President’s Medallion winners

Every year, one student in each of Loyola’s colleges and schools is honored with the President’s Medallion, a University tradition that dates back more than 40 years. “Our President’s Medallion winners exhibit the qualities that best represent the Loyola student and the spirit in which Loyola’s founders created our University: scholarship, leadership, and service,” says President Michael Garanzini, S.J. “I speak for all of Loyola when I say that we are extremely proud of these students and their accomplishments.”

Medallion recipients are recommended for the award by their respective academic deans based on achievements both inside and outside the classroom. Not only are they exemplary scholars, but they must demonstrate integrity and leadership by serving others through student organizations or community service.

Loyola’s 2006-07 President’s Medallion winners

Front row, L-R: Christie Mason, School of Social Work
Purnima Chennameneni, College of Arts and Sciences
Christine Winford, School of Continuing and Professional Studies
Lauren Di Benedetto, School of Education

Back row, L-R:
Daniel Fraczkowski, Marcella Niehoff
School of Nursing
Patrick Richard Query, Graduate School
Denis Ehmig, St. Joseph College Seminary
Stephen Wells, School of Business Administration
Jeremy Daniel, School of Law
Daniel Bateman, Stritch School of Medicine

Loyola Gives

Through the Loyola Gives to Chicago program, University faculty and staff brightened the holiday season for some of Chicago’s less fortunate, raising funds and purchasing gifts for members of 40 families.

Loyola Gives is an annual program held in conjunction with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago, which identified 500 families facing financial difficulties. Their struggles stemmed from a variety of situations, including homelessness, unemployment, illness, or substance abuse.

In collaboration with Catholic Charities’ Unwrap the Spirit sponsor-a-family program, Loyola Gives had a banner year. Faculty and staff supported close to 10 percent of the entire Catholic Charities’ program, and also collected more than 100 unwrapped gifts to be donated in Loyola’s surrounding communities of Rogers Park and Edgewater.

Summur Roberts, coordinator, Community Relations, organized the campaign, and recently received a call from Catholic Charities, which was overwhelmed by Loyola’s generosity. Several families also sent cards expressing their gratitude for the kindness of faculty and staff.

Loyola Gives would like to extend a special thanks to Black Men’s Initiative, UMC, Ann Bezbatchenko, Irene Childs, Cheryl Sporlein, and Judy Sunvold for all of their help this year.

Photos above: Participants from Graduate and Professional Enrollment Management and University Marketing and Communications wrapped holiday gifts for the Loyola Gives program.

Loyola Center of Excellence awarded $1.3 million contract

Loyola University Chicago’s Center for Science and Math Education (CSME), along with its partner, the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), has been named the recipient of a $1.3 million contract from Chicago Public Schools (CPS). The contract is part of Mayor Daley and the City of Chicago’s highly touted high school transformation project. Under the guidelines of the contract, Loyola and UIC will receive a guaranteed $1.3 million this year, with the potential for a total of $3.5 million over the course of a three-year agreement with CPS.

As one of four universities taking part in the transformation project, Loyola will focus on curriculum alignment and enhancement, professional development for teachers, and embedded assessment in the inquiry-based science curriculum being implemented at several CPS high schools.

To learn more about the CSME contract or the center’s responsibilities within the high school transformation project, please contact CSME director David Slavsky at 773-508-8352.
13th Family Business Awards

Loyola’s Family Business Center, along with co-sponsor Harris, recently hosted the 13th annual Illinois Family Business of the Year Awards gala, where honorees were recognized for their strong commitment to both business and family. In conjunction with the December celebration, Gov. Rod Blagojevich issued a proclamation declaring Dec. 7, 2006, Illinois Family Business of the Year Day in the state of Illinois.

More than 250 attendees took part in the celebration at The Four Seasons Hotel in Chicago, which included a cocktail reception, silent auction, dinner, and an awards program.

