The John Felice Rome Center is in the midst of an historic transformation—even by Roman standards. Last July, the JFRC purchased the campus that it had rented for 31 years. Now, it has launched a campaign to improve its facilities, offer its students more opportunities, and raise its global profile.

**Insieme per il futuro**, or “Together for the Future,” is the JFRC’s campaign. Insieme, officially launched at the all-class JFRC reunion held in Rome in early May, seeks to raise $8 million from alumni and friends, with $4 million in matching funds from the University, for a total of $12 million. The funds will be used for scholarships, student programming, establishing an endowment, and renovations to the JFRC’s campus, which is now one of the largest U.S. university campuses in Europe.

The campaign launch follows other positive developments for the JFRC. These include the recent acquisition of a neighboring olive grove, record enrollment this spring semester, the creation of new academic programs, and an inaugural board of trustees meeting to be held at the JFRC in June.

“With plans for cutting-edge renovations, 48 years of experience, and 15,000 devoted alumni, the JFRC is positioned to be the best and most comprehensive study-abroad program in Italy,” says Vice President and JFRC Director Emilio Iodice. “Those 48 years are a testament to our values and traditions, and we will be ever-mindful of this heritage as we move to provide an even better global experience for our students.”

» LUC.edu/insieme

**The JFRC Campus Renovation Will Begin This Year** and be completed within six to eight years. It will include improvements that beautify and better organize the campus, as well as make it more environmentally responsible. Highlights include:

- **A new, ultra-modern information commons** with technology that will set the JFRC apart from every other American university facility in Europe
- **Enhanced community and recreation spaces**, including a new outdoor terrace
- **New classrooms**, fine arts studios, a fitness facility, and a chapel
- **Energy-saving enhancements**, such as solar panels, that will save the JFRC an estimated 20 percent on energy costs per year
- **A new auditorium and conference hall** that will allow the JFRC to host high-profile conferences and symposiums
- **Private bathrooms** for each dormitory room
Founders’ Dinner 2010

Loyola will hold its annual Founders’ Dinner on June 19. The evening honors major contributors to Loyola and benefits the University’s Presidential Scholarship Fund. The evening will commence with the distribution of the Coffey and Damen awards at 5 p.m. in the Donovan Reading Room in Cudahy Library. At 6 p.m., guests will enjoy a cocktail reception in the Information Commons featuring the Loyola Jazz Ensemble. From there, it’s on to the Gentile Center for a multi-course dinner, the presentation of the Caritas, Dux Mirabilis, and Heart of Loyola awards, and a night of music, dancing, and celebration. Specially priced tickets for faculty and staff members are $150 a piece.

» LUC.edu/founders

2010 Awardees

HEART OF LOYOLA
John P. Foley, S.J. (MRE ’78)

CARITAS AWARD
Polk Bros. Foundation

DUX MIRABILIS
Dr. Connie M. Knapp
Director of Principal Gifts

COFFEY AWARD
Dr. Jacqueline P. Doud (BA ’62)

DAMEN AWARDS
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
- Charles A. Whittingham (BS ’51)
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
- Rocco J. Martino (MBA ’78)
SCHOOL OF CONTINUING AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES
- Marie M. Ginther (BBA ’87)
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
Dr. Timothy M. Kanold (PhD ’02)
THE GRADUATE SCHOOL
- Sr. Rita Larivie, SSA (PhD ’98)
SCHOOL OF LAW
- Roger J. Kiley Jr. (JD ’66)
STRITCH SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
- Dr. Todd S. Hewell III (BS ’75, MD ’78)
MARCELLA NIEHOFF SCHOOL OF NURSING
- Dr. Helen K. Grace (BSN ’63)
INSTITUTE OF PASTORAL STUDIES
- Shirl A. Giacomé (MPS ’98, MDiv ’02)
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
- Terri Buffalo Star Gardner (MSW ’07)

Obama recognizes Loyola’s excellence in community service

Loyola has been named to the 2009 President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, the highest federal recognition a college or university can receive for its commitment to volunteer- ing, service learning, and civic engagement. Loyola was named to the Honor Roll with Distinction list, the highest honor the University has ever received in this category.

