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I am pleased and honored to join you in Southwest Florida and to lead Florida Gulf Coast University as we launch our second dynamic decade of service in higher education. As I begin my term as the third president of FGCU, I am inspired by donors, supporters and friends whose generosity has transformed an emerging state-supported institution into a rapidly growing, high-quality university of choice. My colleague, Dick Pegnetter, and I extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to you for your sustained support. We are encouraged that, with your continued support, we will maintain FGCU’s meteoric rise to preeminence.

FGCU’s fund-raising history is impressive. Following the close of the highly successful Dedicated to Greatness capital campaign at $218 million, the 2006-2007 fund-raising effort exceeded expectations and reported an income of $30 million as the fiscal year ended on June 30. Your generosity has resulted in the implementation of new programs, the tripling of endowed scholarship dollars and the acquisition of land, educational facilities and other resources for environmental research. The pages of the Annual Report detail your support and present truly inspiring stories of philanthropy. We promise to continue our thoughtful and effective stewardship of resources as we prepare students to serve their communities with vision, wisdom and integrity.

Wilson G. Bradshaw, Ph.D.
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Immediate past interim president
The 2006-07 fiscal year was a memorable one for Florida Gulf Coast University and its Foundation. A record number of students enrolled and the Foundation met its goal of raising more than $30 million in gifts that will benefit today’s students as well as those to come.

It’s been another year of growth, marked by groundbreaking on Holmes Hall, Lutgert Hall and Sugden Hall. A second parking garage and a new complex of residence halls are on the rise as well.

As in previous years, the community has generously supported the University. We deeply appreciate your commitment to, and enthusiasm for, Florida Gulf Coast University. It is because of your generosity that we are able to grow and flourish, adding new buildings and programs that are critical to our mission of creating a University that will continue to meet the needs of the burgeoning Southwest Florida population.

As the University celebrates its first decade, we can look back with pride and amazement at the dramatic way in which the community has grown and how Florida Gulf Coast University has kept pace, introducing additional degree programs, expanding scholarship opportunities and growing our athletics programs, all in response to your input and support.

On behalf of the entire FGCU Foundation Board of Directors, we thank you for the support and loyalty you have shown this University. It is because of you that this is the University of choice for Southwest Florida.

Sincerely,

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Sydney Kitson and his development firm, Kitson & Partners, are committed to environmentally conscious growth and are proving it by including Florida Gulf Coast University in their plans to build a new community in southern Charlotte County.

The firm gave FGCU 67 acres in the midst of its Babcock Ranch property in Charlotte County, as well as $3 million to build an environmental research center on the site. The University will apply for $3 million in matching funds from the State of Florida for the facility.

Kitson & Partners is a West Palm Beach-based development firm that specializes in environmentally sensitive master-planned communities. The company plans to build just such a community at Babcock Ranch, a 143-square-mile property that straddles the Lee-Charlotte county line. The Kitson development will occupy 17,806 acres while the state will preserve 74,000 acres.

Mr. Kitson, the chairman and CEO, also serves on FGCU’s Foundation Board of Directors. His company’s gift to the University came from his belief that the two entities share the same environmental goals.

Although the firm has been involved in environmental programs elsewhere, the gift to FGCU represents its most significant such commitment to date. Mr. Kitson envisions the University’s Center for Environmental Research and Outreach as a place where people of all ages will have the opportunity to learn.

“It’s important to have students get involved with environmental issues at an early age,” he said. “We think the FGCU Center can play a vital role in their education. At Babcock Ranch we will have a 74,000-acre ‘living laboratory’ located adjacent to the Center. With such close proximity, we are enthusiastically looking forward to working with the scientists to help us make a better, more environmentally sensitive community.”

University researchers will play major roles in assessing how to preserve the environment.

“The research on wetland and upland ecosystems on the Babcock Ranch property is a logical extension of the work being done on the FGCU campus,” said Dr. Bonnie Yegidis, then-provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. “The work will showcase the best practices of land management. It will help create a more sustainable environment not just in our region, but throughout the world.”

Mr. Kitson shares this vision.

“We want to do the right thing for the environment and set the bar high for development standards for the entire state,” he said. “We view our partnership with FGCU as an integral part of our commitment to the environment.”
The contributions of Edwin H. Bower are legendary, spanning 40 years of service in Collier County. Born in 1906 to humble farm parents in Michigan, he was the youngest of five children and the only one to pursue and achieve a college education. As a newly minted CPA, after working for a large firm, he founded his own company in 1933 in Detroit in the depths of the Great Depression. This experience reinforced his basic values of thrift and a strong work ethic.

In 1965, his firm was purchased by Arthur Young & Company, which later became Ernst & Young. Freed from past responsibilities, he moved to Naples, where he volunteered his knowledge and expertise to many community organizations.

In 1973, he was honored as Citizen of the Year. His belief that education was critical to society guided his generous and quiet giving, which helped the young, the disabled and the elderly in need. For his significant contributions that aided Collier County families and children he received the Cosgrove Award in 1995.

After he moved to Moorings Park in 1994, he perceived the need for a chapel that would offer spiritual and musical food for the soul. His vision of the chapel as a beautiful architectural and musical jewel was realized by his daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Alan Korest.

Because Mr. Bower loved his community and wanted to improve the quality of life for so many, he became an early supporter of FGCU. Joining him in his belief in the importance of education and in his deep appreciation for music, the Korests chose to extend his legacy to include the Bower School of Music at Florida Gulf Coast University.

