Loyola wastes no time

This past spring, the University began tackling one of its biggest challenges yet, with its new Sustainability Initiative. Led by Dr. Nancy Tuchman, interim director of the Center for Urban Environmental Research and Policy (CUERP), the University has developed a sustainability task force to review Loyola’s use of natural resources and develop recommendations for what the University can do to reduce waste.

The sustainability task force has initiated numerous projects to establish Loyola as a green campus. These projects include a sustainability assessment; the introduction of a new interdisciplinary course in fall 2007, Solutions to Environmental Problems (STEP); the formation of a Waste Reduction Committee; a commitment to making sure all new construction projects on campus are certified by and meet the standards of the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) program; and the completion of the Information Commons building.

These projects have had a positive effect on the Loyola campus and students, and they are only the beginning. Loyola’s sustainability assessment, led by natural science professor, James Eames, is an inventory of waste streams, water usage, electricity, landscaping, yard waste, and electronics to determine the total amount of waste produced on campus. The assessment began in the fall and will be completed by January 2008. The results will aid the task force in advising the University on incorporating sustainable practices in future strategic planning.

“After months of extensive research and planning among faculty and administrators, Loyola recently secured approval from the Board of Trustees to launch a new School of Communication (SOC). A national search for the school’s first dean is now underway.

Scheduled to begin independent operations in the summer of 2008, the SOC will reside in the first three floors of The Clare beginning in January 2009. The school will offer undergraduate majors in Advertising/Public Relations, Communication, and Journalism. In addition, faculty will continue its partnership with the College of Arts and Sciences to support the interdisciplinary major in International Film & Media Studies.

“This undertaking is a focused initiative supported by the University’s faculty and administration,” according to Loyola’s new provost, Christine Wiseman. “The SOC has been under consideration for some time given the enrollment and market data that suggest there is increased demand for these programs. The time for this expansion is perfect—and we will have the ideal location at The Clare.”

As one of the nation’s largest media markets, the city of Chicago offers Loyola students abundant opportunities to cut their teeth in the fields of journalism, communication, media/public relations, and advertising.

The SOC expects a steady addition of undergraduate and graduate programs during the first several years of operation. The school also expects to have approximately 22–25 faculty members who are practitioner/professionals in various faculty roles.

“The launch of this new school is a big step for the University—the first of its kind in thirty-nine years,” says Wiseman. “There’s already some competition for these fields in Chicago, but we expect students to embrace the uniqueness of a Loyola education in the field of communication.”
Green progress grows

As a result of sustainability efforts over the past few years, the University has completed projects and made alterations to its environmental practices that were previously unheard of on campus. The overall challenge is that the members of the Loyola community need to change their habits to make the University a healthy and ecologically sound campus for present and future faculty, staff, and students.

Making a difference...

• Construction of the Information Commons, which is expected to obtain Silver Level Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification
• Interdisciplinary course (fall 2007), Solutions to Environmental Problems (STEP)
• Waste Reduction Committee to educate the Loyola community about the importance and methods of recycling
• New recycling vendor on the Lake Shore Campus—nearly seven tons of recyclables were collected from the LSC during the months of August and September

In the future...

• All new construction projects on campus are to be certified and meet the standards of the LEED program
• Sustainability assessment underway (completed by January 2008)
• Condensed fluorescent, energy-saving light bulbs installed in student residences and other buildings around campus

Attend the biodiesel public forum

Please join in an interactive event that will highlight the work of Loyola students in the new and innovative course, Solutions to Environmental Problems. This term the class has explored the potential of biodiesel fuel to alleviate problems of pollution from emissions and dwindling fossil fuel reserves, while also initiating biodiesel production on campus.

• View a documentary film of the course
• Make biodiesel fuel with the students
• Learn about exciting partnerships the class has developed with local high schools
• See scientific research the students have conducted on emissions, the potential to grow algae for biodiesel feedstock, and the strategic plan for the future of the Loyola biodiesel project

The forum is scheduled for December 6, 2007, 5:00 p.m., at the Crown Center Auditorium.

Taking a STEP for a sustainable environment

This fall, the Center for Urban Environmental Research and Policy (CUERP) launched a new curriculum and special projects program to further Loyola’s sustainability practices.

Known as Solutions to Environmental Problems (STEP), this program’s first project is a course that teaches students about environmental issues, emphasizing the use and recycling of waste vegetable oil into biodiesel fuel.

Shane Lishawa, lab manager and research associate for CUERP, and STEP course coordinator Alison Varty co-direct the course, which includes 13 faculty members from eight different disciplines and schools, and 22 students. Students are guided by faculty members from their respective areas of business, marketing, science, and education. Each student chooses an area of interest and focuses on the challenges and opportunities of biodiesel fuel and sustainability from that perspective.

