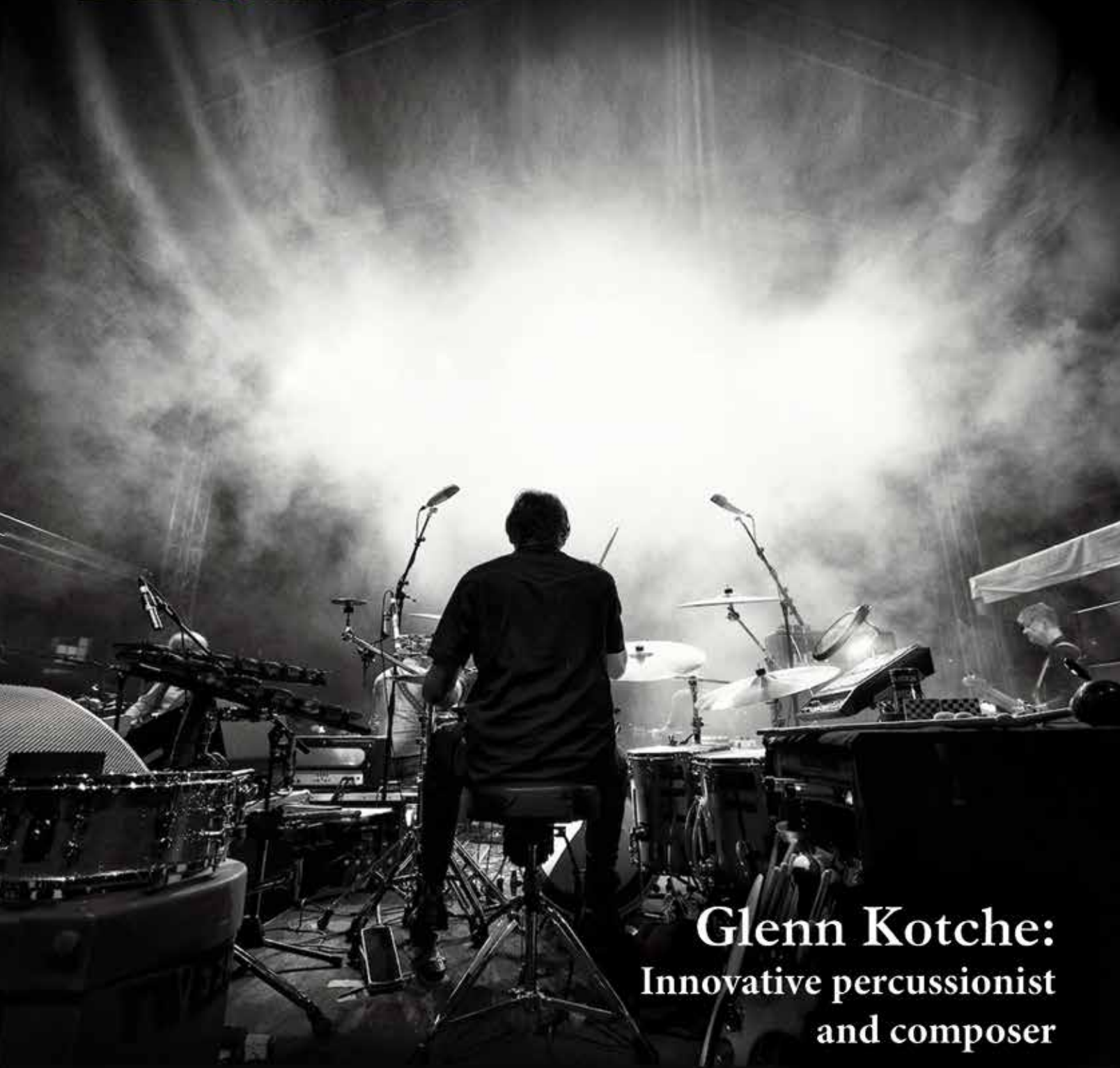


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Letter from UK Alumni Association president

Susan V. Mustian '84 BE

Loyal, passionate and kind —

These are the words I'd use to describe University of Kentucky alumni, volunteers and leaders. This past June, the UK Alumni Association hosted its annual Summer Workshop. Alumni club leaders, along with members of the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors, gathered in Lexington for two days to learn about the exciting things happening at the University of Kentucky and celebrate the milestones from the past year. What a wonderful group of volunteers — committed to living, learning and leading according to the values of the University of Kentucky.

Throughout the weekend, I couldn't help but hear numerous UK stories being told amongst the group. Some came from families who held multigenerational UK degrees while others live out of state or carry their Big Blue Pride in a distant land. As an alumni body, woven together by various backgrounds, the UK Alumni Association sees strengths in our differences. While no two members are alike, we all have our own "UK story" and can share the impact UK has had locally, nationally and internationally.

Our charge as alumni is to spread the University of Kentucky influence. My journey to become part of the Big Blue Nation started with my love of horses. I grew up riding horses in West Virginia, and that love drew me to horse country and the University of Kentucky. Little did I know how this love for horses would impact my life. I earned my undergraduate business marketing degree from UK and as a student, I had a wonderful experience. As an involved volunteer with Student Activities Board, I spent a lot of time in the Student Center. I even met my husband of now 30 years in the SAB offices of the Student Center. Career opportunities took us out of state and then abroad, but all the while, our UK connection remained strong. Through alumni clubs and networking, we found a piece of our Old Kentucky Home in South Bend, Indiana, and even Hong Kong before returning to the Northern Kentucky area where we remain today.

I am frequently inspired by volunteers at the local and national level who give generously of their time and treasure to help their alma mater. Pictured below are our Executive Committee members from 2017-2018. Together, they hold 17 UK degrees from seven academic colleges and represent five different states. It has been rewarding to serve alongside fellow alumni who all have their own unique UK story. Whether volunteering at a local club golf outing, sending off the newest class of Wildcats from an area or cheering on the Cats as they dance their way through March Madness, a love for the University of Kentucky binds us all together.

Each of you has a UK story, and we all have the opportunity to be an ambassador for our beloved alma mater. Do us proud at home and abroad— you may be the only UK connection someone has!

Sincerely,



Susan V. Mustian
UK Alumni Association President

Members of the 2017-2018 Executive Committee who are also serving as chairs of committees for the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors are left to right (seated) Barbara Sanders and Ruth Day; (standing) Mary Shelman, Antoine Huffman, John Cain and Dr. Michael Huang.



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The extraordinary power of ‘we’

In varied and dynamic ways, the University of Kentucky showcases the extraordinary power of “we.” The beginning of a new academic year offers constant reminders of what the UK family has accomplished in pursuit of the lofty vision and bold mission of Kentucky’s indispensable institution. Together, we have confronted new challenges, risen to meet opportunities and redefined what it means to be the University *for* Kentucky.

Because of the extraordinary power of we, the institution continues to make progress on the lofty, but achievable, goals of the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan. Together, we have made new strides in:

- Improving undergraduate student success and engagement
- Strengthening our graduate programs
- Enhancing the diversity and inclusivity of our campus
- Expanding our research enterprise
- Leveraging our expertise to advance the public good

We look forward to updating the UK Board of Trustees about our progress in the Strategic Plan’s latest year at the board’s annual retreat in October.

Bolstered by near record-setting applications, we continue to enroll high-quality, diverse first-year classes that have moved our total enrollment beyond 30,760 students. With your help, these students are succeeding at higher levels. During the last academic year, UK conferred more than 6,900 degrees to students who left here ready to lead lives of meaning and purpose.

These degrees are the result of an education designed to help our students succeed in the workplace and their communities. We do this by providing them with a distinctive academic experience where they have the resources of a modern flagship and land-grant research university. UK has 200 active agreements with global partners, allowing students the opportunity to participate in education, research, service and internships abroad. At the same time, UK was among the top five institutions sending students to the 2017 National Conference of Undergraduate Research.

Faculty and staff researchers continue to add to a growing portfolio of transformative research, discovery and creative scholarship. In fiscal year 2016-17, UK received \$331.3 million in external research grants and contracts — signifying that we are a major player among research institutions in the country. The \$19.8 million Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) from the National Institutes of Health — a renewal of UK’s 2011 CTSA — is one of many competitive federal grants earned by UK researchers. The \$265 million multidisciplinary research facility is taking shape alongside the newly named Lee T. Todd, Jr. Biopharmaceutical Building and the Biomedical/Biological Sciences Research Building. The new research facility will be a hub for efforts in discovery that address Kentucky questions with answers that often have global implications.

UK HealthCare continues to meet the needs of patients and families who require complex, outstanding health care through our network of providers and state-of-the-art academic medical center. Annual patient discharges have grown by more than 105

percent since 2003, surpassing 39,000 in the last fiscal year. UK HealthCare represents 44 percent of our \$3.7 billion academic and research enterprise, caring for patients throughout Kentucky and, increasingly, the region.

All of these efforts are bolstered by the more than \$2.3 billion in capital investments to improve student

success, instruction, research and discovery, quality of life and health care initiated or approved over the last several years. More than 90 percent of that investment is the result of public-private partnerships, philanthropy, strategic use of our resources or other collaborations such as unprecedented support from UK Athletics and private philanthropy for the Jacobs Science Building. In every case, the capital investments we made extend our ability to teach, discover and heal those we serve.

We have identified and are pursuing the right set of priorities for the right time, but disruptions — both current and future — to what we do and how we do it challenge us to continue thinking anew. Global disruptions, changes in the traditional student pipeline, flat or declining public support for our work, the need to address the complex questions of our day and the pressure to improve efficiency and productivity demand a creative and sustainable response. The context of our time compels us to look ahead and adopt creative, ambitious, responsive and lasting solutions that will enable us to achieve aspirational goals in teaching, learning, research, care and service. These disruptions are not unique to the University of Kentucky or our state; they will rock higher education for the foreseeable future. Our ability to adapt will be integral to our future success.

The UK alumni family — some 250,000 strong — shares and contributes to the collective power of “we.” Your enduring support gives me confidence that the University of Kentucky can, must, and will be a creative leader in academia. To thrive, it will take a shared effort from the entire UK family — on our campus and beyond. This work, and our shared future, will be marked by challenge but also by incredible opportunity.

I look forward to walking this path, together, as a united Big Blue Nation.

Sincerely,



Eli Capilouto
President



Newman named executive vice president for health affairs

Photo: UK Public Relations & Marketing



Owensboro native Dr. Mark F. Newman will be UK's new executive vice president for health affairs and will begin his post in October. He is an anesthesiologist and currently serves as president of Private Diagnostic Clinic, the physician practice plan for Duke University Medical Center, a position he has held since 2014.

Newman will succeed Dr. Michael Karpf, who led UK HealthCare for nearly 15 years through a remarkable transformation, growing to a \$1.5 billion enterprise with nearly 40,000 inpatient discharges and 1.5 million clinic and outpatient hospital visits annually.

Newman attended Western Kentucky University and received the Air Force Health Professions Scholarship to attend medical school at the University of Louisville. He completed a residency in the Air Force and a fellowship in Cardiothoracic Anesthesiology and Transesophageal Echocardiography at Duke University Medical Center before returning to active duty at Wilford Hall Ambulatory Medical Center, a U.S. Air Force facility. He was deployed for Operation "Just Cause" and then for "Desert Shield" and "Desert Storm." ■

Groundbreaking for UK College of Medicine – Bowling Green Campus

A groundbreaking ceremony for the UK College of Medicine – Bowling Green Campus was held in June at The Medical Center at Bowling Green. This four-year, regional campus medical school is the first of its kind in Kentucky and is a partnership between The Medical Center, the University of Kentucky and Western Kentucky University (WKU). Construction is scheduled for completion by summer 2018.

