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NEW PRESIDENT - Exclusive Interview with Don Sahly
Alumni President’s Message

The Year That Was . . .

This school year has been concluded by graduation weekend and summer school is under way. As I reflect on the past year, I realize that many important events have taken place. The President’s Lecture Series brought Rosalyn Yalow, a Nobel laureate in physiology/medicine, and Chaim Potok, a noted Jewish writer. The student body and the Chattanooga community had the opportunity to be exposed to these intellectual giants in their fields. The organ dedication brought hundreds of non-Adventists onto the campus. Only eternity will reveal the impressions gained by their visit.

I had the privilege as your representative at graduation to honor William Taylor as “Mr. Alumni,” Eugene A. Anderson as an honorary alumnus, and John Wagner as he leaves our campus to take up his new duties. It is occasions like these that make this office so exciting.

I urge you to make plans for Alumni Homecoming ’86. A worthwhile weekend is being planned. Arrangements have been made for continuing education courses on Friday in the areas of business, nursing, stress management, and religion. Talent from different eras is being arranged for the Saturday evening program. We would like to see another large turnout of the honor classes for the Sunday morning brunch. I am looking forward to seeing you at Homecoming ’86.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Lorren
D.D.S., ’57

Mailbag

Dr. Marvin Robertson, director of the music department, shares two of many notes received when the Anton Heiller Memorial Organ was dedicated:

I wish to thank you for such wonderful music! I am so pleased that your church is doing this for the musical world. My view of 7th Day Adventists just increased 400 percent.

Dear Dr. Robertson:

On behalf of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Musicians’ Guild we want to congratulate Southern College and the Collegedale Church on the event of the dedication of your new tracker organ.

We trust that it will prove a blessing to the community and that it will be one more step toward the church’s ultimate recognition of a place for music ministry in the work of the church.

God bless you and may the organ be used mightily for His glory.

John Read, President
SDA Church Musicians’ Guild
A TRIBUTE TO JOHN WAGNER

As the 21st president of Southern College leaves for Nebraska to assume the presidency of Union College, Alfred C. McClure, chairman of the SC Board of Trustees, honors his personal stature and recaps his administrative achievements.

It is with a mixture of admiration, appreciation, and a large portion of sadness that we say farewell to a man who has been our highly respected and much loved leader during these past three years.

• A man who, though the president and CEO, has been a genuine friend to students, faculty, staff, constituency, and community.

• A man who, though possessing the right to be called "Dr. Wagner," preferred to be known as "John."

• A man whose decisions and counsel were balanced and perceptive through rich and frequent seasons of prayer.

John Wagner will be remembered for many things:

• His obvious genuine spiritual experience and love for the Lord.

• His total commitment to his church and to Christian education in the context of the church’s mission.

• His door which was ever open to give access to a listening ear.

• His deep, resonant voice—yet warm, relaxed, caring friendship that put others at ease.

• His pursuit of excellence for the institution as a place of learning and growth.

Numerous events of significance have occurred during his tenure as president:

• Completion and dedication of Brock Hall.

• His suggestion to the So-Ju-Conians of their sponsorship of a religion center and the subsequent remodeling of the former music building into the finest religion department facility in the denomination.

• Creation of the Garden of Prayer dedicated in memory of Simon and Leota King.

• Launching of the $10 million Century II Scholarship Endowment Campaign.

• Installation of the Anton Heiller Memorial Organ.

• A balanced budget for the 1986-1987 school year.

The philosophy of Dr. John Wagner as a Christian educator and leader could be summed up as follows:

"In every human being He [Christ] discerned infinite possibilities. He saw men as they might be, transfigured by His grace. . . . Looking upon them with hope, He inspired hope. Meeting them with confidence, He inspired trust." Education, p. 80.

President
Southern Union Conference

On behalf of students, faculty, and staff, a Shopsmith Mark V was presented to John Wagner, center, as a farewell remembrance. The home shop tool serves as table saw, lathe, drill press, horizontal boring machine, disk sander, bandsaw, and jounter. Jonathan Wurl, Student Association president, left, and Ken Spears, vice president for finance, made the presentation.
MEET THE 22ND PRESIDENT

Newly arrived President Donald R. Sahly shares viewpoints with Columns readers as his career in educational administration brings him from the Orient to the Tennessee Valley. Leaving his Singapore post where he was associate director of education for the Far Eastern Division of Seventh-day Adventists, Dr. Sahly has seven years of overseas experience. Before going to Bangkok in 1979, he worked with alumni affairs, student recruitment, and the annual fund campaign at Andrews University. His background also includes 14 years of teaching and administration in elementary schools in Canada and the U.S. He earned his Ed.D. in educational administration at the University of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif.

Q. Where were you, Dr. Sahly, when you learned that the SC Board had voted to call you to the presidency? Tell us about your feelings at that point.

A. I was at home in Singapore, eating breakfast, when Elder McClure telephoned. In the moments that followed our conversation, I admit that I was somewhat overwhelmed with the immense challenges that face anyone accepting a college presidency in the '80s. At the same time, I felt it was a rare privilege to be asked to serve in this capacity.

It was also a moment of rejoicing for our family, as this was a direct answer to prayer. It meant our family could be together as our children proceed with their education. We have always had plain evidences that the Lord led us into the work we have been doing. Seven years ago, we accepted a call to the Far Eastern Division, without having scouted out the land. Our brief April visit after we accepted the call to SC was a pleasure of unexpected dimensions, a blessing we had not really anticipated.

Q. What perspectives have you gained while overseas that will enrich your service here?

A. The opportunity to work with a variety of educational systems in different countries, and to meet educational leaders in the church, in the communities, and at government levels has given me insights which have enriched my background in educational administration.

Becoming acquainted with people of different cultures and value systems offers perspectives you don't have when you stay with one particular culture and system of education.

Specifically, in the Far Eastern Division, I have had the privilege of dealing with several developing colleges, a graduate school, and a seminary. Sitting on their boards, committees, and Board of Regents evaluation teams, I have dealt with a wide range of issues in higher education—finance, curriculum, discipline, fund raising and development, and others.

Q. I understand your five-day visit in April was your first time in Tennessee. What do you think of this area, and the campus in particular?

A. Our first visit to Tennessee greatly impressed us with its beauty. I appreciated finding a school located in an area fulfilling the concepts of Adventist education. In the Far East we have worked with many city situations.

I believe Southern College to be one of the best planned and best built campuses I have visited. The Board has done well by the school over the years. The physical structure, planning, and development of buildings have certainly been first class all the way. I was particularly impressed with the amount of space allocated to each department, and with the church, the dormitory worship rooms, and other space allotted on campus for religious activities.

Q. What stands out in your mind as Southern's strengths?

A. Schools are comprised of students, faculty, and facilities, and in that priority. I was impressed with the standards of dress, behavior, and decorum I saw as I visited the cafeteria, the dormitories, the assembly program, and observed students in general.
I appreciated the number of students who approached me and introduced themselves in a friendly, open manner. It was also obvious that the Board and past administrations have picked the faculty and leaders very carefully. It was pleasant and gratifying to meet such a number of professionally qualified and genuinely friendly faculty and staff.

Q. Any thoughts on how you will encourage an atmosphere for learning that will make the process pleasant for faculty and students alike?

A. As competition in American higher education increases, small private colleges face three choices: closure, takeover, or efficient, effective operation within a specific scope. Adventists in the Southern Union would put options one and two out of the question. Our future emphasis must be on the students and faculty. Everything we do must be done with the intention of greater and better service to the students. We must develop a cohesiveness, a team spirit of working together toward that end. I am old fashioned enough to believe that the somewhat smaller classes of the future offer a great educational advantage, permitting high standards, extensive reading, frequent writing assignments, and rational class discussions.

Young people today in spite of their independent spirit do react to guidance, and to friendly intellectual ambiance, where the love of one’s fellow beings and love of God is a dominant principle. I believe a small college has the opportunity to recapture the spirit of quality. We have before us both the opportunity and the challenge of reaching higher standards of service to students, to the community, and to God than ever before.

Q. Please help COLUMNS readers get better acquainted with you. How would you describe yourself as a person?

A. I like working with people. I enjoy spending time with others discussing and searching for innovative ideas. I enjoy the creative spirit and I enjoy trying what has not been done before.

Q. Your move will be helping enrollment by at least one—your daughter, April, who enters college this fall. And Quentin in tenth grade won’t be far behind. What do you see ahead for enrollment?

A. I do hope that we will see some enrollment stability in the years ahead with perhaps some modest increases. I believe the greatest opportunity for marketing Adventist education lies within the grassroots of our whole church organization. Whether it be Sabbath School, youth activities, or the entire church ministries area, I think we need to reassess and recommit ourselves as church members to Christian education. It is not just the colleges that face an enrollment problem. Academies and elementary schools no longer have the majority of our Adventist students attending. I believe by working closely with our church communications departments at all levels, we can do some innovative things in the area of communicating commitment for Adventist education in our churches.

