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Happy Holidays from Student Affairs



TRIO Programs Celebrate Their Golden Anniversary

Thursday, November 13, the University of Louisville celebrated 50 years of TRIO in the Chao Auditorium. The program by TRIO Student Support Services, Upward Bound, and Educational Talent Search served as a celebration for 50 years of service to first-generation, low-income, and/or students with disabilities. A short video was shown depicting how TRIO has benefitted students over the years and a panel consisting of former TRIO students also took place. In addition, President James Ramsey, U.S. Rep. John Yarmuth and the Council for Opportunity in Education were each given awards honoring them for their support of the TRIO programs.



UofL Cofosts Regional Student Affairs Conference

The SACSA/NASPA Region III/CPAK conference was held in Louisville, Kentucky on November 1-3, 2014. Over 500 conference attendees were welcomed to Louisville at an Opening Reception held at Bellarmine University. Sodexo



sponsored the reception and went all out serving a number of Kentucky Pride foods. The closing session was held at the magnificent Kentucky Derby Museum and began with a showing of "The Greatest Race." Many thanks to over 200 volunteers that assisted with the conference. And, special thanks to those University of Louisville staff members who

went above and beyond to provide top-notch hospitality to the SACSA/NASPA visitors. Over 130 SACSA/NASPA Region III/CPAK attendees were from Kentucky, with 39 of the attendees coming from the University of Louisville. Check out the closing SACSA/NASPA Region III/CPAK video to hear what attendees said about their experience. You will notice some familiar faces in the video!



Parent of the Year 2014

The 7th Annual Parent of the Year ceremony was held during Homecoming weekend in the Student Activities Center Multi-Purpose Room. Ms. Latonya Quinn won the 2014 UofL Parent of the Year



Award! She was nominated by her son, J. C. Campbell, a graduate student at the university. There were 48 nominees and each received a small plaque and a copy of their son/daughter's essay. Ms. Quinn received a large plaque and a personalized brick in her honor, which will be placed in the West Plaza outside of the George J. Howe Red Barn. Great Day Live featured UofL's

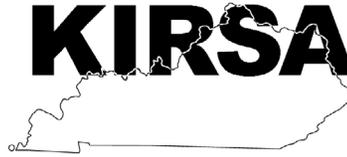


Parent of the Year! Check it out: <http://www.whas11.com/story/entertainment/television/great-day-live/2014/10/29/latonya-quinn-uofl-parent-of-the-year/18112403>

Intramural Sports Hosts State Conference

The Department of Intramural and Recreational Sports hosted over 100 of their friends and colleagues for a two-day conference on November 6 and 7 in the new Student Recreation Center. The conference was a great success. It was the first time many colleagues had seen the new center and they were very impressed and excited for UofL and the department of Intramural and

Recreational Sports. Seven departmental staff, as well as David Proffitt (the University's lead architect for the SRC project), made presentations at the conference. The conference also featured a trade show of the various vendors Intramurals worked with on the fitness equipment for the center. It was a very valuable conference for the professional development of staff and it was a great opportunity to share the new SRC with the rest of the state.



Dr. Raphael Samos of Belize Visits UofL

Dr. Raphael Samos, Senior Dental Surgeon in the Dental Health Department of the Belize Ministry of Health, visited the University of Louisville on October 8 and 9 as a guest of the School of Dentistry and Student Affairs. Dr. Samos toured the Dental School and met with Student Affairs staff in preparation for the International Service Learning Program's trip to Belize in March of next year.



Dr. Tom Jackson Inaugurated as President of BHSU

Dr. Tom Jackson, Jr. was inaugurated November 15 as the tenth president of Black Hills State University.



Dr. Jackson began his tenure as president on July 3, 2014. The inauguration theme was "Spirit of the Hills" honoring the history, geography, beauty and the

people of the Black Hills. Dana Boke, mayor of the city of Spearfish, says "BHSU is positioned and prepared to increase its value and impact to the city, region, nation, and world under Jackson's leadership...As Dr. Jackson takes on the responsibility for leadership, direction and vision of the University, he also takes on a key leadership role within the City of Spearfish because of the integral role the faculty, students, and staff play within the community... I can't think of a better leader to have within our midst to help lead the community and University forward into the future." Dr.



