

Southern Factor

June 2013

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

END OF THE YEAR: WHAT'S NEXT?

We graduated 436 students on May 5. Another school year has closed. The campus is noticeably quieter. On the Monday morning after graduation, I resisted calling out "What's next?" to my administrative assistant, Joylynn.

Plans for the next school year are already in motion and the campus community is, in fact, quite busy:

- We're preparing to open a new Vegetarian Culinary Arts program next fall.
- We're remodeling the Upper Stateside Apartments so we can house additional students.
- Summerour Hall's renovation is in progress. The School of Education and Psychology is scheduled to move back in during the spring.
- A patio and gazebo area is being completed in front of the student center.
- We're working with the architects on refining plans for the capital campaign buildings, including a new student center, residence hall, and School of Visual Art and Design.



- The School of Religion led a tour of the biblical Seven Churches in Turkey, Istanbul, and Greece. Approximately 35 employees traveled together. It was a wonderful opportunity for personal growth.
- Transitions are in progress as two deans retired this year: Don Van Ornam, School of Business and Management; and Phil Garver, School of Physical Education, Health and Wellness.

We are grateful for God's favor as we seek His guidance in planning for the future.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Katie McGrath and **Marge Seifert** presented "Beyond the Interface: Interactive and Fun Ways to Teach the Theories Which Underlie the Information Discovery Process" at the Atlanta Area Bibliographic Instruction Group conference on May 17.

Tina Smith, project and planning manager for Marketing and University Relations, attended the CASE Campaign Communications conference in San Francisco, California, on May 8 and 9.

Ben Thornton and **Rick Norskov** from the Biology Department traveled with several biology students to the Association of Southeastern Biologists (ASEB) annual meeting in Charleston, West Virginia, on April 10-12. Five students presented posters, along with 165 other student poster, presentations from universities in the eastern half of the United States.

Edwin Reynolds, School of Religion, attended a symposium on Daniel and Revelation in Fallbrook, California, on May 17-19. He made two presentations, one on Babylon in the Book of Revelation, and the other on the 144,000.

Lucinda Hill Spencer and **Carol Raney** made a presentation on April 24-25 at Loma Linda University to the Faith and Science Council of the General Conference comprised of scientists (including **Keith Snyder** and **Lee Spencer**) and theologians with expertise in origins. The presentation on the Origins Curriculum Resources Project at Southern included an animation sequence with a logo created by Southern's School of Visual Art and Design, a short instructional video, and a narrated media presentation, which were well received by the committee.

René Drumm attended the board meeting of the North American Association of Christians in Social Work, held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on April 19-20. She presented an update on the strategic alliance with the International Association of Adventist Social Workers. Drumm also presented research on "Domestic Violence in the Seventh-day Adventist church: the Realities of Marital Rape" at The Summit on Social Consciousness held at Andrews University on April 13.

CHANGING FACES

Southern welcomes the following employees:

Jason Stone to Campus Safety
Oliviya Pleshka to Food Service
Margarita Sanchez to Village Market
Deanna Moore to Enrollment Services
Stevenson Pangkey to Campus Safety
Cheri Durst to Counseling and Testing
Kim Armstrong to Food Service
Krystin Flash to Campus Safety
Troy Walker to P.E., Health and Wellness
Lilly Tryon to School of Nursing
Sonia Wrate to School of Nursing
Cynthia Gettys to Center of Teaching Excellence
Ardelle Dickinson to School of Education
Crystal Whitten to P.E., Health and Wellness
Tron Wilder to P.E., Health and Wellness
Robert Ordonez to School of Computing

Fond farewells to the following employees:

Carmay Leerdam from Food Services
Clair Kitson from Plant Services
Joshua Korson from Food Services
Perry Pratt from Village Market
Blaise Adams from Campus Safety
Melissa Tortal from Academic Admin
Jackie James from Enrollment Services
Samson Chama from School of Social Work
Darlene Karst from School of Education/Psychology
Rebecca Garvin from Village Market
Kristin Welch-Murphy from Enrollment Services
Justo Morales from Religion

Best wishes to the following employees in their new positions:

Emily Kay from enrollment advisor to applications manager in Enrollment Services
Elisabeth Anderson from head cashier in Café/Food Services to enrollment advisor in Enrollment Services
Candace Wing from part-time office nurse to director of the University Health Center
Ginger Cheney from applications manager to student finance counselor in Enrollment Services
Clarice Esquilla from student benefit coordinator to assistant director in Risk Management
Ryan Herman from director of admissions to associate vice president of Enrollment Services
Adam Brown from associate director of recruitment to director of recruitment in Enrollment Services
Ruben Covarrubias from enrollment counselor to associate director of recruitment in Enrollment Services
Kent Robertson from computer specialist to assistant director of admissions in Enrollment Services
Christian Patino from student finance counselor to assistant director of Student Finance

DEPARTMENT NEWS

The first cohort of Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) students who began studies last fall will come to campus for their second intensive May 26-30. The third and final intensive will take place during the winter semester of 2014 followed by May graduation. During the intensive, the students spend time in each of the scheduled classes (Exercise Modalities for Lifestyle Change, Emergency and Disaster Management, Christian Leadership and Management) and will give oral proposals of their selected scholarly project. Along with the rigor of classes, the students and graduate faculty take time to eat and fellowship together.