Q. What immediate plans do you have as you settle in?

A. In the first few weeks at Southern College I hope to devote blocks of three and four hours to each department of the campus, so I can get to see the facilities, get to know the people personally, and spend time with them so I can better understand some of their needs and challenges.

It is my hope that the deans will invite me to speak at dormitory worship. I enjoy getting together with students.

Q. Please tell us more about your wife and family, their interests and goals.

A. My wife, Weslyne, is a secretary and accountant and hopes to find some part-time work on the campus. She is willing to be of service where needed. One of her favorite things is to cook a good meal, and invite friends over to enjoy it with us. She enjoys playing tennis, and recently has begun some short distance jogging.

April plans to enter a course of study leading to a degree in physical therapy. Like many freshmen, she is leaving the door open for a change of plans. She has recently become certified as a scuba diver. She also enjoys jogging and playing tennis, and has some interest in working on a physical education minor.

Quentin is 15 and is especially interested in computers and cycling. Growing has been his major physical activity recently—eight inches in the last year and a half, giving him the great pleasure of being the tallest member of the family.

Q. I am sure the Board of Trustees already determined the answer to this question—Are you a conservative spender? Do you feel comfortable with the Board’s mandate for a balanced budget?

A. I believe I am a conservative spender. The seven years in the mission field have brought me into contact with institutions on limited budgets. Yes, I am comfortable with the mandate for a balanced budget. To operate year by year on an unbalanced budget puts the future of an institution in jeopardy. I believe the two greatest financial challenges
ahead of us will be to build a good solid endowment and to liquidate indebtedness, thus increasing interest income and decreasing interest expenditure.

Q. How do you plan to encourage Christian growth and commitment at Southern?

A. I believe the best strategy to cope with the constant threat posed by contemporary standards is, first, to set the right example. This of course puts a certain amount of personal pressure on one's self and family, and this is a topic that we discuss as a family regularly. I believe that faculty members I have already met share this same concern and willingness to set the pace and to be Christian models to family, friends, and students. A positive Christian spirit is a contagious thing. As we encourage one another, I believe it will grow and spread. Certainly, weeks of prayer, dormitory worship, church services, chapel programs, and Bible camps all have their place in the college program to emphasize the spiritual dimension of Christian education. As I met with members of the Bible department during my visit, I was encouraged by their commitment and optimism for greater days ahead. It was a special privilege to discuss and pray about this particular dimension.

Q. How do you perceive alumni?

A. Recently I had the opportunity to attend an alumni chapter meeting. I felt a strong supportive spirit for Southern College with that group, and I am sure that same feeling of support has been multiplied 8,000 times over as we look at that number of graduates over the last 96 years. This presents a real challenge to those in the development area, and they have my fullest cooperation as we work with this resource in the area of endowment, in the area of scholarships, and genuine support in other areas in which the college needs assistance. Certainly these thousands of alumni spread over North America and other places could be a significant help with recruiting and other aspects where they have not been involved before.

Q. Thank you for your time. We welcome you and wish you a satisfying and productive presidency here. Is there something you would like to add in conclusion?

A. Whenever I begin a new job or project, I always ask myself, By what criteria will we measure success when this is completed? As I move to Southern College, a number of evaluative criteria come to my mind. Will I be able to assist in making Southern College a place that will give better service to students? Will the faculty be stronger, more professional, more qualified, and will they be doing a better job in the future? Will the college in the years to come be held in ever higher regard? Is the school better known? Is the physical plant better? And certainly the most important question: Do those who come today and in the future find themselves closer to God and nearer to heaven than before they set foot on the campus?

If we can look back in years to come and answer these questions in the affirmative, certainly we will be able to say that the endeavor has been successful, and that God has been in these plans and in this place.

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**Our Presidential Heritage**

Southern College roots go deep in the Tennessee soil. George W. Colcord founded the school 94 years ago in Graysville. The first nine educators listed here had charge of the young school through its growing phases as Graysville Academy, Southern Industrial School, and Southern Training School. In 1916 the school moved to its present location, 30 miles south and on the opposite side of the Tennessee River from Graysville. Here it has been known as Southern Junior College (to 1944), Southern Missionary College (to 1982), and Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists.

- 1. George W. Colcord 1892-1896
- 2. W. T. Bland 1896-1898
- 3. C. W. Irwin 1898-1900
- 4. N. W. Lawrence 1900-1901
- 5. J. Ellis Tenney 1901-1908
- 7. C. L. Stone 1912-1914
- 8. Lynn H. Wood 1914-1915, 1918-1922
- 10. Leo F. Thiel 1916-1918, 1922-1925
- 11. H. H. Hamilton 1925-1927
- 12. Marion E. Cady 1927
- 14. John C. Thompson 1937-1942
- 16. Kenneth A. Wright 1943-1955
- 22. Donald R. Sahly 1986-
Awards Convocation Recognizes Student Achievement

Fame and fortune? Well, that may be stretching it a bit, but the annual Awards Convocation brought dozens of students a share of encouraging recognition.

For some, the positive reinforcement was a plaque such as the one given Marigold Nabong as outstanding freshman biology major, or a letter of commendation as given to Erwin Velbis and Diana Green for quality of care as student nurses. For Jamie Litchfield, it was an American Bible Society Greek/English New Testament, awarded for excellence in biblical language study. A year's subscription to the Wall Street Journal was Kevin Sadler's reward for excellence in his accounting studies. Shauna McLain won the Chemical Rubber Company Handbook of Chemistry and Physics for qualifying as the top student in General Chemistry.

For others, there were financial rewards. Potential teachers benefited from four scholarship funds, including the George B. and Olivia Dean Scholarship Fund which provided Tina Miller and April Thayer with $500 each. The Ambrose Suhrie Scholarship provided elementary education major Luana Robertson with $630.

A $600 Theresa Brickman Scholarship for office administration majors went to Samanthy Haire. The biology department presented Scott Learned with a McCluskey Scholarship Award of $75. Theology students Michael Davis, Anthony Mavrakos, and Zell Ford shared $300 from the D. W. Hunter Scholarship and Loan Fund.

The Division of Nursing proudly presented Cynthia Powell a letter of commendation for meriting the Tennessee League for Nursing Award. It brought with it $500. Cynthia was one of just two nursing students in the entire state to be chosen for this award. Ellen J. Gilbert Awards for Outstanding Leadership were given to associate degree students Laura Martin and Joelle Stroud and to upper division students Debra Odell and Robert Ernst.

Southern College gave work scholarships, honoring ten students who had maintained a GPA above 3.0 while working at least 400 hours per year. McKeel Scholarships of $500 each were awarded to six students who had been employed by McKeel Baking Company for at least two years.

Awards listed here and students pictured are representative of the entire list of presentations at Awards Convocation. In addition, throughout the school year, the Loan and Scholarship Committee makes numerous other awards, based on qualifications and availability of funds. Some are related to exceptional academic achievement. Others are tied directly to need. "Southern College administers nearly 50 different funds made available by generous friends of the college, and always welcomes unrestricted scholarship funds as well as memorial or other designated gifts,"

states Laurel Wells, financial aid director.

At the 14 academies in the Southern Union, graduating seniors received scholarships to Southern College totaling more than $100,000. This included 53 ACT scholarships, 88 academic scholarships, 62 leadership scholarships, and three National Merit academic recognition awards (two finalists and a semifinalist.)

Symphony Guild scholarships of $300 went to college students David Creel and Dana Knecht, violinists, and Anna Kalmansson, oboist. These were presented at the SC Symphony Orchestra Dinner Concert in April. Two violinists from Collegedale Academy, Ellen Ashton and Kim Robertson, received $200 each, and Robbie Rempher at Spalding Elementary was given $100.
May Graduation a Milestone for 217

Seventieth Annual Commencement Includes Five Southern Scholars

Five Southern Scholars, a deaf honor student, two sets of twin sisters, a couple of husband/wife pairs, a 19-year-old chemistry major, 24 students who had traveled or lived abroad, and the first SC student to receive three degrees at one time—these were among the 217 May graduates.

To parents, teachers, and friends, of course, each graduate was special. Another special diploma recipient was Desmond Doss, the first conscientious objector to be awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroism as a wartime army medic. He was granted an honorary bachelor of letters degree.

Speaker for the Sunday commencement service was Eugene A. Anderson, a member of the SC Board of Trustees, and chairman of the board for Southern Saw Service, Inc., in Atlanta. His topic was “The Adventist Star.” Class president Douglas Gates, a religion major, responded for the class. Melvin Campbell, professor of education, addressed the seniors at Friday evening consecration. J. A. Edgecombe, president of the Southeastern Conference, gave the baccalaureate sermon on Sabbath. At the Sabbath evening senior nurses’ pinning ceremony, 39 associate degree and 20 baccalaureate degree students were recognized in the roll call and received pins. Gordon Bietz, pastor of the Collegedale SDA Church, addressed them.

