

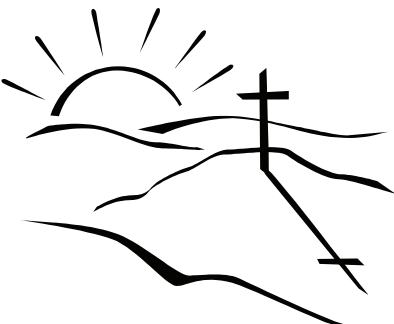
Newman Foundation Inc. at the University of Kentucky - Lexington, Kentucky

Mission Statement:

Newman Foundation Inc. is an independent and non-profit corporation that seeks to deepen and integrate personal, spiritual, and intellectual development at the Newman Center, the University of Kentucky, and the Catholic Diocese of Lexington by providing financial resources, physical facilities and initiated programs.

Inside this issue:

Letter From President <i>Dave Uckotter</i>	1
Catholic Studies Classes <i>David G. Hunter</i>	2
New Board Member Spotlight	2
Spring Break Mission Trip <i>Anna Hayes</i>	3
Grants Committee Report <i>Suzanne McGurk</i>	4



Letter From President Dave Uckotter



There is a lot of energy in the air right now. Spring arrived, bringing with it windy days, rain, sunshine, flowers and new growth. Students are leaving school and seniors are beginning new careers. The Newman Foundation is also

brought many noted Catholic scholars to Lexington since 1983. The program will improve and continue to bring speakers who are recognized leaders in Catholic thought and who will challenge us and strengthen our religious commitment.

The Cottrill-Rolfes gift, given in 2005, resulted in the Endowed Chair in Catholic Studies at UK. The proposed new Endowed Professorship in Catholic Studies will create a second Catholic voice at the university, providing students an opportunity to explore their faith in a way never before possible in Lexington.

energized by the action generated from our new capital campaign, with a focus and theme of "Enriching Our Catholic Future." Each one of us at the Foundation feels the need to take a new step in laying groundwork for future generations of Catholics to bring life to new ideas and reach new goals to achieve the previously unthinkable.

Campus ministry is growing both in the number of students served and the need to provide more services to those students yearning to make their mark in the world. The Foundation wants to prepare future church leaders through training and peer ministry. Funding for mission trips, scholarships and leadership grants, outreach to other students, retreats and other activities will be available for years to come as a result of the campaign.

The Capital Campaign to provide funds for our expanded programs officially began the weekend of April 12/13, 2008. Packets of information are available outlining each program. An informational meeting was presented at the Adult CCD program at Holy Spirit Parish on Sunday, April 13. The parish has enthusiastically embraced the campaign and matched an anonymous gift of \$60,000 within three weeks. We are already more than half-way to reaching our goal of \$3,650,000. Our website is being updated daily and PayPal is now available for on-line giving.

Fr. Tom Farrell, Pastor of Holy Spirit Parish, Fr. Larry Hehman, former Pastor and Fr. Theodore Hesburgh, President Emeritus of Notre Dame University are the Honorary Chairs of the Capital Campaign. Each of them exemplifies the spirit of growth that is necessary to successfully complete this campaign.

The Distinguished Speakers Program has

*Thank you to all who have generously contributed to the enrichment of our Catholic future by donating to the Capital Campaign.
All of the good will is immensely appreciated!*

Spring Break Trip Builds Houses and Friendships

Anna Hays

Our mission for spring break this year in Columbus, GA was to build one house in one week. With a group of 18 college students, three adults, and several construction experts, we teamed up to not only build a house, but to build a community within our group, relations with other colleges, and a home for a wonderful family. Our first goal of the trip was to learn everyone's names by the time we arrived in Columbus. While we may not have met the deadline, we certainly knew everyone by the first day of the build. Spending free time together and joining hands to complete the house bonded us. The occasional challenge of fatigue and a few projects that had to be corrected just enriched the experience and helped us work together. We proudly represented the University of Kentucky as well as the Newman Center as we were one of ten colleges in attendance for the Habitat for Humanity Collegiate Challenge. The whole group had the unique opportunity to interact with the other universities during lunch and through activities such as ice cream, kickball, and basketball during free time. One of



the highlights for me personally, as well as the rest of the group, was meeting

A group of UK students give a helping hand to Habitat for Humanity and a well-deserving family

"We teamed up to not only build a house, but to build a community within our group, relations with other colleges, and a home for a wonderful family."

the home owner. Her enthusiasm and gratefulness made the hard work, sweat, and temporary struggles worth every bit. We are all excited that she and her two children will be able to make many memories in the "Kentucky House"! In addition to building the home through Habitat for Humanity, we also met President Jimmy Carter at his Sunday school service at Maranatha Baptist Church in Plains, GA. Exploring the city of Columbus on bikes, enjoying southern hospitality, and a lot of sweet tea were also highlights of the trip. On the way back, we even cheered on the Cats at a pep rally before surviving a tornado in the Georgia Dome!

From all of us that attended spring break in Columbus, GA and also from the Biloxi, MS group, we would like to thank the Newman Foundation and friends for the generous contributions and prayers that supported us throughout this trip. We were all very excited about the opportunity and are so appreciative for being supported in such a positive and generous way!



Anna Hays

Anna Hays is a freshman at the University of Kentucky. She is originally from Tiffin, OH where she graduated from Calvert Catholic High School. Anna pledged into Delta Delta Delta this fall and now holds an office. She is part of the Freshman Leadership Development Program through campus student government, and also volunteers at the Center for Community Outreach. Her first true home however, and the place you can

find her the most, is at the Catholic Newman Center. Anna worked as a custodian last semester at the Newman Center, attended the fall retreat, serves as a leader of the newly formed "college night" youth group, and is currently planning a Newman Center trip to the March for Life in Washington D.C. She also teaches 4th grade religious education at the Newman Center, which is one of her favorite things to do. Anna now serves on the public relations and development committees.



Rosemary Vance

Rosemary Vance has been a member of the Newman Center since 1990. She received her undergraduate degree in English at the University of Louisville. She received her J.D. from the University of Kentucky College of Law. Rosemary is currently employed as a staff attorney for Hon. Darren Peckler, the

circuit judge of Boyle and Mercer counties. She also holds the position of executive director of Children of the Americas, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides medical and surgical services to children in Guatemala. She has two sons, John Christopher and Michael, and resides in Lexington, Kentucky. Rosemary now chairs the Public Relations Committee.

Grants Committee Report

Suzanne McGurk

Newman Foundation Inc. Grants Program supports Newman Center and Diocesan-wide projects that facilitate one or more of its goals of worship, fellowship, and service that are consistent with the NFI Mission Statement. Typically, grants will be awarded up to \$1,000. However, if additional funds are needed for larger projects, the Grants committee will consider them.

The committee recently completed the third grant application process for fiscal year 2007-2008. During this past year the committee awarded grants to seven organizations representing Newman Center, St. Paul, Elizabeth Ann Seaton School and Lexington Catholic High school totaling \$9810.

The next grant deadline will be Thursday, October 2, 2008. Please see the website for the application and details.



“May He support us all the long day, till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes. And the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then in His mercy may He give us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last.”

Ways to Give...

- General Donations
- Gifts in Memory
- Honorarium Gifts
- Matching Gifts

For more info contact Ronda @ 255.0880

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

E-mail: newmanfnd@kjh.net
Fax: 859.254.7519
Phone: 859.255.0880
Lexington, KY 40508-306
320 Rose Lane

Newman
Foundation Inc.