This year’s awards drew more than 400 nominations for five categories: small (companies with fewer than 50 employees), medium (50 to 250), large (more than 250), Community Service, and the Century Award (company must be at least 100 years old and continuously family owned).

The 2006 Illinois Family Business of the Year awardees:

- **Century Award:** Baird & Warner (Chicago)
- **Large:** Turano Baking Co. (Berwyn)
- **Medium:** Clarke Mosquito Control (Roselle)
- **Small:** Nielsen-Massey Vanillas Inc. (Waukegan)
- **Community Service Award:** Gold Eagle Co. (Chicago)

LUMA EXHIBITS

Escape Chicago’s winter weather and explore the newest exhibitions at the Loyola University Museum of Art on the Water Tower Campus.

GEORGES ROUAULT’S MISERERE ET GUERRE
February 3 - March 31

Georges Rouault (1871-1958), a French painter and deeply religious artist, conceived the Miserere series of 100 etchings shortly before World War I. Each of the 58 plates serves as a contemporary icon of scripture, social concerns, and the human response to war.

I REMEMBER PURIM: MOLLY J. SCHIFF
February 16 - April 29

Schiff's work is based on her fond memories of Purim, a Jewish holiday that celebrates the bravery of Esther. Employing a bright palette of traditional spring colors, Schiff is playful in her depiction of Old Testament figures.

SCIENCE AND FAITH BETWEEN OBSERVANCE AND CENSORSHIP: THE INDEX OF FORBIDDEN BOOKS
February 17 - April 28

This exhibition of the Roman Catholic Church’s Index of Forbidden Books and rare volumes focuses on scientific and religious books banned by the Church following the Counter Reformation.

TRADITION IN TRANSITION: RUSSIAN ICONS IN THE AGE OF THE ROMANOVS
February 17 - May 20

Objects on display examine the impact of Western culture on the evolution of Russian religious painting from the 17th through the 20th Centuries. The exhibit will include jeweled icons once owned by the Russian imperial family, mass-produced images made for the poorest peasants, traditional icons, and other works that illustrate modern Western innovations.

For more information, call 312-915-7600 or visit www.LUC.edu/luma.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming exhibit:

A BLESSING TO ONE ANOTHER: POPE JOHN PAUL II AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE
April 14 - August 11

WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK!

Have you noticed anything new around campus—like flat screens?

We need your feedback on the University’s new digital signage pilot program, which kicked off in mid-January. The goal of the pilot, sponsored by University Marketing and Communications and Information Technology Services, is to determine if flat screens are a useful way of sharing University news and events with the Loyola community.

During the pilot, flat screens can be found in the following locations:

- **Lewis Towers** (1st floor elevators and lobby)
- **Baumhart Hall** (1st floor elevators and cafeteria)
- **Sullivan Center for Student Services** (lobby)

A formal survey about the digital signage will circulate in the next month, but your immediate feedback is welcome. To share your thoughts about what you think of the locations, the information being communicated, where you would like to see more screens, etc., please send comments to UMC@luc.edu.
LUHS names new president and CEO

The Loyola University Health System (LUHS) has named Paul Whelton, MD, its new president and chief executive officer. He succeeds Dr. Anthony Barbato, who is retiring after more than 30 years of service to the health system, including 18 years as its leader. Dr. Whelton comes to Loyola from the Tulane University Health Sciences Center in New Orleans, where he served as senior vice president for health sciences and dean of the Tulane University School of Medicine.

“Dr. Whelton’s experience and successes at two major health centers—Johns Hopkins and Tulane—are indicative of the talent and dedication that this man brings to the work of medical education, patient care, and research,” said Michael Garanzini, S.J., president, Loyola University Chicago.

Dr. Whelton will arrive on February 12. For more information, contact Anne Dillon, LUHS director of media relations, at 708-216-8232.

Economics prof authors study on property tax

Skyrocketing property taxes are a major concern for Cook County residents and a political hot potato. Loyola professor David Merriman, School of Business Administration, along with two colleagues, recently authored a policy brief that provides another take on potential solutions. The brief, “Alternatives to Cook County’s 7% Cap on Assessment Increases,” has been published by the Institute of Government & Public Affairs at the University of Illinois.

