

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

(Following the Executive Committee)

Friday, June 28, 2013

Health and Physical Education Building/Gym

Southern University -- Park Campus

6400 Press Drive

New Orleans, Louisiana 70126

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Invocation
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Special Recognitions
 - ❖ Mr. Terrence Lockett
 - ❖ Mrs. Henrietta H. Vessel
6. Action Items
 - A. Minutes of the April 26, 2013 regular meeting of the SU Board of Supervisors
 - B. Committee Reports and Recommendations
 - 1.) Academic Affairs Committee
 - 2.) Athletics Committee
 - 3.) Facilities and Property Committee
 - 4.) Finance and Audit Committee
 - 5.) Legal Affairs Committee
 - 6.) Personnel Affairs Committee (Executive Session may be required)
 - 7.) Student Affairs Committee
 - 8.) Executive Committee
 - C. Resolutions
 - D. Appointment of Atty. Tracie Woods as Interim Executive Assistant and General Counsel to the Board of Supervisors, effective immediately (Clayton and Lawson)
7. Information Items
 - A. System President's Report
 - B. Chancellors' Monthly Reports (May and June 2013)
 - C. 2013 Bayou Classic Update (Lawson)
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment

Southern University Board of Supervisors

Friday, April 26, 2013
J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A & M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairwoman, Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut. The invocation was given by Mr. Montrell McCaleb.

Present

Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut, Chairwoman
Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr. – Vice Chairman
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.
Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
Atty. Walter C. Dumas
Mr. Raymond M. Fondel, Jr.
Mr. LaKeisha A. Ford
Dr. Eamon M. Kelly
Mr. Myron K. Lawson
Mr. Darren G. Mire
Mr. Mike A. Small
Mrs. Ann A. Smith
Dr. Leon R. Tarver
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr

Absent

Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Mr. Willie E. Hendricks

University Personnel Attending

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Tony Moore, and Lester Pourciau
Chancellors Victor Ukpole (SUNO), Ray Belton (SUSLA), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC), James Llorens (SUBR), and Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was offered by Rev. Tolbert and seconded by Mr. Braxton for Board approval of the agenda, as printed.

A substitute motion was made by Rev. Gant and seconded by Atty. Bell, to delete **Item 6E: To allow the Executive Assistant/Director to the Board of Supervisors to occupy (use) at least one of the Board's two offices to conduct the normal daily functions of the Board of Supervisors** (Clayton and Lawson).

Speaking in support of his substitute motion, Rev. Gant referred to the Board's Bylaws, Part II; Article IV (3): *Board Office Personnel* which he opined gave the Board Chairwoman the authority to take recent actions regarding the Office Staff. A vote to overturn the Chair's action would be in violation of the Board's Bylaws, Rev. Gant said,

At Rev. Gant's request, Atty. DeCuir provided an opinion which confirmed Rev. Gant's statement.

Offering a different interpretation of the referenced Bylaws, Rev. Tolbert suggested that any action by the Board Chair could be overturned should the Board choose to do so. He further suggested that Item 6E remain on the agenda so that the Board members could express their position by a vote in favor or in opposition to the item.

Mr. Lawson questioned Rev Gant's motion to delete the Item at that time. He then indicated his intent to have the item deferred at the time it was to be considered by the Board.

The motion by Rev. Gant and the second by Atty. Bell were withdrawn.

The original motion to approve the printed agenda was approved.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board recognized the presence of Dr. Jim Purcell, Louisiana State Commissioner of Higher Education. Dr. Purcell urged the SU Board and Administration to be actively involved in the current legislative session and to make known the University's position regarding legislation favorable or unfavorable to higher education. He then provided the Board of Regents' positions on several pieces of legislation including Senate Bills 16 and 204 and House Bill 194.

Other public comments were offered by Dr. Thomas Miller, SUBR Faculty Senate President; and, Dr. Diola Bagayoko, SUBR Professor of Physics. Both spoke in opposition to the SU System's Transformation Plan and the System's current contract with EO Serve to provide online programs.

AGENDA ITEM 5: SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Individuals/organizations noted below received accolades and commendations from the Board:

Board Member Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.

- ❖ Outstanding Supporter of Southern University Athletics

SU Alumni Affairs

- ❖ Winner of Gold Honor for its "Gifts for Graduates" Program; and the Bronze Award for "The Southernite" Alumni Publication at the 2013 CASE District 4 Competition.

SU AG Center

Dr. Dawn Mellion Patin, Agricultural Specialist

- ❖ Winner of the Outstanding Specialist Award. Dr. Mellion Patin is noted for her work with socially disadvantaged, limited resources agricultural producers and their families in the State; and, for her work with the graduates of the Small Farmers Agricultural Leadership Institute.

Dr. Renita W. Marshall, Associate Professor of Animal Science

- ❖ Winner of the Outstanding Faculty Award. Dr. Marshall is renowned for her demonstrated record of successful and productive applied research projects in an area of major importance to resolving health problems in livestock.

SU Baton Rouge

Dr. Sandra Brown, Professor of Nursing

- ❖ Named "Nursing Educator of the Year" by the Louisiana State Nursing Association and the Louisiana Nurses Foundation. The award is based, in part, on Dr. Brown's impact on students entering the profession or seeking a higher degree in nursing, excellence in clinical expertise and excellence in classroom presentation and educator competencies. Dr. Brown is well known for inspiring her students in the classroom.

Dr. Wanda Raby Spurlock, Associate Professor of Nursing

- ❖ Named "Louisianan of the Year" by the Louisiana Life Magazine for her 36-year career of caring for people who are in a fragile mental or emotional state and who are also challenged by the complications of advancing age and memory loss. A member of the Louisiana State Nurses Association Hall of Fame, Dr. Spurlock is noted for her work in the fields of psychiatric and mental health nursing and gerontological nursing.

AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION ITEMS

- A. Minutes of the March 22, 2013 regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Rev. Tolbert,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the Board's regular meeting of March 22, 2013 be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Committee Reports and Recommendations

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

1.) *Academic Affairs Committee*

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that Candidates for Degrees at the 2013 Spring Commencement Exercises at Southern University – Baton Rouge, Southern University at New Orleans, Southern University at Shreveport, and the Southern University Law Center be and they are hereby approved.

2.) *Athletics Committee*

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Athletics Committee, that the amended employment contract between Southern University at Baton Rouge, through its management board, the Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Mr. Roman P. Banks, Head Coach of Men's Basketball, effective July 1, 2013 through April 18, 2018, with a base salary of one hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$165,000) and other emoluments, as described in the contract document, be and they are approved.

3.) *Facilities and Property Committee*

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee, that the request from the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center for approval of a Small Capital Project in the amount of \$260,000 to provide for the addition and renovation to the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives in Opelousas, Louisiana be and it is hereby approved.

4.) *Finance and Audit Committee*

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that BA-7 #6 which reflects a FY 2012-13 Interagency Transfer of \$309,329 to the Southern University Laboratory School be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the request from Southern University at Shreveport to establish a Student Life Improvement Fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) per semester, effective Fall 2013, be and it is hereby approved.

5.) *Governance Committee*

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Governance Committee, that the proposed revisions to the Board's Educational Assistance Scholarship Policy be and they are hereby approved.

The Policy revision provides language to reflect the current practice in awarding the scholarships and eliminates the "Other" Category for which two (2) scholarships were allotted.

6.) *Personnel Affairs Committee*

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that the Administration's request to upgrade the position of Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs to Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at the Southern University Law Center be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administration's request to appoint Roderick White, the current position holder, to the new position at an annual salary of \$140,000 plus a teaching load of one class per semester, be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that the request from Professor Stanley Halpin (SULC) for a sabbatical leave during the 2013-14 academic year to pursue a research and writing project for a book, be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that the request from Professor Okechukwu Oko (SULC) for an extension of one year to his current leave without pay until to the end of the 2013-2014 academic year be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that the salary threshold for Board approval relative to all unclassified positions be and it is hereby reduced from \$100,000 to \$60,000, due to anticipated budget cuts and potential reorganization.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that Board approval be and it is hereby required for any and all salary increases, raises and supplemental pay adjustments for all unclassified positions.

FURTHER RESOLVED that written justification, accompanied by a current job description shall be required for the proposed salary adjustments.

7.) SU Laboratory School Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the SU Laboratory School Committee, that the Committee's informational report be and it is hereby received.

8.) Student Affairs Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Student Affairs Committee, that the Committee's informational report be and it is hereby received.

AGENDA ITEM 6C: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Mrs. Smith,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the resolution of commendation to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on its Centennial Anniversary be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the resolutions of condolences to the families named below be and they are hereby approved.

- Dr. Huel Davis Perkins
- Mr. Wilbert James Ferdinand
- Ms. Krischel Krasha Burl
- Dr. Cheryl Mills

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6D: INVITATION TO PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA TO VISIT A CAMPUS OF SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY (LAWSON)

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Rev. Tolbert,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that a formal letter shall be sent by the System President, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors, to U.S. President Barack Obama inviting him to visit a campus of Southern University.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6E: TO ALLOW THE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO OCCUPY (USE) AT LEAST ONE OF THE BOARD'S TWO OFFICES TO CONDUCT THE NORMAL DAILY FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (CLAYTON AND LAWSON)

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Braxton, this item was deleted.

Motion carried. Rev. Tolbert voted nay.

AGENDA ITEM 6F: PASTORS' FAITH BASED SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Rev. Tolbert,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the Criteria for awarding the Southern University Pastors' Faith Based Scholarship Fund be and are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Rev. Gant and Rev. Tolbert briefed the Board on the Southern University Pastors' Faith Based Scholarship Program which was created to generate additional scholarship funds and other financial support from churches across the State for Southern University. They also reported on the event scheduled to take place on April 30 to which over 300 ministers have been invited. At that time, each pastor will be asked to commit financial support to Southern University in the amount of \$1200 or more per year for three years, to promote Southern University from their respective pulpits; and, to encourage students in their churches to choose Southern University to pursue their post-secondary education.

AGENDA ITEM 7: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. System Report
- B. Campus Reports

Oral and written reports from the System and the Campuses were received by the Board. Details can be found on the Board's website and on tape.

- C. Discussion regarding SU System Transformation Plan (Braxton and Lawson)

Board Member Braxton questioned the Transformation Plan's Financial Projections.

Responding, President Mason recounted efforts by the System Administration, since the Board's approval of the EO Serve Contract, to reduce operational expenses in the areas of Enrollment Management, Finance and Business and Information Technology. The result was the development and proposal of the SU System's Transformation Plan as the University's new business model.

The absence of specific recommendations, to date, from the Administration was noted by Rev. Gant, in view of the approaching July 1 date for implementing the Transformation Plan.

President Mason announced the following timelines for submitting to the Board the Administration's recommendations to implement two components of the Transformation Plan. Board members can expect to receive recommendations pertaining to each component two weeks prior to the meeting where the action is to be requested:

- ❖ May 2013 – Informational Technology
- ❖ June 2013 – Finance and Business

Continuing, the President stated that work on the Transformation Plan's Academic component is in progress, and no date has been set for tendering to the Board the Administration's recommendation relative to Enrollment Management.

Mr. Braxton inquired about a backup plan should the projected revenues from the EO Serve Contract fail to materialize.

Mr. Lawson requested the Administration to provide at the May Board meeting a comparative analysis of the contract arrangements with EO Serve and arrangements with the State of Louisiana to offer online courses.

AGENDA ITEM 8: OTHER BUSINESS

Board Members were reminded of the May 15 deadline to submit their Annual Personal Financial Disclosure Statement.

Mrs. Smith reminded the Administration of scheduled high school graduations across the State, specifically during the month of May. She inquired if the SU campuses have a mechanism in place for reaching students during those activities; and received assurances from the Chancellors of the presence of the campus representatives at the graduation ceremonies.

Mr. Darren G. Mire will be recognized by the Board for his display of hospitality to the SUBR Women's Tennis Team during their recent participation in SWAC Conference Competition in New Orleans.

AGENDA ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Small, the meeting was adjourned.

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Academic Affairs Committee

9:00 a.m.

Friday, April 26, 2013

J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A & M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Dr. Leon R. Tarver II. The invocation was given by Mr. Montrell McCaleb.

Present

Dr. Leon R. Tarver II - Chair
Mrs. Ann A. Smith – Vice Chair
Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.
Dr. Eamon M. Kelly
Mr. Mike A. Small
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr.
Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut - Ex Officio

Absent

Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Mr. Willie E. Hendricks

University Personnel Attending

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Tony Moore, and Lester Pourciau
Chancellors Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Ray Belton (SUSLA), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC), James Llorens (SUBR), and Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEM

A. Candidates for Degrees, 2013 Spring Commencement

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Small, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, Candidates for Degrees at the 2013 Spring Commencement Exercises on the Southern University Campuses in Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Shreveport, and at the Law Center.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee recognized the presence of the following guests:

- Mr. James H. Colon, Vice President of Toyota Products Communication, USA
- Atty. Charles R. Jones, NAFO State Policy Advocate and retired Louisiana State Senator

Both tendered expressions of support for Southern University.

The Administration was requested by Board Member Myron Lawson to provide at the May meeting a status report on the selection of a System Vice President for Academic Affairs.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Dr. Kelly, the meeting was adjourned.

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Personnel Affairs Committee
Friday, April 26, 2013
J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A & M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Personnel Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.

Present

Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. - Chair
Mr. Darren G. Mire – Vice Chair
Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.
Dr. Eamon M. Kelly
Mrs. Ann A. Smith
Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut - Ex Officio

Absent

Mr. Willie E. Hendricks

University Personnel Attending

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Tony Moore, and Lester Pourciau
Chancellors Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Ray Belton (SUSLA), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC), James Llorens (SUBR), and Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Thomas Miller, President of the SUBR Faculty Senate, announced the Faculty Senate's full support of Agenda Items 5C and 5D and forwarded a copy of the Senate's recommendation to place all information regarding hiring on the Board's website.

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

A. Position Upgrade and Promotion Recommendation, SULC

On motion of Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Mire, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the SU Law Center's request to upgrade the position of Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs to that of Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at the SU Law Center; and, that Roderick White, the current position holder, be allowed to assume the new position on a twelve-month basis at a base pay of \$140,000 per year, plus a teaching load of one class per semester.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Leaves of Absence, SULC

On motion of Mr. Braxton, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board --

- ❖ Sabbatical leave for Professor Stanley Halpin for the academic year 2013-2014 to pursue research and a writing project for a book.
- ❖ Extended leave without pay for Professor Okechukwe Oko for an additional year (2013-2014 Academic Year)

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Recommendation for reduction of the \$100,000 salary threshold for Board approval (Bell)

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the reduction of the \$100,000 salary threshold to \$60,000 for Board approval relative to all unclassified positions, due to anticipated budget cuts and potential reorganization.

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Recommendation for Board approval of any and all salary increases, raises, and supplemental pay adjustments, for all unclassified positions; and to require written justification for proposed salary adjustments and current job descriptions (Bell)

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, that Board approval be required for any and all salary increases, raises, and supplemental pay adjustments for all unclassified positions, along with written justification for the proposed salary adjustments and a current job description.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Braxton, the meeting was adjourned.

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Finance and Audit Committee

Friday, April 26, 2013
J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A & M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Vice Chair, Dr. Eamon M. Kelly.

Present

Dr. Eamon M. Kelly – Vice Chair
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.
Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
Mr. Darren G. Mire
Mr. Mike A. Small
Dr. Leon R. Tarver II
Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut - Ex Officio

Absent

Mr. Willie E. Hendricks, Chair

University Personnel Attending

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Tony Moore, and Lester Pourciau
Chancellors Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Ray Belton (SUSLA), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC), James Llorens (SUBR), and Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Bell, seconded by Mr. Braxton, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

A. BA-7 #6, FY 2012-13 Interagency Transfer (IAT) Funding, SU Lab School

On motion of Atty. Bell, seconded by Mr. Braxton, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, BA-7 #6 which reflects an increase of \$309,329 in FY 2012-13 Interagency Transfer (IAT) funding for the SU Lab School, due to increase in enrollment.

Motion carried unanimously.

The University was informed shortly before the Committee's meeting of an increase in the amount reflected on the BA-7(\$275,079) to the new amount (\$309,329).

B. Student Life Improvement Fee, SUSLA

On motion of Dr. Tarver, seconded by Mr. Braxton, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the request from Southern University at Shreveport to establish a Student Life Improvement Fee of five dollars (\$5.00) per semester, beginning Fall 2013.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The Committee received an update on items listed below:

- A. Summary of annual audit results for the year ended June 30, 2012
- B. Interim Financial Report, as of February 28, 2013, SU System entities
- C. Bid for Food Service Contract, SUNO (Braxton and Lawson)
- D. FY 2012-2013 Budget for the Office of the Board of Supervisors Budget, as of 12/31/2012 (Hendricks)

The Committee was informed of the Administration's plan to develop a Request for Proposals (RFP) to receive bids for Food Service, System-wide. The RFP will allow vendors the option of bidding on the food service contract for one, two or all three University campuses.

Several Committee expressed reservations relative to the impact of a System-wide Food Service bid on the current contract between SUBR and Aramark which is in effect until the year 2018.

In response, President Mason explained that the System is exploring all available money saving options to help balance the 2013-14 FY Budget, which is anticipated to have a shortfall of \$12.5 million. Entering into a System-wide rather than Campus food service contract is one such option. RFPs for food service will be advertised during the month of May.

Rev. Tolbert noted that a System-wide Food Service contract would affect the termination of SUBR's contract with the current food service vendor, Aramark. He inquired if such action would apply to other current contracts between the University and its vendors and employees.

Details of the reports are available for review online.

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Braxton, the meeting was adjourned.

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Facilities and Property Committee

Friday, April 26, 2013

J.S. Clark Administration Building
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Facilities and Property Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Atty. Walter C. Dumas.

Present

Atty. Walter C. Dumas – Chair
Mrs. Ann A. Smith – Vice Chair
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.
Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
Mr. Darren G. Mire
Dr. Leon R. Tarver II
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr.
Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut - Ex Officio

Absent

Mr. Willie E. Hendricks

University Personnel Attending

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
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Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Braxton, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

A. Small Capital Project (Renovation to the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives, Opelousas, LA), SUAREC

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Dr. Tarver, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the request from the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center for approval of a Small Capital Project in the amount of \$260,000 to provide for an addition and renovation to the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives in Opelousas, LA.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEM

A. Priority Projects Updates, by Campus

Mr. Endas Vincent, System Director of Facilities Planning, provided the monthly report on the status of Capital Projects on the Southern University campuses. His detailed report can be viewed online at the Board's website.

Atty. Dumas announced that the Committee's plan to conduct a second tour of the SUBR Campus in order to receive an update on the Campus facilities.

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Atty. Bell, the meeting was adjourned.

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Governance Committee
Friday, April 26, 2013
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Minutes

The meeting of the Governance Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Mrs. Ann A. Smith.

Present

Mrs. Ann A. Smith – Chair
Dr. Eamon M. Kelly – Vice Chair
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.
Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.
Mr. Darren G. Mire
Mr. Mike A. Small
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr.
Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut - Ex Officio

Absent

Mr. Willie E. Hendricks

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Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Mire, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

- A. Proposed Revisions to the Board's Educational Assistance Scholarship Policy (Dinvaut)

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Mr. Small, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the proposed revisions to the Board's Educational Assistance Scholarship Policy.

Motion carried unanimously.

The revisions include language to reflect the Board's actual practice in awarding the scholarships and to eliminate the "Other" category for which two scholarships were allocated.

AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEM

None

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Rev. Gant, the meeting was adjourned.

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Athletics Committee

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Minutes

The meeting of the Athletics Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Mr. Darren G. Mire.

Present

Mr. Darren G. Mire – Chair
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. – Vice Chair
Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
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Mr. Myron K. Lawson
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Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut - Ex Officio

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Atty. Tony M. Clayton

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Board Counsel

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AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Bell, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The following individuals and Athletic teams received special recognition from the Committee.

