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## 2007/2008 SPEAKERS



**CARL HIAASEN**

Noted Florida author

**Tuesday, Nov. 13**

**Noon**

**Tickets: \$60**

A Florida native, Carl Hiaasen is both an award-winning journalist and a celebrated novelist. His columns appear regularly in *The Miami Herald* and have been published in two collections. A comic novelist and satirist, he writes about life, Florida-style, with refreshing frankness. His novels include *Skinny Dip*, *Skin Tight*, *Native Tongue*, *Strip Tease*, *Stormy Weather*, *Lucky You*, *Sick Puppy*, *Basket Case* and his latest, *Nature Girl*.



**DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN**

World-renowned historian  
and author

**Friday, Feb. 8, 2008**

**Noon**

**Tickets: \$60**

Doris Kearns Goodwin has been writing and reporting on politics, presidents and baseball for more than two decades. She is a commentator for NBC, and a consultant and on-air person for PBS documentaries on Lyndon B. Johnson, the Kennedy Family, Franklin Roosevelt, and Ken Burns' *The History of Baseball*.

Honored with the Pulitzer Prize for History for *No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II*, Goodwin also is the author of *Wait Till Next Year: A Memoir*, about growing up in the 1950s in love with the Brooklyn Dodgers, and *The New York Times* best-sellers, *The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys*, *Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream* and her most recent work, *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln*.



# Editor's Letter



Joyce B. Shelfo  
Director of  
Donor Relations

There are so many exciting things to report in this issue of *LynnSights*...

For starters, our students returned to campus in September to find their outdoor community space doubled in size, thanks to a gift from longtime Lynn University friends Mary and Harold Perper.

The Perper Plaza—a crossroads to all corners of the campus—broke ground the day after commencement in the spring and was completed in time for the arrival of freshmen and return of upperclassmen in the fall (page 4).

Now we're preparing to break ground on campus for the 750-seat Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing

Arts Center. The center will serve as a cultural resource for the Lynn campus and neighboring communities.

The stage of this elegant center will be graced by celebrated stars of stage and screen performing in our Live at Lynn series, as well as our own student productions. It also will serve as home to our world-class Conservatory of Music.

We have Boca Raton resident Elaine Wold to thank for the \$6 million lead gift provided through her charitable foundation. For a sneak peek at the artist rendering for the performing arts center, see page 5.

Those are just two of the many blessings we count as we look back on the past 12 months and feel deep gratitude to the generous benefactors who have recognized Lynn at all levels this year.

In fact, we are happy to say that this issue carries an expanded "Faces of Philanthropy" section. Beginning on page 4, we share the highlights of the 2006-2007 banner fundraising year we've experienced—the second largest in the university's history.

Also, we launched two new giving societies—The Leadership Society of Lynn University for those who make an annual gift of \$2,500 or more, and The Legacy Society of Lynn University for those who remember Lynn in their estate planning (pages 9-11).

On a cultural note, we hope you'll join us on and off campus at our university-hosted events.

This season's Dively Frontiers in Globalization Luncheon Lecture Series brings to campus award-winning journalist and comic novelist Carl Hiaasen on Nov. 13, and Pulitzer Prize-winner and historian Doris Kearns Goodwin on Feb. 8, 2008 (at left). As always, renowned economics reporter and emcee extraordinaire Irving R. Levine will introduce the speakers.

Bring the family to St. Andrew's School in Boca Raton to ring in the holidays the old-fashioned way while benefiting conservatory student scholarships. The festive Gingerbread Concert, hosted by the Friends of the Conservatory and featuring Lynn's Philharmonia Orchestra with guest conductor Jon Robertson, takes place on Dec. 9.

Enjoy the music of the von Trapp Family Singers (think *The Sound of Music*) at Boca Raton Community Church on Feb. 24, 2008, as well as any number of student and faculty-artist conservatory concerts held this year on campus in the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall and at St. Andrew's School.

For a complete listing of all Lynn University events, call the ticket office at 561-237-9000.

Before our next issue in the spring, please look for a survey coming to you in the mail. You have been with us as a *LynnSights* reader since its beginning three years ago. Now we want to know what you think about our publication. Help us bring you the Lynn University news you want to read by completing and returning the survey.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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Lynn University in Boca Raton, Fla., is a private, coeducational university awarding bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. Founded in 1962 and accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Lynn stresses individualized learning, innovative approaches and an international focus among its students and faculty. The university currently enrolls more than 2,700 students representing 43 U.S. states and 93 nations. In addition to its colleges of business, international communications, arts and sciences, hospitality management, and education, the university houses specialty programs including the Conservatory of Music, School of Aeronautics, and the Institute for Achievement and Learning, which is an international pioneer in developing successful teaching strategies for students with learning differences. Kevin M. Ross was named Lynn University's fifth president—and the first new president in 35 years—in July of 2006. For more information on Lynn, visit [www.Lynn.edu](http://www.Lynn.edu).

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# Faces of Philanthropy



As I write this, the campus is filled with students and faculty. Glancing outside, I note that many are gathered on the new Perper Plaza—a graceful space for study, conversation

and relaxation in front of the Student Center. This was a gift made possible by Harold and Mary Perper. The plaza, the site of our first “Lynn on the Road” alumni reception of the year on Sept. 27, was officially dedicated on Nov. 7, the annual celebration of our Founders Day. A gift like the Perpers’ is known as a transformational gift because it brings about a new level of distinction to our campus.

2006-2007 was an historic benchmark with contributions of more than \$11 million from alumni, parents and friends. Every gift of every size truly makes a difference at Lynn. Every gift allows us to transform and improve. The year ahead is one filled with dedications, events, networking, and growth. We invite you to take part in the dynamic story of Lynn University.

