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WE ALWAYS LOOK FORWARD AND ACT TO CREATE OPPORTUNITIES. THE RESULT? THIS YEAR WAS STELLAR.

In the midst of the largest land expansion in our history, the University welcomed the biggest first-year class in four decades. Cumulative sponsored research topped $1.5 billion. In the past three years alone, support from alumni and friends surpassed $100 million.

We added a signature landmark facility to our flourishing 382-acre campus as researchers set up labs and graduate students began classes in the 1700 South Patterson Building. Welcome to River Campus.

And in a pinnacle moment, GE Aviation chose the University of Dayton over multiple sites in the U.S. and abroad to locate a new $51 million research-and-development center. When a Fortune 100 company makes such a considerable investment, that speaks volumes about the University’s mounting reputation as a research powerhouse.

The University’s strong upward momentum has not gone unnoticed. Dayton Business Journal named President Daniel J. Curran the region’s leader. He personifies the philosophy espoused by Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, founder of the Marianists: “New times call for new methods.”

Read how one community experiences continuous transformation. The pages of the 2010 President’s Report chronicle this timeless way of thinking — and acting.
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It’s the people who make us great.

President Daniel J. Curran (b) reviewed the 2010 Regional Leadership Award for his lasting impact on Catholicism and the economic health of the region from the Dayton Business Journal. “He has enhanced the University of Dayton’s footprint in the Dayton region — and the world,” says Bob (h), chair of the University’s board of trustees.

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If children in a struggling neighborhood are offered a strong foundation, it strengthens the entire community. That was the vision behind Joan Kroc’s bequest of more than $1.5 billion to the Salvation Army for community centers across the country. That same vision drives the University of Dayton’s involvement in the stunning new Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in northeast Dayton.

As construction workers built the center’s physical structure, faculty from the University’s School of Education and Allied Professions such as Shauna Adams worked in partnership with the Salvation Army to help build its educational structure. They designed everything from a curriculum of high-quality learning experiences for preschoolers to programs and spaces for a literacy clinic, science and math intervention, parent education and support, and a technology café.

Though the center is new, the partnership is longstanding. It was born of the University’s Fitz Center for Leadership in Community and its Neighborhood School Centers initiative, in which the Fitz Center works with Dayton Public Schools at five buildings to ensure those facilities serve as neighborhood resources. Each Neighborhood School Center has a nonprofit partner — at Kiser PreK-8 School, located near the Kroc Center, that partner is the Salvation Army.

“The UD faculty did not walk in front of us — they walked beside us,” says Amber Rose ’06, director of education for the Kroc Center. “Both organizations are so mission-minded. … We could not have shaped the program we did without them.”

At the University of Dayton, we talk about our Marianist commitment to making a real difference in our world. That includes leadership and service right here in Dayton.
THE ARTS

Arts for all

The proposed University Center for the Arts will be used by our 350 students currently majoring in arts; by more than 1,300 students who participate in advanced art courses or performances and currently major in areas other than the arts; and the larger community attending performing and visual arts shows. In the past 10 years, University arts classes have seen a 31 percent rise in credit hours.

TO IMAGINE IS EVERYTHING

STUDENTS USUALLY DOZE BETWEEN CLASSES ON THE COUCHES OF SUNNY TORCH LOUNGE, but this day they pushed aside the furniture to make room for the masterful energy of dancers spanning and lunging, feet pressing on black marley and fingertips reaching skyward.

While the Dayton Contemporary Dance Company more often performs on world stages such as the Lincoln Center, this academic year its dancers are transforming spaces throughout campus into classrooms for the arts. As our community artist in residence, DCDC is but one powerful illustration that the arts are thriving on campus.

The arts teach us to recognize value, to refine critical judgment, to realize excellence, to imagine new futures, to discover ourselves and to share what we’ve learned in enthusiastic community.

And we spotlighted our commitment to the arts at the 2010 John Stuart Society gala, where major donors learned of the proposed $35 million University Center for the Arts and the role it will play in educating the whole person and strengthening community partnerships such as the one with DCDC.

“Our students know that the arts are indispensable,” says College of Arts and Sciences Dean Paul Benson. “We know that the arts have special power for engagement and transformation of students. And our Marianist tradition underscores the community-building value of the arts.”

We imagine a future with a new home for the arts. We embrace an academic core that provides us with the universal language for life, a new way of manifesting our Marianist charism through creative expression and community interaction. It gives us energy to turn a sleepy lounge into a stage for world-class art and an empty street corner into a facility where everyone — from engineers to music therapy majors — contributes to the grand creative journey of life.
ATHLETICS

IN THE RED BULBS OF THE SCOREBOARD
HIGH ABOVE MADISON SQUARE GARDEN’S
HARDWOOD COURT, a year’s worth of sweat and skill
and practice and promise burned bright: Dayton 79, North
Carolina 68.

