

Southern Factor

September 2012

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

BIETZ BYLINE

Higher Education Mission Conference

I attended a mission conference in Nashville, Tennessee planned by the Adventist Association of Colleges and Universities. About 100 education leaders from the North American Division (and a few from overseas) gathered to reflect on the subject, "Nurture and Inquiry: Tensions in Adventist Education."

Lowell Cooper, vice president for the General Conference, led off the event with a talk titled "Shifting Horizons, Steady Compass." Belle Wheelan, president of the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges presented Friday morning on "The Relationship of Faith-Based Institutions, Their Denominations, and the Accrediting Associations." Friday afternoon was spent reviewing the book Steve Pawluk and I edited, titled, "Seventh-day Adventist Higher Education in North America: Theological Perspectives and Current Issues." Friday evening John Mark Reynolds, provost of Houston Baptist University, spoke; his presentation was followed by some lively discussion.

The meetings were very helpful and the networking that was done was important. It is vital for the various segments of the church who deal with higher education issues to get together for conversations about subjects of importance to our mission.



SOUTHERN IN THE MEDIA

Students Give Chattanooga Parks Some TLC
wdef.com, August 29

HATS OFF!

Alumni Relations and Advancement would like to thank the faculty, staff, alumni, and **Lights Volunteers** who helped during the "We-Haul" student move-in events in July and August. By generously sharing your time and hospitality, our new students and their families felt warmly welcomed to campus. Many expressed their appreciation for providing this service.

Sharon Rogers wants to thank **Barry Becker** for being her earth angel one morning. He saw she was driving with a flat tire and came to her rescue by saying "I will take care of it for you." She also wants to thank **Campus Safety** for helping her out in a downpour by jump-starting her car so she could drive to get a new battery.

The School of Journalism and Communication staff and faculty are delighted to welcome **Pam Harris** back to Southern as a professor in their department. She will be teaching courses in public relations, journalism, and speech starting this fall.

PERSONAL NEWS

Don and **JP Mathis** have a new grandson, Camdon Roy Watkins, born June 20. Both his parents, Nicole and Chadd Watkins, are alumnus of Southern. He is their second grandson. At birth, his weight was 8 pounds 11 ounces and he was 21 inches long.

Adrienne Royo's son, Daniel David Royo, was ordained in Danville, Virginia, August 4.

Kathy Goddard donated stem cells to her sister who has had lymphoma and is pre-leukemic. They did three retrievals and transplants. They are praising God because it appears that the bone marrow graft has taken!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Liane de Souza completed her Doctor of Philosophy on August 1.

Ray Hefferlin had an article titled “Internuclear Separations Using Least Squares and Neural Networks for 46 New Main-Group Diatomics” posted on vixra.org.

Ray Carson presented at two breakout sessions during the North American Division (NAD) Teacher’s Convention in Nashville, Tennessee on August 6 and 7. The sessions were titled, “Practical Applications of Technology Education” and “The Value of Career Guidance,” which reported the results of his research on pre-college career guidance within the Southern Union.

Rhonda Scott, Blake Laing, Ben Thornton, and Jan Cathey gave presentations at the NAD Teachers’ Convention. Scott, Laing, and Thornton gave a presentation titled “Preparing Students for College Science Courses.” Scott and Cathey also gave two presentations titled “Making Secondary Science Real with Lab Notebooks and Whiteboards” and “Making Middle School Science Real with Lab Notebooks and Whiteboards.”

Jaclynn Huse attended the Sigma Theta Tau International Conference for Nursing Research in Brisbane, Queensland Australia from July 30 to August 3.

Adrienne Royo presided over a breakout session, “Languages - Tools for Faith Sharing,” on August 7 at the NAD Teachers’ Convention. She also interpreted for the Adventist Theological Seminary of Cuba personnel on August 9-11, at the 2012 Adventist-laymen’s Services and Industries (ASI) Convention in Nashville.

Kathy Goddard presented a week-long seminar at the Carolina Conference Campmeeting in May at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina. Her seminar, “Centered on God,” presented practical ways busy people can make meaningful connections to God from day-to-day. She emphasized the importance of our personal spiritual growth and how we each—as parents, teachers, pastors, and leaders—can help the children in our care have an authentic and fruitful relationship with Jesus in the home, school, and church.

Kathy Goddard presented three workshops to the pastoral families who attended this summer’s “Recharge” in June. She conducted one worship experience that demonstrated how families can lead out in small groups that are focused on spiritual growth and are inter-generational. In addition, she presented two sessions that trained parents to be disciple-makers of their own children. She also presented the breakout session “Make Disciples for Jesus” at the NAD Teacher’s Convention. This workshop taught teachers in K-12 how to use their current Bible curriculum and incorporate principles of discipleship into their Bible lessons with the goal of helping the students to deepen their personal relationship with Jesus.