- ❖ SUNO Women's Basketball Team, winner of Gulf Coast Athletics Conference Championship. The team members' exceptional academic achievement was also recognized.
- ❖ Baseball Coach Roger Cador was selected by the Major League Baseball Commissioner to serve on a task force that will focus on how to diversify professional baseball by attracting more Africa-American players.
- ❖ SUBR Head Coach of Men's Basketball Roman Banks – named "Coach of the Year" by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association's All – Louisiana Men's Basketball Team for the second consecutive year; and, "Major College Coach of the Year" by the Louisiana Association of Basketball Coaches.

Under Coach Banks' leadership, the Men's Basketball Team won the 2013 SWAC Championship Title and advanced to the NCAA First Round Playoffs.

- ❖ Women Tennis Team, under the leadership of Coach Jeff Conyers, captured numerous SWAC Titles.
- ❖ Laboratory School Basketball Team, led by Coach Kevin Augustine, won 2013 Championship in numerous areas.

AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION ITEM

A. Employment Contract for Men's Basketball Coach, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Bell, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the amended employment contract between Mr. Roman P. Banks and Southern University – Baton Rouge, through its management board, effective July 1, 2013 through April 30, 2018, at an annual base salary of one hundred sixty-five dollars (\$165,000) and other emoluments which are included in the contract agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

The contract supersedes and replaces any prior agreements between Coach Roman Banks and Southern University – Baton Rouge.

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Dr. Kelly, the meeting was adjourned.

Southern University Laboratory School Committee

Friday, April 26, 2013
J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A & M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Laboratory School Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Atty. Walter C. Dumas.

Present

Atty. Walter C. Dumas - Chair
Mrs. Ann A. Smith – Vice Chair
Mr. Raymond M. Fondel, Jr.
Ms. LaKeisha A. Ford
Mr. Myron K. Lawson
Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaux - Ex Officio

Absent

None

University Personnel Attending

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Tony Moore, and Lester Pourciau
Chancellors Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Ray Belton (SUSLA), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC), James Llorens (SUBR), and Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Fondel, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: UPDATE ON SUBR LABORATORY SCHOOL

At the request of Committee Chair Dumas, Principal Ronnie Harrison and Atty. Preston Castille tendered a report on recent efforts by University Administrators and SU Lab School supporters to enhance the operations and performance of the School.

Highlights of their report follow:

- ❖ Plans to address the numerous problems at the Lab School began in February 2010, with a meeting called by the Chancellor with University and Lab School administrators, members of the Lab School Foundation and other supporters. Specifically, the issues of falling enrollment, insufficient operational funds and poor infrastructure were discussed.
- ❖ Under leadership of Chancellor Llorens and Dr. Verjanis Peoples, Attys. Walter Dumas and Preston Castille, with the active efforts and involvement of the Foundation members and parents, the following improvements have been realized:
 - The school's current enrollment has increased by 47% (overall); 218% (6th graders); and, 424% (9th graders)
 - Graduation rate is now 100%
 - \$1.2 million in new State-revenue and \$110,000 in federal funds were received
 - The School has been accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
 - In October 2012, the School served as host to the Kagan Structure Professional Development Workshop which was attended by 200 teachers from Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi and Texas
 - The School has applied for and anticipates receiving an E-Rate Grant of \$350,000 over the next three years to provide funding to assist in paying bills and to improve its infrastructure
 - \$1.2 million in Capital Outlay funds were awarded to pay for repairs and renovations
 - An enrollment goal for the 2013-14 academic year has been set to increase the student population by 100 students. If the goal is achieved, additional revenues in the amount of ½ million dollars will be generated. To date, 60 new students have been accepted for the next academic year
 - The School has initiated collaboration with the University to create four (4) miniature Labs to provide experiential learning opportunities to students in the areas of Education, Engineering, Nursing, and Law. Commitments have been received from the Baton Rouge Bar Association and ExxonMobil to fund two (2) of the Mini Labs.

The efforts of Atty. Dumas, Atty. Castille, members of the Lab School Foundation, parents and supporters of the Lab School were recognized and commended their efforts by the Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Fondel, the meeting was adjourned.

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Student Affairs Committee

Friday, April 26, 2013
J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A & M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Student Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Mr. Raymond M. Fondel, Jr.

Present

Mr. Raymond M. Fondel, Jr. – Chair
Mr. Mike A. Small – Vice Chair
Ms. LaKeisha A. Ford
Mrs. Ann A. Smith
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr.
Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaux -- Ex Officio

Absent

Atty. Tony M. Clayton

University Personnel Attending

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Tony Moore, and Lester Pourciau
Chancellors Victor Ukpole (SUNO), Ray Belton (SUSLA), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC), James Llorens (SUBR), and Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

Board Counsel

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Small, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: INTRODUCTION OF OUTGOING AND INCOMING STUDENT LEADERS

Student Leaders named below were recognized by the Committee for their services during the 2012-2013 year:

Southern University and A&M College

Willie E. McCorkle III – SGA President
Bryson Alexander, SGA Vice President
Erin D. Rogers – Miss Southern

Southern University at Shreveport

Ricosha R. Kindells – SGA President
Tallon Stearns - SGA Vice President
Shemeka Horn – Miss Southern

Southern University at New Orleans

Brian Grant – SGA President
Alexis Sakari – SGA Vice President
Morgan L. Douglas – Miss Southern

Southern University Law Center

LaKeisha A. Ford – SBA President
Jenny Richardson – SBA Vice President

Incoming campus student leaders (2013-2014) were recognized:

Southern University and A&M College

Simone R. Bray – SGA President
Sara Martin – SGA Vice President
Ayanna Spivey - Miss Southern

Southern University at Shreveport

Emmanuel Sims – SGA President
SGA Vice President
Bernicia Mannings – Miss Southern

Southern University at New Orleans

SGA President (Run Off)
Dylen Johnson – SGA Vice President
Miss Southern (Run Off)

Southern University Law Center

Sharin D. Trahan – SBA President

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee's commendations were extended to Chief of University Police Ronald Stevens for his efforts in developing a plan to increase security on the SUBR Campus.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mrs. Smith, the meeting was adjourned.

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Southern University and A&M College at Baton Rouge

Chancellor's Report



SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS/ACHIEVEMENTS

Louisiana Supreme Court Justice Bernette Johnson set to be spring commencement speaker



The Honorable Bernette J. Johnson, the first African-American Chief Justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court, will be the commencement speaker at Southern University's graduation ceremonies.

Commencement begins at 10:30 a.m., on May 17, and will be held in the F.G. Clark Activity Center.

Chief Justice Johnson was officially sworn in as Chief Justice on February 1.

She was elected to serve on the Supreme Court in 1994 and was re-elected, without opposition, in 2000 and 2010. She has served on the Court's Legal Services Task Force and has worked with the National Campaign on Best Practices in the area of Racial and Ethnic Fairness on the Court.

Chief Justice Johnson's judicial career began in 1984 as the first woman elected to serve on the Civil District Court of New Orleans. She was re-elected, without opposition, in 1990 and was elected Chief Judge by her colleagues in 1994.

She has received a number of awards, including the 2009 Distinguished Jurist Award presented by the Louisiana Bar Foundation and the Louisiana Bar Association President's Award for Exceptional Service as co-chair of the Task Force on Diversity in the Profession. She has twice been presented with the Louis A. Martinet Legal Society's President's Award, in 1997 and 2008.

In addition to her judicial responsibilities, Chief Justice Johnson has been actively involved in serving the community. She has served as an Executive Committee Member of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College (1991-1994); Chair of the New Orleans Chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (1989-1994); Member of the Martin Luther King National Holiday Planning Committee; Member of the Board of Directors of the Young Women Christian Association; and Life Member of the NAACP.

Chief Justice Johnson received her undergraduate degree from Spelman College and her law degree from Louisiana State University.

SU Alum, Hall of Famer Lou Brock speaks at diabetes summit

Baseball Hall of Famer and Southern University alum Lou Brock spoke recently at the Pennington Biomedical Research Center as part of its "Louisiana Diabetes Summit: Meeting Our Challenge."

Brock, who played 17 years for the St. Louis Cardinals, was diagnosed with diabetes about 12 years ago.

The Hall of Famer was among a group of people and organizations at the Summit to focus on bringing more awareness about the disease, promote prevention, and encourage patients to get the best possible care.



SU Baseball Coach Roger Cadore introduced Brock at the event. Chancellor James L. Llorens was at the event to represent Southern and in support of the effort by Brock.

Southern University's Teachers of the Year

Southern University students nominated and voted Drs. Jarrett Landor-Ngemi and Chanika Jones as their favorite teachers. Landor-Ngemi is an assistant professor in the College of Education and Jones is an Associate Professor in Criminal Justice. Landor-Ngemi has been in the College of Education since 2009, while Jones joined the Criminal Justice faculty in 2008.



Southern University wins "Moving on Up Award" from United Way



Capital Area United Way recognized Employee Campaign Coordinators from over 30 area businesses for their fundraising efforts at an April 10 reception held at the Baton Rouge Little Theatre. The "Moving on Up Award-Large Business" was received for Southern University by Coordinators Janifer Peters, Assistant to the Dean of Engineering, and Linda Roberson, Travel Manager and Program Administrator.

The "Moving on Up Award" is given to the business that has improved its giving the greatest amount on a previous year. Southern's faculty and

staff fundraising efforts increased significantly during this campaign as compared to last year. The money raised for United Way by Southern and other contributors is used to support over 120 programs that help thousands of people in the 10 parish Capital Area.

Many thanks to all of our Southern University Family who supported this worthwhile campaign dedicated to helping others. Let us unite and work together to make our United Way Fundraising Campaign even greater next year!

The Chancellor's Office wishes to especially thank Mrs. Linda Roberson and Mrs. Janifer Peters for again graciously agreeing to serve as co-coordinators of SU's United Way Campaign. It is primarily because of their dedication and hard work that the University is one of the recipients of this year's "Moving on Up Award – Large Business."

2013-2014 SGA President and Miss Southern

The 2013-2014 Student Government Association elections are over and two friends took the SGA President and Miss Southern University positions. Twenty-year-old Ayanna Spivey walked away with the title as the 2013-2014 Miss Southern. The junior Social Work major from Moreno Valley, Ca., is a graduate of Vista Del Lago High School. "I am honored and very grateful to represent an institution like Southern University A&M College. Being a third generation Southernite, I would have never thought this would happen," said Spivey. Spivey's mother, father and grandmother are all Southern alums.

Simone Bray, a 20-year-old junior, won the race for 2013-2014 Student Government Association President. The Baton Rouge native is a graduate of McKinley High School and is a Mass Communications major.

Media Update

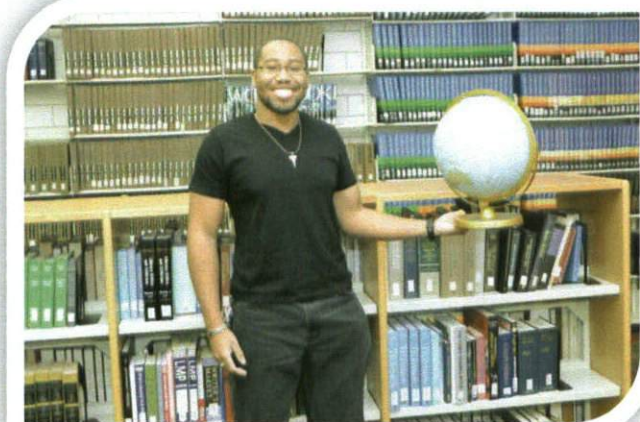
On April 16, WBRZ Ch. 2 aired a story about technology giant IBM's visit to Southern University for informational and recruiting purposes.



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Chancellor James Llorens and Director of Bands Lawrence Jackson were guests on WBRZ-TV Ch. 2 to promote the symphonic band's Chancellor's Concert that was held for May 3 at Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church.



The Milwaukee Courier newspaper did a follow-up article on fall 2012 SU graduate Polite Stewart Jr. The story was published on April 20.

The Sunday Advocate, April 28 promoted the SUBR Symphonic band's concert.

On April 24, WBRZ Ch. 2 aired news package on Southern University's College of Education's Teacher Job Fair. More than 275 attendees participated in this event.

Also in April, Southern University students John White and Jalissa Wynder were participants in the Louisiana Public Broadcasting TV show Public Square. The students were part of the discussion on "Louisiana Coastal Concerns: BP and Beyond."

On May 2, WBRZ-TV Ch. 2 did a story on the job market awaiting spring college graduates in the state. The story featured Tamara Montgomery, Director of Career Services, and an SU student to discuss where the jobs are and how the college students feel about the job market.



On May 2, The Advocate newspaper published a photograph from the College of Education's "Praxis Fun Day" for education students held on the front lawn of W.W. Stewart Hall. The event included barbecue, fun activities, music and dance.

Southern University and A&M College at Baton Rouge



Chancellor's Report



SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS/ACHIEVEMENTS

New program planned to honor Albertha Hasten

Iberville Parish School Superintendent Ed Cancienne plans to honor the memory of former School Board member and community activist Albertha Hasten by starting a college readiness program at White Castle High.

The program will be a partnership with Southern University and will be geared toward increasing the college success rate for black students at White Castle High.

BASF representatives talk internships, jobs with Southern University officials



A group of representatives from BASF – The Chemical Company recently visited Southern University to form a partnership with the University and to discuss student internships and job opportunities.

The representatives met with the deans of the Colleges of Business, Engineering and with the Office of Career Services, along with Offices of Research and Strategic Initiatives and Institutional Advancement.

Those representing BASF were: Tammy Haynie, Diversity and Inclusion Program Manager; James Cotton, Diversity Specialist; Lydia I. Everitt, Manager, University Recruitment; and Latasha Teemer, University Recruitment Specialist.

The meeting was coordinated by Tamara Foster-Montgomery, Director of Career Services, and Dr. Ernie Hughes, SU System Vice-President for Institutional Advancement.

Applications being accepted for Academic-Sports camp

Southern University and A&M College and the College of Education is accepting applications to its first Academic and Sports Camp being held from June 10 through July 19 for 4th through 8th graders.

Students will take classes in reading, English, science, mathematics and technology. The classes will be iLEAP/LEAP/PARCC driven curriculum.

There will be a number of multicultural activities. The sports activities will include basketball, football, swimming and bowling. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Small Business Development Center at SU ribbon cutting ceremony

The Louisiana Small Business Development Center at Southern University will hold its grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, June 14 at 1 p.m., at the new location on Southern's campus, 616 Harding Blvd.

An appearance by U.S. Sen. Mary Landrieu will highlight the celebration that will include university leaders and the community. Opening remarks will follow the ribbon cutting.

The new center will continue to provide business solutions to the Southern students and the community at no cost in efforts to help small businesses start and grow in the Capitol Region.

Independent research shows that business whose owners utilize the LSBDC services grow faster and have a greater probability of success. Every business day LSBDC clients create nine new jobs, save seven jobs, open one new business, obtain \$190,058 in capital and increase sales by \$374,423. The LSBDC has helped thousands of entrepreneurs realize their dreams of building businesses and generating jobs for their communities.

For more information contact Will Campbell at 225.774.9213 or wcampbell@lsbdc.org .

Southern Lab School targets younger students

It's a "modest, humble building" now, Preston Castille Jr., acknowledged, but the Baton Rouge lawyer has a grand vision for what's going to be happening in the future in the building now labeled "SMED 122" located on the SUBR campus.

"We want this building to be a magical experience," said Castille, the father of a senior at Southern University Lab School, a defense attorney and president of the school's foundation. The building will house four new mini-labs to enhance the learning experiences of SU Laboratory students.

HBCU Digest Five – The Top HBCU Athletic Directors

HBCUs continue to bump against the glass ceiling of becoming nationally relevant, but still remain most regarded for struggling to graduate athletes, having to take humiliating guaranteed games to finance their programs, and being one-hit wonders in March Madness.

Spelman College discontinued its athletic program and gained positive media and financial benefit for doing so. That move makes it even tougher for HBCUs to justify the millions in athletics without an ROI of championships or sustainable community engagement.

Leading a HBCU is not an enviable gig, but there are many who are making the most of the job that, next to being an HBCU president, is the hardest at any institution. Here is one of the five best.

Dr. William Broussard – Southern University - The youngest and newest member of the top-tier of athletic directors, Broussard is ushering in a new generation of HBCU athletic executives. Active on social media and accessible to the fan base, Broussard has made all the right moves with coaching hires and outreach to the Jaguar Nation. In return, the program is making a comeback in its signature programs – football and its SWAC champion men's basketball program.

5-year-olds get College of Ed "Cradle to College" scholarships



Southern University officials recently presented the school's first "Cradle to College Scholarships" to 5-year-old students at the Ministry of Love Learning Academy in Baton Rouge.

The recipients were selected based upon their academic accomplishments on Pre-K tests. The "Cradle to College Scholarships" was established to provide an incentive to inspire children in high-risk neighborhoods to keep their eyes on attending college throughout their grade school years.

Dr. VerJanis A. Peoples, Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Robert Rene', a recruiter in the Office of Admissions and Recruitment, presented the \$500 scholarships at the Academy's graduation ceremony on May 24. The scholarships were awarded to each student to attend Southern and major in a program in the College of Education in the year 2025-2026 or upon graduation from high school.

SU grad chosen for National Science Foundation teaching program



Local high school teacher Steve Griffin, who received advanced degrees from Southern University, has been chosen to spend the 2013-14 school year in Washington, D.C., offering his classroom knowledge and insight in the development of federal policy.

The Woodlawn High School science teacher will serve as a fellow at the National Science Foundation and will advise its Engineering, Industrial Innovation and Partnerships Division, according to a news release.

Griffin received his master's degree in Chemistry and his Doctorate in Mathematics and Science Education from Southern University. The Montana native teaches advanced level physics and chemistry at Woodlawn High and founded the school's robotics program.

Griffin, who will take a leave from his chemistry and physics students, is one of 27 teachers in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics from across the country selected for the Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program. The program is administered by the Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit, Triangle Coalition for Science and Technology Education.

Peers select SUBR Bray to be student member of SU Board



Southern University Student Government Association President Simone Bray will be the next student member on the Southern University Board of Supervisors.

Bray was selected to the position by SGA presidents from the other campuses – New Orleans, Shreveport and the Law Center - in the SU System. The last SUBR student leader on the board was two-term SGA President Demetrius Sumner, now a student at the Tulane Law Center

"I'm very excited about everything that has taken place over these past couple months. It's a very overwhelming and joyous feeling. I'm truly thankful," said Bray, a 20-year-old junior mass communications major.

"I'm willing to learn everything there is to learn while taken on the position of SGA President and serving on the Southern University System Board of Supervisors," she said. "Both positions require hard work and dedication, and I'm ready to take on both jobs."

Bray is a native of Baton Rouge and a graduate of McKinley High School.

SU nominated in 6 areas in HBCU Excellence competition

Southern University has been nominated in six categories, including Best Marching Band, at the annual celebration recognizing HBCU Excellence and the competition for HBCU of the Year.

Southern is nominated for Best Marching Band, Best Nursing Program, Best Student Newspaper, Male Coach of the Year, Men's Team of the Year, and Male Student of the Year.

The winners will be announced at the 2013 HBCU Awards' Annual Celebration Recognizing HBCU Excellence event, at 7 p.m., June 28, at Jackson State University. The event is presented by Jackson State in partnership with HBCU Digest, an online magazine that focuses on historically black colleges and universities.

"The success of historically black colleges and universities is a direct reflection of the success of African-Americans and African-American communities nationwide," says Jarrett L. Carter, Sr., Founder and Executive Director of the Center for HBCU Media Advocacy, Inc.

"The HBCU Awards is a moment of celebration and recognition for scholars and supporters of HBCUs, but more than that, it is a chance for all Americans to cheer on institutions and individuals maintaining a legacy of enrichment for the nation and the world."

More than 600 entries submitted by administrators, students, alumni, faculty and supporters of HBCUs throughout the country were narrowed to the list of finalists, representing 45 public and private four-year HBCUs from around the nation.

