

# Southern Factor

May 2016

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

## DEPARTMENT NEWS

The **Global Community Development** program is hosting a forum on Southern's campus July 14-16 to discuss what mission work looks like in the 21st century. Come be part of the crucial conversations and connect with people from across the North American Division, gain actionable knowledge in sustainable models of mission work, and become equipped to make a greater difference in your local communities and abroad. Jesus gave it all for us, so let's do our best for Him! Visit GCD's **Facebook page** for more information.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**Sharon Rogers** attended the National Academic Advising Association regional conference in Chattanooga April 20-22.

**Brent Hamstra** attended the 251st American Chemical Society National Meeting and Exposition in San Diego, California, March 13-17. A current chemistry student and a recent chemistry graduate presented their research at the meeting.

**Michael Cafferky's** peer-reviewed article "Hiring Disabled Workers: Bringing the Whole Community into the Workforce" was published in the *Graziadio Business Review*. His article "Should You Become a Cash Expert?" is the cover story for the May 7 issue of *Insight Magazine*.

**Adrienne Royo** attended the Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in Columbus, Ohio, March 10-11, and the Minority Serving Institution Global Education Summit in Atlanta, Georgia, on April 3.

**Stephanie Sheehan** presented "Soft-skills Development as a Bridge to Employability" at the annual meeting of



the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education, the accrediting organization for Southern's School of Business. She also facilitated two professional development workshops for office managers and administrative assistants: "Customer Service within Higher Education" and "Uniquely You in a Customer Service Role."

**Luceta McRoy** was one of the authors of "Counties Eliminating Racial Disparities in Colorectal Cancer Mortality," published in the American Cancer Society's March journal.

**Laurie Redmer Minner** was string orchestra clinician for the Northern New England Music Festival at Pine Tree Academy in Freeport, Maine, March 30-April 3.

**Tara Hargrove** and **Linda Potter Crumley** attended the Southern States Communication Association (SSCA) in Austin, Texas. Students accompanied them and presented their own research at the Undergraduate Honors Conference of SSCA.

**Aaron Corbit** and **David Nelsen** attended and presented papers at Eastern Carolina University's Venom Week Conference March 9-12. This gathering focuses on venom and venomous animals, clinical care, and conservation.

**Alan Parker** and the It is Written evangelistic team baptized 647 people in Gweru, Zimbabwe, on April 2 after meetings that were part of the organization's 60th anniversary. His site had close to 2,000 in attendance on the final Sabbath.

**Amanda Livanos** attended "Inklings Weekend: The Devil and C.S. Lewis" at Montreat College in North Carolina April 1-3, and the 50th TESOL Convention in Baltimore, Maryland, April 5-8.

**Tron** and **Kristie Wilder** attended the Southeast Psychological Association Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana, March 30-April 1 to recruit students for Southern's MSW and MS Counseling programs.

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## HATS OFF!

I would like to thank **Plant Services** for their quality work in repainting the third-floor hallway of Hickman Science Center. ~Brent Hamstra

Campus Research Day was a smashing success: 387 students celebrated research, inquiry, and the pursuit of truth on April 12! Special thanks to **Ruth Williams** for the leadership she demonstrated by conducting research and presenting her work. Keep an eye on Faculty-Net for information about how to participate in our next event this December. ~Katie McGrath

The Global Community Development team would like to extend our utmost appreciation to the **Online Campus** department. Their support of our GCD program is constant, and we are grateful. Thank you for your dedication to our fully at-a-distance program; your online expertise and partnership further elevates our service for Jesus. ~Sharon Pittman

Many congratulations to **Corrine Fetingis** for receiving the 2016 Lights Volunteer Commitment Award during the Lights Volunteer annual outing on April 13. The next time you see her, be sure to thank Corrine for making a difference at Southern where she has spent the majority of her 2,000+ hours in the President's Office and Alumni Relations. The Lights Volunteer office will make a \$250 donation to an on-campus department of her choice. ~Leslie Ann Schwarzer

## PERSONAL NEWS

Congratulations to **Lauren** and **Kenny Turpen** on the new addition to their family. Molly Turpen was born six weeks early on April 14.

