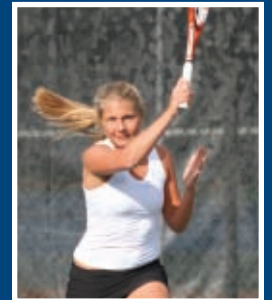


# The Future Is Now!

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Building a Recreation, Wellness and Sports Complex for Lander University and Greenwood



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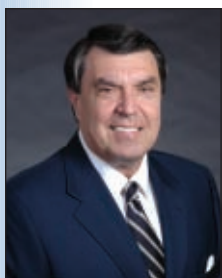
## The Future Is Now

With The Lander Foundation's recent acquisition of the 22.7-acre Greenwood Plaza property on Montague Avenue, Lander University has a unique opportunity to transform its campus, and you can be part of that transformation. The property, located just two blocks from the Lander campus, will be developed into a recreation, wellness and sports complex that will serve Lander and the Greenwood community.

The facility will be home to Lander's baseball and softball teams and the men's and women's soccer and tennis teams. The plan also calls for a public park, a perimeter walk/jog track, two recreation fields and parking areas. In addition, Self Regional Healthcare's Wellness Works will continue in its current location on the site.

Lander's goal is ambitious. It seeks to complete the complex by 2009, but to reach that goal, your assistance is needed. We invite you to be part of the university's The Future Is Now campaign. We invite you to help build a recreation, wellness and sports complex that will have a positive impact on student life at Lander as well as on the Greenwood community at large.

### Why the RWS Complex Is Important to Lander University and the Greenwood Community



"A Lander recreation, wellness and sports complex on a main thoroughfare in Greenwood will raise the profile of the university. Our students, faculty and staff, the young people, indeed all the people, of Greenwood and Greenwood businesses will benefit from the complex, and the quality of life for the Lander and Greenwood communities will be enhanced. In addition, Lander athletic events will attract visitors to the area."

– Lander President Daniel W. Ball

"To have new facilities will be a significant recruiting advantage for our coaches as we work to identify talented student-athletes to represent Lander. From a logistics standpoint, having all athletic facilities together and adjacent to campus will help us with the cost of maintaining and monitoring these facilities. I am delighted that Lander has made such a significant commitment to its students, athletic teams, community, faculty and staff."

– Jeff May, Lander Athletics Director



"Lander officials have expressed their desire to have our fitness center as an integral part of their plans for the Greenwood Plaza site. We're pleased we can continue to serve our customers at this facility. They can expect the same level of excellence and service to which they have become accustomed since Self Regional's Wellness Works moved into Greenwood Plaza in 2001."

– M. John Heydel,  
President and CEO, Self Regional Healthcare

"The complex will be a real plus for students. They will have two recreation fields and a walking track that will provide an excellent venue for individual and team activities in the areas of intramurals, club sports, recreation and wellness. The central location of the complex should generate great support for our intercollegiate athletics program."

– Randy Bouknight,  
Lander Vice President for Student Affairs



"I am thrilled to be part of such an exciting and important time in Lander University's growth. Opportunities such as this are rare, and I am grateful for the foresight and support of the Lander Foundation and its board along with the university Board of Trustees. The proposed recreation, wellness and sports complex is a great example of town and gown coming together to build a better community."

– Diane Newton,  
Lander Vice President for Business and Administration

"As a former Lander student-athlete and now as president of Lander's Bearcat Club, I am pleased that the university is serious about supporting its sports program by making this major commitment. When completed, the complex will be state-of-the-art. It will be something the citizens of Greenwood and surrounding communities can be proud of, and it will serve these entities far into the future."

– Steve Lee, 1983 Lander graduate and Bearcat Club President



"We are proud of the academic resources Lander University provides for our students. Now we look forward to the opportunities that a new recreation, wellness and sports complex will provide. The complex will support Lander's commitment to developing within its students an appreciation for physical fitness as a way of life."

– Dr. Leonard Lundquist,  
Lander Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs



# The Future Is Now

Lander University currently has a 100-acre campus within walking distance of Uptown Greenwood, but the campus is landlocked. In addition, Lander has the highest density of students per acre of any four-year public institution in the state. The recent acquisition of the 22.7-acre Greenwood Plaza property on Montague Avenue increases the campus by 25 percent and will enable Lander to provide an outdoor recreation area for its students and the community and to provide facilities for Lander's athletics program.