Howard University leads with 10 nominations, among the finalists including the "2012 HBCU of the Year Winner" Alcorn State University, Hampton University and Winston-Salem State University. Finalists were selected by Center leadership based upon record of achievement and media coverage in local, regional or national outlets.

Southern's nominees include: Men's Basketball Head Coach Roman Banks; 18-year-old SU graduate Polite Stewart, Jr.; the SU "Human Jukebox" Marching Band, Marching Band of the Year in 2012; the School of Nursing, nursing school of year in Louisiana twice in the past four years; the award-winning Digest student newspaper; and SWAC Tournament Champions and NCAA Tournament participant men's basketball team.

The HBCU Awards is the first and only event to recognize the influence and impact of HBCUs on American Culture, according to organizers.

The event will highlight the inaugural National HBCU Media Week. The week will feature the annual HBCU Media Summit, a conference that brings together working journalists, HBCU presidents, faculty and students to dialog about media literacy and development at HBCUs.

SUBR Student Leaders Attend Student Leaders Institute



On May 28-June 3, 2013, the top SUBR student leaders of the Student Government Association led by President Simone Bray and the advisor Mr. Jonas Vanderbilt, Coordinator of Student Programs and Greek Life, attended the (NASAP) National Association of Student Affairs Professionals Student Leaders Institute held on the campus of Savannah State University in Savannah, GA. At the institute, the leaders were equipped, pinned, and certified while learning the art of networking and becoming the best leaders they can be. Through workshops with some of the top speakers and persons in Student Affairs. Leadership, greek life, socializing, public speaking, and etiquette were a few of the values that were emphasized. The group not only acted the part, but definitely looked the part as they were praised by the various advisors and their own peers throughout the week. They were able to establish life-long bonds and friendships with students from over (36) other HBCU's and (1) PWI who attended the event making this institute the biggest in attendance thus far. There were over 400 students in attendance. The students definitely excelled and shined bright as SUBR Student Leaders always do. We definitely look forward to a promising and **SU**ccessful year.

The leaders represented from SUBR included:

1. SGA PRESIDENT	<i>Simone Rene Bray Baton Rouge, LA</i>
2. SGA VICE PRESIDENT	<i>Sara Anne Martin Denham Springs, LA</i>
3. CHIEF JUSTICE	<i>Vance J. Mitchell Atlanta, GA</i>
4. MISS SOUTHERN	<i>Ayanna Celeste Spivey Moreno Valley, CA</i>
5. SGA ADV.COUNCIL & ESCORT TO MISS SU	<i>Shaquille Dillon Baton Rouge, LA</i>
6. SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT	<i>Kente Andre Battiste Baker, LA</i>
7. MISS SENIOR	<i>Gabrielle A.E. Lewis Winnsboro, LA</i>
8. JUNIOR CLASS PRESIDENT	<i>Nicholas Wayne Harris Rosedale, LA</i>
9. MISS JUNIOR	<i>Channing Jana'e Evans Slidel, LA</i>

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10. SOPHOMORE CLASS PRESIDENT	<i>Chase C. Evans Slidell, LA</i>
11. MISS SOPHOMORE	<i>Allison L. Boton Plaucheville, LA</i>
12. DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF	<i>Myron Lawson Baton Rouge, LA</i>
13. NPHC REP	<i>Christiean Smith Baton Rouge, LA</i>
14. ADVISOR	<i>Jonas Vanderbilt</i>







As the 2012-13 school year comes to a close, I take this opportunity to wish all the best to this year's graduates. I know firsthand of the numerous sacrifices

many of you endured while simultaneously pursuing higher education. You are to be commended for your tenacity and dedication. Congratulations on this major accomplishment.

Southern University at New Orleans continues working with the Louisiana Office of Facility Planning & Control on rebuilding our campus. We anticipate that much progress on the various projects will occur during the summer, and I thank the entire SUNO community again for your cooperation, patience and support. I look forward to working with our returning students in an effort to ensure that construction only results in minimal disruptions.

I also send well wishes to members of the SUNO



faculty and trust that your summer will be a fruitful yet relaxing one as you prepare to return for the 2013-14 school year. Again, thanks, and I look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Thanks.



DIVISION OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

MUSEUM STUDIES PROGRAM:

GENERAL: There will be ten M.A. Museum Studies Program students participating in Commencement this May (Lacey Johnson, Elaine Vigne, Julie Romain, Keisha Washington, Nassera DuCre, Michael Brown, John Kennedy, Pearl Brown, Stefanie Taylor, and Constance Gaines). Five of them finished in Fall Semester, 2012 and five finished this Spring Semester, 2013.

RESEARCH/PRESENTATIONS: Dr. Riep presented a paper entitled "Seeing SeSotho: Art, History, and the Visual Language of South Sotho Identity" at the North West Workshop on Southern Africa (NEWSA) in Burlington, VT. He is also working on a paper for a symposium on African and Chinese art at Xavier University in May 2013. Dr. Riep was also notified that his paper submission for the 2013 ASA annual meeting was accepted. Dr. Hollis has an ongoing exhibition, *New Works*, at Le Boulevard. She has submitted an interview with Mr. Harold Clark upon his national recognition as a playwright on March 18th to the New Orleans Tribune.

CAMPUS Dr. Hollis has been attending a number of committee meetings as well as the deans meetings and Dean Mokosso's Chairs and Director's Meetings. She currently serves on the Hooding and Medallion Committee, the SUNO Band Planning Committee, the International Education Committee. Dr. Riep has been attending meetings for the International Education Committee, and is serving as the chair for the trip coordinators.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH Graduating student Ms. Stefanie Taylor held her exhibition, *Franklin Delano Roosevelt – the New Deal*, at the McKenna Museum of African American Art, Spring 2013. Mr. Michael Brown produced a website for his house museum and held a website launch reception. Dr. Riep's curatorship class has planned and developed an exhibition of African art which will be shown at the New Orleans Public Library in May. In addition, two of Dr. Riep's students have been conducting an ongoing educational program centered on SUNO's African art collection at Livaudias Middle School and Harney Elementary School. Finally, Dr. Riep's classes have continued to meet at area museums, including the New Orleans Museum of Art and the McKenna Museum. This month, his Collections Management students met with NOMA's collections manager, Ms. Monika Cantin. Dr. Hollis's Art History of the African Diaspora class met at Stella Jones Gallery of African American art to view the collection and to hear a talk by Ms. Beryl Johns, gallery assistant director and SUNO M.A. Museum Studies Graduate.

GENERAL STUDIES PROGRAM:

PROGRAM OPERATION & ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITIES:

All curriculum materials and brochures were revised to reflect the 16-week Humanities Online Program.

The General Studies Program staff participated in the Westbank Satellite Campus Open house on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at the L.B. Landry Educational Complex, 1200 L.B. Landry Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70114. Ms. Dumas-Haynes represented the program for the morning and Dr. Vaughn served with the afternoon group.

The Director met with several faculty during early and evening meetings to coordinate the submission of a conference proposal for The 5th Annual Conference on Quality Assurance in Online Learning's Call for Papers due by the April 5, 2013 deadline. There were eight faculty that participated with the proposal submission on the integration of social media and service-learning in Quality Matters courses to support student learning outcomes.

College of Business & Public Administration:

Dr. Igwe Udeh, Dean

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS Activities: April, 2013

Accreditation & Academic Excellence Initiatives:

CBA received the certificate of Initial Accreditation by AACSB International on April 7, 2013 during the AACSB Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL. Representing the CBA during this event were Dr. Igwe E. Udeh, Dean, CBA; Dr. Frank Martin, Chair Business Entrepreneurship Department; Dr. Adnan Omar, Chair, Management Information Systems Department; and Mrs.

Timotea Bailey, Director, CBA Office of Student Services. SUNO was represented at the event by Dr. Victor Ukpolo, SUNO Chancellor. The college held a reception in celebration of its accreditation that was attended by deans of many schools, AACSB officials, the Chicago Chapter of SUNO Alumni Association, and other well wishers.

The CBA hosted its Annual Banquet and Awards Ceremony for its students, faculty, staff, administration, and supporters on April 5, 2013 at Harrah's Hotel, New Orleans. The ceremony was in honor of the Spring 2013 graduating class and a celebration of the recent achievement of AACSB accreditation by the CBA. The keynote speaker was Mrs. Toni Hackett Antrum, CEO of the Hackett Investment Group. Participating students were presented with AACSB accreditation lapel pin memorabilia.

Journal Publications:

Singleton, C. Omar, A. Belmasrou, R. (2013), "Assessment of students' outcomes in Mathematics: Using the ASSURE Model as a Strategy for Selecting Effective Multimedia", *American Journal of Advanced Scientific Research*, vol. 1, Issue 2, pg. 257-262.

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Professional Outreach to Students & Community:

Dr. Igwe Udeh, CBA Dean, and Mrs. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director of SUNO's SBDMI, attended the Fast Forward Restart Leadership Roundtable, April 23, 2013, at Coaxum Enterprises Training Center, 231 Harbor Circle Drive, East New Orleans. Among other agenda items, New Orleans Councilman James Gray briefed us on his priorities at meeting. Discussions also covered the progress being made in building a positive, supportive environment for business in New Orleans East.

In an effort to increase student awareness of transportation and international trade operations and opportunities in the Metro New Orleans Area, on April 10, 2013, Dr. Louis C. Mancuso, Professor of Marketing, took ten students on a tour of the Port of New Orleans. Professors Biruk Alemayehu (Public Administration), Charles Briggs (Business Entrepreneurship), and Mario Krenn (Business Entrepreneurship) accompanied Dr. Mancuso on the Tour. Paul Matthews, Public Relations Officer for the Port of New Orleans, conducted the tour. The students and faculty went aboard the Port's fireboat and visited the following sites: the Bulk Terminal; the Container Terminal; and the Cruise Terminal.

Dr. Yanjun Yu and Dr. Muhammed Miah, both Assistant Professors of MIS, participated in the GROWCO Inc. Conference, New Orleans, LA, USA, April 10-12, 2013.

On Friday, April 26, 2013, College of Business faculty members Dr. Jennifer Sullivan and Dr. Marjorie Fox escorted a group of students (Derika Jackson, Shanel Amant, and Justyn Hawkins) to the 17th Annual Burkenroad Reports Investment Conference at the Westin Hotel in New Orleans. The group attended many stimulating presentations. In addition, they were able to meet personally with several prominent members of the New Orleans financial community, including SUNO alumnus Edward Shanklin.

DBE Panel: Dr. Frank Martin, Chair of the Business Entrepreneurship Department, participated in the State and Local Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Panel which certifies small businesses as disadvantaged for the City of New Orleans, the New Orleans Sewerage & Water Board, the Aviation Board, and Caesar's (formerly Harrah's) Casino April 18, 2013.

Dr. Simeon Okpechi, Associate Professor of Accounting, with the assistance of several Business students (Rose Cager, Jerinika Jones, Tommy Haley, Paulina Okpechi, Kazzachat Sheyin, Brandon Cantrell, Harold Freeman, Benjamin Ashu, and Kendricks Williams) and one Education major (Irijeanne Matthews), provided free 2012 income tax preparation to 243 low income clients in the community under the sponsorship of the IRS-sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program, from January to April 15, 2013.

Cynthia K. Beaulieu, Director of SUNO's Small Business Development & Management Institute, and Ms Adero Lewis, Coordinator of SUNO Business Incubator Center in New Orleans-East attended the LED-SEBD Quarterly Meeting in Alexandria, LA March, 2013

STUDENT SERVICES (OSS) April 2013 Report

Mrs. Timotea Bailey, Director of the Office of Student Services, reported the following activities: Travelled with CBA dean and department heads to AACSB ICAM (annual conference) in Chicago, IL to receive the official certificate of accreditation

Hosted along with CBA dean and department heads a reception celebrating the CBA accreditation milestone

Worked with CBA student advisory council to host the 1st college-wide CBA Awards and Recognition banquet

Worked with Dr. Mancuso and the SARPD committee to have a candlelight pinning ceremony for graduating seniors

Met with a Noel-Levitz consultant as part of the university retention committee

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT:

Dr. Mwalimu Shujaa, Dean

April, 2013

ACCREDITATION:

General

Dr. Kimberly Dickerson (Assessment Coordinator) submitted the PEDS Report (Parts A&B), the NCATE/ AIMS Report (Part C), and the Title II Report.

Child Development and Family Studies

Faculty participated in the CDFS Departmental meetings at 10:00 a.m. on Fridays, April 5, 12, and 26, 2013, where updates on all the standards for AAFCS accreditation were provided.

Early Childhood Education

The progress report on Early Childhood Education was submitted to the Board of Regents

Grant Submissions:

Child Development and Family Studies

Ms. Carson attended mandatory monthly meetings with Healthy Minds-Healthy Bodies (HMHB) funding source and strategic planning meeting with community partners. She chaired weekly meetings with the 2013 HMHB Learning Institute Grant Committee in preparation for the next phase of the Program. Dr. Bordenave submitted a grant proposal on Early Connections, Infant Attachment, to the Institute of Mental Hygiene (IMH) as co-principal investigator with Dr. Wanga and Dr. Marva Lewis of Tulane University's School of Social Work. Dr. Bordenave and Dr. Lewis presented the proposal to the IMH grant committee on 04/10/2013 at 4:15 p.m. We were notified on 04/19/2013 that the grant application had been deferred until the next funding cycle.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Dr. Deborah Darby (Assistant Professor, Elementary Education) continues to implement the BTOP Grant, funded through Portland State University. She also submitted the monthly report for Portland State University Learner Web to the New Orleans Learner Web Manager.

Workshops, Conferences and Scholarly Activities:

Child Development and Family Studies

Dr. Bordenave met with collaborators on 04/01/13 at 5:00 in preparation to submit a proposal on 04/05/2013 in partnership with Dr. Mary Vaughn and others on "Civic Engagement Meets Academia: Incorporating Service Learning into Multi-Course Curriculum, Instruction and Delivery" to Innovations in Making Quality Matters QM-Style! for the 5th Annual Conference. On

04/09/2013, she received notification of acceptance of "Changes in the home and the impact on children's behavior" to present at the AAFCS 104th Annual Conference to be held in June 2013 in Houston, Texas. Ms. Carson continued collaboration with AAFCS's COP Committee members to facilitate the "Pre-Conference Workshop: Overcoming the Obesity Crisis: We Can Make a Difference", scheduled during the AAFCS 104th Annual Conference and Expo. In addition, she participated as a committee member for the AAFCS - The Obesity Prevention Community Wellness Campaign: "Healthy Lifestyles-- AAFCS Leading by Example" started on January 5, 2013 to coincide with New Year resolutions and will end on 04/30/13.

Dr. Bachus co-presented with Dr. Mayo-Theus on "Social Media Technology in Education" at SUNO's 2013 Educational Technology Learning Conference held on Saturday, April 20, 2013. The Conference was coordinated by Mr. Charlie Johnson, Assistant Professor in the CoE&HD and ETALL grant Principal Investigator.

Dr. Mayo-Theus presented on "Starting Early: Financial Preparation For Disasters and Emergencies webinar on 04/09/13 or Operation HOPE. She shared the presentation in CDFS 430-Family and Social Policy Class and presented on "Engaging Diverse Parents in the Teacher Education Classroom from the SUNO -CoE&HD Senior Teacher Education Seminar. She continued scholarly work with CDFS 453 & CDFS 430 students in Walking It Out: SUNO -AARP Soul Steppers Embracing Healthy Lifestyles from Research to Practice in New Orleans, Louisiana. On 04/09/13, Dr. Mayo-Theus attended the Family Financial Security Webinar and participated in the Path to Financial Independence Network Teleconference on 04/18/13. She submitted proposals to the Quality Matters Conference on Civic Engagement Meets Academia: Incorporating Service Learning into Multi-Course Curriculum, Instruction and Delivery along with other SUNO faculty engaged in Service Learning through the CETL. She attended the "How To Flip Your Classroom" webinar on 04/23/13 and attended the Military Child Education Coalition's Supporting Children of the National Guard and Reserve Institute at Riverdale High School, Jefferson, LA on 04/29-30/13. Dr. Mayo-Theus submitted a proposal on "The Pedagogy of Using Social Media in Higher Education" to the European Conference in France in October 30-31, 2013. If accepted, this session will use technology globally in a presentation format. She also submitted three articles for publication to three journals in April, 2013: 1) Savings and Building Wealth on College Campuses: America Saves Go to College; 2) Working with Children and Families with Incarcerated Parents: The New Norm; 3) Welcome Home Soldier: Working with Military Families and created a daily tweet about the importance of savings and debt reduction for Louisiana Saves & SUNO SAVES each day in April in commemoration of Financial Literacy Month -April, 2013

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Dr. Glenda Allen-Jones serves as an early childhood expert with Young Audiences Charter Association. She also attended the membership meeting of the BrightStart Pathways Workgroup convened by the Louisiana Board of Regents and the Early Childhood Forum for Education Nation.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Dr. Deborah Darby continues to attend monthly workshops/meetings as the point person for the BTOP Grant, and continues research in two areas of interest: "The Digital Divide: Has the Gap Closed?" and "Incorporation of the Conversation Regarding Emotional Well-Being in K-12 Classrooms."

Ms. Gilda Jones (Praxis Coordinator) engaged in scholarly literary research pertaining to student motivation and achievement.

Dr. Louise Kaltenbaugh (Director of Alternative Certification) presented at the Praxis I workshop organized by the College of Education and Human Development, and conducted the final segment of the 80-hour workshop.

Professional Outreach to Students and Community:

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

On 04/10/13, all CDFS faculty attended the emergency meeting called by the Chancellor, Dr. Victor Ukpolo for the CoE&HD faculty with regard to the Early Childhood and Elementary Education Programs and participated in all follow-up meeting during the month of April. Drs. Bordenave, Bachus, Mayo-Theus, Wanga, and Ms. Carson effectively fulfilled all of their instructional, student pre-advisement and course registration responsibilities, including independent studies and administration and grading of graduating senior exams, throughout the Month of April. Dr. Wanga represented the COE/HD at SUNO/L.B. Landry MoU signing. Ms. Carson and Dr. Bachus represented the CoE&HD on SUNO Day at L.B. Landry Education Complex on the West Bank on 04/24/13. Dr. Bachus and Dr. Wanga completed supervision of interns at various sites and evaluated their final portfolios.

Dr. Bordenave presented on "Can Student/Teacher Social Networking Work" with Ms. Jacqueline Keleher at the 2013 Educational Technology and Learning Conference from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, 04/20/13. Dr. Bachus attended the Praxis Mentoring & Motivation Subcommittee. On 04/24/13, she also attended an emergency meeting of the Praxis Intervention Committee.

On 04/22/13, all CDFS faculty attended pre-advisement meeting with Dr. Shujaa, Dr. Wanga, and the CoE&HD faculty with regard to pre-advisement. They all participated in extended hours for pre-advisement for the CoE&HD. On the same day at 12 noon, the faculty attended the College-wide meeting that Chancellor Ukpolo called with regard to an open house at the L.B. Landry Education Complex Walker HS on the West Bank for mid-week pre-advisement. As 2013 -2014 Louisiana Association of Family and Consumer Science (LAFCS) President, Ms. Carson prepared the 2012 - 2013 LAFCS Annual Report and submitted to the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS). In addition, Ms. Carson collaborated with SU Agricultural Research & Extension Center to provide professional development for COE/HD candidates through volunteer participation in the Youth Educational Support After School Program (Y.E.S.) at Abramson elementary school. She participated in the American Association of Family and Consumer Science Leadership spring meeting via telephone conference.

Drs. Mayo-Theus, Bordenave, Bachus, and Ms. Carson contributed to LAFCS SE District Report to be submitted to AAFCS by Ms. Carson the first week of May.

