bestowed on the islands. This term is misleading, however; it means “shallow sea,” but the islands are really mountain plateaus that emerged from the Atlantic hundreds of thousands of years ago. As they grew, they hosted countless generations of coral, which today comprise the islands’ limestone base. The “Lukku-cairi” or island people, as they called themselves, were the first settlers. Originally from South America, they meandered up through the Caribbean and finally arrived in The Bahamas around the Ninth Century AD.

Known as Arawaks, they are also called “Lucayans” and “Indians”- a label bestowed by Columbus, who mistakenly thought he found the East Indies when he dropped anchor in San Salvador in 1492. The next phase of Bahamian history involves the Eleutheran Adventurers, English settlers who left Bermuda in 1647 searching for religious freedom. They formed the first British colony on the Island of Eleuthera, and began a prosperous agricultural economy that still thrives today. The geography of the islands attracted many well-known pirates, such as the infamous Blackbeard, Henry Morgan, and Anne Bonney, who dominated the islands for the next 70 Years in what was known as “The Golden Age of Piracy.”



The Bahamian flag. Above right: An aerial view of Hope Town, a fishing harbor in Abaco, Bahamas.

Britain, which claimed islands in 1670, remained powerless against their predations for almost 50 years, until the first governor, Woodes Rogers, drove them out in 1718. Britain then recognized them as a colony. Privateering, a government-sanctioned form of piracy practiced during Britain's war with Spain and the American Revolution, brought periods of prosperity to the islands. Spain entered the fray on the side of the Americans and briefly retook the Bahamas in May 1782. A year later, under the Treaty of Versailles, it once again became a British colony. Following Britain's defeat in the American Revolutionary War, southern loyalists brought their slaves to the islands and grew cotton under the Crown's protection. Troubled times in neighboring America often meant prosperity for The Bahamas. In 1861, during the American Civil War years, the Union Navy blockaded the islands in an attempt to cripple the Confederacy, and Bahamians grew rich running Confederate cotton to English mills and sending military equipment to Confederate rebels. Hard times followed the end of the Civil War until Prohibition and the "Roaring Twenties" transformed The Bahamas into a base for rum-running. But after Prohibition was repealed, the islands again lapsed into economic stagnation.

Prosperity did not return until World War II, when the Bahamas served as an air and sea way-station in the Atlantic. Shortly after, the new industry of tourism changed the priorities in the islands. For the first time, the beauty and life of the islands were recognized as an asset. Great Britain granted the islands self-government in 1964 and changed their status from colony to Commonwealth in 1969. In 1973, the Commonwealth of The Bahamas became independent within the Commonwealth of Nations, but retained Queen Elizabeth II as constitutional head of state. Source: Geographia

Beautiful, Balmy Bahamas

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Laid Back Lifestyle is Apparent in this Tropical Island Destination



The Islands Of The Bahamas form a 100,000-sq-mile archipelago that extends more than 500 miles of the clearest water in the world. The 700 islands, including uninhabited cays and large rocks, total an estimated land area of 5,382 sq. miles, and register a highest land elevation of 206 ft. on Cat Island. The Bahamas has the world's third longest barrier reef and about 14.5% of the world's coral can be found in our waters. The islands are made entirely of calcium carbonate, which is mainly produced or precipitated by the organisms of coral reefs. There are no rivers in the Bahamas.



Most notable, however, is that each island has its own diversity that continues beyond geography, carrying through to the heart of the Bahamas, the Bahamian people. It is found in the heritage, culture and humble pride. The Islands of the Bahamas has a population somewhere north of 305,000. With 700 islands sprinkled out over 100,000 sq. miles of ocean, The Bahamas offers the largest assortment of vacation spots of any tropical destination. Islands are circled by cays (pronounced "keys"). Some cays are surrounded by uninhabited rocks. There are 14 main islands that serve as hubs for the remaining 686 islands. The Bahamas has successfully promoted itself as a destination for US jetsetters, and a lot of it is Americanised. Yet there are still opportunities among its 700 islands and 2500 cays to

disappear into a mangrove forest, explore a coral reef and escape the high-rise hotels and package-tour madness.



Bimini Bay Resort and Marina in Bimini, Bahamas. Bimini is known as the Bonefishing Capital of the World. Freeport, Bahamas. Bottom: Nassau, Bahamas.

The 18th-century Privateers' Republic has become a modern banker's paradise, at least on New Providence and Grand Bahama. On the other islands – once known as the Out Islands but now euphemistically called the Family Islands – the atmosphere is more truly West Indian. Sources: Bahamas.com and Lonely Planet

A Bahamian Life at Lynn

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Some Call the Islands Paradise; Timothy “TC” Stuart Calls Them “Home”

By Ramona Cavanagh
Special to the iPulse



Bahamas native Timothy “TC” Stuart takes a break from studying to smile for the camera. Staff Photo/Ramona Cavanagh.

The Bahamas is said to be one of the most beautiful places on earth. From the sun and tropical atmosphere to the smell of salty seas, tanning lotion and coconuts, the Bahamas is definitely an ultimate destination. Timothy Christopher Stuart, known to his friends as TC, is a senior who hails from the Bahamas. Stewart has left his island home for a great education and a taste of American life. “It’s a nice life in the Bahamas; it’s very calm,” said Stewart. “It’s a lot of fun, and it’s also very small.” While South Florida might be similar as far as the climate is concerned, it is very different when it comes to culture. Stuart has said that he is able to adapt to the culture easily as he went to an American high school in Lake Worth. Stuart wanted to pursue a quality higher education in the United States, and he felt that Lynn was the right place for him. “Lynn gives me a better opportunity here in the states,” said Stewart. “The university has a great program, and for me it was a once in a lifetime opportunity.” Stuart currently serves as assistant manager to the men’s basketball team. He calls his job “a great opportunity to be a part of a

fantastic basketball program.” When he graduates, Stuart plans to head back to the Bahamas with the experiences and knowledge that going to Lynn and living in the United States has provided him

Veteran's Day Banquet

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The Law and Justice Club and Knights in the Community Host Banquet

By Jennifer Rodrigues

Special to the iPulse



Students welcome a table of Veterans and their spouses. Staff Photo/ Carolina Gonzalez.

The Law and Justice Club and Knights in the Community recently worked together to put on a banquet in the Green Center, honoring veterans from the West Palm Beach area. This was the second time this event has been hosted, and it is one of the biggest events of the year for both organizations. The dinner was attended by about 20 veterans who served in both the Korean War and the War in Iraq. About 20 Lynn students, who were members of both KIC and the Law and Justice club, got the chance to mingle with these American heroes, and learn a lot about their experiences during their time in the army. Freshman Zachary Welsh said, "It was interesting to hear their stories, especially the embarrassing stories from their time in boot camp. It was cool to hear about all the things they have done for our country." During the event, various speeches were made. KIC advisor, Annie Weaver, who welcomed all of the veterans to the event, made the first speech of the night. Next, KIC President Samara Wilchins introduced the guest speaker for the night, Seymour Friedman, PhD. Friedman spoke of his time in the service and how proud he was of the members of his regiment, many of whom attended the banquet as well. To conclude the night, Law and Justice Club President, Megan Perry, spoke and lead a prayer and a moment of silence in honor of the fallen soldiers. After weeks of preparation, the event went off without a hitch. The food, provided by Boca Joe's catering, was a hit with both students and veterans, adding just the right touch to the evening. "I thought the event went very well, and it felt good to honor the veterans because so many go unnoticed," said Kristeena Lyon, freshman. That sentiment was shared by all of the students attending the event.

Students Are Getting Messy

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Food, Festivities and Fun Characterizes a New Tradition for the Lynn Campus

By Ryan Brooks

Staff Writer



More than 55 students participated in Messy Games recently, hoping to take home the \$250 grand prize. The Residence Hall Association (RHA) and the Office of Residence Life sponsored the event.

11 teams competed in eight challenges, including: Twister with ketchup, mustard, relish and chocolate syrup, body painting with ketchup, a spam toss and a few other very messy events. “Messy games is a new event that united RHA and Residence Life. This event had an amazing turnout that surpassed everyone’s expectation. Messy Games will hopefully become an annual event at Lynn,” said RHA President Tova Brown, sophomore.



Not only did Messy Games make an enjoyable event for all of those who participated, but it was a great community builder. Teammates and other teams congratulated each other at the close of the event, whether it was with a verbal congratulations or with one big messy hug. The spirit of the event will prove to be a great RHA tradition.

Messy Games has been known as an event that takes place at Resident Assistant Training before the fall semester, but because of its success RHA is going to begin a new tradition for the entire campus.

“I’ve competed in Messy Games for two years during RA Training and I was so excited to hear RHA was hosting the event,” said Heather Sears, senior.

Other RHA events this year include Movie on the Wall, Late-Night Study Break and the much anticipated Casino Night.



For more information about Messy Games or RHA all are encouraged to attend meetings every Monday at 7 p.m. which are held in the Knights’ Court Patio.



Students make a mess of themselves and each other with RHA and Residence Life. Photos/
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Lynn University's Facebook Page

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Become a Fan on Lynn's Facebook Page and Gain Access to Exclusive Content

By Carolina Gonzalez

Assistant Editor



Lynn University has its own page on Facebook. Become a fan of the Lynn University Facebook page and gain access to exclusive content including exclusive photos and videos. The Lynn facebook page can also be used as a networking tool for current and future students as well as alumni. There is a discussion board on the page where students both interested in and attending Lynn can post questions they may have and have them answered by Lynn staff. The facebook page is updated almost every day so be sure to check it often to view the most up to date content. Most of the content on the page is student produced. For example, student photographers Mark Falcone, junior, and Carolina Gonzalez, junior, are the main photographers for the events posted on the page. Students also take part in the production of the videos on the page as well. Some of the videos on the page at the moment include the "Founders Day Third Annual Canoe Challenge" and the "Why My School Rocks" video. In the days ahead new videos will be added such as a "Day in the Life of a Lynn Student-Athlete," which gives current and future Lynn students an inside look on the daily

life of a student-athlete. Also to be added will be an interview of Lynn Alum, Lisa Gangel, who is working as a sportscaster in Seattle, WA. In the coming weeks, there will be an introduction to the Big LU Bobblehead. Select Lynn fans who have received a Bobblehead have traveled with and photographed Big LU at different locations. Recently, Big LU traveled to the Windy City of Chicago with Director of Alumni Affairs Matt Roos. Founders Day photos will be up soon and look out for the groundbreaking ceremony of the new Wold Performing Arts Center. The Lynn University facebook page can be found by typing Lynn University in the Facebook search bar and selecting pages. Lynn University students will also be able to view the other Facebook pages Lynn has to offer, such as Lynn University Alumni and Lynn University International Students 2008.

