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Snyder Sanctuary will serve all faiths

Thanks to a generous gift from Stephen F. and Jamie S. Snyder, Lynn University will soon have a special place on campus to serve the spiritual needs of students, faculty and staff from all faiths and beliefs.

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On **Friday, March 28**, a golden shovel ceremony was held to break ground on Snyder Sanctuary, a multi-faith haven for solace, contemplative thought and spiritual exploration.

Lynn President Kevin M. Ross welcomed students, faculty, staff and special guests. “The Snyder Sanctuary will be a magnificent place for students of all faiths to come together and learn more about each other’s religions,” he said. “We are extremely grateful to Jamie and Steve Snyder, our board of trustees vice-chairman, for stepping forward with the vision to make this spiritual center possible.”

Remarks by Steve Snyder, architect Herbert Newman, and Terence McCorry, director of spiritual and religious life, followed.

This year’s Snyder Scholar, Cydney Schmidt (Class of 2015), addressed the audience. “The Snyder Sanctuary will be a beautiful addition to the Lynn University campus. The hectic, stressful and emotional life of a college student today can become overbearing at times. As students, we fall into the trap of constantly going and doing, and often times we just need time to ourselves, to concentrate on something that makes us happy personally. The Snyder Sanctuary will deliver a safe place, a place where our minds can relax and wander, and I cannot wait to utilize it.”

The late morning event featured music performed by members of the Lynn University Conservatory of Music.

Snyder Sanctuary is the creation of Newman Architects, the same firm that designed the campus’ Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center and the Eugene M. and Christine E. Lynn Library.

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Cydney Schmidt, Class of 2015



L-R (back): Stephen Snyder, board of trustees vice chair; Therese Snyder; Barron Snyder; Jamie Snyder (front): Luke Snyder, Phoebe Snyder

Steve Snyder says

“A recent survey conducted at Lynn indicates that **75 percent** of incoming students identify themselves as spiritual.

“It seems that there is a need for a non-denominational, spiritual place on campus where our diverse international student community can come together to explore their values and beliefs, search for meaning, experience meditation, music and celebration of life’s events.

“We think that such a place should have three components: a classroom for learning; a larger space for lectures, music recitals, meditation and celebration; and a labyrinth, an ancient spiritual pattern found in all religious traditions, which is a metaphor for the spiritual journey.

“The outdoor labyrinth takes the form of a spiral, which is suggestive of our meanderings as we try to discover our inner selves. The architecture reflects this vision and invokes a sense of Stonehenge as well as the geometry of nature, which is evident in everything from the spiral shape of seashells to the growth patterns in the pineapple and pinecone.”

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Stephen Snyder, board of trustees vice chair; Herbert Newman; Kevin Ross, president

John & Margaret Mary Shuff



Jamie Snyder, Jan Middlebrook, Beth Osborne, Bonnie & Bill Smith



Elaine Wold; Donald Ross, president emeritus, Helen Ross



Michelle & Peter Newman, Silas Newman



L-R (back): Barron Snyder, Leslie & Mark Hemeon, Therese Snyder, Johanna Welt
(front): Jamie Snyder, Luke Snyder, Phoebe Snyder, Stephen Snyder



Louis & Anne Green; Victoria Rixon, board member, Mark Rixon

About the Snyder Sanctuary

Scheduled to open next fall, Snyder Sanctuary will take spiritual concepts found in cultures around the world and connect them with themes found in nature.

The design highlights seven walls, frosted glass windows and a labyrinth.