Dr. Mayo-Theus continued to engage students in CDFS 453- Research Methods in preparation for the SUNO Research Forum in Fall, 2013 and continued to participate in the NO Faith Based Initiative on Crime in the City of New Orleans, LA, The Community Outreach Group for Military Families in New Orleans, LA, and Girl Scouts - Beyond Bars Program. She participated in the State of Louisiana's Financial Coalition event commemorating Financial Literacy Month in April, 2013 and engaged students in CDFS 430 to tweet and blog about the importance of financial responsibility in commemorating Financial Literacy Month. Dr. Mayo-Theus attended the Operation HOPE 700 Club Monthly Session at the Goodwill Headquarters on 04/01/13 and the SUNO Next Level College of Business & Entrepreneurship Training Session on 04/02/13.

On 04/19/13, Dr. Wanga, Board Secretary, attended a Board Meeting of the Hope Community Resource Center and participated in SUNO's International Day, contributing an authentic East African Dish and Recipe. Dr. Wanga facilitated a Parental Involvement Workshop on 04/24/13 in New Orleans East. She met with five (5) representatives of various community agencies to explore and create viable partnerships for field experience and practicum placements.

Early Childhood Education

Dr. Glenda Allen-Jones continues to serve as a Board Member of the Young Audiences Charter Association, Total Community Action Head Start (advisory board), and Louisiana Association for the Education of Young Children and the NFL Yet Boys & Girls Club. She also continues to act as conference liaison for the Greater New Orleans Association for the Education of Young Children. She also served as a guest reader for the Total Community Action Literacy Celebration.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Dr. Deborah Darby continues to conduct community/faith-based tutorial and enrichment activities, provide pro bono services as a consultant in the area of education and economic development, and provide pro bono counseling/life coach activities.

Dr. Kimberly Dickerson participated in the Literary Extravaganza at the Gentilly East Head Start by reading to young children.

Dr. Louise Kaltenbaugh participated in several meetings called by President Mason for the Honoré Center.

Dr. Katherine Robinson (PK-16 Coordinator) conducted a pre-interview session for graduating Teacher Education candidates. Ms. Charnetta Robinson, Coordinator of Recruitment was the presenter from St. Tammany Parish Public School. Additionally, Dr. Robinson accompanied graduating Teacher Education candidates to St. Bernard Public Schools for the purpose of participating in a preliminary interview for employment. Mr. Tommy Powell, a supervisor, was the host.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

All CDFS faculty attended the College of Education and Human Development Faculty Meetings at noon on 04/02/2013, 04/10/13, and 4/16/2013 and the Teacher Education and Human Development Council at 1:00 p.m. on 04/18/13. Dr. Wanga attended Dean Shujaa's meetings with Chairs and Directors at 11:00 a.m. on Mondays and participated in the Deans and Directors Council meetings as scheduled. Dr. Bordenave, Dr. Bachus, and Mayo-Theus participated in the CETL meeting at 11:30 a.m. on 04/04/2013. Dr. Bachus also I attended the CETL Discovery Education: Student Retention Program Conversation Recap Video conference Meeting in the Chancellor's Conference Room.

Dr. Bordenave attended the meetings and report writing sessions of the Faculty/Staff Grievance Committee on 04/09, 04/11 and 04/12/2013 and met with Dr. Wanga on 04/16/13 for her chair evaluation. She also conducted peer evaluations for Drs. Mayo-Theus and Bachus in their respective classes on 4/16/2013.

Ms. Carson performed duties as Faculty Senate Secretary in Cabinet meetings and participated in the scheduled meetings of the Praxis Intervention Team Subcommittee members.

All CDFS faculty participated in the Honors and Awards Day Ceremony for Undergraduate students in the University Gymnasium on 04/17/13 at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Carson serves on this committee. They also contributed and actively participated in the CDFS Graduate Luncheon and Portfolio Presentation on 04/17/13 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and the CoE&HD Teacher Candidate Celebration Luncheon on 04/25/13 from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Dr. Bachus designed the program booklet for the CDFS candidate presentation. Dr. Bordenave and Ms. Carson attended the Faculty Senate Meeting at 3:15 p.m. on 04/30/13.

On 03/04/13, Dr. Bachus and Dr. Mayo-Theus participated in the 2013-2015 RAMP Executive Board Conference Call and joined the RAMP Executive Board on 04/19/13 in a site visit to New Orleans hotels. At 8:30 a.m., the Executive Board members, Dr. Paula Montgomery, President, Dr. Rondell Bailey, Vice-President, Dr. Suzanne Mayo-Theus, Recording Secretary, and Dr. Bachus, Parliamentarian met with Dillard's Provost, Dr. Phyllis Dawkins with regard to hosting the 2014 RAMP Conference Reception. At 10:30 a.m. Dr. Bachus, Dr. Mayo-Theus, and Dr. Wanga joined the Executive Board in a briefing meeting with Dr. David S. Adegboye, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Accreditation Liaison and Dr. Mwalimu Shujaa, Dean, College of Education and Human Development with regard to the 2014 Conference in New Orleans and anticipated SUNO participation. At 1:00 p.m., the Executive Board and Dr. Wanga attended a luncheon at Palace Café hosted by the Tourism Commission Office. At 6:00 p.m., Drs. Mayo-Theus and Bachus attended a Board Meeting at the Doubletree Hotel.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Dr. Allen-Jones engages in student advising via telephone, email and office visits and attended the special registration event for SUNO which was held at L.B. Landry/O. Perry Walker High School.

Dr. Allen-Jones attends College of Education and Human Development Faculty Meetings, Dean's Chairs and Coordinator's meetings and all called meetings by Chancellor Ukpolo and Vice Chancellor Adegboye.

Dr. Allen-Jones serves as a member of the College of Education and Human Development Praxis Intervention Committee.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Dr. Deborah Darby continues to be a member of, and attend meetings for, Faculty Senate, the Praxis Intervention Planning/Implementation Strategies Committee, and attended Chancellor-sponsored Town Hall meetings for students regarding Praxis Intervention Strategies. She continues to chair the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) Committee, and conferenced with Mr. John Stiegman, representative for the ongoing collaborative grant with Portland State University, Goodwill Industries of New Orleans, and Southern University at New Orleans.

Dr. Kimberly Dickerson attended the International Education Committee meeting, several Dean's Leadership meetings, faculty meeting, Discovering SUNO Day, registration at Walker/Landry, a meeting on the new modular buildings, the Construction walk-through, a meeting with Noel Levitz representatives, several meetings organized by the chancellor, the Teacher Education Council Meeting, the graduating seniors recognition ceremony, and a phone conference with President Mason. She also conducted the final six field observations, conducted several faculty evaluations, and advised approximately 15 students.

Ms. Gilda Jones attended several meetings organized by the chancellor to meet with the College of Education and Human Development. She also provided an estimated 40 students with Praxis Test Preparation information. Additionally, she assisted in the planning and implementation of the College of Education and Human Development Portfolio Presentation Graduate Luncheon, and helped develop recognition and incentives for students for Praxis Preparation as a member of the Mentoring, Motivation, and Matriculation Committee. She constructed the 2013 spring enrollment and student Praxis database. She also attended the ETALL Technology Conference, conducted the Praxis I workshop, created a Praxis Workshop budget for five upcoming workshops, reviewed and rehearsed several old Praxis retired tests, and is in the process of implementing a Praxis II – Content Workshop for May 25, 2013.

Dr. Louise Kaltenbaugh completed field observations for two alternative certification students and two student teachers. She also attended several meetings college meetings called by the chancellor, as well as attended several College of Education and Human Development meetings, and Dean's Leadership Meetings. She submitted applications for teacher certification to the Louisiana Department of Education for four certification-only candidates and two undergraduate candidates. She taught two methods courses, advised and registered seven certification-only students for summer and fall 2013, met with nine potential certification-only candidates, and accepted five new applicants into the certification-only program: two for Secondary Health and PE; one for Secondary Mathematics; and two for Elementary Education.

Dr. Katherine Robinson selected and ordered Honors Day awards for students in the College of Education and Human Development, as well as assisted college colleagues in preparing for the College of Education and Human Development's recognition program for graduating seniors. The program, which Dr. Robinson attended, was held at Parkview/Coghill Elementary. She also attended the portfolio presentation program for seniors graduating from the Child Development and Family Studies Program, as well as attended the Teacher Education Council Meeting. She also reviewed and evaluated portfolios for Teacher Education candidates, and attended the University Curriculum Committee meeting.

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK:

Report on Major School of Social Work Activities

Dr. Beverly Favre, Dean

April, 2013

Dr. Jay Hedgpeth:

Discussion on funding for student research with Belisle and Dean Favre

Research funding opportunities for staff share output Professors Weiss and Montegut

Discussed with faculty and students the Aging Forum for November

Discussed a monthly interdisciplinary Brown Bag Luncheon with faculty from several disciplines

Letters of recommendation: 2 student employment recommendations, 3 MSW reference letters, 5 MSW recommendation forms, and 2 scholarship letters of recommendation

Dr. Ron Mancoske:

Accepted for publication: "Cultural Competency, Children's Mental Health, and Academic Performance" published in Race, Gender and Class based on data from the Evaluation of the Louisiana Youth Enhanced Services Program.

Bonnie Alston

Coordinated the School of Social Work Field/Job Fair/ April 4, 2013

Purpose of the Fair:

- To expose students to organizations and possible employment.
- Provide agencies an opportunity to interview students for possible internship and/or employment with the agency.

Presentation to various Agency Supervisors on:

- Understanding and Maintaining Professional Boundaries
- And the Use of Interpersonal Skills in Supervision / April 22, 2013



June 2013



SUNO to launch Forensic Science Degree Program

Southern University at New Orleans proudly announces the introduction of a new academic program after earning approval from the Louisiana Board of Regents earlier this week. The University will be offering a 120-credit-hour Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science program. The addition is part of SUNO's commitment to developing career-ready degree programs for its students.

"We conducted a tremendous amount of research and enlisted the support of our partners within the local law enforcement community in the development of the Forensic Science program," said Chancellor Victor Ukpolo. "This will be the only undergraduate program in Forensic Science in the state of Louisiana, and with the increasing demand for qualified individuals in this field SUNO and its graduates are poised to have a great impact on criminal justice in this region."

The Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates that job growth in forensic science is predicted to be near 20 percent over the next six years. The Forensic Science degree program is a natural complement for the University's successful BS and MS programs in Criminal Justice.

Dr. Ukpolo continued, "Through discussions with our student body, we are certain that the interest in the baccalaureate degree program in Forensic Science would be a welcomed addition to the campus. Our science majors view this as an attractive and exciting option as they prepare for their career pursuits. SUNO also makes the program accessible to students who may not be able to otherwise pursue it, keeping in line with our long standing mission to our community."

The program will be housed in the Department of

Natural Sciences within the College of Arts and Sciences. SUNO will be seeking accreditation for the program with the Forensic Science Education Programs Accreditation Commission (FEPAC).

SUNO's Sheldon Williams Earns National Championship in Men's 400 Meter Hurdles

MARION, IN - For the first time in seven years, Southern University at New Orleans has an individual national champion in track and field. Junior Sheldon Williams won the men's 400 meter hurdles at the NAIA national championship in Marion, IL on May 25th with a time of 51.81, edging out Nathan Magstadt of Dickinson State by just four-hundredths of a second. The last athlete to earn an NAIA title for the Knights was current head coach Yhann Plummer, who won the 100 meters in 2006.

"It was an amazing feeling to win," said Williams. "SUNO has such an amazing tradition of All-Americans, Olympians...and for me to be a part of that as a national champion is an honor."

On the women's side, Junior Tamara Hunter earned All-America honors after an eighth place finish in the Women's 400 meter hurdles.

"I'm so proud of both Sheldon and Tamara, and also of our entire team," added Coach Plummer. "This is a great day for the University and something they will remember for the rest of their lives."

In overall team competition the men's team finished tied for 29th out of 60 teams with the women finishing tied for 53rd.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

Dr. John Penny had radio and TV interviews and discussions on gangs and crime in the city of New Orleans, as well as how to combat them on May 16, 24, 28, and 29, 2013. Drs. Penny and Nwokeji met with their counter parts of the University of New Orleans to discuss issues of collaboration relative to establishing a post-graduate certificate in Criminal Justice.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES

Dr. Mostafa's student Schondell Thomas traveled to Los Alamos, New Mexico to take part in workshops at the Los Alamos National Laboratory from May 18 - May 24, 2013

Dr. Murty Kambhampati - Acting Chair - Biology

Participated in E3MaS SURE Internship' interviews along with Dr. Omojola, Dr. Johnson, and Ms. Okwan

Participated in SUNO-UNO Articulation Agreement for BS Engineering Program signing ceremony on UNO campus (along with Drs. Omojola, Marinov, Chen, Kim, Elaasar, Mokosso, Tietzel, Quick, and Ekaidi) by the CEOs of the two campuses on May 8, 2103

Participated in LA-BoR meeting at Baton Rouge (May 22, 2013) along with Chancellor Ukpolo and Dr. Illya Tietzel for an approval of Forensic Science Program at SUNO.

Drs. Ukpolo, Tietzel and Kambhampati answered questions about the Forensic Sciences program posed by Mr. Koran Addo, Capitol News Bureau Reporter for the Advocate newspaper.

Successfully completed the 2013 Biology Self-Study Review by the external in-state (Dr. Ramaraj Boopathy, Nicholls State University) and out-of-state (Dr. Jonathan Wilson, Morgan State University) reviewers. Dr. Kambhampati received the final report on BSSR from Dr. Boopathy and sent it to Drs. Elaasar, Mims-Devezin, Mokosso, Ralph, and Adegboye.

We are working on a grant proposal along with Drs. Omojola, Tietzel, Belmasrou, and Ms. Okwan for the US Department of Education to sponsor academic stipends and summer research internships for Forensic Science and Engineering majors beginning Fall 2013 through a Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program of the Department of Education (MSEIP).

Dr. Illya Tietzel - Biology

Two research mentees of Dr. Tietzel, Ms. Ciara Green and Mr. Monicah Jepkemboi, both graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology on May 11, 2013.

Dr. Tietzel is attending the LUMCON 5-Year Master Plan Committee on May 30, 2013 as a member of the Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium (LUMCON) Science and Education Advisory Council (SEAC) member. The meeting will be held in Chauvin, LA.

Dr. Tchavdar Marinov - Mathematics

A paper titled "Soliton Solutions as Inverse Problem for Coefficient Identification" submitted to the proceedings of the Ninth International Conference on Large Scale Scientific Computations", June 3-7, 2013, Sozopol, Bulgaria, was accepted for publication.

Dr. Marinov is a member of the Editorial Board of Journal of Mathematical Research and Applications (JMRA). (see <http://www.academicpub.org/jmra/EditorialBoard.aspx>)

He is also a reviewer for Mathematical Reviews (MR). Since 1940, Mathematical Reviews® (MR) has served researchers and scholars in the mathematical sciences by providing timely information on peer-reviewed articles and books.

MUSEUM STUDIES PROGRAM:

Eleven M.A. Museum Studies students graduated during the 2012 Academic Year. Nine of them were able to march in the May 2013 Commencement ceremonies. The other two students received their degrees in absentia.

The 2013 Graduates are: Mr. Michael Brown, Ms. Pearl Brown, Ms. Nasser Ducre, (in absentia), Ms. Constance Gaines, Ms. Charlotte Gordon, Ms. Lacey Johnson, (in absentia), Mr. John Kennedy, Ms. Julie Romain, Ms. Stefanie Taylor, Ms. Elaine Vigne, and Ms. Keisha Washington. The Speaker for M.A. Museum Studies was Mr. Michael Brown. Ms. Julie Romain and Ms. Charlotte Gordon received the Leetta Alan –Haynes award. Dr. Sara Hollis hosted a luncheon after the Commencement rehearsal for the MUSE graduates, faculty and guests at East of Italy. Twenty-two attended altogether.

Dr. Riep presented a paper on May 8th at Xavier University as part of the LaBOR grant that was awarded to Museum Studies for 2012-2013. The topic of the paper centered on non-western museum display practices, and served as a precursor for his upcoming panel presentation at the 2013 African Studies Association (ASA) annual meeting. He will be visiting two museums in Mexico later this month as part of this research topic. Dr. Riep also submitted revisions on a pending article in African Arts Magazine, and is editing his fourth documentary film on South Sotho art and history, which he hopes to release this Fall.

Two of Dr. Riep's students have designed summer learning programs using SUNOs collection of African art, which will be implemented later this month at two area libraries. Dr. Riep's Curatorship class designed, produced, and installed a beautiful exhibition of African Ceramics at the Main New Orleans Library on Loyola Avenue. The Museum Studies Faculty met again with the UNO Arts Administration Faculty to work out last minute details of the Cross-Registration for Summer Session and Fall 2013 Semester. Dr. Hollis' exhibition, "New Works" is ongoing at Le Boulevard on Veterans Blvd. in Metairie.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Igwe Udeh, Dean
Report on Major College of Business Activities
May, 2013

Accreditation & Academic Excellence Initiatives:

CBA graduated 113 students (MS-MGIS - 29; BS-ENTR - 47; BS-MGIS- 18; BA-PADM - 18) during the May 11, 2013 commencement ceremony. This is the largest number of graduates since Spring 2005.

The CBA administration and staff met with the CBA Business Advisory Board (BAB) on Wednesday, May 22, 2013. The meeting was well attended. In addition to providing the BAB with an update on the recently completed AACSB accreditation effort, the BAB was presented with revised CBA Strategic Plan indicating areas where the support of the Board in CBA's quest for excellence was needed. The BAB requested that each of the four CBA Strategic Goals (technology & facility improvement; student development & recognition; faculty development; and community engagement) be revised to show associated costs and time for implementation. The Dean of CBA, Dr. Igwe E. Udeh, prepared and submitted the requested information to the BAB on the 24th of May 2013. The BAB will meet in July/ August to initiate processes to support the CBA in the future.

Journal Publications

Miah, M., Omar, A., and Golding, M. (2013) "Effects of Social Networking on Adolescent Education" Information Systems Education Journal. Vol. 11(3) Pg. 90-100.

H. Kevin Fulk, Louis Mancuso, and Reginald Bell (2013), "THREE GUIDELINES TO IMPROVE THE COMMUNICATION PROCESS BETWEEN IT PROFESSIONALS AND THEIR CLIENTS," (Accepted by Supervision Magazine -forthcoming)

Professional Outreach to Students & Community:

Kenneth Petterson II, a sophomore majoring in Business Entrepreneurship, will represent the College and University at the 44rd National Urban League's Black Executive Exchange Program (BEEP) Leadership Conference being held in Orlando, Florida June 5-8. 2013. This three day program is activity-enriched where students evaluate their leadership and career readiness through intense workshops, and interaction with African-American executives and their student peers.

Louis Mancuso, a professor in the Business Entrepreneurship Department, completed the requirements to become a Certified Instructor for NxLevel Entrepreneurship Training on May 2013.

