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Cuneos partner with Loyola for largest gift in University history

The $50 million gift, Loyola’s largest ever, will be used to support several strategic initiatives at Loyola, including scholarships for students, a new state-of-the-art academic building on the Lake Shore Campus (to be named Cuneo Hall), and funds to support operations at the historic mansion and gardens. The University also will seek opportunities to develop the north part of the property.

“I am honored and humbled that John has asked to partner with Loyola so that we can enhance and preserve the property while also creating a funding source for student scholarships, which has always been near and dear to the Cuneos’ hearts,” says Father Garanzini.

After the transition is complete next year, Loyola plans to increase use of the mansion for weddings, other special occasions, and corporate events. In addition, the Cuneo Campus of Loyola University Chicago will provide educational opportunities to benefit students, faculty, staff, and the greater Chicago-area community, especially those living in and around Lake County.

The Cuneo gift:
The Cuneo Museum and Gardens
Nearly 100 acres surrounding the estate
An impressive art collection
A cash donation for scholarship support

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Increase use of the mansion for weddings and events
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PARTNER
With the Cuneo gift, Loyola has raised nearly $400 million of its $500 million goal for its Partner campaign.
Jesuit martyrs honored on 20th anniversary

The Loyola University Chicago Emergency Medical Services (LUCEMS) program hosted a groundbreaking event in October on the Lake Shore Campus: a 26.2-hour CPR marathon that began at 6 a.m. on October 24 and ended the next day on October 25. This event provided Loyola students, faculty, and staff with the opportunity to learn about best practices in U.S. higher education and evaluate their applicability to the Vietnamese higher education setting.

Loyola carefully selected vice presidents, deans, and faculty members with expertise in specific areas to teach the training sessions. The sessions included classroom presentations, group discussions, and problem-solving exercises that utilized Vietnamese case studies. The intensive 12-day program began on VN1 Ho Chi Minh City (VNU-HCMC) on October 12 and ended in Chicago on October 26. Throughout the challenging curriculum, Vietnamese higher education officials gained a broadened understanding of best practices relating to university business operations, personnel management and development, and strategic planning and change management.

On the last day of the program, Loyola held a special ceremony for all UMT students which included speeches by the governor and student representatives, including one from current Loyola student Pham Thanh, vice president of public affairs, and another Loyola student involved by arranging for an Illinois Student Assistance Commission public hearing event on the Lake Shore Campus on October 9. Hundreds of college students, joined by 100 Chicago Public Schools students, attended to show their support for MAP.

The following week, the University hosted Loyola students to the MAP student rally day in Springfield. Loyola students joined thousands of other Illinois college students as they lobbied to persuade leaders of both the Illinois House and Senate to restore the funding. The event included a speech by the governor and student testimonials, including one from junior Anastasia Lucas. "Taking a stand for MAP made me realize that we can change things and one person’s voice can make a difference," says Lucas. "I did not have MAP, I would not be able to attend Loyola, so this was very important to me. After going through all of this, it was very gratifying to see that Loyola was really invested in this cause also, and it showed how much the University cares about its students."

With students’ perseverance and hard work, the governor signed the bill to fund MAP on October 18, proving that students can make a difference.

WHAT IS MAP?

The need-based grant program that awards more than $700 million each year to 145,000 college students who otherwise might not be able to afford college.

Loyola helps restore state student aid program
**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

Grant improves pipeline for CPS teachers

Loyola’s School of Education, along with University of Illinois at Chicago, National-Louis University, and Northwestern Illinois University, all of which have Chicago’s largest elementary teacher preparation programs, have received a significant grant to improve and transform teacher education programs at the four schools and create a pipeline of high-quality teachers for Chicago Public Schools (CPS). The schools received the Teacher Quality Partnership (TQP) grant from the U.S. Department of Education to create what will be called the Chicago Teacher Pipeline Partnership (CTPP). The award to CTPP for its first year, nearly $3 million, is the second largest grant given in the first round of TQP grants.

The College of Education at UIC will serve as the fiscal agent and lead partner of the CTPP, and will work with all of the universities and 20 high-need CPS K-8 elementary schools. These four universities, which awarded 27 percent of the bachelor’s degrees earned by CPS elementary teachers in 2007, will draw on each other’s effective practices and intellectual resources to transform teacher preparation programs at each institution. “As a collaborative, each university has the opportunity to draw on each other’s strengths for the betterment of the students in our K-12 schools,” says David Pross, dean of Loyola’s School of Education. “By increasing the content focus on math, science, and literacy in our profession, we hope to replicate the success we have seen in other content areas.”

UCU Faculty of the Year Diane Geraghty is honored at Loyola’s faculty convocation.