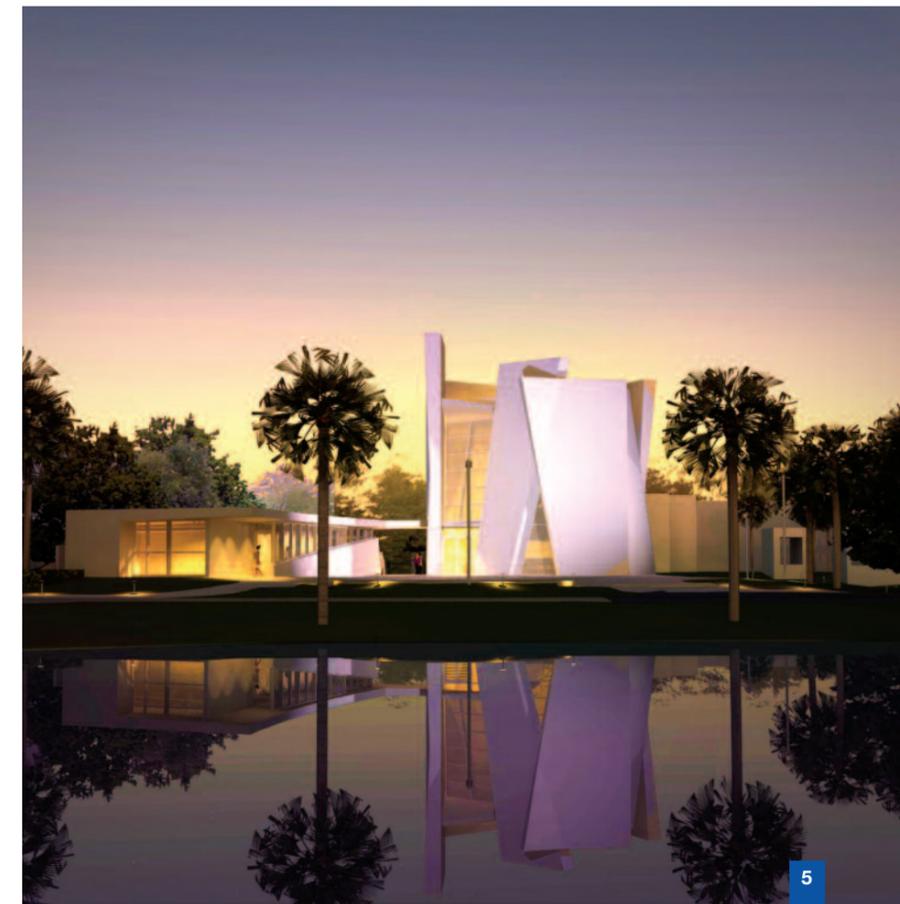
The seven walls lean on each other to create a spiral form—showing the interdependence of all living things and giving a sense of movement and permanence.