DBE Panel: Dr. Frank Martin, Chair of the Business Entrepreneurship Department, participated in the State and Local Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Panel which certifies small businesses as disadvantaged for the City of New Orleans, the New Orleans Sewerage & Water Board, the Aviation Board, and Caesar's (formerly Harrah's) Casino, May 30, 2013.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES (OSS) May 2013 Report

Mrs. Timotea Bailey, Director of the Office of Student Services reported the following activities:

The Office of Student Services developed survey instrument to collect post-graduation data from CBA graduates. Survey requested employment/graduate school plans and current email information. Instrument given as students exited stage and graduates were given CBA ink pin and peppermint

One hundred and thirteen CBA students graduated: The 2013 class profiles as follows:

MS-MGIS - 29

BS-ENTR - 47

BS-MGIS- 18

BA-PADM - 18

Latin honor graduates included:

Magna Cum Laude - MGIS major Trevor Bierria

Cum Laude - ENTR majors Charles Gaspard, Kristie McBride, and A'Shante Williams;

MGIS major Trudy-Ann Williams; PADM majors April Johnson and I'Unekia Joseph

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT Mrs. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director, Institute, reported the following activities and achievements during the April 2013:

Title	Date	#Served	Description	Speaker(s)
LED-SEBD Quarterly Meeting	05/01 /13		Webinar using Go-To-Meeting	John Mathews & All Intermediaries
LED-SEBD Visit to Incubator	05/02 /13		Technical Meeting on Program outcomes and directions.	Mr. John Matthews, Director Ms. Charlotte Gautreau, Business development Officer Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu Ms. Adero Lewis Ms. Corine Herman
IWTP Meeting, Daughters of Charity	05/03 /13		Met to discuss IWTP Application with SUNO	Mr. Deryl Williams
NxLevel 8 Week Entrepreneurial Classes	05/2/13 05/09 /13 05/16 /13 05/23 /13 05/30 /13	12 Participants weekly	8Week Entrepreneurial training classes to provide new and existing entrepreneurs with training on how to write a Business Plan	Ms. Terrie Guerin Ms. Eleria Hunter
Financial Seminar Series 8 week Training	05/04 /13	5Participants	Budgeting Basics I	Ms. Eleria Hunter
NxLevel For Contractors 8 Week Training	05/11 /13 05/18 /13	12 participants	8 week entrepreneurial training classes targeting minority contractors with specifics to the contracting industry as it relates to business plans.	Mr. Angelo Edwards Mr. Al Tourp
Financial Seminar Series 8 week Training	05/11 /13	5Participants	Budgeting Basics II	Ms. Eleria Hunter
IWTP Phone Conference with Parent Company In Anchorage AK	05/13 /13	3 On call	Held a phone conference with representative of (Omega Natchiq, Inc.) in New Iberia	
Seminar Louisiana Department of Insurance	05/15 /13	15 participants	How to Become a Licensed Claims Adjuster	Presenters Mr. Patrick Bell, State Ins. Commission Dr. Frank Martin Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu Ms. Adero Lewis
Financial Seminar Series 8 week Training	05/18 /13	5Participants	Taxes-Personal Vs. Business	Ms. Eleria Hunter

CBA Advisory Board meeting	5/22/13		Attended Quarterly meeting of CBA Advisory Board	Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu
City of New Orleans Business Information Session –Held at Incubator	05/22/13	15 Participants	Presenters provided information on the City’s “One Stop Shop” website	City Presenters Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu Ms. Adero Lewis
City of New Orleans Entrepreneur Ecosystem Meeting- Held at Incubator	05/23/13	20 Participants aprox.	Tim Williamson, Co-Founder & CEO of the Idea Village gave a presentation on the NOEW Entrepreneur Ecosystem Summit Report and challenged to define what success looked like in five years (2018) for the New Orleans Entrepreneur Ecosystem.	Ms. Adero Lewis
Demo Software	5/28/13	2 Participants	Met to discuss possible direction of software developed to assist individuals in a disaster.	Dr. Gerry Williams Mr. Kenneth Bibbins Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu
Southern University System Small Business Coalition in Action	Ongoing		Complied SBDMI and Small business Incubator Core Competencies as well as the Workforce and economic Contributions to the Community we serve.	Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu
IWTP Program	Ongoing		Working on new IWTP Application	Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu Ms. Adero Lewis
Small and Emerging Business Development (SEBD)	Ongoing	12 Assessments	Assessments	Ms. Adero Lewis
SEBD One-on One		8	Call-in Clients	Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu Ms. Adero Lewis
Counseled		6	Incubator Clients	MS. Cynthia Beaulieu Ms. Adero Lewis

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT:

Dr. Mwalimu Shujaa, Dean

May, 2013

Accreditation:

Child Development and Family Studies

Faculty participated in the CDFS Departmental meetings at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 15, 2013, during which time they provided status reports on AAFCS Accreditation Standards. All continue to work on the standards as assigned.

On Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 9:00 a.m., faculty met with Dr. Bonner, NCATE Consultant, Chancellor Ukpolo, Dr. David Adegboye, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Shujaa, Dean of the College of Education and Human Development to discuss strategies for improving Praxis pass rate and preparing for NCATE accreditation reaffirmation visit in Fall 2015. Dr. Wanga and the Leadership Team met with Dr. Bonner later that same day in the afternoon. Dr. Bonner also conducted town hall type meetings with the teacher candidates at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., in which all faculty in the College participated.

Dr. Wanga participated in an NCATE/CAEP Webinar at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 on the topic, "Preparing your unit for NCATE's Continuous Improvement Pathway." Dr. Wanga has recommended to Dean Shujaa that a recording of the Webinar be shared and discussed with all faculty in the CoE&HD to establish a common understanding of the direction the Unit is taking toward meeting the Continuous Improvement requirements.

Teacher Education Programs

Dr. Glenda Allen-Jones (Associate Professor, Early Childhood Education) attended a webinar hosted by Taskstream entitled *Preparing your unit for NCATE's Continuous Improvement Pathway*.

Dr. Kimberly Dickerson (Assessment Coordinator/Interim Chair, Elementary Education) met with Dr. Pamela Wanga (Director, Child Development and Family Studies Program/NCATE Director) to begin the process of preparing for accreditation.

Ms. Gilda Jones (Praxis Coordinator) has been preparing for two Praxis workshops, June 1, and June 29, 2013. She also attended faculty focus groups to modify testing service delivery, in addition to researching several resources available for test preparation.

Grant Submissions:

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

On Monday, May 6 and Wednesday, May 15, 2013, Dr. Mayo-Theus and Dr. Wanga joined Dr. Martin and Dr. Briggs, both of the College of Business and Public Administration, and Dr. Belisle and Ms. Reashell Lee of SUNO's Sponsored Programs Office, in a conference call with Operation HOPE's Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Oliver Bell and Grant writer, Mr. Donovan Jacobs to discuss a potential partnership in responding to the Economic Development Administration's FY 2013 grant proposal. If funded, the College of Business and Public Administration would be designated as a University Center, whose purpose would be to provide resources to benefit distressed communities by promoting job creation, development of regional talent pools, and expansion of business in innovation clusters, including technology commercialization, feasibility studies, market research, education, training, and technical assistance.

Workshops, Conferences and Scholarly Activities:

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

Dr. Mayo-Theus participated in the Path to Financial Independence Network Teleconference on Monday, May 6, 2013 and attended the Girl Scouts Beyond Bars Community Meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2013 at their Louisiana East Headquarters in New Orleans, LA. She presented on "Starting Early: Financial Preparation for Disasters and Emergencies" during a webinar on Monday, May 20, 2013. She received an acceptance letter from the European Conference on Technology for her proposal, "The Pedagogy of Using Social Media in Higher Education" and submitted two articles for publication in the *Race, Gender and Class Journal* and *The International Society for Educational Biographies* in May, 2013: 1) "Mothering Beyond Bars: A Look at Girl Scouts with Mothers in Prison" and 2) "Start Small: Think BIG: America Saves Go to College". Dr. Mayo-Theus wrote an article for *Cognition Magazine* on "Celebrating Memorial Day: Hats off to Our Soldiers, Veterans and Military Families". On Friday, May 31, 2013, Dr. Mayo-Theus presented at the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in New Orleans, LA on the topic, "Hurricane Katrina Revisited: Changes in Families among SUNO Students in CDFS" and "Working with Diverse Incarcerated Parents".

On Tuesday, May 28, 2013, Dr. Bachus presented at the NCORE 26th Annual Conference on Race and Ethnicity in American Higher Education at the Hilton Hotel, New Orleans. The title of her presentation was "Diverse Families in Transition: The Impact of Mental Health on Diverse Youth, Families and Communities." On Friday, May 31, 2013, Dr. Bachus co-presented with Dr. Suzanne Mayo-Theus at the NCORE Conference on the topic "Reflections of Hurricane Katrina: Families, Social Justice - Reflections of Change in the Family."

Dr. Bordenave submitted a proposal in collaboration with Dr. Mary Vaughn and others, on "Civic Engagement Meets Academia: Incorporating Service Learning into Multi-Course Curriculum, Instruction and Delivery". The proposal was accepted for presentation at the 5th Annual Conference of Innovations in Making Quality Matters QM-Style! Dr. Bordenave met with the proposal collaborators on Friday, May 31, 2013. On Monday, May 13 through Wednesday, May 16, 2013, Dr. Bordenave also participated as a 2013 Faculty Communities of Teaching Scholars Mellon Fellow at Xavier University's Center for the Advancement of Teaching.

Teacher Education Programs

Ms. Gilda Jones collected statistical data of student Praxis pass rates, and is currently working on literary research.

Dr. Kimberly Dickerson is in the process of reviewing a manuscript for JAAME, and is also in the process of compiling statistics for the Honoré Center.

Dr. Louise Kaltenbaugh (Director, Alternative Certification) presented at The National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education (NCORE) in New Orleans, Louisiana.

PROFESSIONAL OUTREACH TO STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY:

Child Development and Family Studies

On Wednesday, May 1, 2013, Drs. Bachus, Bordenave, Mayo-Theus, and Dr. Wanga met with Delgado's CDYC chair and faculty to revisit course alignments and articulation agreement last discussed in October 2010. Ms. Carson joined the team during a second meeting on Wednesday, May 16. Following the two meetings, a draft course equivalency chart has been developed to enable a smooth transition for Delgado CDYC students who want to transfer into SUNO's CDFS program. The draft will be finalized during a meeting in June and routed through each institution's administrative channels for approval.

Dr. Mayo-Theus continued engaging students in CDFS 453- Research Methods in preparation for the SUNO Research Forum in Fall 2013. She attended the Faith Based Initiative on Crime in the City of New Orleans, LA, the Community Outreach Group for Military Families in New Orleans, LA, and the Girl Scouts - Beyond Bars Program. She also participated in the State of Louisiana's Salute to Mothers in Transition and attended SUNO's Next Level College of Business & Entrepreneurship Training Session on Saturday, May 11, 2013. Dr. Mayo-Theus accepted the invitation to serve as the Speaker for the Louisiana Women's Missionary Society of the African Methodist Episcopal Church on January 10-12, 2014 on the topic, "PEACE in our Homes and our World".

On Wednesday, May 16, 2013 at 6:00 p.m., Dr. Wanga facilitated the third of a series of workshops focused on Parental Involvement with the HOPE Community Resource Center in New Orleans East.

On Saturday, May 25, 2013, CDFS and teacher education faculty were guests at the celebration of the union of Dr. Mwalimu Shujaa and Bobbie Remble in Baker, Louisiana. Dr. Dickerson, Dr. Bachus, Ms. Carson, Ms. Jones, Dr. Mayo-Theus, Ms. Major and Dr. Wanga joined Chancellor Ukpolo and Dr. Mrs. Ukpolo in witnessing the historic occasion.

Dr. Bachus, Dr. Mayo-Theus, and Dr. Wanga participated in student registration Wednesday-Friday, May 29-31 in SUNO's Gymnasium. Dr. Wanga delivered a brief "meet and greet" message and Unit overview on behalf of the Dean of the College of Education and Human Development, Dr. Mwalimu Shujaa, during the Wednesday morning Orientation session. Dr. Wanga also represented Dr. Shujaa at the new HR Director's reception at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2013.

On Thursday, May 23 and Tuesday, May 28, 2013, Dr. Bachus and Dr. Wanga met with CDFS students, who are enrolled in CDFS 499: Practicum for the summer 2013 or the fall 2013 semesters. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss potential placement sites and generate SMART objectives for the practicum.

Dr. Wanga completed Applications for Graduation for three CDFS majors and advised six others on specific CDFS program issues. Drs. Wanga, Mayo-Theus, and Bachus wrote recommendation letters as requested by CDFS graduates who wish to continue to graduate school and those who are applying for jobs.

Dr. Bordenave continued planning with Dr. Wanga to recruit CDFS program completers for the CDFS Alumni Association.

Dr. Bachus continued to counsel children with mental health disorders and had sessions with children who have been physically and sexually abused.

Teacher Education Programs

Ms. Gilda Jones assisted in the organization of focus groups for students from the College of Education and Human Development, as well as interviewed and responded to 30-40 student queries about the Praxis Test.

Other University-related activities:

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

Dr. Wanga participated in the CoE&HD Leadership Team meetings on Mondays May 6, 13, and 20, 2013, and Dean's evaluation of her as CDFS Chair/Director session at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 7. CDFS faculty attended the last CoE&HD faculty meeting of the Spring Semester at 12 noon on Tuesday, May 7, 2013. Dr. Wanga attended Commencement rehearsal for assistant university marshals at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 9 and participated with all CDFS faculty in the Commencement Ceremony at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, 2013. CDFS boasted a total of 17 graduates!

Teacher Education Programs

Dr. Glenda Allen-Jones is providing summer registration coverage at the gym.

Dr. Kimberly Dickerson advised approximately 10 students, attended graduation rehearsal, performed as assistant faculty marshal at graduation, and met with Dr. Gloria Bonner to discuss the retention and graduation plan in the College of Education and Human Development. She also attended the weekly College of Education and Human Development leadership team meetings, met with potential adjunct candidates, and attended two candidate interviews for the Honoré 2013-2014 cohort.

Ms. Gilda Jones met with Dr. Gloria Bonner of Middle Tennessee Valley State, Dr. Karen Denby of the Board of Regents, and the faculty and staff of the College of Education and Human Development to discuss retention and graduation issues. She also provided advisement, participated in student course registration, drafted Praxis program reports, posted Praxis workshop announcements, and organized data to support honors and awards recognition ceremony. Ms. Jones is also a member of the Mentoring, Motivation, and Matriculation Committee, and a member of the Faculty Praxis Planning Group.

Dr. Louise Kaltenbaugh met with seven potential alternative certification candidates, and advised 13 current alternative certification students. She also participated in 16 interviews for the upcoming 2013-2014 Honoré cohort, three administrative leadership meetings, met with Dr. Gloria Bonner to discuss retention and graduation status, and completed submission of grades and checkout.

Dr. Katherine Robinson (PK-16 Coordinator) attended and participated in the College of Education and Human Development meetings, the weekly team meetings, and the University Curriculum Committee meeting. She also advised several students for summer and fall.

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SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK:

Report on Major School of Social Work Activities

Dr. Beverly Favre, Dean

May, 2013

Dr. Jay Hedgpeth

Attended 2 three hour Continuing Education presentations class on Religiosity

Participated in a 3 hour Webinar related to my grant proposal

Student registration and advisement

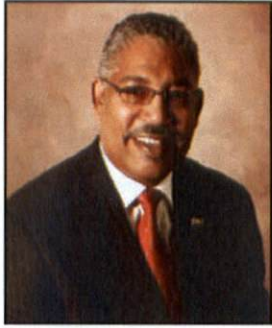
Initiated the selection process for a student to submit a travel grant proposal to pay for the students travel to the Council on Social Work Education's 2013 conference

Reviewed software for future MSW student to use in SW Research course

Assisted a student who is researching attitudes towards MD's and the government in connection with Tuskegee Syphilis Study

Dr. Ronald Mancoske

Cultural Competence Theory and Cultural Competence Measurement and Evaluation [Encyclopedia of Human Services] signed agreement to publish



Dr. Ray L. Belton, Chancellor



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Chancellor's Report

MAY 2013

2013 SPRING COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

On Saturday May, 11, 2013 Southern University at Shreveport will celebrate the graduation of over 220 graduates this semester and a cohort of over 400 graduates for the academic year. Therein, the University is pleased to announce two speakers scheduled to present during the 2013 Spring Commencement Exercises.

The Division of Allied Health and School of Nursing graduation ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. and its speaker will be SUSLA alumnus Marilyn Glover Latin, RN, BSN, CRT. Latin is a registered nurse at the Overton Brooks Memorial Veterans Administration Medical Center in Shreveport. She received her bachelor of science in nursing from Grambling State University in 2010. Within that same year, Latin was one out of four candidates chosen throughout the nation for a summer research scholars nursing internship at Penn State University. In 2009, the Shreveport Black Nurses Association honored her with a scholarship based upon her G.P.A. and community services.



Marilyn Glover Latin

The Divisions of Behavioral Sciences and Education, Business Studies, Humanities and Science and Technology's will follow at noon. The 12 noon commencement speaker is Ollie Tyler, the first woman and first African-American to serve as superintendent of Schools for Caddo Parish and a former administrator with the Louisiana Department of Education.



Ollie Tyler

A Caddo Parish native, Tyler received a bachelor of science degree from Grambling State University, a master of education degree from Louisiana State University, and completed 42 hours of graduate and post baccalaureate work above a master's degree at several universities. She has been an educator for more than 40 years and was appointed to serve as superintendent of Schools for the Caddo Parish Public School System with a population

of 44,000 students. Both ceremonies will be held in the Health and Physical Education Center on SUSLA's main campus.

CHANCELLOR BELTON AND PROF. BURTON RECEIVES EDUCATION AWARD

The Shreveport/Bossier African-American Chamber of Commerce (SBAACC) & Community Renewal International hosted its annual "*Red Apple Excellence in Education & Scholarship Awards*" Program. The African American Chamber & Community Renewal International recognized students, teachers and educational administrator who have excelled in the following areas: excellence in education, mentorship, raising test scores, and / or voluntarism.

This year, Dr. Ray L. Belton and SUSLA's retired Professor of History, Willie D. Burton were recipients of the "*Red Apple Excellence in Education*" award.

Honorees and scholarships recipients were recognized at an awards banquet program on May 6, 2013, at the Clarion Hotel in Shreveport.



SUSLA Award Winners at 2013 Southern University System Achievement Award Program

Four professors and a staff member of Southern University at Shreveport were award winners at the 2013 Faculty and Staff Research and Academic Achievement Award Program of the Southern University System. The award banquet ceremony which was held at the Campus of Southern University Baton Rouge was presided over by Tracie Woods of the Southern University System General Counsel. The Guest Speaker at the occasion was James H. Colon, Vice President of Toyota Product Communications. Dr. Ronald Mason Jr., President of the Southern University System presented the purpose for the occasion. The awards were presented by the respective Chancellors of the various campuses of the Southern University System. Dr. Ray L. Belton, Chancellor of the Southern University at Shreveport along with Dr. Orella Brazile, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs presented the awards to the faculty and staff winners at the Southern University – Shreveport Campus. The awards were in the following categories:

- Auxiliary Research Support Award – Awarded to Raegan Stearns, Instructor/Archivist, Library.
- Most Outstanding Researcher – Awarded to Dr. Joseph Orban, Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Sciences and Director of Biomedical Research Development.
- Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching – Awarded to Dr. Iris Champion, Associate Professor of Computer Science.
- Southern University System Award for Excellence in Teaching - Awarded to Dr. Barbara Hollis, Assistant Professor of Biology.



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University Library



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Research Development



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Computer Science



Dr. Barbara Hollis
Assistant Professor of Biology

RAD TECH GRADUATE RECEIVES HONORS

SUSLA graduate, Earnestine Jones received her associate of science degree in radiology in 1998 from Southern University at Shreveport. Earnestine along with three other employees of the Willis-Knighton team received the Ambulatory Care Services Nursing Team of the Year Award. Earnestine has been employed with Willis-Knighton Physician Services for the past 14 years. She currently works as a radiologic technologist for Family Medical Center. She is a member of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists and the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

Mrs. Jones most memorable experience comes from working with older patients and seeing the gratitude they show for the little things and gestures afforded them.



