

Student Affairs Vibrations

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Happy Holidays!



Student Affairs Legacy Award

Alumni Louise and Louis Bornwasser were recipients of the 2017 Student Affairs Legacy Award, presented during Homecoming. The Student Affairs Legacy Awards were established in 2016 to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Division of Student Affairs. The awards were designed to recognize individuals who make significant contributions to the Division of Students Affairs through service to students and staff.



Louis is a 1970 graduate of UofL with a BA in English; Louise is a 1971 graduate with a BA in German and an MA in Education. They were

married in Louisville in 1972 and were longtime owners of Hadden Theater Supply Company. Louise is an accomplished piano accompanist and a retired teacher (after 30 years at Clarksville High School). They have one daughter, Elizabeth.

While he was a student at UofL, Louis was credited with many of the efforts that resulted in the establishment of the Red Barn, as well as the campus radio station. It has been said, by more than one historian, that the Red Barn would not exist today but for the efforts of Louis.

For the past 40 years, the Bornwassers have continued to support the University of Louisville and the Red Barn. They are both active members of the Red Barn Alumni Association and generous contributors to UofL—including providing projection and sound equipment for movies in the Floyd Theater. Louis and Louise were recognized for their unselfish efforts by the Red Barn Alumni Association in 2009 with the Mary Fay Rumford Unsung Hero Award.



In 2010, the Bornwassers made a generous gift to establish the Louis W. and Louise Weisser Bornwasser Student Emergency Fund. The fund was created to assist University of Louisville students who encounter unforeseen financial emergencies or catastrophic events which would otherwise prevent them from continuing their education at UofL.

This fund exemplifies the Bornwasser's

commitment to helping UofL students and ensures that many future generations of students will benefit from their generosity. [Click here](#) to watch a video of the award ceremony and acceptance speech.

Celebrating 25 Years of the National Pan-Hellenic Council

The University of Louisville commemorated 25 years of having an official National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) on campus. Hundreds of attendees, including current students and alumni, celebrated the occasion during



Homecoming Week. The Division of Student Affairs hosted a variety of NPHC events, including:

- The NPHC Step Show at The Louisville Palace;
- An NPHC/AAAC Step Show Reception at SET;
- An NPHC 25th Anniversary Pre-game Tailgate, which saw more than 400 attendees;
- On field recognition at the homecoming football game. Dr. Michael Mardis and Dr. Mordean Taylor-Archer, Vice President of Diversity and International Programs, as well



as the NPHC Student President, and the NPHC Alumni President, welcomed a current student and alum from each NPHC organization;

- An NPHC Group Worship Service at Bates Memorial Baptist Church; and
 - An NPHC 25th Anniversary Celebration, featuring national keynote speaker Tish Norman on the topic: "A Photographic History of Black Fraternalism"
- To read more about the celebration and see photos, click [here](#).



Intramural Sports Hosts Special Olympic Unified Games

The night of October 26 was one of the coolest evenings the Department of Intramurals has ever had. Through an ESPN sponsorship, they partnered with Special Olympics Kentucky to host their first ever Unified 4 on 4 Basketball Tournament. Unified games are a new event from Special Olympics where their athletes get together with other



athletes to make combined teams. The teams then compete together in some sort of sport—basketball, softball, etc. There were 34 athletes from Special Olympics and about 40 UofL students (including 10 from the Dental School) who were blended into 10 teams. This truly was one of those evenings where the game results were secondary to the experience that was enjoyed by the athletes. The Special Olympians left at the end of the night asking their staff when they could do something together again. The students who participated



were all commenting on how much fun they had, as well as what valuable life lessons they were able to take away from the evening. Tremendous thanks to Justin, Kat, and the entire Intramurals crew for their work in providing an exciting evening to everyone who participated. WDRB picked up the story. Check it out [here](#).