Law school’s Geraghty honored for work with children’s issues

Loyola’s Faculty Member of the Year Diane Geraghty, founder and director of the Loyola Civitas ChildLaw Center in Chicago, was one of two honorees to receive national recognition in August for her outstanding contributions to justice for children from the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. Geraghty was honored at the organization’s 72nd annual conference in Chicago.

Loyola’s Civitas ChildLaw Center in Chicago is the lead entity for Model for Change in Illinois, an organization created to advance juvenile justice reforms that hold young people accountable for their actions, provide rehabilitation, protect them from harm, increase their life chances, and manage the risks they can pose to themselves and to the public. The Civitas ChildLaw Center’s mission is to prepare law students and others to be effective and ethical advocates for children, to promote children’s law as an area of legal specialization, and to enhance justice, educational opportunity, and well-being for children and their families.

**BOOK NOOK**

“ART AS POLITICS” 2009 National Book Award

Anthropology professor Kathleen M. Adams, PhD, has received the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities and Alpha Sigma Nu 2009 National Book Award in the social science category. Her book, Art as Politics: Re-crafting identities, Tourism and Power in Tana Toraja, Indonesia, explores the complex political and cultural contradictions in Indonesia’s tourist industry.

**WELLNESS CENTER AND HUMAN RESOURCES**

Anti-violence programs get federal boost

The Wellness Center was recently awarded a $500,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice’s Office on Violence Against Women. Designed to encourage colleges and universities to adopt comprehensive, coordinated responses to violence, the grant will help foster greater collaboration between Loyola and community organizations. The funds will help efforts to expand the Wellness Center’s violence prevention programs; create a coordinated community response team composed of campus departments, students, and community organizations; offer services for victims; and provide training for Loyola employees and students.

**SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

MBA program gets double recognition

The part-time MBA program housed within Loyola’s Graduate School of Business has once again been included among the Global 100 list, which is published by the Aspen Institute as part of their Beyond Grey Pinstripes survey. Out of 149 participating schools this year Loyola ranked 22nd, besting its 2007 rank of 62. The school’s program also recently earned recognition from BusinessWeek magazine in the publication’s ranking of the top part-time MBA programs. Loyola finished 16th nationally, and 6th in the Midwest region.

**Gala spotlights successful family businesses**

Loyola’s Family Business Center, on December 2, presented its 16th annual “Illinois Family Business of the Year” awards to five deserving companies at an evening gala at The Four Seasons Hotel—Chicago. These special awards are intended to honor family businesses and their strong commitment to both business and family, as well as the important role family businesses play in the state’s economy.

Specifically, the Community Service award is given to a business showing exemplary community services efforts, and the Century award is intended to highlight the success and longevity of a family business. Awards are also presented in three other categories: Large (more than 250 employees), Medium (50-250 employees), and Small (fewer than 50 employees).

Staff members honored by their peers

On Wednesday, November 11, more than 150 attendees crowded into the fourth floor of the Information Commons for the annual Staff Recognition and Excellence Awards reception. This year, there were a record 55 nominations.

In attendance was Father Garanzia, who concluded the ceremony by thanking all of Loyola’s recognized staff members for their hard work and emphasizing the importance of acknowledging such efforts within the University. Congratulations to this year’s winners and all those who were nominated.

**RESEARCH SPOTLIGHT**

STRITCH DEVELOPS CERVELICAL CANCER DRUG

Cervarix, a new cervical cancer vaccine approved October 16 by the Food and Drug Administration, was developed as a result of research at the Stritch School of Medicine. The vaccine has been approved for girls and young women and protects against two types of human papillomavirus (HPV), which is the predominant cause of cervical cancer. “It is a very effective vaccine against the most common cause of cervical cancer, and it’s most effective when given to young women before exposure to the virus,” says Dr. Sondra Summers, an associate professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Stritch.

Work by Loyola researchers Lutz Gissmann, Martin Muller, Jin Zhou, and Jeanette Pantiel in the mid-1990s contributed to the development of the vaccine. The Loyola researchers later developed and patented the HPV vaccine and did further studies to evaluate vaccine development by the manufacturer. The vaccine stimulates the body’s immune system to produce antibodies to HPV. If an immunized individual is exposed to HPV, her immune system will be primed to attack and destroy the virus.

The work that Gissmann and his team did in developing the vaccine “is a good example of the type of research, ranging from the laboratory bench to the bedside, that is benefiting patients today and in the future,” says Richard Kennedy, PhD, senior associate dean of research at Stritch and vice president of Health Sciences Research at LUMC. “Loyola University Chicago and Loyola University Health System look forward to continuing their significant efforts that effectively bridge clinical care and discovery in the laboratory.”
LOYOLAN PROFILE

Mark Beane, BA’98

What do your job responsibilities include at Loyola? I’m responsible for making people and places as visually appealing as possible. I try to support the mission and identity of Loyola through quality photography. I also handle the licensing and usage of Loyola’s logos, and work to uphold the University’s graphic standards.