Judi Nelson

Vice President of Development  
and Alumni Affairs

## Outdoor plaza gets new look, name



*Mary and Harold Perper (center) are joined by Lynn President and Mrs. Kevin Ross and Student Government Association leaders Bernard Londoni (left), president, and Armando Castillo (right), vice president, for the groundbreaking of the Perper Plaza on May 24.*

Students returned to campus this fall to find a new courtyard that doubles the size of the community space at the heart of the campus.

Mary and Harold Perper, longtime friends of Lynn University, gifted students with this special gathering place. Thanks to the Perpers’ \$1 million gift, the courtyard in front of the Lynn Student Center has a new look and a new name. With new brick walkways and bistro seating, Perper Plaza provides an open, welcoming area for students to meet, get a bite to eat, study, or just relax after and between classes. A crossroads to all corners of the university, the Perper Plaza is now the featured site for many campus activities.

The mail room has also been renamed the Perper Mail Room in their honor. The Perper name is not new to the Lynn campus—it’s in the library (Perper Study Lounge), in the Green Center (Perper Multimedia Teleconferencing Center), and now on Perper Plaza and the Perper Mail Room.

“The Perpers have demonstrated their love for students and concern for their welfare over

and over again,” said President Kevin Ross.

“This gift places that commitment on the very pulse of student life, for students, faculty and staff all pass through and use this plaza every day. Perper Plaza will be a wonderful testimony to Mary and Harold Perper’s dedication to Lynn University students.”

A special dedication of the Perper Plaza was held Nov. 7, coinciding with Founders Day.



# \$6 million gift helps build performing arts center

Boca Raton resident Elaine J. Wold made a \$6 million gift through her foundation for the construction of the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center on the Lynn campus.

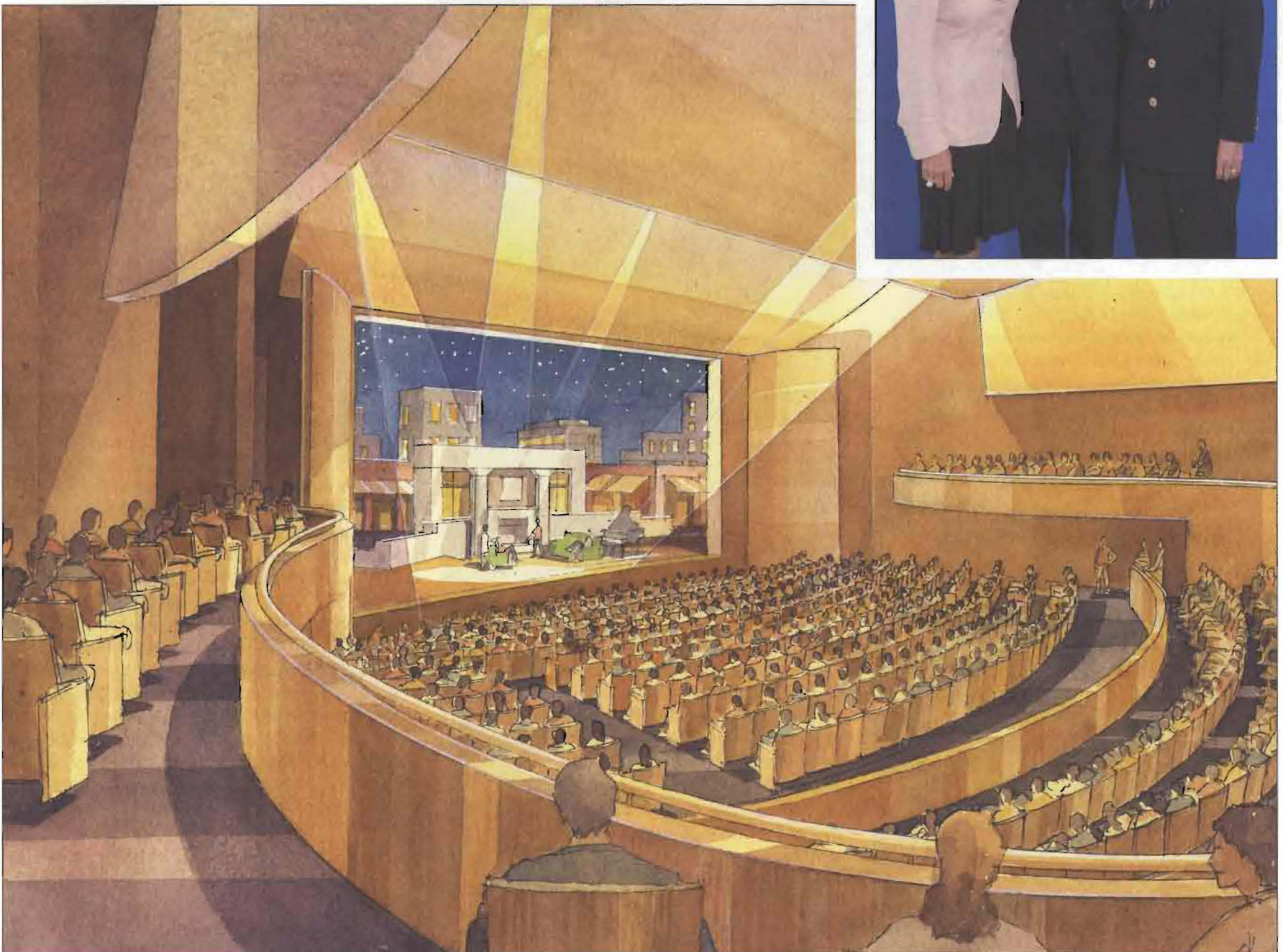
The 750-seat theater, with its elegant lobby, will be home to live theatrical performances by the university's theatre arts program, as well as Conservatory of Music concerts and other university-hosted events. The center will feature

superb acoustics, a modern lighting system, a large, light-filled lobby, and flexible space well-suited for dramatic productions, concerts and other cultural events.