Relocation of Lander athletics fields to the Montague property will free up space on campus for a growing student body.

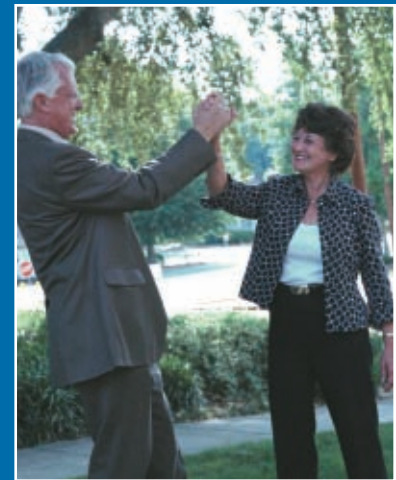
The recreation, wellness and sports complex will visually open Lander to travelers coming to Greenwood via Highway 25. In addition, Lander sports will gain high visibility from the complex's location at the heart of Greenwood.

“Strong partnerships with Greenwood city and county and corporate supporters will be essential to the success of Lander’s recreation, wellness and sports project.”

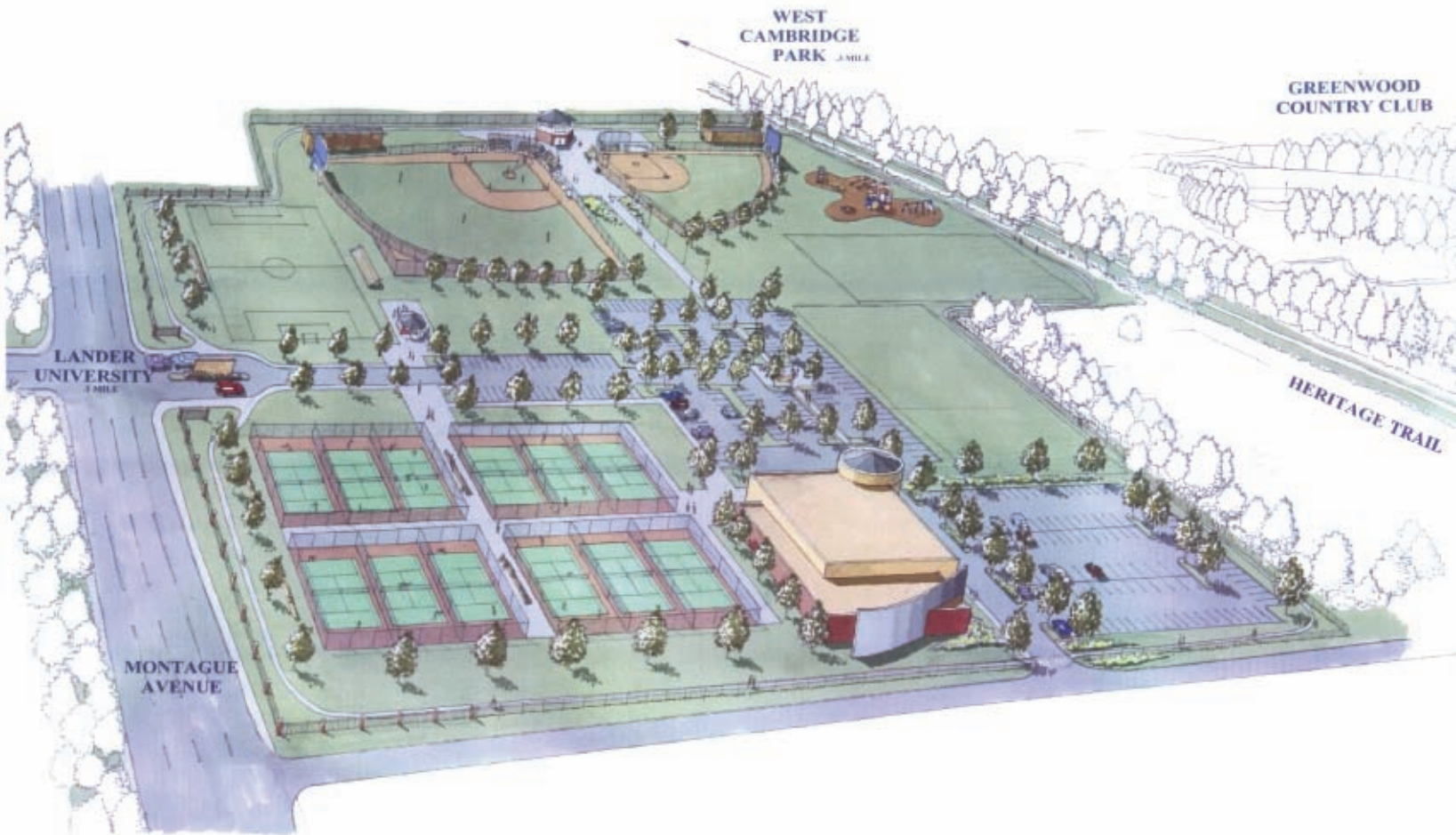
– **Steve Baggett, President, The Lander Foundation**

