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ABOUT THE SPEAKER

By F. Douglas Scutchfield

President Eli Capilouto became the 12th President of the University of Kentucky on July 1, 2011. Under his leadership, the Commonwealth's flagship and land grant research university has grown from \$2.7 billion to \$3.9 billion in total operations and has gained significant momentum in fulfilling its multi-faceted mission of teaching, research, service, and health care.

President Capilouto has led a seven-year, \$2.3 billion transformation of the campus, aimed at enriching the living-learning experience of UK's students, ensuring their success; strengthening the University's research infrastructure dedicated to solving Kentucky's most intractable health and economic challenges; and expanding UK HealthCare's capacity to teach, heal, and serve. Through partnerships with the private sector, increased philanthropy, and effective financial management, UK is self-financing the vast majority of this aggressive infrastructure development.

Under his leadership, the priorities outlined in the Strategic Plan and the innovation of the campus has resulted in historic student success, a dynamic research enterprise, a sophisticated health care operation capable of serving more patients with increasingly complex needs, and continued service to the people of Kentucky. The progress on the campus is resulting in a high-quality workforce and improved well-being for the Commonwealth that UK has served for more than 150 years.

A native of Montgomery, Alabama, Dr. Capilouto previously served as Provost of the University of Alabama-Birmingham (UAB) and Dean of the UAB School of Public Health -- a period of remarkable growth and transformation at one of the leading academic and health sciences institutions in the South. Dr. Capilouto holds several undergraduate and graduate degrees from schools within the University of Alabama system, a Doctorate of Dental Medicine from UAB, and a Doctorate in Health Policy and Management from Harvard University. He and his wife, Dr. Mary Lynne Capilouto (D.M.D.), a former Dean of the UAB School of Dentistry, have one daughter.

FEBRUARY LUNCHEON MEETING

Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Place: Hilary J. Boone Center, UK Campus

Social Time: 11:00 a.m.

Luncheon: 11:30 a.m.

Program 12:30 p.m.

Speaker: President Eli Capilouto

Business Meeting: 1:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 12 LUNCHEON MENU

Tuscan bean soup

Chipotle BBQ salmon with smoked Mozzarella grit cake

Braised collard greens with bacon jam

New York cheesecake with brandied cherry sauce

Choice of beverage

Substitutions are possible only for dietary allergies or religious/lifestyle restrictions.

Note: The Staff of Hilary J. Boone Center appreciates efforts of UKAEF members to carpool when possible. If you require transportation, please note your need on the luncheon reservation form, third page.

REMINDER -- 30-year celebration

We will celebrate the 30-year anniversary of UKAEF at the April 9, 2019 luncheon. You will want to participate in the gala affair--please put this date on your calendar. Plan on a special meal at the Hilary J. Boone Center and time with friends, of course, but add to it refreshing entertainment by the UK Opera students under the direction of Dr. Everett McCorvey. Pure entertainment!

UK CAMPUS TRANSFORMATION - GATTON STUDENT CENTER

If you have not visited the new UK Gatton Student Center, you should try to do so. The renovation is strikingly new to us who lived with the old Student Union during our careers. It includes the UK bookstore, banks, ample open space and meeting rooms, the latest media technology and entertainment options. President Capilouto describes it as a living room, dining room,

den, and recreation area, a place that brings people together to cultivate relationships and meet new people, to work across differences and build community—bringing immeasurable benefit to the UK Campus.



The social staircase design reflects the way water carves through Kentucky karst topography intimating how knowledge flows through the university.

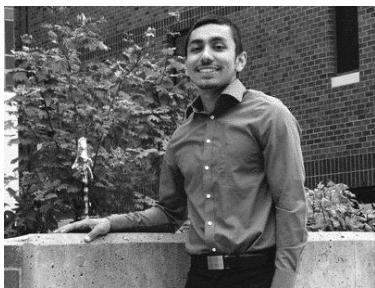


The Gatton Student Center includes large outdoor plazas—areas for study, socializing and relaxing.

FELLOWSHIP WINNERS CHOSEN

By Lee Edgerton, Chair, Fellowship Committee

The Fellowship Committee of UKAEF reviewed 22 applications for our awards and chose the following three Ph.D. students to receive \$2,500 each for pursuing their interests in teaching at the university level. You will meet them and learn about their backgrounds and academic career goals at the February 12, 2019 luncheon.