Jackson was presented with a star quilt from representatives of the BHSU Center for American Indian Studies. The BHSU symbol of the presidency medallion was placed on Dr. Jackson by two former BHSU presidents. "I will do my part to lead with honor, integrity, and a genuine commitment to this special place." Dr. Jackson said. See the video of the inauguration: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uE2aJ2kkDgg>

Veterans Event a Huge Success

The Run With Our Heroes 5K was held Saturday, November 15 and hosted more than 230 runners in a race routed through the UofL campus and featuring UofL Army ROTC cadets as race guides. The race is a partnership of UofL, the Mayor's Office, and Seven Counties Services, Louisville's largest provider of behavioral health and developmental services. Previously, the UofL



Division of Student Affairs hosted the Camo Run to raise funds for student veterans, but the collaboration with the city and Seven Counties offered an opportunity to grow the race and



to have greater impact. The race is now on a grander scale and the partnership with the city grew runner participation by more than 187%, streamlined the planning, and allowed for a broader reach to the entire Louisville-Fort Knox community. The Run with our Heroes 5K will be an annual



event that serves as the closing event of the Mayor's Week of Valor. The race provides our division with the chance to raise funds that give back to veterans through services, programs, and student veteran initiatives.

ACC Directors of Housing Unite

Shannon Staten, Director of Campus Housing, attended a meeting of the ACC Chief Housing Officers on the Boston College campus November 12-13. The group met to share ideas and concepts for students living in campus housing including supporting academic initiatives such as faculty in residence and living learning communities; responding to student crisis; working with students at risk; meeting the university vision; and more. The group was able to tour the Boston College campus and residence halls.



Game Changers Retreat Helps Student Leaders Progress

The first ever Game Changers Retreat was held October 3-5. The leadership development program was the result of a year-long effort to offer more meaningful leadership opportunities to UofL students. The retreat took place at the Bradford Woods Retreat Center in Martinsville, IN about 30 minutes from Indianapolis. The students took the Student Leadership Practices Inventory developed by Kouzes and Posner, authors of The Leadership Challenge. Using this inventory helped them discover more about their leadership styles and aided them in working on a goal they are trying to achieve this year in their leadership position. Stop by the Office of Student Involvement to check out the terrific work these students did presenting their goal and action plan for accomplishment. Special thanks to Julie Onnembo, Brooke Isbell and Jeffrey Cross for their expertise in developing the curriculum for the retreat. Heidi Elmer, Angela Taylor and Brittany Barnes were the IDEA team facilitators during the retreat and will continue to serve in a coaching capacity to follow up with the students' progress toward their goal. Finally, special thanks to Dr. Mardis for funding this program and Tim Moore for all the support he has offered.



The 2014 Game Changer participants were: Logan Stanley – Ultimate Frisbee Club, Jason Jewell – A&S Senator, Sam Rodriguez – LGBT Center, Amanda Allen – ELSB, Mattie Cook – ELSBs, Mahogany Mayfield – Association of Black Students, Nitaya Walker – Porter Scholars, Odii Bott – Women for Women, Aisha Hamid – Women for Women, and

Andrea Shaw – Student Veterans Association.
Browse Flickr: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/ulstudentactivities/sets/>
Watch the video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sYIc0QItLAc&feature=youtu.be>



Best Buddies Kentucky and Daniel Noltemeyer receive NASCAR foundation Award!

Daniel Noltemeyer is the first person with a disability to win the NASCAR foundation Award. The Engage Lead Serve Board is very proud of the members of their affiliated student organization, Best Buddies, for their work in promoting Daniel's campaign. Kayla Meisner (UofL student) is Daniel's buddy. Daniel was the primary influencer behind establishing Best Buddies Kentucky. Best Buddies works to promote social inclusion for children and adults with disabilities. Daniel has Down syndrome himself, but has not only accepted challenges associated with this condition, he has become an internationally known spokesman for people with disabilities. "I don't think about my disability, but instead, I try to be the best that I can be. I have a great life. I work, have a wonderful family and friends. I have a positive attitude and try to be a strong self-advocate to help make the world a better place" says Daniel. The Betty Jane France Humanitarian Award honors the commitment that The NASCAR Foundation's Chairwoman, Betty Jane France, has made through philanthropy and community service. The award is annually presented to a NASCAR fan that has made a profound impact on the lives of children in his or her local community. As the winner, Daniel received a new Toyota Camry and was awarded a donation of \$100,000 that will go to Best Buddies Kentucky.



Autism Awareness

Numbers of students with Asperger's Syndrome/Autism enrolled on college campuses is increasing around the nation and UofL is no exception. The Disability Resource Center hosted an informative and interactive session on Thursday, October 2 at the Cultural Center to share more about the challenges experienced by students with autism, how to help create a more accessible and welcoming campus environment, and how students "on the spectrum" contribute to the rich diversity of our campus community. Staff from UofL's Disability Resource Center and the Kentucky Autism Training Center shared information on their services and offered input about students with autism. In addition, two UofL students with autism were present and provided insight into their personal journeys and experiences.



