

Southern Factor

November 2016

CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

HEADLINES

100K FOR 100 YEARS: Celebrating our past. Forging our future.

This year marks Southern's 100th year in Collegedale, and we're celebrating in big ways! Starting November 1 at 7 p.m., your gift has an even bigger impact on students than usual. An anonymous alumni couple is offering an unprecedented \$50,000 matching challenge for this 24-hour period. All gifts to the Southern Fund (from 7 p.m. on November 1 until 7 p.m. on November 2) will be matched dollar-for-dollar.

In addition to the matching gift, several other generous alumni and friends are offering additional bonus challenges—young alumni challenge, Facebook sharing challenge, and more—to stretch your gift even further.

If you are a full-time employee and make a gift during Giving Day, this will count toward your participation departmental giving.

Visit southern.edu/givingday for progress updates throughout the 24-hour challenge.



SOCIETY OF ADVENTIST COMMUNICATORS: School of Journalism and Communication Student's Awarded at Convention

Congratulations to the School of Journalism and Communication who received several student awards at this year's Society of Adventist Communicators convention (SAC) in Denver, Colorado, October 13-16.

Eight students and three faculty, including Greg Rumsey, Stephen Ruf, and Linda Crumley, attended the "Keep Climbing" 2016 convention.

Public Relations graduate, Jessica Anzai, won the 2016 SAC Student Award, and last year's *Southern Accent* staff, headed by Editor-in-Chief, journalism senior Rosanna Hughes, won Best Student Newspaper. Other students and graduates earned honorable mentions, including Terry Henson for best photo, and Lexie Center for her marketing of Studio 4109 LIVE!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Stephen Ruf, currently on sabbatical, was featured at the Society of Adventist Communicators convention in Denver, Colorado, over mid-term break. Ruf shared video reports he produced documenting the Seventh-day Adventist disaster relief effort, in flood-ravaged Louisiana during September. Ruf spent nearly three weeks in Baton Rouge producing stories that were used by the local conference and Adventist Community Services to recruit volunteers and raise funds for homeless flood survivors.

Volume 19 of the peer-reviewed *Journal of Biblical Integration in Business* was released in October. **Michael Cafferky** serves as the editor of this publication, produced by the Christian Business Faculty Association.

Annette Heck and Kristie Wilder attended the Tennessee Association of School Social Worker's Conference, in Chattanooga October 6-7. The theme of the conference was "Building the Three R's: Restoration, Resilience, Reconciliation." Wilder gave a workshop titled, "Ethics in a Digital Age," at the Tennessee Association of School Social Workers' annual conference.

On October 13-14, **Kristie Wilder** together with a colleague from University of Tennessee Chattanooga, Wilder was invited to San Diego, California, by the International Association of Chief of Police and Offices of Victims of Crime, to present baseline findings from year one of a three-year grant entitled "Enhancing Law Enforcement's Response to Victims of Crime." Chiefs of Police, victim advocate coordinators, and

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research partners from all three demonstration sites being studied under the grant, (Chattanooga, Tennessee; Saginaw, Michigan; and Casper, Wyoming) came together to present findings and make recommendations for the implementation phase.

Barbara James, Joelle Wolf, Jill Boholz, Beth Scott and Sonia Wrate attended the National League of Nursing 2016 Educational Summit: “Beyond Boundaries” at the Orlando World Center Marriott in Orlando, Florida, in September. Beth and Sonia gave a poster presentation for the interprofessional team: Ronda Christman, Maureen Baksh-Griffin, Sonia Wrate, Beth Scott, Laura Racovita-Szilagyi, Faith Laughlin, Cynthia Gettys, and Brooks Kirschmann, on September 26.

Sonia Wrate attended the Sigma Theta Tau International Region 8 Conference 2016, entitled, “Nursing: The Next Generation – How Will We Contribute to a New Health Ecosystem?” Wrate gave a podium presentation for the interprofessional team: Ronda Christman, Maureen Baksh-Griffin, Sonia Wrate, Beth Scott, Laura Racovita-Szilagyi, Faith Laughlin, Cynthia Gettys, and Brooks Kirschmann, on September 30.

Rick Norskov attended the Southern Union Medical Dental Health Professional Convention, October 7-8. He helped coordinate eight Southern pre-dental and pre-medical students who were paired with a host medical or dental family.

September 29-30, the Modern Languages Department (MDLG) had its first two-day retreat for MDLG 350 Global Citizen Seminar I. Eight MDLG 350 students, **Claryce Caviness** (professor of the class), **Adrienne Royo** (Spanish), **Pierre Nzokizwa** (French), **Isary Sánchez** (Italian), and **Beverly Orrison** (staff support manager), convened at the Chattanooga Choo Choo for two days to complete the coursework for this one-credit class. This including lecture, interactive activities, and language-specific conversation groups. The purpose and goal of this class is to facilitate re-entry for Adventist Colleges Abroad returning students. According to faculty, staff, and students, the goals were met. The students are in the process of completing their International Studies major in Spanish, French, or Italian, in preparation for the future that God has in mind for them, utilizing the language and cultural knowledge that they have acquired.

