

Southern Factor

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CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

LIBRARY SEEKS FACULTY, STUDENT WORKS FOR NEW WEBSITE

After months of planning, Southern has become the first Seventh-day Adventist university in the United States to have an institutional repository.

Southern's repository, called **Knowledge Exchange**, is home to the academic and creative works of students and faculty, including journal articles, research, creative writings, artwork, media projects, theses, and dissertations. Knowledge Exchange also hosts interesting features such as digitized glass slides and old yearbooks.

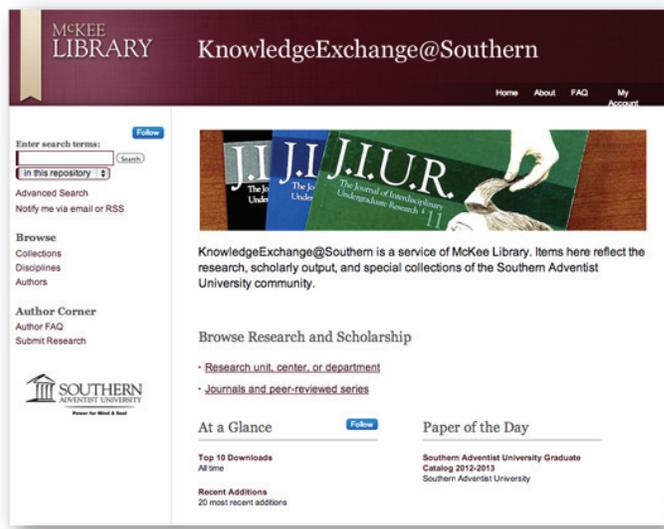
Jan Haluska, chair of the English department, believes being showcased on Knowledge Exchange is an honor.

"The repository will give both students and professors something to shoot for," Haluska said.

Particularly excited about the repository is Robert Coombs, editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Interdisciplinary Undergraduate Research* (JIUR)—an academic journal published annually by the university that features five of the best research articles by students from various departments.

"Having a repository will give the journal worldwide access," Coombs said. "Beyond the scope of just writing in this journal, students will be able to say 'you can look me up online!'"

Although librarians are eager to bring Southern into



the future they cannot accomplish this goal without the academic and creative minds of Southern.

"We need students and faculty to supply us with work to put into the repository," said Deyse Bravo, periodicals and special collections librarian.

While representatives from each department will manage what pieces their department uploads, Daniel Maxwell, electronic resource librarian, urges students to contact him if they have anything they would like to submit for uploading to the repository.

by Myron Madden

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Biology professors are proud that six students from their department were accepted to present their research at the American Society of Biologists in April. The six students are David Tryon, Brenden Dodd, Tyler dos Santos, Jenn Pauldurai, Ben Wildman and Victoria Ahles.

Southern's Master of Science in Global Community Development program held an advisory meeting over spring break where development professionals discussed how to make the program a success. There were representatives from Southern, Andrews University, World Vision International, ADRA, the Chalmer's Center, Mission for Guatemala, and others.

STUDENT INSPIRATION

"A new student-initiated, student-led group called Encounter is emerging on campus. This small group was created to give students a place to ask tough questions, particularly in the areas of science, philosophy, and religion. Each weekly meeting provides students the opportunity to discuss a topic from a short reading and then ask questions to gain an understanding within an Adventist perspective."

– Rick Norskov –

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Journalism professor **Stephen Ruf** was a guest on WDEF News 12 on March 12. Meteorologist Patrick Core interviewed Ruf to mark the 20th anniversary of the “Storm of the Century,” the 1993 blizzard that dumped a record 23 inches of snow in Chattanooga. The station’s 30-minute special included several memorable TV news stories produced by Ruf when he worked as a reporter for the CBS affiliate.

Willard Munger and **Tyson Hall** attended the American Society for Engineering Education Southeastern Section Conference in Cookeville, Tennessee, on March 10-12. At the conference, Munger completed his term as chair of the Professional Skills Division and vice-chair of the Software Engineering Division. Hall completed his term as president of the section and was presented with a plaque in recognition for excellence and service as president.

Edwin Reynolds presented “Strange Fire on God’s Altar: Heathen Hermeneutics Applied to God’s Word” to the Southeastern U.S. chapter of the Adventist Theological Society on March 16. The presentation focused on a history of biblical interpretation that uses external categories generally based on philosophical presuppositions that are in conflict with the testimony of the text itself. The only safe course for people of faith is to depend on internal categories and principles for interpretation.

Ken Caviness’ project, Aŭdebla Biblio, was completed on March 1. For the first time, audio files for the Esperanto translation of the Bible are now available online. School of Computing professor John Beckett set up a website permitting visitors to read and simultaneously hear the Esperanto Bible from the Aŭdebla Biblio audio clips, and computing majors have been involved in improving the site. Esperanto is a planned language with an estimated 1.6 million speakers around the world, designed for easy learning and international use as a second language. As reported in the **Fall 2012 issue of Columns** and a recent **Times Free Press interview**, Caviness began reading the Bible aloud in Esperanto to practice using the language and as part of his daily devotions.

Rick Norskov attended the Tennessee Academy of Emergency Physicians Academic Assembly on March 11-12 in Chattanooga.

