

LeaderNotes

President's Message

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

Spring is here, bringing with it a sense of rebirth after a long winter season. In this celebratory spirit, UB kicked off the public phase of its new campaign – announcing that it has already raised more than half of its \$40 million goal (more inside).

And, despite the economic climate, our institutions continue to receive significant philanthropic support – as you will see in this edition of *LeaderNotes*. This is a testament to the quality of our students and faculty and the hard work of presidents, deans and staff to make these gifts happen.

On May 6, we will host a foundation summit at Hidden Waters, moderated by Curt Simic, president emeritus of the Indiana University Foundation and national expert on institutionally-related foundations. The chairs of our affiliated foundations and the vice presidents for institutional advancement have been invited to participate in a program that will discuss best practices and trends.

Finally, I was honored to speak at the 17th Annual CASE Conference on Institutionally Related Foundations in late March. This conference is an invaluable source of information on the work we do – covering both the emerging and perennial issues we face in this business and providing a platform to share best practices with peers.

As always, please contact me with any questions or suggestions at raley@usmd.edu. With warm regards,



Leonard R. Raley, President and CEO

UMUC Receives Anonymous \$6 Million Gift

The University of Maryland University College (UMUC) announced on April 2 that it has received an anonymous \$6 million gift. Of that amount, \$1 million is unrestricted and \$5 million will fund scholarships. Half of the scholarship monies – or \$2.5 million – will be disbursed immediately and in the coming academic year, funding approximately 400 partial and full scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000. The other \$2.5 million will be invested in an endowed fund, with the income funding a variety of annual scholarships.

“It would be hard to exaggerate the immediate, measurable and lasting impact that this remarkable act of generosity will have on the lives of hundreds of UMUC students, particularly in these challenging economic times,” said UMUC President Susan C. Aldridge. “We can only hope that this donor—whom we do not know and cannot thank in person—will hear our heartfelt thanks amplified a thousand fold in the gratitude of the students whose lives he or she has touched and whose futures have been made brighter by the promise of higher education.”

The university has already begun identifying scholarship recipients using need- and merit-based criteria. The majority of funds are going to graduates of Maryland community colleges, the spouses of active-duty or retired military service members and applicants to UMUC’s new Master of Arts in Teaching program, which promises to address critical shortages of high school teachers in fields like computer science, earth/space science and mathematics.

Estimated Endowment Investment Performance Through 3/31/09

	Endowment	S&P 500	80/20
Latest Mo	0.8 %	8.8%	7.1%
Calendar Yr	-0.8%	-11.0%	-8.8%
Fiscal Yr	-27.1%	-36.4%	-29.1%

Private investments are marked as of 12/31/2008 with markdowns assumed for outstanding private investment values.

Towson Meets France-Merrick Challenge Ahead of Schedule

Towson University has met the terms of the France-Merrick Challenge for Top 10 Scholars, creating a pool of scholarship funds for economically disadvantaged students enrolled in the university's Top 10% Program. Admission to the program is offered to Baltimore City and Baltimore County students who ranked in the top 10% of their graduating classes. Scholarship commitments total \$1.5 million and will leverage a \$500,000 grant from the France-Merrick Foundation.

Towson University wrapped up the five-year challenge in March 2009, two years ahead of schedule and just in time for the first class of Top 10% scholars to cross the commencement stage in May.

Approximately 95% of challenge-eligible contributions were designated to endowment funds, which will grow over time to provide a sustaining source of support for economically disadvantaged Top 10% students. The remainder has been earmarked for direct scholarships, which heighten the program's visibility and provide an immediate boost to the scholarship resources available to current Top 10% students. Through the generosity of the France-Merrick Foundation and donors to the challenge, 45 students have received scholarship support over the past three years.

Maureen Dowd Keynotes UB Kickoff

On March 26, the University of Baltimore (UB) hosted a reception at the university student center to kick off



Uniquely UB: The Campaign for the University of Baltimore. *New York Times* columnist Maureen Dowd was the keynote speaker of the event. The fundraising effort will raise \$40 million for student and faculty support, support of programs and centers of excellence, and constructing new facilities. UB Foundation chair Vernon H. C. Wright, '69, is heading the campaign. UB has already raised \$26.6 million toward this goal, which includes a \$5 million gift from alumnus Peter G. Angelos to the law school, the largest gift in UB's history. For more information about the campaign, see: <http://www.uniquelyub.org/index.php>.

