

Southern Factor

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CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Melodie Lopez, Joni Zier, and Sandy Tucker attended the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers conference in Phoenix, Arizona, March 20-23. AACRAO is a leading authority on “student admissions, academic records, international education, and enrollment management. It is an organization committed to serving and advancing higher education by providing exceptional leadership in academic and enrollment services.” The Southern employees were also able to connect with registrars and enrollment staff from other Adventist colleges and universities in their own break-out session hosted by Loma Linda University.

Adrienne Royo attended Global Community Development's TEAMS forum on Southern's campus July 14-16.

Donald Martin attended the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Librarians conference in Orlando, Florida, August 20-23. It took place at the Adventist University of Health Sciences.

Donn Leatherman presented a paper on “Politics and Religion in the Book of Daniel” to the Adventist-Muslim Relations Committee of the North American Division on July 9. This paper discusses the advisability of identifying certain parts of the book of Daniel with Islamic powers.

Jim Wampler and Daniel Olson attended the National Career Development Association Conference in Chicago, Illinois, June 29 to July 1. It provided excellent opportunities for professional development and networking, as well as hearing speakers share on topics such as career assessments, job transitions, resume writing, global competencies, and more.

Luceta McRoy had two first-author publications. One was in the *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health* (“Country of Birth and Variations in Asthma and Wheezing Prevalence, and Emergency Department Utilization in Children: A NHANES Study”) and the other in *Health Marketing Quarterly* (“The Effects of Direct-to-Consumer Advertising on Medication Use Among Medicaid Children with Asthma”).

Giselle S. Hasel and Michael G. Hasel published a new full-color book, *Jerusalem: An Illustrated Archaeological Guide and Journal*, containing 46 reconstructions, maps, and illustrations to highlight the history of Southern Israel, including Jerusalem, Masada, Herodium, and the Dead Sea. It is fully annotated and combines the latest archaeological, art historical, and biblical insights from the past 25 years of their work in the Middle East.

Marty Hamilton was featured in *CityScope* magazine's annual business issue.

HATS OFF!

Thanks to **Jan Cathey** for leading our first Forensic Chemistry Camp this summer, and to the entire **Chemistry Department** faculty for their support and involvement in making it a successful experience for our visiting students. -Brent Hamstra

Hats off to **Daniel Perez** for his dedicated service as museum coordinator for the Lynn H. Wood Archaeological Museum during the last three years. He has served with excellence in implementing the upcoming exhibit, “A World in Miniature: Creation, Cosmos, and Ecology on Seals of the Biblical World,” which opens September 12. He has served since 2009 as the surveyor for Southern's excavations

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GOLF TOURNAMENT
September 11, 2016



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University employees are invited to play in the annual Alumni Golf Tournament at The Bear Trace (Harrison Bay), a Jack Nicklaus Signature Design course. Registration is \$65 per player. Proceeds support the Dave Cress Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund, which provides tuition assistance for students at Southern. For more information and to register, visit southern.edu/golf or call Lori Thompson at 423.236.2829.

at Khirbet Qeiyafa and Lachish, Israel, and has led the museum's work on campus. The pleasant and efficient manner in which he completes his work has been a blessing to all on campus with whom he has interacted. Join us in wishing him the best of success as he enters into a doctoral program in archaeology at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, this fall. -Michael Hasel

A huge shout out and heartfelt thanks to **Isaac James** for coming to my rescue during a very time-sensitive challenge on a recruiting trip. Not only did he drop everything to provide a remote solution, but he acted like it was no big deal. Trust me, it was a very big deal and worthy of a super-hero cape in my book! What a blessing to have co-workers who cheerfully go the extra mile. -Laurie Gauthier

GO LIGHT YOUR WORLD

While the Olympic torch was passed around Brazil leading up to the 2016 Summer Olympics, the torch of the gospel leading up to the second coming of Christ has been spreading as well. Rather than heading to Rio, 76 Seventh-day Adventist lay members flocked from various parts of the nation to participate in the 2016 Summer SALT class. Summer SALT is specially designed for busy people looking for intense evangelism training in a short period of time. The five-day program featured the basics of personal and public evangelism, the evangelism cycle, and tools for outreach in your local church and community. Speakers included Southern professors **Alan Parker** and **Philip Samaan**, SALT coordinators **Greg Wilson** and **Janelle Dietrich**, along with staff from Wildwood and It Is Written.

Faith hit the road when participants, along with the local South Bay Seventh-day Adventist Church, went to the streets of Chattanooga. Pairs walked door to door during the Sabbath afternoon outreach, offering the local community services to meet their needs. The results were astounding: 18 people signed up for church-related events such as cooking schools, health seminars, and vacation Bible school; 11 people signed up for drop-off Bible studies; and 42 people signed up for personal Bible studies!

Not only was there a spark in the hearts of those in the community, but a flame was lit in the hearts of the participants. Graduates from the Summer SALT class are now returning to their hometowns on fire and desperately wanting to inspire their church. While the world's greatest athletes have prepared for the Olympics, God's church is preparing for His soon return.

Southern hosted Academic Summer Camp July 25-25 as 70 high school students from as far away as Wisconsin, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and Florida came to campus (40+ of them staying three nights in Southern Village!) for a three-day immersion experience. Professors from **English, Visual Art and Design, Computing, Chemistry, Math, and Physics/Engineering** welcomed these campers into their classrooms and did an amazing job providing a snapshot not only of college life at Southern, but also of potential careers. The best compliment we received on student surveys afterward was how many of them asked for the camps to be longer next year! Many moving parts went into the logistics of pulling this off, but a special thank you goes out to departments who embraced the team spirit of this initiative and offered assistance above and beyond what was expected: **Marketing and University Relations, Food Services, Guest Lodging, Enrollment Management, and Adventure Programming**. To view pictures from camps, [click here](#). -Lucas Patterson, camp project manager

PERSONAL NEWS

Stephanie Guster and her husband, Micah, welcomed their first child, Joshua Luke, into their family on July 9.