The Career Development Center Hosts Partnership Events

The Career Development Center partnered for the second time with Alumni Relations to host online resume reviews on November 9 for graduating seniors and alumni. Staff members and community partners conducted a total of 70 chats with students and alumni across Kentucky, Colorado, Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina,

Georgia, Ohio, Illinois, Mississippi, Great Britain, and Nigeria.

The Career Development Center also partnered with the Ulmer Career Management Center and Engineering Career Services to provide extra services for National Career Development Month. On Tuesday, November 14, all three centers hosted information tables in the SAC to speak to students about their departments, set up appointments, and answer questions. The event was a great way to increase visibility and meet students. This first joint event is the beginning of many more collaborative events to engage students in their career development process.



New Staff Orientation

Each semester, the Professional Development Committee (PDC) holds a New Staff Orientation for new, full-time members of the Student Affairs Division. The most recent orientation was on September 15. The New Staff Orientation group were welcomed by Dean Mardis, and learned about the history and traditions of



the division, as well as resources and ways to get involved. Luckily, the day coincided with ESPN's Game Day activities and they had a bit more fun outside! The day ended with lunch at the Ville Grill with PDC members, and tours of campus.

In Memory of Julie Weber



UofL Parents Association Wins National Award

The University of Louisville Parents Association won the 2017 Association of Higher Education Parent Program Professionals (AHEPPP)

Powerful Partnerships Award for a collaborative partnership between the Parents Association and the LGBT Center. They won with an exciting new initiative: the creation of a "Proud Parent" T-shirt with a unique rainbow design in support of UofL's LGBT student population. It is important to recognize that this collaboration represents more than just a fun t-shirt design; it also recognizes UofL's Parents Association and LGBT Center for valuing cross-campus partnerships that support student success, and highlights how the program/initiative has positively impacted parents and family members. The award signifies the goal of creating resources for parents/guardians to counter the negativity and demonstrate their support for one of the most marginalized groups in our society—LGBT young people.



Student Affairs Works to Retain Students

Student Affairs is intentionally trying to increase student awareness about registering for spring 2018 classes. The Division formed a Student Affairs Retention Committee made up of representatives from each department and chaired by Dale Ramsay. After an initial meeting with Joe Dablow (Associate Director of Enrollment Management) to explore various options, a campaign was launched to promote registration.

One-on-one opportunities to discuss registration with students will allow them to



open up about their plans. Depending on the response, staff will be able to advise and refer students who are at risk for not registering or returning. Discussing this with students during the semester is more proactive than reaching out once they have not registered or returned.



The Retention Committee will continue to monitor and ensure that they are promoting the message through the end of registration. The plan is to implement a similar approach during the registration cycle in the spring for fall of 2018.

Case Manager's Forum

On Friday, October 27, the Student Care Team held its first Case Manager's Forum. An invitation was sent out to campus partners who serve as their unit's conduit for referrals and resources. Nine campus partners from several areas attended, including the Kent School, Nursing, Exploratory Advising, Public Health, REACH, and Enrollment Management. The forum was used as an opportunity for university partners to discuss concerns they have relating to aiding their students, and for the Student Care Team to discuss how they could assist in reducing the challenges students and their advocates encounter when navigating the university's systems. In the future, the hope



is to bring university offices to the forum to present protocols and continue to enhance an atmosphere of coordination that will make advocating for students easier. Plans are underway to hold the next forum in early January 2018.

TRIO (SSS) Creates Student Advisory Board

TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) has a new and innovative way of engaging its students. The new TRIO Student Advisory Board, exists to ensure programs and services offered by the Office meet student needs and provide opportunities for student leadership development. The board is a platform from which students can apply their expertise and insure that TRIO is student-centered, while meeting the strategic goals and mission of the Office. The board is comprised of five student leaders whose primary function is to take ownership for student participation within TRIO.



