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Out of the Darkness Campus Walk Raises $11,900

Cards SPEAK sponsored the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention’s Out of the Darkness Campus Walk, which was held Sunday, April 9, 2017. With the help of a small group of students, staff, and community members, the second annual walk raised $11,900 with 307 participants. This year featured, the “Paws for Prevention” best team and best-dressed pup. Winners were the UofL Psych Interns 2017 and a pair of pups dressed as Thing One and Thing Two. The UofL Psych Interns 2017 team members carried the banner leading the walkers around campus.

The fundraising opportunity is open online until June 30, 2017.

ACC Leadership Symposium

Five UofL students were selected (through an application process with past attendees and the Office of Student Involvement) to represent the university at the annual ACC Leadership Symposium held at Wake Forest University February 24–26. Savanna Cooper, a TRiO participant, is shown in the photo (2nd from left) taken during the group presentations held on Sunday. She said of her experience, “How lucky I am to say that I attended the ACC Leadership Symposium as a freshman, further exploring social justice issues, as well as discovering new aspects of topics that I am extremely interested in as a Psychology major: self-care, well-being, and resilience. I cannot express the sheer delight I had in meeting people that were just as passionate as me from all over the East Coast.”

Other attendees were Jonas Bastien, Jamitra Fulleord, Destinee Germany, and Madison Eckels, who had similar positive reactions to the experience. “Because of my experience at the ACC Leadership Symposium I am dedicated to promoting initiatives to help students succeed. From racial inclusivity, to sexual assault, the ACC Leadership Symposium brought many issues to light that our campuses face, and gave lots of viable options for helping to solve those issues.”

“I felt encouraged by my peers to speak my opinion and to be my genuine self.
I also learned a lot from students of the other ACC universities based on conversations regarding their experiences and initiatives at their institutions. I am excited to be entering my senior year with new tools and fresh ideas about how to make UofL’s campus a more inclusive environment so students can truly flourish.”

“At this conference, I learned that life is so much bigger than the organizations that I am involved in or the GPA that I desperately try to keep up every semester. I learned that learning to say “no” and taking a break from reality is okay. It is okay to breathe, it is okay to spend time alone, and most importantly, it is okay to put myself first.”

Student Awards Recognizes Leaders, Service, and Involvement

The 19th annual UofL Student Awards took place on April 17, 2017. The awards recognized the hard work of students for their excellence in and out of the classroom, including leadership, service and involvement. Dean of Students Michael Mardis said “It’s impressive how much the students at the University of Louisville accomplish. I continue to be impressed by their work ethic, dedication, and commitment to serving the university, our local community, and even the greater global community.”

The 2016 Homecoming King and Queen, Jordan Potts and Keturah Smith, along with the 2017 Mr. and Ms. Cardinal, Jason Jewell and Jessica Morgan, were the Emcees for the event. They are pictured with Dr. Michael Mardis and Dr. Greg Postel.

See photos of the award winners here.

Kathy Pendleton Receives Harold Adams Award

The Student Awards Program on April 17 honored Dr. Kathy Pendleton with the Harold Adams Award. This award is given to the individual who best meets the qualities and spirit always demonstrated by Harold Adams. The Harold Adams Award and Harold Adams Membership Scholarship Fund were created to remember Harold’s devotion to students, his nurturing nature to students, and his great care and concern for every phase of students’ educational experience. Harold “Butch” Adams was a 1963 UofL graduate and the Assistant VP for Student Life in 1977.

Dr. Pendleton had numerous individuals support her nomination for this award. One supporter wrote: “Dr. Pendleton embodies the characteristics for a recipient of the Harold Adams Award; she is dedicated to student success and committed to providing outstanding service to students in need.” Another nominator said: “Kathy has played a major role in helping me choose my next career. Under her tutelage, I have been motivated to strive to be the best I can be.” Other nominators shared very similar sentiments, saying: “She always puts forth her best effort to take care of all staff through motivation and encouragement while reminding us of our dedication to do the best for our students” and “A quick review of Kathy’s involvement in committee work, commissions, and even her dissertation topic all give credence to her lifelong commitment to students, including and especially those who are marginalized.”

And lastly, a team of supporters shared: “Dr. Pendleton is committed to breaking down the barriers that are common to our underserved students. She is an outstanding representative for the University of Louisville community.”