Earnestine Jones

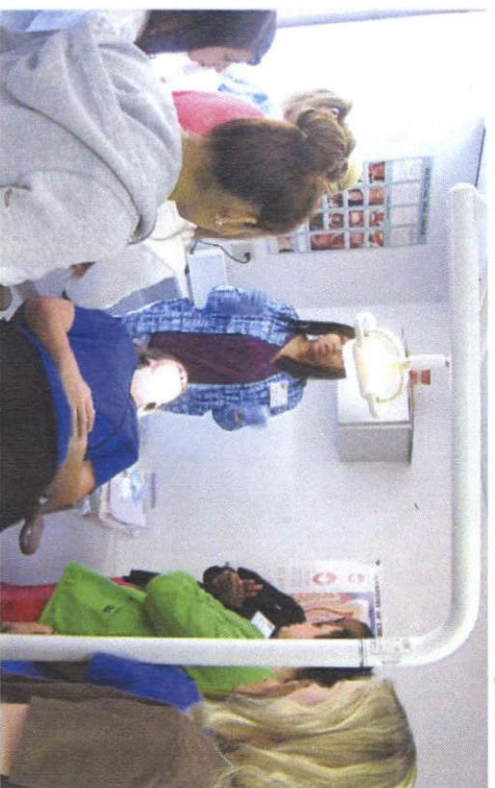
CONGRATULATIONS! DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM EARNS 100% PASSING RATE



This year SUSLA's Dental students again earned an impressive 100% percent first time pass rate on the National Registry. Dental Hygiene faculty conducted the Expanded Duty Dental Assisting (EDDA) class, the first, during the week of April 19-21, 2013. Eleven participants registered and completed the requirements to become Certified in Expanded Duty Dental Assisting.

The Dental X-Ray Function and Safety Course for Dental Assistants will be held May 17, 2013. This class will be conducted at the Metro center. Once the class is completed, the participants will receive certificates of recognition.

This course meets the requirements of the Louisiana Board of Dentistry for certification in radiography safety. The course includes x-ray production, radiation biology, radiation safety and hygiene, dental radiography techniques, film placement and proper positioning of the cone.

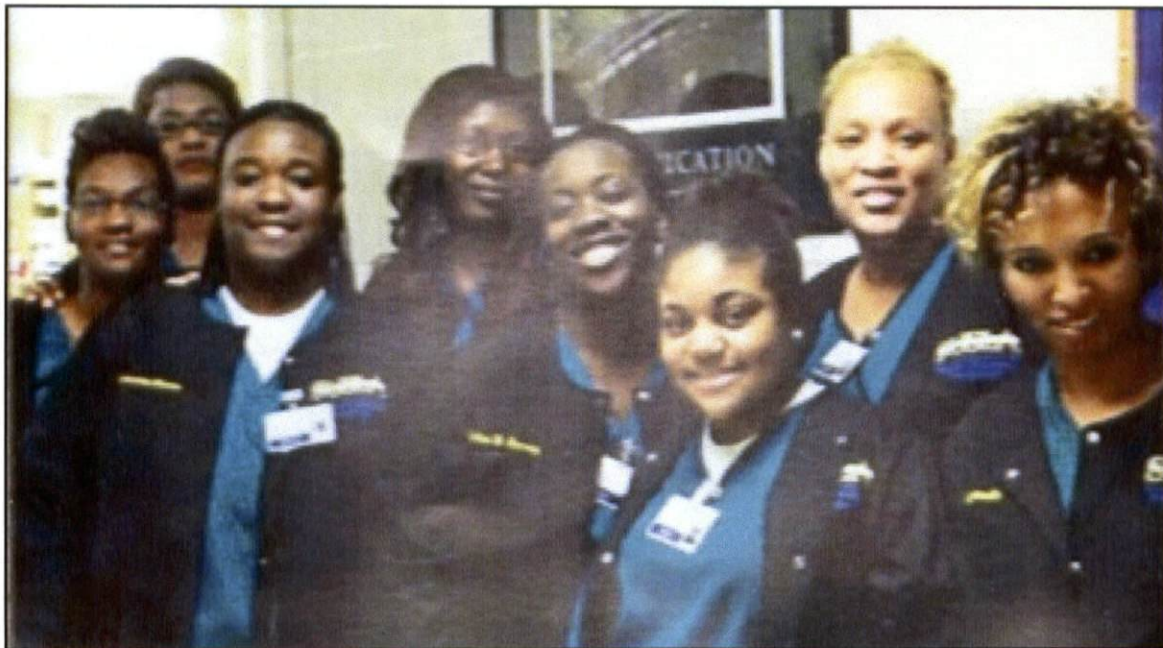


Inside the Dental Hygiene Lab, participants were given hands-on experience with performing new tasks that would be beneficial to them on the job. In addition to the classroom instruction for these den-

tal procedures, participants were allowed to perform their techniques on each other. Afterwards, students were asked to evaluate the workshop upon completion, giving the workshop a favorable evaluation. In addition, the evaluation gave the faculty an opportunity to take suggestions or feedback for the preparation of the upcoming classes.

FIRST GRADUATING CLASS OF STERILE PROCESSING

The first Cohort class of the newly approved Sterile Processing program, approved by the Board of Regents in the spring of 2012 is graduating its first class during the May 2013 commencement. Students presented Director of Surgical Technology, Didaciane Keys, with a plaque as a gesture of their appreciation and unwavering dedication to serving students.



Congratulations to the first graduating class in Sterile Processing Class of 2013.

MORE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DIVISION OF ALLIED HEALTH

- **Respiratory Therapy Program**

The department's student Pinning Ceremony was held April 30 at Riverview Hall, with eleven participants celebrating this annual pre-graduate event. These students were required to pass their exit from the program in order to complete the criteria for graduating. Students will be preparing to take the National exam soon after graduation.

- **Health Information Technology/ Medical Coding**

Program faculty attended the Louisiana Health Information Management Association State Convention in Bossier City, April 17th through April 19, 2013. The convention agenda provided faculty with beneficial and informative topics related to ICD-10 coding, electronic health information, and privacy and security. Faculty was also given the opportunity to network with other HIT / HIM educators in the state as well as representative staff from a multitude of healthcare institutions. Each year, the LHIMA Scholarship Committee awards one candidate from each CAHIIM accredited college or university in the state, the Eddie V. Cooksey Scholarship in the amount of \$500.

- **MLT/Phlebotomy**

The Phlebotomy department's held its Pinning Ceremony on May 2, 2013 at Holiday-Inn/Financial Plaza. Phlebotomy students were administered the National Exam on May 1, 2013. The Phlebotomy program will have a total of 18 students participating in the May 2013 commencement. MLT ~ faculty and students attended the LSCLS (Louisiana Society of Clinical Laboratory Science) Regional Conference, April 15-19, 2013 in Alexandria, Louisiana.

Honors and Awards Day Celebration



Honorable Sheva Sims
Shreveport Court
District D

On Friday, May 3, 2013, parents of students, administrators, faculty, staff and students of Southern University at Shreveport recognized over 200 students for their academic achievements with GPA's of 3.0 and above. Dr. Orella Brazile, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, presided over the occasion and The Honorable Judge Sheva M. Sims

served as keynote speaker. Other awards and acknowledgements were also presented to deserving students. The event was held in the Health and Physical Education Complex on SUSLA's campus.

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY

On April 18th, in the Johnny L. Vance Multi-Purpose Room the Beta Beta Nu Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society of SUSLA held its annual induction ceremony. Dr. Helen Wise who serves as Executive Director American Humanics Program and the Masters of Science in Human Services Administration of LSU Shreveport delivered the keynote address.

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society serves to recognize and encourage the academic achievement of two-year college students and provide opportunities for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programs. Today, Phi Theta Kappa is the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 2 million members and 1,200 chapters located in 50 United States, U.S. territories, Canada and Germany. In 1929, the American Association of Community Colleges recognized Phi Theta Kappa as the official honor society for two-year colleges.

This year's new inductees were:

John Bell	Tashonda Benoit	Mary Courtney
Lisa Dickerson	Justina Eneche	Tiara Fletcher
TeCora Franklin	Elisha Henderson	Marcia Henderson
Gregory Holmes	Orthell Jackson	Karen Moore
Charles Newton	Regina Pipkins	Yolandra Rhoden
Maria Schiele	Kimberly Scott	Gwendolyn Tennell
Tamai Thomas	LaShonda Turner	Naudia Washington
Diamond Williams	Lakendra Williams	

Honor's List - Spring 2012 Students

4.0 Bass, Gary Braden, Josalyn Camel, Tonya Cecil, David Davis, Mark Garza, Chassidy Kareem, Zaid Perser, Michael Pugh, Yolanda Sears, Sidney Smith, David Thomas, Tamai	3.75 Punch, Garrick - 3.75 3.7 Banner, Crystal - 3.70 3.6 Ballew, Julie - 3.60 Glasper, Alexis - 3.60 Howard, Keiera - 3.60 London, Susan - 3.60 Mutai, Clara - 3.60 Pennywell, Rhonda - 3.60 Barnett, Mona Marshea - 3.62 Cockrum, Whitney - 3.62 Anderson, Tyler - 3.66 Rideau, Jarvis - 3.66 3.5 Rogers, Jashiva - 3.50 Walton, Shirley - 3.50 Gaspard, Cru - 3.53 Roberson, Jeffery - 3.57 3.8 Bozeman, Cheri - 3.80 Draper, Shelia - 3.80 Anderson, Dwight - 3.81 Daniel, Latara - 3.81 Patterson, Kimberly - 3.83 Pipkins, Kimberly - 3.83 Poindexter, Thomasa - 3.83 Bradley, Jeffery - 3.87	3.4 Coleman, Sheila - 3.40 Horton, Shanta - 3.40 Scott, Rory - 3.40 Bryant, Monique - 3.43 Wallace, Kenneth - 3.43 Collins, Patrick - 3.46 3.2 Brown, Monique - 3.20 Webster, Marcus - 3.20 McFarland, Erika - 3.27 3.1 McCray, Ashley - 3.10 Henry, Terry - 3.12 Davidson, Laquana - 3.13 Galloway, Kioshe - 3.16 Armstrong, Rian - 3.18 3.0 Ellis, Cameron - 3.06 Brooks, Sheckria - 3.00 Cornelius, Deenitha - 3.00 Elias, Sterling - 3.00 Gaines, Nakharra - 3.00 Howard, Jamesha - 3.00 Scott, Tavarsha - 3.00
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Honor's List - Fall 2012 Students

4.0 Benson, Labron Collins, Patrick Davis, Aerias Duty, Demiko Eneche, Justina Giles, Brenda Haynes, Gail Hunter, Yolanda Jones, Jeffrey Nguyen, Oanh Poindexter, Thomasa Pugh, Yolonda Scruggs, Nathaniel Smith, David Tennell, Gwendolyn Thomas, Tamai	3.6 Ellis, Cameron - 3.60 Howard, Shirley - 3.60 Johnson, Yolanda - 3.60 Randle, John - 3.60 Delaney, Nakisha - 3.62 Hudson, Pamela - 3.68 Abubakar, Muktar - 3.60 Ashley, Tina - 3.60 3.5 Magee, Jerry - 3.56 Samuels, Shouna - 3.56 Patterson, Latonia - 3.57 3.4 Grant, Cedric - 3.40 Minniefield, Curtillius - 3.40 Moore, Eloise - 3.40 Rideau, Jarvis - 3.40 Franklin, TeCora - 3.43 Woolen, Jasmyn - 3.43 Rivera, Wilson - 3.46 3.3 Alexander, Gabriel - 3.33 Bradford, Raven - 3.33 3.2 Jackson, Cartina - 3.20 Knox, William - 3.20 Owens, Reginald - 3.20 Moore, Corsica - 3.25 Millage, Jonathan - 3.26 Dyles, Janice - 3.28 3.1 Henry, Terry - 3.10 Hall, Lashonda - 3.11 Banks, Heather - 3.13	3.0 Anderson, Crystal - 3.00 Cook, Kimberly - 3.00 Foster, Willie - 3.00 Johnson, Shayvon - 3.00 Robinson, Brooksie - 3.00 Mathis, Na'Kirah - 3.06 Hardin, Chaston - 3.06 Malec, Mathew - 3.06
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FINANCIAL AID CELEBRATED STUDENT WORKER APPRECIATION DAY

The SUSLA Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships celebrated Student Worker Appreciation Day on April 15th in connection with the National Student Employment Association (NSEA). Each year colleges everywhere recognize just how important student workers are. This event encourages supervisors to say "Thank You" for all the contributions that student workers bring to each department and this university. Each student worker received a certificate of appreciation and lunch courtesy of the Division of Finance and Administration and several generous supervisors.

The SUSLA Office of Financial Aid & Scholarship held several early registration drives encouraging students to complete their 2013-2014 FAFSA's and additional financial aid requirements now. Students received assistance with FAFSA's, Student Loans, and financial literacy. These opportunities were made possible through a joint collaboration with Educational Opportunity Center department. The Office of Financial Aid & Scholarship also participated in Fall Enrollment for participants of the Southern University College Connection Partnership at. The mission of the partnership is to support the transfer of community college students from SUSLA to SUBR or SUNO, both four year colleges.

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Offices of Admissions and Recruitment Host Community Job Fairs

On April 15th, the Office of Admissions and Recruitment visited the Job Corps Center in Shreveport and hosted a Career Fair. More than 50 admission applications were filled out for the Summer and Fall semesters.

April 18th, the Office of Admissions and Recruitment were invited to Barksdale Air Force Base as a part of the Barksdale Community Expo to speak with retired veterans and active duty military personnel about information on technical and associate degree offerings as well as, financial resources which are available at SUSLA. More than 150 interested were in attendance.

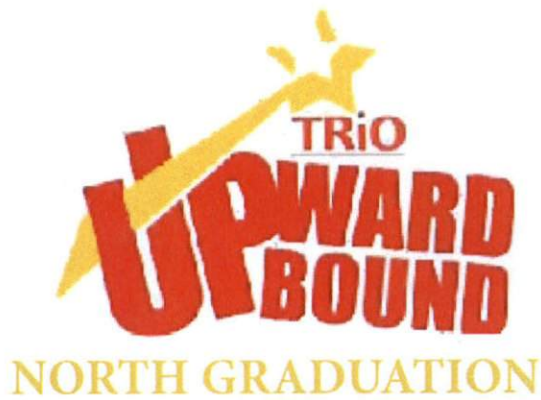


Dual Enrollment....The Right Choice for Course Choice

The Dual Enrollment Program is now being integrated into Course Choice, a part of the "Louisiana Believes Plan".

Online registration for the Louisiana Course Choice Program at www.LouisianaCourseChoice.net is now available for students across the state. Course Choice will provide students access to publicly-funded, rigorous college and career course offerings beginning in the 2013-2014 school year, expanding quality educational opportunities for families statewide. Course Choice seeks to address the fact that many Louisiana students attend college or pursue a post-secondary career lacking the skills necessary to succeed. Selected courses at SUSLA are now being offered online thru the Course Choice portal.

In preparation for the fall semester, strategic recruitment efforts have been implemented. New career pathways for selected high schools have been set up with the school of Nursing. Dr. Sandra Tucker, Dean of the School of Nursing and Dual Enrollment Program Coordinator, Sandra Bigham visited Mansfield High, Fair Park High and Captain Shreve High Schools to establish career pathways in the CNA, LPN, and RN programs. Enrollment for the selected programs will begin in the fall 2013 semester.



TRIO
UPWARD BOUND
NORTH GRADUATION



On May 2, 2013 Upward Bound North held a program in honor of the thirteen seniors scheduled to graduate from high school. The underclassmen in the room got to hear first hand why it would be worth their time and effort to stay in Upward Bound. We also got to hear our seniors' future plans after graduation, which for 100% of them included going to college! Encouragement from all of the Upward Bound North staff ended the program on a high note. We are confident that the class of 2013 will go on to accomplish great things.

UPWARD BOUND NORTH HOSTS "WAKE UP LOUISIANA"

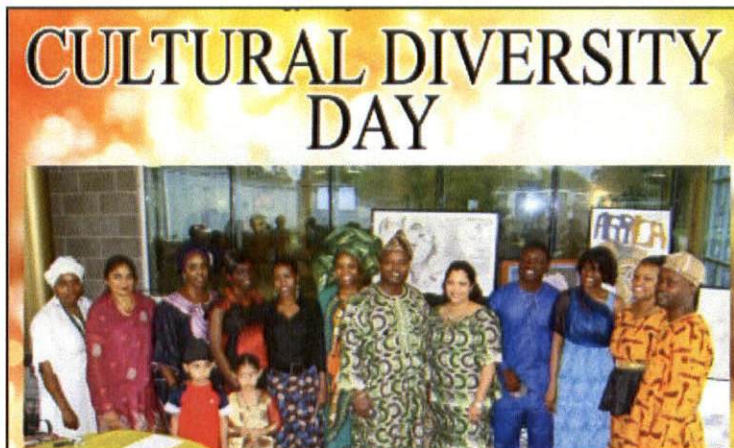
Regional Coordinator for Region VII, Urina F. Holt celebrated "Wake Up Louisiana" by bringing awareness on the causes and effects from using tobacco to the Upward Bound North students in Shreveport, LA (Caddo Parish). Mrs. Linda Early Brown, Director and Judge Sheva M. Sims were also guest speakers during the event. Ms. Holt discussed with the teenagers the harmful ingredients and the serious health problems that are caused from the use of tobacco. The participants were able to gain a better understanding of the consequences that are caused

when being exposed to secondhand smoke from either friends or family members. Information was accessible for them to broaden their knowledge on how harmful it is to use tobacco and be exposed to secondhand smoke.

The students enjoyed lunch catered by Brother's Seafood.



Annual Celebration of Cultural Diversity



The International Club joined forces with the Sociology Department to bring one of the campus' most outstanding festivals, Annual Celebration of Cultural Diversity, to students of Southern University at Shreveport. The event, which was free and opened to the campus community, was held on Monday, April 15, 2013. This event showcased the changing face of the campus through music, food, art, and exhibitions.

Southern University at Shreveport's international student body (F-1) is currently made up of students from approximately 12 countries and our Annual Celebration



of Cultural Diversity is a great opportunity for the community to come together to celebrate cultural diversity. By participating in these events, members of the Southern University at Shreveport community can learn more and have a deeper appreciation for the world that we all share.



Southern University at Shreveport became a unique international destination offering students the option of experiencing a variety of cultural encounters designed to educate, entertain and strengthen our resolve as a community to embrace cultures that might be very different from our own.

This year's three (3) hour-long event included: dancing by Justina Ebiojo Eneche and Dr. Joseph Orban from Nigeria, West Africa. Also, Dr. Kenechukwu Anyanechi presented a video of Nigerian culture and Mrs. Gwendolyn Igbokwe showed the event's participants how to tie a head tie from Nigeria. The event was pleased to have the opportunity to engage the diverse community of Southern University at Shreveport in our efforts to raise awareness of the different cultures of people from around the world on Southern University at Shreveport's campus.

Annual Celebration of Cultural Diversity was the idea of Mr. Clifford Collins, Associate Professor/Coordinator of Sociology. Mr. Collins was able to aid in the needs voiced by students to increase their knowledge of other cultures, resources, and arenas for discussing cultural diversity issues within the Southern University community. Mr. Collins who has a historical and current commitment to diversity was thrilled to partner with the Counseling Center and the International Club to help provide this activity to the students.



The multi-faceted event had several exhibits designed to give visitors a glimpse of cultures beyond the nation's borders. Students enjoyed tasting delicacies from many nations, playing international games, and viewing original arts and crafts, trinkets, and feature music from countries as far away as Liberia, Nigeria, Vietnam, Ghana, India, Kenya, Saudi Arabia, and Uganda.

The Celebration was well attended by the University's community.



2013 FESTIVAL CELEBRATES HARLEM RENAISSANCE

The Annual Festival of the Arts, sponsored by the Humanities Division, (April 17 -24, 2013) featured a week of singing, dancing, drama, art focusing on the Harlem Renaissance.

It started with an Opening Ceremony with Literary Playwright Dr. Sharon Green and Rod Phillips, Actor and stuntman.

Green's film is entitled "At Mamu's Feet." The drama is about many of the thoughts she remembers from her grandmother. The film is directed by Carl Millender, a native of Shreveport. It will feature Tommy Ford, identified as "Tommy" from the Martin Lawrence Show, as the Lead actor.



Rod Phillips has recently had Roles in two pictures filmed locally - "GI Joe" and "Olympus Has Fallen." He presented slides from some of his films.