“We are very excited and pleased to honor Marilyn's late father, Edwin H. Bower, in perpetuity through the naming of the Bower School of Music at FGCU,” Mr. Korest said. “This will not be just another music school. BSM will be one of pioneering leadership that will exert enormous influence in this community. The Bower School of Music will focus on providing its students with broad-based, creative and innovative music education of academic and performing excellence.”

The Korests provided the means by which FGCU can indeed achieve greatness for the Bower School of Music. With the State of Florida Major Gifts Trust Fund dollar-for-dollar match, the value of the Korests’ gift became $5 million. Their endowed fund will support such activities as new faculty positions, classroom instruments and equipment, scholarships, library purchases, marketing, music research, partnership endeavors, outreach programs and public performance.

Of particular interest to the Korests is that the Bower School of Music will soon expand its degree offerings to include Music Therapy, a desired niche of excellence for FGCU and one of increasing importance to Southwest Florida and beyond.
Given the limited amount of development possible on Florida Gulf Coast University’s main campus, securing nearby sites on which to establish much-needed programs is critical to the institution’s growth.

That’s why the donation of property for a research park on the site of The Fountains development is such a valuable gift.

SouthStar Development Partners Inc. has generously offered the University 20 acres – enough room to build a 200,000-square-foot center – within its community just east of Gateway and Southwest Florida International Airport. The land is valued at approximately $3.6 million.

“The property is planned for use as a research park and, as such, continues Florida Gulf Coast University’s desire to be a leader in economic development within Southwest Florida,” said Dr. Joseph Shepard, vice president for Administrative Services and Finance.

“A university is more than just the offering of classes in its academic core. It is an outreach and a part of the community that is most tangibly seen via research.”

Such a facility will likely attract pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies interested in teaming up with the University, which would serve to stimulate the region’s economy while providing valuable research opportunities for FGCU faculty and students.

“The Fountains represents a development for the future by addressing mixed-use, sustainability and green development, all of which we believe are important to Lee County and its future,” said Kimball D. Woodbury, executive vice president of SouthStar Development Partners Inc. “An important component of The Fountains, the research facility will help realize the goals of the community and the University. We are extremely excited to be involved with Florida Gulf Coast University in this new endeavor.”
The Conservancy of Southwest Florida and Florida Gulf Coast University are teaming up to establish an innovative program aimed at guiding all members of the community to a higher environmental consciousness.

This joint program is being made possible through a $1 million endowment donation to the Conservancy by Edith and Ed Andrew. FGCU, in turn, will provide funding to launch the “K-to-gray” Environmental Education and Outreach program.

The University will apply for a state match of $750,000 and an anonymous family foundation will provide an additional $100,000 in seed money for the project.

It’s a program that Conservancy President and CEO Andrew McElwaine believes is critically needed, citing a study that indicated environmental education in the area is “kind of scattershot.”

In addition to serving on the FGCU faculty, the director of the program will provide outreach services and coordinate environmental education across the five-county region, according to Dr. Donna Price Henry, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

“The College of Arts and Sciences has had a longstanding informal relationship with the Conservancy,” she said. “The joint faculty position will strengthen that relationship as well as provide in-service teacher education, which will enhance environmental learning in the schools.

Mr. McElwaine said, “Establishing a partnership with FGCU has been a goal of the Conservancy for many years. Environmental education is an essential part of our mission. Thanks to this generous endowment from Edith and Ed Andrew, our goal has been realized. By working with FGCU, we can both be more effective.”

THE CONSERVANCY

Pledges $1 million for environmental program
Long-time Fort Myers resident and philanthropist Bernese Davis combined her lifelong passion for horticulture with her late husband’s love of education and research when she established the Bernese B. and Sidney R. Davis Chair for Landscape Design, Horticultural Education and Research.

Her contribution, along with the State of Florida matching gift, has created a $1 million endowment at Florida Gulf Coast University. Earnings from the invested fund will support the research and scholarly activities of an internationally renowned authority in the field of Environmental Horticulture in perpetuity. The professor who holds this honored title will use his/her leadership, knowledge and cutting-edge research to inspire students and bring prominence to the University.

Berne Davis hopes that her gift will inspire University students and the broader community to experience a deeper appreciation of environmental design, leading to a more beautiful community.

Her love for gardening and civic beautification is well-known in Fort Myers, inspired by her mother Dorothy Barfield, and her friend, Mina Miller Edison. The home Berne Davis shared with her husband since 1942 reflects this love, with its winding garden containing a seemingly endless variety of flowers, vegetables and foliage and spectacular view of the Caloosahatchee. She not only cares for this garden, but through her service in local garden clubs, she has led and participated in many civic beautification projects in Lee County.

Mr. Davis was very active in civic affairs as well. He was an officer and director of the Lee County Bank. He served as president of the Downtown Merchants Association and the Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce. He participated in the construction of Lee Memorial Hospital in 1943, serving on its board and that of First United Methodist Church.

“I am happy to be able to do this for the community that I love and call home,” Berne Davis said. “I know Sidney would have been happy, too. He was always interested in helping young people.”
The University is committed to building a signature educational facility at the gateway to Old Naples. The 50,000-square-foot building will occupy a two-acre parcel the University purchased on the corner of Goodlette-Frank Road and U.S. 41 (Fifth Avenue).

With Collier County’s population projected to double in the next 25 years, the Naples Center will help meet the increased demand for academic programs for undergraduate and graduate students, continuing education for professionals and lifelong learning opportunities for adults.