Student Recreation Center Celebrates First Year!

The SRC celebrated its' first anniversary on October 28. The lobby was decorated with balloons, and signs were posted with many interesting facts pertaining to the first year of operation. Students received free stadium cups stuffed with Clif Energy Bars. It was a fun-filled event. 1,885 people visited the SRC on the anniversary day. Here are some of the facts about the first year that were promoted for the anniversary. There were over 400,000 user visits to the center and there were 15,329 distinct or "unique" users of the facility. The addition of new types of spaces has positively impacted the Sports Club



program. It's growth has increased by 33% during the center's first year of operation. The additional group fitness studios, spin bikes and TRX straps have helped the group fitness program develop; with a fitness classes increase of 106%. Participation in the intramural phase of the program



is reaching new heights. There have been eight intramural indoor events in the center and all eight have had a record number of teams or individuals. The SRC is having an impact on the freshman class as evidenced by the badminton tournament. The tournament had 176 individual participants and 106 of those were freshmen. The goal of the department of Intramurals and Recreational Sports is for the building to serve the community and feel like home for students, faculty and staff.

Housing Meeting a Success

This year's Kentucky Association of Housing Officers (KAHO) meeting was held at Morehead State University and was a huge success! The University of Louisville had a great representation with Ronnie Rentz, Sarah Ebelhar, Miranda Thomas Scurlock, Jessica Newsom, Ashley Hazen, and Bryan Shelangoski in attendance. KAHO presented an opportunity to network with other housing professionals within the state and to gauge some of the best practices within the field. Additionally, this



was the second year in a row with undergraduate students (Sullivan University) attending the conference; this year they even participated in the case study! Finally, this year's KAHO Governing Council will have UofL representation as Jessica Newsom is serving as the Graduate Student Representative and Bryan Shelangoski is serving as the President. All in all, it was a wonderful time at Morehead and we're looking forward to KAHO 2015 at St. Catherine College!

Ken-Ducky Derby Gets Help from UofL Fraternity

A fraternity at UofL, Pi Kappa Alpha, has been extremely generous to the Harbor House of Louisville. The "Pikes" helped with the signature fundraising event, The 11th Annual Ken-Ducky Derby. Many members, under the leadership of student Andy Dennis, helped during the weeks of events, planning, and on the actual day of the event which took place Sunday, September 28 at the Waterfront Park. They helped from the time of set-up until the very end with clean-up. The Pikes worked in many areas in the festival as well as guarding the waterfront for the duck race so that children were not too close to the water. After the duck race they helped in retrieving the ducks from the waterfront. "We are extremely proud of their hard work and I wanted to send a huge thank you to you [President Ramsey] and the Pikes for a job well done!!!!" said Dee Pilkerton of The Harbor House of Louisville.



All Campus Champions Kiosk Keeps Tradition Alive!

One of the great traditions on campus has been the All Campus Champions picture boards. Dating back to 1962, the boards were proudly hung in Crawford Gym, Humana Gym and the SAC. With the open concept design of the new Student Recreation Center, there was not space to hang the boards. The department desperately wanted to continue the tradition and started working with the Archives Department of the Library. The Intramural Department took down every board and delivered them to the Archives Department. The Archives Department carefully removed every picture and scanned them into a digital database. The Intramural Department then began working with a vendor to create a touchscreen program that would allow users to browse by year and display thumbnails of every one of the 7,000 + pictures. The kiosk is in the lobby of the SRC, close to the front entrance. It is operating and available for people to look-up themselves and friends from previous years. Right now there are 7 years loaded into the program. The department is working to add more yearly pictures every week. There are about 25 steps to coding every picture so it will be a labor intensive project to complete, but at some point all 7,000 + pictures will be loaded into the system and the tradition of the All Campus Champions boards will continue.



Homecoming

The Homecoming festivities this year included the first parade after a 15 year hiatus. This year's new Homecoming King and Queen are Alex Dotsey and Kristi Knop.



The Step Show

The 22nd Annual NPHC Homecoming Step Show was held at the Louisville Memorial Auditorium Friday October 17. Eight of our National Pan-Hellenic Council fraternities and sororities performed for a sold out crowd. The Xi chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and the Alpha Omicron chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. were the sorority and fraternity winners.



Two ways you can help Student Affairs!