Freshman Class Representative

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Ride the Wave Over to the Campus Pool and Make a Splish Splash

By Nick Hindhaugh

Staff Writer



Omar Herrera, freshman, poses in front of the advertisement of the first freshmen meeting. Staff Photo/Nick Hindhaugh.

Omar J. Herrera hails from Ossining, Westchester County in New York. His interests include acting, dancing, singing and rock climbing and he has a big passion for community service. He trained in the performing arts at Ossining High School Theatre Department, Sleepy Hollow Performing Arts Center, Josie's International School of Dance, Playgroup Theatre and recently Drama Kids International. Omar is currently enrolled as a freshman at Lynn University in Boca Raton Florida. Herrera is currently enrolled as a freshman at Lynn and will major in both Drama and Media and Politics. Herrera was recently voted the class representative for the class of 2012. Q: What was your first impression of Lynn University during Freshman Orientation?

A: My first impression of Lynn University during Freshman Orientation was that it was a small school, but seeing all the diversity and flags everywhere, made it great to see that we embrace different cultures, ethnicities and languages. You could tell everyone's unique and has their own story on how they ended up at Lynn.

Q: When did you know you wanted to run for class representative?

A: I knew that Lynn had a Student Government Association, and I wanted to be part of it. As the weeks progressed I realized many that there were issues that needed to be addressed for the freshmen. Issues such as lack of communication, campus involvement and overall participation. I wanted to address this as it effected me as a student.

Q: Explain the process you went through in class representative elections?

A: I was told that I had to go through a process to get on the ballot. First I had to get 50 signatures on a petition, which was great because I met even more peers. I had to write about why I wanted to be a representative and what qualified me. Once I was officially allowed to

campaign, I got a dedicated team that helped me get the word all across campus. We designed fliers with my picture, posters, banners and booths. We also gave away candy, in addition to starting many Facebook fan groups. It was a lot of work but really exciting and interesting, especially at a new school and campus for me

. Q: What do you wish to achieve now that you have this role?

A: I have designed a plan on how this year will go. I have decided to start a freshmen council that would make ideas into realities and address issues and concerns. Later in the process, I would bring it to SGA and Lynn officials. In addition, I have registered a golf cart for the annual golf cart parade to represent the freshmen class. Meetings have been scheduled for discussions and campus topics and published well. I want the freshmen class to get involved and understand their four years here at Lynn. It is not just about going to class but getting involved around campus and giving back.

Q: How do you think you have done so far at Lynn?

A: Personally, I feel I have started off great. I have been working with more experienced people on campus (SGA E-Board) to make sure I am on the right track and doing things the right way. I have been speaking and meeting a lot of freshman and telling them to either attend our meetings or get involved in one of our projects. I think I should get more feedback from my actual classmates and ask them how they really feel thus far at Lynn.

Q: Finally, what do you think this role can give you for future experience?

A: This role is great for future experiences. It teaches me to work with people in groups, teams and organizations. It exposes me to all different types of opinions, viewpoints, attitudes and ideas. I am a theatre and communication/politics major so it is great for me and fits in with my future plans.

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Senior's Big Expectations

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Randy Jones is Taking his Game to the Next Level

By Gene Prousnitzer

Staff Writer



As one of three seniors on Lynn's Men's Basketball Team, Randy Jones is ready to take his game and the program to the next level. Jones, a sports management major from Riviera Beach, is entering his second year under Head Coach Scott McMillin. Jones spent his first two years at Division I Long Island University in Brooklyn, N.Y. "I have five simple goals this year," Jones said. "My goals are player of the year, conference champions, Division II champions and lead the conference in assists and steals." "I chose Lynn because being a student-athlete, I thought this would be a great school to get an education and receive my diploma," Jones said. "Also, I can accomplish my goals as a basketball scholar. Since coming to Lynn, the professors, coaches and students have been on the top of my list of things I've enjoyed here. But the new things I've learned on and off the court have been the most important." Jones spent the off-season working on many things, including his leadership skills, strength, speed, social skills and academics. "Playing with Randy has only made me better," said Chris Hall, sophomore. "He finds me when I'm open and creates plays for himself as well. In practice he goes hard, in order to make me better."



Randy Jones, senior, shows his game face. Photo/Lynn University. Top Right: Jones floats in the air on the way to another score. Photo/Lynn University.

Last year, Jones played in all 29 games, while starting 22 of them. He averaged 12.9 points, 2.9 assists, and 1.9 rebounds per game. He also scored in double-figures in 22 games, including more than 20 points twice. He set a season-high with 22 points in a win against then ranked No.22 Rollins College, while earlier in the season he dished out six assists in a win against Rollins when they were ranked number four, against Saint Leo. “Randy is a great asset to the team,” said Lauren Fry and Sam Austin, juniors. “We look forward to watching him lead the team and bring Lynn a conference title.” Check out Jones and the rest of the Fighting Knights on the court all season long.

Fall Fashion Forward

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The Change of Seasons is Sure to Usher in a Change in Fashion Trends

By Hillary Dever

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As most students can feel around campus, the weather has been changing and it is extremely hard to decipher what outfit to put on in the morning by just simply glaring out the window. Although the sun might be shining, one could step outside and want to run right back in due to the chilliness around certain areas of South Florida. During this fall season, climates are changing all over the country so for these occurrences, one must be properly dressed for whatever the days weather may bring. Over years, months and even weeks, trends can change with a snap of a finger, and being a college student with a set budget, always shopping for the “in style” clothes can be painful to the pocket. With these small but helpful tips one could keep him or herself updated with the changing trends by simply looking in their closet for classic pieces they may have forgotten were even there. What is being seen in magazines, on television, and even around campus this fall is layering. By layering, one can keep warm and still look presentable if the ensemble is put together correctly. Sweaters are a definite must have around this time of year and top items in stores are turtlenecks, v-necks and classic sweaters in materials such as cotton, cashmere and wool. If wearing a sweater, however, make sure that all of these different materials let the piece of clothing circulate air throughout. Nobody wants to be breaking a sweat just to look cute. Boots can be worn for many different occasions and in many different ways. A high boot can be matched with either a skirt or dress, while ankle boots can look very slimming with a pair of tight fit jeans. With all of these essential items being worn to keep one comfortable, it is very important to remember that it is now autumn, not spring and colors, fabrics and prints should be in warm and earthy tones. Blacks and navy blues will always look great regardless of what season it is, and sometimes mixing these colors with a rich ruby red or a dark emerald green can make a simple outfit more fall fitting. Menswear prints such as checks, plaids and pinstripes are always a safe route to take for jackets and blazers. However if it is going to be cold out, one should throw on a sweatshirt, sweatpants, jeans or a thick long sleeve shirt to be comfortable. It goes without saying that flip flops in this cooling weather would not be the best choice because once feet are cold, the rest of the body does not have any chance of keeping itself warm very long. Advised through many fashion articles and magazines is to stay away from too bold of patterns because some can be too tiring to the eyes. Autumn is a perfect time to take out that great leather or suede bag in a warm and earthy tone to complete an outfit. Invest in a few of these staple items in specified colors and prints, and the autumn season’s wardrobe will be a breeze.

Looking for the Best Educators

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Ross College of Education Recruiting for “Practitioner’s Doctorate” Program

By Jason Hughes
Special to the iPulse

Lynn University is on the hunt for a dozen of South Florida’s best and brightest teachers and school administrators to fill out its inaugural Ed.D. class. To that end, the Donald E. and Helen L. Ross College of Education will host a one-hour information session on the new program on Thursday, Nov. 13, from 6-7 p.m. in the Green Center’s de Hoernle Lecture Hall. The college will also participate in the university’s Fall Open House on Saturday, Nov. 15, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the lobby of the Schmidt Center. At both sessions, college administrators will outline the entrance requirements, program structure and answer questions about the Ed.D., which is often called the “practitioner’s doctorate” for its focus on professional practice. Dean Patrick Hartwick and program director Valerie Storey will also outline the program’s distinguishing features including its three-year term of study, evenings-and-weekend class format and capstone project requirement (rather than a dissertation). The two will also discuss the program’s impressive pedigree as a member of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching’s Project on the Education Doctorate (CPED). Read more about the open house and Ed.D. program on the Lynn Web site. For more information on the CPED, visit www.carnegiefoundation.org. Additional background on the Ross College of Education is available at www.lynn.edu/education or by calling the media relations office at 561-237-7761.

Victory on the Tennis Court

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Intercollegiate Tennis Association Fall Division II National Doubles Champions

By Megan Mangone
Staff Writer



Julien Carsuzaa and Alessandro Sarra stand proudly holding their winning trophies. Staff Photo/Megan Mangone.

Julien Carsuzaa, senior, and Alessandro Sarra, sophomore, became the ITA Fall Division II National Doubles Champions last week in Mobile, Al. Carsuzaa and Sarra have not been playing partners for a very long time. They began competing with each other at the end of last semester with only two matches left. When they had left for the regional tournament in Georgia this September, those had been the only two matches the two had played with each other. This made the win that much more exciting. “Because we had only been partners for such a short period of time it was a little nerve racking going into this,” Carsuzaa stated. “But things were going really well so it was a great win for us.” Carsuzaa won this event in 2006 when he was partnered with a former Lynn tennis star, Dennis Riegraf. “Both wins were equally gratifying,” said Carsuzaa. “I think this year there was a little more competition at the event which made it a more difficult run. In the end it feels good to win both.” Lynn University’s men’s and women’s tennis teams are two of the strongest in the country. With continued excellent plays by Carsuzaa

and Sarra as well as the rest of the squad, it is the hope that they will be on the road to another national title.