For the third time in history, Flyer men captured the NIT
championship. On its way, the team charged through Illinois,
Cincinnati and Ole Miss, finishing 11-4 over BCS opponents
in the past four seasons. Sophomore Chris Johnson was
named the tournament’s most outstanding player, and coach
Brian Gregory choked back emotion about the team of men
beside him and those who had come before:

“When our teams put on their Flyer uniforms and we play here
in Madison Square Garden, we get after it, and it’s important.
I think we proved that over the last couple of days.”

Throughout 2010 and across the sports, Flyer athletics made
the Flyer Faithful proud:

- Regular-season conference titles for volleyball, women’s
soccer and football.
- A-10 Conference championship for volleyball, which went
undefeated in conference play, was ranked No. 13 and
advanced to the second round of the NCAA tournament.
- Most successful season ever for women’s basketball,
which finished 25-8 and advanced to the second round of
the NCAA tournament.
- Second consecutive NCAA tourney appearance for A-10
champion women’s soccer, which lost in the second round
to No. 17 Ohio State in a penalty-kick shootout.
- Three Flyer records (5K, 8K and 10K) and a major
championship (2010 National Catholic Invitational) for
men’s cross country runner senior Chris Lemon.
- Two Flyer firsts in women’s track and field — hammer
thrower junior Mallory Barnes named NCAA All-
American and freshman pole vaulter Katie Nageotte
placed 17th at the outdoor championships.
- Continued academic excellence, with Dayton tying for
first in the A-10 and tying for 21st in the nation in the
NCAA Graduation Success Report with an overall score
of 94 and 10 programs with a perfect 100. Also, for the
first time in school history, every athletic team carried
a combined cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or
higher.

Dayton is a place for champions. In 2010, the University
hosted the NCAA volleyball tournament first, second, third
and quarterfinal rounds, women’s basketball regionals,
and men’s basketball opening round. And the University of
Dayton Arena secured the bid for the first First Four of the
men’s NCAA tournament. In March, four teams will finish
their games, look up at our scoreboard and know their
year’s worth of practice and promise is propelling them
through Dayton and closer to a championship.

HOW HIGH’S OUR CEILING?
THROUGH THE ROOF.
THE EYES HAVE IT.

OLD EYES, YOUNG EYES. A DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBER OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN EYES, WHERE GLAUCOMA IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF BLINDNESS.

Not for long, says Ed Timm ’82, who has a new partner in his fight against blindness.

Timm and University of Dayton researcher Khalid Lafdi are adopting a “smart” nanomaterial used in wind turbine blades to a much smaller application — artificial eye ducts. Current silicon-based ducts, says Timm, a medical device salesman and founder of Mobius Therapeutics, tend to clog and again allow dangerous pressure to build in the eye. Ducts made from the “fuzzy fiber” hybrid fabric NAHF-X do not. Timm believes successful animal tests could lead to FDA approval and marketable ducts within three years.

The partnership between entrepreneur and researcher is one of several exciting campus initiatives to improve sight for those suffering from eye injury and disease. Professor Panagiotis Tsonis, director of the University’s TREND Center, continues to work on lens regeneration, studying the newt and its ability to revert adult cells to a stem cell–like state. Professor Amit Singh and his graduate and undergraduate students are identifying key genes in 1,500 strains of fruit flies involved in early eye patterning to help unravel the genetic underpinnings responsible for pediatric blindness, retinal diseases and other eye defects.

“God gave us the gift of sight, and we may be able to help people keep that gift,” says Lafdi, who also has performed research on carbon for bone repair, hip replacement materials and shape-memory composites for joints. “For me, this is what being an engineer is all about — serving the community.”

A quick glance

The National Institutes of Health awarded Panagiotis Tsonis a five-year, $1.8 million grant to study lens regeneration; the NIH has continuously funded his work since 1995.

Amit Singh received a two-year, $210,250 NIH grant to study genetic causes of blindness; he also is working with the American Society of Human Genetics to improve genetics education for high school students.

The University performed $95.3 million in sponsored research in FY 2010, including funding from the Air Force, Army, state of Ohio and the aerospace industry to develop NAHF-X, the first tailored nanomaterial capable of being produced in quantities for commercial-size applications.
Professor Thaddeus Hoffmeister has his eyes on the jury box — and wonders which jurors have their eyes on social media.

**FACEBOOK ’EM, DANNO**

**LAW PROFESSOR THADDEUS HOFFMEISTER IS A FLY ON THE WALL OF A COURTROOM.** If you wonder what goes on in a jury box, he can probably tell you.

The problem is jurors probably are telling many what they are thinking, too.

Hoffmeister currently is researching how social media and the Internet are influencing jurors and the outcomes of cases. Within the past few years, Hoffmeister says, jurors have taken to the Internet to divulge details of cases and conduct their own investigations.

“Judges instruct jurors not to go to the crime scene or to the jail to see if someone is there, or talk about the case,” Hoffmeister says. “But now jurors can go to Google Earth and see the crime scene. They can get on the county or city website to see who is incarcerated. And, since MTV’s Real World has come out, you have a generation who want to tell the world what they’re doing at all times.”

