

# Southern Factor

January 2013

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

## GADD AND PENNINGTON HONORED AT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

President Gordon Bietz awarded Southern employees for their service on campus and in the community at the employee Christmas brunch on December 2.

Robert Gadd, Ph.D., professor in the School of Business and Management, was awarded \$500 and the President's Award for Community Service Excellence. This award is presented to an employee who has made a difference in the community beyond campus.



Gadd was nominated by South-

ern employees for his service to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chattanooga. Every Thursday for the last five years, Gadd has prepared a breakfast for about 50 people at the Ronald McDonald House.

Gadd buys all the food with his own money and prepares it himself. His wife assists with cleanup. Some of the foods he cooks include pastries, scones, egg and hash brown casseroles, French toast, and monkey bread.

Susan Pennington, assistant dean of women, was also awarded \$500 and the President's Award for Customer Service at the brunch. She was nominated for the award by students.

"Dean Pennington is one of the most caring, patient, and loving people I've interacted with on campus," a student wrote. "She is very giving of her time, is willing to stay past her normal hours, and goes above and beyond her duty to help residents."



Congratulations to Professor Gadd and Dean Pennington. Southern is honored to have two fine examples of Christian service and humility.

- by Ingrid Hernandez -

## HATS OFF!

"Thank you Advancement and Southern family for your many kind words and well wishes as I transition to new life and work opportunities. After 14 years it's difficult to say farewell, but thankfully we'll still be in the area, and there's always email and Facebook! I am grateful for your support to build Southern's annual giving program, and the chance to have learned so much from so many of you! My heart and prayers will be with you for continued success to benefit Southern and its dear students, as well as the greater mission we share to hasten Jesus' return. Please keep in touch!"

- Patrice Hieb -

"Many thanks to the students, staff, and faculty of the School of Nursing for showcasing our wonderful programs to the Tennessee Board of Nursing on their November visit. The written report has been received and reflects very positively on Southern and the School of Nursing."

- Barbara James -

## DEPARTMENT NEWS



The Christmas toy and coat drive, sponsored by the Social Work Club along with local nonprofit Breakaway Outreach, was a huge success! About 50 students helped in wrapping and delivering 70 toys, 80 coats, and 40 Bibles to more than 75 children and their families. Professors Annette and Adam Heck, along with Arianne and Jonathan Brigner, played a key role in supporting the month-long donation effort and needs assessment event.

## DEPARTMENT NEWS (CONT.)

Information Systems took part in a Christmas tree decorating contest. Here is proof of their holiday spirit!



## PERSONAL NEWS

On November 20, Ted and **Christy Showalter** welcomed Jacob Stanley, who weighed in at seven pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 inches long.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

An article written by **Samson Chama** and former graduate students Julie Falle and Lisa Koffler, titled “Strengthening Community Care-Based Options for Children Orphaned by HIV and AIDS in Zambia: A Nexus of Cultural Competency and Translational Research,” was published in the *Baraton Interdisciplinary Research Journal*.

**Herman Odens** was selected as a Hamilton Company 2012 Product Grant recipient, obtaining \$1,000 worth of precision syringes used in research.

**Carlos Martin** made four presentations at Camp Kulaqua in December for all the Hispanic pastors and church elders of the Florida Conference. He also traveled to Guatemala and Argentina to secure ground work in the destinations where Southern students will proclaim the gospel in May. These trips included talks with the union administration, and the administration of participating conferences, meeting with all participating pastors, meetings with church leaders of all participating churches, and evangelistic rallies on a Sabbath afternoon.

“Creation, Christ, Salvation,” the third volume of **Norman Gulley’s** Systematic Theology Series, was published by Andrews University Press.

**Stephen Bauer** gave the presidential address, “Creation and Kenosis,” to the joint session of the Adventist Theological Society and the Adventist Society for Religious Studies.

In November, **Tara Hargrove** and **Linda Crumley** presented a poster titled “‘They Tricked Me Into Going’: Retrospective Accounts of Parental Deception During Entry Into Faith-Based Residential Care” at the National Communication Association Convention in Orlando, Florida.

**Jan Haluska’s** article, “The Formula Essay Reconsidered” in *The Journal of Adventist Education* (February/March 2012), was chosen for condensed reprinting in *Education Digest* (December 2012.)