Tuba Player's Bright Future

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Zade Nahhas, Graduate Student, Finds Harmony at Lynn

By Megan Mangone
Staff Writer



Zade Nahhas graduate student, practices his tuba. Staff Photo/Megan Mangone.

Zade Nahhas, graduate student, has recently joined Lynn's conservatory and is obtaining his Professional Performance Certificate (PPC). The Niles, Ohio native has been playing the tuba since the age of 10. With music being an important part of his family, his great uncle played tuba in the Navy Band 60 years ago, and his grandfather directed the Niles Bicentennial Chorus. Nahhas is certain he will continue with music for his future. Nahhas completed his bachelor's degree in tuba performance at Youngstown State University, and finished his masters at Ohio University. After finishing this, he decided to continue his education and work toward his PPC. "I had always heard great things about Lynn and I really liked the Tuba teacher, Ken Amis." Nahhas stated, "There was a last minute opening in the ensemble so I took it. This is a very unique opportunity here and I like how it is more orchestra orientated. There are so many opportunities to play and perform at Lynn." Nahhas is looking forward to the opening of the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center which will be completed by next year. "It'll be really nice to have a performing arts center on campus. It's a great way to hone

your skills and give more performances,” said Nahhas. The new center is a welcome venue for productions from The College of International Communication’s drama department as well as the Conservatory of Music. The future is bright for this musician, who would like to become a part of the preparatory department in the conservatory and teach students how to play an instrument. After he has earned his PPC, Nahhas would like to continue teaching or work toward another master’s degree in performance.

Man on the Street Asks

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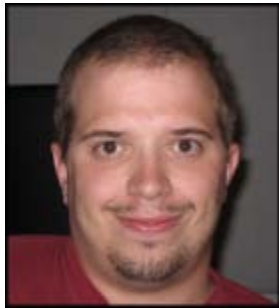
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What Can't You Live Without When Traveling?



Zach Mowers, senior

“Energy C and my ipod.”



Mark Neill, senior

“My camera, my computer and my cell phone. And I can't live without something to record my travels, such as a notebook.”



Tamara Pollman, senior

“Music, change of clothes, wi-fi and sunglasses.”



Lauren Wiley, senior

“An eye mask, my ipod, honey roasted peanuts and a magazine.”

Sun and Surf in Florida

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From South Beach to Spanish River, South Florida Has it All

By Amy Lyus

Staff Writer



Student patiently awaits the next set of waves. Staff Photo/Mark Coné.

Greg Fino, junior, enjoys riding the waves weekly at South Beach Pavilion. He also visits Spanish River Beach regularly as well. “Living in Florida has its perks,” Fino said. “If I’m bored, I can jump in the car and drive down the street to the ocean.” Fino is not the only one who owns a surfboard at Lynn University. It is a very popular hobby for Lynn students and a great way to get off campus. Fino usually hits the waves after classes from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. If he had it his way, he would go Sunday mornings because that is when the waves are the best. He checks the surf by going online to see what the waves look like. Not only does Fino enjoy surfing, but he also enjoys driving around campus on a mini-dirt bike. It actually looks like it was made for a little kid. The dirt bike can reach relatively high speeds. Fino enjoys racing his friends on their bikes. “Florida was a great choice to attend school,” said Fino. Fino’s from Connecticut where the weather is gorgeous in the summer, but cold throughout the rest of the year, unlike Florida. The surf in Florida is excellent and Fino recommends trying it out to any one who enjoys the ocean.

Pump Up the Volume, Please

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T.I.'s and Ben Folds' Newest Records are Recognized and Reviewed

By Billy Hartigan

Staff Writer



Ben Folds.

T.I., the self proclaimed “King Of The South”, is back with his sixth studio album, “Paper Trail.”

There has been a lot of anticipation leading up to this album. The first set of songs on the album read unmistakably like pages from a diary. They are deeply personal and insightful. The second part of “Paper Trail” is simply money. In other words, the songs illustrate the fun and the swagger that come with fortune. The production on the album is where it really shines. It has a great selection of beats that borrow elements from all types of music. “Paper Trail” is an outstanding album that should not be overlooked.



T.I.

This album is an instant hip-hop classic, and possibly one of the best albums of the year. I give it a 4 out of 5 stars. Ben Folds is most recognized as a solo artist and as the front-man pianist of the band Ben Folds Five. Folds is known for a sound that combines the worlds of Jazz and Power Rock. His new album, “Way to Normal,” is not a departure from anything listeners have heard from Folds. It lacks any indication of new direction or significant growth. However, it is still a great record from one of the most consistent writers in pop music today. The anger on this

album gives it a little bit of a different direction, but not much. Overall, there is not much new material for regular listeners of Ben Folds. Although the quality of this album is great, especially the lyrics, it is more of the same. I am going to give it a 2 out of 5.

How Low Can It Go?

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Gas Prices are Finally Plummeting

By Brooke Bidgood

Copy Editor



In the last few weeks, gas prices have taken a turn for the better and dropped significantly. South Florida has seen gas prices rise as high as \$4.50 per gallon and more than \$5 for diesel.

Recently the price of a barrel of oil dropped below \$65 and it is expected to keep on the same downward pattern. With the world expecting a recession gas has slipped into a 14 month low. "The reason prices are going down so far so fast is that they should not have been that high in the first place," said Mike O'Connor, President of the Virginia Petroleum, Convenience and Grocery Association. "Two reasons they were: fear and speculation."

In South Florida right now, gas prices can be found for as low as \$2.49 per gallon, which is good news for students running a tight budget.

"It is nice that the prices of gas are going down, especially for students," said Armando Castillo, senior. "I now have more money in my budget for books and school supplies."

People travel more in the winter, therefore it will be interesting to see where gas prices will go from here. Furthermore, hurricane season is almost over and prices may continue to drop over the next few months. Only time will tell.

Welcoming

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Joseph J. Coscia to Lynn

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Joseph J. Coscia, a veteran television news executive, will be visiting Lynn University's College of International Communication on Nov. 13. There will be guest classroom lectures in the morning, a student-faculty lunch at noon and a combined section presentation in the main studio at 1 p.m. Coscia has extensive experience in the broadcast industry. He worked on news assignment desks at all of the big three networks in New York. Coscia went on to Senior Operations Producer for the ABC prime-time news magazine Day One. He was News Director at many renowned stations including: WLNE in Providence, WRGB in Albany, KDKA in Pittsburgh and WPBF in West Palm Beach. Coscia innovated presentations at WPBF with the concept of "Weather First," beginning all newscast segments with a summary of weather. Furthermore, he served as Director-at-Large for the Radio and Television News Director's Association, the world's largest professional organization devoted exclusively to electronic journalism. All faculty and students are invited to attend the presentation at 1 p.m. in the main studio in the library on the 3rd floor

Rachael Reviews the Movies

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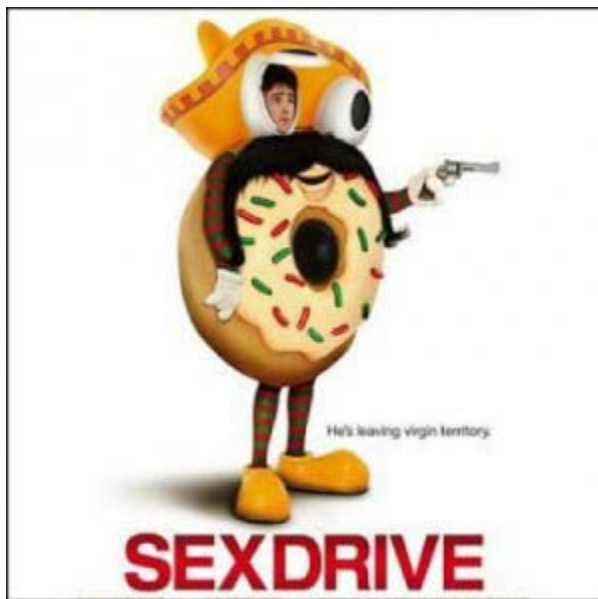
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“Sex Drive” A Laugh Out Loud Coming of Age Tale

By Rachael Evans

Staff Writer



“Sex Drive” is a comedy that will have viewers laughing out loud. Ian Lafferty (Josh Zuckerman) is a dorky boy that works at a doughnut kiosk at the mall. Lafferty is always getting picked on by his hot older brother that drives a GTO. The 18-year-old cannot catch a break with women and is about to go to college unexperienced. He seems to suffer from a common tale of being the friend, but never the boyfriend. He finds the perfect girl who is everything he has ever dreamed of through a facade that he had created online. Through this facade she thinks he is a star football player that drives a 69 GTO. Lafferty sets upon an adventure to Knoxville to meet her face-to-face. During his road trip, he is escorted by his best friend Lance (Clark Duke) who talks him into stealing his brother’s GTO and inviting their other best friend Felicia (Amanda Crew). This adventure leads to many comical mishaps along the way that many college students are sure to relate to. “Sex Drive” was reviewed and given four stars.

Schade Digs to the Top

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Senior Student Sets School Records and Sights on a Promising Future

By Megan Mangone
Staff Writer



Christie Schade digs for a volleyball before it hits the ground. Staff Photo/Megan Mangone.