This latest gift by the Wold family for the Performing Arts Center is the university's largest individual gift in support of its strategic plan, *Lynn 2020*, launched in 2006.



*Christine Lynn, Kevin Ross, Elaine Wold*



*Artist's rendering of the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center*

# Faces of Philanthropy

## Lead gift 'serves up' fundraising project for tennis courts



Local benefactors Dave and Barbara Gerrits, along with Dave's sister Christine Kline, and her husband, Jeff, have committed a lead gift of \$250,000 toward the new tennis court complex at Lynn. With this lead gift in place, fundraising for the project has begun.

The tennis complex will serve as the home for the championship-winning men's and women's tennis teams. It will include six varsity courts, three practice courts, covered spectator seating, pro shop, storage room, and hospitality room.

For more information on the project, please contact Jay Brandt, director of athletics development, at 561-237-7947.

*Artist's rendering of proposed tennis facility*

## Gift gives Lynn the 'flight stuff'

Boca Raton resident James McManus made a gift of \$100,000 to Lynn's Burton D. Morgan School of Aeronautics toward the purchase of a twin engine, technologically advanced, complex aircraft to be added to the existing fleet of planes in the program.

"We are particularly grateful for this lead gift. By providing these funds, Jim is not only adding to the value of our already popular flight training program, but also helping us in our quest to acquire a twin engine plane. The twin engine plane will allow our students to be fully certified as commercial pilots after graduating from Lynn University," said Jeff Johnson, dean of the Morgan School of Aeronautics.

When asked why he chose to make this gift to Lynn, McManus simply said, "See a need, fill a need."

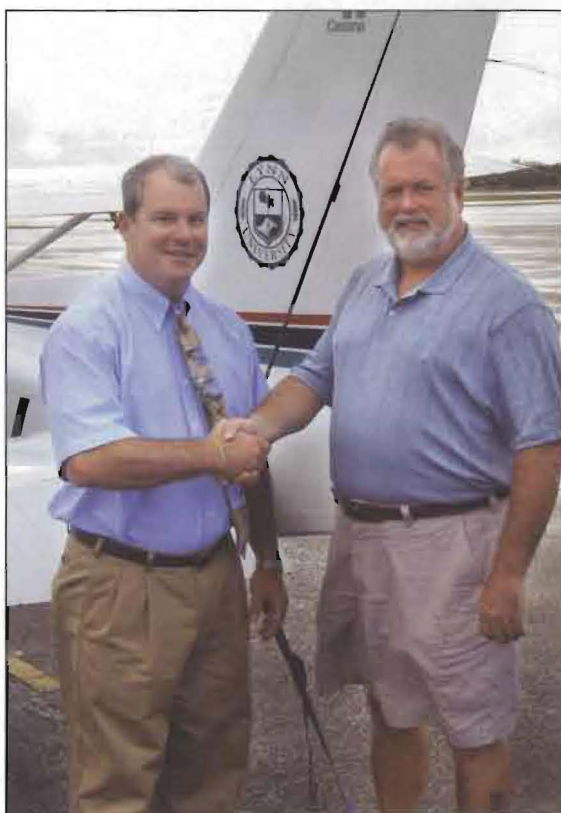
Through the generosity of the Burton D.

Morgan Foundation, Lynn University has established a first-class training facility at the Boca Raton Airport. This facility, located in the heart of the airport, includes classrooms, a meteorological center and assembly area for students. A Frasca International FAA Level 3 Equipped Model 142 Twin/Single Engine FTD also is housed at the airport facility. This high-tech aeronautical simulator is the cornerstone of Frasca's line of flight training devices and was provided to Lynn by the Burton D. Morgan Foundation.

All ground and management classes are held on the university campus in a specially configured classroom. Training items aid in ground instruction that coincides with flight training.

For more information, please call the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs at 561-237-7467.

*Jeff Johnson (left), dean of Lynn's Burton D. Morgan School of Aeronautics, thanks James McManus for his lead gift toward the purchase of a twin engine plane.*



## Boca West awards first music scholarship

It's become an annual tradition—Lynn's Conservatory of Music offers its neighbors, the residents of Boca West Country Club, an evening of music under the stars. In its third year of thrilling music lovers with a spirited live performance with guest conductor Jon Robertson, dean, the conservatory can now award scholarships to deserving student-musicians thanks to the generosity of Boca West. The first Boca West Scholarship was presented to Luis Bautista (flute), who hails from Bogota, Colombia, and is studying in the professional performance certificate program at Lynn. He expects to graduate December 2008. "One of my dreams is to create a foundation in Colombia that helps homeless people and poor people who don't have the chance to play a musical instrument or who don't have access to education," says Bautista.



*Christine Lynn, Jon Robertson, Luis Bautista, Jay Di Pietro*

## Pianos delight students, faculty at the conservatory

In fall 2006, Grace Luhrs of Boca Raton contributed a Yamaha grand piano, an upright piano and a Nickelodeon player-piano to Lynn's Conservatory of Music. Shortly after, James and Marlene Batavia of Delray Beach, who frequently attend conservatory concerts, gifted the university with a second Yamaha grand piano in mint condition. Both Luhrs and the Batavias share a deep appreciation for and interest in classical music.

