The ULARP Board stayed busy over the last several months by finalizing the new membership directory and working with the Employee Success Center and University Advancement to the benefit of our retirees. All ULARP members will now receive *U of L Magazine*, which will include a spotlight on a retiree; new retirees will receive a one-year free membership to ULARP; and, in conjunction with ESC, ULARP will have a Presidential award for a retiree whose service continues to contribute to U of L’s mission. The President has voiced her support for the inclusion of retirees in Workday for open enrollment and for seeking to secure an enhanced database to enable communication with retirees.

In September, ULARP sponsored an Estate Planning Seminar, led by attorneys Matthew Burnett and Easton Depp, colleagues at Dinsmore and Shohl, LLP, who navigated the participants through the processes and documents needed to direct the inheritance and distribution of an individual’s estate, (including money, real property, and other inheritable items) according to Kentucky law. They discussed a variety of instruments (wills and trusts) and pitfalls that might pertain. The next ULARP continuing education event is a Wellness Seminar on Polypharmacy, to be held at 11 am, on October 19, at the University Club. The speaker will be Dr. Dee Antimisiaris, Director of the Frazier Polypharmacy and Medication Management Program and Assistant Dean of Continuing Education in U of L’s School of Medicine.

Other scheduled events are a Homecoming Retiree Brunch at 10:30 am, on October 25, in the Ballroom of the University Club. This will be the first Retired Faculty and Staff Brunch in conjunction with Homecoming. Jeff Walz, Head Coach of Women’s Basketball, is the guest speaker. Registration is due by October 17. A longtime retiree favorite, the Annual Holiday Luncheon, is scheduled for December 6, at 11:30 am at the Club.

ULARP continues to collect materials for the U of L archives and to seek ways to keep new U of L retirees informed about staying in contact with U of L. In response to a query to me from a member of the Faculty Senate, the ULARP Board is studying the potential participation of part-time faculty retirees in ULARP, perhaps based on years of service rather than full retirement.

Keep on giving us good ideas!