The Student Advisory Board will sit in on bi-weekly staff meetings and have a significant voice in the types of programming and workshops that will take place in the TRIO program. Each board member will be responsible for maintaining a certain GPA, attending at least 75% of all TRIO events, and making sure they bring at least five TRIO members with them to each event.

Fit Check is a Big Success

The fitness area of Intramural Sports just concluded a successful new program called

"Fit Check," which ran on Wednesday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m. During "Fit Check," students could have their body fat percentage measured, have their blood pressure checked, as well as get fitness related advice on a variety of topics from our Exercise Science intern students. The program ran for six weeks through October and part of November. Students did not make an appointment and could just drop by the display. Many students took advantage of the opportunity to increase their level of personal fitness knowledge every week.



UofL and UK Receive Institutional Impact Award

On June 13, 2017, the University of Louisville and University of Kentucky were awarded the Higher Education Case Managers Association (HECMA)'s 2017 Creative Collaboration: Institutional Impact Award. Geri Morgan, UofL's Student Care Manager, and Therese Smith, UK's Community of Concern Team Director, collaborated on the 2nd Annual Regional Case Management Drive-In on March 24, 2017 hosted at the University of Louisville. Sixteen Student Affairs professionals, from six institutions in three states, came together to discuss topics such as suicide prevention programming, working with international and undocumented students, and data-driven practice. While many consider the Cards and the Cats the biggest sports rivalry in the country, when it



comes to the best interest of our students, we are working together for student success!

Campus Housing Laundry Update

Campus Housing is consistently striving to keep our halls updated for our residents. As part of this effort, and through a partnership with our new laundry vendor, we are progressing with phasing in a new laundry program. January 8, 2018 will be the transition date of the program to pay services.



Hearing the voice of our students and the UofL Residence Hall Association, the following initiatives have been implemented:

- New and updated washers and dryers in all community laundry rooms;
- Additional equipment to improve ratio for student access;
- New laundry room aesthetics, including attractive and durable seating and folding tables; and
- Dedicated technicians available on both weekdays and weekends
 - o General service response time being within 8 hours
 - o Emergency service response time being within 4 hours

The ease and convenience of the new paid services are being supported by the launching of the Smartphone app, Wash Alert, which will allow students to:

- Pay for their laundry by connecting to a debit/credit card (students/parents/guardians);
 - o Coins will also be accepted
 - o Cost will be \$1.50 per wash and dry
- The ability to see machine availability;

- View occupied machines and exact time remaining until the end of the cycle;
- Add additional time to their drying cycle;
- Request an email or text alert when their laundry is complete; and
- Report broken machines and request refunds.
 - o All refunds processed within 72 hours to their Wash Alert account

We hope that you will support our students and Campus Housing through this transition. Please reach out to Campus Housing if you have any questions or concerns about this new program!

Kathy Meyer Receives SACSA Award

At the 2017 SACSA (Southern Association of College Student Affairs) conference held in Chattanooga, TN, Kathy Meyer received the Mid-Level Professionals Award. This award recognizes a professional who has provided exemplary service to SACSA on a college or university campus. Criteria are as follows:

- A minimum of six years of full-time professional experience supervising, maintaining budgets, and/or programming in a higher education setting;



- Current membership for a minimum of three full years and active involvement in SACSA;
- Demonstrated service to the profession and his/her institution (e.g., presented a paper or workshop locally or at a state, regional, or national conference, conducted research,

- mentored graduate students and new professionals, campus committee involvement, and professional association involvement);
- Attended at least three SACSA affiliated professional development conferences, workshops, or activities; and

- Possesses outstanding character and potential role model stature for new and other mid-level professionals.

We are grateful that SACSA thinks Kathy is as deserving as we do!

Caroline Houchins is KACE President-Elect



Caroline Houchins, Interim Director of the Career Development Center, was voted President Elect for the Kentucky Association of Colleges & Employers (KACE). Her position is a three-year term, which began November 3, 2017. The purpose of this organization is

to bring together students, educators, and employers with an interest in the formal integration of a student's academic study with work experience, and the student's ultimate career employment. In this role, Caroline is interested in increasing membership and the visibility of the organization.