The Naples Center will enable students from Collier County to fulfill educational goals that will lead them to desired careers. The most desired academic programs in Collier County are business, health and education. Lifelong learning program participants will enjoy the personal enrichment and satisfaction that comes from the continued acquisition of knowledge and cultural experiences. From symposia on global, national and local issues, performances by FGCU’s Bower School of Music, exhibitions, hands-on workshops, lectures and courses, the activities within these walls will be distinguished by excellence in teaching, performance and service.

Through their gifts this year to this significant project, several individuals have demonstrated that private philanthropy and commitment to the public good are core principles of Naples life.
When Dolph and Sharon von Arx decided to make a donation toward the FGCU Naples Center, the couple knew they were making an investment in Collier County’s future.

“The FGCU Naples Center is important to this community because it opens up a real opportunity for people with full-time jobs to be engaged and making progress towards advanced business degrees or engineering degrees or other degree programs that will be added in the future,” Mr. von Arx said. “The Naples Center will make it a lot easier for young people to enhance their educational profiles and companies really appreciate that.”

Mr. von Arx is a former chairman and CEO of the Planters LifeSavers Company. He also has a long history with FGCU, sitting on the advisory board for the College of Business as well as the Florida Gulf Coast University Foundation Board of Directors. From that vantage point, he hopes and expects the new Naples Center to also benefit the university system-wide.

“The Collier community is a very important source of funding,” he said. “We hope fund-raising at FGCU is enhanced by having a presence here in our city.”

When Fred and Stephanie Pezeshkan pledged $100,000 toward Florida Gulf Coast University’s Naples Center, it was the latest link in a long relationship between Mr. Pezeshkan and the University. A member of the FGCU Foundation Board of Directors for 11 years, he is chairman and CEO of the Naples-based Kraft Construction Company, the largest privately held general building contracting firm in Florida.

So he understands something about communities and growth.

“The FGCU Naples Center is very important for Collier County,” he said. “The Renaissance Academy has been very successful here and it has about run out of space at the temporary Naples location. The Naples Center will give the Renaissance Academy a permanent home. Also within this building will be a variety of critically needed classrooms for undergraduate study and MBA programs.”

As land around the University’s main campus in Fort Myers builds out, Mr. Pezeshkan believes development and growth of education centers in such places as Collier County, Charlotte County and Cape Coral will be essential to FGCU’s ability to accomplish its educational mission for the betterment of the region.
Donors who remember Florida Gulf Coast University in their wills provide gifts that last well into the future. They create an enduring legacy for their family name. An endowed fund recognizes a family for its generosity and lasts forever in perpetuity.

Sometimes a gift comes out of the blue after a donor has made a quiet, anonymous contribution. Other contributors prefer to announce their gifts before they die so they have an opportunity to get more involved with the University by attending events with faculty, staff and students and get a firsthand look at the programs to which they have given their support. Estate gifts can go toward scholarships, academic or athletic programs or any other area of interest at FGCU.

Estate gifts can make huge differences in the lives of students.

Through such gifts donors can establish endowed chairs or expand the scope of programs about which they care passionately, making the students’ academic experience that much richer.

Estate gifts to FGCU also provide a means for families to take care of their health and family members first, then apply the remaining funds to programs or scholarships about which they feel strongly.

Organizations like FGCU that change lives are generously supported with estate gifts. FGCU is improving the lives of many students with the help of estate gifts from generous donors. This money makes a real difference.

Planned Giving
Gifts create enduring legacy

The Heritage Society
Established in 2005, recognizes alumni and friends who have included Florida Gulf Coast University as a beneficiary in their estate plans through generally irrevocable deferred gifts such as charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts and retained life estates.

Anonymous
Mr. and Mrs. Gray C. Ballman
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Richard and Sandy Bishop
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Dr. and Mrs. Amal K. Das
Dr. and Mrs. George Fisher
George and Rebecca Fogg
Mary V. Hull

The Legacy Society
Established in 2005, recognizes alumni and friends who have made estate distributions to Florida Gulf Coast University. These ultimate gifts have contributed to FGCU’s ability to provide outstanding higher education and public service throughout Southwest Florida.

Lillian Clukies*
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Established in 2005, recognizes alumni and friends who have included Florida Gulf Coast University as a beneficiary in their estate plans through generally revocable deferred gifts such as wills, living trusts, life insurance policies and qualified retirement accounts.

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Keith W. Trowbridge
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Dr. Bonnie L. Yegidis

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Ruth Faith was a woman ahead of her time, a trailblazer whose influence on future generations did not end when she died last winter at age 77.

“She was an accomplished yet unassuming woman, someone who didn’t brag about her successes, but they were legion,” said Steve Magiera, FGCU vice president of Advancement.

Few knew that she was a pioneer in aerospace engineering, he said, working for Douglas Aircraft in the mid-1950s and as an aerodynamicist for ACF Electronics, participating in the design of flight simulators for aircraft.

Ms. Faith left behind the Ruth L. Faith Endowed Scholarship for Women in Mathematics.

“She will help out young women for years to come,” Mr. Magiera said, adding that she wanted to make sure women had career opportunities in mathematics. “She was clearly swimming up stream in the 1950s.”

Ms. Faith moved to Southwest Florida in 1971 and got involved with FGCU through a membership with the service organization, ZONTA International.

“Ruth loved what we were doing,” Mr. Magiera said. “She was excited about the University and we miss her dearly.”

