



Dear Friends,

At this time of year, there is much to celebrate for the university community—the arrival of spring, the close of a successful semester, the onset of Kentucky Derby festivities and, soon, the celebration of another class of graduates.

Also of note in April, the university honored its latest crop of prestigious scholars, a group of exceptional young men and women. Among this group is Judson Adams, a junior studying political science, who is Kentucky's only Truman Scholar this year.

In addition, UofL continues to be a top producer of Fulbright Scholars with five more honorees this year. Many thanks to the supporters of these fine students and a tip of the cap to Dr. Patricia Condon, who oversees our prestigious scholars program.

It's been a long year in some respects, but the university is turning the corner in a number of areas. The ongoing NCAA investigation and audit of the UofL Foundation are wrapping up. University Medical Center is preparing to take over management of the University of Louisville Hospital. We have new deans in business, dentistry, social work and law.

The sounds of progress continue on campus with the construction of our new academic building, renovation of the Swain Student Activities Center and expansion of Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. We're also building a new pediatrics building downtown, which will enable us to put all of our children's outpatient care operations in one building.

Of course, challenges remain. We continue to work our way through a difficult budget process that will be painful for all of us in the short term, but, together, we will get through it. We also eagerly await a decision from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools on our probationary status. Through the hard work of Acting Provost Dale Billingsley and others, we believe that we are well positioned to be removed from probation later this year.

I continue to be impressed with the ability of our faculty, staff and students to remain focused on the core mission of this university. Know that I appreciate all of the support and hard work demonstrated by all of them throughout the year.

Gregory C. Postel, MD
Interim President
University of Louisville

UOFL HOME TO KENTUCKY'S ONLY 2017 TRUMAN SCHOLAR

Judson Adams, a University of Louisville junior majoring in political science, received a 2017 Truman Scholarship. He is Kentucky's only Truman Scholar this year.

This is the third year in a row that a UofL student has won the Truman Scholarship, a highly competitive federal honor for students with demonstrated leadership potential and a commitment to public service. The \$30,000 award was given to just 62 U.S. college students. Adams plans to use his award to earn a law degree at Georgetown University and, afterward, to join the military's Judge Advocate General's Corps, or JAG Corps.



UofL junior Judson Adams, Kentucky's 2017 Truman Scholar

Adams is just one of UofL's 2017 Prestigious Scholars. In addition to the Truman Scholarship, five UofL students - Jeremy Ball, Dzemila Bilanovic, Hannah Touchton, Hung "Kyle" Vuong and James Logan Zechella - were named Fulbright Scholars. Also of note, UofL alumna Kara Stivers, 15A, received the Mary Churchill Humphrey scholarship, an award given to students from the College of Arts and Sciences.

UOFL, NORTON FORM CHILDREN'S CANCER INSTITUTE

The University of Louisville and Norton Healthcare have teamed up to form the Norton Children's Cancer Institute.



Affiliated with the University of Louisville

The institute will provide improved access and additional services to care for children fighting cancer. This includes new programs for treating rare tumors and benign blood disorders, such as sickle cell anemia, as well as a revamped program for bone marrow transplants.

UofL will provide physician support for Norton Children's Cancer Institute while Norton Healthcare will commit \$1 million

to UofL per year for pediatric oncology research and physician recruitment, as well as offer leadership and support staff for the institute.

Norton Children's Hospital is home to the country's oldest children's oncology program, with more than 8,000 pediatric cancer visits each year. Within Norton Children's Cancer Institute, inpatients will continue to be treated at the Addison Jo Blair Cancer Care Center in Norton Children's Hospital. For outpatients, the institute will occupy the fourth floor of UofL's upcoming 170,000-square-foot pediatric medical office building, which is slated for completion in July 2018.



Women in Leadership Forum

Six of Louisville's most influential female business leaders from a wide variety of careers and life experiences were panelists at the inaugural Women in Leadership Forum at the College of Business. The panelists discussed issues including work/life balance, leadership challenges and supporting women in business. Pictured from left to right are: Diane Medley, Nikki Jackson, Dana Bowers, Margaret Handmaker, Divya Cantor, MD, and Camilla Schroeder.

GRAWEMEYER AWARD WINNERS PRESENT RESEARCH



American composer Andrew Norman, 2017 Grawemeyer Award winner for music composition, lectures on his orchestral work "Play" at the UofL School of Music.

The latest Grawemeyer Award recipients presented their award-winning ideas at the University of Louisville and Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary in April as part of the 2017 Grawemeyer Awards Lecture Series.

UofL presents the annual prizes for outstanding works in music composition, ideas improving world order, psychology and education, as well as gives a religion prize jointly with Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. This year's awards are \$100,000 each.

This year's presenters were:

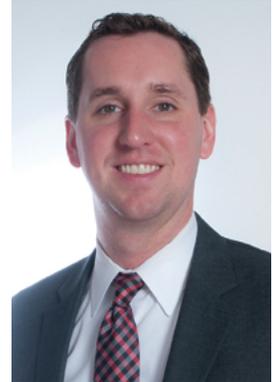
- **Andrew Norman**, music composition, for his award-winning, 47-minute orchestral work, "Play," which explores the relationship of choice and chance, free will and control.
- **Dana Burde**, ideas improving world order, who examined the influence foreign-backed funding for education has on war-torn countries and how such aid affects humanitarian and peace-building efforts.
- **Marsha Linehan**, psychology, who developed a therapy to treat chronically suicidal patients and extending its power to help people with borderline personality disorder and other behavioral disorders.
- **Diana Hess** and **Paula McAvoy**, education, who spoke on the role of teachers in perpetuating serious, thoughtful political deliberation in schools.
- **Gary Dorrien**, religion, who discussed how the Black Social Gospel movement became an important tradition of religious thought and resistance and provided the intellectual underpinnings of the civil rights movement.

HAWKINS TO HEAD ALUMNI RELATIONS, ANNUAL GIVING

The Board of Trustees recently approved Josh Hawkins as assistant vice president for alumni relations and annual giving.

Hawkins has served the dual role of chief operating officer and interim assistant vice president for the department since November 2015. On staff since 2010, Hawkins was instrumental in the merger of the annual giving program with the office of alumni relations in 2013. That move improved efficiency and paved the way for new programs.

Improvements under Hawkins include staff development, restructure of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, creation of a revenue-generating sponsorship program, organization of an alumni engagement metric model and an innovative annual giving program.



Hawkins

COAL ASH STUDY

A UofL researcher is beginning a National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences study into the effect of coal ash on children and its relationship to neurobehavioral disorders.



A local power plant.

UofL School of Public Health and Information Sciences researcher Kristina Zierold, PhD, is one of just a few scholars in the United States investigating the health impacts from exposure to coal ash. An estimated

1.54 million children in the United States are exposed to coal ash, and Kentucky ranks in the top five states for the amount of ash generated and ash storage, according to a 2011 Earth Justice report.

For the NIH-funded study, Zierold is recruiting 300 children ages 6-14 who live in neighborhoods located between 150 feet and a 10-mile radius of coal ash landfills and ponds in Louisville. Upon completion of the study, Zierold will evaluate the relationships between coal ash and emotional and behavioral disorders and neurobehavioral performance.