“The business and community leaders who serve on The Lander Foundation have a vision for Lander University. They believe a recreation, wellness and sports complex will have a tremendous positive impact on Lander and the community.”

– **Eleanor Teal, Lander Vice President for University Advancement and Executive Director of The Lander Foundation**



## Building a Recreation, Wellness and Sports Complex for Lander University and Greenwood



### The design for Lander's 22.7-acre RWS complex includes:

- a soccer field
- a baseball stadium
- a softball stadium
- 12 tennis courts
- a walk/jog track
- two recreation fields
- a public park
- parking areas
- Self Regional Healthcare's Wellness Center



## From the Coaches

### How the RWS Complex will Enhance Academics, Athletics and Quality of Life

“What a phenomenal dream come true this will be — to see Lander University and the Greenwood community come together to create a state-of-the-art recreation, wellness and sports complex that will position Lander on an equal basis with its peer universities as well as provide the area with an awesome complex for enhancing health, recreation and entertainment.”

– **Finis Horne, Athletics Director Emeritus**



“To win an NCAA championship, you must recruit the best student-athletes. The best will recognize Lander’s new recreation, wellness and sports complex as an excellent opportunity to have everything possible to master their sports. Bringing Lander teams together in one area will encourage additional interest from the university’s already supportive fans and attract new fans. Having served as coach of Lander’s fast pitch softball program for 24 years, I can say with confidence that this complex will be a huge plus in recruiting. I am sure this will hold true for all sports involved.”

– **Doug Spears, Softball Coach Emeritus**



“When Lander’s ‘new’ library and ‘new’ learning center were completed, enrollment soon doubled. In 1981, completion of ‘new’ tennis courts directly contributed to Lander’s ascendancy in intercollegiate tennis leading to 20 consecutive trips to nationals and 12 national championships. Now Lander is embarking on construction of a new recreation, wellness and sports complex. This complex will become a significant milestone in Lander’s history and will have a tremendous effect on Lander students and the community.”

– **Joseph Cabri, Men’s Tennis Coach Emeritus**



“Over the past 22 years, I have seen a number of building projects and new academic programs added to the university. I am especially excited about the decision to construct a new recreation, wellness and sports complex. I believe it will be a facility that will benefit the entire student body, and it will enhance an already premier NCAA Division II athletics program.”

– **Van Taylor, Head Men’s Soccer Coach**



## Ways to Give

### The Future Is Now Campaign

Opportunities abound for benefactors to leave a legacy of caring and commitment to students, athletes, faculty, staff, Greenwood residents and visitors who will use Lander University’s recreation, wellness and sports complex.

Through a gift to The Lander Foundation, you can help finance fields, courts, seating, a perimeter track, signage, landscaping and a park area. You can be part of the Lander University team.

There are a number of significant naming opportunities related to the complex. Two areas have already been named; they are the Joe Cabri Tennis Complex and the Doug Spears Softball Field, named for the coaches who served Lander student-athletes for a combined total of 55 years, Cabri as men’s

tennis coach and Spears as softball coach. Naming opportunities remain for the RWS complex, the soccer and baseball fields and stadiums, each of the 12 tennis courts, the softball stadium, the perimeter track and the park. Not only will the names of those honored live on in perpetuity but donors will know they have played a significant part in supporting the good work of Lander University.

Many of you have followed Lander sports over the years. Some of you were student-athletes at Lander. All of you have memories of games won and lost, coaches and friends who played or cheered beside you. If you would like to recognize a sport near and dear to you, we invite you to consider a donation to one of the following areas that will be served by the RWS complex:

- Baseball
- Soccer
- Softball
- Tennis
- Intramurals



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