The UK College of Medicine – Bowling Green Campus will be a fully functioning campus, using the exact same curriculum and assessments as UK's Lexington campus. On-site faculty will have UK College of Medicine appointments and teach in small groups and provide simulation/standardized patient experiences with lectures delivered on-site from Lexington utilizing educational technology. Clinical experiences will occur at The Medical Center at Bowling Green and surrounding community practices.

Longtime UK faculty member and administrator Dr. Todd Cheever will serve as the first associate dean for the Bowling Green campus. Dr. Don Brown, a vascular surgeon and Bowling Green physician, who also serves as director of medical education at The Medical Center, has been named assistant dean. ■



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UK College of Medicine students Claci Ayers-Walls of Bowling Green, Taylor Johnson of Russellville and Mary Kate Greenwood of Edgewood help officials during the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Bowling Green campus.

UK among top 100 worldwide universities granted U.S. utility patents in 2016

UK is listed in the new report "Top 100 Worldwide Universities Granted U.S. Utility Patents in 2016." The report, published by the National Academy of Inventors and Intellectual Property Owners Association, utilizes data acquired from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to highlight the important role patents play in university research and innovation.

The rankings are compiled by calculating the number of utility patents granted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, which list a university as the first assignee on the issued patent. The report shows UK with 36 patents.

"This ranking evidences the incredible amount of innovation happening here at UK," said Ian McClure, director of the UK Office of Technology Commercialization, which is responsible for managing all of UK's intellectual property and commercializing its research through technology licensing and start-up ventures. "The new patents we received in 2016 cover breakthrough technologies spanning from new flexible materials to medical devices to cancer and other disease therapeutics." ■

Expanding Your Horizons introduces middle school girls to STEM

Sometime during the transition from middle school to high school, girls often find their early interest in science and math steered in other directions, often toward careers that fit comfortably into a box of more “traditional” women’s roles. A recent daylong workshop at the University of Kentucky sought to stem that tide by introducing 120 Kentucky middle school girls to a challenging STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) career.

A multidisciplinary project, Expanding Your Horizons, focused on countermanding some of the possible reasons that girls’ interest in the sciences flags at a certain age, such as peer pressure or a lack of female role models. During the workshop, the young students met many female undergraduate and graduate students studying STEM disciplines at UK who introduced them to a large variety of topics, such as the ecological impact of trees, water treatment and purification, neuroscience, chemistry, electrical engineering and molecular gastronomy, just to name a few sessions. It was funded by a grant through the Kentucky National Science Foundation EPSCoR (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) Program through an Education, Outreach, and Community Award.

“Our goal is to give them a tiny taste of the great opportunities in science, technology, engineering and mathematics,” said Ellen Crocker, a postdoctoral scholar in the Department of

Forestry in the UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, who was one of the event coordinators, “to open their eyes to some of the possibilities and introduce them to role models, young women who are just a little older than they are, to show them that those pathways are possible.” ■



Photo: UK Public Relations & Marketing

Girls gather around a microscope at the 2017 Expanding Your Horizons STEM workshop for middle school female students.

UK College of Fine Arts names new dean

Mark Shanda has been selected as the next dean of the UK College of Fine Arts and will begin his role Sept 1. He is a professor and season producer at the Department of Theatre in the College of Arts and Sciences at Ohio State University. He is also president of the United States Institute for Theatre Technology. Shanda is co-author of “Drafting for the Theatre,” a theatre technology textbook in use by virtually all the major theatre programs in the country.

Shanda succeeds David Sogin, who has served as interim dean from July 1, 2016.

“Professor Shanda is an internationally renowned leader with transformative contributions to the field of fine arts,” UK Provost Tim Tracy said. “His core values of excellence and innovation support the college’s and university’s vision for the future. I look forward to seeing the college continue to thrive under his leadership.” ■

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First Lewis Honors dean selected

The former head of one of the most highly regarded honors programs in the country is the first dean of the Lewis Honors College at UK.

Christian Brady served as dean of the Schreyer Honors College at Penn State University from 2006 to 2016. Previously, he directed the honors program at Tulane University. At Penn State, Schreyer — under Brady’s leadership — raised more than \$80 million to enhance honors education, developed a renowned leadership academy and tripled applications to the college while also increasing selectivity.

Brady is a scholar of ancient Hebrew and Jewish literature. He has written two books and has a third one in progress. Brady is also the author of numerous scholarly articles and papers. ■



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Take an online tour of the KGS Meteorite Collection

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Gibeon meteorite, Namibia, Africa

The Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) has acquired a large collection of meteorites over the last 20 years from two generous donations, as well as through purchases of specimens. The collection is curated by Warren Anderson of the KGS Energy and Minerals Section with the help of several recent KGS student workers. Visitors to the Mining and Mineral Resources Building on the UK campus can view many of the meteorite specimens collected from every continent, including meteorites found in Kentucky.

But for those who can't visit the campus, the collection is now available as an interactive tour at the KGS website at www.ukalumni.net/meteorite. The new meteorite page provides information about meteorites and the KGS collection and includes a "Launch" button to start the tour. Photos of each meteorite are available, plus information on the year it was found, location, weight and type of meteorite. Many of the specimens are pieces of larger meteorites displayed at museums elsewhere, such as the Smithsonian Institution in Washington; the Natural History Museum in London, England; and other locations. ■

UK Sports Medicine Research Institute opens

UK has opened a Sports Medicine Research Institute (SMRI), spearheaded by the UK College of Health Sciences and supported in part by a grant from the U.S. Department of Defense.

The 10,000-square-foot facility, part of the UK Nutter Training Facility on campus, will conduct research into injury prevention and performance optimization for professional and collegiate athletes, the tactical athletes of the U.S. military and physically active people of all ages in Kentucky and beyond. There is no similar facility within 400 miles of Lexington. Seven UK colleges are involved in the work of SMRI, in addition to personnel from UK HealthCare.

SMRI is outfitted with sophisticated equipment to assess biomechanical, physiological, musculoskeletal and neurocognitive health and is supported by a team of eight core faculty, staff, and research assistants and 40 affiliate faculty. SMRI operates a facility in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, where its team works with the Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command. ■



Photo: Mark Cornelison

The UK Sports Medicine Research Institute boasts 10,000 square feet of sophisticated equipment for both civilian and military athletes.

Gatton Building achieves LEED Gold Certification

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The UK Gatton College of Business and Economics Building has been certified as a LEED Gold building by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). Gatton is the third building at UK to receive a LEED Gold certification.

LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is the USGBC's leading rating system for designing and constructing the world's greenest, most energy efficient and high performing buildings. The six major environmental categories of review include: sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, indoor environmental quality, and innovation and design. Certified Silver, Gold and Platinum levels of LEED green building certification are awarded based on the total number of points earned within each LEED category.

The building utilizes water-efficient plumbing fixtures, which reduce water use by 42 percent compared to a baseline model and is 26 percent more energy efficient than the baseline model. More than 40 percent of materials used in the renovation were regional and all adhesives, sealants, paints, composite woods, sealers and floor systems were low- or no-VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds) emitting materials. ■

Violence victims manage chronic pain with mobile app

UK researchers are studying how to help victims of sexual and domestic abuse alleviate chronic pain using a smartphone application. Charles Carlson, professor of psychology in the UK College of Arts and Sciences, and Matt Russell, a doctoral candidate in clinical psychology, are currently conducting the first clinical trial of its kind at the UK Orofacial Pain Clinic on patients experiencing myalgia and other chronic pain in the head and neck regions.

Carlson says a significant portion of the clinic's female patients have suffered from sexual or physical abuse at some point in their lives, which often results in a prolonged state of activity that can contribute to pain within the body.

"Breathing with the use of the diaphragm muscle is one of the body's most efficient ways to induce a parasympathetic (rest and digest) response that will help calm the sympathetic (fight and flight) activity often associated with pain or other external/internal stressors," Carlson said. "As a result, the scientific liter-

ature suggests slow-paced diaphragmatic breathing can be helpful for management of chronic pain conditions such as myalgia, migraines and fibromyalgia, or other health concerns such as irritable bowel syndrome, hypertension or insomnia."

Diaphragmatic breathing is a practice most people can learn, so Carlson and Russell are exploring whether patients can help manage their pain by learning to breathe diaphragmatically without the use of a professional therapist. By providing patients with a mobile application that teaches the diaphragmatic breathing approach, the team hypothesizes patients will learn to self-regulate their body's sympathetic tone to manage their pain.

"We designed the smartphone application to teach patients the basics of paced, diaphragmatic breathing with audio directions only," Russell said. "Then, we use a visual aid to help pace their breathing, an important piece of strengthening the parasympathetic response." ■

11 UK students, alumni win NSF Research Fellowships

The UK Office of Nationally Competitive Awards has announced that 11 of the university's students and alumni have been selected to receive government-funded National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowships. NSF fellows receive a three-year annual stipend of \$34,000 along with a \$12,000 cost of education allowance for tuition and fees. For the 2017 competition, NSF received over 13,000 applications and made 2,000 award offers.

The NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (GRFP) benefits are a blessing to many of the nation's up-and-coming researchers.

"The award will fund the remaining three years of my Ph.D. program. It will allow me to focus on research alone, instead of splitting my focus between research and working as a teaching assistant, which should enable me to make faster progress and perform more complicated experiments than I would otherwise," said UK graduate Allison Young, who will use the fellowship for field work in India where she will be studying the foraging behavior and lifespan of three Asian honey bee species. ■

\$2.1 million grant to study massage and muscle atrophy

An illness, an accident or even just getting older can limit a person's capacity for exercise. Rest is an essential component of healing, but it also atrophies muscles.

"People who are unable to exercise due to, for example, a recent surgery or illness, lose as much as 3 percent of their muscle mass per week," said Esther Dupont-Versteegden at the UK College of Health Sciences (CHS). "That doesn't sound like much, but it can make recovery much more difficult, especially for the elderly."

Dupont-Versteegden and her UK CHS colleague Tim Butterfield have been testing an inexpensive, non-invasive treatment that appears, in preliminary studies, to aid in the recovery of muscle mass and reduce muscle atrophy: massage.

Proteins are the basic building blocks of all of the body's tissues, especially muscle. The metabolic process that turns protein into muscle, called protein synthesis, increases muscle cell size, which strengthens muscle fibers. ■

One of the crucial ingredients for muscle growth is exercise. However, there are times when exercise is not possible. "Our research proposes that massage may stave off atrophy, even if you aren't able to get up and move around," said Dupont-Versteegden.

Butterfield said it appears that massage mimics the effect of exercise by sending signals to the muscle to begin protein synthesis. Massaging one limb seems to confer benefits to its corresponding muscle on the other side, as well.

Their initial work is promising enough to garner a five-year, \$2.1 million grant from the National Center for Complementary & Integrative Health to further their study with Benjamin Miller and Karyn Hamilton, at Colorado State University. ■



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GLENN KOTCHE '94 FA:

A creative life with Wilco and beyond

By Hal Morris

Whatever turns his music career took, Glenn Kotche '94 FA traces it all back to what he credits as a well-rounded education from the University of Kentucky.

Best known as the drummer and percussionist for the Chicago-based rock band Wilco, Glenn Kotche has carved out a career that has seen him play in front of thousands of fans around the world, perform just about every form of music imaginable and even create music on a kitchen faucet.