Of 129 baccalaureate graduates of Southern College this spring, 32 earned academic distinction. Those graduating summa cum laude at Collegedale (with a grade point average above 3.90) were: Heide Gustafson Ford, (who graduated with her husband, Zell Ford), David Gano, Kristin Kuhlman (the 19-year-old), Karen Peck, Kevin Rice, Kevin Sadler, and Robert Vaughan. Five of the 32 graduated magna cum laude (3.75 to 3.89 GPA). An enthusiastic standing ovation was given to Joan Holowach, deaf from birth, one of 18 bachelor candidates graduating cum laude. A certificate of recognition was given to Carol Fagarido, who attended classes and signed for Joan.

Eighty-five students completed associate degree programs. Four among them graduated Sunday with high honors, and two with honors. An A.S. accounting graduate, Joosting Shim, also received a B.S. in computer science (business) and a B.A. in communication (journalism).

The five Southern Scholars earning distinction by going beyond normal degree requirements to complete interdisciplinary studies, honors courses, and independent study while maintaining at least a 3.50 GPA are: Heather Blomeley (biology), David Gano (chemistry), Kevin Sadler (accounting), Robert Vaughan (biology), and Pamela Wilson (psychology).

The nursing field had 76 graduates, among them twins Cherrie and Cheryl Good. Priscilla Wilson earned a B.S. in nursing, while her twin, Pamela, majored in psychology. Linda Kuhn Learned earned a degree in elementary education and her husband, Scott, graduated with a biology major. Students with foreign experience included a number who had served as Student Missionaries (including Susan Crabtree, class secretary) as well as others who had participated in international music tours or the European study tour sponsored by Southern College.

A first in nursing was the granting of three baccalaureate degrees on the Orlando Center campus, where 16 associate degrees in nursing were also awarded on Thursday, May 1. Two B.S. recipients graduated summa cum laude: Janet Critchlow and Jacqueline Nichols. The part-time B.S. program allows nurses employed at Florida Hospital Medical Center to progress toward degree upgrading. Class president Denise Foster (A.S.) graduated magna cum laude, and two graduated cum laude.

Commencement speaker in Orlando was Ted Hamilton, '69, who is director for family practice residencies and vice president for medical education at Florida Hospital.
New Degree Combines
Food Service, Business

A new major in food service administration has been approved by the Board of Trustees.

This new four-year B.S. degree provides a foundation for a career in institutional food service supervision and administration. To make the curriculum even more valuable in today's business-oriented world, a cognate minor in business administration is required.

Design of the new major focuses on the needs of hospitals, nursing homes, wellness centers, academies, colleges, recreational camps, health food stores, and restaurants for food service administrators. Prospects for placement of graduates are excellent. This is due in part to SC's strong business administration department, which includes a long-term health care administration major. Also, no other Adventist college is presently offering a program of this type. Food service administration courses at public colleges generally require courses in mixing alcoholic beverages and cooking meat.

This is a ladder program (2 plus 2) in which a student may complete requirements for an associate of technology degree in food service, and then may continue on to complete the baccalaureate degree.

For the most part, this new major is built on existing courses in the home economics and business administration departments. Two new courses (but no new staff) are being added: Practicum in Special Functions (3 hours), and Internship in Food Service Administration (4 hours).

In addition to the associate of technology degree in food service, a bachelor of science degree in home economics, an associate of science degree in home economics, and a certificate program in food service production are offered at Southern. Thelma Cushman chairs the home economics department, and Diane Fletcher teaches full time. Earl Evans, food service director, and Roy Dingle, Village Market Bakery manager, instruct on a part-time basis.

Feeding Spirit and Body

New Elderhostel Courses Planned

Elderhostel, "a short-term, residential, academic program which brings a small group of older citizens to a college or university campus for one week," will be on the Southern College campus September 21 through 27.

This, the second Elderhostel week to be held at SC, offers three short courses to anyone 60 or more (or the spouse of someone that age).

Ceramic Clay Sculpture, taught by world-famous Seventh-day Adventist sculptor Alan Collins of Loma Linda University, will include hands-on experience.

Dr. Dorothy Minchin Conn, also of Loma Linda University, will teach The Bible As Art, a course which includes a multi-media presentation.

Diane Fletcher, nutritionist on the Southern College faculty, will teach Vegetarian Cuisine: No Bones About It. Students will learn to prepare a variety of vegetarian dishes.

Cost for the week, including housing, food, classes, and most extracurricular activities, is $205. Registration information can be obtained by writing Elderhostel, 80 Boylston Street, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02116.

Several Hostelships for Southern College alumni are available. These Hostelships provide full tuition less the required $30 deposit. For information and applications for Hostelships, write: Dr. Marvin L. Robertson, Director, Division of Adult Studies, Southern College, Collegedale, TN 37315-0370.

Those interested in this week of mental adventure at Collegedale are encouraged to make their plans soon.

The number of Elderhostelers is generally limited to 45.
SUPREME BROOM COMPANY MOVED to its new 33,000 square foot plant in April. This college industry produces up to two thousand dozen brooms per week, and expects to surpass $4 million in sales again this year. The facility, with 50 percent more space than the former location, is located near the student trailer park but is approached by a new road. Don Spears, the manager, says he is "thrilled to be in the new plant and pleased with how well the moving went." The industry has 92 employees, including about 50 students. Supreme Broom has three tractor trailers, and markets in the central and eastern United States.

DIPLOMAS IN AUTO BODY REPAIR were earned by 11 students this year. The one-year course covers panel repair, refinishing, estimating, frame straightening, and major collision repair. Students entering the program this fall will be charged $2000 for the year's tuition, and will earn 32 hours of academic credit.

MARINE BIOLOGY has gotten a boost. Southern College is now affiliated with Walla Walla College in the academic programs at the Rosario Beach Marine Biological Field Station on the Puget Sound in Washington State. Introduction to Marine Biology, Marine Invertebrates, and Behavior of Marine Organisms are being taught there this summer, as well as General Biology, Systematic Field Botany I, and Comparative Anatomy. Six other Ad- ventist colleges are also affiliated with the marine station. Dr. Don Carter, on the SC faculty from 1980-83, chairs WWC's biology department and directs the station. He believes this affiliation program is a model for future cooperation between Adventist colleges.

MARANATHA '86 prompted about two dozen students to give up their spring vacation to participate in the first College Lay Evangelism Training Seminar held on an Adventist campus. Combining home visitation by Action Teams with solid instruction and times of prayer, the seminar was conducted by Samuel Monnier, George Knowles, and Ron Flowers from the General Conference church ministries department. David Maddox was the student coordinator.

NEARLY $22 MILLION IN FINANCIAL AID has been given to SC students in the past five years. This includes student scholarships and loans given or administered by the college itself, private grants and loans, and the channeling of certain state and federal funds to qualifying students. Laurel Wells and her staff in the financial aid office explore all avenues to enable students to gain a Christian education.

THE ORIENT was the destination for the Southern College Symphony Orchestra when the 75-member group flew west from Atlanta on May 5. On their three-week concert schedule performances were in Hong Kong, Singapore, Manila, Penang, Djakarta, and Bangkok. Under the direction of Orlo Gilbert, professor of music, this is the orchestra's fourth international tour. Shorty before the trip, the orchestra was featured on WDSI-TV in an hour-long concert. The program was shown first on a Sunday afternoon in March and repeated on a Monday evening in April.

THE MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING is now offered on the Southern College campus in cooperation with Andrews University. For two weeks during second semester, Dr. Zerita Hagerman, director of the graduate nursing program at Andrews, taught a two-credit course, Nursing Issues and Trends, to the 20 participating students. A second course, Philosophy of Christian Professionalism, was taught by Rilla Taylor at the end of May. It will be possible for students now in the program to graduate in June, 1988. With the exception of one two-week summer session in Michigan at AU, all course and lab work will be available at Southern.

A NEW PHONE SYSTEM, the Progress CDSS, has been installed. Ken Spears, vice president for financial affairs, anticipates that it will save the college approximately $25,000 per year while providing the advantages of a true touchtone system. By next year, purchase of equipment would have become mandatory because of the Bell System breakup. Incoming calls are handled through a switchboard in the Wright Hall lobby. The phone number for all administrative and faculty offices is (615) 238-2111.

A BOTANY FIELD COURSE in May capitalized on Southern's proximity to the Great Smoky Mountains. Seven students spent three weeks learning to identify wildflowers and forest trees, under the tutelage of Dr. Duane Houck, professor of biology. The group camped and hiked during their outdoor study.
What do mop buckets, Easter egg hunts, paint brushes, indigents, and new furniture have in common? Members of the Nursing Club at Southern College have an answer, for they themselves are the connecting link.

It all started two years ago last May, when a mental health rotation brought five students and their teacher, Patsy Rushing, to Summit House to converse with people boarding there.