First Annual Kurz Carnival

On October 21, Kurz hosted the first annual Kurz Carnival. The event was located next to Kurz Hall in the paid parking lot. The event consisted of free Hot Dogs from Busta Grill, 3 giant inflatables, free popcorn from the Popcorn Station, Jimmy Johns sandwiches, a hot chocolate bar provided by the Kurz Hall Council, homemade pies from Pattiecakes Pies, and cotton candy! The Resident Assistants also participated in Pie an RA in The Face, with every purchase of a pie paid with a canned good going to Dare to Care Food Bank. Over 130 residents showed up for the event!



guide proceeded to take them into the basement. They were then scared—using the great acting skills of Resident Assistants and volunteers. The lobby was used as a staging area for educational tools. This year a second year Dental student brought toothpaste, toothbrushes, and educational materials to teach guests from the surrounding underprivileged neighborhoods the value of oral hygiene. There was a lot of setup; it took the entire month of October to set the stage. This program had a great turnout this year.



Stephanie Dooper Receives Award

UofL Junior, Stephanie Dooper received the 2014 Community Engagement Award in October. Ms.

Dooper received the award for her commitment to Habitat for Humanity and for her work with the Clinton Global Initiative to complete a student led, funded, and built Habitat home. She is Freshmen LEAD director and Habitat for Humanity Student Chapter President on the

Engage Lead Serve Board. Congratulations Stephanie!

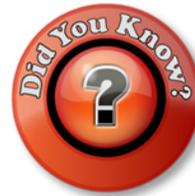


Medical Dental Apartments Showcase Haunted Halloween

The Medical Dental Apartments (MDA) Haunted Hospital utilized a vacated second floor and a huge, dark, scary basement. The basement was constructed into a scary maze or path. People were brought into the lobby, up to the second floor, and then they took a scary elevator ride to the basement landing, where a

Did You Know?

Did you know a student may request and be considered for a compassionate withdrawal when incapacitating circumstances, such as a serious illness or injury, or when extraordinary personal reasons, not related to the student's personal physical or mental health, prevent the student from continuing in classes or from seeking academic withdrawal in the usual way. The compassionate withdrawal policy covers both physical and mental health. Learn more at <http://louisville.edu/dos/help/compassionate-withdrawal-policy> or contact Dr. Kathy Pendleton, Student Advocate at advocate@louisville.edu



In the Spotlight

Becky Clark has worked in the Division of Student Affairs since she came to UofL in 1986. She came to UofL from Watterson College, a private proprietary institution, where she served 7 years as Registrar and Director for Student Services. Becky has held several positions in Student Affairs, including Student Services Counselor in the Office of Student Services/Registrar, Assistant Director/Academic Counselor for the Academic Services for Athletics Office, Executive

Director of Planning and Assessment and Coordinator of the Parents Association. For the past 4 years, she has served as Associate Director and Career Coach in the Career Development Center, focusing on the health-sciences majors and serving as career liaison to the Health Sciences Campus.

"I came to UofL because I wanted to work at a public, state-supported college or university and also to get my Masters degree in College Student Personnel. I have never regretted that decision, and I have been privileged to work in Student Affairs during my entire time here." It would be impossible to document the many changes I have seen, but a few that I think are most significant are the incredible expansion of our housing facilities and the change from a commuter school to a residential campus; the increase in academic support for all students through development of REACH, which is free to all enrolled students; and more recently, the new Recreation Center and expansion of the health programs offered through Intramural Sports.

Advice I would give to achieve success is to always follow your heart when choosing your career path, understand that change is necessary for a successful career and always be flexible and willing to serve as part of the team. A recent career article that I use when coaching students says that employers are seeking the following skills from their employees in order to have a successful organization: clear communication skills, flexibility, and finding new ways to improve and increase productivity."



Welcome New Staff!

Emily Newsom is Cardinal Towne's new Manager. She has a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration (Accounting) from Eastern Kentucky University where she also obtained housing experience. In addition, she completed her Master of Business Administration Degree



at Xavier University. Currently she is testing for the Certified Public Accountant certification. Fortunately, she knows the students, property, and Affiliation players well through her three years of experience as Assistant General Manager of Cardinal Towne. She really enjoys working with UofL students.

Ashley Hazen has began her role as the Assistant Director of Residence Education and looks forward to moving the residence education program in a progressive direction while enjoying the students and staff. In her free time, she is enjoying wedding planning with her fiancé

and the winter snuggles with her cat, Hoss!



Christopher Medley is the Associate Director of Operations and started on December 1st. Christopher is coming from North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC.



Welcome New GAs!