Other activities included an "Author's Row" in the Library with local writers sharing overviews of their books. They were Bertha Harris, Jan Whitaker, Ebony Iman, and Jason Ibry.

"Music for Children by Children" was presented by the Department of Music during the Humanities Festival of the Arts on Thursday April 18, 2013. Approximately 200 students from area Caddo Public Schools participated in this event. The musical program was especially targeted for grades 3-5th and performers ranged from Pre-K - 12 grades including Brown E. Moore Head Start, Pinegrove Elementary, Queensborough Elementary, Turner Middle School and Huntington High School Concert Choir. Prof. Brenda Wimberly was on hand to conduct her voice lesson for children entitled "The Pizza Song" and students demonstrated "Rhythm, Sound and Voice: Seeing Our Differences Through Music" with Bell Choir, an Orff Orchestra with Recorders, African Drummers, Dancers and Concert Choir performances.

In Collaboration with the "Festival of Arts"
SUSLA Library presents

Author's Row

Thursday, April 18
10am

SUSLA Library, 1st Flr

Featuring special guests, Bertha Harris, Jan Whitaker, Ebony Iman, and Jason Ibry

Special Guests will share overviews of their books.
Refreshments will be served.

Lt. Col LaDaryl, ROTC Instructor, offered the Center of Influence (COI) Presentation and provided lunch for a large number of faculty, staff, and students. He was accompanied by Major Chris Griffith, Captain Travis Tribble, Sgt. 1st Class Jacob Lopez, Mr. John Hudacek (Education Services Specialist), and National Guard SSG Jeremy Jackson.



The Drawing Class, taught by Mr. Edward Allen, displayed their art designs in the atrium of the Leonard Barnes Administration Building. The climax of the Festival was the Musical "Ain't Misbehavin" performed by the SUSLA Drama Troupe.

The Festival was Chaired by Prof. June Phillips. Dr. Wanda Waller who serves as Division Chair.

Counseling Center Hosts Annual HEALTH FAIR 2013 *"Prevention Is the Key"*

Southern University at Shreveport Counseling Center and Student Activities Health Fair 2013 was a service-oriented event that provided free health screenings and health information booths to its students, faculty, staff, and to the community. The Health Fair was located in the Health and Physical Education Complex and was held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The Health Fair was free and open to the public.

The mission of the Health Fair is to encourage health consciousness on prevention and to help improve general health among members of the University and the Community. The Health Fair was an effort established in 2002 by the Division of Student Affairs to help improve the health of Southern University at Shreveport community.

This year more than 25 organizations donated their time and talents to the Health Fair and provided door prizes. Zeta Phi Beta (Zeta Iota Zeta Chapter) and National Association of University Women (Shreveport Branch) provided a hospitality room with refreshments for exhibitors.

Smart Health Care provided glucose testing and checked blood pressures. Vision testing was done by Sam's Club, and LifeShare Blood Center was on site for those who wanted to donate blood.

Southern University at Shreveport students from Medical Lab Technology and Phlebotomy assisted with set-up, registration, and refreshment for participant. The medical students from Shreveport Job Corps conducted the screening process, Mr. Olden Wright, Instructor of Enhancement & Freshman Studies, provided training on how to line dance, and the Southern University at Shreveport Library provided a film on exercise.

SUSLA CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HOSTS ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLASSES



Participants of the BEST Advanced Financial Management Class

The Southern University at Shreveport Center for Business and Community Development, in partnership with the City of Shreveport Department of Community Development hosted the Business and Entrepreneur Skills Training (BEST) program. BEST is a series of modular training that provide entrepreneur basics in an introductory class and more targeted training in marketing and financial management in the BEST Advance course. Introduction to Business is a condensed, two-week program.

This two-week program offered four classes that provided an introduction to key business issues, including: business planning, budgeting, record-keeping, marketing and financial management. BEST Advanced is the second level of the BEST program which included multi-session trainings on the two most difficult topics for business owners to grasp and complete within a business plan: marketing and financial management. Trainings began on January 22, 2013 and commenced on April 11, 2013 with 36 business owners enrolling.

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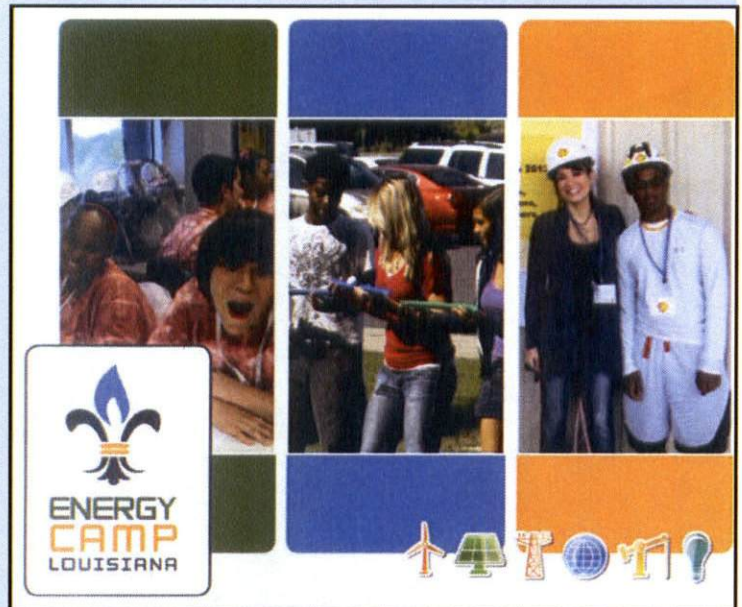
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SUSLA TO HOST 2013 ENERGY CAMP

For the third straight year, Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) will again host one of several Energy Camps on its campus. The camp will be held June 3-7, 2013, and approximately 25 youths from the Caddo Parish communities are expected to be enrolled into the camp. The goal of the Energy Camps is to expose high school students to the exciting and vital role of the energy industry in Northwest Louisiana. These camps involve fun, hands-on activities, as well as field trips that educate and energize local youths about fossil fuels, alternative energies and energy efficiency and conservation.

Last year, students were taken on tours to the Shreveport AEP Power Plant and the EnCana Oil and Gas in Coushatta, Louisiana. Overall, the Energy Camp connected with youths by teaching them about energy, safety, and discovering job opportunities in the energy field. The camp kept students engaged in fun and hands-on interactive exercises. At the close of each camp week, a graduation ceremony was held to recognize all of what students had learned and projects that were completed.

We are thankful to the staff of the Consortium for Education, Research and Technology of North Louisiana (CERT) who coordinate the camps at SUSLA and at other college campuses. We also thank this year's title sponsor, Shell Oil.



The camp is designed to teach high school students about the different types of energy, energy conservation and efficiency as well as energy-related careers. During the week-long camp, students participate in hands-on experiments, energy discussions, interactive computer games, and win prizes for "best in class" team efforts.

Camp Dates/Times:

June 3 - June 7

8:30am-4:00pm - Monday - Thursday

8:30am-1:30pm - Friday

Space is limited!

Location:

Southern University at Shreveport

Cost:

\$25 registration fee (NON-REFUNDABLE)

Lunch and Limited Transportation Provided

Call 318-795-2485 for more information
Go to www.certla.org to download the camp application.



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2013 SPRING COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

On Saturday May, 11, 2013 Southern University at Shreveport will celebrate the graduation of over 220 graduates this semester and a cohort of over 400 graduates for the academic year. Therein, the University is pleased to announce two speakers scheduled to present during the 2013 Spring Commencement Exercises.

The Division of Allied Health and School of Nursing graduation ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. and its speaker will be SUSLA alumnus Marilyn Glover Latin, RN, BSN, CRT. Latin is a registered nurse at the Overton Brooks Memorial Veterans Administration Medical Center in Shreveport. She received her bachelor of science in nursing from Grambling State University in 2010. Within that same year, Latin was one out of four candidates chosen throughout the nation for a summer research scholars nursing internship at Penn State University. In 2009, the Shreveport Black Nurses Association honored her with a scholarship based upon her G.P.A. and community services.



Marilyn Glover Latin

The Divisions of Behavioral Sciences and Education, Business Studies, Humanities and Science, and Technology's will follow at noon. The 12 noon commencement speaker is Ollie Tyler, the first woman and first African-American to serve as superintendent of Schools for Caddo Parish and a former administrator with the Louisiana Department of Education.



Ollie Tyler

A Caddo Parish native, Tyler received a bachelor of science degree from Grambling State University, a master of education degree from Louisiana State University, and completed 42 hours of graduate and post baccalaureate work above a master's degree at several universities. She has been an educator for more than 40 years and was appointed to serve as superintendent of Schools for the Caddo Parish Public School System with a population

of 44,000 students. Both ceremonies will be held in the Health and Physical Education Center on SUSLA's main campus.

CHANCELLOR BELTON AND PROF. BURTON RECEIVES EDUCATION AWARD

The Shreveport/Bossier African-American Chamber of Commerce (SBAACC) & Community Renewal International hosted its annual "Red Apple Excellence in Education & Scholarship Awards" Program. The African American Chamber & Community Renewal International recognized students, teachers and educational administrator who have excelled in the following areas: excellence in education, mentorship, raising test scores, and / or voluntarism.

This year, Dr. Ray L. Belton and SUSLA's retired Professor of History, Willie D. Burton were recipients of the "Red Apple Excellence in Education" award.

Honorees and scholarships recipients were recognized at an awards banquet program on May 6, 2013, at the Clarion Hotel in Shreveport.



SUSLA Award Winners at 2013 Southern University System Achievement Award Program

Four professors and a staff member of Southern University at Shreveport were award winners at the 2013 Faculty and Staff Research and Academic Achievement Award Program of the Southern University System. The award banquet ceremony which was held at the Campus of Southern University Baton Rouge was presided over by Tracie Woods of the Southern University System General Counsel. The Guest Speaker at the occasion was James H. Colon, Vice President of Toyota Product Communications. Dr. Ronald Mason Jr., President of the Southern University System presented the purpose for the occasion. The awards were presented by the respective Chancellors of the various campuses of the Southern University System. Dr. Ray L. Belton, Chancellor of the Southern University at Shreveport along with Dr. Orella Brazil, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs presented the awards to the faculty and staff winners at the Southern University - Shreveport Campus. The awards were in the following categories:

- Auxiliary Research Support Award - Awarded to Raegan Stearns, Instructor/Archivist, Library.
- Most Outstanding Researcher - Awarded to Dr. Joseph Orban, Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Sciences and Director of Biomedical Research Development.
- Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching - Awarded to Dr. Iris Champion, Associate Professor of Computer Science.
- Southern University System Award for Excellence in Teaching - Awarded to Dr. Barbara Hollis, Assistant Professor of Biology.



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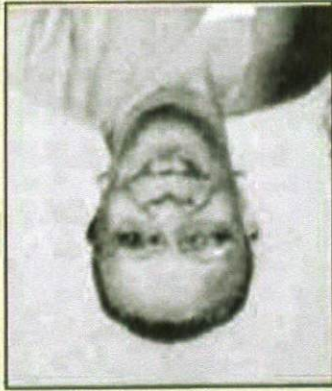
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RAD TECH GRADUATE RECEIVES HONORS

SUSLA graduate, Earnestine Jones received her associate of science degree in radiology in 1998 from Southern University at Shreveport. Earnestine along with three other employees of the the Willis-Knighton team received the Ambulatory Care Services Nursing Team of the Year Award. Earnestine has been employed with Willis-Knighton Physician Services for the past 14 years. She is currently works as a radiologic technologist for Family Medical Center. She is a member of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists and the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.



Earnestine Jones

Mrs. Jones most memorable experience comes from working with older patients and seeing the gratitude they show for the little things and gestures afforded them.

CONGRATULATIONS!

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM EARNS 100% PASSING RATE



SUSLA's Dental students earned a 100% pass rate on the National Registry. Dental Hygiene faculty conducted the Expanded Duty Dental Assisting (EDDA) class, the first, during the week of April 19-21, 2013. Eleven participants registered and completed the requirements to become Certified in Expanded Duty Dental Assisting.

The Dental X-Ray Function and Safety Course for Dental Assistants will be held May 17, 2013. This class will be conducted at the Metro center. Once the class is completed, the participants will receive certificates of recognition.



This course meets the requirements of the Louisiana Board of Dentistry for certification in radiography safety. The course includes x-ray production, radiation biology, radiation safety and hygiene, dental radiography techniques, film placement and proper positioning of the cone.

Inside the Dental Hygiene Lab, participants were given hands-on experience with performing new tasks that would be beneficial to them on the job. In addition to the classroom instruction for these dental procedures, participants were allowed

to perform their techniques on each other. Afterwards, students were asked to evaluate the workshop upon completion, giving the workshop a favorable evaluation. In addition, the evaluation gave the faculty an opportunity to take suggestions or feedback for the preparation of the upcoming classes.

FIRST GRADUATING CLASS OF STERILE PROCESSING

The first Cohort class of the newly approved Sterile Processing program, approved by the Board of Regents in the spring of 2012 is graduating its first class during the May 2013 commencement. Students presented Director of Surgical Technology, Didaciane Keys, with a plaque as a gesture of their appreciation and unwavering dedication to serving students.



Congratulations to the first graduating class in Sterile Processing Class of 2013.

MORE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DIVISION OF ALLIED HEALTH

- **Respiratory Therapy Program**

The department's student Pinning Ceremony was held April 30 at Riverview Hall, with eleven participants celebrating this annual pre-graduate event. These students were required to pass their exit from the program in order to complete the criteria for graduating. Students will be preparing to take the National exam soon after graduation.

- **Health Information Technology/ Medical Coding**

Program faculty attended the Louisiana Health Information Management Association State Convention in Bossier City, April 17th through April 19, 2013. The convention agenda provided faculty with beneficial and informative topics related to ICD-10 coding, electronic health information, and privacy and security. Faculty was also given the opportunity to network with other HIT / HIM educators in the state as well as representative staff from a multitude of healthcare institutions. Each year, the LHIMA Scholarship Committee awards one candidate from each CAHIIM accredited college or university in the state, the Eddie V. Cooksey Scholarship in the amount of \$500.

- **MLT/Phlebotomy**

The Phlebotomy department's held its Pinning Ceremony on May 2, 2013 at Holiday-Inn/Financial Plaza. Phlebotomy students were administered the National Exam on May 1, 2013. The Phlebotomy program will have a total of 18 students participating in the May 2013 commencement. MLT ~ faculty and students attended the LSCLS (Louisiana Society of Clinical Laboratory Science) Regional Conference, April 15-19, 2013 in Alexandria, Louisiana.

Honors and Awards Day Celebration



Honorable Sheva Sims
Shreveport Court
District D

On Friday, May 3, 2013, parents of students, administrators, faculty, staff and students of Southern University at Shreveport recognized over 200 students for their academic achievements with GPA's of 3.0 and above. Dr. Orella Brazile, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, presided over the occasion and The Honorable Judge Sheva M. Sims

served as keynote speaker. Other awards and acknowledgements were also presented to deserving students. The event was held in the Health and Physical Education Complex on SUSLA's campus.

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY

On April 18th, in the Johnny L. Vance Multi-Purpose Room the Beta Beta Nu Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society of SUSLA held its annual induction ceremony. Dr. Helen Wise who serves as Executive Director American Humanics Program and the Masters of Science in Human Services Administration of LSU Shreveport delivered the keynote address.

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society serves to recognize and encourage the academic achievement of two-year college students and provide opportunities for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programs. Today, Phi Theta Kappa is the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 2 million members and 1,200 chapters located in 50 United States, U.S. territories, Canada and Germany. In 1929, the American Association of Community Colleges recognized Phi Theta Kappa as the official honor society for two-year colleges.

This year's new inductees were:

John Bell	Tashonda Benoit	Mary Courtney
Lisa Dickerson	Justina Eneche	Tiara Fletcher
TeCora Franklin	Elisha Henderson	Marcia Henderson
Gregory Holmes	Orthell Jackson	Karen Moore
Charles Newton	Regina Pipkins	Yolandra Rhoden
Maria Schiele	Kimberly Scott	Gwendolyn Tennell
Tamai Thomas	LaShonda Turner	Naudia Washington
Diamond Williams	Lakendra Williams	

Honor's List - Spring 2012 Students

4.0 Bass, Gary Braden, Josalyn Camel, Tonya Cecil, David Davis, Mark Garza, Chassidy Kareem, Zaid Perser, Michael Pugh, Yolanda Sears, Sidney Smith, David Thomas, Tamai	3.75 Punch, Garrick - 3.75 3.7 Banner, Crystal - 3.70	3.4 Coleman, Sheila - 3.40 Horton, Shanta - 3.40 Scott, Rory - 3.40 Bryant, Monique - 3.43 Wallace, Kenneth - 3.43 Collins, Patrick - 3.46
3.9 Le, Tommy - 3.93 Ossman, Julian - 3.93	3.6 Ballew, Julie - 3.60 Glasper, Alexis - 3.60 Howard, Keiera - 3.60 London, Susan - 3.60 Mutai, Clara - 3.60 Pennywell, Rhonda - 3.60 Barnett, Mona Marshea - 3.62 Cockrum, Whitney - 3.62 Anderson, Tyler - 3.66 Rideau, Jarvis - 3.66	3.2 Brown, Monique - 3.20 Webster, Marcus - 3.20 McFarland, Erika - 3.27
3.8 Bozeman, Cheri - 3.80 Draper, Sheila - 3.80 Anderson, Dwight - 3.81 Daniel, Latara - 3.81 Patterson, Kimberly - 3.83 Pipkins, Kimberly - 3.83 Poindexter, Thomasa - 3.83 Bradley, Jeffery - 3.87	3.5 Rogers, Jashiva - 3.50 Walton, Shirley - 3.50 Gaspard, Cru - 3.53 Roberson, Jeffery - 3.57	3.1 McCray, Ashley - 3.10 Henry, Terry - 3.12 Davidson, Laquana - 3.13 Galloway, Kioshe - 3.16 Armstrong, Rian - 3.18
		3.0 Ellis, Cameron - 3.06 Brooks, Sheckria - 3.00 Cornelius, Deenitha - 3.00 Elias, Sterling - 3.00 Gaines, Nakharra - 3.00 Howard, Jamesha - 3.00 Scott, Tavarsha - 3.00

Honor's List - Fall 2012 Students

4.0 Benson, Labron Collins, Patrick Davis, Aerias Duty, Demiko Eneche, Justina Giles, Brenda Haynes, Gail Hunter, Yolanda Jones, Jeffrey Nguyen, Oanh Poindexter, Thomasa Pugh, Yolanda Scruggs, Nathaniel Smith, David Tennell, Gwendolyn Thomas, Tamai	3.6 Ellis, Cameron - 3.60 Howard, Shirley - 3.60 Johnson, Yolanda - 3.60 Randle, John - 3.60 Delaney, Nakisha - 3.62 Hudson, Pamela - 3.68 Abubakar, Muktar - 3.60 Ashley, Tina - 3.60	3.0 Anderson, Crystal - 3.00 Cook, Kimberly - 3.00 Foster, Willie - 3.00 Johnson, Shayvon - 3.00 Robinson, Brooksie - 3.00 Mathis, Na'Kirah - 3.06 Hardin, Chaston - 3.06 Malec, Mathew - 3.06
3.8 Brown, Nakita - 3.80 Howard, Jamesha - 3.80 Emmanuel, Sims - 3.80 Akituk, Grace - 3.81 Mutai, Nathan - 3.82 Jackson, Chasity - 3.83 Roberson, Jeffery - 3.83 Schiele, Maria - 3.83 Tetchoukwi, Asong - 3.83 Johnson, Josiah - 3.86	3.5 Magee, Jerry - 3.56 Samuels, Shouna - 3.56 Patterson, Latonia - 3.57	
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3.7 Ocanas, Jazmine - 3.70	3.3 Alexander, Gabriel - 3.33 Bradford, Raven - 3.33	
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Offices of Admissions and Recruitment Host Community Job Fairs

On April 15th, the Office of Admissions and Recruitment visited the Job Corps Center in Shreveport and hosted a Career Fair. More than 50 admission applications were filled out for the Summer and Fall semesters.