Publicly Announced Campaigns

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Announced</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>3/31/09</u>
Bowie	11/08	\$15M	\$7.1M
Coppin	10/07	\$15M	\$3.6M
Frostburg	10/08	\$15M	\$9.1M
Salisbury	6/06	\$30M	\$31.1M
Towson	11/06	\$50M	\$35.3M
UB	3/09	\$40M	\$26.3M
UMB	10/07	\$650M	\$301.3M
UMBC	9/06	\$100M	\$97.2M
UMCES	11/07	\$8M	\$4.2M
UMCP	10/06	\$1B	\$613.1M
UMES	9/06	\$14M	\$8.8M
UMUC	2/08	\$26M	\$19.7M
<i>USM Federated</i>	-	<i>\$1.7B</i>	<i>\$1.17B</i>

Top Physician Creates Endowment for Future Scientists at the University of Maryland

University of Maryland alumnus and cardiologist Dr. Winston H. Gandy, Jr., '82, recently created a \$25,000 endowment in the College of Chemical and Life Sciences for the Maryland chapter of the National Organization for the Professional Advancement of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers to increase the number of African Americans in the chemical sciences. Co-director of the Cardiovascular Ultrasound Center at the Piedmont Heart Institute in Atlanta, Gandy is widely recognized as an expert in echocardiography, a procedure that takes "moving pictures" of the heart via sound waves. He is a founding board member of the American Cardiovascular Research Institute and is listed among "America's Leading Doctors" in *Black Enterprise* magazine.

USM Regents Faculty Awards Announced

The USM Board of Regents has announced this year's faculty awards. The awards are the highest honor presented by the board to exemplary faculty members. Presented in five categories, the awards honor excellence in teaching; scholarship, research, or creative activities; public service; mentoring; and collaboration. Each award carries a \$1,000 prize provided by the institutions and the USM Foundation. Following are the 2009 Regents' Faculty Award recipients listed by category:

TEACHING: **Michael Bardzell**, professor of mathematics at **Salisbury University**; **Clarinda Harriss**, a renowned poet and professor of English at **Towson**

University for nearly 30 years; **Jason Loviglio**, associate professor of American Studies at **UMBC**; **Cody Sandifer**, associate professor of physics, astronomy, and geosciences at **Towson University**.

RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP, CREATIVE ACTIVITY: **H. Rodger Harvey**, professor at the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science (**UMCES**); **Tobe Levin**, a collegiate professor at the **University of Maryland University College (UMUC)**, European Division; **George Taylor**, chairman and professor of the Department of Special Education at **Coppin State University** for more than 30 years.

MENTORING: **Taryn Bayles**, professor of the practice of chemical engineering in the Department of Chemical and Biochemical Engineering at **UMBC**; **Arthur Eckstein**, professor in the Department of History at the **University of Maryland**, and director of the department's honors program; **Rana Khan**, associate professor and director of biotechnology programs at **UMUC**; **Alison McCartney** of **Towson University**, co-designer of the Model United Nations Simulation.

COLLABORATION: **Gerald M. Rosen** from **UMB** and **Joseph P.Y. Kao** from **UMBI**, who combined their expertise to develop a novel approach to medical bio-imaging.

PUBLIC SERVICE: **Stephen Bartlett**, professor of surgery and medicine at the **University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB)**, and chair of the Department of Surgery; **Mary Lashley**, professor of nursing at **Towson University**; **Allen Place**, professor at the **Center of Marine Biotechnology, UMBI**; **Amit Shah**, professor of management at **Frostburg State University**.

Langenberg Lecturer Uri Treisman Kicks Off STEM Symposium

On April 22, **P. Uri Treisman**, University of Texas at Austin professor of mathematics and director of the Charles A. Dana Center, presented the 2009 Langenberg Lecture: *Perspectives on Education*, before a crowd of approximately 300 people at the Marriott Inn and Conference Center at UMUC. Treisman is a renowned advocate of education and education access. He described his work in creating UT-Austin's U-TEACH program, which enables STEM majors to become highly qualified

teachers within the same timeframe as their major by integrating education courses into science and mathematics curricula. The Langenberg Lecture was established in honor of Chancellor Emeritus **Donald L. Langenberg** to "inspire its audience with a new vision for education in this country". The event includes the Langenberg Award, which is "bestowed upon a student who has shown great promise in and commitment to a career in education." This year's award recipient is UMUC student **Jessica Raines**.

The Lecture served as a kickoff for the USM Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Symposium. The Symposium brought together System education faculty and staff, as well as educators, researchers and policy makers from across the state and beyond, to discuss the challenges associated with effectively teaching STEM subjects. **U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan** presented the new administration's priorities with respect to teacher recruitment and retention, as well as educational access and attainment.

