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#### **Presidents Message**

Greetings KLN Membership!

I am pleased to be corresponding to you today, as it is sunny out and this is a welcome change in the weather. I hope that each of you are having a great spring semester and are enjoying, or will soon be enjoying your spring break. It seems that this time of year flies by so quickly as everyone is busy planning spring graduation and pinning ceremonies.

This is a busy time for everyone and with all of the recent uncertainties unfolding in the legislative arena it is also an uneasy time for some. In the federal arena, the Gun Violence Research Act (HR 1478) would permit the CDC and the NIH to conduct or sponsor evidence-based research into the causes of gun violence and ways that we can reduce gun related deaths and injuries. In the past this has not been possible due to previous prohibitive legislation.

President Trump's 2019 budget blueprint proposes 145 million in cuts to HRSA's nursing programs. 83 million has been proposed to support Nurse Corps Scholarship and Loan Repayment programs, however all other HRSA nursing programs would be eliminated. Ten billion has been proposed to address the opioid epidemic and serious mental illness, which is a positive aspect of the blueprint.

On the state level, HB 445 if approved, would increase access to healthcare across the state. The current debate surrounding this bill is removing the CAPA-CS for APRN's after four years without disciplinary action related to prescribing scheduled drugs. This is the same model that was agreed on by the medical community in 2014 when the CAPA-NS was removed.

KLN remains committed to monitoring proposed legislation to advance Medical Cannabis, as well as the proposed increased tax on cigarettes (\$1.00 per pack), to deter smoking and improve the overall health of the Commonwealth. As with everyone in education, we are especially vigilant to any proposed legislation related to the Kentucky Teachers Retirement System.

I believe that amid all of the uncertainty, nurse educators are at the forefront of remaining positive and doing our best to advocate for both nursing and education. We all share a love of students and desire to help them to be successful in their educational endeavors. Nursing education is not for the faint of heart. As nurses we continue to rise above, make do with what we have, and provide competent health care providers across our beloved commonwealth.

I am very excited about our upcoming Annual Nurse Educator Conference, May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018. We have worked very hard to bring you quality speakers who are not only providing up-to-date information but are entertaining as well. We have tried to cover all aspects of relevance to nurse educators; class room, clinical, and legal. Let's not forget the fun evening that we have planned at the Derby Dinner Playhouse watching Oklahoma! For more information visit Kyleaguenursing.org. I hope to see many of you there at the Crowne Plaza!

I wish each of you a blessed and productive rest of the semester. Please feel free to to contact myself or any of your directors at the KLN. We are here to support, advocate, and educate. Please let us know how we may be of service to you.

Respectfully,

Elizabeth McGinnis MSN/Ed., BSN, RN

President: KY League for Nursing

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The 14th Annual Nurse Educator Conference and Meeting 
'Practice Ready Graduates: Translating the Science of Learning for Nurse Educators into 
Meaningful Strategies to Improve Graduate Nurse Practice Readiness'



The annual conference will be held at the Crown Plaza in Louisville, KY., May 17th-18th, 2018! We invite you to join us at the conference! If you are a nurse interested in the future of nursing education, this is the place to be! We look forward to seeing everyone at the conference!

Please see http://www.kyleaguenursing.org/ for further information regarding registration.

#### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

**Keith Rischer, MA, RN, CEN, CCRN** is an author, blogger, nurse educator, and staff nurse who has practiced for thirty-one years in a wide variety of clinical settings. He currently works in critical care and ED. Defined by his passion for nursing and excellence in education, he is a recognized authority on clinical reasoning and its relevance to nursing practice.



**David B. Daniel, PhD,** a professor of psychology at James Madison University, is a highly sought international speaker with over 25 years of classroom experience. A fellow of the Association for Psychological Science, honors include the Society for the Teaching of Psychology's Teaching Excellence Award, Transforming Education Through Neuroscience Award and is recognized as one of the top 1% of educational researchers influencing public debate. He is appointed to a panel of the National Academy of Sciences to update and expand the influential NRC report: How People Learn: Brain, Mind, Experience, and School. Nurse Educators are critical to the process of translating scientific findings for effective use in nursing education.



Dr. Daniel will discuss the science of learning, steps for responsible and high impact translation, and generate implications for Nurse Educators. Dr. Daniel's presentation is titled "Teaching is Science: Translating the Science of Learning for Nurse Educators."

#### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS cont.**

Barb Bancroft RN, MSN, PNP is a widely acclaimed national speaker, noted for her humorous, entertaining and information packed seminars. She is author of four books, her latest, Kiss My Asparagus, An Essential Guide to Nutrition's Role in Health and Disease. Barb's Presentation is entitled "Nursing Update."



**Nathan Goldman J.D.** is General Counsel to the Kentucky Board of Nursing. Mr. Goldman is a 1979 graduate of the University of Louisville School of Law. Mr. Goldman will be delivering a presentation entitled "Legally Defensible Practice for Nurse Educators."



#### **SPECIAL EVENING EVENT!**

We received a very positive response to the Derby Dinner, so we will be returning for another fun filled evening! A fun event is planned at the *DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE* for Thursday evening, May 16. We have reserved 60 seats for the performance of "Oklahoma." Admission includes coffee or tea. Other beverages or desserts may be purchased at additional cost. First come first serve. 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 TWO Directors to serve on the board!! Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting in May!\*\*

**Responsibilities include:** Attend meetings of the board approximately monthly A ugust –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.

To Stay Up to Date Regarding What is New with KLN, visit the website: http://www.kyleaguenursing.org/ **(** 

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### Connect with peers at a KLN Conference

# **DON'T MISS THE FUN! REGISTER NOW!**











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