None of which, he says, would have been possible if he had not come to Kentucky to study under professor of percussion, Jim Campbell.

“That’s something I got at UK that there was no way I would have gotten somewhere else. I got a uniquely well-rounded education in percussion and music,” Kotche says.

Kotche came to UK from suburban Chicago specifically to study with Campbell in the College of Fine Arts’ prestigious percussion program.

“Kentucky was one of the main schools I auditioned for,” Kotche says. “I came to study with Jim. He won me over with his reputation.”

LAYING THE FOUNDATION

Most of the schools Kotche looked at, he says, had more of a conservatory approach to music, where professors have one way of training and it was, “Their way or the highway.

“So there were a lot more classical training-styled programs,” says Kotche, who experienced something different at UK. “He didn’t just let me focus on one area.

“Jim realized we need to be well-rounded students in a lot of areas. He treated us as individuals and realized what our interests were and what our strengths and weaknesses were,” Kotche says. “Jim always kept very current and realized there are a lot of different job opportunities for working musicians in this day and age. You can’t just churn out kids to get a symphony job, because there are only a handful of those open each year.”

To that end, Kotche participated in pretty much everything he could at UK. He was in the marching band, orchestra, wind ensemble, jazz band, pep band for men’s and women’s basketball, percussion ensemble, steel drum band and competitive drumline. He also played for dance classes and musicals.

“I think UK was a good incubator for Glenn,” Campbell says. “With the entire faculty contributing to musical growth, including my graduate students, they’ve been all highly successful. This was a good launching pad for him and his career.”

Of course, his learning did not stop at the classroom door. Around Lexington, Kotche threw himself into playing rock, country and other types of music. He learned to play jazz at the now closed High on Rose with David Fanning.

“When I first came in as a freshman, I didn’t have a clue how to play jazz other than big-band jazz in a school setting,” Kotche says. “High on Rose is where I really cut my teeth playing jazz. When I got closer to graduation, there was a band called The

Placebos that played country covers. It was all acoustic, and that’s where I learned to play the brushes outside of a jazz setting. My experience was spread all over the place.”

MAKING HIS MARK

After graduation, Kotche stayed in Lexington to play drums in a production of the musical “Hair.” Then, armed with the tools he learned at UK, Kotche set out to make a living as a musician. But he knew it wasn’t going to be easy.

“With the degree I got, there is no guarantee. It’s not like law or a medical degree, where you’re likely to land a job. There really are few jobs for just having a bachelor’s degree,” he says. “If I wanted to be a professor, I’d need a master’s and Ph.D., but I knew at the end of my undergrad years I at least wanted to try and play professionally first.”

Did he have as a career goal to become part of one the most influential and important bands in the world with Wilco?

“Not even a little bit,” he says laughing. “Had I known, it might have made things less stressful. But I also don’t know if I would have worked as hard.”

One of his first professional gigs was with Lexington cult hero Paul K and the Weathermen in the late 1990s. “I went to Detroit to audition for the job, and I ended up staying with them for about 3½ years,” Kotche says. “I learned about a lot of different styles of music, and learning how to tour. A big part of the job for any professional musician is learning all the stuff when you’re not on the stage. If you’re not a good hang, you’re not going to work out.”

Kotche also played with birddog, featuring Lexington’s Bill Santen, who recorded with the late Elliott Smith, before Kotche caught his first big break.

“I met a lot of people in Chicago because birddog’s label was in Chicago,” he says.

Kotche’s next gig was playing with Edith Frost. One night, they were playing the club Lounge Ax, which happened to be owned by

Sue Miller, wife of his future Wilco bandmate Jeff Tweedy, when influential Chicago musician Jim O’Rourke happened to be in the crowd.

“I was playing a cocktail bass drum and a metal sculpture I had built in Lexington with Gordon Gildersleeve (’91 FA),” Kotche says. “He put all these pieces of metal together so I could play it. Jim loved it, and loved that I could play quietly and was using an interesting setup. So a few months after that I was asked to record with Jim. It was with Jim for the Noise Pop Festival (in Chicago), that I first played with Jeff Tweedy.

“Jeff was listening to Jim, and they got together to play. Jim insisted on bringing me along. Jeff and I hit it off, played that show and went in to make the first Loose Fur record. Then Jeff asked me to work on the ‘Chelsea Walls’ (movie) soundtrack.”

But then, Kotche got the job that would change his life, and the next phase of his career was about to take off.

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LIFE WITH WILCO

At Tweedy's invitation, Kotche became Wilco's next drummer in 2001, just as the band had fired its previous drummer and was preparing to record what became the classic album "Yankee Hotel Foxtrot." Kotche also came on at the same time a film crew was in the studio documenting the making of the band's newest album.



Photo: Whitney Hale

Glenn Kotche is at the drums and talking with students as part of his visit playing with Bang on a Can All-Stars in 2011.

It was quite a situation for Kotche to plunge into, he admits. "There was a full film crew, and Jeff pulled me aside and asked me to be Wilco's new drummer," he says. "It was such a good fit, musically and personally. Jeff knew it was inevitable (Kotche would join the band), and he wanted to avoid any on-camera drama."

Kotche's good fortune reminded him of something former UK music professor, Vince DiMartino, once told him.

"I remember asking him advice about how you make it. He said, 'Look, everyone gets their shot. It just might be tomorrow, it might be 15 years from now. So you better be ready when it happens,'" Kotche remembers. "I kind of trace that back to Lounge Ax when Jim was in the audience. I connect the dots from there when it happened and all the opportunities that opened up from playing with Jim."

For the past 16 years, and seven albums, Kotche has been behind the drum set with Wilco. The band earned a Grammy Award for best Alternative Music Album in 2005 for the album "A Ghost is Born," and has played hundreds of shows around the world. The band also hosts its own music festival, Solid Sound, each June in North Adams, Massachusetts.

SOLO WORK

While Wilco is his full-time job, Kotche continues to record on his own and with other musicians. In 2006, Kotche released his third solo album, "Mobile," on Nonesuch, the label Wilco was once on.

"Once I put that out on Nonesuch, a lot of artists heard it, and I started being asked to write pieces for them," he says.

Besides albums Kotche has released under his own name, he has recorded four albums with Darin Gray as experimental music duo On Fillmore. He has also worked with Yo-Yo Ma and the Silkroad Ensemble, Bang on a Can All-Stars, eighth blackbird and Third Coast Percussion, as well as many other groups.

He is currently a composer-in-residence with the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra (CYSO). He had a new piece for orchestra and solo percussion performed by the orchestra, and arranged his piece "Mobile" for CYSO's philharmonic orchestra.

Joshua Simonds, executive director of the Percussive Arts Society in Indianapolis, recruited

Kotche to the CYSO when he was executive director. Simonds said Kotche is the poster child for not only arts education, but also for giving back.

"We wouldn't have a Glenn Kotche if it wasn't for arts education," says Simonds, who also hosted Kotche to an event when Wilco was in Indianapolis this summer. "Glenn was a guinea pig, and it was so successful. Now we're looking to do more. Whatever Glenn can do to help, he's always happy to do. Things that are a big part of his life, he gives back. That's something that's amazing."

A VARIED MUSICAL CAREER

All of Kotche's composition is based off drumming, since he did not study musical composition at UK.

"But all of the classes I took — orchestration, counterpoint and arranging totally paid off. And still, when I approach anything, I approach it as a percussionist," he says. "Then I blow it up and transpose it for other instruments. I see composing as separate, but still very much a part of my drumming."

Wilco, a collection of musicians that come together as a band, has also given Kotche the opportunity to perform music that would not fit into the framework of a rock band. That in turn, he says, makes the band better.

"I'm very fortunate for the opportunities that exist. Wilco has always valued that we are a collection of musical personalities that work great in a rock band setting ... our other projects make us stronger and make us appreciate what we have in Wilco, how well we get along, how well we work together musically," he says. "It's always been valued, all the other things we do that bring greater value to the band. That is very forward thinking of Jeff."

One musical piece Kotche called a "fluke" was the 2013 Delta Faucet Co. commercial, where he literally played the Four Tops hit "Reach Out I'll Be There," on a set of kitchen faucets.

It began as a casual conversation with then Leo Burnett exec Gabe McDonough at their daughters' piano practice. Was it possible to

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play music on a faucet? This turned into Kotche going to Los Angeles to see that conversation become an ad. Kotche initially recorded all of the sounds and did the arrangement, but soon was recruited to actually be in the commercial.

Again, his UK training came into play.

“They realized, no actor could do this ... I thought, ‘OK, let’s wrap my head around it,’ and all my training came in. Thank God I had training in other areas of percussion because I don’t think a regular rock drummer could have done that,” he says. “It was more suited for a person who had training in classical and marching music. I was hesitant, but this is showcasing percussion in a new way, so I just went for it. It was challenging for sure.”

He recruited his wife Miiri Kotche, a professor of bioengineering at the University of Illinois at Chicago, to help him with ideas for a 2014 multi-media performance for Third Coast Percussion called “Wild Sound.” It was commissioned by University of Notre Dame in collaboration with its College of Engineering.

Kotche asked his wife for help on the project, and she turned him on to Arduino technology, which enabled the engineers to build an entirely new instrument to be played in the final section.

“It’s a huge part of the piece,” he says. “It’s great having a wife who’s not a musician but I’m able to learn from and get inspiration from.”

THE FUTURE

Kotche credits his wife for keeping things steady at home while he’s out on the road. He’s ready to give back to her. Miiri Kotche won a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program award to study medical-device design in Finland. The family is heading to Helsinki for six months, his way of supporting her career. He will use that opportunity to recharge and think about what is next in his musical journey.

“It’s a great opportunity for me to step back and immerse with the kids. It’s nice to get that break and rejuvenate and get a lot of ideas. You need breaks sometimes. If you always work, you can run dry or just repeat. It’s good to get the creative juices flowing again and get ready for the next phase.”

That next phase will, of course, continue to include Wilco.

“Wilco — that will keep going. We’re playing better than ever. We’re all still inspired, we’re healthy and we’re having fun,” Kotche says. “But I also enjoy composing. I’m definitely due to make another solo record soon. So I’m going to put some ef-

fort into doing that. I just started working in the field of dance. I did an hour-long piece (titled “Calling Glenn”) with Danielle Agami, an Israeli choreographer that premiered in Seattle. And we’re doing it at UCLA in the fall.

“Instead of having my hands in many difference pies, I want to focus on just two or three things to work on.”

GIVING BACK TO UK

Since everything Kotche practices comes back to his training at UK, he tries to give back as much as possible. In 2011, Kotche came back and visited students before his performance at the Singletary Center.

“I actually wish I could do more, but with my schedule, it makes it hard,” he says.

Kotche says he tries to get back to Lexington, mostly because of his gratitude for Campbell and the percussion program.

“The studio has grown, and there’s really a strong caliber of students now. I don’t know if I would be accepted now,” Kotche says. “It’s great seeing how the program and Jim have evolved ... Things they do now are light years ahead from what we were doing. I can’t tell you how fortunate I feel about studying with Jim and the example he gives has been huge for so many of us that have been through the program.”

Campbell says he always appreciates the time Kotche or any of his alums can spare to spend with his students.

“I’m impressed more by the way he’s still a part of the UK alumni network,” he says. “He savors those as opportunities to give back and teach. He’ll always find time to interact with UK alums around the country.”

In 2007, Kotche received the College of Fine Arts Distinguished Alumni Award.

