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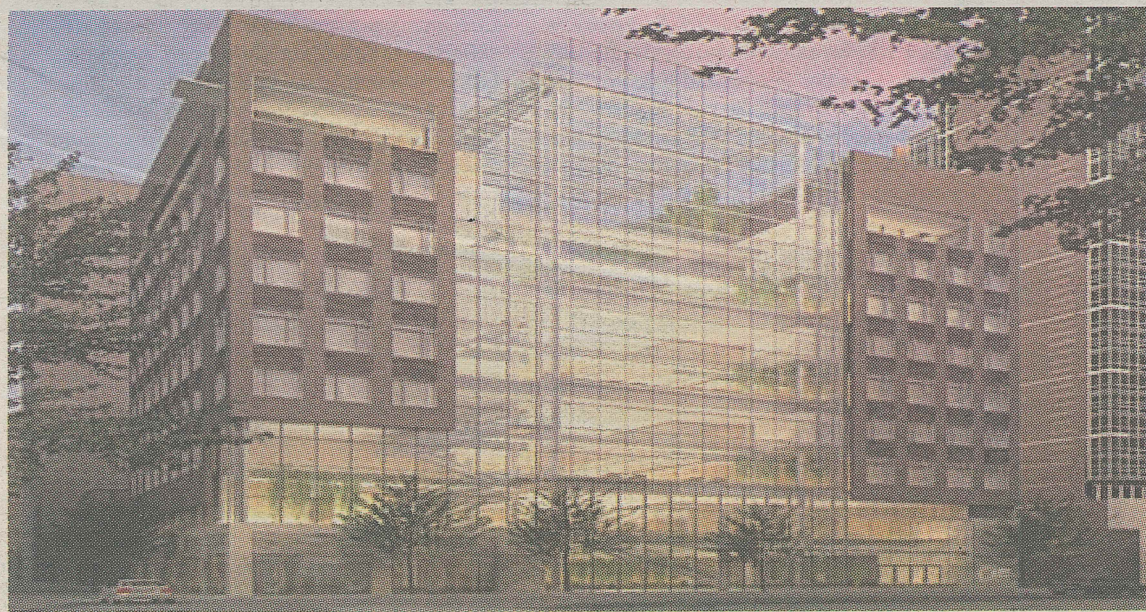
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Yes we did — Chinyere Brown, a 27-year-old auditor, watches as Barack Obama is declared the winner of the presidential election.

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Solomon Cordwell Buenz

Going green — The LEED-certified building design will house the School of Business Administration.

Loyola plans WTC expansion

Green building to occupy corner of State and Pearson streets

by Jessica Cilella
News Writer

With the School of Business growing at an incredible rate — currently packed with 1,600 undergrads and 800 grads — a proposal for a \$75 million building to house the school has become part of the university's Capital Campaign.

The building, projected to open in 2012, will include about nine classrooms, numerous meeting and conference rooms, a ballroom, lecture halls, a cafe and unique features such as locker rooms and an atrium that will span

through the structure's nine floors. It will also be Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)-certified. Dean of the Business School Abol Jalilvand, Ph.D., estimates that by 2012, 2,900 students will be enrolled at the School of Business and will have need for this building.

At about 145,000 square feet, the structure will stretch from State Street to a small residential lot next to Baumhart Hall, with its entrance on Pearson Street. The corner of State and Pearson streets will remain active with retail.

"It's designed to be an extremely

energy efficient building, it's designed to be as transparent as possible, taking advantage of the southern light, and it's also designed and situated where it would start to take some consistencies [in appearance] with Baumhart and 25 E. Pearson," said Wayne Magdziarz, Loyola's vice president of strategic planning.

"Soloman, Cordwell and Buenz are the architects, the same we used for the Information Commons, Quinlan Life Science Building and Baumhart," Magdziarz said. "This is completely

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Campus Safety responds to parties

by Steven Kent
News Writer

The next time you throw an off-campus bash, remember to mind your neighbors — or the next knock on your door might be the black slacks and silver stars of Loyola Campus Safety.

Off-campus hosts might not put Campus Safety at the top of their list of expected attendees, but it's a scene that has become more common this year according to Campus Police Officer Derrick McClinton.