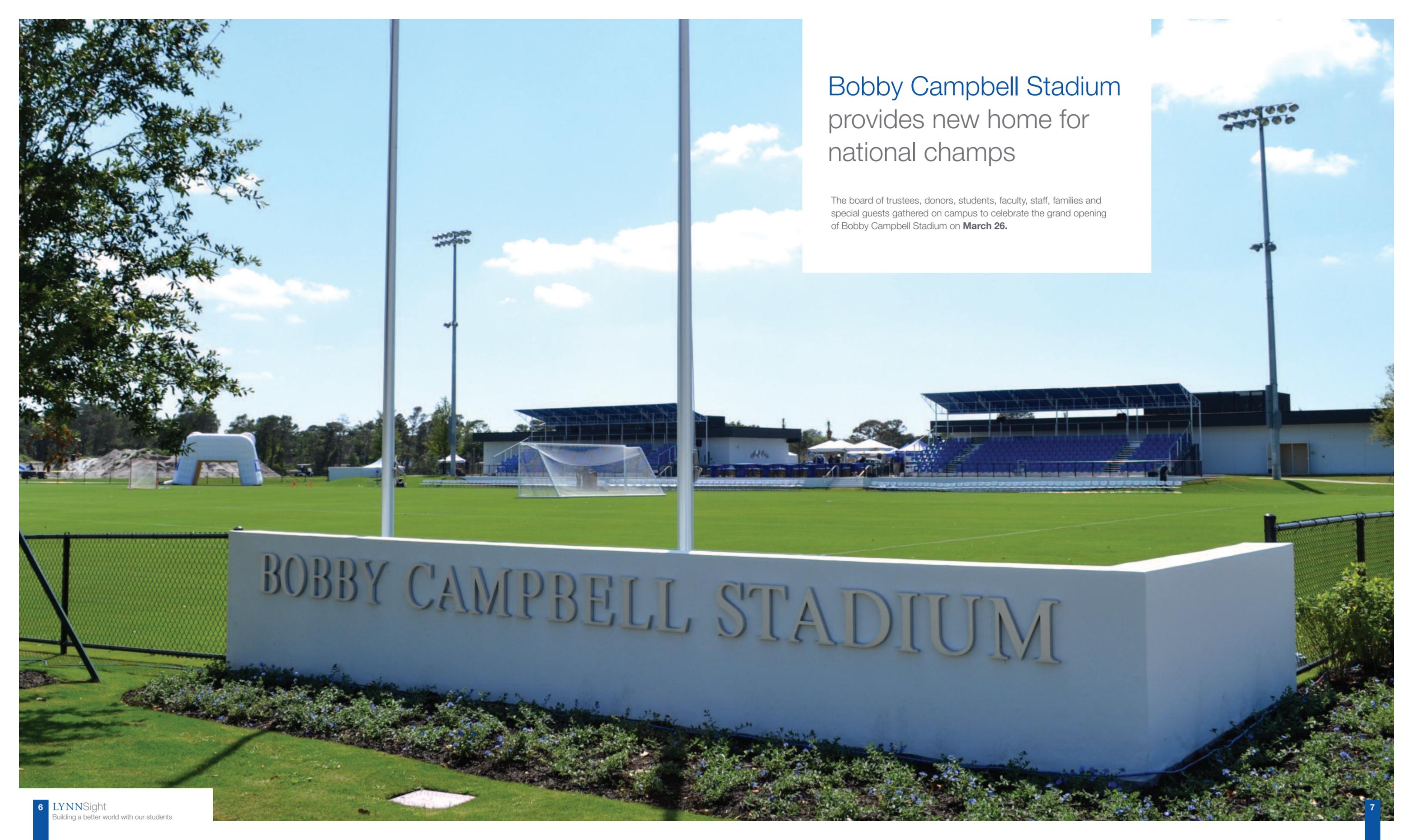
Frosted glass windows allow natural light to fill the room with shifting patterns throughout the day as the sun moves through the sky—communicating a sense of change.

The labyrinth, long used as a meditation and prayer tool, has a winding yet purposeful path—representing a journey to our own center and back out again into the world.

The Snyders set the guideline that the sanctuary will welcome people of all faiths, never favoring one over another. There will be no religious iconography and no administrative office manned by clergy of any religion.

The Snyders have resided in South Florida since 1971 and are active in a number of community organizations.





Bobby Campbell Stadium provides new home for national champs

The board of trustees, donors, students, faculty, staff, families and special guests gathered on campus to celebrate the grand opening of Bobby Campbell Stadium on **March 26**.

BOBBY CAMPBELL STADIUM

The late afternoon celebration included a tailgate party, raising of the flags, a marching band, family activities, musical and athletic performances and food stands.

Designed by architectural firm Gensler, the stadium—the new home to one of the country’s most successful soccer programs with eight national championships—meets all NCAA Division II requirements for soccer and Lynn’s newly added sport, men’s lacrosse.

Lynn is the first school in South Florida to have an NCAA lacrosse program and is key in bringing the lacrosse culture to the region.

“The stadium is a game-changer in terms of recruiting,” said John Rootes, men’s soccer head coach. “We have the finest stadium of any NCAA Division II program in the nation.” Brian Kingsbury, men’s lacrosse head coach, said, “Lacrosse is the oldest sport in North America, and it is great to have Lynn add it to its other 13 sports. Playing in Bobby Campbell Stadium will be an unbelievable experience for the players and fans.”

(The lacrosse team won its first game in program history on March 11 against Lees-McRae.)

The stadium provides seating for 500 spectators and a large open area perfect for tailgate parties and other family and community gatherings.

The Class of 2014 leaves its signature on the stadium with a campus landmark gift of three flags. Each home game for lacrosse and soccer will start with the “National Anthem” as fans, student-athletes, coaches and referees face the American flag, Florida state flag and Lynn University flag.

Unlike any other class before it, members of the Class of 2014 had the chance to see their gift used before they graduated.