To help combat juror curiosity or confusion, Hoffmeister suggests allowing jurors to ask questions during the case. And if he were judge, he says he’d tell jurors that it’s natural to be curious. “Just don’t act on that curiosity.” Juror actions could cause a mistrial, cause the state and the parties involved to pay for a new trial, cause the mother of the victim to have to testify again. “I’m not asking you to give up the Internet for the rest of your life, just while you’re on jury duty.”

Hoffmeister has been enthralled with jury dynamics since law school. After law school, he clerked for a judge working on trying to improve the way juries operate.

“Judging your peers is an amazing power to give everyday citizens,” says Hoffmeister, whom *The Wall Street Journal*, *Chicago Tribune* and *The Washington Post* have quoted in stories about juries. “Outside of voting, it may be the second-biggest thing in a democracy.”
“TO SPEAK ANOTHER LANGUAGE IS TO POSSESS ANOTHER SOUL” — words as true now as when the Emperor Charlemagne uttered them around the ninth century. The University of Dayton is bringing more international students to our campus than ever before and sending students abroad for an education as tangible as the needs of our world.

Junior John McGinnis, for example, is spending the spring semester at the American University in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. A recipient of the William Jefferson Clinton Scholarship, he is receiving full support for housing and tuition as he works toward a certificate in Middle Eastern studies, taking classes in language and politics. Senior Zac Sideras, a 2010 Rotary Club Ambassadorial Scholar, has traveled to Morocco, Egypt, and the Palestinian territories of Israel to improve his Arabic skills and gain more understanding of a region of the world that becomes more relevant with every headline.

As UD students go abroad, others from all around the world are coming to Dayton. Students from more than 60 countries are part of our campus community today, including more than 200 from China alone. They come for undergraduate and graduate studies, to improve their English skills, and from partner institutions and Marianist schools from India to Malawi. With Marianist hospitality, we connect our international students with academic support, housing and other resources on campus to help ensure their success.

Speaking new languages. Creating community across cultures. Wherever in the world our students come from and wherever they may go, the lessons of Dayton travel with them.
PHILANTHROPY

Without a surprise offer to help, Brittany Hughbanks wouldn’t even be attending the University of Dayton, where she will graduate this spring with a degree in exercise science.

Every year, Rick Pfleger ’77 and Claire Tierney Pfleger ’78, family friends from her hometown of Indianapolis, quietly wrote a check to cover part of her tuition after they learned UD was her top choice, but her family couldn’t afford it.

“I’ll never forget that,” she says. “I always thought I’d go to Indiana or Purdue or somewhere close, but they made it possible to come here. They’re all good schools, but it’s not like here.”

Thanks to the couple’s generosity, future students will receive some extra help, too. In 2010, they launched the Richard J. and Claire T. Pfleger Endowed Scholarship, one of 684 endowed scholarships at the University.

Endowed scholarships, says University of Dayton President Daniel J. Curran, are the University’s most pressing need. He’s set a goal to quadruple the number to attract the best students and make a UD degree attainable for any who need financial assistance.

“We truly believe in stewardship and the concept of giving back the gifts that God has given us,” says Rick Pfleger, a University trustee and retired vice president for North American sales at Juniper Networks. “I believe God blessed us for a reason.”

Pfleger met his wife, a special education graduate, and seven lifelong friends on campus. Daughter Lindsey followed in their footsteps and earned a bachelor’s degree in entrepreneurship and an MBA. He credits the school for giving him “a great education” and strengthening his character and values.

“When it comes to charitable giving, one of my favorite quotes is from Winston Churchill: ‘We make a living by what we get, we make a lifetime by what we give,’” he says.

By the numbers

- 1,807 Current students receiving endowed scholarship assistance
- 2,100 Gifts to scholarship funds in 2010
- $3,610,718 Scholarship donations in 2010
- $5,963,000 Donor-funded scholarship dollars awarded in 2010-11
THINGS ARE ADDING UP

We are proud stewards of our students’ education, just as we are proud stewards of the resources alumni and friends entrust to us to fulfill our goal of educating the whole person in community. As we continue with the leadership phase of the Campaign for the University of Dayton, we measure our success in many ways. There are the dollars raised and the way the University manages these contributions. And there’s our continued commitment to transformative education in the Catholic, Marianist spirit. It’s been a stellar year.

2010 UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT SNAPSHOT

- 7,750 undergraduate enrollment
- 2,934 graduate enrollment
- 530 law school enrollment
- 51% male; 49% female
- Representing 47 states plus Guam, U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico; 34 countries
- 2.5% international

CLASS OF 2014

- 2,060 first-year students
- Representing 47 states plus Guam and Puerto Rico; 10 countries
- 2.5% international
- 3.51 average GPA
- 85.5% in top half of high school class
- Average ACT score 26.1
- Average SAT score 1157

Market value of University endowment, as of June 30, 2010

Cumulative campaign commitments by purpose, as of June 30, 2010

Cumulative campaign commitments by constituent type, as of June 30, 2010

Campaign commitment totals, as of June 30, 2010 (including planned gifts)