Aimee Jewell is YPAL President-Elect

Aimee Jewell, Employer Engagement Coordinator at the Career Development Center, was elected president-elect for the Young Professionals Association of Louisville (YPAL). The purpose of this organization is to provide leadership development, educational opportunities, and philanthropic support to Louisville's young professionals. In this role, Aimee is interested in diversifying YPAL's membership, increasing community engagement, and implementing better recruitment strategies.



Gerri Morgan Faculty Favorite

Gerri Morgan, Student Care Manager, was nominated as a 2016-2017 Faculty Favorite through the Delphi Center for Teaching and Learning. Within her nominator's submission, the student shared: "Gerri Morgan continually helped me with decisions on what to do with my classes through the hardest time of my life...I greatly appreciate everything she did to help me..." Congratulations to Gerri on a well-deserved Faculty Favorite nomination!



Laura Mercer-10 years, Tim Moore-10 years, Dale Ramsay-35 years, John Smith-30 years, and Tim Lynch-15 years.



Winter Leadership Institute to be Held December 15

The Student Affairs Professional Development Committee (PDC) works to consistently empower and inspire Student Affairs professionals to know themselves, their positions, their field, and their community. The committee will host its annual Winter Leadership Institute on December 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Bingham Humanities Building. The theme of the 2017 conference is Thriving, focusing on prospering physically, mentally, and professionally in times of challenge and change. The Winter Leadership Institute is open to staff, faculty, and students from all offices and functional areas. For more information contact [MacKenzie Adriance](#).



John Smith Featured in Campus Rec Magazine

John Smith was featured in the November issue of Campus Rec Magazine under the "Ask the Expert" section. John provided information about the process Intramurals went through in selecting the software platform for their facility management and membership programs. This is an ongoing topic across the nation as evidenced by many workshop and conference agendas. You can read the article [here](#).



Staff Recognition Lunch Celebrates Longtime Employees

The annual Staff Recognition Lunch was held recently at the Brown and Williamson Club at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. Student Affairs staff recognized at the luncheon this year included (in the order pictured here): Suzanne Galbreath-15 years, Michael Mardis-15 years,



Family Weekend Sets Attendance Record in Its 10th Year

The UofL Parents Association sponsored



the 10th annual [Family Weekend](#).

Participation grew to an all-time high, with more than 1,600 tickets sold for the Family Weekend football game against Murray State, more than 300 family members at the pre-game tailgate event, and more than 500 at a Sunday Brunch in the Ville Grill.



Family Weekend is a Cardinal tradition designed for the entire family that includes numerous campus and Louisville Metro events. To read more about

Family Weekend 2017 and see photos, visit the [webpage](#).



Homecoming



University Honors 2017 Parent of the Year

The Parent of the Year Award, now in its 10th year, allows students to recognize their parents for the help and support they've given throughout the students' lives. UofL students were encouraged to nominate a family member and a selection committee judged their essays. The committee came to a consensus on the 2017 award recipient: Cheryl Hayes and Beverly Rodgers, mother and grandmother to Chelsea Wright. There were more than 30 parents nominated for this year's award. [Read more](#) about the celebration.



89th Annual Turkey Trot



New SAC Food Court Opening



Step Show



The Student Activities Board's UofL Cardsgiving



Kathrine Switzer Visit a Hit in Louisville

The Student Activities Board (SAB) and their co-sponsors caught the interest of local media with their Women's Empowerment keynote speaker, Kathrine Switzer. Three local stations featured interviews with the speaker

on their newscasts. Ms. Switzer is an iconic athlete, sports and social advocate, author, and Emmy award-winning television commentator.

