I have been genuinely humbled by the opportunity that I've been given. My first official day as President was May 18 and like any nursing position, it's been a trial by fire. Every day I have been challenged with learning a new process or procedure. Past President Elizabeth McGinnis, Executive Director Jeanie Carman, and the other members on the KLN board have been working tirelessly to keep me on task and moving the work of KLN forward.

Our spring educational offering will be back at the Holiday Inn Louisville East - Hurstbourne on May 14-15, 2020 so please begin now clearing your schedule to be in attendance! The Board has taken all of your wonderful comments from last year into consideration and have been working to make the 2020 conference even better than our 2019 success.

We have been working tirelessly to keep communication flowing out to the membership through our website. On the horizon, we hope to be able to add a social media presence to our communication tools. Our goal is that all these actions will offer the membership the ability to obtain real time access to current and relevant information.

I would ask, that if you see any of your KLN board members out at CEU offerings, in the hallways of your institutions, or out in public - please give them a big "Thank You". As with any job, those short words, make all the difference.

D. Scott Treadway
KLN President, 2019-2021

The Kentucky League of Nursing would like to express our deep sadness at the passing of one of our own. Cindy Whitsett Offutt was a Professor of Nursing at Hopkinsville Community and Technical College and had joined the KLN Board of Directors in 2019. She served as the Representative to the Kentucky Student Nursing Association and was dedicated to the profession of nursing, KLN, and her students. A Scholarship Fund has been established in her memory and more information is available on the KLN website.

“Never underestimate the valuable and important difference you make in every life you touch. For the impact you make today has a powerful rippling effect
The 16th Annual Nurse Educator Conference and Meeting

The annual conference will be held at the Holiday Inn East, Hurstbourne, in Louisville, KY., May 14-15, 2020! Our conference theme is “Next Generation Learning and Assessment” and we want to help you prepare to educate the next generation of nursing. Come join us for this exciting conference! Hope to see you there!


**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

Tim J. Bristol, PhD, RN, CNE, ANEF, FAADN, FAAN.

Tim Bristol is a faculty development, curriculum design, and NCLEX specialist. He has taught at all levels of nursing to include LPN, ADN, BSN, MSN, and PhD. Developing new programs, innovations in learning, and helping programs internationally, he is an expert bringing the evidence-base of nursing, healthcare, and education to students and faculty at all levels. Through consultations, writing, and mentoring, Dr. Bristol assists faculty in identifying the competencies needed to effectively enhance programs for optimal student outcomes. He has certification as a nurse educator, is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, and is internationally known for bringing excitement through success to his colleagues and students. His motto: "Today we will learn how to learn."
National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) is an independent, not-for-profit organization through which nursing regulatory bodies act and counsel together on matters of common interest and concern affecting public health, safety and welfare, including the development of nursing licensure examinations.

Poster Presentation Applications are still being considered. Please see http://www.kyleaguenursing.org for an application and submit by April 15, 2020.

Podium presentation applications are still being considered. Please see http://www.kyleaguenursing.org for an application and submit by March 15, 2020.

SPECIAL EVENING EVENT!
Join us for another annual trip to the DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE for Thursday evening, May 14, 2020. We have reserved limited seats for the performance of “Anything Goes”. Admission includes buffet dinner, coffee, or tea. Other beverages or desserts may be purchased at additional cost. First come first serve. There are limited seats available!!! Don’t forget to reserve a ticket when you complete your registration!

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES
**Want to become a part of this great organization? KLN is looking for four positions—Secretary, Treasurer, and two Board of Directors. Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting in May!**

**Responsibilities of Secretary:** Attend meetings of the board approximately monthly and record minutes; communicate to members of the board and others minutes and other notices. (This is a summary. For full description see KLN webpage)

**Responsibilities of Treasurer:** Attend meetings approximately monthly; be in custody of all KLN funds; must be bonded. Makes a monthly finance report and is responsible for maintaining records of credits and accounts for KLN. (This is a summary. For full description visit KLN webpage)

**Responsibilities of Board of Directors include:** Attend meetings of the board approximately monthly August–May each year. Attend and assist at the annual meeting/convention in May each year. Assist in planning the annual convention. Other duties as assigned.
SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!!!!

Deadline April 15, 2020

Visit http://www.kyleaguenursing.org to learn more about the following scholarships:

- Kathryn M. Mershon Nursing Faculty Scholarship - Graduate Education
- Brother Ignatius Perkins Nursing Faculty Scholarship - Certified Nurse Educator Examination
- Helen Watts Lester Carpenter Scholarship - Service Learning or Medical Missions Project
- Kentucky League for Nursing Research Scholarship

FACULTY AWARD OPPORTUNITY – Deadline April 15, 2020

- Jo Ann Maurer Wever Excellence in Nursing Education Awards