Christie Schade, senior, is a multi-talented athlete. As a volleyball player, she has set school records for Lynn University, but she also focuses much time on her future and career. Schade, originally from Pembroke Pines, has always been very interested in sports. In high school she not only played volleyball, but also ran track and played basketball and softball. When it came down to college, Schade knew she needed to focus on one sport. “My mom said to me that if I wanted to play a sport in college I needed to stick with one.” Schade said. “It was more important to be great at one sport, then just good at many.” Recently, Schade set a school record for career number of digs. She tallied 29 digs against Flagler, and then another eight later in the day to reach 1648. Schade hopes that setting this record will continue the strong season to come out on top. She is studying criminal justice and hopes to obtain her masters degree in emergency management. She will eventually strive for the FBI. From there she hopes to become a member of the SWAT team for the federal government. “I first thought I wanted to join the military when I was younger, but I soon realized that wasn’t the type of lifestyle I wanted and that I am

too outspoken of a person to conform to one idea.” Schade expressed. “I still want some sort of a disciplined lifestyle, and this is where I will find it.” Long term goals for Schade are to eventually become a sniper. There are no females as of yet to join this group and she would like to change that. “I feel I have an advantage because I played college sports. I understand the disciplined lifestyle and know how to work with a team for a common goal.” The volleyball team has a handful of matches left this season, and with continued hard work by Schade and the rest of her team, they will work hard to come out on top.

The Past Times of Taiwan

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A History of the Asian Island Nation



Little archaeological evidence remains from Taiwan's early history. People, probably from Austronesia, are thought to have inhabited the island since 10,000 BC with migration from China occurring much later in the 15th century.

During the Age of Discovery of the 16th Century, Western sailors arrived in the Far East to set up colonies and conduct trade. As Taiwan was located at the conjunction of East Asia and the oceans, as well as being where the Northeast Asian waters meet the Southeast waters, it became the focus of Asian and Western powers that were operating in East Asian waters at the time. In 1517 Portuguese sailors reached Taiwan and named it Ilha Formosa (Beautiful Island). The Dutch invaded in 1624 and built a capital at Tainan.



Two years later they lost the island to a Spanish invasion but returned the favour by booting the Spanish out in 1641. During the 1660s the Ming and Manchu (Qing) dynasties arrived on the scene, kicking out the Dutch and wrestling one another for control of the island. The Manchus eventually won, making Taiwan a county of Fujian province and triggering a flood of Chinese immigration. At the end of the 19th century,

the Japanese decided to weigh in as well: Taiwan was ceded to them in 1895 following China's defeat in the Sino-Japanese War.



Tainan Confucius Temple, known as the first school in all of Taiwan. National Palace Museum in Taipei City. National historic site Tomb of Wang Delu, 1884.

The Japanese quashed a republican rebellion organized by the local Chinese population and went on to establish a military base on the island and to promote education and economic development. After Japan's defeat at the end of WWII, Taiwan was handed back to China. Source: Lonely Planet, Taiwan Tourism Board

A Pulsing, Picturesque Island

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History Meets Hyper-Reality on the Pacific “Rim of Fire”



Taiwan’s total land area is only about 36,000 square kilometers; it is shaped like a tobacco leaf that is narrow at both ends. It lies off the southeastern coast of the mainland Asia, across the Taiwan Strait from Mainland China; a solitary island on the western edge of the Pacific Ocean. To the north lies Japan; to the south is the Philippines. Many airlines fly to Taiwan, helping make it the perfect travel destination. Taiwan lies on the western edge of the Pacific “rim of fire,” and continuous tectonic movements have created majestic peaks, rolling hills and plains, basins, coastlines and other wonders. Taiwan sees climates of many types: tropical, sub-tropical, and temperate, providing



clear differentiation between the different seasons.

There are about 18,400 species of wildlife on the island, with more than 20 percent belonging to rare or endangered species; among these are the land-locked salmon, Taiwan mountain goat, Formosan rock monkey, Formosan black bear, blue magpie, Mikado pheasant, Hsuehshan grass lizard and many more. The government has established seven national parks and 13 national

scenic areas to preserve Taiwan's best natural ecological environment and cultural sites. Take a hike in the splendor and sheer heights of the cliffs at Taroko Gorge; take a ride on the Alishan train, one of only three mountain railways in the world, and experience the breathtaking sunrise and sea of clouds; hike up to the summit of Northeast Asia's highest peak, Jade Mountain.

Visitors can also soak up the sun in Kending, Asia's version of Hawaii; stand at the edge of Sun Moon Lake; traipse through the East Rift Valley; or visit the offshore islands of Kinmen and Penghu. It is fun in capital letters as well as an awesome journey of natural discovery. The



cultural aspects are also not to be missed. The blending of Hakka, Taiwanese, indigenous people and mainland Chinese cultures has produced a rich plethora of cultural and social color. Whether it is religion, architecture, language, living habits, or food, it is just one big exciting melting pot. Food is the best representative of this cultural mixing and matching. Aside from cuisines from different parts of the mainland such as Zhejiang, Hunan, Guangdong, Yunnan, Shanghai, Beijing, Sichuan, and others, there is also the local Taiwanese cuisine as well as the local delicacies of each area. Taiwan is a modern industrialised megalopolis clinging to the fringes of an ancient culture; a string of teeming cities at the feet of a glorious mountain range. Outside Taipei it is clear why Taiwan is known as Ilha Formosa, the 'beautiful island'. Mountain peaks puncture a sea of clouds, slick black volcanic rock wraps the coastlines, and waterfalls shroud themselves in mist. Taiwan is a computer-generated Chinese watercolor. There is a diversity of things this beautiful island has to offer, as a rich historical background has provided Taiwan with a multifaceted culture. People from many different places and backgrounds, such as Taiwan's indigenous people, the southern Fujianese from early China, Hakka immigrants, the Dutch, Spanish, and Japanese, and the recent immigrants from mainland China have all played a role in Taiwan's development.



A view overlooking Luoshan Village in Fuli Township, Hualien County, Taiwan.

Taiwan forms the center of Chinese art and culture, which is not only obvious from the exhaustive collection of cultural relics from past dynasties exhibited in the famous National Palace Museum, but can also be perfectly illustrated by the traditional architecture and folk art found in Taiwan. While gradually developing a new culture indigenous to Taiwan, they also held on to their respective customs and traditions; as a result, visitors are able to sample indigenous, Taiwanese, and Chinese cultures and even find traces left by the Dutch and the Japanese when traveling in Taiwan. Source: Lonely Planet, Taiwan Tourism Board

Taiwanese Culture and Roots Explored

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By Tamae Seki

Special to the iPulse



Willy Ho smiles. LU Photo/Tamae Seki.

Willy Ho, a junior majoring in business management, was born in Taiwan, where he lived for ten years. He then moved to San Francisco with his family before eventually coming to Lynn. “Taiwan was a great place to live,” said Ho. “There was always tasty food, friendly people, the newest fashions and great weather.” Growing up in Taiwan, Ho was introduced not only to the culture, but also to the language. He can speak Taiwanese, a language unique to itself and unlike the Chinese languages that most people are familiar with. Ho enjoys learning about new cultures, and is proud of his Taiwanese roots

The Story of a First Time Voter

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A Young Voter Shares Personal Feelings and Experiences about Voting

By Brittany Hutchinson

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From the time I was a little girl, I was taught the importance of participating in local and national elections. As a U.S. citizen it is my right, as well as my duty to help decide who will run this country. In this 2008 election, for the first time in my life, I was able to cast my vote for who I believed could best fill this position. I was informed, excited and mostly, I was proud. Casting the ballot for the first time is a powerful experience. It does not matter if you are 18 or 80, or what you do in life. There are no questions about the color of your skin or how much you make, or what kind of faith you have, if any. When you turn up at the polls, it is only you, your thoughts and a slip of paper letting you have your say. As a college student, I often wonder how older generations might view my age group. I often think there is a possibility that they look down on us, that they think we are too naive to understand the ways of the world. Yet, come the first Tuesday in Nov., all who are able to vote can walk into the polls as equals. No vote matters more than the other, no citizen is more important, we all count just the same, but this was not always true. Many have had to fight for the right to the polls. Women and minorities all had many obstacles in their way that kept them from casting their votes. They struggled, and they succeeded. I voted because so many couldn't and still so many can't. It is a sad truth that the freedom so many have fought for is often forgotten. We are extremely fortunate to live in a country where "We the People," are meant to run the government, instead of the government running us. This freedom we so often take for granted is one many people have lived for and died fighting for; I voted to honor each of them. As I marked my choices on Election Day, I thought of just how privileged I was to be able to take part in such a monumental event. By casting my ballot, I did not just stand by and watch history be made; instead I helped make it.

Like many before me, with one choice, I have helped to write the history of our nation and possibly our world; I have the power to change history forever, and my vote counted.

A Real Home Grown Hero

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Junior Gabe Taboada Lives his Dreams Playing College Soccer

By Megan Mangone

Staff Writer



Gabe Taboada, junior. Staff Photo/ Carolina Gonzalez.

Gabe Taboada, junior, has high hopes of making it to the National Championship this year with the Lynn soccer team. Taboada was born in Caracas, Venezuela and then moved with his family to Argentina. He learned to play and love the sport of soccer. After watching several years of his older brother, Diego, compete, he realized his love for the game. "I was born into the sport as it is a part of the Argentinian culture," Taboada explained. "I would play with my brother and all the older kids when I was young and realized how much fun I had doing it." When Taboada was 12 years old, he and his family moved to Boca Raton, FL. He attended American Heritage High School and played on the soccer team. When it came time to pick a college, Taboada already knew where he wanted to be. "I always loved the soccer program at Lynn because they've had a great record for being one of the best. I was recruited by other schools, but I wanted to stay close to home and near my family," said Taboada. When Taboada was a freshman, he tore his ACL and meniscus eight games into the season. "When I got hurt I never really thought I would be able to play the same again," Taboada said. "It's really difficult to come back from something like that, but I had so many people pushing me through the whole thing. My parents and teammates were so supportive as well as my girlfriend, Devon. Without them I don't think I would have been able to bounce back as soon as I did." With a new coach at the helm, Taboada feels confident for the remainder of the season. "Our new coach is great and he has really developed a form of team unity," said Taboada. "We are all like brothers out there and we have the tools to make it to the National Championship."