Kathrine Switzer was the first woman to officially enter and run the Boston Marathon. Her entry into that 1967

race created a worldwide uproar when the race director tried to remove her during the race because she was a woman, a confrontation that was caught on camera in history-making photographs. In the last year, at the age of 70, Switzer completed both the New York City Marathon and the Boston Marathon, on the 50th anniversary of her first run.

Switzer shared her own story on campus during October's Women's Empowerment Week, exhorting students to be participants—not spectators—in their own lives. She completely captivated the audience with her wit and energy. Her keynote speech was co-sponsored by Commonwealth Credit Union and the University Women's Center.

Sport Clubs Have Great Fall Season

After a successful fall 2017 season, the Men's Rugby Club is enjoying success never-before seen in its nine-plus years of play. The club

entered the season with two goals in mind: to qualify for their conference tournament and to become ranked nationally in collegiate club rugby. These lofty goals seemed out-of-reach as recently as one year ago, when attrition due to graduation, a new coaching staff, and stiff conference competition left the team struggling to keep up in the MAC Conference. With an influx of new players and a motivated coaching staff, the group has surged to an 8-2 record in 15's competition, including wins over Purdue, Ohio University, Evansville, Cincinnati, and Dayton. Such a record would naturally draw some attention, and the club was rewarded by entering the national polls for the first time in October, ranking as high as 12th in Division IAA, as well as the overall national poll, ranking #50 at all levels. The group also achieved its other goal for the season when it was invited to the MAC Championships for the first time in early November, placing third overall. The club now looks forward to the spring season, where play transitions to 7's competition, which is a faster game that rewards speed and stamina over the power and strength required in 15's matches. With a renewed enthusiasm that comes with experiencing success, the Men's Rugby Club has a solid foundation on which to build upon and improve in the coming years.

In addition to the success of the Rugby Club, virtually all our clubs have experienced a great fall season. The Men's Volleyball Club finished third in the nation last season in their division and have begun their season with some good wins this year. The Women's Ultimate Frisbee Club went 7-0, winning the University of Southern Indiana Invitational. The

Women's Field Hockey Club won the Xavier Invitational. Ice Hockey stands 10-8 in a tough conference, but more importantly, they own a sweep over rival UK. The Men's Lacrosse Club won their conference for the third consecutive year, and also have a win over rival UK. The Running Club hosted their first Cardinal 2-Mile Campus

Run. We added a new club, the Wrestling Club, who have hosted their first meet at Fairdale High School. The Cardinal Nine Baseball Club completed a 7-game fall schedule and looks to get back at it in the spring. The Men's and Women's Bowling Club

both were active, participating in four large invitationals and finishing as high as third at the Green River Classic. In addition to our competitive clubs, our instructional and social clubs have enjoyed a great semester of strong participation.

Student Affairs Diversity Committee Update

Making progress with diversity and inclusion in the workplace is often challenging, not because of desire but because of proficiency, confidence, and communication skills. The members of the Student Affairs Diversity Committee (SADC) are no different and are often challenged by individual experiences and awareness. Each member is taking responsibility



for his or her current abilities to navigate this area of work. Moving forward, our growth helps support each other on the committee and our colleagues within the division. The committee uses the following strategies and skillset-building techniques:

1. Discuss an occurrence or situation that made you go hmmmm;
2. Learn through teaching (train the trainer concept); and
3. Committee affirmation (you impact those around you).

The committee is not where it needs to be; however, the journey has begun and we welcome you to walk beside us. Opportunities to be involved include:

1. Attending a workshop at the Winter Leadership Institute;
2. Participating in the Diversity Lock-in;
3. Submitting a desired training topic(s); and
4. Inviting the SADC to your next staff meeting or retreat.

The SADC looks forward to supporting you as you find your position within the important work of diversity and inclusion. Please contact Christopher Medley at clmedl02@louisville.edu with any questions, thoughts, or suggestions.