**Michael Hasel** presented two different professional papers on at the American Schools of Oriental Research and the Society of Biblical Literature in Chicago, Illinois, November 17-19. He spoke for the grand opening of “The Battle Over King David” exhibit at the Lynn H. Wood Archaeological Museum here on campus.

**Rene Drumm, Lorri Merchant, Stanley Stevenson,** and **Kristie Wilder** attended the Brief Therapy Counseling Conference December 4-7 in San Francisco, California, which focused on various short-term approaches to therapy and counseling.

**Jessi Fraker** and **Brooks Kirschmann** taught a Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) class to 10 women December 3-5 in Thatcher South. Campus Safety is enthused that these women took a step forward in having more tools with which to defend themselves.

**Joelle Wolf** and **Judy Dedeker** attended a November conference in Honolulu, Hawaii on pharmacology, maternal child update, and infectious disease.

## Marketing and University Relations

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## SAVE THE DATE

**January 8** - Classes Begin

**January 21** - Community Service Day

**January 27** - Symphony Orchestra Concerto Concert

## CHANGING FACES

**Southern welcomes the following employees:**

**Luis Rodas** to McKee Library

**Minodora Perchik** to Food Services

**Best wishes to the following employees in their new positions:**

**Lillian Loza** from Student Finance Counselor to Associate Director at Enrollment Services

**Brittany Poarch** from Office Manager to Student Finance Counselor at Enrollment Services

## ENERGY TIPS

*from Energy Management*

- + During winter, keep a blanket near the crack of the door so cold air doesn't get into the house.
- + Keep your thermostat as high as is comfortable in the summer and as cool as is comfortable in the winter. For each one degree (F) you turn down the thermostat in the winter, you'll save up to five percent on your heating costs.
- + Turn lights off when you leave the room. It takes more energy to leave lights on than to turn them on and off.
- + Check for holes or cracks around your walls, ceilings, windows, doors, lighting and plumbing fixtures, switches, and electrical outlets that can leak air into or out of your home.

## BIRTHDAYS

January 1	<b>Victoria Eaton</b> , Education and Psychology <b>Daniel Maxwell</b> , McKee Library <b>John Muaya</b> , Service Department
January 2	<b>Mike Fisher</b> , Plant Services <b>Carlos Martin</b> , Religion
January 3	<b>Jennifer Huck</b> , McKee Library
January 5	<b>Leon Bowers</b> , Food Services <b>Clarise Nixon</b> , English <b>Rick Norskov</b> , Biology
January 6	<b>Aaron Corbit</b> , Biology
January 7	<b>Susan Brown</b> , Religion
January 8	<b>Laurie Gauthier</b> , Graduate Studies <b>Judy Robertson</b> , Information Systems
January 10	<b>Robert Gadd</b> , Business and Mngmt. <b>Dusty Miller</b> , Talge
January 12	<b>Conni Cash</b> , Nursing <b>Brooks Kirschmann</b> , Campus Safety <b>Fred McClanahan</b> , Enrollment
January 13	<b>Kris Erskine</b> , History
January 14	<b>Dennis Negron</b> , English
January 15	<b>Angi Howell</b> , Enrollment
January 16	<b>Volker Henning</b> , Academic Administration <b>Sue Kaufman</b> , Advancement <b>Julie Penner</b> , Music
January 17	<b>Justo Morales</b> , Religion <b>Bernetta Shockley</b> , Food Services
January 19	<b>Dan Burks</b> , Education and Psychology <b>Ann Foster</b> , Biology <b>Dan Turkenkopf</b> , Food Services
January 20	<b>Katie McGrath</b> , McKee Library <b>Stephanie Sheehan</b> , Business and Mngmt. <b>John Thompson</b> , Transportation <b>Becky Whetmore</b> , Writing Center
January 21	<b>Josh Bennett</b> , Technology Department <b>Martin Klingbeil</b> , Religion
January 22	<b>Joelle Wolf</b> , Nursing
January 23	<b>Don Crumley</b> , Records and Advisement
January 25	<b>Anne Underwood</b> , Univ. Health Center <b>Candance Wing</b> , Univ. Health Center
January 26	<b>Yolande Burrus</b> , Music
January 27	<b>Hollie O'Brien</b> , Inst. Research and Planning <b>Doug Tilstra</b> , Education and Psychology
January 31	<b>Eli Courey</b> , Information Systems