

Carters honored, give 'voice' to \$12 million capital campaign

A Georgia Southwestern held its Sixth Annual 21st Century Leadership Award gala dinner April 22, recognizing two distinguished alumni who have helped change the world.

This year, 39th U.S. President Jimmy Carter and former First Lady Rosalynn Carter received the University's top honor for leadership.

"President and Mrs. Carter have spent their lives helping others, waging peace and building hope," said President Michael L. Hanes, Ph.D. "We thank them for their remarkable leadership."

The black tie evening also kicked off the public phase of the University's first-ever capital campaign, "Voices...Celebrating Our Past, Shaping Our Future." The \$12 million fund drive will raise money for a range of projects, including: a new residential complex, campus facilities improvements, a conference center, and endowments for the campus-based Rosalynn Carter Institute, student scholarships, faculty development, the Honors Program and the Eminent Scholars Program (for details, see pages 11-13).

"We've been fortunate to enjoy solid community support and state assistance in the past, to help our University reach its goals for our students," Hanes said. "However, to grow, we must evolve, and continue to pursue other financial avenues of achieving our dreams."

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