“It was definitely an honor, and I guess some sort of validation that I did OK — that I didn’t disappoint Jim or my parents,” Kotche says. “For me, a big part of it was Jim has done such tremendous work for so long and of course I feel he doesn’t get enough recognition because he doesn’t toot his own horn. But I’m also one of dozens of graduates he’s churned out that are doing amazing things. That was the biggest honor for me to be able to shine a little more light on Jim and the studio.” ■

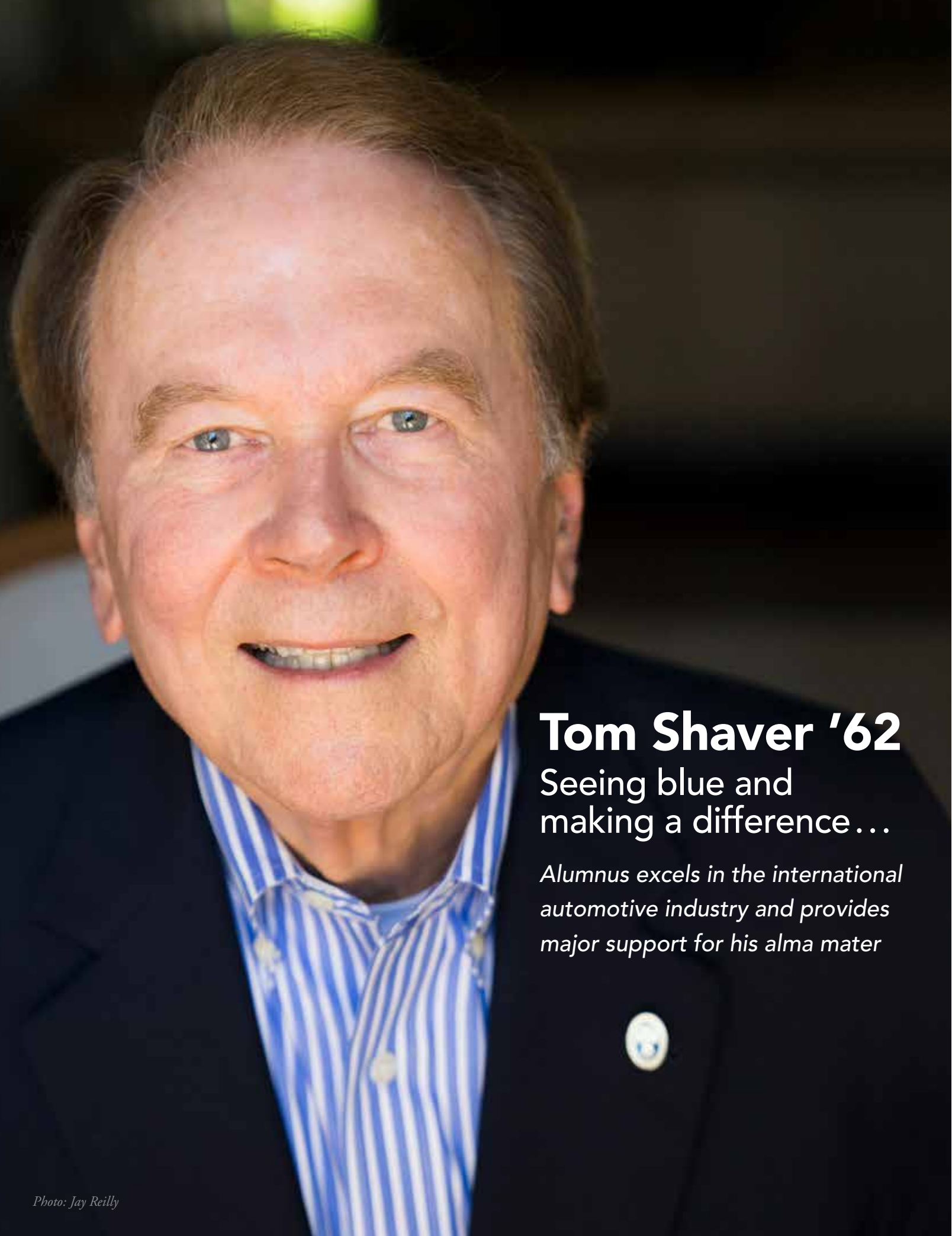
Watch this video from several years ago of Wilco drummer Glenn Kotche inspiring UK students: www.ukalumni.net/glennkotche

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Glenn Kotche and his family enjoyed a visit to New York and checked out the Brooklyn Bridge.



Photo : Glenn Kotche



Tom Shaver '62

Seeing blue and
making a difference...

*Alumnus excels in the international
automotive industry and provides
major support for his alma mater*

“When he was 13 years old, Tom Shaver made a career choice that would chart the course for the rest of his life,” observes Mike Richey ’73 ’79 AFE, UK vice president for Philanthropy. “He determined that he would work for Chevrolet Motor Division, and he began preparing himself for that eventuality.

“Equally important was the decision he made at age 18 to enroll at the University of Kentucky. Here he obtained the education necessary to achieve his employment goal, and in the process, he also met the love of his life.”

Richey continues, “Tom’s exciting career has taken him through the ranks of multiple international car manufacturers at very definitive times in automotive history. His meteoric rise in the industry, his generosity to his alma mater, and his dedication to leaving a legacy of philanthropy make him one of the university’s most fascinating graduates.”

Growing up in Muhlenberg County

Thomas Wade Shaver is a native of Central City in Muhlenberg County. His ancestors founded the nearby community of Bremen in the early 1800s. He was the only child of P. A. and Pauline Shaver.

His father was a prominent businessman and civic leader in the county for over seven decades. He was president and chairman of the board of the First National Bank in Central City. He served on the Central City School Board for 28 years and was an active supporter of the Madisonville Community College branch in Muhlenberg County.

Shaver says his father has been the most influential person in his life, helping guide him in many important decisions.

Learning how to detail a car

Shaver’s fascination with the automotive industry began at an early age. He remembers, “By the time I turned 13, my heart was set on working for Chevrolet. That was my dream.

“So one Saturday, I went to the Chevy dealership in Central City and saw two men washing used cars. I asked them if they would teach me the proper way to detail a car. They agreed, and I kept showing up every Saturday. On my fifth or sixth Saturday washing cars, the dealer noticed me and asked me what I was doing.

“I replied that I was learning the right way to wash and clean a car. He inquired if anybody had paid me for the work I had done. I said no, and to my surprise, he gave me \$60! That’s when I knew I had made the right decision to go into the car business,” he says with a laugh.

Shaver worked at the dealership reconditioning used cars every summer after that through his high school years. During college, he had various jobs working in parts, business management and sales when he was home for the summer. “It was great training,” he recalls.

Pursuing his dream at UK

Shaver also had a strong desire to obtain his college education at the University of Kentucky. He explains, “I graduated from Central City High School in 1958, and most of my classmates were going to other universities closer to home. But my dad told me, ‘Tom, we’ll do whatever it takes for you to study at UK. We will make it happen.’”

At first, Shaver thought he would major in electrical engineering. However, after his freshman year, he decided that en-

gineering was not for him. His dad suggested that he talk with his cousin, Robert E. (Zeke) Shaver ’27 ’31 EN, dean of the College of Engineering, about changing his major. Dean Shaver arranged for him to meet with Dean Cecil C. Carpenter ’26 BE in the College of Commerce, as it was known at the time.

He remembers, “Dean Carpenter began telling me about the curriculum in the college, and I recognized that it was more oriented to my interests and abilities in marketing. I quickly changed my major to commerce.”

Shaver also became involved in campus life outside the classroom. He played the trumpet in the UK Marching 100 Band, and in his sophomore year, he pledged Sigma Chi. He later served as house manager and treasurer as the fraternity moved to its new house on Woodland Avenue.

Discovering his soul mate

Shaver met many interesting people at UK, and among them was Mary Ann Harris, a native of Iowa. She was a recent graduate of the University of Nebraska where she had been an education major, homecoming queen and a member of the Mortar Board National College Senior Honors Society.

Better known as Skip, she was at UK as a graduate counselor for the new chapter of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women.

“Some freshman pledges thought I didn’t have enough social life,” she recalls with a smile. “So they decided to introduce me to a few people on campus. They arranged for me to have a Coca-Cola date with Tom.”

She continues, “He picked me up in his red convertible with the top down. We went to Jerry’s drive-in restaurant on Limestone Street, sat in the car and talked.”

She and Shaver began dating and married a few years later.

While at UK, she also earned a master’s degree in education and served as assistant to the dean of women.



Beginning an automotive career

When Shaver was about to graduate from UK in 1962, his father gave him some important advice. Shaver remembers, “The Vietnam War was heating up, and my dad suggested that I fulfill my military obligation to the country before launching a career. He also said I should consider the Army Reserve.”

Shaver followed his father’s suggestions and upon graduation, he did his six months of active duty training at Fort Knox and served in the Army Reserve for the next seven years. He was able to fulfill his term of duty stateside.

Shaver played the trumpet in the UK Marching 100 Band and used this mimeographed score of the university’s fight song.



He recalls, "After graduating from UK, I received a job offer from Procter & Gamble, but of course, I was waiting to hear from Chevrolet. When my six months of active duty ended, I got a call from the Chevrolet zone office in Louisville, telling me they had a position for me.

"I became a field administrator, traveling a seven-state area, auditing dealerships' parts accounts. Because of the many miles I was driving in my large territory, I got a new company car almost every month."

Rising through the ranks at Chevrolet

After two years in his first position, Shaver moved through several assignments within the Chevrolet Motor Division of General Motors.

His field positions included district manager in Indianapolis, zone merchandising manager in Cincinnati, zone manager in Cleveland and zone manager in Los Angeles. The Los Angeles zone was the largest, top-selling zone in the country, with 200 people working in the zone office.

His central office management positions in Detroit were assistant national manager, trucks; manager, special projects; and manager of planning and operations, passenger car merchandising.

In 1976, Shaver was called to the office of the chairman of General Motors. He was told that of GM's 831,000 employees, he and three others had been chosen to go to Stanford University Graduate School of Business to obtain a master's degree in management at GM's expense, and then resume work and apply what they had learned to benefit the corporation.

Shaver recalls, "It was an accelerated, one-year program, and it was a challenging, wonderful experience for me."

Even though he was a student, he still conducted productive business for GM. He remembers, "After the Stanford president addressed our class one day, I saw the old Oldsmobile he was driving. I offered him my company car — a new white Chevy Caprice — to drive over the next couple of weeks to see how he liked it.

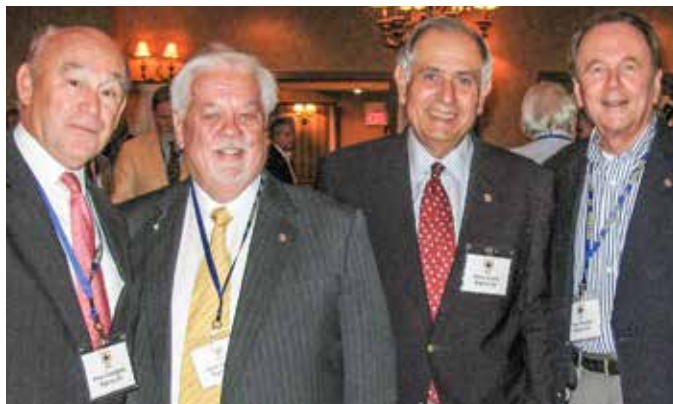
"As a result, Stanford bought my Caprice for the president. Then we shipped two trucks out as demos, and Chevrolet ended up getting a major share of Stanford's truck business, as well."