"It hit me right then as I sat in the dayroom—I wanted to do something for them," recalls Rhonda Pacundus, 2-year president of the Nursing Club. Summit House is a boarding home for indigents with no other place to go. On Old Lee Highway, it's just five miles down the road from Southern College.

Bernice Solomon is the "wonderful caring person" (Rhonda's description) who serves as housemother. When Mrs. Solomon's husband died about a decade ago, she gave new direction to the motel they had operated, and obtained licensing for a boarding house. Twenty-nine currently reside there, ignored for the most part by relatives and the rest of the world. Most are elderly, with SSI income of perhaps $280 per month. Some seek a normal life after living for a time at a mental health institution.

Return visits led up to one grand cleaning day a year ago, followed by a painting bee for the dayroom the next Sunday.

"As we were working, I noticed Mrs. Solomon off to one side crying," says Rhonda. "I went over, put my arm around her, and asked why she was crying. 'Because we are not that important, to have a big, important person like the president of a college painting for us.'" Both John and Lilya Wagner worked with the students that day, and so did college employees Chuck Lucas and Bill Twombly. Thatcher Hall donated cleaning supplies and the engineering department donated paint and painting supplies. Deaconesses of the Collegedale Church provided two new ceiling fans.

Recognizing that being there, giving time and personal interest, was as important to Summit House residents as their physical surroundings, the Nursing Club planned the first Easter egg hunt. Colorful plastic eggs were filled with candy, and it was hard to say who enjoyed it more.

On Thursday nights the students have been going over to Summit House to sing or play musical chairs and other games with their friends there. Other clubs have also gotten involved, particularly the International Club, Sigma Theta Chi (the women's club), and Beta Kappa Tau.

Excitement prevailed at the birthday parties held monthly, capped by a huge one in March. A large cake donated by the VM Bakery, ice cream provided by the Village Market, candles and party hats added to each occasion. Grand finale of the year was an April picnic.

"When we asked for gift suggestions, a personal roll of toilet paper was high on the list," says Rhonda. "So we ended up giving each person a roll of TP, a bar of soap, and a pen provided by the Campus Shop. You would have thought we had given them each $100!"

Meanwhile, about $3000 was being raised to make the dayroom a more pleasant place for Summit House residents to spend their time. Bonnie Hunt, a nursing teacher, and Drucilla Glass, a decorator in the community, put hours into planning colors and design. The Nursing Club bought curtain material and the Student Missions Club took on the job of making the curtains. New furniture was ordered (at cost, thanks to Chick Fleming of Collegedale Interiors), and cleaning/painting was repeated.

"Rhonda's concern for people has been the real driving force, stimulating the kids to help and people to give. Without her, this never could have happened," says Betty Garver, associate professor of nursing and sponsor of the Nursing Club. "Rhonda was working two or three shifts a week at the hospital and going to school. Kids couldn't convince her they had no time to help!"

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, . . . ye have done it unto Me."
The five-day dedication of the Anton Heiller Memorial Organ at Southern College in April drew a crowd of 8,500 people to the various events, about half of whom were non-Adventists.

In conjunction with the dedication services, the music department held a series of organ workshops by six internationally known organists who also performed evening concerts throughout the week of events. The workshops were attended by over 110 organists from around the country, with several coming from Canada, Italy, Austria, and Japan.

Michael Barone of American Public Radio, on hand to record the concerts for the show "Pipe Dreams," commented on the air that "this is a musical event of world consequence that has drawn an international audience." He also noted that he especially enjoyed the Sabbath service, which he found to be a moving experience. "This is one of the most meaningful dedications I have ever attended," he said.

Erna Heiller, widow of Anton Heiller, her son, Bernard, and his wife flew from Austria to be on campus for the occasion. This was their first visit to the United States. "We are deeply moved by the hospitality and friendliness on this campus. Our thanks are so great that we cannot express them properly," said Bernhard Heiller after organ professor Judy Glass presented Mrs. Heiller with a special plaque commemorating the dedication of the organ. The organ was named in memory of the late Anton Heiller, Viennese composer, organist, improvisator, and harpsichordist. He was the original adviser for the college organ project.

Other highlights of the Sabbath service included Pastor Gordon Bietz' homily "Christianity and Aesthetics." Music is to the Word as an adjective is to a noun, he said, giving the noun color and life. He also compared music to the artist's brush, with which we apply the paint of religious faith to our innermost spirit.

"The Christian church has through the ages swung from the one extreme of worshipping arts, symbols, and images, to the other extreme of the total elimination of all artful representations of religious ideas," he said. He indicated that the arts, music, and organs clearly have a checkered past in the Christian church. Even the English church not many years ago participated in destroying organs, which was not so much an aversion to the instrument as a rejection of the high church liturgy which they represented.

"Some may say of a work of art, music, or an organ: It has no use, it isn't practical. But it is this very aspect of art—its uselessness—that calls us from utilitarianism where everything must be used for something. It calls us from materialism where the focus is on getting a return on every investment. It calls us in symbols to reach beyond the visible to the invisible God."

"This instrument is not to provide mood music, it is not to fill in empty spaces in the service. It is to assist us in expressing the unexpressible."

John Brombaugh, organ builder, and his wife, Christa, occupied the platform with the ministerial staff during the dedication. Brombaugh made the presentation of the organ to the church and symbolically presented a small pipe to Pastor Bietz. Pastor Bietz quoted from a letter that Brombaugh had written to the church staff: "I owe a debt to our Lord
and Saviour Jesus for the good he gives to my family and me, and I took on the occupation of being an organ builder to repay that debt and to give thanks to Him and our Creator. Te Deum Laudamus, which translated means to the glory of God. That’s why I build organs.”

Roses were presented to Christa Brombaugh, who shared them with church organist Judy Glass.

Through congregational responses, special music, and psalms of praise, the organ was dedicated as a gift to God. “In the coming years, as stewards of this organ, our prayer must be that all who come to play, to see and to hear, to teach and to learn, be filled with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit,” said Marvin Robertson, minister of music for the church and professor of music at the college.

On Sabbath afternoon, Klaas Bolt, organist at the Grote of St. Bavo Church in Haarlem, Holland, held a hymn fest dubbed as “A Dutch Hour of Community Singing.”

In addition to Klaas Bolt, other visiting organists who performed during the dedication were:
- Harald Vogel, director of the North German Organ Academy in Ostfriesland, professor of the Hochschule fur Theater und Musik in Hanover, and director of church music for the Reformed Church in northwest Germany
- Michael Radulescu, professor of organ at the Hochschule fur Musik in Vienna, professor of organ at the International Summer Courses in Vaduz/Furstentum, Liechtenstein, and professor at the International Academy of Ancient Music in Innsbruck, Austria
- William Porter, professor of organ at the New England Conservatory in Boston and at the Oberlin Conservatory in Ohio, director of music at the Church of St. John the Evangelist in Boston
- Leonard Raver, official organist for the New York Philharmonic, member of the organ faculty of the Juilliard School of Music
- Peter Planyavsky, music director and church organist for St. Stephan’s Cathedral in Vienna, professor of organ and improvisation at the Hochschule fur Musik in Vienna.

Leonard Raver gave a recital in which he performed the three winning original compositions from the international contest which the college held late last year. Naji Hakim, organist of the Sacre Coeur in Paris, won the first place prize of $5,000 with his composition “The Embrace of Fire.” Harold Stover, organist and choirmaster of New York’s Second Presbyterian Church, won the $1,500 second place, and David Loeb from New York’s Curtis Institute of Music won the $500 third place. The prizes were donated by Mr. and Mrs. O. D. McKee.

The Anton Heiller organ was a joint project of the college and its campus church, the Collegedale Church of Seventh-day Adventists. It stands three stories high and has 4,860 pipes in 108 ranks for its 70 stops. It is thought to be the largest tracker pipe organ built in America in this century. The temperament of the organ (i.e. tuning of the musical scale) is well tempered in the manner of Johann Sebastian Bach.

In conjunction with the dedication of the Anton Heiller Memorial Organ, Brombaugh’s smaller creation, the Opus 27, was also dedicated. The Opus 27 is a mean-tone instrument with two manuals and 13 stops, and is one of only six mean-tone tempered organs built in the 20th century. The organ is housed in Ackerman Auditorium, the college’s two-story recital hall that seats 260. Mean-tone temperament, unlike today’s equal temperament tuning, is based on the mathematical proportion of the perfect third as used back in the 16th and 17th centuries by composers of early Baroque and Renaissance music. The octave is divided into 14 tones rather than 12. The two extra notes in each octave are achieved by splitting two black keys so that each can produce two different pitches.

As organist Harald Vogel said, “There are only one or two other places in the world where the organ music of five centuries can be heard the way it was heard when it was written, and Southern College is one of those places. This dedication event will affect organ building and organists in America for years to come.”

The dedication has resulted in several students wanting to enroll here. It has also signaled the beginnings of compact disk recordings which will be released on major record labels.