The Division of Student Affairs is fortunate to have had Dr. Pendleton serve as a member of the staff for a number of years. The Harold Adams Award is a symbol of her hard work and dedication to student success. Congratulations, Dr. Pendleton!

Family Weekend Registration Open

Tickets are now available online, so make plans to attend Family Weekend 2017 on September 29-October 1. Traditional events include: Family Weekend Tailgate/meal; Cardinal Football game vs. Murray State; and a Sunday Brunch at the Ville Grill. A full schedule will be released at a later date. Be sure to check our Facebook page for updates on Family Weekend tickets and more! Don’t miss out! The entire family is welcome here in the Ville!

****In observance of Yom Kippur, we are collaborating with the UofL Religious Life Association, Louisville Hillel, and the Jewish Federation of Louisville so that any families observing Yom Kippur are invited to attend services Friday night or Saturday at local synagogues in Louisville. Also, all Family Weekend guests are welcome to attend Louisville Hillel’s Communal Break Fast on Saturday, September 30 at 8:00pm in the Interfaith Center on campus. Please contact Benji Berlow at bberlow@jewishlouisville.org for additional info.
NPHC: Save the Date
This year, the Division of Student Affairs is excited to celebrate 25 years of an NPHC Council at UofL! To honor and celebrate this UofL legacy, we are inviting NPHC alumni back to campus from October 13-15, for this year’s Homecoming festivities and a variety of events to help us celebrate our 25 years of NPHC impact on student engagement, development, and success at UofL. More event details and a full schedule will be released at a later date. We look forward to having you on campus at Homecoming 2017 to celebrate 25 years of NPHC with us!

SEAHO is Coming Back
The Southeastern Association of Housing Officers (SEAHO) has announced they are coming back to Louisville in 2020. The UofL Campus Housing department worked with the Convention and Visitors Bureau to make this happen. Congratulations Housing!

TRIO SSS Debate Team Wins SAEOPP Debate Competition
The University of Louisville TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) Debate Team traveled to Atlanta, GA for the Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (SAEOPP) Student Initiatives Conference Debate Competition, where they received first place for their efforts. The competition, which took place on April 8, featured teams from Kentucky, South Carolina, Florida, and Georgia. The debate team consisted of Naomi Deeds, a senior majoring in communication and criminal justice, and Ayla Baunach, a sophomore majoring in English. Their coach was Erica LaMarche, the Student Development Specialist for TRIO SSS. In addition to receiving certificates of participation and first-place medals, the students also received a team prize of $300 for their efforts. Congratulations, Debate Team!

UofL Designated a Voter Friendly Campus
UofL has been recognized as a Voter Friendly Campus in light of its registration efforts ahead of the 2016 election. The recognition is given by the national nonpartisan organizations’ Campus Vote Project and NASPA (Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education). UofL is one of 83 campuses in 23 states to receive this recognition. To receive the recognition, institutions were accountable for planning and implementing practices that encouraged students to register and vote in the 2016 general election as well as future elections. UofL’s effort was led by the Office of Student Leadership and Service, within the Division of Student Affairs. Director Pam Curtis said she learned of the designation through national organizations and said that it fit her department’s emphasis on civic engagement.

The effort began by forming a campus coalition of partners from across UofL and the community, including Kentuckians for the Commonwealth and the Jefferson County Clerk’s Office, who could have an impact on driving students to vote. The coalition also needed to draw together all of the programming on campus related to voting to assess the levels of engagement. Concurrent to the coalition, UofL also received funding from Vote Everywhere, which allowed for the hiring of a few students to lead voter registration drives on campus. Pam said the coalition was pleased to receive the designation, especially in the first year. “The goal is to keep the coalition together and to really see how we get students involved in future elections,” she said.

New GEN 202 Course for Sophomore Students
This spring, the Office of Student Involvement and the Career Development Center collaborated to provide a course for sophomore students interested in obtaining an internship or leadership position. This general education course, entitled Maximizing your Leadership and Intern Experience, provides students with information and tools to help them to become more involved on campus and within the Louisville community. Specific topics covered include community, strengths, identity, and values, as well as a focus on resume development and employer engagement. The course was co-taught by Kathy Meyer, Program Coordinator.
for Leadership and Service, as well as graduate students Alli Lake and Megan Steed, with a guest lecture from Trey Lewis, Director of the Career Development Center. The course is part of the larger SophoMORE program, which includes the Leader’s Legacy workshop series (piloted fall 2016), and the Sophomore+ certificate program. The course also aligns with the university’s Quality Enhancement Plan, which focuses on sophomore retention and development. The GEN 202 course will be offered again in fall 2017 and spring 2018.