Renting Disneyland

Shaver's marketing instincts served him well throughout his career with General Motors. He recalls one of the ideas he brought to fruition while he was GM's global merchandising manager working at General Motors headquarters.

"When GM acquired Hughes Aircraft in 1985, I knew Hughes employees owned many cars that were not GM ve-

Shaver and his wife had their first date in his 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible.



Shaver, far right, with three of his Sigma Chi brothers in 2008 – from left to right are Paul W. Chellgren '64 BE, Jack R. Guthrie '63 CI and C. W. (Deno) Curris '62 AS '67 ED. All four men are recipients of the Significant Sig Award.

hicles. Since Hughes was based in the Los Angeles area, I had the idea to rent Disneyland, place General Motors products throughout the park, and open the park exclusively to Hughes employees and their families."

When the plan was approved by the highest-ranking GM officials, General Motors took over the park for nine nights, and Hughes employees received up to seven tickets per family for a specific night. Everything in the park was free including food and drinks.

Shaver remembers, "Minnie and Mickey greeted everyone, and we had a blimp flying overhead with a 'Welcome to the GM family' message to Hughes employees. We entertained Hughes and GM executives each evening in Disneyland's exclusive Club 33.

"We submitted this event to the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest private party held over successive nights in a single location, with 180,000 people attending."

He continues, "With the GM profit on the cars sold to the Hughes folks, the cost of the party was recovered several times over. It was a big success for General Motors, and it really got the working relationship with Hughes off to a great start."

Launching a new car company

Not long after the Disneyland event, Shaver was invited to join the new Saturn division of GM as director of marketing. He explains, "At that time, Saturn was still just an idea. I was asked to develop a strategy to launch both a new company and a new car."

He set about developing a marketing plan and interviewed the top 50 advertising agencies in the country vying for the Saturn account. He narrowed the list down to eight, and then with a market strategy team, made a final selection. The car was successfully launched in 1990.

Shaver used some bold marketing plans in this position, as well. He relates, "When 4,000 Saturns were sold before a major heater core problem was discovered, we were not content just to issue a recall of the affected automobiles. Because of the extensive repairs necessary for each car, we wanted to buy all these Saturns back to protect the brand image.

"And to maintain customer enthusiasm for Saturn, we wanted to replace each owner's car with an upgraded model or with a model that had more options not on the owner's original car.

“As we were working this plan to buy back the cars, we were told that GM did not buy back cars. However, we were eventually able to convince the appropriate GM executives to go forward with this plan to preserve — and even enhance — the Saturn brand image.”

Marketing Volkswagen and J.D. Power

In 1992, Shaver was recruited to direct the U.S. operations of Volkswagen as vice president and general manager. He was asked to do for Volkswagen what he had done for Saturn. This assignment took him to Germany twice a month.

Shaver played an integral role in Volkswagen’s dramatic sales improvement and its being recognized as the most improved brand in sales satisfaction performance.

In 1995, he was invited to join J.D. Power and Associates as a senior partner. Here he had overall responsibility for public

relations, consumer marketing and the international automotive roundtable. He met many national and international figures as he was intricately involved in the J.D. Power awards program. He retired from this position in 2008.



At J.D. Power, Shaver met many national figures. Jay Leno, right, invited him to visit his garage.

During his extensive career, Shaver and his wife moved 13 times. Skip Shaver shares, “Moving is never an easy thing, but I always had a positive, optimistic attitude about it. Having a job in education helped. I have always enjoyed working with students.”

After leaving UK, Skip Shaver earned a master’s degree in counseling from Xavier University and a master’s degree in educational management from Michigan State University. She has been a guidance counselor in several different high schools and a middle school. She also has served as assistant principal of a high school.

Following an example in giving

Tom and Skip Shaver began supporting the University of Kentucky soon after they graduated. Since 1971, they have made many generous gifts to worthy causes throughout UK.

Their philanthropy has been inspired by a strong example they had in giving.

Skip Shaver recalls, “Tom’s parents were both very supportive of education. Tom’s dad grew up knowing what it was like to be poor. That’s why he would often help someone with no expectation of recognition. I remember his buying athletic shoes for school children who would not have them otherwise.”

Tom Shaver adds, “During my dad’s final days in the hospital in 2002, he said to me, ‘Tom, you and Skip have no children. You were fortunate that we made it possible for you to stay in school. It’s important that those who are not as fortunate receive the help they need to do what you were enabled to do.’”

Establishing a legacy with philanthropy

Since that time, Tom and Skip Shaver have made a major gift to Madisonville Community College for the P. A. and Pauline Shaver Education Center on the Muhlenberg County campus.

They have made a significant commitment to the Gatton College of Business and Economics building renovation and expansion at the University of Kentucky. They have also established scholarship funds at their respective undergraduate alma maters.

Skip Shaver began a scholarship at the University of Nebraska for students preparing for a career in education. She shares, “I recently received a thank you letter from the first scholarship recipient. That brought tears to my eyes as I realized what I had envisioned was really happening.”

Tom Shaver started a scholarship in the Gatton College of Business and Economics for students from western Kentucky.

He also notes that in their estate plans, he and his wife have designated 100 percent of their assets to worthy causes, including the University of Kentucky. “And it’s all about helping students,” he emphasizes.

In addition to their philanthropy, Skip Shaver volunteers at two different Title I schools and at a free clinic near the couple’s home in southern California. She has been successful in securing grants resulting in 1,000 new books for the library of one of the schools. She also coordinates a community adopt-a-family program during the holidays each year.

UK President Eli Capilouto says, “Tom and Skip Shaver are an extraordinary UK alumni couple. I admire their dedication to helping students attain their dreams for an education, and I deeply appreciate their generosity to the University of Kentucky.”

Tom Shaver confides, “I think all of us UK grads who have achieved a measure of success have a responsibility to give back. We should help students with financial need attend the University of Kentucky.

“And as I contemplate life in my twilight years, at the end of the day, I’d like for somebody to say that I’ve made a difference.” ■



Tom and Skip Shaver are making both outright and estate gifts to help students attain their dreams for an education.

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Saturday	Sunday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Paint the Town Blue Campus Windows University of Kentucky</p>	<p>Golden Wildcat Society Reunion Welcome Reception 5 - 7 p.m. The Campbell House Lexington Paddock Room • 1375 S. Broadway</p>	<p>College of Denistry Continuing Education Course 8 - 11:30 a.m. Hilton Lexington Downtown 369 W. Vine Street</p>	
<p>Banner Competition William T. Young Library 401 Hilltop Ave.</p>	<p>Homecoming Street Fair 5 - 8 p.m. Wildcat Alumni Plaza Lawns</p>	<p>College of Nursing Homecoming Luncheon Noon Signature Club • 3256 Lansdowne Drive Contact Kerrie Moore at kerrie.moore@uky.edu or 859-323-1966.</p>	
<p>DanceBlue 5k Time: TBD Kroger Field (Commonwealth Stadium) 1540 University Dr. Registration available online in the fall.</p>	<p>College of Dentistry Class of 1967 5:30 p.m. Reception • 6:30 p.m. Dinner Hilton Lexington Downtown 369 W. Vine Street</p>	<p>Racing and Lunch at Keeneland Noon - 5 p.m. Keeneland, Phoenix Room 4201 Versailles Road</p>	
<p>Kitty Karnival 5 - 7 p.m. Location: TBD</p>	<p>College of Engineering 5th Annual State of the College 6 p.m. Reception • 7 p.m. Dinner Kroger Field • 1540 University Dr. Woodford Reserve Club RSVP by Sept. 28 Contact Melissa Tomblin at melissa.tomblin@uky.edu</p>	<p>College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Roundup Forestry Department Alumni-Student Fall Picnic 4:30 p.m. T.P. Cooper (Forestry) Building • Free RSVP to forestry.department@uky.edu or 859-257-7596 before Sept. 25.</p>	
<p>Royalty Showcase 7 - 9 p.m. Memorial Hall 610 South Limestone St.</p>	<p>UK Geology Alumni Reception 6 - 8:30 p.m. Hillary J. Boone Center 500 Rose Street</p>	<p>College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Roundup Judging Team Alumni Gathering 4:30 p.m. Roundup Tent</p>	
<p>Alumni vs. Student Basketball Game 7 p.m. Seaton Center</p>	<p>Social and Professional Networking Event Time and location: TBD www.UKHomecoming.com Check website for the most up-to-date information.</p>	<p>College of Arts & Sciences Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony 5 p.m., Reception to follow Jacobs Science Bldg Lecture Hall 680 Rose Street</p>	
<p>Mr. and Ms. Black UK Time: TBD Location: TBD</p>	<p>Golden Wildcat Society Reunion Registration Noon - 5 p.m. The Campbell House Lexington 1375 S. Broadway</p>	<p>Homecoming Celebration 5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. William T. Young Library 401 Hilltop Ave.</p>	
<p>Golden Wildcat Society Reunion Breakfast 8 - 10 a.m. (Program starts at 8:45 a.m.) Kroger Field • Woodford Reserve Club 1540 University Drive</p>			

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Friday

**College of Agriculture, Food & Environment Roundup
Animal & Food Sciences Reunion**
5:30 p.m.
Roundup Tent • 1451 University Drive
\$10 per person

**College of Agriculture, Food and Environment
MANRRS Alumni Mixer**
6 p.m.
E.S. Good Barn, Culton Suite

African-American Alumni Reception and Awards
6 - 8 p.m.
King Alumni House • 400 Rose Street

UK Alumni Band Reunion and Reception
6:30 p.m.
Hillary J. Boone Center • 500 Rose Street

College of Medicine Class of 1967 Dinner
Time and location: TBD
Contact Kristin Shattuck at kristin.shattuck@uky.edu for details.

College of Dentistry Reception
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Kroger Field, Recruiting Room

College of Law Class Reunions
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Kroger Field, Woodford Reserve Club

2017 National Pan-Hellenic Council Homecoming Step Show
Time: TBD
Lexington Opera House

UK Opera
Time and location: TBD
Singletary Center • 405 Rose Street

Alabama vs. UK Volleyball
Time: TBD
Memorial Coliseum

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Saturday

College of Medicine Medical Alumni Association Board Meeting
Time and location: TBD

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Saturday

College of Communication & Information Student, Family and Alumni Breakfast
9 - 11 a.m.
107 Grehan Journalism Building Student Services Office

UK College of Dentistry Breakfast & Tours
9 - 11:30 a.m.
College of Dentistry Courtyard
www.dentistry.uky.edu/2017weekend

UK Alumni Association Homecoming Brunch
9:30 a.m.
King Alumni House • 400 Rose Street

Campus Bus Tour
11 a.m.
Departs from and returns to King Alumni House • 400 Rose St.
***Note: If game time is changed, this event may be cancelled.**

College of Medicine Horse Farm Tours
Time and location: TBD
Contact Kristin Shattuck at kristin.shattuck@uky.edu

College of Medicine Medical Campus Tours
Time and location: TBD
Contact Kristin Shattuck at kristin.shattuck@uky.edu

College of Education Alumni, Student and Family Brunch
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
College of Education Courtyards
251 Scott St.

College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Roundup Tailgate Party
4 hours prior to kickoff
Roundup Tent • 1415 University Drive
\$15 per person

College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Roundup HES Reception
4 hours prior to kickoff
E.S. Good Barn, Culton Suite
1451 University Drive

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Saturday

College of Agriculture, Food and Environment Roundup AGR Annual Meeting and Reunion
Time: TBD
Gluck Equine Research Center
1400 Nicholasville Road

College of Health Sciences Homecoming Tailgate
3 hours prior to kickoff
Contact Keturah Taylor at ktayL4@uky.edu.

