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Dave Cress Memorial Golf Tournament 2014

This annual event is right around the corner! Mark your calendars for September 21 for a great day of golf and fellowship at Nob North Golf Course in Cohutta, Georgia. The tournament proceeds provide scholarships each year that allow students at Southern Adventist University to continue their Christian education.

The hole-in-one prize this year is a car from Jaguar/Land Rover/Porsche of Chattanooga! Contact your golf partners and sign up today.

For more information about the event, email advancement@southern.edu or call 423.236.2829.

To learn about available sponsorship opportunities, email **John Shoemaker** or call 423.236.2781.

Scriptural Foundations for Business Series

This Friday, August 29th, at 8:00am (CT), 3ABN Today	will feature a unique
conversation with Dr. Michael Cafferky, business professo	or at Southern Adventist University
and Dr. Bruce Wrenn of the School of Business at Andrews University, about	

This series provides a spiritual perspective that prepares a person of faith for a career in the world of business. The program will also repeat at 3:00pm, 8:00pm, and 11:00pm.

Media Campers Taste College Life in the School of Journalism and Communication

~ by Ashley Noonan, Advancement Intern

In July, sixteen high school students arrived on campus for the first,	
hosted by the	(SJC). Several students from the
Collegedale area attended, while some studen	ts traveled from as far as Mississippi, Maryland
and Virginia.	

Stephen Ruf and Kendra Stanton Lee, assistant professors in the SJC, led the three-day intensive workshop that was divided into two tracks: photo/video and writing/editing.

During breakout sessions, the high school students were exposed to different skills and techniques. They were given various projects to work on that were showcased at the final evening program. The students also had the opportunity to head to downtown Chattanooga and practice their new interview and photography skills.

Lee said she gave her students two challenges at the beginning of media camp. The first was to do something that would get them out of their comfort zone and the second was to walk away learning or reaffirming something about themselves.

Tyler Brant, a senior at Collegedale Academy, said he learned about the camp from his church bulletin.

"I want to be a film major when I get to Southern so these skills will really help," Tyler said.

Feedback from students has already shown they would like the camp to last a whole week.

"We feel so grateful that sixteen students took a chance on something unknown," Lee said. Our hope is that they will be ambassadors for our program."

Farewell to a Great Leader

~ by William MacArthur, Student Intern

Every two years the ______ Department embarks on a European Study Tour traveling through the major historical sites of Europe. The objective is to bring cultural and historical enlightenment to the students in a vivid and tangible way. This year the focus was on Central Europe and included countries such as Italy, the Czech Republic, Austria, Germany, Croatia, and Switzerland.

Bill Wohlers, former vice president for Student Services who retired this summer, has led these tours for the past 32 years. Much has changed since he began taking Southern students to Europe. From the tearing down of the Berlin Wall to the creation of new nations, he has enjoyed seeing history unfold before his eyes on every trip. This year Wohlers went above the call of duty by putting together two trips in one summer to accommodate as many students as possible.

This trip is a historic point in itself as it was Wohlers' final year of leading the Tour. Lisa Clark Diller, dean of the History and Political Studies Department, will be leading these tours in the future.

Alum Begins Fashion Company Highlighting Modest Dress

~ Evonne Crook, Director of Alumni Relations

Nickling St. Fleur-Rrustemaj, 2004 pre-speech pathology graduate, has a passion for creating high fashion that focuses on Christian modesty.

St. Fleur-Rrustemaj was taught the importance of being well dressed from a young age. As a little girl, she attended church every Sabbath while living with her family in the Bahamas. She realized early on that people place different levels of value on play clothes, school uniforms, and church attire. Each type of clothing had its proper place. As time has passed and societal attitudes have changed, she no longer sees as much of a distinction.

"Sometimes I feel that what is offered by major clothing designers leaves few options for making one garment more or less appropriate for different events," St. Fleur-Rrustemaj said.

To remedy that situation she started ______, a line of clothing specifically tailored to assist those providing fashionable church-appropriate clothing, that combines beauty, femininity, and modesty.

Exhibiting high standards of Christian dress is valued and encouraged for students and staff at Southern. Being mindful of modestly also supports the attitudes of workplace professionalism being taught across campus.

The Third Prong: WSMC Instrument Drive

~ Staff Report

WSMC Classical 90.5 is Southern Adventist University's 100,000-watt FM radio station. As a station run by followers of Christ, the organization wanted to reach out to its community in many ways. To that end, General Manager Scott Kornblum said they developed a three-pronged approach.

First, they developed "a homegrown program" called Classical Community. They went searching for young people in the Chattanooga area, looking for ways to feature them using music in their schools and communities. Over the course of 2013, the program featured approximately 300 youth. Some came into the radio station's studio and were recorded there; others were recorded during concerts at their schools.

The second prong was to bring the National Public Radio show "From the Top" to Chattanooga for the second time in January of 2014. This extremely popular broadcast, now in its 13th year, is heard on 250 stations by more than 700,000 listeners each week and seeks to "celebrate the amazing performances and captivating stories of extraordinary young classical musicians." Students from across the country audition for spots on the prestigious program, and four young people in Chattanooga (a classical guitar quartet) were accepted and performed on the show.

In 2012, when WSMC first brought "From the Top" to town, many school children in Chattanooga had their interest in music piqued by the show and were interested in learning to play, but did not have access to instruments. So for their third prong, WSMC used the 2014 show as a platform to launch a drive to collect instruments for local children. The drive was reported in the Spring 2014 Columns magazine as having brought in more than 50 instruments, but Kornblum says they now have over 100.

WSMC received a grant from the local McKenzie Foundation to fix all the donated instruments. The repairs have been made and now that schools are back in session, Kornblum said the station will have "a big event" where instruments are handed off to local music educators.

Kornblum said he had been blessed when speaking with station visitors and WSMC listeners who want to help local young people pursue the arts, and you may still get involved by visiting

Changes for Culinary Arts Program

~ Mackenzie Ogan, Student Intern

One of the most recent additions to Southern's course catalog has been undergoing some exciting changes. The ______ began in the fall of 2013 as a one-year program and has now been expanded to an associate degree. Another important change is the plan to renovate the former Campus Kitchen and move the culinary arts students into that building for hands-on learning in a professional environment.

Crystal Whitten, associate professor in the School of P.E., Health, and Wellness, is head of the program. Though appreciative of this past year's partnership with the Village Market deli—which gave her students the tools to practice their kitchen skills—she is anxious for a more dedicated space.

The program has room for 16 students, but is not currently at enrollment capacity. Should that change, there is the potential for it to grow into a four-year degree coupled with business courses. Whitten feels the space and equipment in the renovated kitchen will help recruit more students and better prepare existing ones for their future jobs.

"My goal is 100 percent placement for our graduates" Whitten said.