A Note from UofL's Title IX and ADA Coordinator

This past September, many of you received an invitation to participate in a university-wide survey asking for your impressions of the accessibility of UofL's buildings and other facilities. This survey was just one part of UofL's ongoing self-evaluation of its compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). We received over 2,000 completed surveys from UofL students, faculty, and staff—an excellent response rate. Thank you for your feedback!

Your thoughtful comments and observations are especially helpful to my work with the

university's ADA Advisory Committee and numerous UofL departments. Specifically, the information you provided in response to this survey helps us to identify our most pressing priorities for future renovation projects, and to explore means of funding those projects. The physical accessibility of our campuses lies at the heart of UofL's inclusivity to all of its community members. Input from all of you, who use our facilities daily, is crucial to identifying areas where we can and should improve. Thank you again!

Any questions or concerns related to this or other Title IX or ADA-related topics can be communicated to me directly at brian.bigelow@louisville.edu.

Did You Know?

This year serves as the 10th year for the University of Louisville Student Care Team. The purpose of the Student Care Team (SCT) is to provide a regular opportunity for communication between university partners, identifying the resources and support for University of Louisville students in need of care, or who are experiencing distress. Through sharing of information, a number of students have had resources made available to them to assist them in times of crisis.

Thank you to past and present team members of the SCT who have contributed to providing resources to students and have been dedicated to student success.



Designing 101 Tip

Most of us have heard of the K.I.S.S.* (Keep It Super Simple) principle. It's never been truer than when you are designing for marketing purposes. The simpler you keep your message, the easier it will be to read within a few seconds or just at a glance. The more complex the words and the design are, the less likely it is to be read. Advertising is noise to most people, so clear the clutter and let the message come through. Keep it to the "who, what, when, and where." The "why" and "how" are not usually important at first glance. Challenge yourself to cut out any unnecessary information.

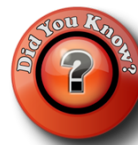
If more information is available online, then share the link. If you want to learn more about design, ask Susie Cucura. She is here to help you with your marketing efforts.



Person of Interest

Rosie Shannon is an Assistant Director at the Career Development Center. Her main job duties are to provide Career Counseling to students in the areas of Natural Sciences, Humanities, and the School of Music. She helps students explore their career options within their major field of study, which includes helping them find part-time jobs and relevant experience to prepare them for the world of work. Rosie also encourages and helps students find professionals in their major to contact for informational interviews and job shadowing to learn more about the profession. She conducts workshops on topics that range from resume basics, interviewing, and LinkedIn, to preparing for graduate school.

Rosie has a Bachelor of Science Degree from Ball State University in Business Marketing and a Master of Science Degree in Education



(School Counseling) from Indiana University Southeast. She started her career in Higher Education in the Career Development Center at

Indiana University Southeast, where she served as the Internship Coordinator and Career Counselor for 12 years. Rosie started her journey at the University of Louisville in April 2015. In May of 2015, she completed certification from the National Career Development Association as a Career Development Facilitator. “I

thoroughly enjoy my work with the students here at the University of Louisville, as they navigate down their career paths,” she states.

Rosie’s advice for her peers is “to build relationships with other campus partners and network with others outside of your department to learn and grow, which will help you better serve all students on campus.”

In Rosie’s spare time, she enjoys being active at her church, St. Mary’s Catholic Church in New Albany, Indiana. She also enjoys spending time with her twin daughters, who are college juniors. Rosie works out at the YMCA in her spare time; and just recently, she completed her first full marathon, the Monumental Marathon in Indianapolis. She plans to stay active with running and yoga, spend time with family, and encourage everyone to take care of themselves—mind, body, and spirit.

Volunteer Spotlight

Julie Onnembo has been a scout mom since her son first joined the Cub Scout Pack 776 in 2006. Today, she is still a scout mom and



is also an active committee member for Boy Scout Troop 776 in Mt. Washington, Kentucky. Through the years, she has assisted with fundraising, service projects, and individual scout advancement meetings, and has served as the Troop and Venture Crew Treasurer since 2014. She has also facilitated a leadership program—*Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops*—at a Troop 776 Leadership Campout.