Kathy Goddard had an article published in the summer 2012 edition of *The Journal of Adventist Education* titled “Teachers as Disciplic-Makers in the Classroom.”

Lynelle Ellis began a study leave this summer to pursue a Doctor of Philosophy in Communication at Regent University in Virginia. She completed her first onset intensive class session at Regent in June.

Rene’ Drumm was elected to serve as a board member for the Adventist Association of Family Life Professionals.

Faith Laughlin presented a seminar titled “Learning and Teaching Strategies for Foreign Language” at the NAD Teachers’ Convention. Her seminar contained strategies and methods for second language teaching. This was followed by round-table discussion correlated to a part of her dissertation “Changes in Language Teaching Methodology and Their Impact on Secondary Foreign Language Teachers within the Seventh-day Adventist School System in the United States.”

Katie McGrath attended The Innovation Conference “Fostering Creativity and Invention in Academic Libraries” in Panama City, Florida.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Help **Advancement** welcome the newest corporate partners to the Southern family. Joining us at the corporate partner level is Chattanooga Office Supplies (COS); and joining at the associate partner level is Integrated Concrete/Integrated Properties.

ENERGY TIPS

from Energy Management

- + Recycle your aluminum cans. It takes 90 percent less energy to recycle aluminum cans than to make new ones.
- + Appliances that are “off” still use energy. Reduce energy waste by unplugging large appliances (fans, toasters, heaters, laptops, etc.) when you’re not using them.
- + Your car uses more gas to idle for 10 seconds than it does to turn it off and back on again. Conserve gas by turning your car off if you’re in a traffic jam or stuck at a long light.
- + Warming small amounts of food in a microwave oven can save a third of the power of a conventional electric stove. However, you waste energy twice over if you use the microwave to thaw frozen foods. Plan ahead and let them thaw in the refrigerator. You’ll not only save heating energy, you’ll also reduce the load on your refrigerator motor.

CHANGING FACES

Southern welcomes the following employees:

Michelle Doucoumes to Religion
Susan Pennington to Thatcher
Clarise Nixon to English
Mioara Diaconu to Social Work
Greg Merchant to Technology
Steven French to Education & Psychology
Miguel Rivas to Information Systems

Fond farewells to the following employees:

Jodi Boyd from Human Resources
Ana Merconchini from Food Services
Cynthia Heibert from Village Market
Jonathan Durichek from Plant Services
Danielle Filipov from Architectural Services

SAVE THE DATE

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| Faculty Recital | September 4 |
| Lunch & Learn | September 18 |
| Dave Cress Golf Tournament | September 23 |
| BRIDGE Luncheon | September 25 |

Marketing and University Relations

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We welcome your comments and news.
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PHOTOS FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Adventist-laymen's Services and Industries (ASI) convention took place in Cincinnati, August 8-11.



Chet Damron (left) and John Youngberg



ASI convention hall

BIRTHDAYS

- September 1 **Teri Reutebuch**, Chaplain's Office
Nick White, Audio Visual
- September 2 **Zach Gray**, Visual Art and Design
- September 3 **Justin Brooks**, Purchasing
Kathie Heydt, Thatcher
- September 4 **Jackie James**, Enrollment
Leif Ramsey, Visual Art and Design
- September 5 **John Beckett**, Computing
- September 6 **Frank Mirande**, Village Market
- September 7 **Clair Kitson**, Plant Services
- September 9 **Laurie Cooper**, Social Work
- September 10 **Tim Burgess**, Landscape Services
- September 11 **Norman Gulley**, Religion
- September 12 **Jason Bryner**, Marketing
- September 13 **Doug Frood**, Financial Administration
Evie Nogales Baker, Social Work
- September 14 **Andrea Anderson**, Campus Shop
Michelle Doucoumes, Religion
Anna Montague, Architectural Services
- September 15 **Ray Carson**, Technology
Tim Trott, Biology
- September 17 **Rick Anderson**, Enrollment
Kendra Lee, Journalism & Communication
- September 18 **Eric Schoonard**, Plant Services
- September 19 **Michael Hasel**, Religion
- September 21 **Sharon Robberson**, Advancement
Kristin Welch-Murphy, Enrollment
- September 22 **Eve Parker**, Academic Administration
- September 23 **Orlando Garcia**, Food Services
Jud Lake, Religion
- September 24 **Terry Evans**, Food Services
- September 25 **Phil Garver, P.E.**, Health and Wellness
Rachel Byrd, English
- September 26 **Maria Valenca**, Nursing
- September 27 **Jan Cathey**, Chemistry
Judy Dedeker, Nursing
- September 28 **Annette Heck**, Social Work
- September 29 **Sukie Myers**, Campus Shop
Tony Trimm, Biology
Paula Walters, Enrollment