"From the classroom to the private studio, these generous gifts benefit all the students at the conservatory—they are used for chamber music, ear training and analysis. And it's wonderful for the pianists to be able to explore how they sound when they perform on a quality instrument," remarked Lisa Leonard, conservatory piano faculty.

By providing the resources our student-musicians need to hone and perfect their performance skills, these gifts have made a significant impact on the quality of the educational environment at the conservatory.



*Lisa Leonard, piano faculty, with student David Suarez at the keyboard of donated grand piano*



*Nickelodeon player-piano*

## Knightline callers reach out ... to you

Knightline, an annual fund program, comprises a group of dedicated Lynn students who phone parents, friends and alumni on behalf of the university. Knightline callers contact constituents to update records, give information about campus activities, and to ask for donations to the annual fund. Twelve student callers raised \$130,000 in pledges and gifts from parents and alumni in 2006-07.



# Faces of Philanthropy

## Heller Family Center enters second year of operation

Last year, a \$611,000 gift from the Heller Family Foundation Fund of Tides Foundation established the Heller Family Diagnostic Center at Lynn's Institute for Achievement and Learning.

Now in its second year of operation, the Heller Center rolls out its formal testing program. Students may be referred by faculty or may request for themselves, intelligence and/or achievement testing free of charge. This has been made possible with the addition of a licensed psychologist. Other group supports such as tutoring sessions and outlined learning plans are offered as well.

A newly appointed developmental education specialist acts as the point person for diagnostic services and will liaison with Lynn's colleges and schools on behalf of students.

"All of us at the institute are excited about continuing the programs and services established at the Heller Family Center. The Hellers' gift has made possible the addition of resources such as assistive technology, technology enhanced classrooms and staff including our instructional technologist and psychologist," said Marsha Glines, dean of the Institute for Achievement and Learning.



*Tutoring is available to all Lynn students at the Heller Center.*

## Special guests, local community enjoy music under the stars at Mizner Park

In the spirit of being a good neighbor by giving back to and enriching the life of its community, Lynn University's Philharmonia Orchestra brought an evening of musical enjoyment to an outdoor audience at the amphitheater at Mizner Park in Boca Raton.

As a treat for Lynn's special friends, a private, pre-concert cocktail reception was held on the amphitheater's second tier, after which guests were escorted to VIP seating at tables set in front of the stage.

Under the baton of Jon Robertson, dean of the Conservatory of Music, the orchestra provided a program of beloved American classics by such composers as Bernstein, Berlin, Copland and Gershwin. Conservatory trumpet

artist-faculty, Marc Reese, brought Louis Armstrong back to life in a rousing medley of "Satchmo" classics, including "What a Wonderful World."

Reese was named assistant dean of the Conservatory of Music recently. The head of the conservatory's brass department since 2005, Reese will continue in that capacity in addition to his new role. An internationally acclaimed trumpeter, Reese has spent more than a decade as a member of the Empire Brass, performed with the New York Philharmonic, Cleveland and Boston Symphony orchestras and appears as soloist throughout the United States and abroad.

The audience response to this inaugural free outdoor concert was so positive that Lynn has decided to make it an annual community event.

The next concert is set for 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 12, 2008.



*VIPs get front stage seating for community concert at Mizner Park.*



*Marc Reese*



# LEADERS

# & LEGACIES

Lynn launches two new giving societies,  
The Legacy Society of Lynn University and  
The Leadership Society of Lynn University.

## THE LEGACY SOCIETY OF LYNN UNIVERSITY

Lynn University established The Legacy Society of Lynn University to recognize and thank alumni and friends who have included Lynn University in their estate plans or have completed an irrevocable planned gift to benefit the university. These gifts provide important resources and give the university a solid financial foundation.

“Donors have creative giving opportunities available, such as donating their home or vacation property while retaining the use of it during their lifetime, or establishing an annuity that will benefit both the university and their own financial planning needs. I will help match their interests with the opportunity that will give them the greatest satisfaction in their charitable giving,”

says Michael James, director of planned giving.

Legacy donors have the satisfaction of making a significant personal investment in Lynn’s future. A variety of planned gifts, subject to certain restrictions, qualify for recognition in The Legacy Society:

- bequest provision in a will or revocable trust
- life-income gift that names Lynn University as a remainder beneficiary, such as a charitable remainder trust or a charitable gift annuity
- charitable lead trust that provides current income to Lynn University
- gift or assignment of qualified retirement plan assets, such as an IRA
- gift of an existing, paid-up life insurance policy

Michael James welcomes the opportunity to share with potential planned giving donors, confidentially and with no obligation, ways in which a thoughtful planned gift may benefit both Lynn University and the donor. Please feel free to contact him at 561-237-7469.



Michael James



Ruth and Ken Feigl

## Lynn receives first charitable gift annuity

Globetrotters Ken and Ruth Feigl have been to 149 countries and every continent except Antarctica (which they plan to visit in 2009). So for them, the circle of international flags in front of Lynn’s Schmidt Building represents not only countries they have visited, but also symbolizes what the couple values most about Lynn—its international focus.

“Through our world travels, we love experiencing other cultures and their customs. We think the international diversity at Lynn is wonderful, and it provides a very special educational opportunity for the Lynn students and our community to learn about, and from, each other,” notes Ken.

The Feigls believe in philanthropy and have a long history of sharing their resources with their community—not only treasure, but time and talent as well. “We learned the value of ‘giving back’ from both our families,” says Ruth. It’s just what you did. We may not have had a

lot, but we shared what we did have. When I was growing up, my mother was always very active and involved. Children learn this quality at home. It’s so important for them to see these values in practice.”