Julie’s favorite part of working with the scouts is watching the boys grow into outstanding adult men who may eventually become Eagle Scouts. Julie says: “I cry tears of pride at their Crossover Ceremony, and I cry at their Eagle Ceremony. It is so wonderful to see what these boys accomplish and how much they care about their community. They are the true leaders of the future. I am so proud of them all.”

RSO Spotlight

Cardinals for the Appreciation of Musical Theatre (CAMT) is an RSO at UofL that is dedicated to the performance and overall appreciation of musical theatre.

In addition to being the ONLY musical theatre group on campus, CAMT is open to ALL students and community members! You do not need to be a theatre major or have any experience to be involved in their performances.

During the fall semester, CAMT hosts a revue show in which anyone can take part. On November 3–5, CAMT performed *It Takes Two: A Musical Duet Revue*. The show featured some of Broadway’s best duets and a moving exploration of the ups and downs of love and romance. The show featured about 20 student and alumni vocal performers and a 15-person orchestra of students from the School of Music.



During the spring semester, the RSO performs a full rendition of a Broadway Musical. Some of the past musicals they staged at UofL were: *Chicago*; *You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown*; *Anything Goes*; *Hairspray*; and *All Shook Up*. This spring, CAMT will be performing *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*. It’s a hilarious musical comedy that centers on a fictional spelling bee set in a geographically ambiguous Putnam Valley Middle School. Six quirky adolescents compete in the spelling bee which is run by three equally quirky grown-ups. The show will be held in early March and auditions were held early in December.

Welcome New Staff

Katy Baxter, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, is a new counselor at the University Counseling Center. Katy graduated from University of Louisville’s own Kent School of Social Work after completing her undergraduate degree at Western Kentucky University. She brings experience with individual and group therapies to her new role. Happy to be back on campus, she looks forward to serving the students of UofL. Her overall focus is on wellness of the body and mind, while helping others live with more ease. Katy spends her time with her children and pup (Jake), and loves most things outdoors.



Matthew McClendon is the new Program Coordinator for the TRIO Student Support Services. He received his Bachelor’s in Kinesiology-Exercise Science from the University of Kentucky and is currently pursuing his Masters of Education with a major in Counseling and Personnel Services, which he will complete in fall 2017. Prior to coming to SSS, he worked

as a Child Youth & School Services (CYSS) Support Specialist, Cadre & Faculty Development Course (CFDC) Student Services Fellow, and currently, as an adjunct instructor in First Year Experience (FYE) for Jefferson Community and Technical College (JCTC). Matthew is excited to interact with students and be the bridge that assists them to reach their goals and personal viewpoints of success.



Olivia Langston is joining the Campus Housing team as the Program Coordinator of Residence Education. Olivia hails from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and is a two-time alum of Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, receiving her undergraduate degree in communications, emphasis in public relations, and her Master's degree in student affairs in higher education. As she starts her new and exciting journey in the Student Affairs field, she looks forward to the opportunities presented by University of Louisville and wishes to continue creating lifelong relationships within the Cardinal community!



Asa Douangasa joined the Campus Housing team in October as the Maintenance Mechanic for Kurz, Community Park, and Billy Minardi Hall. He moved to Louisville at the age of two from Laos. He has worked in the field of finish carpentry and remodeling for over 17 years. Asa enjoys traveling with his wife (Gretchen) and their son (Lil Asa).



Billy Bible, a Louisville native and a diehard Cardinals fan, is the new Maintenance Mechanic for Bettie Johnson Hall. Billy has been married to his wife, Laura, for 23 years and they have five beautiful children.