A Look at the Season So Far

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The Fighting Knights in Action Against Sunshine State Conference Opponents





Jean Alexandre, senior, takes on a St. Leo defender. Tyrell Burgess, senior, looks to start an attack. Justin Lee Porter, senior, looks to take the ball forward. Staff Photo/ Carolina Gonzalez.

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On the Road to True Success

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Stuart James Hayers Star on the Soccer Field and in the Classroom

By Megan Mangone

Staff Writer



Stuart James Hayers, senior, throws a ball into play. Staff Photo/ Carolina Gonzalez.

Stuart James Hayers, graduate student, is not only a stand out soccer player, but also a dedicated student in the classroom. He is working toward his master's degree while finishing out his soccer career at Lynn. The Watford, England native has been playing soccer since the age of 9. Introduced to the game by his father and grand dad, it soon became the ticket to his education.

Hayers first attended the Welsh Sports Institute in Cardiff, Wales. Here he studied sports coaching until an opportunity presented itself to come to America and play competitively for Lynn University. Hayers finished his bachelor's degree in business last spring. He is now continuing his education to obtain his master's in business with a specialization in financial management. "I still had one year of eligibility left to play soccer and this year we have such a strong team and a really great group of people," said Hayers. "We also have a new coach this year who has given me the opportunity to be an assistant coach next year while I finish out my master's degree." Hayers has tremendous expectations for his future. "I would like to play soccer at the highest level possible and make some money doing it," said Hayers. "After I've achieved this I would like to establish myself in the business world and become an executive to a global entity." Hayers has been an integral part of the Fighting Knights defense that has allowed only 12 goals in 16 games this season. He has also contributed on offense with one goal and six assists. He is one of five players to have started every game this year. Hayers has a bright future ahead of him and with the dedication and effort he puts forth, it is no question that he will succeed in whatever he chooses

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Men's Soccer Players Share Some Inside Information About Their Lives

By Carolina Gonzalez
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What has been the most memorable moment this season so far?

Stuart James Hayers: Senior Day when all five of us seniors scored. That was pretty rare and I definitely won't forget it. Sam Craven: Beating Franklin Pierce, all the boys were buzzing after the 5-0 win and after not being ranked in pre-season we showed America we were still here and ready for anyone. What was the toughest or most important game and why? What was the outcome of the game?

Stuart James Hayers: Probably the Christian Brothers game where we won in overtime. Nano Short: The game against Nova. We were losing 2-0 and came back to win 3-2. Kyle Conrad: I think that the most important game this season was beating University of Tampa because they knocked us out last year so we wanted some revenge. We won 4-1. What was the best or most important goal of the season?



Kyle Conrad: The best goal of the season would be every

goal because every game means a lot and no goal is more important than another. Stuart James Hayers: I think the most important goal was the goal against Flagler with two seconds left in regulation, we won 2-1. Sam Craven: Jean's goal against Flagler was memorable, 3 seconds left on the clock and he clinched the win for us. It was my assist too. Who do you think has been the most valuable and the most improved player of the season?

Sam Craven: We are all valuable as we work for one another. I think Joe Cundall has improved dramatically however, and is a vital and strong part of our defense. Stuart Hayers: The most valuable player is tough, as every player has done his job well, but how can you argue with 19 goals so I'll say Jean Alexandre closely followed by Justin Porter who has been a rock and a go to guy.



Sam Craven, sophomore. Middle: Stuart James Hayers, senior. Right: Kyle Conrad, sophomore. Staff Photo/ Carolina Gonzalez.

The most improved players are Joe Cundall and Adam Alcock, both of these sophomores have cemented starting positions, filled big shoes from last year, and proved their worth over and over again. Kyle Conrad: I would say that the most valuable player this season would be Jean Alexandre because he has been scoring goals left and right. The most improved would be Joe Cundall because he has locked down the opponent's offense.

What is your favorite movie of all time?

Stuart James Hayers: "Lock Stock and Two Smoking Barrels" and "Snatch." Robert Winstanley: "Old School." Christian Dohnert: "The Gladiator." Sam Craven: "Love Actually" because it reminds me of a few people I love and miss. Nano Short: "Ace Ventura Pet Detective." Jim Carrey is a legend. Who is your role model or hero and why?

Stuart James Hayers: My dad and grand dad and of course Beckham. My family has given me every opportunity and never made me feel that I couldn't have the world when it was never in their ability to give it to me. Sam Craven: My role models are my parents, especially my dad. I hope to be as much of a man as he is when I am older so that my children have the same opportunities and love as I did. Kyle Conrad: My role model and hero is my dad because I have always looked up to him.

Sunshine State Conference 2008

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SSC Tournament Kicks Off Today at the McCusker Sports Complex

By Nick Hindhaugh

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The Men's Soccer Team takes a break from their busy practice schedule to pose for a photo. Staff Photo/ Carolina Gonzalez.

Lynn University Men's Soccer has won the right to host the Sunshine State Conference Tournament for 2008. The team has a conference record of 7-1 and were crowned conference champions after beating Nova Southeastern 3-2 last Saturday. Lynn will host two semi-finals today with the two winning teams facing off at the McCusker Sports Complex at 1 p.m. on Sunday Nov. 9. Of the two semi-finals today Lynn will kick-off at 2:30 p.m. against either Eckerd College or Barry University. Eckerd is the only team this season to have inflicted defeat on the Fighting Knights. Lynn went down 2-1 in St. Petersburg on Oct. 18. On the flip side the Knights had great success against arch rivals Barry, winning 5-1 in late Sep. In that game Jean Alexandre, senior, bagged three goals. He is the team's leading scorer with 19 goals in 15 games.

The Fighting Knights' season so far has been exciting to say the least. High scoring games, defeating the defending National Champions 5-0 and now the chance of hosting Regional Finals adds even more to a fantastic season. Overall, Lynn has a great record of 15-1 and is currently ranked #1 in the South Regional Standings. If the Fighting Knights can win today and Sunday they will host Regional Finals a week from now. The advantages of hosting Regional Finals for the Knights may prove crucial against potential opponents like Tampa, West Florida and Montevallo. Each of those teams has won 12 games or more this season and will be dangerous opposition for the Knights. Lynn has the advantage of five experienced seniors and all have played major parts in the team's success. Jean Alexandre, Tyrell Burgess, Nano Short, James Stuart Hayers and Justin Lee Porter have all started 15 games or more. Alexandre leads the team in goals and Burgess leads the team in assists with nine and is tied second in goals with eight. Porter, playing in defense, has totaled 21 points so far and is by far the most dangerous scoring defender in the conference. These five outstanding seniors have scored 41 of Lynn's 59 goals

this season. With the excellent performances on the field the Fighting Knights have dominated the Sunshine State Conference player of the week awards. Five different players have been named defensive or offensive players of the week with Alexandre winning the award three times in the first four weeks. The other players include Porter, Short, defender Sam Craven and goalkeeper Adam Alcock. “It’s great to be named Sunshine State Conference player of the week, but after this week i think all the boys deserve it,” said Sam Craven, sophomore, “especially after our performance against. Nova.” Whatever happens in the next few weeks Lynn University Men’s Soccer has had an amazing season with memorable moments. Fighting Knight fans are hoping that the team keeps on track toward the goal of a National Championship.

Shield Uniting Freshman

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SHIELD Mentors Host a Presidential Program

By Scott Plumb

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SHIELD is a mentor program designed for first year students at Lynn to be educated on the in and outs of college life for an easy and comfortable transition during their first year. Each freshmen Resident Hall has three SHIELD Mentors that host programs twice a month for students to socialize with fellow residents and learn to handle the obstacles that sometimes occur a student's freshmen year. Some of the successful programs already held this year included homesickness and the dangers of alcohol, but SHIELD recently held a program to educate students on this year's Presidential election.



Students had the opportunity to ask questions about their candidate's in-group discussions and to take quizzes to find out who they should vote for based on their beliefs regarding pressing issues such as education, abortion and taxes. SHIELD events are not all about business either; there was time for fun and games as well. There were prizes given away including an iPod Touch, a portable waterproof iPod stereo

system and dozens of gift cards to establishments all across Boca Raton. The SHIELD presentation gives one the opportunity to learn about the candidates views and gave me a better understanding who I want to vote for,” said Dan Akoghlanian, freshmen.



Students awaiting the announcement of the raffle winner. Top Right: Students participate in a SHIELD activity. Shield Mentors for Trinity Residence Hall. Photos/Hattie Ruehl Special to the iPulse.

“SHIELD programs are great to communicate with other freshmen residents because we learn from each other and learn the great opportunities available at Lynn.” The next SHIELD program will be tonight, educating students about “Diversity” (refer to the Lynn University website campus calendar for more information, for the times vary depending on building.) Food and drinks will be provided along with more prizes for students to win.

Political Symbols Explained

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Symbols for the Republican and Democratic Parties Began as Cartoons

By Brooke Bidgood

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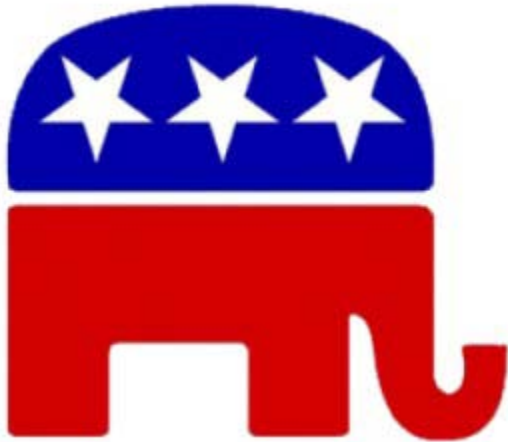


The donkey was first used as the Democratic symbol in Andrew Jackson's presidential campaign in 1828. Jackson's opponents referred to him as a jackass. In turn, Jackson used the strong-willed animal to his advantage and placed it on his campaign posters. In the 1870s cartoonist Thomas Nast began using the donkey regularly for his political cartoons in Harper's Weekly. While at first the donkey was used to represent different aspects and individuals associated with the Democratic Party, it stuck, and the public began to recognize it as a symbol for the Democratic Party in general. Nast also created the Republican symbol of the elephant. The elephant debuted in a cartoon in Harper's Weekly in 1874. The cartoon depicted a donkey dressed in a lion's skin scaring away an elephant.