Hans & Erna Siebert
Legacy reflects love of music and education

Erna Siebert was born in Germany, but called Southwest Florida home for many years.

She died in June 2005, leaving a $191,000 gift to Florida Gulf Coast University and creating a lasting tribute to her love of music and education.

That gift will create the Hans and Erna Marie Siebert Fund for Excellence to support student scholarships. With matching money from the state, the fund will exceed $300,000.

“The Sieberts’ legacy reflects their genuine love for students,” said Steve Magiera, FGCU vice president of Advancement. “The Foundation is indeed grateful for this newest estate gift – a scholarship endowment that will support students in perpetuity.”

Naples resident Elisabeth Schmidt, a long-time friend of the couple, said, “The Sieberts were good to the public. They made numerous charitable contributions to support the community.”

The couple grew up in Germany, moved to Montreal, then New York, and, finally, Naples. In 1989, they were instrumental in founding the German-American Club Harmonie of Naples.
William R. Maples was a trailblazer in the field of forensic anthropology, using his scientific acumen to help medical examiners solve the riddles of unexplained deaths. Among the more notable historic investigations he conducted were of Czar Nicholas Romanov, Francisco Pizarro, Joseph Merrick (the Elephant Man) and President Zachary Taylor.

The University of Florida’s Maples Center for Forensic Medicine bears his name and, a decade after his death, the research and work he did there continues. Florida Gulf Coast University now has a tie to this renowned scientist and researcher through a generous gift from his widow, Margaret Maples Gilliland, who donated a collection of non-human primate skulls and bones Maples collected.

His widow said that FGCU received the gift in large part because of Maples’ connection to Dr. Heather Walsh-Haney, assistant professor of forensic anthropology at the University. Dr. Maples mentored Dr. Walsh-Haney when she was a University of Florida student. Remembering him as a “superlative mentor,” Dr. Walsh-Haney assisted him in identifying the 110 victims of the 1996 Valujet Flight 592 crash in the Everglades.

Mrs. Gilliland was also moved to donate the collection to FGCU because her late husband had a special connection to Southwest Florida.

“The first place he was heavily involved with a medical examiner was in Lee County with (former county medical examiner) Wally Graves,” she said. The two couples became close friends.

Dr. Walsh-Haney said, “A new generation of forensic anthropology students will be able to look at skeletal specimens he collected in Africa. It is a superior collection and quite a feather in our cap.”

Margaret Maples Gilliland
Widow of renowned anthropologist donates primate bones collection

With the gift of a primate bone collection, Margaret Maples Gilliland forged a lasting tie between FGCU and her late husband, famed forensic anthropologist William R. Maples. Above, from left are: Dr. Heather Walsh-Haney, FGCU assistant professor; Rebecca Donlan, associate librarian; Kathleen F. Miller, director of Library Services; and Joseph Ravelli, former FGCU archivist.

Naples Children and Education Foundation
Organization helps foster love of reading in youngsters

Reading is the primary building block for learning. Research shows that children who enter kindergarten with solid reading skills are far more likely to succeed in school and in life.

That’s why the Early Literacy and Learning Model (ELLM) is such a vital program. Supported by the Naples Children and Education Foundation, founder of the tremendously successful Naples Winter Wine Festival, ELLM’s goal is to improve literacy skills among at-risk pre-schoolers in 54 Collier County pre-kindergarten, Head Start and migrant classrooms.

According to Naples Children and Education Foundation Executive Director Dawn Montecalvo, “The trustees of NCEF are proud of the ELLM results over the past years. The quality of the education of pre-school children in Collier County has improved tremendously since ELLM started working with these early learning providers. More at-risk children are starting school better prepared to learn.”

ELLM is implemented and supported locally by Florida Gulf Coast University and focuses primarily on 4 year olds in sites such as Guadalupe Center, Redlands Christian Migrant Association, Immokalee Children Center and 35 Head Start classrooms.

The program provides support and engaging material for children in the classroom, encourages family involvement in children’s reading at home and supplies professional development support for the teachers.

All of these strategies combine to help Southwest Florida’s youngest residents develop a firm foundation for a good education and a bright future.
Lending students a helping hand

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cholarships change lives. For so many students, the lack of finances is the insurmountable obstacle to furthering their education. For other students, scholarships are public recognition of distinguished educational journeys or the encouragement to continue on this path. They often connect recipients to the region even after graduation, building a well-educated workforce that will serve and lead our region and beyond.

In the academic year 2006-07, 680 scholarships were awarded from more than 200 established endowed funds that continue in perpetuity. An endowment is established with a minimum gift of $10,000 made over a five-year period. The fund is carefully invested and 5 percent of the earnings are awarded annually as scholarships. The contributing individual or company names the scholarship fund and determines the criteria for student selection. The State of Florida matches endowment gifts of $100,000 or more. The match ranges from 50 percent to 100 percent based on the size of the contribution.

In 2006, the state established another matching gift opportunity and the community responded to the challenge with enthusiastic generosity. In fact, more than $362,000 was awarded to qualified students in its first year. The First Generation Matching Grant Program doubles every scholarship gift made in support of First Generation students. The entire gift and the match are awarded directly to students who are degree-seeking undergraduates from Florida with financial need and parents who have not earned baccalaureate degrees.

The reasons scholarships are established are as varied as their selection criteria, but in all cases, the sponsors know their gifts are making differences, changing lives and creating a better community and world.