"There's always been off-campus parties," McClinton said, "but what you may have this year is a little more documentation of these parties, and a little more response — more cooperation with the community, with the 24th [police district] and more patrols."

The increased response isn't the result of a Campus Safety crackdown or an abundance of wild off-campus parties, said McClinton. Rather, it's an extension of Loyola's Good Neighbor Policy,

a university standard that implores students to "conduct themselves as mature and responsible members of the Chicago and university communities," according to the student handbook.

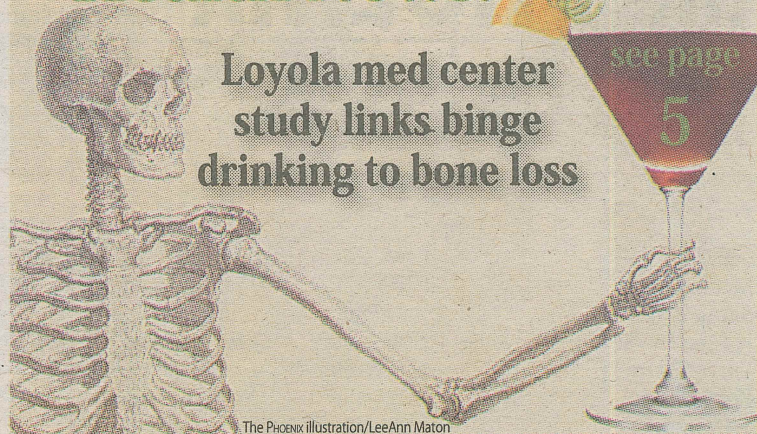
As part of this policy, Campus Safety officers respond to disturbances that occur off campus if they might originate from Loyola students — and McClinton said that Loyola's neighbors are starting to catch on.

"The university and the president have been emphasizing the Good Neighbor Policy for the last few years," he said, "and when you make that policy known, people respond to it. More neighbors are aware now that they can contact Loyola as well as the Chicago Police Department, and yes we do respond, and yes we have been responding."

Loyola senior A.J. Renold experienced this firsthand when he invited some friends over to his apartment on

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Obama elected president

by LeeAnn Maton
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Just past 10 p.m. central time, a thunderous applause burst from Chicago's Grant Park, echoing throughout a city holding its breath until the much-anticipated news broke: Chicago's own Sen. Barack Obama became President-elect Barack Obama.

As election returns arriving from the West Coast swung in his favor, Obama was pushed well beyond the necessary 270 electoral votes needed to win the presidency. And his Grant Park election night rally instantly became a victory rally.

"It's been a long time coming, but tonight, because of what we did on this day, in this election, in this defining moment, change has come to America," Obama said during his acceptance speech. "A new dawn of American leadership is at hand," he later said.

Lines to enter the rally started forming before noon, even though gates were supposed to open at 8:30 p.m. The gates were eventually opened early around 3:30 p.m. Although official attendance numbers were unavailable at press time, a Chicago Police officer at the rally estimated the crowd at 750,000 from what he saw, far outstripping another officer's expectation early in the evening to see 100,000 people allowed inside.

Closer to the projected start time for the rally, crowds of supporters mingled with a few impromptu sidewalk T-shirt vendors seizing the moment's opportunity. Khaki-clad backpack journalists converged on Grant Park from around the country, many clutching a camera in one hand and a boom mike in the other.

One reporter, Mark Leibovich from the New York Times' Washington bureau, took in the scene on Michigan Avenue as people steadily streamed into the rally.

"It's pretty wild," he said. "I've been to a lot of political rallies, but I'm guessing this is going to be bigger. ... There's not a lot of places I'd rather be."

All headed southward, easily a



Anxiously awaiting — University of Illinois Chicago student Maira Dawood watches the returns as the electoral votes for states are tallied.

dozen people wearing Obama T-shirts passed by the corner of Michigan Avenue and Monroe Street in the span of a minute, sporting slogans like "Barack the House" or "Obama Jama — We need a president who can dance."

While headed to the rally wearing a T-shirt featuring Obama's face in silver and gold rhinestones, Loyola sophomore Taryn Randle said she was looking forward to the event.