“It is such a unique experience to learn from these professors who each approach environmental issues from a different perspective—business, education, politics, science, and marketing,” states Blake Anderson, a Loyola senior with a double major in environmental studies and political science. “This class serves as a good example for society and shows that people need to think about the environmentally friendly alternatives out there.”

“Loyola needs to add more classes like STEP,” says Anderson. “Students have a lot to contribute here at Loyola, and the school needs to tap into the ideas and energy we have to offer.”

Taking a STEP for a sustainable environment
This month: another year

**November 1, 1929**

Groundbreaking commenced for the Mundelein building.

**November, 1936**

Robert Johnson first recorded the song “Sweet Home Chicago.”

**November 11, 1988**

The first annual “Dentistry & the Law” continuing education event was held by Loyola’s School of Law.

**Save the Date**

Information Commons Grand Opening and Dedication Ceremony—Friday, December 7, 2007
noon to 3:00 p.m. | Lake Shore Campus

Don’t miss the grand opening and dedication ceremony for the University’s long-awaited Information Commons building. Stop by and check out this environmentally friendly structure that is expected to earn silver level Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification. This event is open to the entire Loyola community, as well as the general public.

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**Tips on being a green employee:**

- Bring a lunch to work in a reusable bag or lunch box
- Recycle your newspapers and computer paper in a blue bin
- Shut the office lights and your computer off when you go home
- Bring a plant into the office (try to stay away from ivy and anything poisonous)
- Bring a mug to work for water, coffee, etc., instead of using paper cups
- Avoid printing too many copies that will eventually be thrown away
campus notes

[ Lake Shore Campus ]

* Chapel Lecture Series—Timothy Radcliffe, O.P., is a member of the community at Blackfriars, Oxford. He has authored four books, most recently, *What is the Point of Being A Christian?* This event is open to the public. Contact Joe Canino, jcanino@luc.edu, for more information. November 12, 7:00–8:15 p.m., at Madonna della Strada Chapel.

* One Book One University—The second book discussion on Tracy Kidder’s *Mountains Beyond Mountains: The Quest of Dr. Paul Farmer, A Man Who Would Cure the World*. Open to Loyola students, faculty, and staff. Contact Sangita Gosalia at sgosali@luc.edu. November 13, noon–1:30 p.m., at Quinlan Life Sciences Center, Rm 312.

[ Water Tower Campus ]

* Best Practices in Online Assessment—Workshop providing suggestions and including discussion regarding both formative and summative assessment of student outcomes in relation to Blackboard. Sponsored by the Office of Learning Technologies and Assessment. Open to faculty, adjuncts, instructors, and teaching GAs. Registration is requested; send e-mail requests to learningtech@luc.edu. Workshop location is provided upon registration. November 15, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

[ Maywood Campus ]

* Journey Toward Healing: Coping with the Holidays Workshop—This workshop, for those who have lost loved ones, focuses on positive alternatives for coping with the holidays. It is sponsored by the Loyola Hospice. Contact Nancy Kiel, nkiel@lumc.edu, for more information. November 17, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m., at the Stritch School of Medicine.

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Top: (From left to right) Rev. Michael J. Garanzini, S.J., Rosemary Bannan, and John Bannan, professor of philosophy. Professor Bannan celebrates 50 years of service to Loyola. (Photo by Jason Gorske)

Middle: Loyola student, Gregory Deresinski wires a water heater for a biodiesel reactor. The former chemistry lab in Damen Hall is being transformed into a biodiesel production lab.

Bottom: (From left to right) Phil Ponce (professional in residence at Loyola), Dan Ponce (reporter, WMAQ-TV), Ann Ponce, and Anthony Ponce (reporter, WLS-TV) at the “Family Secrets: Phil Ponce and Sons on TV News” panel discussion held on September 18 in Beane Hall.

Re-thinking recycling

To help educate the Loyola community about the importance of waste reduction, the Consumption Reduction and Recycling Committee has been formed to serve as an advisory committee to the Division of Facilities Management. The committee, 25 members strong, is composed of students, faculty, and staff.

**Actions so far:**

- Hired Lake Shore Waste Services, a new waste management contractor for LSC, who is a local hauler with an efficient recycling service
- Installed a solar-powered compactor near the Gentile Center
- Placing liaisons in various departments to share consumption reduction and recycling methods
- Creating a Web site, LUC.edu/facilities/recycling, with information about what can be recycled, where it can be recycled, and tips on reducing consumption and waste

Gina Lettiere, coordinator of CUERP and the committee’s co-chair, emphasizes that while recycling on campus should be increased, the larger goal is to reduce consumption and waste altogether.