The Wachovia Foundation, the private foundation that is funded annually by Wachovia Corporation, generously supported the University by contributing $100,000 to create an endowed scholarship fund for FGCU students. According to Mark Schlehr, market president for Wachovia, “At Wachovia, education is a top priority of our corporate giving initiative, which is why we are extremely proud to support Florida Gulf Coast University with a scholarship endowment.”

The Wachovia Scholarship Endowed Fund supports FGCU graduate students from Charlotte, Lee and Collier counties working toward an MBA who are in need of some financial assistance.

State matching funds of $50,000 bring the total of the Wachovia Scholarship to $150,000.

Wachovia Foundation endows scholarship for MBA-bound students

Donors and student recipients enjoy getting to know one another at FGCU’s annual scholarship luncheon.
W. Bernard Lester
Retired Alico executive establishes scholarship

Dr. W. Bernard Lester has played an important role at Florida Gulf Coast University from the very start.

“When Alico, Inc. donated 760 acres for a university in Southwest Florida, Dr. Lester was there,” said Steve Magiera, FGCU vice president of Advancement.

When the agribusiness company donated three Eminent Scholar Chairs for the College of Business, Dr. Lester stood next to then-chairman of the corporation Dr. Ben Hill Griffin III. He was the company’s president when it donated $5 million to establish athletics at FGCU and build Alico Arena.

“We enjoy watching things progress and seeing the University grow,” he said.

Now retired and living in Lakeland, he and his wife, Elaine, still support FGCU. This year they established an endowed scholarship fund, the Elaine P. and W. Bernard Lester Scholarship Fund. The state is matching their gift and 50 percent of the annual proceeds will be awarded as unrestricted scholarships. The rest will be awarded by the College of Business to students who need financial assistance for University-sanctioned travel.

Dr. Lester still takes a personal interest in FGCU. He has served on the University Board of Trustees since 2001 and the University’s Lutgert College of Business Advisory Council since 1998. He also was a founding member of the Athletics First Flight Club in 2001 and has served on the Athletics Executive Booster Board since 2006.

The Lesters have cheered for FGCU athletes at hundreds of events, including all of the home basketball games.

“We have attended almost every sport that there is,” he said. “We are big fans!”

Friends band together
Group gift maximizes donations

There’s power in numbers.

That’s why a group of friends pooled their resources, donating $25,000 each to create a single fund totaling $150,000. Because the total amount exceeded $100,000, it became eligible for state matching funds, bringing the total of the endowed fund to $225,000.

That group included Joe and JoAnn Catti, Jack and Shelley Blais, Tom and Lynda Case, David and Linda Lucas, Vito and Linda Manone and the late Frank D’Alessandro.

“Everybody is fond of the University and so to be able to take advantage of the match just made sense,” said Mr. Catti, chair emeritus of the FGCU Foundation Board of Directors and president and CEO of FineMark National Bank & Trust in Fort Myers.

Mr. Lucas serves on the FGCU Board of Trustees while Mr. D’Alessandro was a member of the Foundation board.

Steve Magiera, FGCU vice president of Advancement said, “The FGCU Foundation is very pleased that this group of distinguished individuals is creating a scholarship endowment to support our students as they pursue their educational goals. The fact that the endowment will be matched is a welcome added benefit. The Blais, Case, Catti, D’Alessandro, Lucas and Manone Families Scholarship will continue to benefit our students in perpetuity.”

Dr. W. Bernard Lester has been involved with FGCU since its inception. Pictured, from left are: Carl McAloose, FGCU director of Athletics; Dr. Lester; Dr. Richard Pegnetter, FGCU interim president; Dr. J. Howard Finch, acting dean of the Lutgert College of Business; Elaine Lester; and Butch Perchan, FGCU director of Athletic Advancement.
Hoteliers Patricia and James Carroll of Carroll Properties Investments give time, money and advice to students in Florida Gulf Coast University’s Resort and Hospitality Management Program.

“We’ve been in the hospitality business for 40 years and we can see an opportunity to impact the lives of these kids,” said Mrs. Carroll. “We want to enrich their lives with hospitality.”

The Carrolls want FGCU students to join ranks with the 70,000 employees in the region’s resort and hospitality industry, she said.

The couple know that there are things students cannot learn from books. That’s why they decided to walk them through the construction of one of their hotels from the ground up.

“We’ve walked hand in hand with them right here in our own back door,” she said. “We’ll support them in any way that we can.”

Mrs. Carroll sits on the University’s Resort and Hospitality Management Advisory Committee, generating ideas for one of the most popular majors at the University.

Three years ago, the program had 13 students. It now has 300 majors.

The couple established the Embassy Suites Fort Myers/Estero Resort & Hospitality Management Program Endowed Fund. The money will fund a classroom at Herbert J. Sugden Hall, the hospitality academic building under construction at FGCU.

Michael Peceri gives his time and his money to Florida Gulf Coast University because he believes in its mission, he said.

“I’m well attached,” he said. “It’s a great school.”

A co-owner of Cin Cin Mediterranean Grille in south Fort Myers, Mr. Peceri helped FGCU shape its hospitality program. He’s also taught a class and served on the President’s Advisory Council.

He’s on campus early every Monday morning to read the newspaper on the Radio Reading Service for the Blind program run by WGCU-FM.

Family ties also bind him to FGCU. His son, George Efstatious, originally from Cyprus, graduated from FGCU in 2000. In honor of his son, he established the Michael B. Peceri Endowed International Scholarship Fund for international full-time students enrolled in FGCU’s Resort & Hospitality Management Program. He wanted to make it easier for international students to get immersed in the cultural and educational system, he said.