USM Regent **Norman Augustine** led a panel at lunch in response to the morning's speakers. Augustine chaired the National Academies committee that produced the report, *Rising Above the Gathering Storm*, which concludes that STEM teachers are critical to maintaining and improving national economic competitiveness. Others on the panel included **Irving Goldstein**, USM senior vice chancellor for academic affairs (moderator); **Rizwan Siddiqi**, vice president of EBA Engineering, Inc.; **Ann Coren**, Master Science Teacher, Montgomery County Public Schools; **Wanda Ward**, acting assistant director for NSF Directorate for Education and Human Resources; **Nancy Grasmick**, Maryland State Superintendent of Schools; and **Nancy Shapiro**, USM associate vice chancellor for academic affairs.

Chancellor Kirwan has called for the USM to triple the number of math and science teachers graduating from its institutions. Each university president will develop a plan to map out strategies to boost the number of STEM teachers at their respective institutions.

A special thank you to **Whiting Turner Contracting, Inc.**, which donated \$25,000 to a scholarship fund for students who are studying to become STEM teachers. **Emmes Corporation** and USM Foundation director **Sam Zappas** also gave to this fund.

USM News Briefs

President Barack Obama announced March 30 the appointment of **Ed Montgomery**, dean of the University of Maryland College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, to be the director of recovery for auto communities and workers, part of the presidential task force on the auto industry.



President Barack Obama has chosen Maryland Secretary of Transportation **John Porcari** to be deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Porcari was the vice president for administration and finance at the University of Maryland from 2003 until 2007.

UMB President **David J. Ramsay** has announced the appointment of **Phoebe A. Haddon** as the ninth dean of the **University of Maryland School of Law**. Haddon will



be the first African-American dean in the school's 185-year history. Currently a distinguished faculty member at the Temple University Beasley School of Law, she will replace **Dean Karen H. Rothenberg**, who after a decade as dean

is stepping down to return to the faculty. Haddon earned an L.L.M. from Yale Law School and a J.D. from Duquesne University School of Law. She received a bachelor's degree from Smith College.

UB President **Robert Bogolmony** has appointed **Joseph S. Wood** provost and vice president for academic affairs effective July 1. A veteran administrator and geographer, Wood currently is the provost at the University of Southern Maine. He has a bachelor's degree from Middlebury College, a master's from the University of Vermont and a doctorate from Penn State University, all in geography.



University of Maryland President **C. D. Mote** has appointed **Ann G. Wylie** vice president for administrative affairs. She has served as interim vice president since November 2008. Wylie is a highly regarded member of the faculty who has provided exemplary senior administrative leadership in a number of capacities: as assistant president and chief of staff; interim dean of the Graduate School; associate provost; and acting associate

dean of the College of Computer, Mathematical and Physical Sciences. Wylie earned her bachelor's degree in geology from Wellesley College and her Ph.D., also in geology, from Columbia University.

The University of Maryland has announced that **Donald F. Kettl** has been named the new dean of the School of Public Policy. He will assume the post in June. Kettl is a professor of political science and the Robert A. Fox Professor of Leadership at the University of Pennsylvania. He replaces former **Steven Fetter**, who was appointed to a post in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

James P. Clements, provost and vice president for academic affairs at **Towson University**, has been named president-elect of West Virginia University in Morgantown, W.Va. effective June 30, 2009. Clements received a bachelor of science in computer science and an M.S. and Ph.D. in operations analysis from UMBC, as well as an M.S. in computer science from Johns Hopkins University.

Chancellor Brit Kirwan and the **University of Maryland School of Architecture** hosted a reception on April 7 to preview the new **Colvin Institute of Real Estate Development**.

Chancellor Kirwan hosted a dinner to welcome **Robert A. Chrencik**, the new president and chief executive officer of the **University of Maryland Medical System**. Chrencik has worked for UMMS for 25 years and previously held the post of executive vice president and chief financial officer since 1999. He earned a B.S. degree *summa cum laude* from Bucknell University. He earned an M.B.A. from Loyola College in Maryland and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Chancellor Kirwan and the **University of Maryland School of Social Work** cohosted a Chautauqua program at Hidden Waters on April 26 entitled, "**Social Change in the New Economy: How Shall We Bear the Costs?**"

Staff News

Leonard Raley has been elected to serve as chair of the CASE National Committee on Institutionally Related Foundations, effective July 1.