See the Year in Pictures from Student Affairs

SRC Summer Hours and Memberships

The Student Recreation Center (SRC) and Health Sciences Campus (HSC) Fitness Center operate under modified hours during the summer. The SRC will be open 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. weekdays, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturdays, and 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Sundays. The HSC Fitness Center is open 6:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Students on the Health Science Campus have been encouraged to utilize the SRC on weekends.

Many of the students remaining in the Louisville area over the summer are not registered for classes but still want to have access to the SRC and HSC Fitness Center. They can participate if they were registered for either the spring or the upcoming fall semesters. There is a summer membership plan where they may have access until the fall semester begins for $50. If you know someone that might like to apply, just have them come by the Intramural Office between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. any weekday.

New Intramural Video

Check out the new Intramural promotional video. Many thanks to Jeff Rushton and Dakota Weatherford for their production of this video and advice on how to make it.

TRIO Students Recognized for Achievements

TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) held its annual Awards Ceremony on April 25, in the George J. Howe Red Barn. The event celebrates TRIO SSS students and the achievements they have accomplished throughout the year. The guest speaker for the event was Sarah Nunez, the Assistant Director for Cultural Initiatives for the University of Louisville Cultural Center. Several student awards were given out, which included the Students of the Year awards (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Adult Learner), the Most Improved Award, the Scholar of the Year Award, and the overall Student of the Year award. Several new awards were also given out, including Volunteer of the Year, Leader of the year, and the Director’s Award. The Supporter of the Year was also given to Trey Lewis and the staff of the Career Development Center. In addition, the Faculty Member of the Year that was selected was Teresa Berbet, an Academic Coordinator for the Hite Art Institute. Over half of the 144 members of the program received certificates for being members of the 3.0+ Club, which consists of TRIO SSS students having a 3.0 GPA or above for the fall 2016 semester. Dr. Kathy Pendleton was also given a special award honoring her achievements and service to the university. Congratulations to all for their accomplishments!

Intramural Sports Celebrates Tremendous Year

Intramurals recognized a special group of students at the annual Student Awards in April. Everyone in this group was graduating and had made outstanding contributions to the success of the overall Intramural Sports program. Left to right, Jessica Minnick - HSC
Fitness Center, Kaylee Keohane - Intramural Front Office, Kaitlyn Hogan - SRC Facility Staff, Aaron “A Matt” Mattingly - Intramural Supervisor, Brad Proffitt SRC - Facility Staff, and Zach Carr - Intramural Supervisor. Not pictured, but also award recipients, were Kirby Gooding - Intramural Front Office, Shannon Sloss - Intramural Supervisor and Chelsea Case - Fitness DA.

Additionally, every year for the past 27 years the Intramural and Recreational Sports Department has ended the year with the Intramural Awards. The awards not only recognize the champions of the year-long All Campus Championships, but also celebrates qualities such as leadership, sportsmanship, and service with awards like the Dale Ramsay Sportsmanship Award, IM Chair of the Year, and most notably the annual presentation of the Mendy Awards. The Mendys are named after Ellis J. Mendlesohn who worked at UofL for 42 years. “Mendy” was a huge proponent of participating and doing things for the right reason. The Mendys are given to people who have encouraged others to participate in the program and exhibited an attitude of sportsmanship and integrity during the year. Congratulations to all of the winners!

Louisville Urban League Street Academy Honored at Celebration

Since 2013, the Office of Student Involvement has hosted the Celebration of Student Leadership to recognize the excellent work done by students with whom they’ve worked throughout the year. They also incorporate recognition for community partners who are such an important part of their work. This year they celebrated the relationship developed with the Louisville Urban League, specifically their Street Academy program. For the past two years, they have reliably served as a site for MLK Day of Service and Welcome Week SOUL by bringing the Street Academy participants to campus to interact with our students.