“I lived abroad for 20 years in diplomatic service so my cultural outlook is very international,” he said.

Mr. Peceri had a distinguished career in the resort and hospitality industry, serving as the vice chairman of South Seas Resorts Co. and as president of the International Hotel & Restaurant Association.

These days he enjoys watching the school mature and move forward with a new president.

“I’ve watched it grow and it’s still growing,” he said.
The University’s Athletics program may be young, but it’s already garnered some devoted fans.

In the past year, the University exceeded the annual fund goal of $500,000, raising an additional $1.2 million for capital improvements. That money is particularly important this year with the higher cost of being a Division I school and the addition of the women’s swimming and diving team as well as men’s and women’s soccer.

Financial support is vital because the state does not fund intercollegiate athletic programs at Florida universities. FGCU relies on two major sources of funding: a student athletic fee and private donations.

“Scott (Stevens) and I have taken an interest in the Intercollegiate Athletics program,” said Jeff Stevens of Stevens Industries. “Seeing a great complex appear in what was a ‘swamp,’ watching the competitive fire in both the coaches and the student-athletes, and being a part of the community support has been energizing for us. With the move to Division I and the caliber of competition coming to Southwest Florida, we feel proud to support FGCU Athletics.”

Fellow donor Mark Wiles feels much the same way.

“Wayne Wiles Carpet has been an active participant with the University since its beginning,” he said. “We’ve enjoyed supporting the University Foundation and we take great pride in supporting the Athletic program. I encourage all our area residents to come out to the campus and to come out to a ballgame – you won’t be disappointed!”

About 300 people have joined the Booster Club, which offers members benefits such as tickets to games, lunch with the coaches and named scholarships.

The student athletes do their part by participating in various community events, including the Eagle Math Program, which encourages some 7,000 second graders to learn math, and the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowl-a-Thon.

The student-athletes help generate excitement.

The women’s basketball team ranked number two in the nation last year, appearing on ESPN for the championship game. The men’s golf team went to the national championships as well. The men’s baseball team beat Notre Dame.

“How many men’s teams in the fourth year of competition play Notre Dame and win before a standing-room-only crowd?” said Butch Perchan, director for Athletic Advancement. “The students have performed great on the playing fields and in the classroom. We’re awfully proud of these students.”
Duane & Cookie Swanson Sr.
Sports fans help Athletics program expand

Duane Swanson Sr. and his wife, Cookie, are sports fans who don’t just sit in the stands.

They have donated generously for baseball scholarships and the construction of a baseball field. Recently Mr. Swanson’s company, Raymond Building Supply, also gave a generous donation for The Outdoor Sports Complex. The roughly 20,000-square-foot building will house offices and operations for soccer, baseball, softball, umpires and concessions.

“The Swansons have played a critical role in the development of Athletics at FGCU and continue to play a vital role in our move to Division I,” said FGCU Athletics Director Carl McAloose. “We would not be able to grow at the pace we have without supporters like the Swansons.”

The couple are happy to support FGCU’s Athletics program.

“The Southwest Florida community has been a great place for me, both personally and professionally,” said Mr. Swanson Sr. “Cookie and I believe strongly in giving back to this community. We both enjoy our relationship with the FGCU Athletics Department, the coaches and student-athletes, and we saw the need to help the program as it was beginning.”

The Swansons believe sports benefit students on and off the field.

“We believe in the role that athletics can play in both helping a young person grow and in shaping the character of a young person,” Mr. Swanson said. “We’ve always supported programs that help young people. Providing good facilities and scholarships to FGCU has been and continues to be important to us.”

Hole Montes Engineering firm takes active role in building program

You have to step forward.

That’s why Tom Taylor, president of the Naples engineering firm Holes Montes, Inc., chose to support the U.A. Whitaker School of Engineering at FGCU.

“It was not a hard decision,” he said. “We came to the conclusion that if people like us in the profession didn’t support it in a significant way, then how could the University ask others to step forward?”

The firm made a significant contribution to name the Hole Montes Lecture Hall in Holmes Hall, the engineering facility under construction at the front of the FGCU campus. The University will apply for matching funds for the Hole Montes gift to be used for equipment in the new building.

Hole Montes is a long-time contributor to the University, having supported many of its initiatives over the past 10 years. The engineering firm is also a large contributor to engineering scholarships, helping to bring some of the best and the brightest students to the University when the engineering program began in 2005.

Tom Taylor has been a part of the U.A. Whitaker School of Engineering’s advisory council since the program began.

“It’s important for our community to establish a resource for young professionals in the engineering field,” he said. “We prefer home grown if possible.”

Everyone benefits from a strong engineering program, Mr. Taylor said.

“The Hole Montes firm wants to help further FGCU’s engineering program. From left, Hole Montes Senior Vice Presidents George Hermanson and Ron Benson; President and CEO Thomas Taylor; FGCU Interim President Dr. Richard Pegnetter; Hole Montes Senior Vice President Bob Murray and U.A. Whitaker School of Engineering Director Dr. Susan Blanchard.

“None of us graduated from FGCU because it didn’t exist,” he said. “The University is such a valuable resource for our community and we felt compelled to provide in a significant way. It’s a major step forward for any university and brings it to the forefront of the state and nation.”
The President’s Society is the premier annual giving society at Florida Gulf Coast University. Created by the FGCU Foundation Board of Directors, the Society recognizes those who make substantial annual gifts to the University. To date, there are 28 life members and 107 annual members of The President’s Society.