UK Alumni Association Homecoming Tailgate Tent Party
2.5 hours prior to kickoff
Tobacco Center Research & Development Center Lawn • 1401 University Ave.

College of Dentistry Homecoming Tailgate
2.5 hours prior to kickoff
Contact Kristin Shattuck at kristin.shattuck@uky.edu.

College of Medicine Homecoming Tailgate
2.5 hours prior to kickoff
Contact Kristin Shattuck at kristin.shattuck@uky.edu.

College of Public Health Homecoming Tailgate
2.5 hours prior to kickoff
Contact Shelley Ward at shelleymward@uky.edu.

College of Communication and Information Homecoming Tailgate
2.5 hours prior to kickoff
Contact Catherine Hayden at catherine.hayden@uky.edu.

College of Law Homecoming Tailgate
2 hours prior to kickoff
Contact Alyssa Thornton at alyssa.thornton@uky.edu.



University of Missouri vs. UK Football Game
Time: TBD
Kroger Field • 1540 University Drive

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Sunday

Golden Wildcat Farewell Breakfast
8 - 10 a.m.
The Campbell House Lexington Paddock Room • 1375 S. Broadway

CLASS OF 1967 &
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REUNION WEEKEND

OCTOBER 5-8, 2017



REGISTRATION

Thursday, Oct. 5
Noon - 5 p.m.

The Campbell House - Lexington
1375 S. Broadway



WELCOME RECEPTION

Thursday, Oct. 5
5 - 7 p.m.

The Campbell House - Lexington
Paddock Room
1375 S. Broadway



INDUCTION BREAKFAST

Friday, Oct. 6
8 - 10 a.m.

Kroger Field
(Commonwealth Stadium)
Woodford Reserve Lounge
1540 University Drive

RACING AND LUNCH AT KEENELAND

Friday, Oct. 6
Noon - 5 p.m.

Keeneland, Phoenix Room
4201 Versailles Road

HOMECOMING CELEBRATION

Friday, Oct. 6
5:30 - 9 p.m.

William T. Young Library
401 Hilltop Avenue



UK OPERA

Friday, Oct. 6
Time: TBD

Singleton Center for the Performing Arts
405 Rose Street



ALABAMA VS. UK VOLLEYBALL

Friday, Oct. 6
Time: TBD

Memorial Coliseum
Avenue of Champions



UK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HOMECOMING BRUNCH

Saturday, Oct. 7
9:30 a.m.

King Alumni House
400 Rose Street

CAMPUS BUS TOUR

Saturday, Oct. 7
11 a.m.

King Alumni House
400 Rose Street

HOMECOMING TAILGATE TENT PARTY

Saturday, Oct. 7
2.5 hours prior to kick off

Kentucky Tobacco Research & Development Lawn
1401 University Drive



UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI VS. UK FOOTBALL GAME

Saturday, Oct. 7
Time: TBD

Kroger Field
1540 University Drive



FAREWELL BREAKFAST

Sunday, Oct. 8
8 - 10 a.m.

The Campbell House - Lexington
Paddock Room
1375 S. Broadway

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For more information, contact Nathan Darce at 859-257-3569 or Nathan.Darce@uky.edu.

Visit www.ukalumni.net/golden for more event details.

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**New Life Members from
 April 1 – June 30, 2017.*



Mary Ellen Wimberly '13 '16

LIFE MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:

Q: Why did you decide to join as a Life Member?

A: "I knew that I wanted to remain involved in the alumni association and joining as a Life Member at a young age seemed like a great way to commit to that involvement."

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LEADING by EXAMPLE

DISTRICT 3



Erik N. Evans, Goshen, graduated from UK in 1982 with a bachelor's degree in finance from the Gatton College of Business & Economics and was in Sigma Chi fraternity. He received an MBA from the Indiana University Kelley School of Business in 1987. He is a senior investment officer and portfolio manager at Commonwealth Bank & Trust in Louisville. He has worked in the Investment industry and has earned the CFA designation. Evans is also the president and owner of the Tire Ball Co., which manufactures, distributes and markets the Tire Ball multi-cell inflation system. He and his wife Michelle have five children, Zachary Evans '16 BE, Jakob Evans '17 HS, Jessica Evans (enrolled in the UK School of Nursing), Gabriella Evans (incoming UK freshman, fall 2017) and Maria Evans (middle school).



Beatty L. London, Lexington, graduated from the University of Kentucky in 2000 with a bachelor's degree in management from the Gatton College of Business & Economics. He was a member of the UK men's soccer team that was the first to win the conference tournament and qualify for the NCAA tournament in 1999. Beatty worked as a personal trainer before joining the Trucking Department at the UK Physical Plant Division. He is the husband of Rosalind Elise London and enjoys exercising, reading and dancing. He is also a board member of the Fayette County UK Alumni Club.



Porter G. Peeples Sr., Lexington, a native of Lynch, entered Southeast Community College in Cumberland, and earned an associate degree in education. He graduated from UK with a bachelor's degree in elementary and special education in 1968. Peeples took some graduate classes at Eastern Kentucky University and has an honorary doctorate from Lindsey Wilson College. He was inducted into the UK College of Education Hall of Fame and the Kentucky Human Rights Commission Hall of Fame. In 1972, he became CEO of the Urban League of Lexington–Fayette County, which has made its mark with job training for the underemployed and unemployed, produced over \$28 million in affordable housing and provided 326 college scholarships to elementary students. Peeples is active in the community and participates on numerous local and national boards.



Grant T. Mills, Lexington, a native of Frankfort, graduated in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in history from the UK College of Arts & Sciences and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. He was the student body vice president, president of Sigma Chi fraternity, and served on the K Book editorial board. Mills works as the national vice president of business development for Somnia Anesthesia, a physician-led group that manages anesthesia programs for hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers across the country. He received the LYPA Rising Stars award in 2011 and is a 2012 graduate of the Leadership Lexington Program. He is a co-founder of RuralUp!, a nonprofit focused on educating middle and high school students in Eastern Kentucky on how to code (computer programming). He and his wife Barbara Mills '10 ED are Life Members of the UK Alumni Association.



Dr. H. Fred Howard, Harlan, received a bachelor's degree from the UK College of Arts & Sciences in 1979 and a dental medicine degree in the UK College of Dentistry in 1982. He has been in the private practice of family dentistry for 35 years and employed as a dental consultant for Avesis Inc. Howard is an assistant professor of restorative dentistry at UK. He is a UK Alumni Association Life Member, a UK Fellow and a Cumberland Valley East UK Alumni Club board member. He has served as president of the Kentucky Dental Association and currently is in his 10th year as its Speaker of the House of Delegates and on the Executive Board. He is a Fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy, the American College of Dentists and the International College of Dentists. Howard is a member of numerous professional organizations. He and his wife Cindy have two sons, Kyle Howard '15 AFE and Evan Howard '16 '17 BE, who are in graduate school at UK.

DISTRICT 5

DISTRICT 9

Please welcome the following “first-timers” who were recently elected to the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors. They are dedicated to helping the association carry out its mission.

DISTRICT 10



Leo M. Labrillazo, Nicholasville, graduated with a bachelor's degree in music education from the UK College of Fine Arts in 1990. He was a member of the Wildcat Marching Band and a member of Kappa Kappa Psi, a service fraternity, and served as the band president during his senior year. He moved to Scottsville and continued his post-graduate work earning a master's degree in education/school counseling from Western Kentucky University in 1996. Labrillazo also attended UK from 2001 through 2003 for post-graduate Rank I Certification in education. After moving back to the Lexington area, he earned a master's degree in education/instructional leadership from Eastern Kentucky University in 2011. He is completing his 27th year in public education and is the principal of Mary G. Hogsett Elementary in Danville. He is married to Rebecca Hopwood Labrillazo '90 FA, and they have two children, Mikayla, a UK senior majoring in Human Health Sciences, and Lucas.

DISTRICT 11



Sean N. Riddle, Jersey City, New Jersey, is a native of Lexington and earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural biotechnology from the UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment in 2012. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He worked two years in the UK Anatomy and Neurobiology Research Department, and in 2013, he moved to New York to work at Beau Dietl & Associates as a consulting engineer to several global energy companies. Riddle is a member of the UK Ag & HES Alumni Association, Kentuckians of New York Society and is a Kentucky Colonel. He was vice president of the New York City UK Alumni Club in 2013 and later became president. After his first year as president, the New York City UK Alumni Club received three Alumni Service Awards for membership, volunteering and scholarship. Riddle is the acting president of the New York City UK Alumni Club and the Kentuckians of New York Society.

DISTRICT 12



Amanda Mills Cutright, Washington, District of Columbia, is a native of Frankfort. She graduated from the UK College of Communication and Information in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in corporate communications and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. She served as president of Delta Delta Delta sorority and was elected Homecoming queen. She is a UK Fellow and was vice president of the Nation's Capital UK Alumni Club. She also served on the board of The Kentucky Society of Washington. Cutright was a Teach For America teacher in St. Louis Public Schools and now is vice president of executive learning & development for Teach For America. She earned a certificate in executive coaching through Georgetown University and coaches clients across multiple sectors. She also serves on the boards of KIPP: DC and The Washington Ballet. She loves cooking, yoga, and spending time with her husband Jared Cutright and their new baby boy.

DISTRICT 15



Lee H. Stewart, Vestavia Hills, Alabama, earned a bachelor's degree in advertising from the UK College of Communication and Information in 1992 and was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. He earned a law degree in 1996 from Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in Birmingham. He is a partner at Gaines Gault Hendrix PC and practices civil defense litigation. Stewart is active in the UK Alumni Association and has served as a board member and president of the Greater Birmingham UK Alumni Club. He also served on leadership committees at the Vestavia Hills United Methodist Church. In addition to volunteering for various Birmingham charities and teaching legal courses at a local community college, he has taken part in several activities on behalf of his children, including coaching youth basketball, teaching Sunday school and participating in various school activities. He is married to Claire Bailey Stewart, and they have three daughters.

UK HONOR FLIGHT

An unforgettable day for veterans and UK

By Whitney Harder, Amy Jones-Timoney and Kody Kiser

Photos: Mark Cornelison

When Thomas Kubeck returned home from the Vietnam War, he never received a hero's welcome. He landed back in the states on a stretcher, not to a crowd of cheering people or handshakes of gratitude.

On May 20, Kubeck, a former staff sergeant in the U.S. Army, finally received the celebration he deserved. He and nearly 70 other veterans participated in the University of Kentucky Honor Flight, an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, to visit memorials and a daylong commemoration of their service. Before sunrise, they arrived at Blue Grass Airport and were welcomed by patriotic colors and a massive American flag that hung between two Lexington Fire Department fire trucks at the entrance.

"I know I speak for everyone here when I say thank you — not only for what your service has made possible, but also for what your legacy will continue to mean for countless people at home and around the world," said UK President Eli Capilouto, who participated in the flight, at the morning ceremony.

Without you, he said, some of his family would not be here today. "I might

not be here today," he said.

As they left to board the plane, family members, friends, UK faculty, staff and students, other travelers and community members lined up in the airport lobby forming a red, white and blue walkway of applause and appreciation. It was an emotional sight for many as the veterans looked around in awe, smiles accompanied with tears.

The veterans served in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Many were UK alumni, retirees and family members of current UK faculty and staff. One veteran, 94-year-old John Reed Lowry of Dry Ridge, served in all three wars. His son, John Clinton Lowry, a Vietnam veteran, also participated in the flight.