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— Bobby Campbell



Photos

1. Class of 2014 gift of three flags: the American flag, Florida State flag, Lynn University flag
2. Kristen Migliano, athletic director
3. Greg Malfitano, vice president for administration and development; Dave Busch; Brooks Eden; Big LU
4. The grandstands are a gift from Mary and the late Harold Perper.
5. Christine E. Lynn, board of trustees chair
6. Boca Raton Mayor Susan Haynie, John Gallo
7. Ryan Malfitano, Barbara & Greg Malfitano, J. Taylor Malfitano



Lead donors were acknowledged:

- Bobby Campbell for the stadium
- Mary Ann and the late Harold Perper for the grandstand seating
- An anonymous donor who named the field in honor of Gregory J. Malfitano '75, senior vice president for development and administration, for his 41 years of service to Lynn.

President Ross welcomed everyone and spoke about the importance of the stadium to the university: allowing us to add men's lacrosse to our sports roster and to host night games in a lighted facility befitting a championship soccer program.

Bobby Campbell was invited to the podium, where he was presented with a medal, a framed jersey, and a jersey to wear when he comes to the games in the new stadium that bears his name.

He said, "Wow! It's me who should be thanking you. I never played soccer or lacrosse, but I played football and I've never seen a stadium like this before."

Women's soccer goalkeeper Meghan Dolan, Class of 2015, spoke of the thrill the teams will have playing in the new stadium. "One of the most exciting features of the new stadium is the floodlights. We are looking forward to playing night games under the lights in reasonable temperatures. Under the Florida sun, our 1 p.m. games sometimes felt like 90 days instead of 90 minutes.

"Night games will allow more of our students and fans to come out and watch us. We can always rely on our Fighting Knights fans and we are so grateful for their support, noise and encouragement.

"It's now up to the men's and women's soccer teams, along with our lacrosse team, to build a fearsome home record. There are so many great memories from our old soccer field, but it is now time to make new ones."

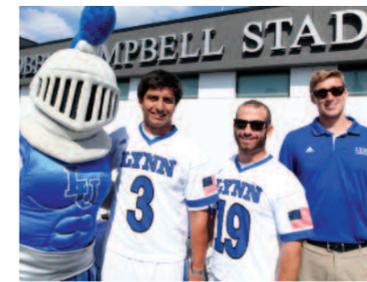
Campbell was invited to kick the first soccer goal. Ross, a former lacrosse player, and Malfitano (who played soccer 1973–1975 when Lynn was known at the College of Boca Raton) and Malfitano's sons, Taylor and Ryan '09, took their first lacrosse shots in the new stadium.



Bobby Campbell kicks the first soccer goal in the new stadium.

Photos

1. Brooks & Maria Eden
2. Barbara & David Gerrits
3. Stephen Snyder, board of trustees vice chair, Jamie Snyder, Donald Ross, president emeritus
4. Don & Helen Ross, Kevin Ross, president
5. Robert Sheetz, Anne Green, Bobby Campbell, Debbie Lindstrom, Louis Green
6. Keri & Dr. George Kolettis



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Lynn continues ‘going green’ with new energy plant

Lynn stands strong in its commitment to create a more sustainable campus, community and planet.

Our fragile natural surroundings in South Florida serve as a daily reminder of why our efforts to “go green” are vital to the longevity and mission of the university.

On Feb. 12, President Ross led a ribbon-cutting ceremony to dedicate the campus’ new Central Energy Plant, the key component of Lynn’s comprehensive **\$10.7 million energy efficiency program**.

This effort—the largest single-phase university project of its kind in Florida—is designed to ensure 30 percent utilities reduction, among other sustainable benefits.

Over the contract’s 20-year duration, according to Siemens Greenhouse Gas Calculator, the energy plant and all energy saving measures will allow Lynn to reduce CO2 emissions enough to:

- remove the equivalent of approximately 10,000 cars from the road
- preserve 386 acres of forest
- negate the consumption of 290 rail cars full of coal

Greg Malfitano, senior vice president for development and administration, said, “Our investment in green energy will save the university millions of dollars for many years. We retrofitted the entire campus to put in new chilled water pipes. We’ve traded out every lightbulb, every toilet fixture, and we’re using reclaimed water for the first time in our chilled water system for air conditioning. The money we save will go straight back to the students. We’ll build up the campus with new dorms and a much-needed student center.”