**Did you know...**

- Inside Loyola is now printed on 30% post-consumer paper
- Chlorine-free pulp is used in the production of the paper to ensure greater environmental benefit
- The timber where the paper originates comes from managed forests, specifically designed for paper companies
- For more information, visit the paper supplier site at m-real.com
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MAIL CLERK, WATER TOWER CAMPUS

Q: What's your favorite thing about being a mail clerk?
A: Metering mail. It’s kind of interesting and a big responsibility.

Q: What’s the busiest time of year for the mail?
A: Right now is actually the busiest time because school started. It’s really busy from now until April. Obviously, it’s usually slower in the summer.

Q: What do you like to do when you’re not at work?
A: I like to go downtown and see the sights. I also like to play basketball and softball, but really just for fun. I’m not in a league, and obviously not on the Bulls.

Q: What’s your favorite thing about working at Loyola?
A: I really like the people here. Everyone is so friendly. Plus, it’s in a very convenient location. I can take the ‘L’ to work—Green Line to the Red Line.

Q: Do you have a pet?
A: No, I don’t. But I do have a wife and three kids.

LIVE After 5!

Calling all faculty and staff at Loyola! Your co-workers have put together a monthly happy-hour social gathering. Every month, the party will alternate between downtown and Rogers Park. The November gathering will be held at HC (Hunt Club) on State Street near the Water Tower Campus.

The idea for this group outing originated when some of your co-workers realized they were tired of passing by colleagues and having no idea who they were. They devised a plan to get people together outside of the office, without an agenda—no speakers, no paperwork, and no worries! With Staff Council’s support, you now have an outlet to sit back, relax, and enjoy your co-workers’ company. Cheers! Faculty and staff can RSVP for events at StaffCouncil-LS@luc.edu. For more information contact Tiffany Lawrence at talwren@luc.edu or Sarah Sucher at ssuche1@luc.edu.

Buy with a little help from Loyola

Loyola will be announcing the establishment of a new University-Assisted Housing (UAH) program this winter. The UAH program is designed to encourage home ownership in select areas of the city of Chicago by providing eligible faculty and staff with closing cost and down payment assistance for the purchase of a new or existing home or condominium.

Each year the program will provide up to 25 eligible faculty or staff members with a five-year forgivable loan of up to $10,000. The amount of the loan will vary depending on the faculty or staff member’s median household income, and the proximity of the home being purchased to LSC or WTC.

For more information and eligibility requirements of the UAH program, please contact Danielle Hanson in Human Resources at 312.915.6175 or dhanson@luc.edu.

Arts (are) Alive!

To celebrate the newly formed Department of Fine and Performing Arts, the department hosted its first Arts Alive event on Friday, September 21, showcasing the art and talent within the Loyola community.

The event’s festivities included the opening of Crown Center Gallery’s newest exhibit, Michael Miller: Digitally Remastered. In addition, students gathered in the gallery’s lobby for the department’s Art Swap, which gave artists an opportunity to trade their original works of art for those of other artists. A number of paintings, sketches, and photography works were exchanged at the Art Swap.

The evening concluded in the Mundelein Center Auditorium with a performance by the Chris White Trio jazz band, led by Loyola music program instructor, Chris White. The first Arts Alive event showcased the diversity of talent within the new Department of Fine and Performing Arts.

Loyola students continue to add to the ongoing community art project started in August 2007 at the Glenwood Arts Festival. This couch will appear at all DFPA openings this year. (Photo by Jeff Wonders)
**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

**REAL LIFE CSI**

This fall, the departments of computer science and criminal justice launched a new minor in computer crime and forensics. The interdisciplinary minor will require six courses—two in criminal justice and four in computer science, with a capstone course in computer forensic investigations.

“As more people use computers and the Internet, more crimes are being committed,” says Chandra Sekharan, chair of the Department of Computer Science. “The crimes range from corporate fraud to distributing child pornography. These leave traces of evidence on storage devices, such as hard drives, that can be examined.”

A specialization in computer crime and forensics can lead to careers in police departments, the FBI, network security, or companies that perform forensic detection to either support or challenge evidence of computer crimes. The minor can also be useful for those interested in pursuing a law degree with an emphasis on computer law. “This is a great area for investigative minds,” says Sekharan.

**LECTURE SERIES TACKLES INTERPLAY BETWEEN GENETICS AND POLITICS**

The College of Arts and Sciences and the Department of Political Science are co-sponsoring a four-part lecture series on politics and genetics during the 2007-08 school year. On September 27, the first speaker, Professor Ira Carmen, spoke on “Genetics and Politics: Birth of a New Subfield,” which sparked a heated debate.

According to Richard Matland, the Rigali Professor in Political Science, there has been a renaissance in this subject area within the last five years. “All four of these speakers are prominent political scientists and very entertaining speakers,” says Matland.

A second lecture was held on Thursday, November 1, when John Hibbing, foundation regents university professor of political science at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, spoke on the topic, “Are Political Orientations Genetically Transmitted?”