Sarah Exner is the new Graduate Assistant for First Year Experience and Special Projects for Housing and Residence Life. In this newly created position, Sarah will oversee the First Year Guide Program, a student mentorship program that focuses on helping new students living in the residence halls transition to college life. She will manage the Resource Room for the Housing student staff as well as the First Year Resource Center in Miller Hall. In addition she will work on several on-going projects focused on developing new programs and initiatives for Housing and Residence Life. Sarah studied Psychology and Sociology here at the University of Louisville as an undergraduate and is now working towards her Master's Degree in College Student Personnel. She



is involved in several organizations on campus, is the President of the Graduate Association of Professionals in Student Affairs (GAPSA) and is an active ACPA Ambassador.

Leah King recently accepted the position of Administrative Graduate Assistant in the On-Campus Housing Office. She is 27 years old and has been married 4½ years. She is working towards obtaining her Masters in College Student Personnel at the University of Louisville, and will be graduating in May 2015.



Evan Vickers completed his undergraduate degree here at the University of Louisville in Justice Administration. After working as a student staff member in Housing and Residence Life for four years, he is now serving as the Graduate Hall Director for the Medical Dental Apartments on the Health Science Campus. He is currently in the Dual Masters Program for Urban Planning and Public Administration.



Jessica Newsom is a first year graduate student in the College Student Personnel program. She attended the University of Tennessee for her undergraduate degree in communication studies. She was born and raised in Nashville, TN and loves music! She's new to Louisville and is curious about all the city has to offer! She loves to hike, sing, dance, read, and spend time with her friends. Jessica is a huge sports fanatic and is glad to be at a school that loves basketball—her favorite sport. She is glad to be a part of UofL's inaugural year in the ACC. Her graduate assistantship is with Housing and Residence Life where she is the hall director for Miller Hall.



High Fives

Tim Moore, Student Involvement

Thanking Tim for his assistance with Parent of the Year. He's there before the event, during and after. He doesn't just help with set-up/break-down, but everything involving the event. He lends a helping hand EVERY year and I couldn't do it without him! Thanks Timothy P!

Angela Taylor, Dean of Students Office
Thanks to Angela for her leadership on local arrangements for the SACSA conference.

She pulled together a terrific committee and has helped to create a great experience for the record number of attendees to this year's conference. Kudos!

Dominique Bryan, Housing

Dominique has been an intern in our office this semester for no class credit and no pay. She simply wanted to learn more about what we do and get more experience outside of her work in Housing. She has taken on the Student Awards program and already helped get a poster campaign of last year's winners up around campus (including HSC). We are much farther along in our planning and promotion process this year thanks to Dominique. She is helping ensure a memorable 15th anniversary Student Awards program!

John Smith, Intramurals

John goes above and beyond in caring for our students who experience distress. John is always willing to be a support when called upon by staff if he has a connection with a student in need. He also helps to connect students who come to him with real problems to the resources that could help. There is no doubt that John's ability to listen and his wisdom has helped many students know that the University cares about them and their concerns outside of the classroom.

Ashley Hazen, Housing

Ashley was hired into the Assistant Director for Residence Education position in October. Within



the same week that she officially began the position and the three weeks afterward, she had to work with some significant staff issues on her team and ended up terminating several RA staff members. She did this with grace and still managed to interview new RA candidates, complete tasks that we wanted to accomplish in her first weeks and thankfully, is still with us! I am very grateful for her professional attitude and am excited to see what she brings to the program!

Mackenzie Adriance, Career Development Center Mackenzie has rejoined our staff (after formerly acting as a graduate intern and a graduate assistant) during a hectic time of transition--it has been a busy fall semester AND we are in the process of hiring a new director. Mackenzie has had to be incredibly adaptable to all of the changes and has shown initiative by taking on several projects, including volunteering at Family Scholar House, assisting with our new student leadership group, and acting as the career coach for Arts and Sciences.

Submit your High Five today:

http://louisville.edu/studentaffairs/staff/department/staff/staffmain/form/student-affairs-high-five/fg_base_view_p3

Reference Corner

Here are four websites to keep handy. Click on the buttons here and then 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 UofL Event Calendar. Just click on the appropriate button on the right and follow the directions. The Follow the Bird button will take you to the Student News and Events Facebook page. Feel free to "like" our page.



Save the Date

December 12, Red Barn Birthday, 5-8pm

December 19, Holiday Party, 3:30-5:30pm, Cardinal Burger Co.-SAC (CBC)

January 14, Coffee & Conversation, Housing, 8:30-9:30am

February 20, Divisional Staff Meeting, MPR, 9am

February 27, Coffee & Conversation, Career Center, 9-10:30am (NEW DATE)

April 21, Coffee & Conversation, DOS, 9-10:30am

May 18, Coffee & Conversation, Counseling Center, 8:30-10:30am



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