

# SpotLights

## Lights Volunteers: Connecting to a World of Service

Summer 2017

### Good First Impressions: We-Haul

We-Haul will be upon us in a few weeks—a significant opportunity for extending excellent hospitality and customer service to our incoming students! I invite each of you to participate as we assist students moving into Thatcher and Talge halls from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 23, and Tuesday, August 15. We need greeters, haulers, and parking lot attendants. To sign up for one or both events, visit [southern.edu/wehaul](http://southern.edu/wehaul).

Thank you in advance for making a difference to students at Southern!

Leslie Ann Schwarzer, *We-Haul Coordinator*



### How We're Spending Summer

**James, Rae Reta** and daughter-in-law, **Susan Peel** went with the male chorus, InSpirit, to Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, and had a wonderful time. They visited the water gardens, the marionette Sound of Music near Salzburg, and spent Sabbath in Darmstadt, Germany. Other places on their itinerary included Rothenberg (GR), and a few spots in Switzerland—Mt. Pilatus, Engelberg, and Mt. Titlis. What beautiful views! InSpirit performed five concerts with Roland Carter and Robert Sims. The group even sang on Mt. Pilatus. Most (85 in number) rode in double decker busses. It was a very special tour, because a number of Peel/Lemon family members were able to join them on this memorable trip.

**Leslie Ann Schwarzer** has been busy decluttering and clearing out two garages, plus her basement and will be heading for a visit to Yellowstone National Park in mid-August. She's excited about experiencing the national solar eclipse out there on Monday, August 21.

**Carole Kilcher** has been traveling to see her grandkids and will be co-presenting with her cousin in a Women's Ministry break-out group at Alaska Campmeeting.

**Rita Vital** has decided she's going to get her garage looking like **Leslie Ann Schwarzer's**!

**John and Helen Durichek** helped Southern host an alumni reception for the Southern Union 55+ Convention in June. A number of alumni visited Lynn Wood Hall and The Dollhouse where upgrades to the lawn are continuing.

**Jeanne Unterseher** just returned from three weeks in North Dakota and Minnesota visiting friends and family. And is looking forward to a two-week medical mission trip to Kenya in this month. She says, "God is good!"

**Landon Steele** has been building his documentary film company, Curious Mind Films. One project they've been working on is making mini-documentaries about everyday people who have a hobby or craft that they're especially passionate about. Four mini-docs have been filmed so far with more to come.

**Barbara Granada** is in Quito, Ecuador, reconnecting with long lost family this month.

After a long-planned 10-day trek with friends along Cornwall UK's beautiful SW Coastal Path, **Dennis and Lila Tidwell** hurried back to Collegedale to do laundry and pack for their next adventure—Hanoi, Vietnam! It was there they minded ADRA Vietnam while the country director and family took a well-deserved vacation and attended the Missions Institute. Dennis says Hanoi was almost unrecognizable from the way it was when they established ADRA Vietnam more than 25 years ago. It was gratifying for them to meet the enthusiastic group of new believers at the Vietnamese language Adventist Church in Hanoi. When Dennis and Lila moved to Hanoi in 1993, they were the only Adventists in Vietnam living north of the former demilitarized zone (DMZ).

**Archie and Rozella Moore** have had a wonderful Summer so far and aren't done yet. They purchased a small RV this past Spring and have planned trips for every month beginning in May. First, they traveled to the "sugar white" sands and crystal clear waters of Gulf Shores, Alabama, where they went on a

boat cruise to see the dolphins. They were also able to see the Blue Angels perform in Pensacola, Florida. In June, they headed to Oak Mountain State Park near Birmingham, Alabama, where there were many places to walk, swim, boat, and fish. It was here they enjoyed a nature preserve where wounded animals and birds are rehabilitated. This month Archie and Rozella will visit the Great Smokey Mountains, and in August they'll be heading to North Carolina for a family reunion.

In addition to being a Lights Volunteer, **Dr. Gordon Guild** volunteers with the *It Is Written* team to put on evangelistic meetings in various countries. The first part of June, a group of 200 plus volunteers ministered to the people of Mongolia, and Gordon not only treated the people medically, but gave health talks. Then wife, **Carol**, met him in Fairbanks, Alaska, where they, along with **Greg and Dolly Hocking**, cruised for 10 days. After returning from Alaska, the Guilds traveled to Grayling, Michigan, where Gordon was the youth camp doctor for two weeks. The first week there were over 200 teens, and that was a fun experience! The rest of the summer they're spending with their grandkids.

Volunteering is at the very core of being a human. No one has made it through life without someone else's help.

—Heather French Henry

### Save the Date

#### July

##### 23 We-Haul

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Sign up at [southern.edu/wehaul](http://southern.edu/wehaul)

#### August

##### 08 Wellness Assessment

6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

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##### 15 We-Haul

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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##### 17 Lights Volunteers Supper

5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Presidential Banquet Room



**Bruce Stepanse** and his wife, Jeanette, went to Nuremberg, Germany, in April where they embarked on a Viking River Cruise to Budapest, Hungary, followed by a drive to Prague, Czechoslovakia. During May they had an extended family and friends' celebration of their daughter, Jill's wedding in Greensboro, Georgia, at a Ritz Carlton Resort. This was followed by their annual family vacation down in the Rosemary Beach area. At the end of June, the Stepanseks drove to Pigeon Forge to watch their nephew play in a baseball tournament for 12-year olds. Forty-three teams from many states participated. (It's great to know that baseball for the young is alive and well.) July will find Bruce and Jeanette at another family reunion in this area on the lake, and during August they head to Chicago to take in a Cubs game and sightsee for a few days. Then! They will meet fellow Lights Volunteers (and friends) **Bruce and Judy Anderson** and drive up to the Anderson's "other place" in Mackinaw City, Michigan, for several days.

**Susan Peel's** daughter, Heather, became engaged to David Orvek on July 4!

## Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

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#### 20 Organization Showcase

Sign-up to volunteer serving haystacks in the gym; Eight volunteers will be needed from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; call Leslie Ann at 423-236-2555

### October

#### 05 2017 Presidential Gala Honoring Servant Leaders in Chattanooga

In early September, an email will go out asking for volunteers to commit to helping at this annual event in early October. Requests will likely be for Wednesday/Thursday, October 4-5 to assist with decorating the gym and placing table settings; there will also be a probable need for food preparation in Food Services department as well as greeting guests as they arrive at the gym, etc. Be thinking about how you'd like to participate!

## 2017 Annual Outing

National Cornbread Festival  
South Pittsburg, Tennessee  
April 30, 2017

