

Getting to know CHANCELLOR SARTARELLI



After being named UNCW's Chancellor, Zito Sartarelli and his wife Kathy visit UNCW on April 10.

■ What story does your family always tell about you?

We were six in total, three girls and three boys. My siblings always talk about how protective my father was of me when growing up – the youngest could not be touched.

■ What part of your morning routine do you consider essential?

Having a good breakfast of hot chocolate, orange juice, one egg and papaya.

■ Do you cook?

I do not, but I love eating pasta of any kind and helping to clean after a good meal.

■ Which book are you currently reading?

I am currently reading three books: *Isabella, The Warrior Queen* by Kirstin Downey; *Napoleon: A Life* by Andrew Roberts and *The Art of Being Unreasonable* by Eli Broad. I love reading history and the potential lessons from it. The third one is about how to question conventional wisdom in everything we do.

■ What do you do to maintain balance in your life?

By organizing my days/weeks/months into lists, I am able to take a bird's-eye view of everything I have to do and am able to balance work and life.

■ What do you do with 30 minutes of free time?

I make sure to walk outside, enjoy the sun, smell the flowers. The outside world is beautiful; focused on our devices, we often fail to appreciate it.

■ Metaphorically speaking, what is the most important tool in your toolbox?

Probably my ability to analyze and synthesize information.

■ For what are you grateful?

For a wonderful family with loving parents and siblings and for my wonderful wife; for strangers who have helped me in life with counsel and at times with resources; for the scholarships that have allowed me to become what I am today; for friends who have been there for me; and for my God.

■ What music would be on your playlist for a long road trip?

Beatles (Sergeant Pepper album), Gianni Morandi (Italian singer), Raul Seixas (Brazilian singer), Motown.

■ What makes you laugh?

Listening to Garrison Keillor in "A Prairie Home Companion" when he is really inspired.

■ What is something that is widely available and yet underappreciated?

A simple thank you.