![Performing Organists](image.png)
Nyirady Is New Chairman For Biology Department

Stephen A. Nyirady is the new chairman of the biology department, replacing David Steen, who has accepted a teaching position at Andrews University. Steve's Ph.D. from Loma Linda University is in microbiology. His wife, the former Laura Currie, has a master's degree in nursing, and is joining the division of nursing, where her qualifications will help meet accreditation requirements. Steve is a native of Queens, N.Y., and Laura was born in China of missionary parents. The Nyiradys taught in Hong Kong and the Philippines from 1979 to 1985, prior to one year at Atlantic Union College. Their sons are Stephen, 16, Daniel, 14, and Benjamin, 9. The family enjoys camping.

- Marvin Robertson, has accepted the position of division director for the Division of Adult Studies and Special Programs. Dr. Robertson remains chairman of the music department, but is relinquishing work with the elementary school music program.
- An arrangement of "Never Part Again" for soloists, choir, orchestra, and congregation by Bruce Ashton has been published by Singspiration Publishing Company. Dr. Ashton wrote the arrangement for the 1985 General Conference Session in New Orleans. Two piano duets composed by Dr. Ashton are also being published this year in a duet collection from Zondervan Publishing House.
- Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander has appointed Patay Rushing, assistant professor of nursing, to the Tennessee Commission on Aging. Locally, Mrs. Rushing is the current chairperson of the Hamilton County Committee on Aging. She is also on the executive committee of the Southeast Tennessee Council on Aging.
- Pat Silver, conductor of the SC Concert Band, hosted the first Adventist Collegiate Band Festival. The spring event brought to Southern California select musicians from Andrews University, Atlantic Union College, and Columbia Union College. World renowned composer and arranger Alfred Reed, from the University of Miami, conducted the group in rehearsal and for the Saturday night concert finale.
- Frances Andrews, associate professor of communication, has been appointed to the national ethics and credibility committee of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi. She is helping prepare an ethics report to be given at the group's 1987 national convention.
- Acceptances to the School of Medicine at Loma Linda University for the class beginning August 11 include 17 SC students. Here's the list: Brent Barrow ’86, Brent Bergtherm ’81, Heather Blomeley ’86, Kevin Buchanan ’85, Steve Carlson ’86, Donald Joe Chaffin (a junior), Jorge Figueroa ’86, David Gano ’86, Darla Jarrett ’86, Kristin Kuhlman ’86, Michael Maddox ’74, James Mauch ’82, Joseph Nolan ’86, Kevin Rice ’86, Robert Vaughan ’86, Tracey Wille ’86, and Jonathan Wurl ’86. Five more are listed as alternates.
- Three of those accepted into the LLU School of Medicine have been invited to join the Medical Science Training Program. This seven- or eight-year program leading to a Ph.D. as well as the M.D. degree accepts only about six students per year, and provides them with full tuition both for medical and graduate studies, plus a stipend during graduate school studies. The three beneficiaries of this opportunity valued at some $85,000 apiece are: Kevin Buchanan, David Gano, and Kevin Rice. A fourth student, Kristin Kuhlman, was provisionally accepted into the program.
- The board of trustees has appointed Dorothy Somers as head dean of women. She was formerly an associate dean. Sharon Engel is the new associate dean and comes from Garden State Academy in New Jersey. She has also been dean at Ozark Adventist Academy.

- Kent N. Campbell is joining the department of business administration. A graduate of Union College and the College of Law at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Dr. Campbell will be teaching business law, management and ethics classes and leading out in programs related to entrepreneurship. Most recently he has been an attorney with Anderson, Sommermeyer, Wick & Dow in Fort Collins, Colo. He and his wife have two young daughters.
The School of Dentistry at Loma Linda University has accepted Barry Kral (a junior), Rob Buckner '85, and Jorey Parkhurst '86.

A new assistant vice president for finance was named at the May meeting of the board of trustees. Helen Case Durichek comes to the post after 15 years as treasurer for the Greater Collegedale School System.

A doctoral degree will be granted to Tim Korson, associate professor of computer science, at Georgia State University's summer graduation, August 24. His dissertation was "The Effects of Modulants on Program Modifiability."

The designation of Certified Fund Raising Executive has been conferred upon Jack McClarty, vice president for development and alumni affairs. The National Society of Fund Raising Executives, based in Washington, D.C., grants the distinction based on a written examination and review of certain professional criteria. The organization has over 5,000 members, of whom 874 are now certified.

Congresswoman Marilyn Lloyd spoke to financial aid administrators from Chattanooga area colleges and universities at a noon luncheon meeting hosted by Southern College in April. The Democratic representative for Tennessee's 3rd District discussed a subject of mutual interest - federal student aid - at a regional meeting of the Tennessee Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. Shown at the left are Laurel Wells, director of financial aid at Southern College for the past 22 years, and Diane Proffitt, associated with her in the financial aid office. Bob Kamieniecki, professor of physical education, also participated in the luncheon. He presented tips on stress management.

Guess Who's Coming for Dinner?

About 500 prospective students showed up as guests for the 1986 College Days in April. Though most of them were academy or high school seniors, visitors also included some considering transferring from other colleges or beginning college after a break from school. Here Dr. Ron Barrow, vice president for admissions and college relations, briefly some of the group on the varied activities planned for their day-and-a-half visit.
Three long-timers retired at the end of the academic year and were recognized at the May commencement.

More than a century of denominational service—76 years of it at Southern—has been given by K. R. Davis, Bob Merchant, and William Taylor. In addition, Jeanne Davis (now secretary in the president’s office), Agnes Merchant (loan collections office), and Elsie Mae Taylor (switchboard/receptionist) have shared their own skills in dedicated service.

"Builder of Structures and Lives" describes Elder K. R. Davis, who for 23 years at Southern has combined activity of the hand and heart with that of the head. After seven years in Collegedale, the Davises were away for four years before returning in 1970. He has been dean of men, dean of students, Bible teacher, recruiter, and director of counseling and testing. His construction and carpentry skills are reflected in K.R.’s Place (the snack shop), the entire Student Center, and many other places on campus.

Bob Merchant is characterized as "A man diligent in his business." For 25 years he has been treasurer at Southern College, and more recently was named assistant vice president for finance, as well. His savvy with money matters was sought by the Student Association. He has served that organization in the role of financial sponsor and adviser. He and his wife celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary last October. They are an executive couple for SDA Marriage Encounter.

Though he has had various titles, Bill Taylor has been a "college ambassador and Christian communicator" all of his 28 years at Southern. His community service with the United Fund, the American Diabetes Association, and the Lions Club have gained him a wide circle of friends. On campus he has been dean of students, director of public and alumni relations, an organizer of the Committee of 100, professor of communication, and assistant to the president for the scholarship endowment campaign.

All three of these men have chosen to contribute further time and talent to the college. Next year K. R. Davis will be interim dean of students. Bob Merchant plans to continue with treasury work, and Bill Taylor will be closely involved with the Chattanooga facet of fund raising for the Century II Scholarship Endowment Campaign.

"These men are giants. Their commitment is extraordinary, and I am pleased that their dedicated service to this college is not ending with their official retirement," commented President John Wagner.

Student Association Officers Chosen For New Year

Winners of the Student Association elections for the 1986-87 school year come from six states and Puerto Rico. Pictured left to right, front row: Julio Narvaez, Joker (student directory) editor; Mike Battistone, parliamentarian; Brett Hadley, Southern Accent (campus newspaper) editor; Renzi Koff, executive vice president; Steve Dobias, treasurer; Brennan Frank, social vice president. Standing, left to right: Jonda Grier, vice president for student services; Jennifer Reid, executive secretary; Bill Bass, president; Rhona Dalusong, public relations; and Shelly Acevedo, Southern Memories (yearbook) editor.
An Afternoon of Learning for Alumni

Alumni who haven’t been to school in years will be able to continue their education on Friday afternoon of Homecoming ’86. Four concurrent workshops will be offered on October 31, in the areas of business, health, religion, and nursing. These will be offered free of charge. However, there is the possibility of continuing education credit for a nominal recording fee.

Stress Management

We all have stress. We live in a stressful society and stress will not just go away. Spend a couple of hours and learn how to cope with stress and even use it to the good. How do emotional disturbances affect a person physically? What creates stresses? How do you react when you misplace something? Where do you get fuel for your energy tank?

Two SC teachers of health, physical education, and recreation—Bob Kamieneski, chairman of the Division of Human Development, and Phil Garver—will conduct this workshop in the Physical Education Center at 1 p.m. Friday.

Adventist Heritage and Last-Day Events

God’s leading in the past is a source both of reassurance and of challenge. The first mini-workshop sponsored by the Division of Religion will be led by Dr. Jack Blanco, who also enjoys teaching Adventist Heritage classes each semester. This group will meet in So-Ju-Conian Hall at 1 p.m.