“The Central Energy Plant is a transformational facility in our campus sustainability plans and supports the university’s master plan,” said President Ross.

“We’ll be able to reduce the university’s energy consumption equivalent to taking 90 cars off the road for a year... or enough energy to power 60 homes for a year. We are confident the work done today will sustain us ecologically and economically for future generations of students.”

Photos

1. Megan Rodwell, Class of 2014
2. Dave Gerrits, Tom Heffernan, Marc Craddock, Todd Galimidi, Kevin Ross, Big LU
3. Gregg Cox, Chris Boniforti, Alex Keller

Biology major Megan Rodwell, Class of 2014, spoke from a student’s perspective:

“Lynn set its Going Green plan in place in 2010, my freshmen year. What’s so exciting is that the concepts I learn in classes are coming to life before my eyes.

“As a science major, the sustainability ideas we imagine are now becoming a tangible concept. It’s like watching my lectures sprout from the paper and bloom into a real life device. I get to watch my lessons be applied to my school, my classmates and even myself, which adds a whole new dimension to my education. One I couldn’t get at any other university.

“Here at Lynn I’ve been given many once-in-a-lifetime opportunities, and now I can add the experience of this Central Energy Plant to my list. As a Florida native, I am thankful for all of the efforts to conserve our aquifers and in return, save our beautiful state.

“I couldn’t be any more proud of my university and the things they are doing for not only my generation, but also the future ones to come. Like the Native American proverb says, ‘We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors; we borrow it from our children.’ ”



Campus awaits opening of new business center

Scheduled to open in August for the fall 2014 semester, the International Business Center will provide exciting opportunities to students in the College of Business and Management—Lynn’s largest and most international college with more than 1,000 business students hailing from 70 nations.

“There is excitement building on our campus as we watch the final floor being completed on the International Business Center,” said Lynn President Kevin M. Ross.

“We now have a real sense of the teaching and learning possibilities that can take place inside this magnificent new structure.”

In keeping with Lynn’s Going Green initiative, the new business center is targeting LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Platinum certification, which is the highest award for “green” structures.

The new center will be outfitted with technology systems, conference and meeting areas for collaboration between students, faculty and outside corporations, plus other innovative areas:

- **The Snyder Idea Lab**—to acquire skills to create and develop new companies, which will transform students’ start-up concepts into ready-to-launch businesses
- **The Peter O’Neill Investment Center**—for access to the same resources and technology that students will use in their business careers
- **Beyond the Classroom**—a space for hands-on learning and work on campus with outside companies

“The faculty and staff are incredibly excited about the building and all the options it will provide our students,” says Tom Kruczek, dean of the College of Business and Management. “In addition to classroom teaching, there will be so many opportunities outside the classroom that will help our students be prepared and ready for a successful life after Lynn.”

The International Business Center will be dedicated on Oct. 16.





All styles of giving

Jose Duarte '95, '98

Keen on green

Jose Duarte received two degrees from Lynn University: a Bachelor of Science in hospitality management and a Master of Science in hospitality administration.

For the past eight years, Duarte has hosted Lynn on the Road receptions for fellow alumni and parents at his award-winning Boston restaurant, Taranta. The North End eatery is certified as one of the few “green restaurants” in the world.

Duarte has won numerous awards for his sustainability efforts including the 2008 City of Boston Green Business Award, the 2011 Massachusetts Recycling Award, Waterford Crystal Chef of Chefs Award, 2011 Massachusetts Chef of the Year and Top 100 Most Influential Latinos in Massachusetts.

His recent work includes the use of innovation and technology to promote traceability—knowing where a food item is or has been and what has been done to it.

Duarte currently serves on Lynn’s PAAC (President’s Alumni Advisory Council) and was the keynote speaker for the university’s 2013 J-Term. Joined by human rights activist Gerardo Reyes, Duarte spoke on sustainable food and the fair treatment of farmworkers.

Duarte has been a member of Lynn’s Leadership Society since 2009.