



Scroll & Quill SOCIETY

News & Notes: Fall 2016

Welcome to our first [Scroll & Quill Society](#) newsletter! These periodic emails are intended to provide a few brief updates on [Scroll & Quill](#) activities and on our members throughout the year.

We hope everyone is having an enjoyable and productive fall semester so far. It is hard to believe that it is November already, but it is always great to see so many programs and projects in full swing mid-semester! We look forward to seeing you at our November Member Talk next week with our new Vice President for Research and Dean of the College of Graduate Studies, and to hearing more from you in the weeks and months ahead!



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November Member Talk

All members should have received a calendar invite from the [Office of Faculty Excellence](#) for our upcoming event. We look forward to welcoming [Dr. Elizabeth Klonoff](#), Vice President for Research and Dean of the College of Graduate Studies. [Dr. Cynthia Young](#) will open the afternoon program and Dr. Klonoff will address our group on her vision for the future of research and scholarship at UCF. It is always exciting to hear from new leaders on campus.

Dr. Klonoff specifically reached out to identify opportunities to meet and engage with faculty. We hope you will join us in giving her a warm welcome during her talk and the reception following.

The event will take place on **Thursday, Nov. 10, from 3 - 4:30 p.m. in [The Burnett Honors College Reading Room](#).**

A firm RSVP is kindly requested by Friday, Nov. 4, 2016. Please contact [Jennifer Kent-Walsh](#) if you have questions or the [Office of Faculty Excellence](#) if you did not receive the calendar invite for the event.



Spring Application Period

Please watch for announcements about the next Scroll & Quill Society application period in early Spring 2017. We would appreciate it if you could help to spread the word about the application period to colleagues who may be eligible to apply for induction this year.

Additionally, if you would be interested in serving on this year's Application Review Committee, and you have not already let us know, please email the [Office of Faculty Excellence](#) to indicate your willingness to serve.

August Social

We want to extend thanks to the members who were able to join us for our August Social. It was great to reconvene and have a chance to catch up and kick off the new semester as a group!

As you will see below, during the August Social, we asked members to give us updates on their ongoing work. We are asking all members to continue contacting Faculty Excellence at facultyexcellence@ucf.edu throughout the year to send us updates on things such as promotions, awards, new positions, major grants, and major publications.

We look forward to continuing to track and celebrate the successes of all of our incredibly talented and productive members!



Member Updates & Kudos

Congratulations to the following Scroll & Quill members who reported some fantastic updates on their work since our Induction Ceremony in April 2016.



Dr. Jiyu Fang

Dr. Fang was appointed to the rank of Professor of Materials Science and Engineering at UCF.

For more information on Dr. Fang, [click here](#).

Dr. Debbie Hahs-Vaughn

Dr. Hahs-Vaughn was promoted to the rank of Professor of Education and Human Sciences and appointed as the new Assistant Vice Provost for Faculty Excellence at UCF.

For more information on Dr. Hahs-Vaughn, [click here](#).



Dr. Peter Jacques

Dr. Jacques was appointed to the rank of Professor of Political Science at UCF.

For more information on Dr. Jacques, [click here](#).

Dr. Jennifer Kent-Walsh

Dr. Kent-Walsh was named a Fellow of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and received the Editor's Award for Most Significant Research Article of 2015 in Augmentative and Alternative Communication, the official journal of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication.

For more information on Dr. Kent-Walsh, [click here](#).



Dr. Humberto López Cruz

Dr. López was awarded a sabbatical for 2016-17.

For more information on Dr. López, [click here](#).

Dr. Moshe Pelli

Dr. Pelli published his 17th book, entitled Kochvei Yitzhak the Journal of the Haskalah in the Austro-Hungarian Empire (1845–1873): A Monograph and Annotated Index to 'Kochvei Yitzhak' (The Hebrew University Magnes Press).

For more information on Dr. Pelli, [click here](#).



Dr. Linda Walters



Dr. Walters and colleagues were awarded a \$1.6 million National Science Foundation grant to study the long-term effects of restoration efforts in Indian River Lagoon (Volusia County) from an interdisciplinary perspective. Dr. Walters also received INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine's 2016 Inspiring Women in STEM Award in recognition of outstanding work in student mentoring.

For more information on Dr. Walters, [click here](#).