Judy Glass from the music faculty has been asked to present the December convocation at The McCallie School, a boys college-preparatory school in Chattanooga.

Edwin Reynolds had an article published in Portuguese in the scholarly journal of the Brasil University (UNASP) called *Parousia*. The article is entitled “Dez chaves para interpretar o livro de Apocalipse” (Ten Keys for Interpreting the Book of Revelation). A popularized version of the same article was published in the March 2016 Portuguese edition of the *Adventist Review (Revista Adventista)*.

HATS OFF!

Thank you to the many departments that supported Advancement as we honored our new president and grew the endowment and scholarship funds. A special thanks to **Dennis Schreiner** and **Donald Lighthall** in the Service Department; **Teddy Kyriakidis** and **Sherri Schoonard** in Food Services; **Gym-Masters**; **the School of Music**; **Ryan Pierce, Isaac James,** and **Tina Smith** in Marketing; **Marc Boyson** in the School of Visual Art and Design; **Audio Visual**; **the students in the Advancement Call Center**; **Campus Safety**; **Lights Volunteers**; **the staff in Advancement**; and the many employees and students that were displaced from their usual parking locations. We couldn't have done it without each one of you and your departments coming along side us.

-Geovanny Ragsdale

A huge thank you to the members of the Meet the Firms committee: **Tricia Foster, Evie Nogales Baker, Avery Botticelli, Evonne Crook, Rick Norskov, Joelle Wolf,** and **Linda Lechler** for the time and amazing effort put into coordinating Meet the Firms! We had 66 firms register this semester and close to 200 students attend! Great job everyone and to God we give glory for the success of this program! The Meet the Firms committee would also like to recognize **Janita Herod** for her unfailing dedication to the program! Thank you, Janita Herod, for coming and showing your support this year. We will greatly miss your leadership and experience in organizing this event!

-Lisa Kuhlman

Cindy McBryar, enrollment management, took time to call an office on behalf of wandering campus visitors, then walk them to meet their appointment. Thank you, Cindy, for helping to make Southern a visitor-friendly campus!

-Elaine Hayden

A shout out for the **Service Department** - We appreciate very much the professionalism and efficiency of the department. **Dennis Schreiner** and **his team (staff and students)** have done a wonderful job for us in the Modern Languages Department. We have been doing some upgrading, re-organizing and cleaning in Miller Hall, to which the Service Department has responded significantly in making each step run smoothly!

The **Plant Services Department**, with its capable staff requires a shout out also! **Eric Schoonard** and **his team of staff and students** have been pivotal in our making some very important and significant changes to our facilities! We have been able to make Miller Hall a much more user-friendly facility; because, of their expertise!

Information Technology has earned a shout out from the Modern Languages Department (Continued on next page)

also. We had been in urgent need of some equipment upgrades for our classrooms. The IT Department, through the leadership and expertise of **Gary Sewell** and **Nick White**, as well as number of **staff members and students**, have made these essential changes that have already positively impacted our classrooms!

We do not want to overlook the role of the **Southern administration** in authorizing the upgrades that have taken place in/outside of Miller Hall! The changes that have been executed in Miller Hall have made a significant difference in the appearance and functionality of the Modern Languages Department facilities. **Dr. Bob Young**, **Marty Hamilton**, and **Becky Djernes**, just to name three key individuals, have been essential to facilitating an improved, more user-friendly educational environment for our faculty, staff, and students. Thank you for your ongoing support of our department!

-The Modern Languages Department

I want to say a special thank you to several in **Plant Services**—**Dennis Clifford**, **Bill Lyons**, **Marty Hirschhorn** and **contract workers**—for the ongoing care you’ve given to Daniel’s Hall with painting, air conditioning unit repair, etc. We appreciate each of you!

-Cheryl Craven

PERSONAL NEWS

Edgar Alquinta will be ordained into ministry during the upcoming Pierson Institute of Evangelism and Mission’s weekend on November 5. The speaker will be Roger Hernandez, director of the Southern Union Ministerial Association. The dedication homily will be given by Ed Wright, president of the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.



University employees are invited to join alumni for a “Martin Luther and the Reformation Celebrating 500 Years” tour scheduled for June 13-25, 2017.

Visit major sites of the Protestant Reformation in Germany and Switzerland during this historic, milestone anniversary. Immerse yourself in European culture and breathtaking scenery with experienced tour leader, Bill Wohlers.

The cost is \$3,950 per person and includes an estimated 20 sightseeing activities.

