

Southern Factor

July 2017

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In June, **Pegi Flynt** and **Tammy Overstreet** attended the Teaching for Competencies Using Performance Assessment Workshop at Alverno College in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Alverno has been the expert in competency-based education in the U.S. for several decades. Tammy and Pegi attended the workshop to gain insight into how the college weaves institutional-level outcomes into the curriculum of all of their disciplines. They were able to explore critical questions about educational principles that are important in ensuring meaningful outcomes and experiences for students.

Adrienne Royo attended the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Conference on teaching excellence in Denver, Colorado, at the end of June.

Logan Swilling completed his ASE Master Mechanic certification in May, so now all of the full-time mechanics in the Technology Auto Shop are ASE Certified Master Mechanics.

David Nelsen will be presenting at the Faith and Science Conference in St. George, Utah, on July 6-13. In addition, he will be presenting original research at the American Arachnological Society meeting in Queretero, Mexico, on July 24-28.

Keely Tary attended the Modern Language Association's annual seminar for the Association of Departments of English in Providence, Rhode Island, on June 12-15, where chairs and directors of undergraduate and graduate studies shared information and consulted about issues facing their departments and the field.

Laura Racovita-Szilagyi and **Mioara Diaconu** presented "Promoting and Modeling Ethical Principles: A Social Work Dichotomy?" at the Network for Social Work Management's 28th Annual Conference themed "The Business of Social Work: Mission, Morals, Morale, and Money," held in New York City on June 15-16.

Stephen Bauer preached on the 10 commandments and the character of God at the Kootenay Camp Meeting in British Columbia, Canada, on June 9-10. He also spoke at the Summer Symposium on Preaching and Urban Ministry at Washington Adventist University and at Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church, presenting four sessions on "Biblical Foundations for Preaching and Urban Ministry."

Donald Keefe will be having two art works on exhibition in the Red Clay Survey at the Huntsville Museum of Art in Alabama. The exhibition will have a private opening reception on July 8 and is open to the public from July 9 to October 1. More than 1,500 entries were submitted, with 81 works by 53 artists selected.

On June 6, **David Huisman** hosted a lunch with two other higher education controllers, Duane Pace of Lee University and Jamie Gross of Covenant College. During and after lunch, higher education accounting best practices were discussed, as well as FASB's ASU 2016-14 reporting for not-for-profit entities.

HATS OFF!

Lights Volunteer **Robert Lang**, has been designated Southern's 2017 Volunteer of the Year for his commitment to the university, his quality of work, and his attitude of service. Lang has demonstrated these qualities through giving of his time and talents primarily at Thatcher Farm, Transportation Services, and the School of Nursing's Standardized Patient Program. During 2016-17, he volunteered more than 128 hours at Southern—a value of \$3,018.65. The next time you see him, please offer your congratulations to this special Lights Volunteer.

-Leslie Ann Schwarzer

GOOD FIRST IMPRESSIONS: WE-HAUL

We-Haul will be upon us in a few weeks—a significant opportunity for extending excellent hospitality and customer service to our incoming students! I invite each of you to participate as we assist students moving into Thatcher and Talge halls from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 23, and Tuesday, August 15. We need greeters, haulers, and parking lot attendants. To sign up for one or both events, visit southern.edu/wehaul.

Thank you in advance for making a difference to new students at Southern!