Remaining lectures:

- “The Genetic Basis of Political Participation”
  James Fowler, Associate Professor
  University of California−San Diego
  Thursday, February 14, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
  Simpson Multi-Purpose Room, LSC

- “Gender and Genetics: The Effect of Sex on Political Evaluation”
  Rebecca Hannagan, Assistant Professor
  Northern Illinois University
  Thursday, March 27, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
  Simpson Multi-Purpose Room, LSC
LUMA

D’ARCY COLLECTION ARRIVES AT LUMA

Art objects of rare beauty from the Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque periods will be unveiled to the public on December 2 at LUMA (Loyola University Museum of Art). Gilded Glory: European Treasures from the Martin D’Arcy Collection makes its long awaited return, settling into its new permanent location at LUMA.

“We’re fortunate to have this exquisite collection,” says LUMA’s director, Pamela Ambrose. “We’re grateful that Father Garanzini recognized this—now we can display these valuable objects at their best.”

The D’Arcy Collection was established in 1969 by Donald F. Rowe, S.J., to honor Father D’Arcy, an early 20th-century humanist, theologian, and patron of the arts at Oxford University. Featuring religious art from 1150 through 1820, the collection was housed for more than 30 years in the Cudahy Library. The collection has not been seen by the public since 2005. After two years of assessment and digital re-cataloging, the collection will open in 2,500 square feet of exhibit space on LUMA’s third floor.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

BREAKFAST WITH THE BOSS

Students enrolled in Loyola’s Graduate School of Business (GSB) recently took part in the school’s inaugural “Bring Your Boss to Breakfast” event, which was held on Tuesday, October 16, in Kasbeer Hall.

More than 48 students and supervisors attended the free event. All were treated to breakfast and an entertaining discussion by Al Gini, professor of business ethics at Loyola, whose topic was, “The Importance of Play.”

To learn more about upcoming GSB events, please contact Ann Bezbatchenko at gsb@luc.edu.

HEALTH CARE REFORM CONFERENCE

Health care reform has become a national mandate. To examine this topic, Loyola’s Graduate School of Business (GSB) will host an evening conference in partnership with the School of Law, Stritch School of Medicine, and the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing.

The event will feature a panel discussion with several state and industry stakeholders, as well as a Q&A session. The conference will take place December 5 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. in Kasbeer Hall at the Water Tower Campus. This timely discussion is intended to generate dialogue and raise awareness among Loyola students, faculty, staff, and invited guests. For more information, or to register, please contact Pamela McCoy, director of the Health Care Management program, at 312.915.6584 or pmccoy@luc.edu.

FORUM ON STOCK OPTIONS

On Friday, October 12, a public symposium at WTC titled “The Use and Misuse of Corporate Stock Options,” was held. The Center for Financial and Policy Studies and the Center for Integrated Risk Management and Corporate Governance of Loyola’s Graduate School of Business (GSB) co-hosted the event along with the Investment Banking and Financial Markets Club.

Professor Randall Heron of the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University was the featured speaker. Following Heron’s address, commentary on Heron’s remarks was provided by Professors John Boatright and Robert Kolb of Loyola; Donald Delves, president of the Delves Group; and Scott Riser of Virchow Krause & Co.

From left to right: Don Delves, President and Founder, The Delves Group; John Boatright, Professor of Business Ethics, Loyola; Robert Kolb, Professor of Finance, Loyola; Scott Riser, Partner and Regional SEC Practice Leader, Virchow Krause & Co.; Randall Heron, Associate Professor of Finance, Indiana University; George Kaufman, Professor of Finance and Economics, Loyola
Gina Lettiere / Coordinator, Center for Urban Environmental Research and Policy

“I am a member of LUC’s Consumption Reduction & Recycling Committee to help reduce our waste. I use both sides of paper when printing, use a non-disposable water bottle, turn my computer off every evening, and recycle. I buy organic, use cloth grocery bags, volunteer, conserve water, keep my heat low in the winter, don’t use air conditioning in the summer, and added fluorescent bulbs in my home.”

Herb Ritchell / Professor and Director, Advertising & Public Relations Program

“My family does usual things like recycling paper, cans, bottles and taking public transportation. We also drive a compact car and keep our home’s thermostat at 66 in the winter and 80 in the summer. I’m a village trustee and we’re getting serious about alternative energy forms and rewarding green construction projects in our town. On November 6-9, I’m attending GreenBuild Chicago, the largest international green conference and expo, at McCormick Place.

Megan Barry / Faith and Justice Coordinator

“I try to do small things like taking canvas bags with me when I grocery shop, using the city’s new recycling drop-off center near my apartment, and walking rather than driving to do errands. I’m really excited that Loyola is focusing on greening the campus. I especially hope to start recycling more in my office!”

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