

Southern Factor

June 2012

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

BIETZ BYLINE

“From the Top” Hosted by WSMC

As part of its 50th anniversary celebration, WSMC hosted the NPR program “From the Top,” downtown at the Tivoli Theater (photo of Tivoli on page 4). I found the talent of the young musicians astounding. The performances were excellent and the interviews were interesting.

You can listen to the broadcast of the Chattanooga program at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 17. [Go to WSMC »](#)

Recommended Read: *The Reason for God* by Timothy Keller

I just finished reading *The Reason for God* and would recommend it to anyone who has experienced the mounting pressure of a secular society that discounts God’s existence, and questions the biblical account of life on earth. Timothy Keller is a minister in New York City where he has had many opportunities to confront those who would discount the presence of God in their lives. He is an apologist for Christianity and mounts cogent arguments for taking a Christian worldview. It is a good read for those who would like to stiffen their Christian backbone against societal trends. My only disagreement with him is that he follows Francis Collins (*The Language of God*) in his theistic evolution approach, but don’t let that perspective discount a good book.



SOUTHERN IN THE MEDIA

“Lacorte, Aldan Lead New Graduates of NMA”

sapian tribune, May 23

“Mingle with Tingle Raises Funds for Families”

chattanooga.com, May 22

“A Pioneer Online Educator’s Revolutionizing Odyssey”

newsreleasewire.com, May 22

“Collegedale Commission Takes Action to Improve Overall Quality of City Developments”

chattanooga.com, May 22

“Chattanooga Area Health Briefs”

timesfreepress.com, May 17

“Most Apps Don’t Make Enough Money to Break Even”

nooga.com, May 11

“Southern Hosts Wellness Conference June 10-11”

chattanooga.com, May 9

“Gilbert Oldest Southern Adventist Graduate”

wdef.com, May 7

“York College Announces Faculty Changes”

yorknewstimes.com, May 1

ENERGY-SAVING TIPS

from Energy Management

- Avoid placing lamps or TV sets near your air-conditioning thermostat. The thermostat senses heat from these appliances, which can cause the air conditioner to run longer than necessary.
- Turn off fans when you leave a room. Fans cool people, not rooms.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ben Thornton and **Rick Norskov** attended the 73rd annual meeting of the Association of Southeastern Biologists (ASB) at the University of Georgia on April 5 and 6. Besides numerous professional workshops, more than 130 student research poster sessions were given. A poster was presented by **Naomi Jackson**, a biology major from Southern's Biology/Allied Health Department.

Evonne Crook, director of Alumni Relations, attended an all-day seminar in May to learn more about Facebook marketing for increased alumni engagement.

Adrienne Royo attended the Council of Independent Colleges workshop "Promoting Institutional Effectiveness through Collaboration", May 15-18, in Providence, Rhode Island.

John and **Januwoina Nixon** spent 10 days in Zambia helping conduct a camp meeting between the Lusaka Central and University churches. More than 2,000 people attended. John preached twice a day and did counseling. Januwoina taught 9-12-year-old children each morning and conducted a seminar on Christian parenting. At the end of the camp meeting 59 precious souls were baptized. There are also more than 20 people preparing for baptism.

Khirbet Qeiyafa, Southern Adventist University's excavation cosponsored with the Hebrew University, was featured on the international news including articles in MSNBC, FoxNews, and the Washington Post regarding the discovery of cultic artifacts dating back to the time of Saul and David. The ancient fortress overlooks the Elah Valley where the famous battle between David and Goliath took place according to the Bible. The site was also featured as the cover story in the *Biblical Archaeology Review* June issue.

Michael Hasel and **Martin Klingbeil** are currently writing and editing with other team members the final publications of the site which will be released in three volumes over the next several years.

Edwin Reynolds, professor of New Testament and biblical languages, will attend the Third International Seventh-day Adventist Bible Conference in Jerusalem (June 11-21) and present a paper titled, "Away from the Body and at Home with the Lord: 2 Cor 5:1-10 in Context." The theme of

the conference is "Issues in Biblical Anthropology from an Adventist Perspective."

Melodie Lopez, along with **Laurie Gauthier**, attended the conference of the National Association of Graduate Admissions Professionals (NAGAP) in Austin, Texas, April 25-27. Melodie was a recorder/reporter for one of the presentations. Her session summary will be published in *Perspectives*, a newsmagazine for graduate admissions professionals. In March, Melodie, along with **Joni Zier** and **Sandy Tucker**, attended the annual Adventist Association of Collegiate Admissions Officers and Registrars (AACAOR) meeting held on the campus of Washington Adventist University.

Ed Guthero, was featured in *inspire*, a new online site.

Ed Guthero, associate professor of graphic design at Southern Adventist University, recently conducted an [extensive interview](#) with his colleague and friend, Nathan Greene. Anyone interested in pursuing illustration and fine art as a career should find this very helpful.

Michael Hills, assistant professor of education and psychology at Southern Adventist University, was elected president of the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Rescue Services (CHCRS). Chartered in 1937, CHCRS is a tax-exempt, not-for-profit corporation dedicated to assist with cave and cliff accidents, vertical and technical rescue, search and rescue, wildland fire fighting with red card certification, rehab of fire and rescue personnel, SCBA breathing air replacement service in the field, hazmat decon, underground hazmat response, confine space rescue, and automobile accident extraction.

PERSONAL NEWS

Jonathan Durichek will be marrying Ruth Ferrell on June 24 at 3 p.m. in the **Chattanooga First Seventh-day Adventist Church**.

