

Southern Factor

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CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Daniel Reynaud had a paper published in January's edition of the *Journal of History and Cultures* titled "Authenticating the Imaginary: Cloaking with History the Characters of O'Brian's Fiction and Weir's Film."

Laurie Gauthier and **Melodie Lopez** attended the National Association of Graduate Admissions Professionals Winter Institute in San Juan, Puerto Rico, January 12-13. Presentations ranged from legal issues and common challenges in the field of graduate enrollment management to marketing strategies and customer relationship management maximization.

Laura Racovita-Szilagy represented Southern and the School of Social Work in an Adventist Accrediting Association team visit to Friedensau Adventist University in Germany, December 5-9, 2016. While more than half of the team came from Adventist institutions in the United States, all members of the team were born in Europe. This allowed for a unique cultural perspective and understanding of the challenges faced by European Adventist institutions of higher education—in this particular case, in Germany.

Michael Cafferky's article "Scriptural Foundations for Academic Disciplines: A Biblical Theme Approach" was published in the *Journal of Adventist Education*. Michael also co-authored an article with **Doug Jacobs** entitled "Bridging the Gap Between Religion and Business: A Conversation" that was published in *Ministry Magazine*.

Stephen Bauer presented a paper at the November 2016 Adventist Theological Society Meetings in San Antonio, Texas, titled: "What

is His Name, and What is His Son's Name?" Proverbs 30:4 and the Trinity." On January 18-20, he was the speaker for Georgia Cumberland Conference Pastors' Meetings. He addressed issues of controversy in local churches, such as the Trinity, the nature of Christ, and views on Atonement.

PERSONAL NEWS

Nick and **Amanda Livanos** are excited to share that Isaiah Stavros Livanos was born on December 21. He weighed 9 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20.5 inches long.

David and **Marie Nelsen** had their second daughter, Olivine Kathryn, on January 15. She weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Mom, Dad, sister Pearl, and baby Olivine are all doing well.

HATS OFF!

A special thank you to the **anonymous gifter** of a lovely "flowering" pen. What a nice surprise that puts a smile on our faces when we use it.
-Eve Knight and Joylynn Scott

I am the visiting professor swapping with Lisa Diller for 2017. My wife Emi and I would like to offer a huge thank you to **everyone who has made our transition here so easy and welcoming!** A particular thanks to **Lisa Diller** but also to all who have met us or dealt with the processes of getting us here. We feel very welcome, very much at home.
-Daniel Reynaud

The Transportation Department would like to thank **Troy DeWind** and the crew at the **Landscape Department** for their efforts and hard work cleaning up the many leaves scattered around our building and parking lots. They have worked tirelessly and

without complaint since the fall of the first leaves. We appreciate all of them. Thanks also for the flowers they planted next to our "front" door to help brighten everyone's day!
-Terri Fillman

Thank you, **faculty** and **staff**, for making 2017 MLK Community Service Day a success and a positive connection with the community! More than 1,100 students, faculty and staff members, and members from the Collegedale Church of Seventh-day Adventists worked side-by-side serving others at more than 30 locations. Special thanks to **Food Services**, for providing breakfast and a scrumptious lunch. As part of Southern's 125th anniversary. We've set a goal to reach a collective total of 125,000 hours of service by December 31. Go to **southern.edu/125** to record your 2017 MLK Community Service hours of service if you haven't already. Most importantly, we made an indelible impression upon those whom we served.
-Dora Desamour

Leading to the 2017 MLK Community Service Day, the Christian Service Program sponsored a week of Service Emphasis that focused on children, literacy, the elderly, law enforcement/veterans, and animals. Special thanks **Patricia Salazar** and the **Education Club**, **Stephanie Sheehan** and **Enactus**, **Dean Anthony** and **One Praise Choir**, **Lucas Patterson** and **Creature Kind**, **Junior Reis** and **company**, and **all who participated**. We could not have done it without your help. Thank you for your dedication and hard work.
-Dora Desamour

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

We apologize for our oversight in not including the list of employees below in the December 4, 2016, Employee Christmas Brunch recognition. Several of these omissions were due to the new criteria implemented in 2014, “combined, full-time service at Southern based on service record hours with a December 31 cut-off date.” We greatly appreciate all these individuals and their commitment to Southern and its students, and we acknowledge their dedicated years of service for us!

-Dave Smith, President

Faith Anderson, Student Finance - 5 years (monetary gift)
Jason Bryner, Marketing - 5 years (monetary gift)
Martin Klingbeil, Religion - 5 years (monetary gift)
Cindy Rima, Nursing - 5 years (monetary gift)
Barry Tryon, Religion - 5 years (monetary gift)
Nick White, Audio Visual - 5 years (monetary gift)
Dee Franks, Village Market - 10 years (engraved Cross pen)
Pamela Harris, Journalism and Communication - 15 years (monetary gift)

P.S. Please contact Human Resources with any questions you may have regarding your years of full-time service at Southern.

COMPLAINT REPORT FORM

Regulations require that the university records complaints and makes sure they are responded to in a timely manner. To share a concern, visit southern.edu/marketing and click on “Complaint Repository.”

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 **Richard Johnson**, Food Services
2 **Scott Brankshire**, Plant Services
2 **Cynthia Gettys**, Center for Teaching Excellence
2 **Bonnie Hunt**, Nursing
3 **Ryan Pierce**, Marketing and University Relations
3 **Leon Weeks**, Business
4 **Leslie Ann Schwarzer**, Enrollment Management
4 **Derek Sherbondy**, Information Technology
4 **Larry Turner**, Plant Services
8 **Stephen Ruf**, Journalism and Communication
9 **Randy Bishop**, Biology
9 **Xenia Figueroa**, Financial Administration
10 **Elisabeth Anderson**, Admissions
10 **Robert Coombs**, Education and Psychology
11 **Janita Herod**, Religion
12 **Bonnie Eder**, Education and Psychology
12 **Kathy Goddard**, English
12 **Ben McArthur**, History and Political Studies
13 **Kevin Coon**, Plant Services
13 **Adolfo Granada**, Plant Services
13 **Kent Robertson**, Admissions
14 **Janice Lyons**, Village Market
15 **Michael Dant**, Computing
15 **Laura Perez**, Food Services
16 **Delores Franks**, Village Market
17 **Luceta McRoy**, Business
18 **Chamra Anthony**, Thatcher Hall
18 **Lisa Diller**, History and Political Studies
18 **Ruth Saunders**, Nursing
19 **Genevieve Cottrell**, McKee Library
19 **Cheryl Craven**, Social Work
20 **Chad Raney**, Plant Services
20 **Mark Verbrigghe**, Landscape Services
21 **Cindy McBryar**, Enrollment Management
21 **Jeri Pewsey**, Food Services
21 **Keith Snyder**, Biology
22 **Angela Teague**, Accounting Services
24 **Donn Leatherman**, Religion
25 **Ashley Fox**, Development
25 **Lucas Patterson**, Advancement
27 **Carol Heath**, Village Market
27 **Mike McClung**, Information Technology
27 **Laura Racovita-Szilagyi**, Social Work
28 **Michael Cafferky**, Business
28 **Pierre Nzokizwa**, Modern Languages

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