Kevin Salvador Alejandroz is a Ph.D. Candidate in Sociology. He has done extensive research on the homeless and on agricultural workers in Oregon. One mentor notes he is a strong writer and extremely

conscientious and has excellent rapport with his subjects. A second mentor describes him as “a fascinating student” who has transformed himself from “a smart yet shy first year student to a confident instructor of sociology.” He is valued in class because

he “asks important questions and brings a different perspective.” Kevin is the son of an immigrant family headed by a father who was a farm laborer. His initial connection to higher education was due more to his father’s insistence than to his personal interest. However, a class in sociology inspired him to view his situation differently and he has been an inspired student ever since. His desire to teach is driven by that experience and his goal to help others feel similarly “impassioned and empowered.”



Kerri Beth Slaughter is a Ph.D. Candidate in the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry where she is investigating the direct cell-to-cell spread of pneumovirus infection. In addition to serving as a Teaching Assistant and Biochemistry Tutor at UK, she served as a peer mentor at Milligan College, her undergraduate institution. She was recruited to UK following her attendance at a summer undergraduate research program. Her mentors describe her as “extremely bright” and exceptional in her ability to master the technical aspects of research projects. They also note her enthusiasm for education and mentoring and that she is “is passionate about a career in college teaching and mentoring.” Kerri notes that growing up in Appalachia, she saw first-hand the challenges to obtain a quality education and this has left her with a desire to join the faculty of a teaching university where she believes she can most effectively reach marginalized students.



Chelsea Christina Weaver is a Ph.D. Candidate in the Department of Biology. As a single parent during her undergraduate years, she was committed to showing her child that “obstacles can always be overcome with hard work.” The example she set for her child is also apparent to her men-

tors, one of whom describes her as having “exceptional time management skills and out-of-this-world work ethic.” She has been successful in obtaining research grants, but her research efforts have not been at the expense of her teaching endeavors. In 2016 the department awarded her the Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award. That she is highly recruited by senior faculty as a teaching assistant is “testament to her commitment toward novel teaching and education at the collegiate level.” Her personal experience leads to empathy with non-traditional students and she is described as “a patient and sensitive instructor in even the most difficult courses.” One mentor concludes “She is a truly outstanding human, deeply committed to the future success of both her research and the teaching of science.”

IN MEMORIAM, Fall 2018

***Member, UKAEF**

- ♦ Enedino Corales, Psychiatry
- ♦ Gilbert Friedell, Founding Director of Markey Cancer Center
- ♦ Judy Fugate, Library Science
- ♦ *Said A. Ghabrial, Plant Pathology
- ♦ Marion (Scottie) Kenkel, Spouse of the late Bill Kenkel, Sociology
- ♦ Emily Lihani, Spouse of John Lihani, Hispanic Studies
- ♦ *John R. Mink, Founding Member and Chair, Pediatric Dentistry
- ♦ Merrill Parker, Dentistry
- ♦ JoAnn Rogers, Social Work
- ♦ Norbert Tietz, Pathology

“Good teaching is forever and the teacher is immortal.”—Jesse Stuart

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, 2018-2019***

NAME _____ SPOUSE'S NAME _____
Dept./Col. _____
Address _____
Zip+4 _____ Tel. _____
E-mail address (please include, if you have one) _____

2018-19 Dues are* \$20 (includes spouse or partner

CHECK ONE: New member _____ Renewal _____

MY CONTRIBUTION TO THE FELLOWSHIP FUND*\$ _____

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**Make check for membership dues and /or fellowship donation payable to UK Association of Emeriti Faculty (UKAEF).
Mail form and check(s) to: UKAEF, c/o Casie Clements, 4812 Trillium Pl., Lexington, KY 40514-1410*

**UK ASSOCIATION OF EMERITI FACULTY
LUNCHEON RESERVATION TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2019**

I plan to attend the luncheon. Enclosed is \$ _____ for _____ reservation(s) at \$25.00 each.

NAME _____ GUEST'S NAME _____

EMAIL: _____

Necessary Change in Menu Choice: Intolerance/Allergic reaction/Religious reason: _____

I (we) need transportation. Address: _____ Tel: _____

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Note: Deadline for making reservations or to cancel reservations is Friday, February 1, 2019.



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