If it weren’t for UofL alum, Cassandra Webb, who stepped up to handle all of the logistics of bringing the Street Academy participants to UofL to engage with our students, this partnership may not have happened at the level it has. Each child was provided with a book about Muhammad Ali that they read and discussed with their UofL student. Additionally, the UofL student attendees wrote notes of encouragement in a book series that will be donated to Street Academy on behalf of the Engage Lead Serve Board. Grateful to the Louisville Urban League’s staff and leadership, the Office of Student Involvement looks forward to further collaborations in the coming year!

Training with the Marines!

Marine Boot Camp had a great night just before finals week. It was the first United States Marine Corps Boot Camp night on the Student Recreation Center’s (SRC) Turf Field. Four Marines, including a Captain and a Gunnery Sergeant (pictured) came and took 28 of our students through a very challenging hour of physical and mental exercises. Nineteen of our students finished the hour. Most of the activities were team oriented and provided a great platform for leadership development and team building. Eighteen of our summer Student Orientation Staff (SOSers) came and participated. Another Marine Boot Camp is planned for the fall, so be on the lookout and start getting in shape!

Debby Woodall USMC

Debby has been invited to attend a 3-day program with the United States Marine Corps at their Quantico base in Virginia. She will be involved with various aspects of seeing how the Marines train and prepare mentally and physically. This is an outgrowth of our successful “Train with the Marines” boot camp class we had a few weeks ago. We look forward to continuing our relationship with the United States Marine Corps.

Dean of Students Reads to Elementary School Children

Michael Mardis, Vice Provost of Student Affairs and Dean of Students, participated in a community service project as a “Celebrity Reader” at Lowe Elementary School in Louisville on March 3. He read to third grade students from the book “Where the Sidewalk Ends,” a book of poems by Shel Silverstein. The children thoroughly enjoyed it.
Aimee Jewel to Lead YPAL

Aimee Jewel, a UofL graduate and employee, will serve as the president-elect of the Young Professionals Association of Louisville.

Aimee, an employer engagement coordinator at the Career Development Center, was recently elected to the position. Her presidency will begin on July 1, 2018. Her goals include diversifying YPAL’s membership, implementing better recruitment strategies, and increasing community engagement.

“I really wanted to lead an organization that instills the love of community in young professionals,” Aimee said.

YPAL is an organization that provides leadership development, educational opportunities and philanthropic support to Louisville’s young professionals. The mission of YPAL is to connect, engage and develop metro Louisville’s young professionals through community, professional and social opportunities.

Aimee joined YPAL in 2012. Since joining, she has served as the director of professional development, vice president of development, and vice president of community. She won the Young Professional of the Year Award in 2014 and was granted a scholarship from YPAL to pursue her master’s degree.

A Louisville native, she graduated with a bachelor of science degree in Communication in 2013 from the University of Louisville. She then earned a master of arts in Communication from Bellarmine in 2015.

She joined the Career Development Center in 2016 and works with a lot of students who are on the verge of entering the workforce. She shares the advice she offers UofL students:

• Never underestimate the power of networking. Everyone you meet could potentially play an important role in your life or vice versa.
• Always show up. Taking initiative and putting in effort is vital to achieving success.
• Get a mentor. Or five. Cultivating meaningful relationships with people who can advocate for your character is important.
• Always be true to yourself. Authenticity goes a long way.
• Always be grateful and give back. Being thankful for the lessons you learn and the privilege and gifts that you have goes a long way.

“I love to see people thrive in their environment and like their job,” said Aimee. “It’s really important to feel fulfilled in your work. I feel most valued when I’m being a ‘connector,’ whether it’s through YPAL as I work to connect young professionals to each other or to organizations they might be passionate about, or through my role at UofL, where I connect students with potential employers in the city.”

Article by Bria Staten-Favors, UofL News

Sport Clubs Finish Strong

The Men’s Lacrosse Team won their conference for the second consecutive year and earned a bid to the national championship tournament. The team traveled to Annapolis, Maryland for the tournament and lost a tough game in the first round to Lynchburg University. Making it to the national championship marked the end of a great season for the sticks who make up the Cardinal 10.