Michael Hasel will present a lecture titled, “Excavating the Fortress of Elah and the Battle Over King David” at the Michael C. Carlos Museum (Emory University) on April 14.

Callie McArthur visited Pantai College of Nursing and Health Sciences in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, as a consultant in clinical instruction from February 22-March 7. She presented an all-day workshop titled “Best Practices in Clinical Nursing Instruction” on March 6.

Carlos Parra presented “Indigenous Communities: Representation, Isolation, and Dependency in ‘Yawar Fiesta’ and ‘Flutes of Death’” on March 6. The presentation was part of a conference at the University of Hyderabad in India. He was also invited to be a member of the editorial board for completion of a manuscript that will be published by Longman Publishers. In February, he presented “Realities of Living as a Hispanic in Chattanooga,” a series on cultural awareness, sponsored by the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Chattanooga.

Ray Hefferlin and graduate Gary Burdick are authors of “Data Location in a Four-Dimensional Periodic System of Diatomic Molecules” in *Chemical Information and Computational Challenges in the 21st Century*.

Kristie Wilder took her Social Welfare Issues and Policies class to Washington, D.C. on March 17-21. The trip included meeting with senators, visiting the headquarters for the National Association for Social Workers, and watching oral arguments at the Supreme Court. She also co-presented an ethics training on March 15 at Bethel Bible Village in Hixson, Tennessee.

Aaron Corbit’s article “Constipation Associated with Brumation? Intestinal Obstruction Caused by a Fecalolith in a Wild Red Diamond Rattlesnake (*Crotalus ruber*)” was recently accepted for publication in the *Journal of Animal Physiology and Animal Nutrition*.

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HATS OFF!

“Our heartfelt thanks go out to Sharon Robberson and Leslie Ann Schwarzer in Conference Services and Events for their hard work in creating a beautiful event for the annual Legacy Society Dinner on March 17. A big thanks to others on the Advancement team and a number of students who participated—you were all an integral part of creating an experience of appreciation for those who attended this event. We are so thankful to be part of an organization where teamwork is a natural part of what we do. Each one helps make this a blessed place to work!”

– Carolyn Liers and Sue Kaufman –

“A note of appreciation to Museum Coordinator Justo Morales and SVAD student Sean Davis for the successful design of the special exhibit, “The Battle Over David: Excavating the Fortress of Elah,” which won a special achievement award from the Tennessee Association of Museums. The exhibit is open through April 2014.”

– Michael Hasel –

“We want to thank the Southern family for the prayers, cards, and thoughtful messages of support in the aftermath of the death of Mary’s mother. Though we miss her terribly and the sense of loss is acute, it encourages us to have such a supportive, caring community. We are comforted by the Lord’s promise to return and awaken His sleeping children and restore them to eternal youth and endless vigor. May that day be soon!”

– Greg and Mary King –

CHANGING FACES

Southern welcomes the following employees:

Carol Heath to Village Market
Cheryl Torres to Development
Darryl Bentley to Religion
Jessica Spears to McKee Library
Mark Hyder to Business and Management
Matthew Barclay to Student Finance
Seth Shaffer to McKee Library
Shawn Haas to Campus Safety

Fond farewells to the following employees:

Al Miyagi from Food Services
Dan Burks from Education and Psychology
Don Van Ornam from Business and Management
Eden Koliadko from Enrollment Services
Heather Runyon from Counseling and Testing

Fond farewells to the following employees (cont.):

Peter Emig from Campus Safety
Sara Mirucki from McKee Library
Zuzana Rachal from Food Services

Best wishes to the following employees in their new positions:

Candy Reichert from Cashier Clerk at the Village Market to Donor Recognitions & Records Coordinator in Advancement
Michael Rumsey from Student Finance Technician to Student Finance Counselor in Enrollment
Minodora Perchik from Food Supervisor to Department Supervisor in Food Services

BIRTHDAYS

April 1	Karen Caldwell , Talge Setsuko Carey , Food Services Jana Dietsche , Enrollment
April 4	Lorella Howard , Nursing Crystal Stitzer , Risk Management Randy Craven , Visual Art and Design Carlos Lopez , Enrollment Elizabeth Pontvik , Visual Art and Design
April 8	Gennevieve Brown-Kibble , Music Nancy Soapes , Food Services Amy Steele , Human Resources
April 9	Erin Cook , Talge Lisa Hess , Online Campus
April 10	Ryan Harrell , Online Campus Luis Rodas , McKee Library
April 13	Michael Liedke , Nursing JP Mathis , Thatcher
April 14	Terri Fillman , Transportation Services Heather Runyon , Student Success
April 15	Lucinda Hill , Biology Willard Munger , Computing Carol Raney , Biology Scott Spicer , P.E., Health and Wellness
April 18	Mioara Diaconu , Social Work
April 20	Debbie Strack , Biology Ruth WilliamsMorris , Education and Psyc.
April 21	Dale Walters , Technology
April 22	Shirley Menhennett , Food Services Diane Proffitt , Nursing Dana Krause , Nursing
April 23	Gary Sewell , Information Systems
April 25	Osmin Yanes , Village Market
April 26	Scott Clukey , Plant Services
April 27	Marc Grundy , Enrollment
April 28	Faith Laughlin , Education and Psyc.
April 30	