After 40 years of blessing the School of Nursing with her office administrative and advising expertise, **Linda Marlowe** will retire from the School of Nursing. **Sylvia Mayer** will transition from her teaching position into the role of director of admissions and progressions and will continue to coordinate the Bachelor of Science Consortium program. Because Marlowe's official retirement will occur during October, the personnel overlap is anticipated to occur smoothly over the summer and early fall.

The School of Nursing faculty participated in year-end meetings May 14-16 at Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. This off-campus time allows the faculty to deal with nuts and bolts issues as well as plan for the future. Despite a full meeting schedule, time was found for fun activities.

The Southern Wind Symphony toured the Pacific Northwest May 7-20 under the direction of Ken Parsons. Performance locations included:

- Columbia Adventist Academy
- Portland Adventist Academy
- Sunnyside Seventh-day Adventist Church, Portland
- Puget Sound Adventist Academy
- Fountainview Academy
- Upper Columbia Academy
- Walla Walla University Church

Audience response was consistently enthusiastic, and many friendships were established for Southern. The weather was spectacular, and the trip was a great success.

PERSONAL NEWS

Elaine Plemons' first child, BeckyLynn Plemons, married Joel Schroeder in Atlanta on May 26. They both work for international public relations and marketing companies in Atlanta.

Nick Livanos, film professor, and **Amanda Jehle**, instructor in the English Department, are getting married on June 16.

ENERGY TIPS

from Energy Management

- An automatic dishwasher uses less hot water than doing dishes by hand (an average of six gallons less, equalling more than 2,000 gallons per year).
- One mature tree on the south side of your house provides as much summer cooling as five midsize air conditioners.

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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 5 **Darryl Bentley**, Religion
June 8 **Isaac James**, Marketing
Carl Swafford, Graduate Studies
June 10 **Cheri Durst**, Student Success Center
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 15 **Cynthia Bietz**, Financial Administration
June 16 **Greg Rumsey**, Journalism
June 17 **Bruce Myers**, Plant Services
June 19 **Kelly Crawford**, University Health Center
Edwin Reynolds, Religion
June 21 **Brian Laneville**, Food Services
June 22 **Rob Raney**, Advancement
June 23 **Sherry Heming**, Plant Services
Valerie Mirande, Village Market
Stanley Stevenson, Social Work
June 24 **Al Miyagi**, Food Services
June 25 **Lynelle Ellis**, Journalism
Tom Verrill, Financial Administration
June 27 **Darin Bissell**, P.E., Health and Wellness
Linda Case, Food Services
Ed Guthero, Visual Art and Design
David Houtchens, Campus Safety
June 28 **Mary King**, University Health Center
June 29 **Marc Boyson**, Visual Art and Design

HATS OFF!

The top three Lights Volunteers between April 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013, were **Doug Walter**, **Corinne Fetingis**, and **Mike Wyckoff**. The next time you see these individuals, please give them your heartfelt thanks for the service and expertise they provide Southern.

1. Doug Walter (Gym-Masters, SonRise)

Total of 946 hours equivalent to \$20,689

2. Corinne Fetingis (President's Office)

Total of 765 hours equivalent to \$16,535

3. Mike Wyckoff (Campus Safety, School of Nursing, Food Service, and Transportation Service)

Total of 563 hours equivalent to \$12,205

Southern Adventist University participated in the Shred-it shredding and recycling program and saved 157 trees in 2012. Shred-it congratulates university staff members on the positive impact this initiative has made towards protecting the environment.

Oh my badness! The end of an era has arrived and I want to say THANK YOU to all the departments and individuals that helped us celebrate Phil Garver's contributions during his retirement party: **Conference Services and Events**, **Administration**, **Advancement**, **Audio Visual**, **Plant Services**, **Service Department**, **PEHW faculty and staff**, and guests—we could not have done it without you! Garv was very touched and appreciative of all your efforts. Thanks!

-Lesile Evenson

I want to thank my friends at Southern for their prayers and concern during my recent surgery. A special thanks to **Student Life and Activities** for the beautiful purple orchid, and to the **President's Office** for the basket full of goodies. I am especially grateful to my colleagues at **Quick Print** for taking on extra work while I was on medical leave.

-Dorothy Turner