The celebration did not end at their departure from Lexington. Upon arriving at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, the flight was met with people of all ages cheering, waving flags and reaching to shake the hands of heroes.

"When we were getting off the airplane in Washington, and we went walking through that line, there was a young man with his parents, he couldn't have

been more than 6 years old," Kubeck said.

The little boy stuck his small hand out toward the veteran. After the handshake, Kubeck reached up and grabbed a pin from his hat.

"I gave it to him just for appreciation for what he did to come out there," he said. "I could never expect anything like this. This just makes my life."

The day continued with visits to the Iwo Jima Memorial (United States Marine Corps War Memorial), Women In Military Service For America Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, World War II Memorial, Korean War Veterans Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Air Force Memorial.

World War II veterans, most in their 90s, rose from their wheelchairs to walk around the World War II Memorial on their own two feet. A Korean War veteran received hugs of thanks from Korean tourists at the Korean War Veterans Memorial. A Vietnam veteran, pushed in her wheelchair by her daughter, was finally able to see the Women In Military Service For America Memorial. At Arlington National Cemetery, the four oldest veterans on the flight participated in a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

These are just a few of the scenes from an unforgettable day.

As the veterans continued to be recognized for their bravery and service, they also paid tribute to those they lost,



Thomas Kubeck of Lexington found the name of his platoon leader Russell Steinham at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. He credits Steinham, who was killed by a grenade, with saving his life.



Cecil Hill, a World War II veteran, poses next to a photo of himself in the service.



The Lowry Family and their guardian, Tyler Gayheart, pose for a photo taken by UK President Eli Capilouto at the Two Jima Memorial.



Shirley Terry, a Vietnam War veteran, and her daughter Kopana Terry are greeted by a group of girls in Washington.

including service members who saved their lives.

At the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Kubeck found the name of his platoon leader, Russell Steinham. He recounted the night he was killed — Feb. 1, 1970 — by a grenade. Kubeck said Steinham had pushed him out of the way, falling on the grenade and passing away later that night.

“Out of 17 of us that went in, three of us walked out,” he said. “I dragged his body out with several other people and got ahold of our headquarters to come out and get us until we can get relief. If it wasn’t for that man, I wouldn’t be here.”

Kubeck’s is one of numerous stories told that day. Sons, daughters, spouses, friends and UK President Eli Capilouto, who escorted veterans on the flight, gained just a bit of insight into the sacrifices made by these men and women.

While parts of the day were somber, other parts were celebratory. UK also had a surprise in store. When veterans arrived at the Lincoln Memorial, the steps were filled with D.C.-area UK alumni in their blue and white, greeting and taking photos with the veterans. One former student at the memorial tweeted proudly, “Loved welcoming my grandpa & favorite #veteran to DC this weekend on the #UKHonorFlight to see the memorials built in his honor. #WeAreKY”

“The C-A-T-S cheer on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial! That is when it really hit home for me that we were mak-

ing history,” said UK Veterans Resource Center Director Tony Dotson, who participated in the flight.

“The first university in the country to sponsor an Honor Flight — these veterans were being honored by an institution of higher learning that understands that education is a freedom, and that freedom is provided by those Americans willing to defend it,” Dotson said.

At 9 p.m., around 700 people had packed the Blue Grass Airport, ready to

cheer, hug and wave their flags. The weather had other plans though and the flight was diverted to Charlotte, North Carolina, returning much later. To the veterans’ surprise, around 150-200 people were still there at 2:30 a.m., under a large “WELCOME HOME, VETERANS” banner. Kubeck entered the lobby and kissed the ground, finally receiving the homecoming he dreamed of for so long. ■

Vietnam veteran Ernest Dobbins of Lexington was welcomed by supporters in Washington.







We honor you for your service

UK alumni and friends living in the D.C. area surprised the UK Honor Flight at the Lincoln Memorial. A C-A-T-S cheer ensued for the veterans and their guardians shown here. Watch a video produced by UK Public Relations & Marketing on how the Honor Flight day unfolded for these worthy veterans. Visit www.ukalumni.net/flight.

WILDCAT SOCIETY

Wow! You did it again — thanks to the generosity of nearly 1,700 Life Members who made contributions totaling \$231,000 to the Wildcat Society. It's a new record high! These gifts enable the association to keep our alumni family informed and connected, award scholarships to deserving students, spread Wildcat spirit and provide valuable programs and services for alumni and friends.

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UK Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award recipients

The University of Kentucky Alumni Association Distinguished Service Awards are presented annually to honor and recognize those who have provided extraordinary service to the university and the association. The recipients were honored during the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors Summer Workshop in Lexington. The recipients are:

Price Atkinson resides in Easley, South Carolina, and graduated from the UK College of Communication and Information in 1997 with a bachelor's degree in journalism. He is a founding member of the Upstate SC UK Alumni Club and served as president of the club for five years. In addition, he has served two terms on the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors. He has helped many students choose UK through his work at Upstate College Fairs. He has worked in public policy, politics, health care and sports media relations in Greenville, South Carolina; Annapolis, Maryland; and most recently Washington. He is communications director for the Energy & Enterprise Initiative (republicEN) for former South Carolina Rep. Bob Inglis and co-hosts a radio show, "Straight up with Sturg," on ESPNUpstate. As a student, he was a member of the UK swim team and wrote for the Kentucky Kernel.

Pat Stansbury Beckman resides in Edgewood and received her bachelor's degree in political science in 1968 from the UK College of Arts & Sciences. She was active in the Chicago club area in the mid-1980s and recruited students to UK. She was a founding member of the South Bend, Indiana, alumni club in the late 1980s, where she again focused on student recruitment. More recently, she has been involved with the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club, serving two consecutive five year terms, where she chaired the Ticket Committee and was involved on the Golf Committee. In addition, she revitalized the NKY/GC UK Alumni Club's Student Send-off events. More recently she has served in an advisory role. In addition to her involvement in UK clubs, she is an active

member in her church, Covenant First Presbyterian Church of Cincinnati, volunteers through Humana's Volunteer program and supports the Ronald McDonald House in a variety of ways.

Tom Harris resides in Lexington and is a native of Madisonville. He earned a bachelor's degree in 1985 from the UK College of Arts & Sciences. He has been a dedicated and involved member of the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors and has served on the association's Executive Committee and Budget, Finance & Investments Committee. He is very active in the Lexington community, having served on the board of the YMCA of Central Kentucky, the Downtown Lexington Corp., Commerce Lexington, Downtown Development Authority and the Lexington Visitors and Convention Bureau. Harris recently won the Red Triangle Award through his work with the YMCA of Central Kentucky. He has almost 30 years of experience in the public relations field and has held positions with Honda of America Manufacturing in Marysville, Ohio, Toyota Motor Manufacturing and Kentucky Utilities Co. He is vice president of university relations for UK and is a UK Fellow.

Mark Hogge resides in Catlettsburg and earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering in 1997 from the UK College of Engineering. He has been active with the Ashland UK Alumni Club for over a decade and served as the club's president from 2011-2013. He is instrumental in planning the club's major fundraiser, Run-Blue, and consistently helps with the Cats for a Cause food drive. He always assists with Game Watch Parties and touts the benefits of UK Alumni Association membership to everyone. He is involved with MathCounts in the Ashland area and promotes UK through his interactions with high school students who participate in the program. In his professional career, he is employed at Middough and offers his office for Ashland UK Alumni Club meetings. In addition, he is a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and has held positions with the tri-state AIChE chapter.

UK Alumni Association President Susan Mustian congratulated Price Atkinson.



Left to right are Mark Hogge, Tom Harris and Pat Beckman.



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New officers of the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors

The UK Alumni Association announced its 2017-2018 board of directors officers. They are Susan Van Buren Mustian, president; J. Fritz Skeen, president-elect; and Taunya Phillips, treasurer. Secretary remains open until the selection of a new executive director.

Susan Van Buren Mustian of Hebron received a bachelor's degree in marketing in

1984 from UK. A former president of the Student Activities Board, as well as vice president of her sorority, Alpha Omicron Pi, she also led the Student Alumni Association. She was president-elect of the Northern KY/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club and also was vice president and secretary. She served as the Membership chairwoman and member of the Strategic Planning Committee. She is president of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Southwest Ohio Board of Directors. Mustian was a 2013 recipient of the UK Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award.

J. Fritz Skeen of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, earned a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1972 and an



Left to right are Taunya Phillips of Lexington, treasurer; J. Fritz Skeen of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, president-elect; and Susan Van Buren Mustian of Hebron, president.

MBA in 1973, both from UK. He is a member of Phi Sigma Kappa. He has held committee leadership positions, including chairman of the Scholarship/Great Teacher Awards. Skeen helped restart the Jacksonville UK Alumni Club. During his 30-year career with the IBM Corp., he held a variety of sales, marketing and executive positions, including general manager in Chicago. Skeen serves on the board of governors of the Sawgrass Country Club and is the treasurer.

Taunya A. Phillips of Lexington earned a bach-

elor's degree in chemical engineering from the UK College of Engineering in 1987 and an MBA from the UK Gatton College of Business & Economics in 2004. She is serving her second three-year term on the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors. Phillips has held committee leadership positions with the association, including chairwoman of Nominating for Board and Diversity & Group Development, and vice-chairwoman of Nominating for Board. She was also a 2015 recipient of the Distinguished Service Award. She is the associate director of strategic alliances in the UK Office of Technology Commercialization. Phillips serves on the College of Engineering Dean's Advisory Council.

Two earn 2017 Joseph T. Burch Young Alumni Award

Nicholas C. Phelps of Louisville and **Wil R. Schroder II** of Wilder were honored by the UK Alumni Association with Joseph T. Burch Young Alumni Awards.

The award is presented annually to honor and recognize an alumna or alumnus who is an active member of the UK Alumni Association, is 10 years or less out of college at the time of nomination and who has worked on behalf of young people through the university, the association, their alumni club or in the local community.

Phelps is a 2008 graduate of UK with a degree in finance. He was president of the Student Body and served as UK Board of Trustees student member. He was president of Sigma Chi. He is a vice president in the banking and finance industry. He serves on the board of the Louisville Youth Orchestra, Best Buddies KY, BG Magazine and the Innovation Network of Entrepreneurial Thinking. Phelps is also founding chairman of Farnsley by 40! and is an active DanceBlue alum. He is a member of the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors and a member of the Greater Louisville UK Alumni Club.

Schroder is a 2005 UK graduate with a bachelor's degree in

education. He mentored middle school students at the Bluegrass Boy's Ranch and was on staff there until he graduated. He is an attorney and currently serves as a member of the Kentucky Senate 24th District of Campbell, Pendleton and Bracken counties. Schroder is a member of the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club and on its board since 2011. He serves his community by volunteering through his church and speaking at schools in his club area.



Left to right are Nicholas Phelps and Wil Schroder II.

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2016-2017 UK Alumni Association Club Award winners



Photos: Tim Webb

Representatives from award-winning clubs displayed their certificates at the UK Alumni Association Summer Workshop.