Contact Alumni Relations by emailing alumni@southern.edu or by calling ext. 2830 to learn more and to reserve your space before January 1.

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We welcome your comments and news.

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EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION 2016

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

40-Year

Bruce Myers Plant Services
Diane Proffitt Nursing

30-Year

Danita Payne Campus Shop

25-Year

Barbara James Nursing

20-Year

Krystal Bishop Education and Psychology
Ken Caviness Physics
Ann Foster Biology
Chris Hansen Physics
Carolyn Liers Planned Giving
Mike McClung IT - Workstation Support
Dusty Miller Talge Hall
Jackie Rose Village Market
Bruce Schilling Chemistry
Fred Turner Architectural Services

15-Year

Linda Brooks Visual Art and Design
Randi Buhl IT - Digital Networking
Andy Compton Accounting Services
Jana Dietsche Student Finance
James Eason Village Market
Doug Froid Financial Administration
Carlos Martin Religion
Greg Rumsey Journalism and Communication
John Sager Talge Hall
Judy Sloan PE, Health and Wellness
Nancy Soapes Cafeteria
Brian Wilson Village Market
Cindi Young Financial Administration

10-Year

Justin Brooks Purchasing and Mail
Peter Cooper Music
Kelly Crawford Health Services
Judy Dedeker Nursing
Pamela Gammenthaler Nursing
Jaclynn Huse Nursing
Ron Johnson Mathematics
Brooks Kirschmann Campus Safety
Lisa Kuhlman Business
Melodie Lopez Graduate Studies
Lillian Loza Student Finance
Sylvia Mayer Nursing
Januwoina Nixon Learning Support Services
Rick Norskov Biology
Pierre Nzokizwa Modern Languages
Jackie Price Village Market
Josh Rhodes IT - Digital Networking
Kelly Sanchez Computing
Marcus Sheffield English
Todd Wever Landscape Services

5-Year

Elisabeth Anderson Admissions
Rick Anderson Admissions
Marc Boyson Visual Art and Design
Jan Cathey Chemistry

Joseph Cripe Plant Services
Bill Cruttenden Plant Services
Bonnie Eder Education and Psychology
Paul Irwin IT - Integration and Development
Teri Klinger Thatcher Hall
Joe La Com Visual Art and Design
Kendra Lee Journalism and Communication
Valerie Lee Biology
Tisha Looby Thatcher Hall
Janice Lyons Village Market
John McCoy Education and Psychology
Michele McFarlane Institutional Research and Planning
Sukie Myers Campus Shop
Lucas Patterson Advancement
Michael Rumsey Student Finance
Tina Smith Marketing and University Relations
Tim Trott Biology
Kristie Wilder Social Work
Joelle Wolf Nursing

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 **Zachary McDonald**, Enrollment Management
1 **Laurie Minner**, Music
2 **Donald Keefe**, Visual Art and Design
2 **Shannon Martin**, History and Political Studies
4 **Steven Crosby**, Quick Print
4 **Greg Merchant**, Online Campus
5 **Robert Bovell**, Advancement
5 **Liane de Souza**, Education and Psychology
5 **David George**, Visual Art and Design
6 **Astrid Conibear**, Education and Psychology
6 **Tamara Mallory**, Accounting Services
7 **Scott Kornblum**, Advancement
8 **Lisa Patterson**, Talge Hall
9 **Minodora Perchik**, Food Services
10 **Alan Parker**, Religion
10 **Carl Patterson**, Talge Hall
11 **Jim Parks**, Plant Services
11 **Autumn Schilleman**, English
12 **Jeffrey Michael**, Student Finance
13 **Marty Hamilton**, Financial Administration
15 **Charlotte Athey**, Enrollment Management
15 **Doug Jacobs**, Religion
16 **Tim Cwodzinski**, Visual Art and Design
16 **Adrienne Royo**, Modern Languages
17 **Lorri Merchant**, Social Work
18 **Galina Chikivchuk**, Food Services
18 **Jim Wampler**, Student Success Center
19 **David Smith**, President
20 **Barbara James**, Nursing
21 **Russ Orrison**, Purchasing and Mail Services
21 **Sharon Pittman**, Global Community Development
21 **Len Raney**, Plant Services
21 **Bob Young**, Academic Administration
22 **Lauren Turpen**, Student Finance
23 **Stevenson Pangkey**, Campus Safety
24 **Jason Smith**, Campus Safety
25 **Don Hart**, Plant Services
25 **Philip Samaan**, Religion
26 **Shana Michalek**, Enrollment Management
26 **Sarah Shelburne**, Human Resources
27 **Kimberly Miller**, Enrollment Management
28 **Joyce Azevedo**, Biology and Allied Health
28 **Frances Johnson**, Nursing
28 **Robert Montague**, Business
30 **Taresa Vanderoef**, Village Market