EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

May 2018

CAMPUS RESEARCH DAY

Last month, Campus Research Day featured 409 presentations from 17 departments, and 160 faculty and staff generously volunteered their time moderating sessions and evaluating students. David Epstein, a notable science and medicine investigative journalist presented a talk titled “The Margin Between Good and Great, How to Find It.”

Next year, Campus Research Day is scheduled for April 11. Contact Katie McGrath for more details.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Jaclynn Huse presented “Vitamin Insufficiencies” and “Breast Cancer Awareness” to a group of homeless Muslim women in Manila, Philippines, April 20-27. She also presented “Fruits of the Holy Spirit” at the Women and Shepherdess Conference in Manila, April 27-29.

David Nelsen and Keith Snyder had an article accepted for publication. “Tyrannosaur Cannibalism: a case of a tooth-traced Tyrannosaurid bone in the Lance Formation (Maastrichtian), Wyoming.” It will be published in the *Palaios* journal.

Laurie Redmer Minner was the string orchestra clinician for the Carolina Conference Music Festival, March 29 and 30, at Mount Pisgah Academy and for the Northern England Conference Music Festival at Pine Tree Academy, April 4-8. She will be traveling to Boston, April 20-22, to accept the Alumna of the Year award at Atlantic Union College’s alumni weekend.

Keith Snyder presented a poster titled “Four Overlapping Dinosaurs in Three Orientations: A Taphonomic Puzzle from the Lance Formation of Wyoming” at the 2018 Southeastern Section Geological Society of America on April 13 in Knoxville.

Melodie Lopez, Sandy Tucker, Elisabeth Anderson, and Jennifer Landivar, recently attended American Association of Collegiate Registrars of Admissions Officers’ (AACRAO) 104th Annual Meeting held in Orlando, Florida, March 25-28. Workshops included topics on international admissions, FERPA, industry best practices, secure transcripts, managing student systems, registration, College Transparency Act, Financial Aid, Title IX, and organizational structure. Registrars and admissions officers from Southern’s sister institutions were able to have a networking session of their own, hosted by ADU on its campus.

Nursing professors Holly Gadd and Barbara James participated in the Adventist Accrediting Association visit to Adventist University of Health Sciences (ADU). Their primary focus was with the International Board of Education’s approval of new programs offered by ADU including Master of Health Administration-Strategy and Innovation and Master of Science in Nursing-Nurse Education and Administration/Leadership.

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

The School of Journalism and Communication is excited to welcome Alva James-Johnson, who brings 30 years of professional journalism experience, as well as Pablo Fernandez, who is a seasoned television producer, filmmaker, and media manager.

HATS OFF

We bid farewell to Tara Hargrove, after enjoying nine years of her expertise and passion for our department. Hargrove has moved to Colorado to spend more time with her family. We wish her well in all her future endeavors.

-School of Journalism and Communication

I would like to thank the School of Nursing for the support, encouragement, and personal growth I have experienced over the last 15 years. You will be greatly missed! I would also like to thank Greg Merchant for being available after normal work hours to help make sure my online Adobe Connect Sessions go off without a hitch. He keeps going above and beyond and has never complained about my technological struggles.

-Jaclynn Huse

Thank you Michael Babienco for working with our ideas to develop a web application for faculty to create Biblical Foundation Course Concept Maps. In addition to the creation of the app, he has faithfully and quickly made changes, helped with training, and supported us as we trained faculty how to use the application. We wish him God’s blessings as he transitions to ministry in Cambodia with Adventist Frontier Missions.

-The Center for Teaching Excellence and Biblical Foundations of Faith and Learning

“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up…”

1 Thessalonians 5:11
Thank you to the 13 schools and departments across campus that have reached 100 percent giving participation so far. More than 60 percent of full-time employees have made a gift this fiscal year! Our goal is to reach 80 percent participation by the end of the fiscal year on May 31. Our collective support as employees, no matter how big or small our individual contributions are, inspire alumni and friends to join us in financially supporting our campus.

- Academic Administration
- Advancement
- Center for Teaching Excellence in Faith and Learning
- Chemistry Department
- Global Community Development
- Mathematics Department
- Physics and Engineering Department
- President’s Office
- Records and Advisement
- School of Computing
- School of Nursing
- School of PE, Health, and Wellness
- School of Social Work

To view your department’s giving participation, visit southern.edu/bridge.

**CHANGING FACES**

**COMING TO SOUTHERN:**
- **Kevin Coon**, energy management technician (effective June)
- **Matthew Duffy**, assistant professor, Chemistry (effective June)
- **Cheryl Epps**, cashier/office, Village Market
- **Pablo Fernandez**, assistant professor, Journalism and Communication
- **Eliezer Graterol**, associate professor, Religion (effective June)
- **Matthew Gunther**, patrol officer, Campus Safety
- **Ryan Vega**, production manager, Quick Print

**LEAVING SOUTHERN:**
- **Michael Babienco**, CIRC lead programmer/analyst, Computing
- **Galina Chikivchuk**, lunch salad supervisor, Food Services (effective June)
- **Nathan Erickson**, general/electrical maintenance technician, Plant Services
- **John McCoy**, dean, Education and Psychology
- **Luceta McRoy**, associate professor, Business (effective June)
- **Marggie Pittman**, coordinator, Risk Management

**TRANSFERS/TITLE CHANGES:**
- **Janice Cosme**, from office assistant to student employment coordinator, Human Resources
- **Ryan Rosel**, from energy management technician to wastewater collection system operator, Plant Services (effective June)

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

2 Melissa Moore, Chaplain’s Office
2 Karon Powell, Global Community Development
2 Tami Wery, Records and Advisement
3 Ray Artigas, Transportation Services
3 Becky Dijernes, Financial Administration
3 Shawn Haas, Campus Safety
3 Joe Lacom, Visual Art and Design
3 Kelly Sanchez, Computing
3 Ginger White, Food Services
4 Tricia Foster, Social Work
4 Rick Halterman, Computing
4 Thaddeus Lozensky, Campus Safety
5 Stanley Cottrell, McKee Library
6 Tara Hargrove, Journalism and Communication
6 LaShawn Horton, Nursing
7 Doru Mihaescu, Information Technology
8 Pamela Jansen, McKee Library
9 Eric Baerg, Advancement
9 Kevin Penrod, Campus Safety
9 Michelle Younkin, Records and Advisement
11 Jackie Rose, Village Market
12 Mikhaile Spence, Education and Psychology
13 Linda Peoples, Nursing
14 Kelly Hauge, Food Services
15 Peter Cooper, Music
15 Kevin Pride, Talge Hall
16 Ginger Cheney, Student Finance
16 Kimberly Harris, Advancement
16 Steve Holley, Plant Services
16 Shelly Kalvoda, Campus Shop
17 Lisa Kuhlman, Business
17 Carolyn Liers, Advancement
20 Avery Botticelli, Journalism and Communication
20 Christopher Stewart, Physical Therapist Assistant
21 Lorraine Ball, Journalism and Communication
21 Jackie Price, Food Services
22 Ron Miller, Information Technology
25 Katie Sheffield, History and Political Studies
25 Daniel Wibberding, Village Market
27 Lisa Hall, Thatcher Hall
28 Jennifer Landivar, Enrollment Management
29 Maggie Mendoza, Enrollment Management
31 Holly Gadd, Nursing

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**Marketing and University Relations**

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