The President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, launched in 2006, annually recognizes institutions of higher education for their commitment to and achievement in community service. The President’s Honor Roll is intended to increase public awareness of the contributions that colleges and their students make to local communities and the nation.

“This honor really verifies that Loyola supports both community engagement and service learning, which is part of the University’s culture and embedded into the curriculum,” says Patrick Green, director of Loyola’s Center for Experiential Learning. “This encourages us, the Loyola community, to remain committed to community service and civic engagement.”

LSC landscape gets a green thumbs up

In December 2009, Loyola received an Honor Award from the Illinois Chapter American Society of Landscape Architects. The Lake Shore Campus was included in the chapter’s 2009 folio, a publication showcasing high-caliber landscape architecture in Illinois. Loyola is committed to sustainability with every new building and site improvement, and this commitment is evident in the use of renewable energy, storm water quality and management, public access, and native landscaping.

The award focuses on the East Quad, with permeable walks and native landscaping. It honors not only Loyola, but its partners in the Greening of the Lake Shore Campus project, including landscape architect JPR, LLC, Power Construction, and building architect Solomon Cordwell Buenz. The East Quad project is part of a larger sustainability-focused project that includes the Quinlan Life Sciences Center, the North Quad, and the LEED-certified Information Commons. “Loyola is fortunate to have a team of experts, architects, and contractors who continue to push us to think big when it comes to environmentally conscious design and planning,” says Kana Wibbenmeyer, Loyola’s assistant director of facilities. “I think this is evident when you look around the campus.”
Celebrate World Refugee Day
June 22 · Mundelein Center Auditorium
Loyola will host World Refugee Day Chicago on June 22. Helping refugees corresponds with our Jesuit mission, and this community celebration provides an opportunity for refugees, resettlement agencies, educational institutions, and community-based organizations to come together on the issues of forced migration and resettlement.

World Refugee Day aims to give voices to refugee stories, honor the lives of refugees, and raise awareness about the status of millions of refugees around the world. Attendees will mingle with refugee families now living in Rogers Park and Chicago who will also provide a cultural program of music and dance.

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A different kind of summer vacation

While many students use their summer vacations to travel and enjoy the warm weather, a host of ambitious students remain on campus to collaborate with professors on research projects. Colleen Conley, assistant professor in the psychology department, has worked with nearly 15 students over the past couple of years and will work with students again this summer.

Conley is researching college student adjustment and well-being. One of her ongoing projects is a longitudinal investigation of trajectories of adjustment among first-year college students, using data collected here at Loyola. “I find that working with college student research assistants is especially rewarding. These students have demonstrated incredible initiative, creativity, and hard work, and they are an essential component of our research team,” says Conley.

In another project, Conley and her student assistants are exploring the impact of mental health promotion and prevention programs for college students, which includes compiling a database of existing literature and writing a review paper. The goals are to determine how to help college students adjust to the potentially stressful demands of college and prevent mental health problems from rising during college years.

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Beat the heat this summer

NEW ICON · June 5–August 1

Be sure to stop in and check out LUMA’s summer exhibition line-up. Opening June 5, New Icon explores the notion of iconography in contemporary society by focusing on new interpretations of an old definition. From the socio-political to abstract metaphors, the exhibition challenges both the ritual and the object and our relationship to them. By going beyond what our idea of what an “icon” might be—through historical, spiritual, social, and conceptual approaches—a new future might be discovered. New Icon runs through August 1, 2010.

» LUMA.LUC.edu

Summer events at Cuneo

May 29–30
CUNE0 GARDENS ARTS FEST
Featuring artists from throughout the region and country, this Memorial Day weekend tradition continues in 2010. The festival includes an art show, and attendees can visit the gardens and grounds while enjoying the art of unique and talented artists in a variety of mediums.