The elephant was labeled “Republican Vote.”

Nast returned to the elephant to represent the Republican Party in later cartoons. The trend caught on and other cartoonists began to use the elephant as well. The elephant and donkey were created in part to depict negative qualities of both political parties. However, today both parties claim that their animal represents their positive qualities. The Democrats view the donkey as smart and brave, while the Republicans claim the elephant is strong and dignified.





The first use of the Republican elephant and Democratic donkey in cartoons. Below: The modern day symbols of the Republican elephant and the Democratic donkey.

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BARACK OBAMA IS THE 44TH PRESIDENT

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Introducing the Next President and Vice President

By Mike Griffith
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Barack Obama has won the 2008 Presidential Election. Senator Obama took a commanding lead winning with 349 electoral votes to Senator McCain's 161 electoral votes. Senator Obama also obtained 52.31% of the popular vote. Senator Obama and Senator Biden have proven that the country wants a new kind of leadership. There have been many firsts throughout the 2008 Election. One of the most important is that Senator Obama is the first African-American to reach the level of commander-in-chief. The actual election has been about two years in the making, but one candidate stood tallest among them. The economy is under pressure. Obama plans to give tax breaks to the middle class, rather than the top five percent that already hold the wealth. As many hope, Obama will be ending the crisis in Iraq after seven long years. His plan calls for the troops to withdraw in a timely fashion. However, some troops will remain on the ground for use in counter-terrorism operations. The plan will also hand power back to the Iraqi leaders. Obama plans to insert five million green jobs into the workplace. Furthermore, he plans on spending 150 billion dollars to jump start green industries such as solar panel makers and wind turbine builders over the next ten years. As a result, prices

will go down and these products will become more affordable. Barack Obama will lead the United States of America with new ideas and change

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Necessity of Knowing the ABC's

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How Will the Upcoming Election Affect the Realm of Higher Education

By Renee Ingrassia
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Senator Barack Obama and Senator John McCain both list education as one of the key issues in this election. However, how will their stance on higher education affect college students? "Higher education is important because it prepares you for things that you will deal with in the future," said Beatriz Lewis, senior. "It pushes you to better things, and it's just gratifying to have that feeling of knowledge that some people don't have." For the most part, Obama's views on higher education are more clear and prominent. McCain's views on education are more focused on elementary and secondary school. Obama's plan includes interesting statistics about higher education. In the past 5 years the cost of college has grown by almost 40 percent. Nearly 60 percent of graduates finish college with debt approaching \$19,000. It is estimated that between the years of 2001 and 2010 nearly two million students, academically qualified, will not go to college due to the rising cost.



Senator Barack Obama talks with a college student and Senator John McCain bonds with a child.

If elected, Senator McCain wants to strengthen community colleges as an affordable option. He also believes that the amount of aid from a Pell Grant should be increased. As a result, it will pay for more tuition. As of right now, Pell Grants range from \$400-\$4,731 per student. McCain does not believe that veterans should receive a “free ride” for college within 3 years of their service. He would like to keep all colleges and universities modernized in order to prepare students for the workforce. According to JohnMcCain.com, “John McCain has proposed an expansion of the lender-of-last resort capability of the federal student loan system and will demand the highest standard of integrity for participating private lenders.” “Higher education should always be a priority in any election and the government should make college affordable for every student,” said Devin Porter, senior. On the democratic side, Barack Obama believes that the opportunity to extend education should be within the reach of every American. Obama plans on creating a refundable tax credit that will be worth \$4,000 that can be used for tuition and fees every year. In doing so, two-thirds of the tuition for an average public college or university will be covered. He also agrees with McCain that the Pell Grant needs to be expanded. However, according to BarackObama.com, he has “worked in a bipartisan way on the Senate Health Education Labor and Pensions Committee to achieve an increase in the Pell Grant to \$5,400 over the next few years.” In addition, Senator Obama plans to eliminate the most expensive loan program, which provides no greater benefits, but instead will place that money toward aid for students. In doing so, billions of taxpayer dollars will be saved. Although both Senators are very different and have contrastin views, there is one thing that the two candidates have agreed upon. Obama and McCain both feel the financial aid and application process needs to be simplified. Senator Obama believes that instead of having a financial aid form, financial aid should be determined by tax data. “I think education in general is an important issue, so I wouldn’t want to single out higher education,” said Carmeta Blake, professor. “In fact, my philosophy is that foundational education, such as early childhood, elementary, middle and high school deserves a lot of emphasis so that we have solid candidates for college.”

Who's Voted Best Dressed?

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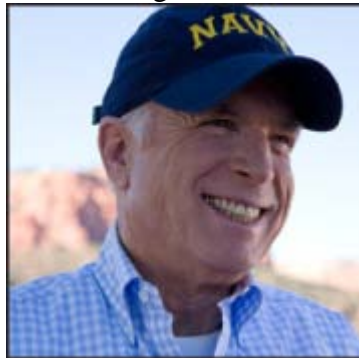
Presidential Candidates Clothing Choices Are Becoming the Talk of the Town

By Hillary Dever

Staff Writer



The November Presidential elections are here, and the competition for the country's next president is head to head. The candidates involved are not only trying to express their beliefs, views and goals to the public, but are trying to do so in style. Barack Obama has been featured on the front cover of men's magazines such as, GQ and Vibe, and was



on Esquire's best dressed list for September.

There is no doubt that his stylist has Barack's best interest in mind. Obama can be seen at many speeches, meetings and public outings sporting a suit with no tie. He has also been spotted wearing black suits with pale blue ties, or wearing ties that compliment his wife's outfit for that specific occasion.



Michelle Obama is often compared to Jackie Kennedy due to her original, sophisticated, smart, chic and simple style. She has won over much of America's vote on style because of her modern attitude toward what is appropriate during the presidential campaign and what is not. Barack Obama's opponent, John McCain, has a completely different approach in terms of style. McCain has been seen making a slight change in his appearance.



Formal and casual dress wear worn by Senator John McCain and Barack Obama

The public used to see him in "power suits," however, now he is switching to a more casual look. McCain is often photographed wearing sweaters over dress shirts while completing the ensemble with a suit jacket and the occasional tie. He is also occasionally seen wearing a baseball cap due to a previous skin cancer diagnosis. Cindy McCain takes a different approach to fashion from democrat Michelle Obama. She uses high fashion stylists such as Oscar de La Renta and Chanel to dress in what could one day be "White House worthy outfits." All of the candidates, their wives and running mates are competing for a very important position that will change the country. They have new ideas, changes and beliefs to bring to the table. They may as well be dressed to impress while doing it.

Politically Active Athletes

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Lynn University's Fighting Knights Voice the Importance of Voting

By Megan Mangone
Staff Writer

The race is on! Lynn University Fighting Knights give their opinions on the upcoming election. There are some who will vote for Barack Obama, while others are supporting John McCain. Everyone has different concerns for the nation and economy. Lynn athletes are going out to vote and speak their mind. The debates that have taken place over the past few months have shifted the way some athletes view the candidates. However, there is still uncertainty in some peoples' minds as to how effective the debates were. Christie Schade, senior, feels that the changing ideas and opinions by Obama and McCain are making this election very confusing. "Why is it that when they are Senators they have one opinion, but now that they are running for Commander in Chief of this country the opinion changes?" said Schade. "Is this because they have changed as a person, or are they conforming to these ideas based on popular belief?" There is a general consensus among Lynn athletes that they want to see oil prices decrease. Even though prices have dropped drastically within the past month, people are still worried they could sky rocket again at any moment. The War in Iraq is also an important topic on peoples' minds. There are some athletes that would like to keep some sort of presence in Iraq and bring many of the troops home. Other athletes would like to see all the troops come home immediately. Whatever the answer is, no one knows just yet. Go out today to voice an opinion.

Talking Politics to the People

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American Studies Major Puts His Passion to Practice on Campus

By Laura Vann
Special to the iPulse



Rob Nobrega show his support to Barack Obama by displaying an Obama '08 sign with a smile.
Staff Photo/Carolina Gonzalez

The presidential race is stirring up political activity on college campuses around the nation. As a January TIME magazine article (The Year the Youth Vote) put it, “Frustrated by feckless Washington, energized by the unscripted, pundit-baffling freedom of a wide-open race, young people are voting in numbers rarely seen since the general election of 1972 — the first in which the voting age was lowered to 18.” “This is the most important election in our lifetime,” said Rob Nobrega, a 19-year-old sophomore at Lynn who has enthusiastically entered the fray this election season. “It’s important for students to understand politics and to be involved. We can make a difference.” He’s certainly trying to do his part. On campus, Nobrega hosts a weekly, one-hour political radio show, “True Blue,” on Sunday afternoons from 1-2 p.m. with fellow classmate and Democrat, Michael Griffith. Both supporters of Obama, “we discuss the major events of each week,” said Nobrega. As president of Lynn’s College Democrats, Nobrega has participated in on-campus debates (College Democrats vs. College Republicans) and has helped register over 120 Lynn students to vote in the 2008 election. Even as record viewers have been tuning in to the seeming nonstop cable news coverage of the race, Nobrega has been doing more than watching. He attends local political events in person. And he is also going door-to-door distributing literature, holding signs on street corners and making phone calls in support of his candidate. Come Election Day, Nobrega will be a precinct watcher. Nobrega, originally from Providence, R.I., is pursuing a major in American Studies with a minor in communication. When not pounding the political pavement or manning the microphone, Nobrega is also the manager of the men’s soccer team, which has spent much of the regular season as the nation’s number one team. It’s a good change of pace, he says. “I have made some true friends as manager,” said Nobrega. “The guys on the team aren’t just good on the field, they are good hearted.”