“We just love Lynn and its international focus,” remarked Ken. “We take advantage of all Lynn has to offer and enjoy attending lectures, concerts and performances.” So when the Feigls were considering their estate planning options, including Lynn was a natural choice for them. As part of their planning, the couple has included a generous bequest and a charitable gift annuity—Lynn’s first.

A charitable gift annuity meets their current financial planning needs and also allows them to direct the benefits of the charitable gift annuity to a future endowed scholarship. Ruth’s background in advertising and public relations led the Feigls to select the Lynn College of International Communication for the scholarship.

# Faces of Philanthropy

## LEADERS & LEGACIES

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### THE LEADERSHIP SOCIETY

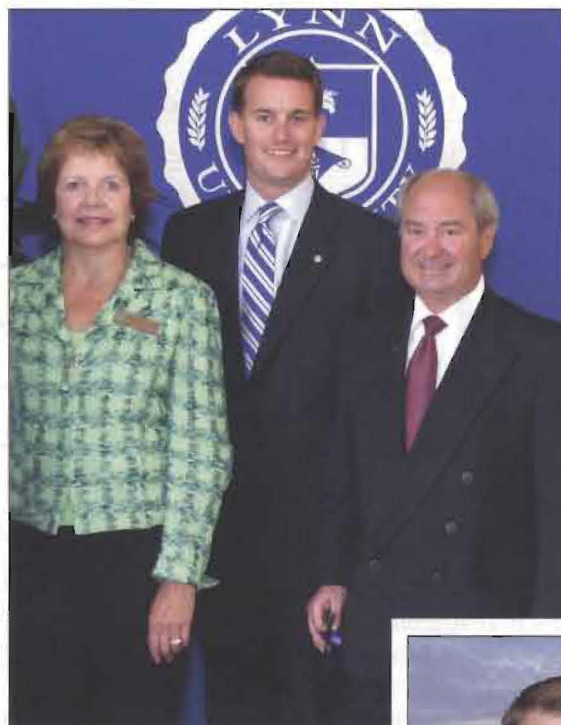
Leadership giving at Lynn is a tradition that spans more than four decades.

It is through leadership gifts that Lynn continues to provide the education, support and environment that empower individual students to realize their true potential and prepare for success in the world.

The newly formed Leadership Society is Lynn University's premier annual giving society and includes donors who have made a gift of \$2,500 or more during each fiscal year, July 1 to June 30.

Leadership Society donors receive invitations to exclusive events, which offer opportunities to engage with other leadership donors and university administrators; pre-release copies of *Lynn Magazine* and *LynnSights* publications; and recognition at appropriate Lynn University events and in university publications.

For more information on The Leadership Society of Lynn University, call Lisa Miller, director of annual programs, at 561-237-7745. To join other parents at this giving level, contact Gareth Fowles, director of regional development, at 561-237-7984.



*Lisa and Henry Ferguson, Leadership Society parents of Elizabeth Ferguson '08, with President Ross.*



*Kevin Ross with Scott Roteman and Gordon Haesloop at the first reception for parents in The Leadership Society.*

“Our Lynn University education helped make it possible for us to be successful in our careers. It is only natural to want to give back. The outstanding faculty and staff have always been committed to giving Lynn students the opportunity to be a success in their fields of study and it feels good that we can help and be a part of that by participating in The Leadership Society of Lynn,” say Frank '99 and Kathy '87 D'Amelio.



*Frank '99 and Kathy '87 D'Amelio, alumni donors in The Leadership Society, at the "Lynn on the Road" reception on Perper Plaza.*

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# Alumni in Action



**Matt Roos** (far left), director of alumni affairs, discusses the alumni events planned for the upcoming year with board members

**Peter Gallo '95**  
**Lisa Kaputa '00**  
**Sarah Daigle '03, '04**  
**Alexis Lewisohn '97**  
**Wayne Jarvis '96**  
**Becky Carlsson '95**

## Lynn on the Road's first stop - Perper Plaza

"Lynn on the Road" kicked off its 2007-2008 season with an opening reception for alumni from throughout South Florida on Sept. 27. More than 100 local alumni gathered at Perper Plaza, the new outdoor courtyard funded by a generous gift from Mary and Harold Perper.

The Alumni Holiday Reception, an annual favorite, is set for Thursday, Dec. 13 at the Boca Raton Resort & Club. Other highlights of the upcoming season include a return to the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C., hosted by Lynn's own noted chief economics reporter Irving R. Levine, and a visit to the Taranta Restaurant, located in Boston's famous North End, owned by chef Jose Duarte '95, '98.



*Alumni enjoy outdoor sofa seating while mingling on Perper Plaza.*



*Alumni Trent Stierwalt, Adam DeVries and Nicholas Trataros re-connect with each other at the first "Lynn on the Road" reception on campus.*



*"We're looking forward to building alumni engagement this year by encouraging alums to come to a 'Lynn on the Road' event and to plan now to participate in Alumni Weekend next April. The more involved you are, the more connected you feel," says Wayne Jarvis '96.*

## Mark your calendars

### LYNN ON THE ROAD

#### New York City

parents only  
 Lotus Club  
 Dec. 6, 2007 | 6-8 p.m.

#### New York City

alumni only  
 Providence Club  
 Dec. 7, 2007 | 6-8 p.m.

#### Alumni Holiday Reception

Boca Raton Resort & Club  
 Boca Raton, FL  
 Dec. 13, 2007 | 7-9 p.m.

#### Washington, D.C.

Cosmos Club  
 April 17, 2008 | 6-8 p.m.

#### Boston

Taranta  
 Special guest:  
 Cynthia Patterson, vice president  
 for academic affairs  
 April 24, 2008 | 6-8 p.m.