The Men’s Volleyball Club traveled to Kansas City to compete in the national club championships. There were 440 teams there in 5 divisions. Last year they were eliminated in the first round of the 1AAA division. This year we moved up a division to the 1AA, went 7-1, made the final 4, and had their only loss to the eventual national champion! That is an amazing turn around in only one year of play. Congratulations to the Men’s Volleyball Club for an outstanding season! In addition, Tom Sarver was named to the All-Tourney Team.

Meet the New 2017-18 SGA Officers

Vishnu Tirumala
President

Sarah Love
Executive Vice President

Jonathan Fuller
Academic Vice President

Chris Bird
Student Body Services Vice President
Spring Crawfish Boil

The 32nd Annual Crawfish Boil brought in a record breaking attendance of over 500 patrons and raised $3150 for the Red Barn’s Scholarship Fund!

Counseling Center’s Care Fair

Graduation Reception

Senior Day at the Downs

Spring Career Fair
Thoughts About ISLP

St. Augustine said, “The world is a book and those who do not travel only read one page.” International Service Learning Program (ISLP) recently wrapped up trips to Croatia and Botswana, and pages have been turned in the books of students, faculty, and staff alike.

While the primary emphasis of the program is service, the importance of international travel cannot be overlooked. In preparation for the journey, students were assigned an essay by Pico Iyer called “Why We Travel.” Iyer conveys a lot of wisdom, “Travel is the best way we have of rescuing the humanity of places, and saving them from abstraction and ideology.”

Technological advances give one unprecedented access to the corners of the globe, yet travel gives one the opportunity to engage directly with other cultures and worldviews on a personal level.

Through service, the UofL students engaged directly with students and teachers in Croatia and Botswana by giving them time, knowledge, and attention. They’ll never forget seeing giraffes in the wild or watching the sun set over Zagreb, but the deepest impacts will be from relationships formed along the way.

“What a privilege to take part in this kind of learning, to see the pages of the world turn one human connection at a time” reflects Caleb Brooks, director of ISLP.

Orientation Photo Booth

See pictures from the UofL Parents Association at Orientation.

Person of Interest

Frank Nuxoll is the Student Recreation Center (SRC) Facility Manager. Much of his job entails facility maintenance and cleaning, and supervising approximately 30 student staff. He also coordinates with PE, Custodial, Intramural Office Staff and various other groups on issues, upcoming events, and procedures.

Frank was one of the early graduates of the Sport Administration Program. A few months after he graduated, a position came open in the Intramural Department (then in the old Humana Gym). He knew John Smith who worked for Intramurals and interviewed him, and the rest as they say is history. When they opened the facility in the Student Activities Center, he moved over there, and then to the SRC when they opened four years ago.

Frank’s words of advice are “do the best job you can everyday, no matter what is going on around you, and at the end of the day you will feel pretty good.”

Frank’s been married for 22 years and has “two great children” ages 18 and 17. He’s been an avid volleyball player for most of his adult life. He also enjoys golf, racquetball, and almost anything outdoors.

RSO Spotlight

Last year, UofL’s Campus YMCA organization was a mere 6 members strong. After months of intensive, thoughtful development in its leadership, structure, and vision, Campus Y has grown to more than 30 members who are ever-present on campus. They are here to promote a culture of civic engagement (both through community service and through practicing policy-making and governance) while grounding themselves in the YMCA’s four core values of respect, responsibility, honesty and caring.

The hallmark of the organization is their annual conference called Campus YMCA Congress in Washington, DC. During the conference, the students simulate all three branches of the federal government by debating bills, arguing intense legal cases, and handling a national crisis or two. This year, not only was the UofL delegation the largest one at the conference, but they also took home the most awards. Their members succeeded in having two bills signed
into law; they received the outstanding attorney award; they received the outstanding Senate statesman; and they were named the new Director of Governmental Relations, the Senate President Pro Tempore, and the new conference President! In addition they received both a Chapter of Distinction plaque and the Chapter of the Year trophy.

The Campus YMCA at UofL is filled with bright students with big hearts who live and breathe civic engagement. One of their officers Nicole Fielder wrote: “Far beyond merely voting, we campaign, we lobby, we volunteer, we intern, we lead. And we do it all because we care. We function on the belief that young people are not only the leaders of tomorrow, but also of today. That is why we do what we do. That is why we give back.”