“With the cap expiring this year, and the state legislature debating whether to renew it, our brief offers some interesting policies that might be superior to the current law,” says Merriman. For more information on the policy brief, please contact professor Merriman at 312-915-6071 or visit igpa.uiuc.edu/lib/pdf/PF19-1.pdf.

President names new VP

In December 2006, Kelly Shannon was appointed vice president of University Marketing and Communications by President Garanzini.

Shannon arrived at Loyola in March 2005 and was charged with building the newly created division of University Marketing and Communications (UMC). She oversees a team of 15 who are responsible for the University’s brand marketing, media relations, employee communications, University publications, advancement communications, and University Web site initiatives.

Among the achievements during her tenure, Shannon led the internal team that created Loyola’s new image advertising campaign, which launched in March 2006. Her group also developed new brand and graphic standards for Loyola and redesigned all publications. UMC’s redesign of the University’s Web site is currently under way.

Prior to Loyola, Shannon, who began her career as a journalist, served in various communications and marketing leadership roles with Tribune Company and the Chicago Tribune.

Flapjaws Café returns

After closing its doors to make room for Baumhart Hall, Flapjaws Café re-opened to the public at its new location, 840 N. Wabash (housed in the base of Baumhart Hall). Owner Mike Grainey hosted a private preview party for Loyolans—complete with complimentary food and beverages—as a thank you to the University for its role in completing the new restaurant.

Flapjaws Café is now open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner seven days a week. To check out the menu or for more information, please visit the restaurant’s Web site at flapjaws.com/Home.
Continuum announces winter, spring courses

Check out the new courses available this winter and spring through Continuum, Loyola’s continuing and professional education program, which offers a variety of challenging, enlightening, and specialized courses. Whether you’re interested in pursuing lifelong learning opportunities or advancing your professional career, the program has an array of courses to meet your needs.

Pursue lifelong learning opportunities or advance your professional career.

Choose from among more than 50 classes and workshops, which last from a half-day to six weeks. A sampling of popular courses: Explore different periods and styles of jazz in Jazz Confidential: The Secrets of Jazz Music Revealed. Make sense of the techno-jargon and buzzwords surrounding new trends in technology in The Blogosphere and You.

Or delve into themes of religious faith and political unrest while learning about the art of opera in Faith and Revolution: Dialogues of the Carmelites.

To view a complete list of courses and descriptions, visit LUC.edu/continuum or call 312-915-6507 for more information.

Jack Kent scholars

This winter marks the second term at Loyola for two prestigious scholarship winners in the Graduate School. James Bennett and Kelley Johnson were awarded Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Graduate Scholarships after a nationwide selection process that drew 1,100 nominees. Bennett and Johnson were chosen by the foundation based on their academic performance, potential to contribute to their fields of study, determination, volunteer service, leadership, and involvement in the arts and humanities.

A native of Tucson, Ariz., and a graduate of Providence College (R.I.), Bennett is studying mathematics. Johnson, who hails from suburban St. Charles, Ill., has returned to Illinois after attending Luther College in Iowa to pursue studies in sociology.

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation scholarships are among the most sought after by graduate students and cover tuition, room, board, fees, and books—up to $50,000 annually—for as many as six years. The 76 recipients of the scholarship come from 33 states and nine foreign nations.

Winter reading

Chicago’s winter weather is enough to drive the bravest indoors. Fight cabin fever with these books authored by two of Loyola’s own.

In Savoring: A New Model of Positive Experience, Fred Bryant (professor, psychology) summarizes his past 25 years of research on the psychology of joy. Along with co-author Joseph Veroff, Bryant explores the concept of “savoring”—attending to the joys, pleasures, and other positive feelings that we feel in our lives. The book includes strategies and hands-on exercises that can enhance savoring in our lives.