Scholarship

In state: Greater Ashland, Clark County, Cumberland Valley East, Fulton County, Greater Louisville, McCracken County, Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati

Out of state: Greater Dayton, Greater Houston, Kansas City, Greater Nashville, New York City, Northwest Ohio, Tampa Bay

Student Recruitment

In state: Greater Ashland, Big Sandy, Cumberland Valley East, Lake Cumberland, Greater Louisville, Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati

Out of state: Greater Birmingham, Central Virginia, Greater Dayton, Nashville, St. Louis, Upstate SC

Service

In state: Big Sandy, Cumberland Valley East, Fayette County, McCracken County, Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati

Out of state: Greater Birmingham, Central Virginia, Greater Dayton, Greater Houston, St. Louis

Membership

In state: Christian County, Fulton County, Henderson County, Hopkins County, Mason County

Out of state: Greater Birmingham, Central Florida, Greater Nashville, Northwest Ohio

Alumni Engagement

In state: Christian County, Fulton County, Greater Louisville, McCracken County, Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati

Out of state: Greater Atlanta, Central Ohio, Chicagoland, Las Vegas, Greater Nashville, Nation's Capital Region, New York City, Northwest Ohio, Sarasota/Suncoast, St. Louis, Upstate SC

Best New & Creative Program

In state: Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati

Out of state: Nation's Capital Region, New York City

Most Improved

In state: Christian County

Out of state: Central Ohio, Las Vegas

Thank you for your service!

A heartfelt 'thank you' goes to our outgoing board members for their service to the UK Alumni Association. Pictured left to right are: J. Fritz Skeen, Bruce Danhauer, Jo Hern Curriss, Sheila Key, Abra Akers Endsley, Marian Moore Sims, Dan McCain, Craig Wallace and Emmett "Buzz" Burnam.

Not present for the photo were Benjamin George Childress, Eugene L. DuBow and Lee A. Jackson.





1. Well-coifed ladies attending the **Knoxville UK Alumni Club** Kentucky Derby party showed off their hat collection. About 50 people enjoyed this annual event.

2. Nine of the **Greater Louisville UK Alumni Club Young Alumni** members joined forces for a photo during the club's Wildcat Football Kickoff Luncheon with Head Coach Mark Stoops in July.



3. The **Chattanooga UK Alumni Club** held its Student Send-off at Sculpture Fields at Montague Park, where members gathered for a tailgate format. John Henry, sculptor, and wife were the guiding forces behind the founding of the park. Isaac Duncan III, sculptor, led the group around the park, explaining the sculpture pieces. From left to right are Jerry Adkins (co-chair/event), Jim Horne, John Henry, Isaac Duncan III, Jennifer Brockman (entering freshman), Chris Brockman, Kelly Hinkle, Cara Franke, Chastity Adkins (co-chair/event), Harriett Whitaker (club president) and Jane Pickering.



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The **UK College of Social Work** inducted Kay Hoffman into its Hall of Fame in April. Hoffman is a professor and former dean in the College of Social Work where she has served since 1998. She teaches in the MSW and doctoral programs and was the Dorothy A. Miller Professor in Social Work Education. She was a faculty member and academic

administrator at Marygrove College, Wayne State University, New Mexico State University and Radford University in Virginia prior to her tenure at UK.



The **UK College of Pharmacy** recently inducted three individuals into its Hall of Distinguished Alumni. They are, left to right, Dwaine Green '71 PHA, professor emeritus and retired assistant to the dean for student and alumni affairs at the UK College of Pharmacy; Takako Komiyama '87 PHA, the first pharmacy professor with a PharmD degree in Japan; Joseph DiPiro '81 PHA, dean, professor, and Archie O. McCalley chair at the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy. At far right is Kip Guy, dean of the UK College of Pharmacy.



The **UK College of Law and the Law Alumni Association** inducted three new members, including the first African-American female, into its 2017 Hall of Fame. Inductees are Sarah Howard Jenkins, Taft A. McKinstry, and Robert L. Walker. Other honorees were also recognized at the reception. Left to right are: Michael A. Rowady '41 (Legacy), Eric P. Blackhurst '86 (Professional Achievement), Allison Ball '08 (Young Professional), Taft A. McKinstry '72 (Hall of Fame), Thomas L. Rouse '78 (Community Service), Bradley D. Clark '09 (Young Professional), Janie McKenzie-Wells '86 (Distinguished Jurist) and Robert L. Walker '75 (Hall of Fame). Not pictured: Sarah Howard Jenkins '82 (Hall of Fame).



College of Agriculture, Food and Environment alumni attended the Call to the Post Derby Bash at the Red Mile Round Barn in April. Among those enjoying the event were Shubin Saha '01, Amanda Saha '01, Iris Stull HS '01 and Jeremy Stull '98 '00.



Photo: Britney Howard

Kentucky junior linebacker Jordan Jones led the SEC and ranked 16th nationally in solo tackles per game (5.7) and third in total tackles per game (8.4). His 109 tackles led UK, as did his 15.5 tackles for loss.

UK Football: Cats look to build on Bowl success

Coming off its first bowl berth in six years and a seven-win season, the Wildcats are looking for even more this fall.

Bolstered by the return of a solid core on both sides of the ball, Kentucky is gunning to improve on its 7-6 record, which included a win over Louisville and a 4-4 mark in the Southeastern Conference. Seven Wildcats have earned preseason All-SEC honors.

On offense, UK returns four starting linemen to block for sophomore running back Bennie Snell Jr.

Led by seniors Nick Haynes and Cole Mosier, UK was the only SEC team to boast a pair of 1,000-yard rushers as the Cats averaged 234 yards per game rushing. The line was named semifinalists for the Joe Moore Award in 2016, which recognizes the nation's Most Outstanding Offensive Line.

Snell set six UK freshman records last year, including most rushing touchdowns in a game (4), most rushing yards by a freshman (1,091), most rushing touchdowns by a freshman (13), most total touchdowns by a freshman (13), most 100-yard rushing games (5) and most rushing yards by a freshman in a single game (192). He was named a Freshman All-American by the Football Writers Association of America, ESPN and 247Sports.

Also back for UK is senior quarterback Stephen Johnson. He came off the bench and threw for 2,037 yards and 13 touchdowns

with six interceptions while rushing for 512 yards and three scores. His best game came in the win over Louisville when he was 16 of 27 passing for 338 yards and three touchdowns.

The defense is led by the return of three All-SEC candidates.

Junior linebacker Jordan Jones led the SEC and ranked 16th nationally in solo tackles per game (5.7) and third in total tackles per game (8.4). His 109 tackles led UK, as did his 15.5 tackles for loss. Junior Mike Edwards led SEC safeties in tackles (100) and was one of six players in the league with more than 100 tackles. He was second on the team and seventh in the SEC with tackles per game (7.7) and tied for 10th in passes defended (11). Junior defensive end/linebacker Denzil Ware ranked second on the team in sacks (5.5) and tackles for loss (12) last season.

Senior kicker Austin MacGinnis is coming off a season where he nailed 16 of 19 field goals, which was third in the SEC, and is the second player in school history with 50 career field goals. MacGinnis hit two game-winning field goals last season, a 51-yarder to beat Mississippi State 40-38 and nailed a 47-yarder in the 41-38 upset at No. 11 Louisville. He enters this season second on the career scoring list with 257 points, just 48 behind Lones Sieber. ■

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Lisa Senetar '05 MED: Winging it in Kentucky

By Linda Perry

She spent her college years focused on science, but now Lisa Kelly Senetar '05 MED combines her creative spirit with that same science in her unique business venture. Today she is the owner of PhbeaD (an acronym of Ph.D. and bead), a home-based jewelry enterprise that transforms beautiful insect wings into earrings, pendants, bracelets, cuff links, and other adornments.

"One of the things I loved the most about working in a lab was that it was very hands-on and that there was always the possibility you might see something new," says Senetar. "I get those same feelings when I'm making jewelry. My research was at the cellular level so everything I worked with was microscopic, nothing I could touch or feel. But with this, it is so much more tactile. I also get product so much faster than I ever did doing an experiment.

"I haven't ever been told, 'That was the best experiment I've ever seen or that data was so beautiful,'" she says. But, she adds jokingly, "People compliment me on my jewelry all the time."

She was influenced to attend UK after she was selected in 1999 as a Howard Hughes Summer Undergraduate Research Scholar in the UK Biochemistry Department with Louis Hersh. "I enjoyed and gained so much from that experience that when I decided to go to graduate school, UK biochemistry was my only choice," she says. In 2000, she started as a lab technician with Trevor Creamer and was later inspired to work with Richard

McCann studying the molecular basis of cell communication, adhesion and migration.

Senetar, a Louisa native now living in Paint Lick, got her start in jewelry in 2004 when she was a UK graduate student studying how cells "talk" to their environment. While working on her dissertation, her husband Michael Senetar suggested she seek a hobby to destress. Wood beads were popular at the time, she says, so she purchased some along with stretch cord and taught herself how to make her first piece of jewelry.

She earned a doctorate in biochemistry from UK in 2005 and says the best thing about combining her science background with art is that the jewelry she makes are conversation pieces. She says, "When someone compliments me on my jewelry, it provides a natural opportunity to talk about the chemistry of my process, but also triggers conversations about the biology of wings or the ecology of how to plant gardens that attract butterflies."

Another common topic is the sourcing of wings. Although she purchases some farm-raised insects that have lived through their proper life cycle, she mainly uses wings she finds on the side of the road, grills of cars or those that are given to her by friends, family or clients. No insects are harmed for her upcycled creations.

After UK, she became a Fellow at the University of Wisconsin, and was funded by an American Heart Association grant to continue her research on cell adhe-

sion looking at how neutrophils respond to different cues in their environment. She also continued her jewelry education when she joined the Madison Bead Society. This led her to explore different materials and approaches to design. When her husband's work took the couple back to Kentucky, landing so close to the Berea craft haven was a major plus for the amateur jewelry designer considering turning professional.

Senetar learned metalsmithing and makes sterling silver bezels for her intricate jewelry using colorful insect wings incased in layers of resin. Her jewelry business takes her to different art shows, such as Kentucky Crafted: The Market, Summerfair Cincinnati and St. James, as well as conferences like the International Congress in Entomology. Senetar was featured on KET's "Kentucky Life" program and her artistic creations have also graced the cover of Step by Step Wire Jewelry and The Crafts Report magazines.

Her inquisitive nature has recently resulted in a collaboration with her husband, an engineer, and now she has new long-term goals. "We've been working on computer-aided design projects to take insect drawings we've made together and have them cast into three-dimensional metal ... These original designs will give me a new way to incorporate insects into my jewelry, but this time without using an actual bug," she says. ■

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UK students supplement classroom learning with co-ops and internships



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Monick Chia, a senior in political science and philosophy, recently had the chance to serve as an intern with the Performing Arts Department at the Lexington Center and Opera House.

“I had the advantage of getting to experience new things every day, whether it was writing a grant proposal or updating social media,” she says.

Emily Walburg '16 EN, a project engineer at Messer Construction Co., recently completed a co-op with Messer Construction. Not only did her experience allow her to work on some of the UK construction projects, but it ultimately landed her a position with the company. “In my first months as a co-op, I grew from a girl who had never even been on a construction site to someone who felt confident in her ability to be a professional in the construction field.”

Emily Edgington '00 EN, senior project manager, Messer Construction Co., has the chance to supervise UK co-op students.

“Messer has been recruiting co-op students from the University of Kentucky for more than 40 years,” she says. We plan our projects to have assigned roles for the co-op students, and the role they play is integral to the success of the project and ultimately their own career with Messer ... One of the benefits of the UK co-op program to the employer is the consistent flow of good students working on our projects, she says. “Since our projects are not just in the summer, we need positions filled all year long, which the co-op program can provide with multiple alternating students. By the end of the co-op experience, our goal is to be able to hire the student full time.”

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2000s



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