Q&A with Rob Nobrega

Q: How are you involved on campus?

A: I host two radio shows with other Lynn students – a political show with Mike Griffith and a sports show with James Boris. I'm also the manager of Lynn's men's soccer team and president of the Democratic Club.

Q: What are your hobbies?

A: Sports and politics – I like playing basketball, soccer, baseball and football, and watching mostly any sport. I like reading books, hanging out with my friends, and watching the news, especially CSPAN.

Q: When did you first get involved in politics?

A: When I was a junior in high school, I really started getting interested in politics. In 2004 I worked with the John Kerry campaign for president. In 2006 I worked with Sheldon Whitehouse for Senate, and I'm currently involved in the Barack Obama campaign.

Q: What do you do for the Obama campaign?

A: Mostly, I go door to door canvassing and I make phone calls. On Election Day I will be a precinct watcher.

Q: What do you like about Lynn?

A: I like Lynn because it is a small school. You can be a big fish in a small pond if you put your mind to it and get involved on campus.

Q: What are your plans after graduation?

A: I want to go to graduate school – hopefully here. Then I want to get a job either in politics, on the radio or on TV.

Why to Vote for Barack Obama?

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The Change Train is Coming to America, It's Time to Climb Aboard

By Mike Griffith
Staff Writer



Why would you not vote for Senator Obama? After 8 years of messy politics from the White House with your friend and mine, W. it's time for change. Anyway back to present and hopefully the future for America, Obama. His lead over McCain is increasing in the last few days and with that, the Republican Party is directing his people to go on the attack. Obama represents something new and not the same old, that have tarnished the U.S. Government's image throughout the world and here at home. Republicans like to use the tactic of "he is too young and he is only a junior Senator," which is surpassed by McCain's nearly thirty years on the Hill. I think that a man from outside the box is what citizens deserve now and not a third term of the same. The country needs someone who has not been corrupted by many years of money and disbeliefs. It's like trying to sell a day old newspaper to the public, it won't happen. Let's spend more time on the issues and caring for the common person, which is all that counts. The fact that no one even knew who he was before the election began is beside the point. Every few elections the taste of staleness has to be washed clean from our mouths and Obama is that fresh mint you get from your little tin and tic-tacs. Obama seems to think through his plans more than most, bring a sense of sincerely to a mainly trigger-happy mode of thinking.

Obama is the man for the middle-class, which needs major help. They are hurting and more will be done to save blue-collar workers verse the white-collar elite. The economy is hurting and to help this, Obama's Administration plans to not increase taxes for ninety percent of the nation. Obama will lead this nation with brand new ideas and also bring back a basic moral need. We have a chance for real change and the time is now to vote. Obama only wants the best for one of the greatest nations on the planet. For more on Barack Obama's policies, www.BarackObama.com.

Why to Vote for John McCain?

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Vote McCain. for a Better Future, Because We Can't "Hope" for One

By Scott Plumb
Copy Editor



This year's election could be one of the most influential and important decisions Americans make in our nations history. The race for the White House has certainly been chaotic. The pressure has been building between our two candidates; Barack Obama and John McCain, now it is decision time. "Who are you going to vote for?" This has been the question on everyone's mind these past few weeks. Now, we actually have to make up our minds and head to the polls. Who will you choose? As American's we are given that unique privilege to vote. You would think that an historical election such as 2008, would be a patriotic time for Americans. Instead of coming together for an election, it has become almost like a war between Democrats and Republicans. It is doubtful this is the way our founding fathers imagined our country would be like in the year 2008. We are a young country, capable of many great things, not yet invented or discovered. We need to stop doubting ourselves and take that next step forward for change. This change will be possible by electing John McCain into office. You may think John McCain and Barack Obama disagree on almost everything but, in reality, they actually have set similar goals. They both are planning to take this country to the next level to discover better energy sources for example. However, one of the candidates has a more realistic plan. Like many Americans, McCain believes it is ludicrous to keep spending billions of dollars for foreign oil in Middle Eastern countries. That is why McCain has a plan that U.S. can become an energy independent nation. The Lexington Project is Senator McCain's plan that is designed to research and discover alternative fuels and produce clean alternative energy sources that will be reliable for Americans for years to come. Who says Republicans are not "going green?" The main concern is who is best able to lead this country into the next four crucial years. Unfortunately, our country is not in the position to "hope" for a better future, we need to vote for change. That change is John McCain's promise. McCain is an American that has seen this country in dark times and in bad who has not turned away when times get tough. These dark times are occurring now but, will not remain. The light will come back into our country with time. We now know our mistakes and can move on from them. We have the resources and

knowledge to go forward and lead the world into a new era, an era filled with great change. Vote McCain, for a better future, because we can't "hope" for one. For more on John McCain's policies, visit www.JohnMcCain.com.

Cast Your Vote, Be Counted

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A Predicted Historic Voter Turnout Will Determine America's Future

By Katherine Paxson
Special to the iPulse



Student Government Association's Golf Cart Parade took place to boost voting among college students. Staff Photo/Carolina Gonzalez.

The craze across the nation, and even the world, is the political battle between Senator Barack Obama and Senator John McCain, presidential candidates for 2008. With all of the hype between these qualified individuals, Americans are being asked to cast their vote today to secure the future of this country. Melissa Williams, 20 years old, states her opinions on this year's election and why it is so important to get involved and vote. As a member of the Democratic Party, Williams is casting her vote for Senator Barack Obama. Williams expresses her opinion on why it is so important for the youth of America to get involved. "Everybody counts," said Williams, sophomore. "Every vote should count." Williams has few but effective words to describe how she believes in the voting system. Many students are also expressing opinions supporting the republican candidates. "I love the McCain Palin ticket because as a team they stand for everything I believe in socially, economically and morally," said Danielle Chirichello, senior.

Everyone needs to get involved in these elections as responsible U.S. citizens. The future of the United States of America depends on it. Cast your vote!

Man on the Street

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Would You Rather McCain or Obama Win the Election?



Rachel Lynn Bloche,
Sophomore

“I would vote for Barack Obama. If he won the election I would be so happy because I think he has a lot of brilliant plans coming up.”



Angela Barioli,
Senior

“McCain, because I don’t like Obama, and I’m Republican. If he won, I’d be happy. Obviously everyone wants a change and I’d be interested in what he plans on doing.”



Meagen Surowiecki,
Freshman

“Obama, because I’m a Democrat and so is he. He wants to help the middle class and have them pay less taxes, and I’m in the middle class too so it will benefit my family a lot.”



Jason A Touw,

Graduate Student

“McCain, I feel he’s more qualified and has more experience. Also, he has fought for our country. I feel he’d be better off in the White House, he will do more for our economy and he is pro life. ”



Bilal Siddiqi,

Senior

“Obama, I believe he has a good head on his shoulders and his economic policy is more beneficial than McCain’s. If he won, I’d be happy because it will actually look like America’s growing.”



“McCain, because I think his economy plan is better than Obama’s since I think Obama is going to tax us more. If McCain won, I’d feel like our country would do better in the economy.”



Jamie Steinberg,

Sophomore

“Obama, because I like his views better. I’m for the economy and want it to get better. Since we’re in a real crisis right now, I think we need help to keep everything from getting worse than it already is. If he won, I’d be happy.”



Dayna Carrano,

Freshman

“McCain, because I’m a Republican, and Obama believes we should stop the war. I think we should finish what we started. If he won, I’d be happy.”

By Mike Griffith
Staff Writer

Election night is finally here and Lynn’s Student Government is hosting a party in the Knight’s Court to celebrate the new president-elect. Starting at 7 p.m. and going well into the early morning hours, will be trivia games, political discussions, food and refreshments to carry the spirit of proud voters. Knight’s Court is equipped with six large televisions, all of which will be tuned into all the major networks such as CNN, MSNBC, ABC, CBS, FOX, PBS for the most up-to-date poll results. In addition local news station, NBC Channel 5, will be interviewing students on their vote and opinions. Many first time voters will be voting in one of the most talked about, history-making presidential elections in U.S. history. While Obama and McCain wait out the decision from American voters for the White House, a campus event of huge portions will be in full swing. “Students will want to see how it all unfolds and happens, to see who the next president is,” said Student Government Vice President Lynette Hidalgo, senior. I graduate in May and how am I going to get a job with the way things are.” Hidalgo is still undecided at the moment, but after watching the debates, feels that Obama is the better pick because of the way he answered the tough questions and wants change.

Sleeping with the President

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The Student Government Association Hosts an All Night Election Party

By Mike Griffith

Staff Writer



2008 Voting ballot

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Hollywood's Role in Politics

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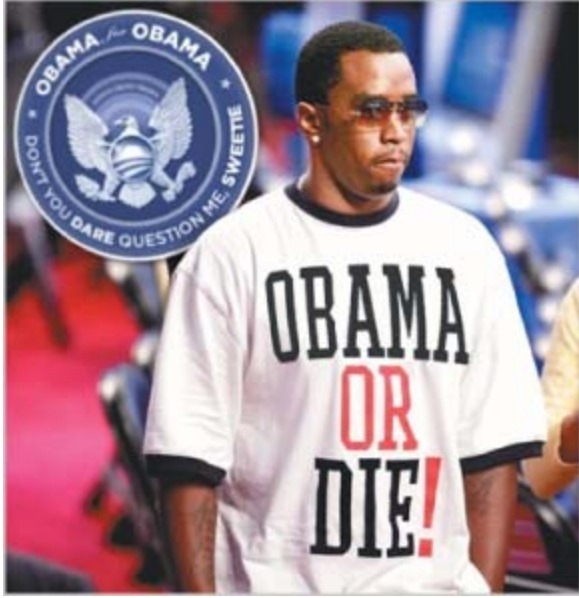
The Hollywood Elite Play a Imperative Part in Modern Campaigns

By Jennifer Rodrigues

Staff Writer



Many have heard time and time again that this year's Presidential Election is a momentous one. It seems like everywhere one goes, people are talking about Barack Obama and John McCain, and Hollywood is no exception. Whether they are taking a stance to support their candidate or urging people to get out to the poles, celebrities are making their voice heard when it comes to Election 2008. One of the first places celebrities took a stand this election was at the Democratic and Republican Conventions earlier this year. At the Democratic Convention in Denver, Sheryl Crow, Will.I. Am of the Black Eyed Peas, Fergie and John Legend all showed up to show their support for Barack Obama. In Minneapolis, Jon Voight, Elizabeth Hasselbeck, Ben Stein and Sara Evans were among the celebrities who showed up to cheer on John McCain at the Republican National Convention. The conventions were not the only place celebrities supported their candidates. Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel traveled to Las Vegas on the campaign trail to speak at a rally supporting Obama.