## COMPLAINT REPORT FORM

Regulations require that the university records complaints and makes sure they are responded to in a timely manner. Share the concern by visiting [southern.edu/marketing](http://southern.edu/marketing) and clicking on "Complaint Repository."

## CHANGING FACES

COMING TO SOUTHERN:

**David Smith**, president  
**Jill Buchholz**, assoc. professor, Nursing  
**Rebecca Retzer**, asst. professor, Nursing  
**Stephanie Guster**, asst. professor, Social Work  
**Nina Nelson**, asst. professor, Social Work  
**Nelly Montoya**, graduate asst. coordinator, Business

LEAVING SOUTHERN:

**Gordon Bietz**, president  
**Cynthia Bietz**, receptionist, Wright Hall  
**Beverly Rawson**, office manager, Thatcher Hall

**Kathleen Heydt**, asst. housekeeper, Thatcher Hall  
**Shirley Rumsey**, receptionist, University Health Center

TRANSFERS/TITLE CHANGES:

**Lisa Kuhlman**, from graduate asst. coordinator to asst. professor, School of Business  
**Daniel Olson**, from career counselor to career services coordinator, Student Success Center  
**Susan Pennington**, from asst. dean to assoc. dean, Thatcher Hall  
**Tisha Looby**, from asst. dean to assoc. dean, Thatcher Hall

## BIRTHDAYS

May 1 **Gordon Bietz**, President's Office  
May 1 **Richard Erickson**, Business  
May 1 **Emily Freck**, Enrollment Mgt.  
May 2 **Melissa Moore**, Chaplain's Office  
May 2 **Karon Powell**, Global Cmty. Development  
May 2 **Gary Shockley**, Village Market  
May 2 **Tami Wery**, Records and Advisement  
May 3 **Ray Artigas**, Transportation Services  
May 3 **Becky Djernes**, Financial Administration  
May 3 **Shawn Haas**, Campus Safety  
May 3 **Joe La Com**, Visual Art and Design  
May 3 **Kelly Sanchez**, Computing  
May 3 **Ginger White**, Food Services  
May 4 **Tricia Foster**, Social Work  
May 4 **Jason Gates**, Information Technology  
May 4 **Richard Halterman**, Computing  
May 5 **Stanley Cottrell**, McKee Library  
May 5 **Nivischi Edwards**, Education and Psychology  
May 6 **Tara Hargrove**, Journalism and Comm.  
May 6 **LaShawn Horton**, Nursing  
May 7 **Doru Mihaescu**, Information Technology  
May 8 **Pamela Jansen**, McKee Library  
May 9 **Eric Baerg**, Advancement  
May 9 **Julie Norton**, Chaplain's Office  
May 9 **Kevin Penrod**, Campus Safety  
May 9 **Shirley Rumsey**, University Health Center  
May 9 **Jackie Rose**, Village Market  
May 12 **Mikhaile Spence**, Education and Psychology  
May 15 **Peter Cooper**, Music  
May 15 **Kevin Pride**, Talge Hall  
May 16 **Ginger Cheney**, Enrollment Mgt.  
May 16 **Steve Holley**, Plant Services  
May 16 **Shelly Kalvoda**, Campus Shop  
May 17 **Lisa Kuhlman**, Business  
May 17 **Carolyn Liers**, Advancement  
May 21 **Lorraine Ball**, Journalism and Comm.  
May 21 **Jackie Price**, Village Market  
May 22 **Ron Miller**, Information Technology  
May 25 **Daniel Wibberding**, Village Market  
May 27 **Lisa Hall**, Thatcher Hall  
May 29 **Maggie Mendoza**, Enrollment Mgt.  
May 31 **Holly Gadd**, Nursing

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