JUNE 23
DIVAS
Enjoy the music of top female pop stars, including tributes to Beyoncé, Christina Aguilera, Britney Spears, and other “divas” of the pop music world.

JULY 21
PIANO MAN: A TRIBUTE TO ELTON JOHN & BILLY JOEL
Piano Man Productions performs a memorable tribute to the great Elton John and Billy Joel.

August 11
ABBA TRIBUTE
Mamma mia mark your calendars for this tribute to ABBA, the landmark Swedish pop group and one of the world’s best-selling bands.

September 12
ANTIQUE CAR SHOW
Featuring more than 100 antique cars, the Cuneo Antique Car Show has been a tradition on the grounds for years.

» Cuneomansion.org

WHERE U BELONG

Class of 2014 Facebook page launched

This past spring, Loyola created the Where U Belong: Loyola University Chicago Class of 2014 Facebook page, a new Enrollment Management Marketing initiative that allows current students, faculty, staff, and alumni to reach out and connect with admitted students.

Faculty and staff have an opportunity to join the group and post information about their departments/programs. They can also post videos, photos, and create discussion threads. Please join the group and introduce yourselves to the Class of 2014!

To date, the page has almost 1,200 admitted students participating.

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Partnership leads to experience

Loyola’s School of Business Administration and the Chicago Urban League (CUL), a local organization that supports and advocates for economic, educational, and social progress for African-American businesses, have teamed up to bring real-world business challenges to the classroom.

Students in Leonard Gingerella’s spring Entrepreneurial Finance and Entrepreneurial Marketing classes, working with locally owned CUL member businesses, are getting a first-hand look at what it takes to own and operate their own business. “By working directly with the business owners, our students are gaining real-world experience that can’t be replicated by classroom case studies or exercises,” says Gingerella, clinical professor of entrepreneurial studies. “Our students are helping these businesses solve real-world business issues—issues that can make or break the financial performance of the business.”

In addition to allowing an open due-diligence review of their business operations, the company owners have attended a number of classes and seem to be getting a lot out of the experience. According to Herbert Henderson, CUL business coach, “The best way to measure the success of this program is to look at what the business owners are doing with the advice they receive. Already we’ve seen the business owners implement a number of suggestions, which is a win for the owners and a rewarding experience for the students.”

Looking ahead, the SBA and the CUL are already in discussions about hosting the program again in the fall, and if so, how it would evolve.

» Len Gingerella, lgingerella@luc.edu

Top executives discuss global business trends

The School of Business Administration’s Center for Global Management and Responsible Leadership will host its inaugural Global Leadership and Responsibility conference on May 14. The conference will feature a timely panel discussion about the “Benefits and Challenges of Global Business in Emerging Economies in the 21st Century.”

Panelists will include:

• B. Muthuraman, former managing director and current non-executive vice chairman of Tata Group, India
• Samuel C. Scott, retired chairman and CEO of Corn Products International Inc.
• Michael D. O’Halloran, executive chairman and founder of AON Benfield
• Smita N. Shah, founder and president of SPAAN Benfield
• Thomas Valletty, director of the Harvard Kennedy School Vietnam Program

The event will be held at the Union League Club of Chicago. Breakfast is from 7:30–8:30 a.m., and the panel will run from 8:30–11 a.m.

» More information/RSVP: Mine Cinar at globalmanagementcenter@luc.edu or call 312.915.6445

HR CORNER

New survey shows improvements; opportunity areas

In March, results of the 2010 Faculty and Staff Survey were shared with the President’s Cabinet and Council of Deans, a message from the president was distributed to the Loyola community, and town halls were held on the lakeside campuses.