Last-Day Events will put another perspective on that dimension of life defined as time. This seminar with Dr. Norman Gulley is a biblical and Christ-centered look to the future. Among Dr. Gulley’s books is Final Events on Planet Earth. His presentation will begin at 2:30 p.m. in So-Ju-Conian Hall.

Organizing Your Own Small Business

Success in any business venture is in large measure determined by the legal organization and degree of tax planning used. This workshop will cover the basic factors to consider in these areas. You will learn the mixture of planning that will lead to successful operations.

Dr. Wayne VandeVere, for 30 years on the SC faculty, and now chairman of the Division of Business and Technology, will join with Attorney Kent Campbell to present Organizing Your Own Small Business, and the Effects of Federal Income Taxes, at 1 p.m. in Wright Hall, Conference Room A. Dr. Campbell joins the faculty this year as an associate professor of business administration.

Effects of Health Care Changes on Nursing

Changes taking place in the health care field are affecting the nursing profession as surely as they are affecting the consumer/patient. Agene Parsons will be discussing these trends in a workshop geared especially for nursing professionals.

Ms. Parsons is chairman for home care with the Chattanooga/Hamilton County Health Department. She assisted in developing the first Hospice Home Care Program in Chattanooga and carries an impressive list of professional honors and achievements. In 1984 she received a master of public health degree from Loma Linda University. Her B.S.N. was earned at the University of Tennessee School of Nursing, Memphis, in 1958.
Twenty-five years after his graduation, Larry Stephens is returning to the campus as speaker for the Alumni Homecoming vesper service on Friday evening, October 31. His topic will be, "Which Way Home?" After receiving his B.S. in secondary education, Larry taught at Spartanburg Junior Academy in South Carolina from 1961 to 1964. He then taught and studied in Florida, graduating with a master of science degree in 1968. That same year he became director of guidance at Forest Lake Academy, the position to which he returned in 1976 after pastoring in Pierre, S.D., for two years.

Larry Stephens has written the Maranatha Bible Studies and the book, The Covenant Connection. He and his wife, the former Elizabeth Johnson of Kinder, La., have two children, both of whom are graduates of Southern. Deborah Lynn Edgerton teaches nursing on the Orlando Center campus, and Larry, Jr., is a computer programmer in Orlando.

**Greg King**, a 1981 theology graduate, will speak at the early morning worship service on Sabbath, November 1. His sermon title is "The Homecoming of a Rebel." Elder King is pastor of the Atlanta Metropolitan SDA Church. Also within the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, he has assisted in establishing a group of Seventh-day Adventists in Sandersville, Ga., and has served as associate pastor of the First SDA Church in Chattanooga. He earned a master of divinity degree at the SDA Theological Seminary at Andrews University. His wife, the former Mary Richards, is employed by the Dekalb County Public Health Board as a health educator.

"A Chance of a Lifetime," a message about the second coming of Christ and last-day events, will be given by Fred R. Fuller at the church service following Sabbath School on November 1. Elder Fuller became the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference youth ministries director last October. He loves children and youth and enjoys sharing the joy of Christian living. He graduated at Southern ten years ago. After completing a ministerial internship, he earned a master of arts degree from the School of Graduate Studies at Andrews University. His first pastorate was in western Tennessee and then he moved to Highland Academy. There he pastored the Highland Church and taught a Southern College extension class for more than four years. He is married to Rose Shafer, '73, and they have three children, ages 9, 6, and 4. Rose teaches at Highland Academy and is involved in gymnastics tours, summer camp workshops, and other youth ministries activities.

For vespers at the close of the Sabbath, Randall Fox will speak on the topic, "The Millionaire." Elder Fox, a summer '61 graduate, is director of human resources at Medical Center Hospital operated by the church in Punta Gorda, Fla., a position he assumed last September.

A secondary education major, he first taught in Bradenton and Orlando, Florida. From 1966 to 1971 he was principal of Mile High Academy in Denver. The following three years he was principal of Forest Lake Academy. After that he became superintendent of education for the Florida Conference, then education director for the Central and Mid-America unions.

His wife, Gwen Gardner, is a registered nurse. She graduated from Southern in 1958. Their children are Cher Lyn Fox, a teacher in Arlington, Texas; and Robin Fox, a housewife in Lincoln, Nebr. They also have a granddaughter, Bambi.
Homecoming Highlights

Founders' Day
Scheduled for Friday

On its way to becoming a tradition, Founders' Day will again bring together alumni of Southern Junior College (1916 to 1944) and Graysville's Southern Training School to re-establish the ties of friendship and commitment.

As in the past two years, registration for So-Ju-Conians will begin at 12:30 p.m. on the Friday of homecoming. This will take place at the Religion Center, So-Ju-Conian Hall.

A tour of Maude Jones' home (restored by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Williams) is set for 4 p.m., concluding with the laying of a wreath upon her grave at Colledglądale Cemetery. Transportation will be provided.

The annual SJC box supper in the Harold Miller Choir Room of Mabel Wood Hall will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Something new on the schedule is a continental breakfast for early-rising So-Ju-Conians and their families at 7:30 a.m. on Sabbath morning. This will be coordinated by Dolly Darbo Fillman and held in So-Ju-Conian Hall. A short devotional at 8 a.m. will precede an old-fashioned testimonial service.

For all "homecomers" the Alumni Heritage Room on the second floor of Mabel Wood Hall will be open on Sabbath from 3 to 5 p.m.

A Talent Revue

Memories are made of this: Some of the finest talent seen at Southern in the past will be in the spotlight again. "Chick" Fleming will emcee the Saturday night program spanning the years. The Adelphian Quartet and Wedgewood Trio will be back.

Along with favorite singers such as Marilyn Dillow Cotton and Dorothy Evans Ackerman, you will hear instrumentalists such as trumpeter Jimmy Closser, violinist Linda In, and pianist Beverly Babcock Botten. Ventriloquist Marcia Hildreth McGrath and juggler David Perkins are also in the lineup. And that's just a sampling.

When the program's over, sports enthusiasts will want to participate, at least in the cheering section, in the student-alumni basketball game. Nelson Thoresen has been tapped to coach the alumni team.

Tennessee Homecoming, '86

Amid a yearlong celebration of Tennessee's heritage—its people, places, and culture—alumni of Southern have special reason to converge in the Volunteer State when October slips into November.

If You Belong to One of These Classes:

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This is your year! Honor Class members and their families will be guests of the Alumni Association for a Sunday morning brunch.

Ever Visit a Radio Station?

An open house at FM90.5 WSMC's new studios in Brock Hall will give you that chance on Friday, October 31, from 1 to 4 p.m. Alumni will catch a glimpse of how the oldest non-commercial fine arts radio station in southeast Tennessee is providing a service to business and community leaders—the culturally and educationally inclined—while bringing very positive national attention to Southern College and forming bonds of friendship with listeners in a 100-mile radius.

Need Lodging?

The Conference Center (adjacent to Thatcher Hall) offers accommodations at the special alumni rate of $9 per room per night single occupancy, and $10 double. Write the Conference Center at Southern College or call (615-238-2111, Ext. 971) for reservations. A deposit equal to one night's cost will hold your reservation.
'30 to '32
Eva Maude (Wilson) Martin, married to Walter Martin, is a faithful So-Ju-Coman from the class of 1930. Now retired from nursing, she lives in Hendersonville, N.C.

'33 to '37
Ercel (Bradley) Bennett, '36, married Harry Bennett in 1940. In the years since, they have worked for Sheyenne River and Forest Lake academies; were missionaries in Africa, and then went to Keene, Texas. They now live in Avon Park, Fla. She says being a class agent is easy and she was happy to have been asked.

'41 to '43
D. Clifford Ludington, '41, is an orthopedic surgeon in Loma Linda, Calif. As a missionary to Libya in 1953-1969, he helped build Benghazi Adventist Hospital and was its medical director. His wife, Alice, is also a physician. They plan retirement soon. Dr. Ludington feels that 100 percent participation is vital to the success of BECA and is "honored" to be a class agent.

'44 to '46
Vern Dortch, '45, lives and practices dentistry in Calhoun, Ga. A 1949 graduate of the Emory University School of Dentistry, Dr. Dortch served his country during the Korean War. He and his wife, Joyce, have six children. Dr. Dortch says that, after his family, his greatest loves are flying and working on his farm.

'47 and '48
Robert H. Wood, '47, directs church ministries in the Southwestern Union. Pastoral and evangelistic duties have taken him to Brazil, Texas, Ohio, Florida, Tennessee, and Iowa. His wife, Doni, is a secretary for the GC Auditing Service in Texas. They have four children. Elder Wood says it’s “especially gratifying to be in contact with fellow classmates.”

'49
Frances Andrews, '49, began teaching at Southern in 1954. After leaving in 1959, she returned in 1975 and continues to teach in the Communication department today. She received her M.A. from the George Peabody College for Teachers.