Unrestricted gifts of $1,000 to $24,999 qualify for annual memberships; a one-time gift of $25,000 or more qualifies for a life membership. Memberships entitle donors to attend the annual President’s Society recognition brunch in March and other benefits that connect faculty, staff and friends of the community to distinguished University events.

Gifts support start-up programs that promote critical thinking and intellectual engagement.

Bob Shrader said he joined the Society because “I consider giving to the FGCU Foundation an investment in the future of the United States. Investing in the education of individuals so they can confront the challenging and complex opportunities in today’s global world is a real opportunity and is necessary.”

He has contributed in memory of his wife, Susan P. Shrader.

One of the programs funded through such donations is the Whitaker Math Competition hosted by the College of Arts and Sciences faculty for high school students from the surrounding five counties. Donations have also funded the Adaptive Sports Expo, the First Generation Scholarship Program and the 2007 State Science and the Engineering Fair.

By participating in this annual giving society, donors have established a vital tradition of caring and philanthropy that will benefit FGCU and its students for many years to come.
The alumni of Florida Gulf Coast University embody the aspirations and ideals of their alma mater as they blaze trails for themselves in the workforce and the world. Keeping them in touch with one another and with FGCU is the responsibility of the Alumni Association.

Allison Allie, ’06 (MBA), serves as director of alumni relations and executive director of the FGCU Alumni Association, working to create relationships with the 7,000-plus alumni who have graduated from FGCU over the past decade.

The alumni, whose average age is 33, contribute in many ways, including speaking at events, setting up internships and getting personally involved in projects. Because the University and the Alumni Association are so young, individuals who desire to get personally involved can make a big impact.

“They are staying here and it’s exciting,” Sparrow said.

Alumni can stay in touch through Pinnacle, the University magazine, as well as Eagle Entourage, the new alumni online community and a burgeoning membership program.

Eventually, Allie hopes to establish alumni chapters throughout the country to reach out to all FGCU grads.

“They spent four years here and developed a family,” she said. “The Alumni Association continues to keep graduates connected to professors, students and the community as a whole. We strive to create new memories for the future and continue that relationship for the rest of their lives.”

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The FGCU Alumni Association board of directors and staff thank you for supporting our organization with your contributions. Your gifts allow the association to provide alumni services and events as well as scholarships for FGCU students.

Annual giving from June 30, 2006 to July 1, 2007:

Class of 1998
Nina Schwartz Jennifer Sparrow

Class of 1999
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Class of 2005

Class of 2006
Andrew Wappes Melissa White Joshua Yanapa

Class of 2007
Jill Brauer Jacqueline Brown Victoria Burguieres Violeta Calhoun Joshua Campbell Todd Cofer Courtney Dwyer Stephanie Honas Debra Hornick Gwen Kenneally Anne Kramers Donald Labrie Peter Lechler Michele Ludwig William Moyer Keith Nunnink Karla Palma Antoinette (Tounjian) Paveway-McDaniel Alissa Perper Tammy (Schuver) Smith Larry Southard
Special events play a vital role for the Florida Gulf Coast University Foundation. Through fund raisers, donor-recognition ceremonies and community activities, the Foundation informs Southwest Floridians about the growth and opportunities that FGCU brings to the region.

Events also attract people to the University and get them involved, often for the first time. That exposure is a first step toward connecting with FGCU.

Money raised goes toward scholarships and other educational needs that are not covered by state funding.

The Foundation is especially grateful to the Southwest Florida individuals and businesses that give generously to support events at FGCU.

President’s Celebration 2007 – Voyage to Olympus
Saturday, Feb. 24
The Ritz-Carlton, Naples

Acropolis Sponsor
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HMA Foundation, Inc. – Dance Band Sponsor
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Stranahan Foundation – Sponsor
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FineMark National Bank & Trust
Florida Power and Light
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The John E. and Aliese Price Foundation
SunTrust Bank
TKW Consulting Engineers, Inc.
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WCI Communities, Inc.
Uncommon Friends Foundation

Guests stepped into the splendor of ancient Greece at the President’s Celebration.

Some 450 people celebrated the “Voyage to Olympus,” passing through cloud-covered gates leading to Olympus, where they mingled with the likes of Zeus, Poseidon and Medusa.

A gourmet dinner, live entertainment and a silent auction combined for a memorable evening that raised $280,000.

A highlight of the seventh annual event was the ceremony welcoming Bobby Ginn (and his wife, Michelle, in absentia) and Alan and Marilyn Korest into the Order of the Majestic Eagle, bringing to 17 the number of members of this select society, which includes the University’s most generous supporters.

Dozens of area businesses helped sponsor the event and donated tantalizing auction items such as jewelry, art work and golf packages.
Living in a golf haven such as Southwest Florida, there are lots of tournaments from which to choose. But the Florida Gulf Coast University Founder’s Cup Golf Tournament at Mediterra has long been in a class of its own.

The annual event began in 1991, as the first fund raiser for the as-yet-unnamed University.

Held at Mediterra, Bonita Bay Group’s master-planned community in North Naples, the 2006 tournament included 62 four-somes who filled two courses. The 15th annual event raised more than $85,000, bringing the total generated by all the tournaments to more than $710,000.

The event is successful because of the tremendous community support it receives from volunteers and sponsors.

Mediterra’s North Course Low Gross Winners were from Johnson Controls.