Student Affairs Departures

Kathy Pendleton is retiring from the University of Louisville after 17.5 years of service. During her time at the university, Kathy held multiple positions. She was the Assistant Director of the Disability Resource Center, Director of the Counseling Center, Director of Student Advocacy & Support, and Director of TRIO Student Support Services. While here, Kathy earned a second master’s degree and a doctorate in Counseling & Educational Psychology/College Student Personnel. She also found time to teach classes in the College Student Personnel program and the Higher Education Administration Program. We wish her a happy retirement!

Trey Lewis is taking the opportunity to pursue full-time doctoral studies at the University of Tennessee. The four/five-year program in the College of Business will be in Strategy, Entrepreneurship, and Organizations (within the management department). Trey’s last day with the Career Development Center will be Friday, July 14th. He said, “This was certainly a challenging decision, given the excellent opportunity to serve here at the University of Louisville, but one that feels like the right decision at this time for me and my family. I feel proud about the work we’ve done over the past few years to raise the profile of the Career Development Center and the overall career services agenda here at the University of Louisville but more than that, I’ll miss the opportunity to work and collaborate with such great colleagues.” We wish him much success in his new endeavor.

Jeffrey Cross left Fraternity and Sorority Life in the Student Involvement Office on May 26, 2017 to pursue his doctorate degree. Jeffrey left a note about his leaving, “I have truly enjoyed the opportunity to serve the students of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, Fraternity and Sorority Life, and the University of Louisville. I also value the relationships I have formed with students, staff, and members of the community. As a member of the Fraternity and Sorority Life and Student Involvement staff, I have grown both personally and professionally and appreciate the professionals who have invested in my growth.” Lots of luck to Jeffrey in his pursuit.

Kate Donovan left the University of Louisville in April for a position outside of higher education. Kate’s background is in rehabilitation counseling, so she is returning to this type of work in the Kentucky prison system. We wish her well on her next professional adventure!

The Career Development Center (CDC) is incredibly saddened to say goodbye to one of their Assistant Directors, Candace Lamb, who will begin pursuing her doctorate at the University of Texas at Austin this fall. Candace will be studying Higher Education with a concentration in Educational Leadership. She will be reunited with her puppy, Page, and is excited for her new adventure. Although the Career Development Center is sad to lose her, we wish her luck and know that she will do amazing things as a Texas Bevo! We wish Candace every success!

Welcome New Staff

Josh Hardman started in May as the new Program Coordinator for Reservations and Conference Services in the Office of Student Involvement. As a former SAB officer and Graduate Assistant in the SAC, he’s made his return to UofL Student Activities. After earning his graduate degree in College Student Personnel, Josh left Kentucky to start his career at Texas A&M University-Commerce as the Assistant Director for SGA and Student Orgs. After two years in Texas, he returned to Louisville in fall 2015 with his wife and spent the last 18 months managing two special event venues in Downtown Louisville for Fleur de Lis Events & Design where he worked with a wide range of clients to plan weddings, galas, and other large events. Josh’s wife, Brittany Blake, is also a university employee and has served as Assistant Director of Academic Advising at Speed School since 2015.
Heather Gentry is the new Administrative Associate in the Dean of Students Office. She taught part-time in the Intensive English Language Program at UofL for several years. With a Master’s Degree in Teaching English as a Second Language, Heather has taught in several Asian and American universities and spent nearly 16 years in China, Vietnam, Uzbekistan and Afghanistan. Most recently, she worked in international development, serving as the Donor Relations Coordinator for a British charity in Kabul where her family lived for five years. These days, Heather enjoys the freedom of being out of the war zone and running with her husband in Louisville’s beautiful parks. When she’s not training for a race, you can usually find her reading, cooking for her hungry teenage boys, or visiting with local Afghan friends.

Kudos and High Fives

Dale Ramsay has been involved with high school sports, officiating, collegiate sports and various associations for a long time. He has been selected to work Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) state championships and has achieved a high level of recognition and respect in the officiating world. This season the Kentuckiana Basketball Officials Association (KBOA) honored Dale by presenting him with the Rip Hatfield Award. The Rip Hatfield Award is given annually to the member of the year. The award recognizes someone not only for their officiating ability, but also for contributions in other areas such as mentoring newer officials and providing activities to improve the association. It is especially noteworthy to understand the KBOA is the largest officials association in the state. It is also special to have the award named after Rip as he has been a friend of the UofL Intramurals department for many years. Kudos to Dale for this well-deserved recognition.