#### Chicago

Location: (TBA)  
 May 22, 2008 | 6-8 p.m.

## Alumni Weekend

April 4 & 5, 2008

## Stay Connected

Whether it's a job change, promotion, marriage, birth/adoption, travel or other news, we want to hear from you and share your news with your fellow alumni. It's easy.

Go to [www.lynn.edu/alumni](http://www.lynn.edu/alumni) and click on **Tell Us About You** link on the left-hand side of the page. Simply fill out all fields and click **Submit**.

## Gifts of all sizes count

Annual gifts of all sizes provide money to live by. Whether it is a gift to athletics, the Conservatory of Music, student scholarships, academic programming, or unrestricted in that a donor has placed complete trust in Lynn to use the funds where needed the most, all are valued and make a difference in the lives of our students.

**There are a number of ways by which you can help us fulfill our mission:**

### The annual fund

A gift to the annual fund can benefit student scholarships, various colleges, special university concerts and performances, or the general fund.

### The Leadership Society of Lynn University

With an annual gift of \$2,500 or more during the fiscal year—July 1 to June 30—you will be recognized in our new Leadership Society. This premier annual giving society honors donors who recognize the significant impact leadership gifts have in sustaining a standard of excellence at Lynn for all students.

### An estate gift

An estate gift will provide for the university in perpetuity. Your estate gift may be made as a gift of appreciated stock, real estate, bequests and/or planned gifts.



*Three wrought-iron benches, placed on Perper Plaza, were donated by the Class of 2007.*



## Alumni giving is on the rise!

The 2006-07 fiscal year saw alumni giving top 5.9 percent—up from 3 percent the previous year.

### Be a part of this upward giving trend...

Increasing the alumni giving rate annually is important to help secure hundreds of thousands of dollars in support from corporations and foundations. These organizations consider an alumni giving rate when deciding to donate to Lynn University. So, to help us secure corporate and foundation gifts, we'd rather have 100 alumni giving \$1 than one alumnus giving \$100. Please do your part to help increase our alumni giving rate that will, in turn, help secure corporate and foundation gifts. Please send in your \$1 gift today.

For more information on alumni giving, contact Lisa Miller, director of annual programs, at 561-237-7745.



## The power of a dollar

Tuition at Lynn is \$26,990 per year (not including room, board, fees, etc.) If all 10,000 Lynn alumni gave \$10 each, tuition would be

covered for three students.

Study abroad tours range in cost from \$3,500 to \$5,200 for a 7-14 day tour and approximately \$15,000 for a semester tour. If all 10,000 Lynn alumni gave \$5 each, a 7-14 day study abroad tour for 10 students could be funded.

Students are spending between \$800 and \$1,200 per year on books. If all 10,000 Lynn alumni gave \$3 each, textbooks for 25 students could be purchased.



*"Some of my fellow alumni hesitate to give a gift that they consider to be too small to make a difference. But, it's not how much one person gives, it's the impact the dollars make when combined with all alumni donations. Even \$1 can and will have a huge impact on today's students in real and immediate ways." Becky Carlsson '95, president of the alumni board of directors.*



*"Each time I think of my years at Lynn, my heart smiles. I had wonderful years, great memories and friendships that last forever. I believe that all alumni should make a donation. It's a way to give thanks and make sure our alma mater will continue educating professionals for years to come. For the lovely memories and what we are today, we owe it to Lynn." Lourdes Narvaez Soto '92.*

# Cheering the Home Team



## Men's tennis takes national championship

Lynn University won its first-ever men's tennis National Championship with a 5-1 victory over Valdosta State in a rematch of last season's title match.

The Fighting Knights' title is the 18th in 20 years and is the seventh tennis championship for LU head coach Mike Perez after earning six with the women's squad.

Lynn University closed out the season with 11 consecutive wins, including nine over nationally ranked opponents, while also winning its second consecutive Sunshine State Conference crown.

Several student-athletes earned individual honors as well, starting with sophomore Lorenzo Cava.

Cava was an ITA All-America honoree for both singles and doubles and finished the season atop the singles rankings, the second time a Fighting Knight has achieved the feat.

Lynn University athletics Hall of Famer Ivan Keskinov topped the rankings to close out the 1997 season.

His doubles teammate Julien Carsuzaa was also selected as an ITA All-American for singles and doubles play. The two have combined for eight All-America honors in just two seasons at Lynn.

Finally, senior Dennis Riegraf closed out his illustrious career with the premiere recognition of his final season. Posting an LU best 22-2 record in the third position, he tied the

school record for program singles wins with 72 by sealing the Knights' National Championship with the fifth and deciding point against Valdosta State. Riegraf was also selected as the ITA Southeast Region Senior Player of the Year.



Members of the men's tennis team proudly display their championship rings.