From left: Bryan Mehaffey, Shawn Simpson, Dr. Richard Pegnetter and Rich Yovanovich. Not pictured: Matt Harris
University Lecture Series

Since 2004, FGCU has brought world-renowned speakers to Southwest Florida through the University Lecture Series. More than 4,000 people attended the 2007 lecture by Gen. Colin L. Powell, USA (Ret.). The former secretary of state brought his unique and timely perspective on world affairs to FGCU, urging students to learn from the past, plan for the future and start making a difference in the world now.

Key Private Bank and a group of generous sponsors made it possible for FGCU to offer the event to the community free of charge.

“Key Private Bank was proud to be the grand sponsor of the Florida Gulf Coast University Lecture Series for the second year,” said Mike Dillon, district president of the Florida Region for Key Private Bank. “Gen. Colin Powell, a figure of international renown, was an excellent choice to deliver the 2007 lecture to the Southwest Florida community, and we are pleased to have played a major role in this event.”

The event invites the community to hear thought-provoking speakers who provide inspiration, intellectual challenges and diverse perspectives on the issues of the day.

An Evening with General Colin L. Powell USA (Ret.)
Diplomacy: Persuasion, Trust and Values
March 23
Alico Arena

Grand Sponsor
Key Private Bank

Gold Sponsors
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Lori and Marshall Hanno
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Naples Daily News
Premier Properties and The Lutgert Companies
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Adria and Jerry Starkey

Wanderlust 2007

The crème de la crème of the area’s hospitality industry mustered their considerable talents and resources to stage the 18th annual Wanderlust gala, blending gourmet food and dazzling auction items into a memorable fundraiser that benefits the University’s Resort and Hospitality Management program.

In keeping with this year’s theme, “Around the World in 80 Days,” guests had the opportunity to bid on travel packages to a host of destinations visited by Phileas Fogg in the Jules Verne book and movie of the same name.

The glamorous event, sponsored by American Express, took place at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, attracting hundreds of epicures and adventurous souls who bid generously on auction items such as Hawaiian vacations, golf packages and specially prepared meals at some of the region’s best restaurants.

The 2007 event raised $210,000.

Wanderlust benefits FGCU’s Resort and Hospitality Management Program.

“Just about every major hotel and resort in Lee and Collier counties participate,” said Dr. Sherie Brezina, director of FGCU’s Resort & Hospitality Management program. “It’s gratifying to see the area’s businesses come together for the benefit of the Resort and Hospitality program. This wouldn’t be possible without all the generous sponsors who participate.”

Wanderlust 2007
April 26
The Ritz-Carlton, Naples

Presenting Sponsor
American Express

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Carroll Properties Investments, Inc.
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Royal Cup
Sanibel Harbour Resort & Spa
Southern AudioVisual
Southern Wine & Spirits
Stiles Landscaping
SunStream Hotels & Resorts
Swiss Chalet Fine Foods
The Club and Spa at Fiddler’s Creek
The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club
The Ritz-Carlton Resorts of Naples
Tiffany & Co. — Naples
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U.S. Food Service
WCI Communities, Inc.

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Stilwell Enterprises
Stock Development
Talent! The Agency of Choice
The Naylor Group, LLC
Triano Hotel Company
Bonita Springs and Old Naples
FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION, INC.

Balance Sheet
June 30, 2007

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents $16,306,186
Interest receivable 824,899
Accounts receivable 6,245
Pledges receivable, current 301,118
Due from the State of Florida – Matching Gifts Program 5,324,868

Total current assets 22,763,316

NONCURRENT ASSETS

Investments 1,387,495
Restricted investments 40,640,251
Pledges receivable 176,100
Royalties receivable 3,300,000
Loans Receivable 5,000,000
Land holdings 1,954,000
Capital assets, net 24,505
Other 1,950

Total noncurrent assets 52,484,301

Total assets $75,247,617

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable $326,669
Due to others 152,898
Gift annuities payable, current portion 5,167

Total current liabilities 484,734

NONCURRENT LIABILITIES

Loans payable 2,000,000
Due to others 137,224
Gift annuities payable 71,231

Total noncurrent liabilities 2,208,455

Total liabilities 2,693,189

NET ASSETS

Invested in capital assets 24,505
Restricted

Restricted by donors – expendable 31,648,958
Permanent endowments – nonexpendable 34,706,550
Unrestricted 6,174,415

Total net assets 72,554,428

Total liabilities and net assets $75,247,617
# Statement of Revenues, Expenses And Changes In Net Assets
For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

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## NONOPERATING REVENUES

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## CAPITAL ADDITIONS

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## NET ASSETS

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The Foundation’s cost to raise a dollar during the 2006–2007 fiscal year was 6.2 cents.

Despite market losses in 2001 and 2003, the Foundation has been able to grow the endowments with current earnings and additional contributions.

Scholarships issued by the Foundation over the past five years:

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<td>Scholarships</td>
<td>278,665</td>
<td>373,690</td>
<td>441,779</td>
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Growth of the Endowment over the past five years:

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<td>29,177,545</td>
<td>39,330,726</td>
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Breakdown of the Endowment Fund as of June 30, 2007:

- **Professorships**: 12,439,264 (31.63%)
- **Scholarships**: 19,031,645 (48.39%)
- **Programs**: 7,859,817 (19.98%)
- **Total**: 39,330,726 (100.00%)

The Foundation’s cost to raise a dollar during the 2006–2007 fiscal year was 6.2 cents.
Endowment funds are established with a minimum gift of $10,000. Endowed funds carry on in perpetuity, generating income for scholarships, professorships or programs.

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