'51
H. Douglas Bennett, '51, joined the division of religion at Southern College in 1962 after serving 10 years as a minister in the Southern Union. His wife, Nell, works in the accounting office on campus. Their daughters all graduated from Southern. Says Dr. Bennett: “It is a privilege to represent both my college and the class of ’51.”

'53
Wallace "Buddy" Blair, '53, has lived in the Collegedale area since he began his own CPA practice in Chattanooga in 1964. He and his wife, Elsie (Steele), 53-54, work together in the business, and hire SC students from time to time. Their son lives in Florida and their daughter is a physical therapist at Midsdale, Ill.

'54
John Wm. Henson III, ’54, led his class to victory last year with the top percentage of participation in BECA giving of all class agents for Adventist colleges. He is the superintendent of Starkey Printing Company in Chattanooga. His wife, Audrey (Gackenheimer), is a director of nursing in Cleveland, Tenn.

'55
Grady Smoot, '55, and his wife, Irma Jean, live in Pittsburg, Kansas. He is vice president for development at Pittsburg State University, and enjoys research, writing, and Rotary activities. Their son, Christopher, is married and lives in Kansas City where he is completing a master’s degree in public administration.

'56
Dean Kinsey, '56, married Martha (Schmidt), '53. Their sons Scott and Rick are currently students at Southern College. Before becoming director of endowment for the Florida Conference, Dean was the administrator for SC’s Orlando campus.

'57
Ronald B. Rodgers, '57, pastors the Florida Living Church in Forest City, Fla. His wife, Denise, has been an assistant dean on the Orlando campus for two years. Not wishing to monopolize the fun, Elder Rodgers encourages other alumni to also take a turn as class agent.

'59
Robert W. Burchard, president of the newly formed Parkridge Hospital in Fletcher, N.C. He and his wife, Ann (Maxwell), and their daughter, Beth, live in Hendersonville. Their son is married and lives in Sett, Ky. He says, "We all love the BECA program and look forward to working with others to continue the tradition.”

'60
James C. "Buddy" Roy, '60, is a hospital administrator and his wife, Joy (Tallant), '61, have three sons, two of whom are current students.

'61
Dan Rozell, '61, as an administrator at SC, "Anything I can do to help alma mater is a joy for me. He directs Southern’s growing long-term care administration program. His children, Dan and Robert (Ausherman), '58, and Sutherland, '82, and Jim Joann have just become a part of the Great Collegedale School System.

'62
Jim Culpepper, '62, as an administrator for the Adventist Health System and at the Moberly Regional Medical Center in Missouri, his wife, Judy (Clark), is a nurse, and their daughter, Lora, is a nurse. Son Gary is a 1984 graduate. Jim is still an alumna who counts it a privilege to serve as class agent.

Class agents play a vital role as links between Southern College and its alumni. Each of the Adventist colleges and universities participating in the BECA annual fund program is using the class agent idea to encourage annual alumni support. In fact, close to 400 people (including General Conference President Neal Streiff and Wilson) are investing their time, talent, and financial support to challenge thousands of alumni to support their alma maters.

Because Southern has more than two-thirds of its class units represented by active class agents, it means that most of our classmates are taking a very active role in supporting the school. This is a gratifying role for class agents, and we are grateful for the opportunity to serve Southern College.”
Agents

'69
Willis "Bill" McGhinnis, '69, is senior vice president with Central Bank in Monroe, La. Previously, he was a VP for American National Bank in Chattanooga. Executive director for the Committee of 100 for SMC, Inc., he is also a member of the SC Board of Trustees. He is married to Garnet "Ann" King (Bird), '57, "BECA is a good program," says Bill, "and a good opportunity to contribute for the continued financial support of Southern College."

'71
Roy Dunn, '71, has served two years in the U.S. Army and 12 years in Adventist education since his graduation from Southern College. Dr. Dunn earned his M.Ed. in 1977 and his Ed.D. in 1984 from the University of Southern Mississippi. He now lives in Charlotte, N.C., with his wife, Diane ('59 to '72), and daughters Brigette, 11, and Jeanett, 6.

'76
Dale Townsend, '76, graduated as an M.D. from LLU in 1980 and is medical director of a public health clinic in an Atlanta suburb. His wife, Janet (Kramer), '76, is a medical librarian. Dale remembers that he was once a student in need at SC and says, "I know I can never repay all who gave me assistance to get through college. But being a class agent has given me the opportunity to help needy SC students with their Christian education."

'78
Vinata (Wayman) Sauder, '78, is director of public relations at Southern. She was on the public relations staff at Kettering Medical Center before returning to Tennessee. Her husband, Greg, is employed at McKee Baking Company. They have a 9-month-old son, Dustin Brian.

Other Class Agents

At pretime, the alumni office had not yet received information from the following class agents. The dedication and effort they have put forth is recognized, nonetheless.

Edythe Cothren, 1919 to 1929
John Goodbrad, 1938 to 1940
Roscoe Mizelle, 1950
Layton Sutten, 1952
Jan Rushing, 1958
Dwight Hilderbrandt, 1963
David Osborne, 1964
Robert Bolton, 1967
Terence Futcher, 1970
Laurey Blinn, 1977
Jim Closser, 1979
Debbie Tait, 1980
Roger and Val Miller, 1981
Brent Barrow, 1982
Ronald B. Barrow, 1983
Fred Armstrong, 1984
Those Who Walked These Halls

1910's

Rochelle Kilgore, '19, was one of 16 women honored for their contribution to Adventist education at Atlantic Union College during the third national conference of the Association of Adventist Women. Along with her, five other honorees had SC ties. Florence Young, student #40 to #41; Margarita Merriam, '46; Murdual (Adler) Baker, '68; and former SC teachers Ottillie Stafford and Ann Parrish also were recognized with remarks and red roses.

1920's

Ethel Lucile (Wall) Shaw, '24, is retired after a very rewarding career in the teaching field. She taught three years in public schools and 24 years for the state of Florida in special education. Her roommate for four years at SIC was Gladys Andrews, and Mrs. Shaw would appreciate information concerning her. "Gran" Shaw lives in Scagrove Beach, Fla., (Rt. 2, Box 594, ZIP 32454) where she enjoys her best students, her great-grandchildren.

1950's

Nobel A. Carlson, '54, passed away Nov. 3, 1985, in Flagstaff, Ariz., in his 35th year of teaching in SDA schools. He was 67. Many of his teaching years were in the Southern Union. He earned his M.A.T. at Andrews University in 1977. His wife of 40 years, Hildur (Bengstom), continues to live at the Holbrook Indian School, where they were teaching. Also surviving him are his sons: Dennis of Payutip, Wash.; J. Kevin of Orlando, Fla.; Gary of Liberty Hill, S.C., and Gregory of Orlando, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

James L. Edwards, '51, dean of men at Southern from 1955 to 1957, passed away March 21, 1986, in Birmingham, Ala., following a stroke a day earlier. Earlier in the week he had officiated at the wedding of his daughter, Sandra. He was 62, and had 35 years of denominational service in the Southern Union and elsewhere. During World War II military duty took him to Europe as a battlefield surgical technician. He currently was pastor of the Salinas, Calif., SDA Church, and had worked in the Central California Conference for about 14 years. He is survived by his wife, Opal (Lyons), and two children, Sandra, and James, Jr.

Harold Johnson, '58, made his annual alumni fund contribution in memory of several deceased classmates—Ira Dennison, Anne Lowe, and John F. McClintock—as well as Marjorie (Connell) Johnson, '53, and Mildred Whitaker, student '51 to '53. He also honored W.A. Connell of Laurelbrook, Tenn., and his own wife, Harriet (Densmore) Johnson. The Johnsons live in Manchester, Ky.

V. Wayne Taylor, Jr., '56, his wife, Lavonne (Lindbeck), and their two children, Carol Jean, 16, and Glenn, 13, live in Arlington, Texas. Wayne is a vice president of Adventist Health System U.S.A. in charge of management. He spent several years with the General Conference in both California and Washington, D.C., in the insurance department.

1960's

Jack R. Boyton, '67, has had charge of corporate and foundation relations for Andrews University since January 1986. He formerly worked in development and public relations for the University's radio station, WAUS, for a year after returning from South America. His wife, Beverly (Banko), student, '65 to '67, anticipated graduating from Andrews University in June, with a B.A. in teaching English as a second language, and will continue working on a master's degree in English. They have two children, Tina, 17, and Marc, 12.

Norman Edward Brown, '62, is serving as manager of packing service for the Franco-Haitian Adventist Institute in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. His wife, Stella (Nordstrom), is a dietitian. They have one child, and were from Port Charlotte, Fla., before their November departure for Haiti.

Roger A. Hall, '67, and his wife, Diane C. (Wilson), '69, live in Cleveland, Tenn., with their two children, Wesley, 7, and Julie, 5. Roger is a dentist in private practice, and she also teaches dental technology part time at Chattanooga State Technical Community College. A church elder, he also serves the American Red Cross as a member of the chapter board of directors.

