

## INVIEW

Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Newsletter

New Educational Endowment for International Mission Work

## Dr. Bill and Mathieu Nunery Establish International Mission Work Endowment for the Training of Ophthalmology Fellows and Residents

Dr. William Nunery, former Chief of our Oculoplastic Division, retired from the Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences on June 30, 2020, and his wife, Mrs. Mathieu Nunery, former Manager of our Oculoplastic Service, retired from the University of Louisville Physicians in June of 2019. During their tenure with our department, Bill and Mathieu Nunery always emphasized the importance of taking our residents and fellows abroad on mission trips to further their education



by helping others with eye disease through medical and surgical intervention. Bill and Mathieu also believed it gave our residents and fellows the opportunity to experience different cultures, learn how to bring medical and surgical technology to disadvantaged communities, and engage with other ophthalmologists in diverse areas around the world. In order to continue their passion for mission work in our fellowship and residency programs, Bill and Mathieu created the William Nunery, M.D. and Mathieu Nunery Endowment for Ophthalmic Missions and Resident Education. Proceeds from this new endowment will benefit educational initiatives for ophthalmic mission work abroad by training our residents and fellows in both Third World countries and also with specific partnerships through the Order of St. John. The Order of St. John is a medical organization with a mission to combat blindness that operates hospitals in Soweto, South Africa and Jerusalem, Israel. This new endowment allows our Ophthalmology fellows and residents to rotate on mission trips around the world including planned visits to South Africa and Israel. Preference will be given to third-year residents and fellows with a higher level of training and maturity in the field. Dr. Chris Compton, our Vice Chair of Academic Affairs and Residency Program Director said, "Bill and Mathieu Nunery have always been an integral part of the education of our residents and fellows and now thanks to their generosity, their legacy and love of teaching will live on within our department." Alumni and friends of the department can also contribute to the perpetual funding of this endowment in honor or memory of a loved one or a special occasion. Donations to the William Nunery, M.D. and Mathieu Nunery Endowment for Ophthalmic Missions and Resident Education can be made by contacting Lauren Zachry-Reynolds, Senior Director of Development in the University of Louisville Advancement Office at (502) 852-0147 or (502) 714-4596.



The Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences would like to thank the Downtown Louisville Lions Club for their generous contribution of \$50,000 toward the acquisition of our new Zeiss CLARUS 700 fundus imaging system with fluorescein angiography. Through the financial support of our community partners like the Downtown Louisville Lions Club and other private philanthropic donors, our department is able to provide our patients with the latest technology available in the diagnosis and treatment of eye disease.



The Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences will present the Robert W. Rounsavall, Jr. Family Foundation with a "Look Book" as a token of our appreciation for their generous funding of our new confocal microscope and imaging laboratory. Inside this book are photos of our research faculty using the confocal microscope, images from the microscope that facilitate our various research initiatives, and activities that demonstrate the uses of the microscope for research projects in the laboratories of Dr. Maureen McCall, Dr. Hui Shao, Dr. Qingxian Lu, and Dr. Shigeo Tamiya. Our department is extremely grateful to the entire Rounsavall family for this gift.