Leslie Ann Schwarzer, *We-Haul Coordinator*



FALL 2017: NEW STUDENT AND NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATIONS AND COLLOQUIUM HIGHLIGHTS

JULY 2017	EVENT	LOCATION	WHO SHOULD ATTEND
Sunday, July 23			
9 a.m.-2 p.m.	<i>Main Event: New Student Check-In</i>	<i>Iles P.E. Center</i>	<i>Faculty and Employees</i>
10 a.m.	<i>We-Haul: SmartStart Session</i>	<i>Residence Halls</i>	<i>Employees, Alumni, and Volunteers</i>
Monday, July 24			
8 a.m.-5 p.m.	<i>SmartStart Begins</i> <i>New Employee Orientation</i>	<i>Various</i> <i>Undecided</i>	<i>Faculty and Students</i> <i>All New Employees (faculty and staff)</i>
AUGUST 2017	Colloquium: August 6-12 PRESSING TOWARD THE GOAL	LOCATION	WHO SHOULD ATTEND
Tue.-Fri., Aug. 1-4		Center for Teaching Excellence and Biblical Foundations of Faith and Learning Office	New Faculty (5071-B Industrial Drive)
8 a.m.-5 p.m.	New Faculty Orientation		
Sunday, Aug. 6			
4:30-5:30 p.m. (Park Hours: 12-6 p.m.)	Employee Picnic: Lake Winnepesaukah Amusement Park and SOAK-Ya	1730 Lakeview Drive, Rossville, GA 30741	Employees and Families
Monday, Aug. 7			
8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	David Smith: "Pressing Toward the Goal"	Lynn Wood Hall Chapel	<u>MANDATORY</u> : All Employees (attend either a.m. or p.m. session)
12-1:30 p.m.	Lunch Provided and BRIDGE Dessert *	Presidential Banquet Rm.	All Employees
1:30-5:30 p.m.	David Smith: "Pressing Toward the Goal"	Lynn Wood Hall Chapel	<u>MANDATORY</u> : All Employees (attend either a.m. or p.m. session)
Tuesday, Aug. 8			
6-10 a.m.	Employee Wellness Assessment	Iles P.E. Center	Employees/Retirees and Spouses (covered by Southern's insurance)
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.	Employee Town Hall	Lynn Wood Hall Chapel	<u>MANDATORY</u> : All Employees (attend either a.m. or p.m. session)
12-1:30 p.m.	Southern Connections In-Service *	Presidential Banquet Rm.	Southern Connections Professors (lunch provided)
2-3 p.m.	Faculty Workshop: Writing Courses *	Library: Instruction Lab	Faculty
3:30-5 p.m.	Employee Town Hall	Lynn Wood Hall Chapel	<u>MANDATORY</u> : All Employees (attend either a.m. or p.m. session)
Wednesday, Aug. 9			
9-11 a.m.	Bryan Dik: Calling, Career, and Vocation *	Lynn Wood Hall Chapel	All Staff Strongly Encouraged to Attend (other than Faculty)
12:30-5:30 p.m.	Faculty In-Service: Bryan Dik, PhD * "Calling, Career, and Vocation"	Residence Inn Conference Center (2340 Center Street)	All Faculty (lunch provided)
Thursday, Aug. 10			
8:30-11:30 a.m.	Faculty Workshops: Google Apps *	Brock Hall: 3rd floor Lab	Faculty
12-1:15 p.m.	Graduate Faculty Luncheon	Presidential Banquet Rm.	Graduate Faculty
1:30-4:30 p.m.	Faculty Workshops: eClass *	Brock Hall: 3rd floor Lab	Faculty
Friday, Aug. 11			
8:30-11:30 a.m.	Faculty Workshops: eClass *	Brock Hall: 3rd floor Lab	Faculty
Sabbath, Aug. 12			
10 a.m.	Employee Colloquium SS/Church Sabbath School	Lynn Wood Hall Chapel	Employees and Families
11:15 a.m.	Church Service: David Smith	Lynn Wood Hall Chapel	Employees and Families (lunch provided)
Wednesday Aug. 15			
9 a.m.-2 p.m.	<i>Main Event: New Student Check-In</i>	<i>Iles P.E. Center</i>	<i>Faculty and Employees</i>
10 a.m.-2 p.m.	<i>We-Haul</i>	<i>Residence Halls</i>	<i>Employees, Alumni, and Volunteers</i>
Thursday, Aug. 17			
5:30 p.m.	Lights Volunteer Supper	Presidential Banquet Rm.	Southern Lights Volunteers
Friday, Aug. 18			
5:30 p.m.	New Employee Supper	Presidential Banquet Rm.	New Employees {since Colloquium 2016}, Families, and Cabinet
MONDAY, AUG. 21 CLASSES BEGIN!			
Thursday, Aug. 24			
11 a.m.	Convocation: Student Dedication David Smith	Collegedale Church	All Employees (faculty in regalia!)

Italics = student orientation events

*See next page for additional details. More will follow closer to the events.

FALL 2017: STAFF AND FACULTY WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

Monday, August 7

12-1:30 p.m. – Lunch and BRIDGE Dessert – Dining Hall and Presidential Banquet Room

All employees are invited to enjoy lunch on Southern and join the Advancement team for dessert as we celebrate the generosity of faculty and staff. Employee giving at Southern last fiscal year reached 73 percent participation, more than twice the national average. Stop by for a delicious treat and learn more about the BRIDGE (Building Relationships in Departmental Giving Everyday) program.