Glena (Sharpe) Jordan, student '60 and '68, lived in western North Carolina for several years, and is currently with U.S. Defense Contracts in Marietta, Ga., in the finance division. Her address is 90 Boyl Valley Road, Rome, GA 30161, and she would enjoy hearing from schoolmates.

Joanne (Wassell) LaFever, '66, and her husband, Beecher F. LaFever, '72, were missionaries in Pakistan from 1974 to 1983. In June 1985, Beecher graduated from Loma Linda University, with an Ed.S. in educational administration and leadership. Joanne graduated the same day with an M.P.H. from the School of Health at L.L.U. They have accepted a call to Rwanda, Africa, to the new university for French-speaking Africans. Beecher will direct the health science department and teach public health courses. As a result of their call, they have been at Collonges, France, for several months, studying French at Salve Adventist Seminary.

Jane (Diggins) Moore, and her husband, John Williams, Jr., both students '63 and '64, live in Coalfield, Tenn., with their two sons, Chris, 14, and Andy, 10. John graduated from Madison Anesthesia School in 1967 and Jane is a nurse. John and Jane are Pathfinder directors at their church.

Ed Motschledler, '61, formerly the Kattering, Ohio, church pastor, is now the president of the Ohio Conference. He replaced John Fowler, '61, who had become ministerial secretary for the Africa-Indian Ocean Division.

Allen Steele, '67, and his wife, Andrea (Grovier), are in Guam where they are developing Adventist World Radio/Asia. Digging of footings for the radio station began in March and it is hoped KSDDA would be on the air by fall. Programs will be broadcast in a number of Asian languages, including Mandarin (Chinese).

Margie (Littell) Ulrich, '67, is living in Dayton, Tenn. After teaching in SDA schools for several years, she earned a master's degree in audiometry at James Madison University. She now teaches at Frazier Elementary School where she specializes in teaching deaf children to speak. She is also responsible for the Rhea County Speech and Hearing Center, and after school she fits people with hearing aids.

1970's

Robert Britsch, '73, is the pastor of College View Church in Lincoln, Neb., where he is enjoying his thirteenth year of ministry. He earned a master of divinity degree from Andrews University. His previous pastorate was in San Diego, Calif. There his wife, Beverly (Sparrow), '73, earned her M.A. in family and child counseling. They have two children, Corey Paul, 12, and Lori Kristen, 10.

Jose Bourget, '78, and his wife, Giannina, have two sons, Jose, Jr., 5, and Salim, 4. He is administrator of Las Palmas, the International Children's
Core orphanage in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. He invites anyone planning a Caribbean vacation to include the orphanage in the itinerary. Last summer he graduated from the Andrews University extension at Antillian Adventist College in Puerto Rico with an M.A., in religion. In October, while on a promotional trip for the orphanage, Jose had the pleasure of visiting Sc again.

Ted Brown, Dec 77, is pursuing his residency in the area of ear, nose, and throat at Shands Hospital, University of Florida. He and his family are doing well and participate in the Gainesville SDA Church.

Brenda Marie (Vance) Davis, '75, and her husband, Anthony Earl Davis, have two children. They have accepted a call to Africa where Anthony is serving as an accountant for the Africa/Indian Ocean Division in Abidjan Riviera, Ivory Coast, West Africa.

Cosby Mennetter “Bill” Davis, ’76, lives in Winston-Salem, N.C., with his wife, Robin, and their daughter who’s 6. He completed his M.B.A. in ’81 at Babcock School of Business, Wake Forest University, in N.C. Presently he is a data administrator at Forsyth Hospital.

Jeanne (Erwin) Forster, ’76, married Kent Forster in 1978, and moved to Spain where they have lived three years. While there she served as an officer in the Navy and Jeanne worked as the secretary to the commanding officer of the Navy hospital until Jacob, now 5, was born. After Kent left the Navy, they moved to Metuchen, New Jersey, where he is a systems analyst for Pfizer, and Jeanne is a word-processor for a local doctor. Their second child is Stefanie, 2. Jeanne and Kent enjoy being active members of their church and forming new friendships.

Jon Michael Gerhart, ’72, and his wife, Cynthia (Tandy), ’75, have three children: Jeremy, 12, Cory, 10, and Kelly, 8. They live in A世贸, Ga., and John works in computer sales management.

David Kay, ’79, serves as a physician’s assistant in the U.S. Army. His wife, Irene, enjoys being a homemaker and mother of their three sons: Nathan, 7, Marlan, 5, and Brian, 1. In October the Kays will be transferred to West Germany where David will assume duties with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment at regional medical officer. The unit serves NATO by patrolling 230 miles of border. The Kay’s address in Europe will be: CW2 James D. Kay, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, APO NY 09146. They invite visits from friends.

Ed Klein, ’78, is living in Zephyrhills, Fla., with his wife, Debra Sue, and baby daughter, Kelly Suzanne. Ed is the chief financial officer and vice president at the East Pasco Medical Center.

Insung (Hurt) Lee, ’76, completed his Ph.D. in materials engineering at the University of Florida and in February joined Clemson University College of Engineering as a professor. His areas of specialty are development of high-performance materials and surface and interfacial phenomena. He received the 1986 Materials Research Society’s Graduate Student Award, based on his doctoral research on chemically derived ceramic composite materials. The award was presented at Palo Alto, Calif., in April.

Betty (da Silva) Lewis, ’76, is married to Brinsley Lewis. They have no children, but have a gorgeous cocker spaniel named Buffy. Betty works for Squibb Pharmaceuticals in sales, after working as a nurse for ten years. In September they plan to move from their present Downers Grove, Ill., residence.

The Bourget family, left to right: Giannina, Jose, Salim, 4, and Jose, Jr., 5.

Larry Lichtenwalter, ’74, is pastor of the Berrien Springs, Mich., Village Church. He has a master of divinity degree from the Andrews University Theological Seminary. He and his wife, Katherine (Baasch), ’74, have two children, Erich Thomas, 4, and Ehren, 2.

Don and Sandi (Lectier) Pate, both ’73, live with their sons, Jeremy, 9, and Zachary, 7, in Martinez, Calif. He is the senior pastor of the Berkeley Church, and is finishing his master’s degree in Jewish studies at the Graduate Theological Union and the University of California-Berkeley. She does secretarial, proofreading, and art work for the Northern California Conference office.

Philip W. Proctor, ’77, left with his family for Kenya last October. He was returning to serve as maintenance director at Kamagambo High School and Teachers’ College in Kisii. He and his wife, Marlys (Jensen), have two children.

Jean (Herman) Smith, ’76, and her husband, Ron, have moved to Columbus, N.C., from Venice, Fla. Ron is a news editor at Spartanburg and Jeanie teaches and is principal at Greenville elementary school. Their daughter, Alexa, nearly 4, enjoys the Carolina atmosphere and her cousins and grandparents.

Dan Solis, ’76, and his wife, Cynthia (Allen), ’81, are now in Bloomington, Ind., where he is pastor. Formerly Dan pastored in Vicksburg, Miss. He and Cindy have two children, Heather, 7, and David, 5.

Barbara (Kabukun) Stovall, ’73, and her husband, Ray, live in Denver, Colo. They married on April 26, 1984.

Abdias Vence, ’73, and his wife, Susan (Kabukun), ’75, are missionaries in Puerto Rico where Abdias teaches computer science at Antillian Adventist College. Their two children are Nicholas, 6, and Rachel, 2.

Larry Zunstein, ’75, became vice president for finance at Paradise Valley Hospital last December. He and his wife, Linda (Nuss), ’73, live in Phoenix, Ariz. Their daughter, Holly, is about 13. A CPA, Larry worked with Hall, Davidson, and Associates for seven years before joining Adventist Health System/West in 1982.
TransAmerica Bicycle Relay Promotes Healthful Lifestyle

A coast-to-coast cycling adventure organized by Southern College blazed the slogan "Healthy As Can Be—Drug Free" along a 3,600 mile trail from Seattle to Savannah.

The 10-member relay team received a send-off in Chattanooga from Mayor Gene Roberts before their drive to Seattle, where the relay began. He presented each rider with a key to the city and sent with the team a certificate for Seattle's mayor.

Building on a commitment of Southern College to the lifelong development of the whole person, the relay highlighted the rewards of a healthy, drug-free lifestyle. It also provided an opportunity to collect somatic research data. Dr. Bob Kameneskki, chairman of the Division of Human Development, was relay team director and researcher.

The riders ranged in age from Paul Ruling, 14, a student at Spalding Elementary School, to Merlin Wittenberg, 47, associate director of recruitment for Southern College. Sponsors helped cover the expenses of the trip. The group averaged about 60 miles per day, completing the trip in 19 days of relay riding, June 3-13, as planned. They rested on Sabbath, June 7, in Nebraska.