## 2008 Lynn Spring Sports Home Schedule

| Sport    | Date     | Opponent                 | Time      |
|----------|----------|--------------------------|-----------|
| W Tennis | Feb. 1   | Florida Atlantic         | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | Feb. 9   | Valdosta St.             | 11 a.m.   |
| M Tennis | Feb. 9   | Saint Leo *              | 10 a.m.   |
| Baseball | Feb. 10  | Nova Southeastern        | 12 p.m.   |
| W Tennis | Feb. 10  | Tampa *                  | 10 a.m.   |
| M Tennis | Feb. 11  | Northwood (Fla.)         | 2 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | Feb. 11  | Northwood (Fla.)         | 2 p.m.    |
| M Tennis | Feb. 12  | Palm Beach Atlantic      | 2 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | Feb. 12  | Palm Beach Atlantic      | 2 p.m.    |
| Softball | Feb. 13  | Palm Beach Atlantic (DH) | 1 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | Feb. 16  | Florida Southern *       | 12 p.m.   |
| M Tennis | Feb. 26  | St. Thomas (Fla.)        | 2 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | Feb. 26  | St. Thomas (Fla.)        | 2 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | Feb. 28  | Nova Southeastern *      | 2 p.m.    |
| Softball | Feb. 29  | Eckerd *                 | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | March 1  | Winana St.               | 1 p.m.    |
| M Tennis | March 1  | Eckerd *                 | 10 a.m.   |
| Softball | March 1  | Eckerd * (DH)            | 1:30 p.m. |
| W Tennis | March 1  | Eckerd *                 | 10 a.m.   |
| Baseball | March 2  | Winona St.               | 1 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | March 2  | Saint Leo *              | 10 a.m.   |
| Baseball | March 3  | Bloomfield               | 2:30 p.m. |
| M Tennis | March 4  | Georgetown               | 10 a.m.   |
| W Tennis | March 4  | Georgetown               | 10 a.m.   |
| Baseball | March 5  | Felician                 | 2:30 p.m. |
| M Tennis | March 8  | Northwood (Mich.)        | 10 a.m.   |
| Baseball | March 10 | Molloy                   | 3 p.m.    |
| Baseball | March 12 | Adelphi                  | 2:30 p.m. |
| Softball | March 13 | Indiana (Pa.) (DH)       | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | March 14 | Barry *                  | 2:30 p.m. |
| M Tennis | March 14 | Auburn-Montgomery        | 2 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | March 14 | Auburn-Montgomery        | 8:30 a.m. |
| Baseball | March 15 | Barry (DH) *             | 12 p.m.   |
| W Tennis | March 17 | George Washington        | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | March 18 | Franklin Pierce          | 3 p.m.    |
| Softball | March 18 | Northwood (Fla.) (DH)    | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | March 19 | Southern Connecticut St. | 2:30 p.m. |
| W Tennis | March 19 | Columbia                 | 2 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | March 25 | Barry *                  | 2 p.m.    |
| M Tennis | March 26 | Mercy                    | 2 p.m.    |
| W Tennis | March 27 | SUNY-Binghamton          | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | March 28 | Saint Leo *              | 2:30 p.m. |
| M Tennis | March 28 | Florida Southern *       | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | March 29 | Saint Leo (DH) *         | 12 p.m.   |
| M Tennis | March 30 | Rollins *                | 9:30 a.m. |
| Baseball | April 4  | Tampa *                  | 3 p.m.    |
| Baseball | April 5  | Tampa (DH) *             | 12 p.m.   |
| M Tennis | April 5  | Embry-Riddle             | 10 a.m.   |
| W Tennis | April 5  | Embry-Riddle             | 10 a.m.   |
| Baseball | April 11 | Flagler                  | 3 p.m.    |
| Softball | April 11 | Rollins *                | 2 p.m.    |
| Baseball | April 12 | Flagler (DH)             | 12 p.m.   |
| Softball | April 12 | Rollins * (DH)           | 1 p.m.    |
| Baseball | April 15 | St. Thomas               | 3 p.m.    |
| Softball | April 18 | Florida Southern *       | 3 p.m.    |
| Softball | April 19 | Florida Southern * (DH)  | 1 p.m.    |
| Baseball | May 2    | Florida Tech *           | 3 p.m.    |
| Baseball | May 3    | Florida Tech (DH) *      | 12 p.m.   |

\* Sunshine State Conference game

(DH) Double Header

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## ames and Faces



### Countess awarded honorary degree

During commencement last May, board of trustees chair **Christine E. Lynn** and Lynn President **Kevin M. Ross** awarded Boca Raton resident and philanthropist, **Henrietta Countess de Hoernle**, an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters. A generous longtime Lynn supporter and member of the board of trustees, the countess was recognized for her longstanding devotion "to philanthropy and improving the quality of life for those in her local community." Countess de Hoernle, it was noted, has enthusiastically supported "numerous local, educational, cultural and charitable institutions" in addition to Lynn.

### Conservatory's Rust tours Asia

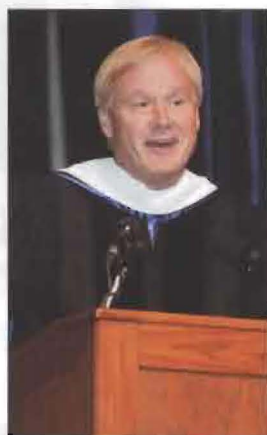
**Roberta Rust**, a professor of music and piano artist-faculty in the Conservatory of Music at Lynn University, completed her fifth tour of Asia this summer, performing recitals and giving master classes in Manila, Philippines and Beijing.

While in the Philippines, Rust met with Lynn conservatory alumni at their school founded by **Imelda Marcos**. Rust shared a lunch with the former first lady of the Philippines and patron of the arts. Additionally, Rust has just released a new solo piano CD, "Devoted to Debussy." Five works rarely heard in concert or on disc are presented on the album alongside a variety of well-established works by the French master. The Lynn faculty member has also released a collection of works by Franz Joseph Haydn and the "Piano Music of Villa-Lobos" as well as "Three American Premieres and the Prokofieff Sonata No. 6."



*Roberta Rust and former student in the Philippines.*

### Political commentators address grads



*Chris Matthews*



*Paul Begala*

Network news political analysts **Paul Begala** and **Chris Matthews** served as keynote speakers at the graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremonies, respectively. Both speakers delivered simple messages to the Class of 2006—Begala told students "to believe" in self, family and country. Matthews encouraged grads to face the daunting task of now being expected "to produce." He added, "The people who show up get the chances. So show up."