Tuesday, August 8

12-1:30 p.m. – Southern Connections In-Service – Presidential Banquet Room

This luncheon is for all professors who are teaching Southern Connections. We will update and discuss trends, changes, and improvements to the course.

2-3 p.m. – Writing Course Criteria and Assessment – Library, Instruction Lab

The Writing Committee will review the W course criteria and assessment process and answer questions about W courses. All professors are welcome, but those teaching a W course will find it the most relevant.

Wednesday, August 9

STAFF Workshop – Lynn Wood Hall Chapel

9-11 a.m. – “Calling, Career, and Vocation” with Bryan Dik, PhD

Bryan Dik is an associate professor of psychology at Colorado State University and co-founder and chief science officer of jobZology. He studies meaning and purpose in the workplace, calling and vocation in career development, and the intersection of faith and work. View him on TEDx, “[How to Find and Live Your Calling](#)” and [makeyourjobacalling.com](#). He has published widely on these topics and is a frequent speaker at conferences, on college campuses, and for organizations. Dik has served on editorial boards for seven research journals and has collaborated on four books, including *Make Your Job a Calling: How the Psychology of Vocation Can Change Your Life at Work*. He is an American Psychological Association Fellow, received an Early Career Professional Award from the Society for Vocational Psychology, and is the 2017 recipient of the John Holland Award for Outstanding Achievement in Career or Personality Research. He lives with his wife, Amy, and their four young sons in Fort Collins, Colorado.

FACULTY In-Service – Residence Inn Conference Center

12:30-5:30 p.m. – Lunch and “Calling, Career, and Vocation” with Bryan Dik, PhD

Thursday, August 10

FACULTY Workshops – Brock Hall, 3rd Floor Computer Lab

8:30-11:30 a.m. – Google Apps

Learn both technical knowledge and practical classroom applications for Google Drive, Google Docs, and other Google apps.

1:30-4:30 p.m. – eClass by Online Campus

Learn basic and advanced features with emphasis on new and improved updates.

Friday, August 11

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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."

CHANGING FACES

COMING TO SOUTHERN:

Allison Maitland, HR generalist, Human Resources

Lisa Gano, assistant professor, Business

Belinda Fisher, breakfast supervisor, Food Services/Deli

LEAVING SOUTHERN:

Beverly Orrison, office manager, Modern Languages

Jeffrey Michel, student finance adviser, Student Finance

Aubrey Wallin, office manager, Thatcher Hall

Catherine Baggett, assistant housekeeper, Thatcher Hall

TRANSFERS/TITLE CHANGES:

John Willis, from assistant dean to associate dean, Thatcher Hall

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 **Ben Thornton**, Biology
- 2 **Kim Armitage**, Food Services
- 2 **Beckie Retzer**, Nursing
- 3 **Mark Comberiate**, Visual Art and Design
- 4 **Tammy Overstreet**, Online Campus
- 4 **Barry Tryon**, Religion
- 5 **Amanda Livanos**, English
- 8 **Sandy Tucker**, Records and Advisement
- 9 **Carolyn Hamilton**, Advancement
- 10 **Scott Ball**, Music
- 10 **Jonathan Paul Irwin**, Information Technology
- 11 **Glenn Carter**, Financial Administration
- 11 **Linda Tym**, English
- 13 **James Eason**, Village Market
- 13 **Jeff Erhard**, Talge Hall
- 14 **Leslie Evenson**, P.E., Health, and Wellness
- 14 **Richard Strickland**, Plant Services
- 16 **Ben Wygal**, President's Office
- 17 **Danny Ford**, Plant Services
- 20 **Josh Rhodes**, Information Technology
- 20 **Ellen Vitorino**, Food Services
- 20 **Joni Zier**, Records and Advisement
- 21 **Corneliu Rusu**, Social Work
- 22 **Kerry Allen**, Nursing
- 22 **Kim Sturm**, Plant Services
- 23 **Lauree Fogg**, Student Success Center
- 24 **Joseph Cripe**, Plant Services
- 25 **Todd Weaver**, Landscape Services
- 27 **Mark Antone**, Landscape Services
- 27 **Natalia Lopez-Thismon**, Journalism and Communication
- 27 **Sharon Rogers**, Records and Advisement
- 28 **Bill Cruttenden**, Plant Services
- 28 **Elaine Hayden**, Education and Psychology
- 29 **Dwayne Gardner**, Architectural Services
- 29 **Doug Penner**, Music

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