Laura Miller (professor, anthropology) investigates Japan’s growing culture of beauty in Beauty Up: Exploring Contemporary Japanese Body Aesthetics. Dr. Miller examines a wide range of phenomena—aesthetic salons, dieting products, male beauty activities, and beauty language—to find out why Japanese women and men are paying so much attention to their bodies. She connects various beauty procedures to larger issues of gender ideology, the culturally-constructed nature of beauty ideals, and the globalization of beauty technologies and standards.

Miller also recently co-edited the book Bad Girls of Japan, a collection of essays that traces the concept of the bad girl in Japan by exploring various topics, including mountain witches, murderers, performance artists, cartoonists, schoolgirls, and shoppers.
Faculty response to Faculty Tenure Student Column

Nisha Baxi (“Student Column,” Inside Loyola, November 2006) recommended the abolition of faculty tenure, on the grounds that tenure makes it nearly impossible to remove and replace under-performing faculty members. Tenure is a solution to a problem—just not to that problem. It is a solution to the problem of the challenges to academic freedom which might be—and sometimes are—launched against professors from within or outside of the University. That such pressures exist to conform one’s teaching and research to external forces is evident from the daily headlines, from talk radio, and from the Internet.

Ms. Baxi states, movingly, that “most faculty start out with a poignant passion for their subject, but as the years progress, some let their passion fade away.” To the extent that she’s right, why does this happen? Is it tenure? Or could it be due to overloaded class sections, heavy teaching loads, no sabbatical policy, and low pay? There are solutions to these problems too. But abolishing tenure is not among them.

Still, many faculty maintain our passion for teaching precisely because academic freedom allows us to pursue any subject available for serious intellectual inquiry, including those subjects closest to our hearts.

Pamela L. Caughie, Professor of English; Associate Faculty in Women’s Studies; Member, Faculty Council; President, Loyola AAUP Chapter
CCIH Lecture—Don Quijote: Conflicted Catholic?
Loyola faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend “Don Quijote de la Mancha: Conflicted Catholic? Miguel de Cervantes and Baroque Catholicism in Spain,” a lecture by Dr. Carole Holdsworth. This lecture is part of the Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage’s “Catholic Minds, Catholic Matters” lecture series. For more information, contact Katie O’Donnell at catheritage@luc.edu.
Damen Hall/Finnegan Auditorium, Hussey Lounge
Monday, February 26, 4-6 p.m.

Graduate School Alumni Reception
We Want To Celebrate With You!
The Graduate School Alumni Board invites you to an informal cocktail reception with the Graduate School dean, Dr. Samuel Attoh, to celebrate our past accomplishments and to unveil our calendar for future alumni events. Please contact Mercedes Barre-Williams at mbarre@luc.edu for more information. This event is free and open to the public.
25 East Pearson, Kasbeer Hall, 15th Floor
Monday, February 26, 6-8 p.m.

Minority Culture Trip
For two and a half weeks, TBC students live, learn, and share in the rich cultures of China’s southern minority peoples. This trip takes students, faculty, and staff to the southeast province of Yunnan, home to 24 different ethnic groups.
Travelers depart February 10 and return February 24

Ramblers #1 fan
Jean Dolores Schmidt, BVM, began her career at Mundelein College in 1961 in the education department. She went on to hold numerous positions at Mundelein and, later, at Loyola. In 1994, she announced her intention to retire. John Piderit, S.J., then-president of Loyola, had other ideas.

“‘I know the job for you,’ he said,” Schmidt recalls. “And just like that I became what we called a ‘booster shooter’ for the men’s basketball team. I began meeting individually with student athletes once a week to help them balance sports and academic success.” Over time, the need for a “booster shooter” diminished, and Schmidt moved into yet another role. She is now the chaplain of the men’s basketball team.

As chaplain, she is a fixture at games, appearing an hour before tip-off to lead the team in prayer. “Loyola is so fortunate to have coaches who give wonderful examples and encourage Loyola values among the students, and the faculty and staff do the same thing,” Schmidt says. “They have great spirit. I love working with them.”