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We welcome your comments and news.
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HATS OFF!

The School of Social Work faculty and staff would like to give recognition to our fearless leader, **Rene' Drumm**. Even amidst the demands of getting a new MSW program off the ground and accredited (for the third straight year) she continues to have an open-door policy for her faculty, staff, and students. We love and admire all that she brings to our program!

-Cheryl Martin

I would like to express my appreciation for the many times **Eli Courey** has helped with computer problems.

-Ray Hefferlin

Sharon Robberson & Leslie Schwarzer would like to thank the following people:

We would like to thank **Kim Sturm, Clair Kitson, Scott Cluckey, Steve Holley, Beasley Frazier, Bruce Myers, and Nathan Recchia**, from Plant Services, for all their help getting ready for the Origins Grand Opening, hanging the banner, making sure the power washing happened at Hickman Science Center, and for getting the railings painted. It looks like a new building!

We would like to give a special thank you to **Dwayne Gardner**, sign shop manager, for his ideas, his interest in problem solving our signage issues, and his ingenuity. He truly astounds us.

We would like to thank the following members of Campus Safety: **Josh Fraker, Seth Sutherland, and Brittany Baldwin** for their help with traffic control and access during the recent McKee meeting in Iles; **Don Hart**, for his assistance with all the access keys during the recent SACS Accreditation Team visit and for great suggestions in handling crowds of visitors on campus when Doug Batchelor was here.

A special thanks to **Dave Allemand** and **Caroline Kelley**, from Energy Management, for keeping Southern warm or cool no matter what time of day. We appreciate your efficiency.

Thank you to **Donnie Lighthall, Dennis Schreiner, and Richard Long**, from the Service Department for all the set-up configurations of the various tables and chairs for our events. The Board of Trustees set looked great and so did the banquet events.

We would like to give a special thank you to **Mark Antone, Troy Dewind, Todd Wever**, and their crews of student workers, from Landscape Services. They do a beautiful job all the time to make our campus look extra special on the outside.

We would like to thank the following members of Audio Visual Services. **Gary Horinouchi, Nick White, Chris Price, Justin Delhove, Craig Christiansen, Lucas Tanka, and Aric Turlington** for their help with the spring McKee meeting, the Long-Term Care Banquet, the Origins Grand Opening, and the Board of Trustees events. They've been terrific at solving all our sound and lighting needs.

Hats off to **Sherri Schoonard, Jeri Pewsey, and Bernetta Shockley**, from Food Service, for all the break foods and snacks over the last couple of months. A special thanks goes to **Terry Evans** for making all the oatmeal-craisin dinosaur cookies for the Origins Grand Opening. He is the master baker, and the cookies were an enormous hit!

CHANGING FACES

Southern welcomes the following employees:

Barbara Edens to Strategic Initiatives
Cynthia Hiebert to Village Market
Gary Sewell to Information Systems
Jason Smith to Campus Safety
Teresa Spangenberg to Transportation
Aaron Corbit to Biology
Blake Laing to Physics
Nicholas Livanos to Visual Art
Ben McArthur to History
Lorri Merchant to Social Work

Fond farewells to the following employees:

Frank Di Memmo from McKee Library
Kenneth Willes from Visual Art
Henry Kuhlman from Physics

Best wishes to the following employees in their new positions:

Herdy Moniyung from associate director to director in Information Systems.
Jane Mote from office manager to administrative assistant in Information Systems.

SAVE THE DATE

Wellness Summit

June 10-11

Keynote speakers at this conference in the Hulsey Wellness Center include Mike Huckabee, the former governor of Arkansas who lost 110 pounds through lifestyle changes, and Neil Nedley, author and medical director of the Nedley Depression Recovery Program. The program is designed to educate people on how to build successful wellness practices in their homes and communities. Visit southern.edu/wellnesssummit for further event and ticket information.

PHOTOS FROM THE PRESIDENT



More than 1,000 people attended "From the Top."

BIRTHDAYS

June 1	Beasley Frazier , Plant Services
June 2	Shawn Engle , Information Systems Kimberly Muaya , Accounting Services Danita Payne , Campus Shop
June 4	Brennon Kirstein , Chaplain's Office Lori Thompson , Advancement
June 8	Isaac James , Marketing Carleton Swafford , Graduate Studies
June 10	Bryce Enevoldson , Information Systems Adam Heck , Mathematics Kari Shultz , Student Services
June 11	Linda Brooks , Visual Art and Design
June 12	Brenda DeGrave , Village Market Jillian Wills , Nursing
June 13	Mitch Menzmer , Chemistry
June 14	Kassandra Krause , Thatcher Hall
June 15	Cynthia Bietz , Financial Administration
June 16	Greg Rumsey , Journalism & Comm.
June 17	Bruce Myers , Plant Services
June 19	Kelly Crawford , University Health Center Edwin Reynolds , Religion.
June 20	Zuzana Rachal , Food Services Shannon Trecartin , Social Work
June 21	Brian Laneville , Food Services
June 22	Robert William Raney , Advancement
June 23	Valerie Howard Mirande , Village Market Stanley Stevenson , Social Work
June 24	Alfred. Miyagi , Food Services
June 25	Lynelle Renee Ellis , Journalism & Comm. Thomas Verrill , Financial Administration
June 27	David Houtchens , Campus Safety Darin Bissell, P.E. , Health and Wellness Linda Suzanne Case , Food Services Edward Guthero , Visual Art and Design
June 28	Mary King , University Health Center
June 29	Marc Boyson , Visual Art and Design