Overall, results show that engagement levels are strong, and Loyolans are cautiously optimistic about the future of the University. The results also demonstrated significant improvements in the areas of pay and benefits (up 11 percent) and senior leadership communication (up 10 percent), both of which were identified as key areas of improvement in 2007 and later became the central focus of the University’s “Results to Action” planning.

Despite improvements in many areas, the University still has room to improve. While pay and benefits responses were significantly more positive, overall perceptions regarding the competitiveness of our pay and benefits are still significantly lower when compared to other businesses. There is also room for improvement in the teamwork category, and results highlighted the need to more proactively work with employees to engage them in the University’s strategic plan and mission.

Looking ahead, administrators will soon announce which university initiatives will be part of the “Results to Action” phase. To stay on top of survey news throughout the summer, please keep an eye on the Inside Loyola Weekly e-newsletter.

Summer construction updates

With the end of the school year right around the corner, summer construction projects on the lakeside campuses will begin soon.

• Work continues on the new Intercollegiate Athletic Facility, including steel that will be mounted adjacent to the Gentile Center.
• After graduation, fencing will go up around Damen Hall and will stretch east, ending at Madonna della Strada Chapel.
• Renovations in Mundelein Center will continue, as the first floor café nears completion.
• Coffey Hall is scheduled to open in June.
• The transformation of Cudahy Science Hall will continue. The first floor will be transformed into a natural science lab. A lab for science and math will be created on the third floor, and room on the fourth floor will be converted into offices.
• In June, the Crown Center will open a multi-language lab and offices on the first and second floors.
• The remodeling of Loyola Hall will be complete in June, and will open for the math department.
• The meeting room on floors 16 and 17 of Lewis Towers will continue to undergo restructuring.

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Summer construction updates
CPELL helps educators, students

Have you heard of the School of Education’s unique program, Chicagoland Partners for English Language Learners (CPELL)? This innovative program, created in 2007, conducts research and develops programming to improve classroom instruction and build capacity in diverse Chicago-area school districts between teachers, administrators, and their student English Language Learners (ELLs) and families. Made possible by a $1.2 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education, CPELL creates systemic change in education by providing future administrators with a master’s degree curriculum in instructional leadership, a key component to helping educators to encourage and foster ongoing student growth. The degree program, offered to teachers in participating school districts, ensures future success for teachers and ELL.

CPELL also provides professional development for participating districts’ administrators, faculty, staff, and support staff. It also develops programming for families of ELL students to increase their connections to and comfort levels with the U.S. education system.

Prof debuts on Dr. Phil

Laura Caldwell, a School of Law professor and founder of the “Life After Innocence” project, recently appeared on the nationally syndicated Dr. Phil show. For Professor Caldwell, it was a unique opportunity to spread the message of her project and offer her clients much-needed national exposure.

The show featured Dean Cage, a project client, who was recently released from prison after spending 14 years in jail for a crime he did not commit. For clients such as Cage, the problems of convictions and institutionalization continue well after release. The Dr. Phil show provided the ideal platform for Professor Caldwell to inform the American public and help alter public perceptions.

The show also marked the reunion of Loretta Zilinger, who was the accuser, and Dean Cage. The two embraced on the show’s stage and were able to put the shocking past behind them. Thanks to projects like “Life After Innocence,” Dean Cage is not deprived the opportunity to be the husband and father he has always dreamt of being anymore.

CAS Lecturer named Woman of Excellence

Dr. Willetta Greene-Johnson, a lecturer in the physics and chemistry departments at Loyola, was recently named one of Chicago’s 50 women of excellence by the Chicago Defender. Dr. Greene-Johnson, who is also a Grammy award-winning songwriter and distinguished orchestra arranger, received this award for her contributions to StrategicMusic Inc., a Christian music company that she founded in 2003.

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Dr. Greene-Johnson was honored at the Women of Excellence event on April 17.
Patricia Hernes, MFA  

Tell us briefly about your role in the DFPA. I am the longest-serving associate professor in the drawing, painting, and printmaking areas of the visual arts division. I also teach figure workshop, advanced studio offerings, and the senior capstone course.

