

What's Happening @ UofL
Oct. 7 – 13

Update on federal investigation

There are no additional updates since last Thursday's announcement of the creation of an ombuds office (<http://louisville.edu/whats happening>). Any new information or updates will be shared promptly.

Scholar House opens today

Louisville Scholar House had its grand opening this morning. The residential complex, located at Fifth and Bloom streets, is a partnership among the Family Scholar House (formerly Project Women), Kentucky Housing Corp. and UofL. The 56-unit development will provide housing for single mothers trying to earn their college degrees at UofL and other local colleges and universities.

Islamic scholars arrive to explore peace among faiths

More international visitors will arrive in Louisville this month, but these have nothing to do with Ryder Cup golf. Ten Islamic scholars from Pakistan, Bangladesh and India will visit here, New York City and Washington, D.C., Oct. 12-25 through a UofL exchange program intended to broaden interreligious understanding. The U.S. State Department funds the program, "Religion and Society: A Dialogue." UofL humanities professor Riffat Hassan leads the exchanges here and to those South Asian countries.

What, me worry?

Mothers worry; that's a given. But moms who suffer from excessive and uncontrollable worry may have generalized anxiety disorder, which is more common among women than men. And this disparity also occurs in children. UofL's Healthy Parents-Healthy Kids Research Laboratory is launching a study to find out why. The lab helps parents identify stressors that worry them and their children and figure out ways to reduce their anxiety. The lab offers free, confidential assessments and treatment referrals. For more details, see <http://php.louisville.edu/advancement/ocm/news/release.php?relid=1040>

Emergency drill next week

It may seem real, but it's not. Just remember that when several fire trucks and emergency response teams arrive on campus Tuesday, Oct. 14. It's a drill, in partnership with Louisville Fire and Rescue, to test emergency response systems and timing. To learn more, see <http://php.louisville.edu/advancement/ocm/news/release.php?relid=1074>.

UofL scientists funded by Kentucky Diabetes Board

Diabetes is a growing problem in the United States. Six UofL researchers have each received \$50,000 grants to try to counter that trend. Their projects range from basic research to understand what causes diabetes to testing of new treatments and clinical research involving patients. To learn more, see <http://php.louisville.edu/advancement/ocm/news/release.php?relid=1073>.

Ask the Experts

Faculty experts at UofL can offer insight on the issues of the day and are usually willing to do news interviews. They include:

Financial crisis: Are we headed for another Great Depression?

- John Cumbler, professor, history, 502-852-6817, cumbler@louisville.edu

Protecting yourself: What can citizens do to improve their financial situation?

- Russ Ray, professor, finance, 502-852-4832, professor.ray@louisville.edu

Presidential election: How will the financial crisis affect the Nov. 4 election?

- Jason Gainous, assistant professor, political science, 502-852-1660, jason.gainous@louisville.edu

Parental violence: Why do parents harm their children?

- Terry Singer, dean, Kent School of Social Work, 502-852-3944, terry.singer@louisville.edu

HPV Vaccine inventor comments on the Nobel Prize for Medicine

- A. Bennett Jenson, professor, medicine, 502-852-7504 or abjenson@yahoo.com

Coming up at UofL

Oct. 7 – Harvey Cox, Hollis Professor of Divinity at Harvard University, presents “After Fundamentalism: Future of Religion in America and in the World” at 6 p.m. The free event will be held at the Speed Art Museum. For more information, visit

<http://php.louisville.edu/advancement/ocm/news/release.php?relid=1062>.

Oct. 12 – “Building City Hall Partners: Strategies for Addressing Your Local Issues,” free speaker series sponsored by UofL and Yearlings Club, 4 p.m.-6 p.m., 4300 W. Broadway.

<http://php.louisville.edu/advancement/ocm/news/release.php?relid=1039>.

Oct. 13-14 – Fall Break. No classes.

What’s Happening @ UofL can be found online at <http://www.louisville.edu/whathappening> and is released every Tuesday afternoon to the campus community and media representatives. To submit an item for consideration, email cmoffice@gwise.louisville.edu.