Steve Colston joined the Campus Housing team in October as the Facilities Maintenance Coordinator for Community Park, Kurz Hall, Bettie Johnson Hall and Billy Minardi Hall. Steve has lived in Louisville for over 50 years and has worked in maintenance for over 40 years, with the last eight years at UofL as a Maintenance Mechanic and Control Tech. He holds a Masters License in HVAC in Kentucky and an Associate Degree in Business Technology. Steve has three children, one of which graduated from UofL, and one who will be attending UofL in the near future. Steve is excited to be in his new role and looks forward to serving the Housing Department and students of the university.



Student Affairs Departures

Olivia Feldkamp has worked in Campus Housing, focusing on student conduct and care for the past two and a half years. Olivia is a proud two-time graduate of the University of Louisville, having received her undergraduate and graduate degrees in 2013 and 2015, respectively. Olivia will be a Conduct Educator in the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards at the University of Colorado at Denver beginning in January of 2018.



Sarah Gregory has worked as a Hall Director for Kurz Hall and Bettie Johnson Hall since June 2016. Sarah has thoroughly enjoyed her time working alongside Campus Housing and the Division of Student Affairs to serve the UofL campus community. Sarah will be leaving the university in December to start her new career with Edward Jones in her home state of Tennessee.



Kudos and High Fives

Josh McKee
Career Development Center
Josh received two High Fives: "Josh has been amazing since he has joined our team. He has made great changes that were needed and is continually being innovative. We appreciate him!" and "The amount of innovation and pride that Josh has brought to our staff is absolutely remarkable. His drive and work ethic are one-of-a-kind and he constantly amazes me with how much he's able to achieve. He is one of the hardest workers I know and I learn from his fresh outlook and creative thinking daily. So excited to have him as part of the CDC team!"



Ron Burse
Career Development Center
Ron received two High Fives: "He takes initiative and gets things done. His work does not go unnoticed and he strives to always do better. Those characteristics are appreciated." And "Ron is an irreplaceable team member



who is constantly cheering me on, encouraging me to achieve more and helping drive our team to success daily. He manages the responsibility of creating an internship program with grace and creativity, and is one of the most fun-loving, humorous co-workers I've ever had. I don't know what I'd do without Ron, and I'm so grateful for his listening ear, shoulder to lean on, and friendship."



Laura Mercer

Career Development Center

"Thanks for all you do, keeping us working smoothly. Thanks for your service to the university."

Ron Denney

Career Development Center

"Ron hit it out of the park leading his first Seasonal Job Interviews event! He is constantly striving to improve, and his hard work definitely shows. I am proud to be a member of his team and excited to see what our team is able to accomplish with his tremendous help!"



Karen Boston

Career Development Center

"She has done amazing work with the Health Sciences Campus. Her work with that department has blossomed and it continues to grow. The students learn a lot from Karen and she is truly helping them create a better life for themselves. Kudos to Karen!"



Submit a High Five [here](#).



Reference Corner

Here are four websites to keep handy. Click on the buttons here and bookmark them on your web browser. When you have events you want students to attend, be sure to submit them to be placed in the Student News and Events weekly e-mail, Digital TVs, and Red Barn Digital Sign. Just click on the *Submit Student News & Events* button on the right and follow the directions. The *Follow the Bird* button will take you to the Student News and Events Facebook page. The *Social Media* button will take you to a page of Student Affairs various Social Media websites. The *SA Tier One Tech Ticket* will take you to a form for getting help with technology issues.



Two ways you can help Student Affairs

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Mark Your Calendar

- 12/13-19 Alternative Service Break-ELSB
- 12/15 Winter Leadership Institute
- 12/15 Student Affairs Holiday Party
- 1/19 New Staff Orientation
- 1/26 CPAK
- 2/10 ELSB Engage KY Symposium
- 2/18 Fryberger Sing
- 3/11-16 Alternative Service Break-ELSB
- 4/19 Student Awards
- 4/20 33rd Annual Crawfish Boil
- 5/10 Senior Day at the Downs