Don Mathis and his wife, June, are proud to announce that their son, Tyler, married Lauren Erhard July 17 in Berrien Springs, Michigan. The newlyweds will be living in Spencerville, Maryland. Tyler teaches math at Spencerville Academy and Lauren is a nurse at Howard General Community Hospital. All of Don and June's children graduated from Southern and married Southern alumni!

David and **Linda Brooks'** son, Austin, '02, married Ashley Dean on July 24 at McDonald Road Seventh-day Adventist Church.

VOLUNTEERS AVAILABLE

Do you need help with a project? Consider using a Lights Volunteer to assist with data entry, inventory, or other supportive roles! To meet with **Leslie Ann Schwarzer** and discuss details about how a Lights Volunteer could enhance your department, call x2555.

'SUCCESS STORY' LISTSERV

Southern has created an listserv for employees to share success stories of students, staff, alumni, and donors in variety of areas (academic, spiritual, financial, social, etc). This is an important tool for collecting these testimonies. We need to remind others—and be reminded ourselves—about the numerous ways God has blessed Southern. To be added to this listserv, email **Lucas Patterson**.





Greg King led Southern employees and guests on a British Reformation Tour of Scotland and England May 11-23. The group saw beautiful and historic sites while strengthening friendships.

CHANGING FACES

COMING TO SOUTHERN:

- Teddy Kyriakidis**, director, Food Services
- Benjamin Thompson**, system specialist, Graduate Studies
- Leslie Kay**, counselor, Student Success Center
- Logan Swilling**, master mechanic, Technology

LEAVING SOUTHERN:

- Yora Roberts**, office assistant, Human Resources
- Elizabeth Smith**, housekeeper, Village Market
- Emily Freck**, applications manager, Enrollment Mgt.
- Breanna Johnson**, produce associate, Village Market
- Kendra Staton Lee**, associate professor, School of Journalism and Communications
- Valerie Lee**, assistant professor, Biology and Allied Health
- Belinda Fisher**, shift supervisor, Food Services (Deli)
- John Nixon**, professor, School of Religion

TRANSFERS/TITLE CHANGES:

- William Freck**, from Village Market staff to supplies buyer for Campus Shop
- Janita Herod**, from School of Journalism and Communications office manager to School of Religion office manager
- Lucas Patterson**, from editorial manager for Marketing and University Relations to assistant director of communications and foundation relations for Advancement
- Marlise Kramer**, from bakery supervisor to cook position for Village Market Deli
- Rick Griffin**, from counselor to Counseling Services coordinator

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 and clicking on "Complaint Repository."

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 2 **Valerie Lee**, Biology
- 2 **Ken Lehmann**, Plant Services
- 2 **Troy Walker**, P.E., Health, and Wellness
- 3 **Donna Watson**, Food Services
- 5 **Mark Peach**, History and Political Studies
- 6 **Krystal Bishop**, Education and Psychology
- 6 **Evonne Crook**, Alumni Relations
- 7 **Sonia Wrate**, Nursing
- 8 **Daniel Brown**, Landscape Services
- 8 **Kenny Turpen**, Advancement
- 10 **Ileanna Freeman**, Education and Psychology
- 10 **Renita Moore**, Student Success Center
- 10 **Geovanny Ragsdale**, Advancement
- 10 **Irene Royo**, Modern Languages
- 10 **Christy Showalter**, Nursing
- 11 **Donald Lighthall**, Service Department
- 12 **Jeff Ball**, Plant Services
- 12 **Mariana Kaplan**, Enrollment Management
- 12 **Joey Osborne**, Village Market
- 13 **Marlise Kramer**, Food Services
- 13 **Tron Wilder**, Education and Psychology
- 14 **Deyse Bravo**, McKee Library
- 14 **Brent Hamstra**, Chemistry
- 14 **Pamela Harris**, Journalism and Communication
- 16 **Margarita Solano**, Food Services
- 17 **Freddy Fuentes**, Education and Psychology
- 17 **Pamela Gammenthaler**, Nursing
- 17 **Nick Livanos**, Visual Art and Design
- 18 **Mike Boyd**, P.E., Health, and Wellness
- 18 **Ruben Covarrubias**, Enrollment Management
- 18 **Jamie Thompson**, English and History
- 19 **Robert Bengé**, P.E., Health, and Wellness
- 19 **Rhonda Scott**, Chemistry
- 20 **Ryan Herman**, Enrollment Management
- 22 **Mark Arquitt**, Advancement
- 22 **Regina Bailey**, Student Success Center
- 22 **Mark Hyder**, Business
- 23 **Cindy Rima**, Nursing
- 24 **Pegi Flynt**, Online Campus
- 25 **Sherri Schoonard**, Food Services
- 26 **Andy Compton**, Accounting Services
- 26 **Jaclynn Huse**, Nursing
- 27 **Andy Langshaw**, Landscape Services
- 27 **Emiko Miyagi**, Technology
- 27 **Jesse Rademacher**, Visual Art and Design
- 28 **Sonja Fordham**, McKee Library
- 28 **Dustin Johnson**, Audio Visual
- 28 **Tina Smith**, Marketing and University Relations
- 29 **Brad Adams**, Accounting Services
- 29 **Giselle Hasel**, Visual Art and Design
- 29 **Sylvia Mayer**, Nursing
- 29 **John Sager**, Talge Hall
- 29 **Annie Smolinski**, Music
- 30 **Oliviya Pleshka**, Food Services
- 31 **Lilly Tryon**, Nursing

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