"I just want to have the memory of being there with all the people from Chicago," she said on a 147 bus headed downtown.

Seated across from her, also headed to the rally, junior LaKeshia Walker said, "I feel like it's a historical moment, and I want to be there to see the action."

Clusters of camera-toters — professional and otherwise — documented the sights and sounds of the momentous occasion before passing through security and into the rally grounds. Once inside, participants with much-

coveted tickets entered the lawn where Obama would later speak that night. Others without tickets were led to a separate lawn, and jumboscreens set to CNN announced the elections results as they came in.

By 7 p.m., the steady stream of people became a flood.

As the rally's atmosphere buzzed with energy, supporters cheered as battleground states like Pennsylvania, Virginia, Iowa and Ohio fell into Obama's column. Supporters cheered on states like fans at a horserace — "C'mon Ohio!" one person screamed — and a group of Loyola students from swings states watched the returns on the giant screens with bated breath.

Jeanette Jackson, an Obama campaign volunteer who traveled across the country and worked in Florida to register new voters, was elated when Florida started leaning toward Obama.

"It makes me feel amazing," Jackson said. "I left the campaign early, but I

know my contribution paid off. I'm part responsible for delivering Florida today," she said, cheering, glad that the preliminary polls showing McCain ahead in the state didn't materialize.

Senior Colleen Darragh, lucky enough to snag a ticket to the main event, called the rally "one of the most touching moments of my life."

"My stomach was in knots till the very last minute," Darragh said via e-mail. "And once they announced Obama as the winner, there were tears from thousands, screams, goosebumps. It was just unbelievable."

Obama supporters jumped, chanted and danced in celebration. Strangers hugged strangers and the jumbotron cut to a shot of the Rev. Jesse Jackson openly weeping.

"My most touching moment of the night was when my group and I were in line and the woman next to us was pregnant and her water broke, right there next to us," Darragh said. "It was just the simple fact that this woman knew how pregnant she was, but still wanted to come out and support Obama — that's what this country has needed the past eight years."

After the news networks called the election in favor of Obama and the phrase "president-elect" began to pepper commentaries, the crowd hummed with anticipation, waiting for Obama to arrive. Heads swiveled when people spotted the president-elect's motorcade — flanked by police cars — sweep down Lake Shore Drive and into the park.

"Everyone was calm during McCain's speech and just hanging out, but when they announced him as president, it went crazy," said junior Jordan Micek, who luckily snagged tickets to the main rally at the last minute. When the much-awaited moment came and Obama took the stage, the crowd roared.

"It wasn't like it was out of control, more like everyone was united for one cause," Micek said.

And Obama didn't hesitate to articulate that "one cause" during his victory speech.

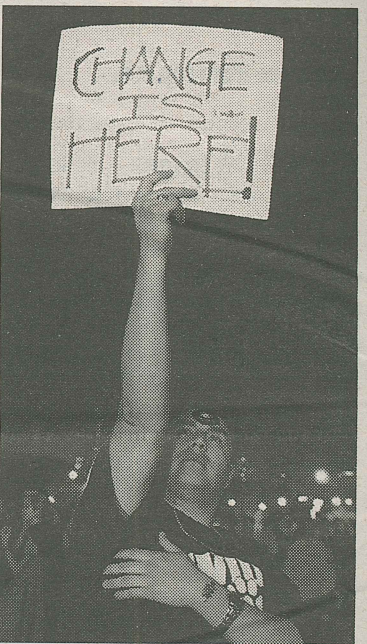
"If there's anyone out there who still

doubts that America is a place where all things are possible, still wonders if the dream of our founders is alive in our time ... tonight is your answer," he said to begin his speech, going on to call for unity, bipartisanship and a "Yes We Can" attitude in the years ahead.