Pam Curtis, Director for Student Leadership and Service, was notified in May she had successfully completed her Gallup Strengths Coach certification. The certification required 4.5 days of in-person training focused on:

- Applying your greatest talents in your role as a coach and integrating your strengths to become a more effective coach.
- Helping your clients understand their talents and how to use them to produce results and reach their goals.
- Advising others on how to overcome obstacles, weaknesses, and vulnerabilities.
- Educating your clients about how to use strengths to transform their relationships.
- Helping individuals understand their unique strengths in the context of others.
- Providing managers with techniques for using strengths-based development to address specific team-related issues and challenges.
- Teaching teams to discover, develop, and use their unique talents for greater team engagement and productivity.

Additionally, passing an online exam and receiving satisfactory feedback from six people who received her coaching resulted in earning this status. Pam is also Gallup certified as a Strengths Facilitator. She is currently utilizing all of this training to improve leadership experiences for students. Pam is passionate about the value of Strengths to empower employees to engage at higher levels with their work and overall be happier as people. The support of the leadership within the Division of Student Affairs in allowing her to achieve this goal has been deeply appreciated.

Katie Wells
VPSA

“Katie works so hard, but does it so gracefully! I couldn’t do it without her and I would like to thank her for all that she does! <3”

Nick Wright
Disability Resource Center

“Nick showed great leadership and determination in the planning of iCOUNT, the awareness event for the DRC! This could not have been a success without him! Thank you!”

Kate Donovan
Disability Resource Center

“Thank you, Kate, for doing a fantastic job with the 5th annual iCOUNT event, making it our most successful disability awareness program yet! Thanks to your tireless efforts and leadership of Nick Wright and Elaine Surdyke, the University of Louisville community benefited from engaging activities that taught them ways to make our community more inclusive of individuals with disabilities. Your passion shows through in your work on a regular basis, but this event in particular is an area where you truly shine.”
Elaine Surdyke
Disability Resource Center
“Elaine put forward an incredible amount of time and effort on ICOUNT - the awareness event for the DRC! There is no way this event would have occurred without her! Thank you!”

Kathy Meyer
Student Involvement
“Kathy is a light in the Division of Student Affairs. She has been such an encouragement to me on the Professional Development Committee. I know that I can count on her to have fresh and creative ideas and I can always trust her to pick up events/responsibilities she hasn’t even been asked to do.”

Aimee Jewell
Career Development Center
“Aimee goes out of her way to make students and colleagues alike feel welcomed and accepted in the CDC. She is strong, smart, and generous with her time and attention.”

Submit a High Five here.

Did You Know?
Student Affairs has a staff directory with the individual names, departments, and titles of staff members in all divisions. (There’s a link to the staff birthdays, too.)

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.

Mark Your Calendar
7/12 PDC Summer Walk & Talk
7/27 UofL Speed Networking
8/16 Move-in
8/18 Coffee & Juice with the Dean
8/17 SOUL
8/19 Target Takeover
8/20 NPHC Cookout
8/21-22 Welcome Tents
8/21 Classes Start
8/21 Eclipse de Soleil
8/21 Faith Fair
8/23 RSO Fair
8/26 Accolade
8/30 Part Time Job Fair
8/31 ELSB Blood Drive
8/31 Vote Everywhere Drive
9/8 or 15 WFPK Live Lunch
9/15 New Staff Orientation
9/19 RSO Fair/SAB Cookout
9/21 HC LipSync Contest
9/22 Divisional Staff Meeting
9/23 Heart Walk
9/29 Family Weekend
9/30 HC Crowns & Gowns Ball
10/3 HC Rollin Pink Party
10/7 Homecoming Day of Service
10/7-10 Alternative Service Break–ELSB
10/9-10 Fall Break
10/11 HC Wear Red to be Fed
10/12 HC Concert (TBA)
10/13 HC Parade
10/14 Homecoming
10/14 NPHC Stepshow
10/14 10th Annual Parent of the Year Award
10/21 Cardinal Preview Day
10/21 Last day of classes
12/8 48th Annual Red Barn Birthday Party
12/12 Last day of exams
12/13-20 Alternative Service Break–ELSB
12/15 Student Affairs Holiday Party
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