What made you decide you wanted to pursue the fine arts as a career? Early in my life I had the good fortune of being surrounded by creative people and was encouraged at both an elementary and high-school level by some very strong women. They showed me that one could follow a passion and make it part of a full life.

How long have you been at Loyola and what’s changed the most since you started here? I came to Loyola as part of the affiliation with Mundelein College. I was the chair of the fine arts department at the time. Every year at Loyola since has proved to be equally interesting with any number of changes. The most striking recent change has been the clarification of a long-term vision for the University.

You earned your degrees from The School of the Art Institute of Chicago. What was the biggest difference going to college there, as opposed to a liberal arts university? Even though our full-time load was at The School of the Art Institute, we also completed a liberal arts course of study at the University of Chicago. The greatest difference between an art program in a liberal arts university and a professional school is that all the students in a professional school are there to follow their artistic passions, so there is a kind of unspoken sense of belonging.

You traveled extensively as an undergraduate. Where was your favorite place and why? Like my taste in art, it changes daily. I am a transplant to Chicago and zealous about this city, but Paris has a special place in my heart. It boasts all the flora, fauna, art, and activity a creative person needs.

What’s your favorite piece of art at the Art Institute of Chicago? It changes daily, weekly, and so on. Today, I am in love (again) with the newly cleaned Bathers by Henri Matisse.

What are some of your hobbies outside of art? I am crazy for gardening, cooking, and travel. I try to do all three as creatively as possible.

Do you think digital technology helps or hurts the development of “real life” physical painting and drawing? I think any technique or innovation that can provide the artist with a greater ability to communicate ideas is a worthy endeavor.

BY THE NUMBERS: 2010 COMMENCEMENT

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This spring, students from the Center for Urban Environmental Research and Policy (CUERP): Food Systems course have launched an edible landscaping map* of the Lake Shore Campus. Take a second and look around campus and you will find that there is a lot to eat! Check out the edible plants on campus by visiting the Edible Plant Tour at LUC.edu/cuerp/edibleplants.

*Please be sure to review the disclaimer located on the online edible plants map.
**SAVE THE DATE**

**LAKE SHORE**

**MAY 16**

**ORGAN CONCERT SERIES**

3–4 p.m. - Madonna della Strada

Don’t miss the 11th installment of this year-long concert series showcasing the organ in Madonna della Strada Chapel. May’s concert features Todd Gresick, organist at Sacred Heart Parish in Winnetka. - Steven Betancourt at sbetancourt@luc.edu or 773.508.2195

**MAY 22**

**LAW SCHOOL BACCALAUERATE LITURGY**

10:30–11:30 a.m. - Madonna della Strada

Come celebrate the end of the school year and support this year’s law school graduates at the School of Law baccalaureate liturgy in Madonna della Strada Chapel. - Patrick Dorsey, S.J., at pdorsey@luc.edu

**WATER TOWER**

**MAY 20**

**7TH ANNUAL PHILANTHROPY FOR ALL SEASONS RECEPTION**

6–9 p.m. - Kasbeer Hall

Hosted by the Nonprofit Management and Philanthropy Sector Program (NMPS) at the School of Social Work, this annual reception brings together NMPS students and alumni and Loyola members with recognized and respected leaders and representatives in the philanthropic and nonprofit communities.

- RSVP to Ivan Medina at imedina@luc.edu, LUC.edu/philanthropy

**MAYWOOD**

**MAY 26**

**SECOND ANNUAL CHICAGO AREA RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM**

4:30–6 p.m. - Stritch School of Medicine, Room 160

Join the Department of Ophthalmology for this symposium with a keynote address by Mathew W. MacCumber, MD, PhD, of Rush University Medical Center. - Bruce Gaynes at 708.216.9595 or bgaynes@lumc.edu

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