### First on-campus relay donates to American Cancer Society

More than 400 of Lynn's students, staff and faculty formed teams and gathered at the intramural field on campus to host Relay for Life 2007. This was the first year that Lynn hosted the event on its campus. The Lynn teams walked through the night and raised more than \$25,000 for the American Cancer Society. The purpose of this overnight annual community event is to raise funding and awareness for cancer while honoring those whose lives have been touched by the disease.



# Theatre

## 2008

### SAY GOODNIGHT, GRACIE

starring Don McArt  
 Sponsored by Madelyn Savarick, Linda L. Miller and Sue Ellen Winkleblack  
 Wednesday, Jan. 16 — 2 and 7:30 p.m.\*  
 Thursday, Jan. 17 — 7:30 p.m.  
 Friday, Jan 18 — 2 and 7:30 p.m.  
 Saturday, Jan 19 — 2 and 7:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, Jan. 20 — 4 p.m. **SOLD OUT**



*Say Goodnight, Gracie* is the hit Broadway play that invites the audience to spend a hilarious, heart-warming evening in the uplifting company of the world's favorite and funniest centenarian. *Say Goodnight, Gracie* was Broadway's third longest running solo performance show, was nominated for a 2003 Tony Award for Best Play, and won the 2003-04 National Broadway Theatre Award for Best Play.

### IF YOU EVER LEAVE ME... I'M GOING WITH YOU!

starring Reneé Taylor and Joe Bologna  
 Sponsored by Madelyn Savarick  
 Saturday, Feb. 2—7:30 p.m. \* **SOLD OUT**  
 Sunday, Feb. 3 — 4 p.m. **SOLD OUT**  
 Monday, Feb. 4 — 7:30 p.m.

Emmy Award-winning and Oscar-nominated husband and wife team Reneé Taylor and Joe Bologna star in this hysterically funny comedy that celebrates their acting/writing partnership and three-decade love affair.

### LESLIE UGGAMS

Sponsored by Ellie and Leon Carman and Paul W. Carman  
 Wednesday, Feb. 20 — 2 and 7:30 p.m.\*



Tony Award-winner, TV personality and star of the Broadway-bound new show *Stormy Weather—the Story of Lena Horne*

### SHAELAUREL—IRISH FAMILY BAND

Saturday, March 15 — 7:30 p.m.\*  
 Sunday, March 16 — 4 p.m.

A nationally-touring family band playing contemporary, traditional, bluegrass and Celtic music combined with a fun and comedic stage show.

\* All receptions following performances sponsored by Linda L. Miller and Sue Ellen Winklerblack.

### LIBBY DODSON'S LIVE AT LYNN SERIES

Jan McArt, producer

All performances take place in the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton

**Tickets:** \$35 Show only  
 \$45 Show and reception

### NOËL & COLE

starring Steve Ross with special guest artist, Jan McArt  
 Sponsored by Marilyn and Marvin Kimmel and Elaine Wold

Friday, Nov. 16 — 7:30 p.m. \*  
 Saturday, Nov. 17 — 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
 Sunday, Nov. 18 — 4 p.m.

Legendary cabaret and concert artist Steve Ross and Jan McArt, the first lady of Florida musical theatre, perform the music of Noël Coward and Cole Porter.

Jan McArt, producer  
 Libby Dodson's  
 Live at Lynn Series



# Music

## The Gingerbread Concert

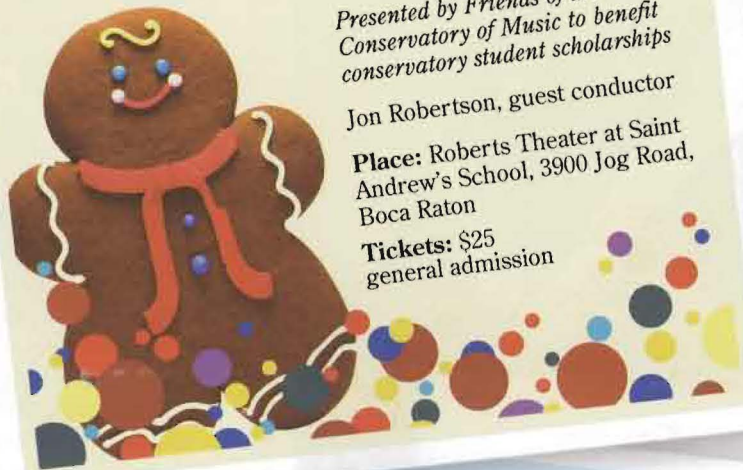
Sunday, Dec. 9—3 p.m.

Presented by Friends of the Conservatory of Music to benefit conservatory student scholarships

Jon Robertson, guest conductor

Place: Roberts Theater at Saint Andrew's School, 3900 Jog Road, Boca Raton

Tickets: \$25 general admission



## THE VON TRAPP FAMILY SINGERS

Sunday, Feb. 24—4 p.m.

Presented by the Friends of the Conservatory of Music

One of the world's most beloved families brings its unique "sound of music" to benefit conservatory student scholarships.

Boca Raton Community Church  
 \$75/\$50/\$35



## LYNN PHILHARMONIA IN CONCERT AT MIZNER PARK

Saturday, April 12—7:30 p.m.

FREE

Mizner Park Amphitheater, Boca Raton

The Lynn University Philharmonia honors its patrons with a free outdoor concert under the stars at the stunning Mizner Park Amphitheater. The Philharmonia will be joined by Ed Polcer and his Jazz All-Stars for an evening of spectacular music.



TICKET OFFICE: 561-237-9000