How did you develop an interest in photography? What I like about photography is that there is room for interpretation. The photographer communicates certain information, and it is up to the viewer to fill in the blanks with their imagination. Also, my father taught me growing up that we should love what we do and not settle for mediocrity. To him, this was the key to having a fulfilling career. Making a career change to a field that I am passionate about has allowed me to better realize my potential. I’ve always been the artistic type. I’ve tried all kinds of art over the years and finally found one that suits me well. I really wanted the musician thing to work out—and then the singing thing—but it just wasn’t meant to be. I’m just thankful that I didn’t have to go on American Idol to find out that I don’t sing well.

You attended Loyola as an undergraduate. How is Loyola different today? Internet access. Google was launched the same year I graduated. I remember most of the computer work I did in college was simple word processing. Research was done the old-fashioned way. Now, students have access to the world’s information through their computers and other hand-held devices. The student body is also twice as large as when I was here, and many of the students now live on or near campus. Loyola was considered a commuter school when I was a student, and didn’t have to go on American Idol to find out that I don’t sing well.

What is one of your favorite Loyola stories from your days as a student? The day that raccoons convinced me to go back to Church. Let me explain. I was walking by the front doors of the chapel one day, and a raccoon stopped in front of me, sat down in the middle of my path, and stared at me. I made an effort to pass it, and it made a move as if to not allow it. I couldn’t believe the animal was forcing me to walk all the way around the chapel just to get in. Regardless, I turned around and started walking, only to have another raccoon do the same thing on the other side. So, now I have two raccoons staring at me and nowhere to go but into the chapel doors. When they say God works in mysterious ways, I had no idea it meant to me. I’m just thankful that I didn’t have to go on American Idol to find out that I don’t sing well.

Loyola has a Beane Hall ballroom on the 13th floor of Lewis Towers. Any relation? Yes. It is named after my step-mother, Dr. Marjorie L. Beane. She was recognized by Father Garanzini for her years of administrative service and commitment to Loyola’s students, faculty, and staff. She’s well-deserving of the honor, if there’s one person I know that is truly a “person for others,” it’s her.

What’s the strangest thing that has happened to you on a campus photo shoot? When the Information Commons first opened, I did a photo shoot of the Statue of St. Ignatius with the sunrise coming up through the windows behind it. It was 5:30 a.m., my tripod was set up, and I was ready and waiting for the exact moment. When that moment hit, the automatic blinds began to close because they were triggered by the sunlight. Luckily, I was able to get in touch with an engineer to override the blinds so that I could get my shot.
**SAVE THE DATE**

**WATER TOWER**

**DECEMBER 15**
VOX3 VOCAL COLLECTIVE: AN EVENING OF SACRED AND SPIRITUAL MUSIC AND HOLIDAY FAVORITES
6 p.m. • LUMA, 820 N. Michigan Ave.
Celebrate the holiday season with Chicago’s dynamic vocal collective VOX3. Enjoy a performance of sacred and spiritual music as well as holiday favorites. This event is free and open to the public.

**LAKE SHORE**

**DECEMBER 18**
UNIVERSITY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
11:30 a.m. reception, noon lunch, and 1–2 p.m. entertainment • Halas Sports Center
In celebration of the holiday season, Father Garanzini invites all faculty, staff, and retirees to the annual University Christmas Luncheon. Games, prizes, and the annual Holiday Spirit Contest are included in the festivities. • Watch for updates in Inside Loyola Weekly or contact Gary Soltys at gsoltys@luc.edu.

**DECEMBER 20**
ORGAN CONCERT SERIES: MUSIC AND CHANTS OF THE ADVENT SEASON AND THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
3–4 p.m. • Madonna della Strada Chapel
Come enjoy music of the advent season during this second program in a year-long series showcasing the new organ in Madonna della Strada Chapel. All concerts are free and open to the public. • Steven Betancourt at sbetancourt@luc.edu or 773.508.2195.

**MAYWOOD**

**JANUARY 5**
MONTHLY BLOOD DRIVE
10 a.m.–5 p.m. • Stritch School of Medicine, Room 160
Join Loyola’s Clinical Laboratories and LifeSource for this monthly blood drive. Donating blood is a free and easy way to help save lives. • Debra Johnson at debjohnson@lumc.edu or 708.216.3976.

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**HOLIDAY OFFICE AND LITURGICAL SCHEDULES**

**UNIVERSITY HOLIDAYS**
Dec. 24, 25, 31
Jan. 1

**DECEMBER LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**
Sunday Masses will be held throughout December in Madonna della Strada Chapel. Check specific Mass times at LUC.edu/sacramental_life.

**MIDNIGHT MASS**
Christmas Eve in Madonna della Strada Chapel beginning at 11:59 p.m.

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