Elizabeth Hasselbeck models the shirt she designed for John McCain's campaign. Above Right: Puff Daddy wears Obama shirt in support.

Another major celebrity making news with her support of Barack Obama is Scarlet Johansson. She has never been quiet when it comes to her support of Obama, claiming in January, "I'm engaged to Barack Obama- my heart belongs to Barack." Her public support began when she starred in a campaign music video that endorsed the democratic candidate. Obama also has the support of Hollywood royalty in the form of George Clooney, and the queen herself, Oprah Winfrey. Although people of Hollywood tend to sway toward the democratic side, some celebrities have come out stating their support for republican nominee, John McCain. Rocky star, Sylvester Stallone, has shown his support for the war-veteran, as well as California Governor, Arnold Schwarzenegger. Whether it helped or hurt his campaign is not determined, but MTV's The Hills stars, Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt, have also voiced support for team McCain.

While some Hollywood stars have been open enough to show support for a particular candidate, many others have reached out to young people, encouraging them to vote for someone. Will.I. Am. created a video campaign on YouTube, which featured many different celebrities, entitled "Yes We Can." Sean "P.Diddy" Combs has also been urging young people to get to the polls, just as he did in the 2004 election with his popular "Vote or Die" campaign. Even more celebrities support the organizations "Rock the Vote" and "Declare Yourself," which appeal to the younger generation of voters and help people become registered to vote online. Zac Efron and the cast of ABC Family's Greek are just a few of the people who have made videos for the "Declare Yourself" organization. One of the largest supporters of getting young people to vote has been Jessica Alba. From interviews on the red carpet to appearances on talk shows, the actress is constantly talking about the importance of getting one's voice out and voting. She created a series of advertisements in support of "Declare Yourself" that were placed in various magazines. The first ad depicts the star wrapped in duck tape with the phrase "only you can silence yourself" while the second has the star covering her mouth in a hannibal-like mussel. She took the second ad a bit further, creating an infomercial video on YouTube, aimed at selling the mussels to those people not registered. The ad also featured Heroes' star Hayden Panettiere as a

model of the silencing device. It is easy to see the importance of this year's election, and Hollywood took notice. Whether they were supporting a certain candidate or acting as advocates for voting in general, celebrities decided to use their star power to do some good in the world this past year. In return, young people took notice. Voting inspired YouTube clips have been some of the most watched clips on the popular video site since January. Did it make a difference? All have to wait and see when the numbers come out tonight. In the mean time, get out and vote!

Memorable Elections

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Controversial and Unforgettable Presidential Elections

Candidates:

Al Gore (Democrat), George W. Bush (Republican), Ralph Nader (Green Party), Patrick Buchanan (conservative populist), Harry Browne (Libertarian)



The Winner:

George W. Bush

Popular Vote:

50,996,582 (Gore) to 50,465,062 (Bush)

Electoral College:

271 (Bush) to 266 (Gore)

- The 2000 election was one of four elections in U.S. history in which the winner of the electoral votes did not carry the popular vote.
 - Gore conceded on election night, but retracted his concession when he learned that the vote in Florida was too close to call. A recount of the Florida votes ensued, but was eventually ruled unconstitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court.
 - Ralph Nader has formally run for president four times; the first time was in 1996. He was also a write-in candidate in 1992.
- Source: www.History.com

Candidates:

John F. Kennedy (Democrat), Richard M. Nixon (Republican)



The Winner:

John F. Kennedy

Popular Vote:

34,226,731 (Kennedy) to 34,108,157 (Nixon)

Electoral College:

303 (Kennedy) to 219 (Nixon)

- With his victory by a scant 120,000 votes, the 43-year-old Kennedy became the youngest-ever U.S. president. Nixon was 47—only four years older.

- Voters feared that Kennedy, a Roman Catholic, might be controlled by the Catholic Church. He was the nation's first—and only — Catholic U.S. president. (If elected in 2008, Joe Biden would become the country's first Catholic vice president.)

- Kennedy's relaxed demeanor and telegenic looks gave him the edge in four televised debates; many credit these debates for his eventual victory.

Source: www.History.com

Candidates:

Harry S Truman (Democrat), Thomas E. Dewey (Republican), J. Strom Thurmond (States' Rights Democrat or "Dixiecrat"), Henry Wallace (Progressive), Norman Thomas (Socialist)



The Winner:

Harry S Truman

Popular Vote:

24,179,345 (Truman) to 21,991,291 (Dewey)

Electoral College:
303 (Truman) to 189 (Dewey)

- Truman was seen as an underdog going into the 1948 election—so much so that the Chicago Tribune printed newspapers with the headline “Dewey Defeats Truman.” A picture of the victorious Truman holding the newspaper is one of the most famous photos in U.S. history.

- Thurmond won 39 electoral votes.
Source: [www. History.com](http://www.History.com)

Witness Washington, D.C.

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Upcoming January Term Trips to D.C. Available to All Students



WITNESS TO HISTORY: THE 2009 PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION IN WASHINGTON D.C.

(DJAT 109B)

Kerker and Pickering

Students will have the unique opportunity to be part of a historic event while observing and celebrating with the rest of the nation the swearing in of the 44th President of the United States. During the week leading up to the inauguration, students will travel to Washington D.C. to participate in The Presidential Inauguration Program sponsored by the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. This ten-day academic seminar will provide a backstage view of the Presidential Inauguration and focus on the newly elected President and the formation of a new executive administration.

The Presidential Inauguration Program provides students with a unique behind-the-scenes perspective on Washington, D.C. and contemporary politics. The program format includes presentations by influential political and media speakers in the morning and site visits to organizations and embassies in the afternoon. There will also be a bus tour of Washington D.C., a visit to the United States Supreme Court Building and Courtroom, as well as many festive special events including a reception at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce across from the White House and evening entertainment with noted humorist Mark Russell.

Cost Per Student:

\$2,944 – \$2,778

(Airfare Included)

*Estimate cost by final enrollment



Picturesque view of the famous Washington Monument taken during a study tour during the spring semester. Above: View of the Washington Mall in the height of the winter season. Staff Photos/Eric Powers.

WHO WE ARE IS WHO WE WERE

(DJHT 109C)

Schapiro and Wasserman

This course will review the development of the American Cultural personae through the lens provided by governmental institutions. America is a country with a variety of cultural influences which are still reflected in areas throughout the country today. Life as a Cajun in Louisiana and life as an Angelino in Los Angeles are both American, yet both reflect vastly different cultural backgrounds. American governmental institutions as represented by the Smithsonian Museum in Washington D.C. have selected from amongst these various influences and projected an image of the cultural heritage of the United States. This course will explore these cultural selections and examine the myths and realities of what was chosen and what was not. What image is trying to be expressed and what factors from history are being ignored. The course will also focus on how these cultural influences are expressed in current day Washington D.C.

Cost Per Student: \$2,257 – \$2,363

(Airfare Included)

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Reporting Live from the Beltway

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Senior Surveys U.S. Government after Spending a Semester Interning in Washington, D.C.

By Elizebeth Mckey

Special to the iPulse



Plumb posing in front of the White House on the first day of his internship . Staff Photo/Scott Plumb.

With the elections drawing near, senior Scott Plumb offers insight on the happenings of Washington, D.C. Inspired by the story of alum Kevin Wilkins '07, who interned at the White House in fall 2005, Plumb applied for an internship, too—and much to his surprise, was one of 100 chosen from a field of about 900 applicants. Plumb's journey began in the summer of 2006, when he worked from his home in Valley Forge, Pa., to complete the hefty application. He kept his goal a secret until the fall, when he asked Marsha Glines, dean of the Institute for Achievement and Learning, to review his application before he sent it in. One telephone interview led to another. Finally the call came in early December, while he was home Christmas shopping. Plumb had landed the internship. After he submitted the requisite security forms, it was official. He reported to work a month later—on Jan. 7, 2007. The next five months were a whirlwind of work and excitement. Plumb was assigned to the Office of Appointments and Scheduling, where his chief responsibility was handling the numerous invitations the president

receives. Whether it was lunch in the famed West Wing or traversing the halls of the EEOB (Eisenhower Executive Office Building), Plumb was awed by his surroundings. “You walk around those halls and can’t help but think of all the great people who have been there before,” he says. One person he especially enjoyed meeting was then-White House Press Secretary Tony Snow. “He really impressed me. I later decided to take a minor in journalism,” says Plumb, whose major is business. But it was two historic and vastly different events that distinguished Plumb’s time in Washington—the deadliest school shooting in U.S. history on April 16 at Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg, Va., and the visit of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip to the Capitol on May 7. The April tragedy took place on the same day Plumb’s internship group photo was scheduled with President George W. Bush. The photo still took place, but much of the president’s schedule had to be reworked. “The White House is the center of the world when something of that magnitude occurs,” Plumb says. The visit by the royals in May was their first to the United States in 16 years and was met with much fanfare. Plumb’s duty was none other than overseeing the “gold rope” area where the queen’s special guests gathered. From his vantage point, Plumb had a perfect view of the arriving dignitaries. On May 15, Plumb’s internship concluded. Now back at Lynn and soon to be graduating with a M.B.A., he’s glad he took advantage of the once in a lifetime opportunity. “If you put your mind to something, you can do it,” he says. “I’m living proof.”