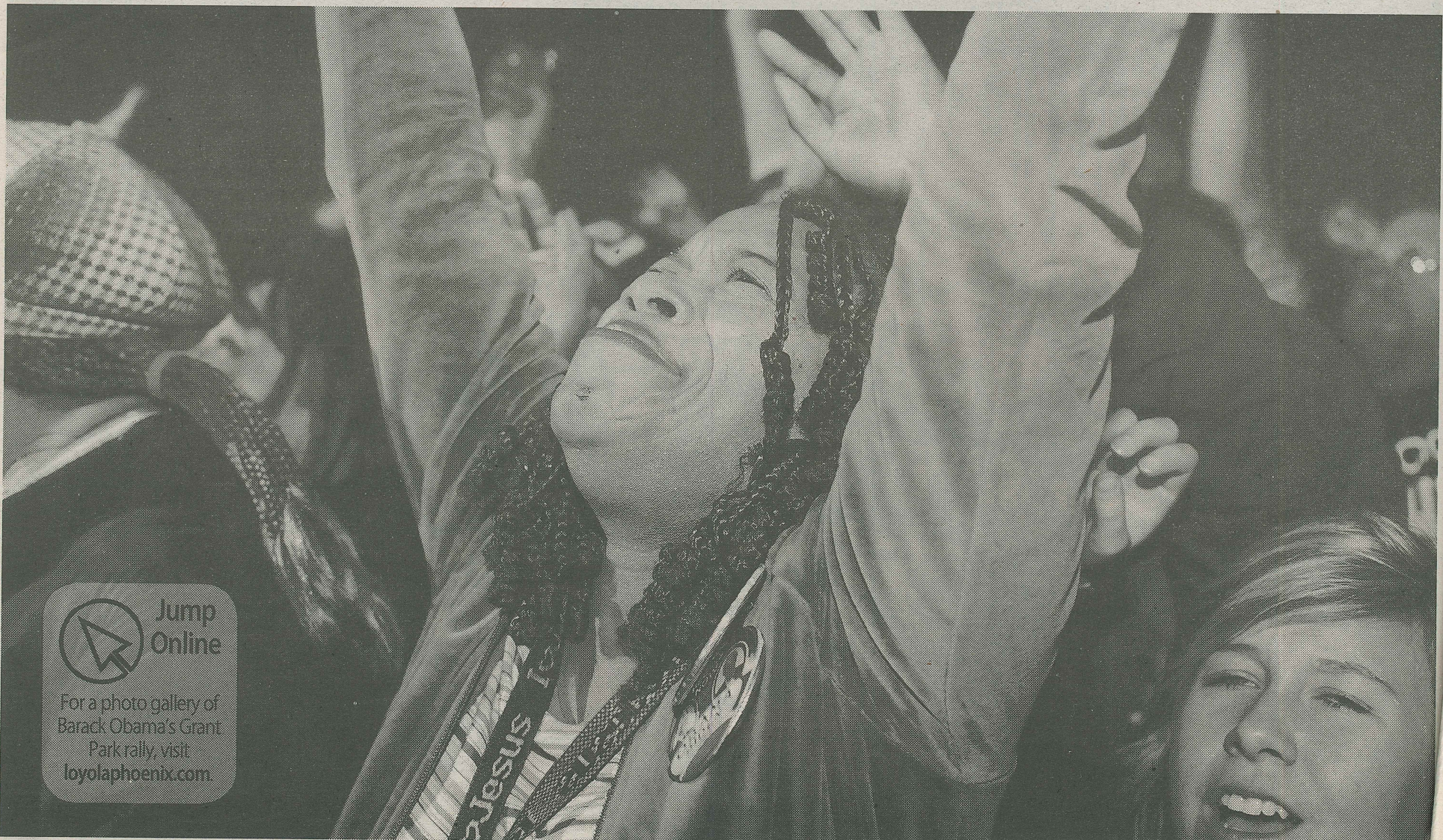
"Americans have sent a message to the world that we have never been just a collection of individuals, a collection of red states and blue states," Obama said. "We are and always will be the United States of America."

"I've never felt so proud of America in my life," said senior Jameysha Etchison walking northward with the departing crowd up the middle of Michigan Avenue. Somewhere a curbside saxophonist played "Hail to the Chief" while the mass exodus continued chanting for Obama and the roar of Grant Park was heard as far north as the Tribune Tower.

In the midst of this moment, Etchison explained that as an African-American herself, she sees Obama as a role model. "I look at him and I say, 'If he can do it, I can do anything.'"



Time for change — Aldo Reyes holds up his handmade sign during the rally at Grant Park on Tuesday.



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