This year, the Ramblers’ No. 1 fan hopes Loyola triumphs as Horizon League champ, which would give the team an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament for the first time in more than 20 years. “These men have worked so hard, and Jim Whitesell is an outstanding coach,” Schmidt says.

Loyola welcomes new appointees
Loyola’s School of Business Administration (SBA) recently appointed Rocco Martino (MBA ’78) the new chairman of the Dean’s Board of Advisors for the SBA. Martino, general partner of LaSalle Capital Group L.P., succeeds Robert L. Parkinson Jr. (BBA ’73, MBA ’75), chairman and CEO of Baxter International Inc., who is stepping down after serving as chairman since 2004. Parkinson will continue to serve on the Board of Advisors.
Loyola also recently named four new members to its Council of Regents, a group of distinguished executives who supports the University’s strategies. Regents are recognized leaders in their respective fields and serve as ambassadors for the University. The four new appointees: Richard Parrillo, chairman & CEO, United Automobile Insurance Group; Dr. Steve DeAngeles, Chicago physician; Rick Mancuso, owner, Lake Forest Sports Cars; and Donna Marzano, president and principle, Dodi Foundation.

15th annual Blacks in Science program
The 15th annual Blacks in Science program, sponsored by Loyola’s Black World Studies, will take place on February 20 at 2 p.m. in Coffey Hall, McCormick Lounge, LSC.
This year’s program focuses on African-American women’s health, and the keynote speaker will be recent MacArthur Fellow Dr. Funmilayo Olopade of the University of Chicago Department of Medicine. Dr. Olopade’s speech, “Nature, Nurture, and Breast Cancer,” will discuss her findings concerning differences in the molecular structure of breast cancer in women of African descent. A Q&A session and reception will follow.
The event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Dr. Ayana Karanja at akaranj@luc.edu or call 312-915-8662.
July 1, 1929

Martin Luther King Jr. was born the son of a minister of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta.

February 3, 1913

The 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, giving the government the power to impose and collect taxes on income.

Fun fact

In 1922, the University founded the Home Study division, making Loyola one of the few universities in the world to offer college courses through the correspondence method.

Photo Ops, from left:
Loyola’s Sixth Annual Health Law and Policy Colloquium “Diagnosing the Data,” was held at the Loyola Law Center on Tuesday, December 5, 2006. (l to r) Kenneth Kizer, Stephen Weiser, Art Derse, Larry Singer, Michelle Dougherty, Paul Schyve.

Faculty/Staff Award Winners: Betty Ramirez, Dr. Kenneth Johnson, Cheryl Sparlin, Joyce Knight, and Eric Munn are announced by Father Garonzni as this year’s faculty/staff award winners. The Office of Registration and Records won the group award (not pictured).

For her 30 years of service to Hillel, director Patti Ray receives a glass menorah from Rob Goldberg, vice president of Advancement of International Hillel. Ray was honored at the recent Hillel Professional Staff Conference held in Baltimore.
Emily Hoey / Director of Development, School of Education, School of Nursing

“I spent two years in the Peace Corps/Guatemala. Here in Chicago, I have volunteered twice a month for the past five years with a program called Heartlight through Children’s Memorial Hospital. I am also a writing coach for high school students through the Posse Foundation.”

Father Jerry Overbeck, S.J. / Chaplain, Schools of Law and Social Work, University Ministry

“I try to give back to the community through presence. I try to “be there” with people where they enjoy life, where they struggle, and where they just live. I try to humbly respond to the ways God leads me to help out.”

Jeff Steen / MSW, LCSW, Admissions Coordinator, School of Social Work

“As a social worker, I volunteer time with several community projects and organizations. When not at Loyola, I especially enjoy my work with people who are homeless, drug users, people with mental illness, and refugees and immigrants. This year, I hope to get more involved in my neighborhood, perhaps partnering with local groups on issues of community building and human rights.”

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