April 18th, the Office of Admissions and Recruitment were invited to Barksdale Air Force Base as a part of the Barksdale Community Expo to speak with retired veterans and active duty military personnel about information on technical and associate degree offerings as well as, financial resources which are available at SUSLA. More than 150 interested were in attendance.



Dual Enrollment...The Right Choice for Course Choice

The Dual Enrollment Program is now being integrated into Course Choice, a part of the "Louisiana Believes Plan".

Online registration for the Louisiana Course Choice Program at www.LouisianaCourseChoice.net is now available for students across the state. Course Choice will provide students access to publicly-funded, rigorous college and career course offerings beginning in the 2013-2014 school year, expanding quality educational opportunities for families statewide. Course Choice seeks to address the fact that many Louisiana students attend college or pursue a post-secondary career lacking the skills necessary to succeed. Selected courses at SUSLA are now being offered online thru the Course Choice portal.

In preparation for the fall semester, strategic recruitment efforts have been implemented. New career pathways for selected high schools have been set up with the school of Nursing. Dr. Sandra Tucker, Dean of the School of Nursing and Dual Enrollment Program Coordinator, Sandra Bigham visited Mansfield High, Fair Park High and Captain Shreve High Schools to establish career pathways in the CNA, LPN, and RN programs. Enrollment for the selected programs will begin in the fall 2013 semester.

TRIO UPWARD BOUND

NORTH GRADUATION



On May 2, 2013 Upward Bound North held a program in honor of the thirteen seniors scheduled to graduate from high school. The underclassmen in the room got to hear first hand why it would be worth their time and effort to stay in Upward Bound. We also got to hear our seniors' future plans after graduation, which for 100% of them included going to college! Encouragement from all of the Upward Bound North staff ended the program on a high note. We are confident that the class of 2013 will go on to accomplish great things.

UPWARD BOUND NORTH HOSTS "WAKE UP LOUISIANA"

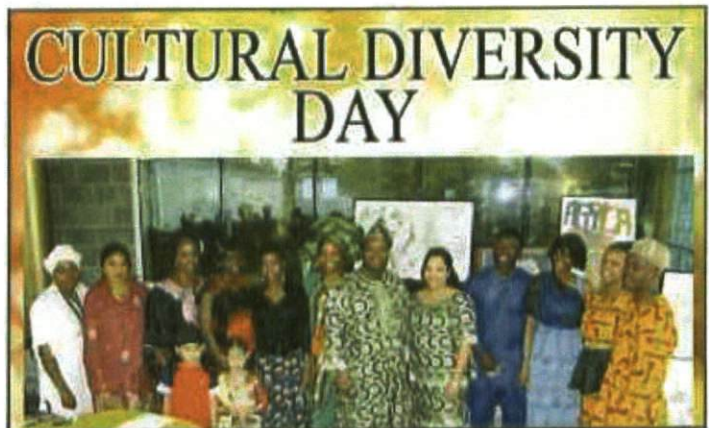
Regional Coordinator for Region VII, Urina F. Holt celebrated "*Wake Up Louisiana*" by bringing awareness on the causes and effects from using tobacco to the Upward Bound North students in Shreveport, LA (Caddo Parish). Mrs. Linda Early Brown, Director and Judge Sheva M. Sims were also guest speakers during the event. Ms. Holt discussed with the teenagers the harmful ingredients and the serious health problems that are caused from the use of tobacco. The participants were able to gain a better understanding of the consequences that are caused

when being exposed to secondhand smoke from either friends or family members. Information was accessible for them to broaden their knowledge on how harmful it is to use tobacco and be exposed to secondhand smoke.

The students enjoyed lunch catered by Brother's Seafood.



Annual Celebration of Cultural Diversity



The International Club joined forces with the Sociology Department to bring one of the campus' most outstanding festivals, Annual Celebration of Cultural Diversity, to students of Southern University at Shreveport. The event, which was free and opened to the campus community, was held on Monday, April 15, 2013. This event showcased the changing face of the campus through music, food, art, and exhibitions.

Southern University at Shreveport's international student body (F-1) is currently made up of students from approximately 12 countries and our Annual Celebration



of Cultural Diversity is a great opportunity for the community to come together to celebrate cultural diversity. By participating in these events, members of the Southern University at Shreveport community can learn more and have a deeper appreciation for the world that we all share.



Southern University at Shreveport became a unique international destination offering students the option of experiencing a variety of cultural encounters designed to educate, entertain and strengthen our resolve as a community to embrace

cultures that might be very different from our own.

This year's three (3) hour-long event included: dancing by Justina Ebiojo Enche and Dr. Joseph Orban from Nigeria, West Africa. Also, Dr. Kenechukwu Anyanechi presented a video of Nigerian culture and Mrs. Gwendolyn Igbokwe showed the event's participants how to tie a head tie from Nigeria. The event was pleased to have the opportunity to engage the diverse community of Southern University at Shreveport in our efforts to raise awareness of the different cultures of people from around the world on Southern University at Shreveport's campus.

Annual Celebration of Cultural Diversity was the idea of Mr. Clifford Collins, Associate Professor/Coordinator of Sociology. Mr. Collins was able to aid in the needs voiced by students to increase their knowledge of other cultures, resources, and arenas for discussing cultural diversity issues within the Southern University community. Mr. Collins who has a historical and current commitment to diversity was thrilled to partner with the Counseling Center and the International Club to help provide this activity to the students.



The multi-faceted event had several exhibits designed to give visitors a glimpse of cultures beyond the nation's borders. Students enjoyed tasting delicacies from many nations, playing international games, and viewing original arts and crafts, trinkets, and feature music from countries as far away as Liberia, Nigeria, Vietnam, Ghana, India, Kenya, Saudi Arabia, and Uganda.

The Celebration was well attended by the University's community.



2013 FESTIVAL CELEBRATES HARLEM RENAISSANCE

The Annual Festival of the Arts, sponsored by the Humanities Division, (April 17 -24, 2013) featured a week of singing, dancing, drama, art focusing on the Harlem Renaissance.

It started with an Opening Ceremony with Literary Playwright Dr. Sharon Green and Rod Phillips, Actor and stuntman.

Green's film is entitled "At Mamu's Feet." The drama is about many of the thoughts she remembers from her grandmother. The film is directed by Carl Millender, a native of Shreveport. It will feature Tommy Ford, identified as "Tommy" from the Martin Lawrence Show, as the Lead actor.



Rod Phillips has recently had Roles in two pictures filmed locally - "GI Joe" and "Olympus Has Fallen." He presented slides from some of his films.

Other activities included an "Author's Row" in the Library with local writers sharing overviews of their books. They were Bertha Harris, Jan Whitaker, Ebony Iman, and Jason Ibry.

"Music for Children by Children" was presented by the Department of Music during the Humanities Festival of the Arts on Thursday April 18, 2013. Approximately 200 students from area Caddo Public Schools participated in this event. The musical program was especially targeted for grades 3-5th and performers ranged from Pre-K - 12 grades including Brown E. Moore Head Start, Pinegrove Elementary, Queensborough Elementary, Turner Middle School and Huntington High School Concert Choir. Prof. Brenda Wimberly was on hand to conduct her voice lesson for children entitled "The Pizza Song" and students demonstrated "Rhythm, Sound and Voice: Seeing Our Differences Through Music" with Bell Choir, an Orff Orchestra with Recorders, African Drummers, Dancers and Concert Choir performances.

Lt. Col LaDaryl, ROTC Instructor, offered the Center of Influence (COI) Presentation and provided lunch for a large number of faculty, staff, and students. He was accompanied by Major Chris Griffith, Captain Travis Tribble, Sgt. 1st Class Jacob Lopez, Mr. John Hudacek (Education Services Specialist), and National Guard SSG Jeremy Jackson.

The Drawing Class, taught by Mr. Edward Allen, displayed their art designs in the atrium of the Leonard Barnes Administration Building. The climax of the Festival was the Musical "Ain't Misbehavin" performed by the SUSLA Drama Troupe.

The Festival was Chaired by Prof. June Phillips. Dr. Wanda Waller who serves as Division Chair.

In Collaboration with the "Festival of Arts"
SUSLA Library presents

Author's Row

Thursday,
April 18
10am

SUSLA Library, 1st Flr

Featuring special guests,
Bertha Harris, Jan Whitaker,
Ebony Iman, and Jason Ibry

Special Guests will share
overviews of their books.
Refreshments will be served.



Counseling Center Hosts Annual HEALTH FAIR 2013 "Prevention Is the Key"

Southern University at Shreveport Counseling Center and Student Activities Health Fair 2013 was a service-oriented event that provided free health screenings and health information booths to its students, faculty, staff, and to the community. The Health Fair was located in the Health and Physical Education Complex and was held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The Health Fair was free and open to the public.

The mission of the Health Fair is to encourage health consciousness on prevention and to help improve general health among members of the University and the Community. The Health Fair was an effort established in 2002 by the Division of Student Affairs to help improve the health of Southern University at Shreveport community.

This year more than 25 organizations donated their time and talents to the Health Fair and provided door prizes. Zeta Phi Beta (Zeta Iota Zeta Chapter) and National Association of University Women (Shreveport Branch) provided a hospitality room with refreshments for exhibitors.

Smart Health Care provided glucose testing and checked blood pressures. Vision testing was done by Sam's Club, and LifeShare Blood Center was on site for those who wanted to donate blood.

Southern University at Shreveport students from Medical Lab Technology and Phlebotomy assisted with set-up, registration, and refreshment for participant. The medical students from Shreveport Job Corps conducted the screening process, Mr. Olden Wright, Instructor of Enhancement & Freshman Studies, provided training on how to line dance, and the Southern University at Shreveport Library provided a film on exercise.

SUSLA CENTER FOR BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HOSTS ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLASSES



Participants of the BEST Advanced Financial Management Class

The Southern University at Shreveport Center for Business and Community Development, in partnership with the City of Shreveport Department of Community Development hosted the Business and Entrepreneur Skills Training (BEST) program. BEST is a series of modular training that provide entrepreneur basics in an introductory class and more targeted training in marketing and financial management in the BEST Advance course. Introduction to Business is a condensed, two-week program.

This two-week program offered four classes that provided an introduction to key business issues, including: business planning, budgeting, record-keeping, marketing and financial management. BEST Advanced is the second level of the BEST program which included multi-session trainings on the two most difficult topics for business owners to grasp and complete within a business plan: marketing and financial management. Trainings began on January 22, 2013 and commenced on April 11, 2013 with 36 business owners enrolling.

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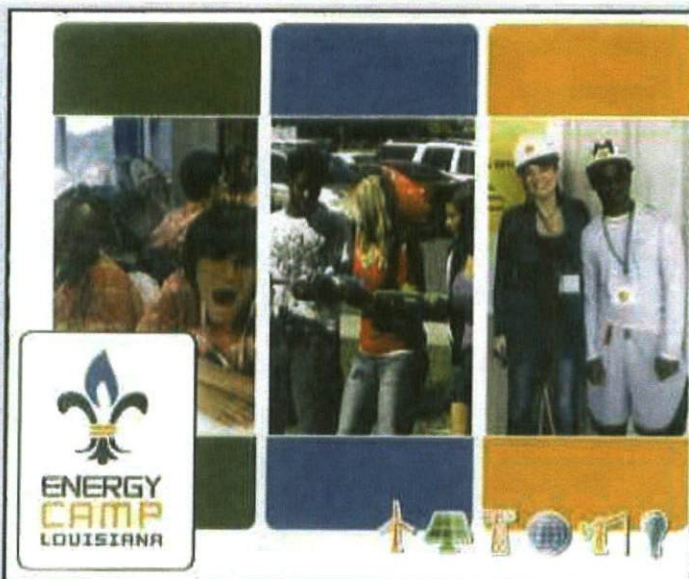
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SUSLA TO HOST 2013 ENERGY CAMP

For the third straight year, Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) will again host one of several Energy Camps on its campus. The camp will be held June 3-7, 2013, and approximately 25 youths from the Caddo Parish communities are expected to be enrolled into the camp. The goal of the Energy Camps is to expose high school students to the exciting and vital role of the energy industry in Northwest Louisiana. These camps involve fun, hands-on activities, as well as field trips that educate and energize local youths about fossil fuels, alternative energies and energy efficiency and conservation.

Last year, students were taken on tours to the Shreveport AEP Power Plant and the EnCana Oil and Gas in Coushatta, Louisiana. Overall, the Energy Camp connected with youths by teaching them about energy, safety, and discovering job opportunities in the energy field. The camp kept students engaged in fun and hands-on interactive exercises. At the close of each camp week, a graduation ceremony was held to recognize all of what students had learned and projects that were completed.

We are thankful to the staff of the Consortium for Consortium for Education, Research and Technology of North Louisiana (CERT) who coordinate the camps at SUSLA and at other college campuses. We also thank this year's title sponsor, Shell Oil.



The camp is designed to teach high school students about the different types of energy, energy conservation and efficiency as well as energy-related careers. During the week-long camp, students participate in hands-on experiments, energy discussions, interactive computer games, and win prizes for "best in class" team efforts.

Camp Dates/Times:

June 3 - June 7

8:30am-4:00pm - Monday -Thursday

8:30am-1:30pm - Friday

Space is limited!

Location:

Southern University at Shreveport

Cost:

\$25 registration fee (NON-REFUNDABLE)

Lunch and Limited Transportation Provided

Call 318-795-2485 for more information
Go to www.certla.org to download the camp application.



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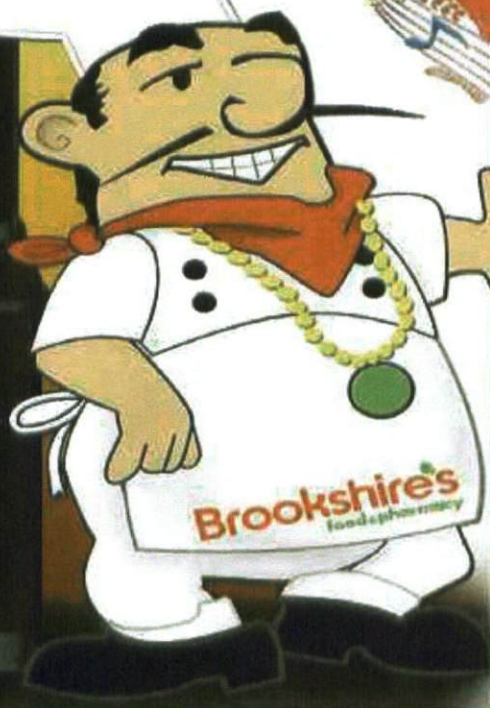
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**THE CHANCELLOR'S REPORT
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May 2013

***The Chancellor's Report to the
Southern University Board of Supervisors***

NAME OF CHANCELLOR: FREDDIE PITCHER, JR.

CAMPUS: SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER

DATE: MAY 2013

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, Jr. Heralds School's Anniversary

Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, Jr. recently discussed the 65th anniversary of the Southern University Law School with Jim Engster on the popular Jim Engster radio Show. The show's webpage reports that since 2004, "Engster has hosted intelligent discussion with newsmakers from around the corner and around the world."

Chancellor Pitcher chatted with the host, traversing the school's journey from its modest beginning, established under the Plessy v. Ferguson law, to provide legal education for African-American students and graduating its first class of five in 1950 -- through today's student body enrollment of more than 700 enrolled in day and evening divisions. Moreover, "today, the law Center is one of the nation's most racially diverse law schools," Chancellor Pitcher said.

"The Law Center has impressive alumni," said Engster, while commenting on major office holders who are alums, including former Governor Mike Foster, EBR District Attorney Hillar Moore and EBR Parish Mayor Kip Holden.

Chancellor Pitcher went on to promote the upcoming Alumni Round-up Weekend. It is held annually to stay connected and reconnect with alumni, and to raise money for the school, particularly its scholarship program.

To that extent, the Round-up Weekend was successful, as well as essential, the Chancellor said, especially in view of the ever decreasing state appropriation to the Law Center.

U. S. Attorney Stephanie Finley Gave 2013 Commencement Address.



U. S. Attorney Stephanie Finley of the Western District of Louisiana delivered the 2013 Commencement address for Southern University Law Center on Saturday, May 11, in the F.G. Clark Activity Center on the Southern University Baton Rouge campus.

A 1991 cum laude graduate of the Law Center, Finley was appointed by President Barack Obama on January 20, 2010, to serve as the top federal law enforcement official in the Western District of Louisiana. She was confirmed by the United States Senate on May 28, 2010, and took the oath of office on June 2, 2010, as the first woman appointed U. S. Attorney in the State of Louisiana.

Finley is responsible for overseeing all federal criminal prosecutions including terrorism, public corruption, child exploitation, firearms, narcotics, environmental crimes, civil rights, and white-collar crime among other criminal activity in 42 of the 64 parishes in the state. She is also charged with defending the United States in civil cases and collecting debts owed to the United States.

Before joining the U. S. Attorney's Office, Finley was on active duty with the United States Air Force, stationed at England Air Force Base in Louisiana and Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina. She is currently a Lieutenant Colonel in the U. S. Air Force Reserves, where she is an Assistant Staff Judge Advocate.

U. S. Attorney Finley is a magna cum laude graduate of Grambling State University, where she earned a BA in political science and was selected as one of the nation's distinguished graduates of the Reserve Officer Training Corps. While attending SULC, she served as the editor-in-chief of the Southern University Law Review.

Record Number Participate in 2013 Alumni Round-Up Celebrating SULC's 65 Years



2013 Inductees into the SULC Hall of Fame, from left: Former SULC associate dean Aaron Harris, '71, of Washington, Louisiana; Dannye Malone, '85, of Shreveport, Louisiana; Judge Brenda Bedsole Ricks, '84, Amite, Louisiana; Monica Azare, '94, New York City, New York; and Judge Alvin Batiste, '91, Plaquemine, Louisiana.

Throughout an expanded schedule of events for the 2013 Alumni Round-Up, participants in record numbers celebrated the Law Center's 65th Anniversary.

More than 275 attended the Hall of Fame Banquet, the signature event for the Round-Up, honoring five inductees for 2013: Monica Azare, '94, New York City, N.Y.; Judge Alvin Batiste, '81, Plaquemine, Louisiana; Aaron Harris, '71, of Opelousas, Louisiana; Dannye Malone, '85, Shreveport, Louisiana; and Judge Brenda Bedsole Ricks, '84, Amite, Louisiana. The master of ceremony was Timothy W. Hardy, '86, and mistress of ceremony was associate clinical professor Jacqueline Nash, '83.

The Round-Up opened on Wednesday evening with the "What Is Your Brand?" panel of alumni and other professionals giving advice to students on career searches. Baton Rouge General was a major sponsor for this event.

Thursday's events included the CLE symposium, the third installation of seven alumni judges for the Judicial Wall of Fame, and the Distinguished Alumni and Welcome Reception honoring six alums for their career achievements and continued outstanding service to the Law Center. Magistrate Quintillis Lawrence, '01, was the master of ceremony for the Judicial Wall of Fame program and Scotty Chabert, '06, Distinguished Alumni and Welcome Reception master of ceremony.

The 2013 Chancellor's Golf Scramble reached the maximum number of 36 4-person teams on Friday, April 12, on the greens of Copper Mill Golf Club. The SULC Alumni Association held its annual meeting and reception that evening. The Hall of Fame Banquet was the closing event of the Round-Up.

Judicial Wall of Fame



Alumni judges, from left: Judge Reginald Corlew, '92, Florida 15th Judicial Circuit Court; Judge Todd Hernandez, '92, Louisiana 19th Judicial District Court; Judge Brian A. Jackson, '85, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana; Judge Janice G. Clark, '76, Louisiana 19th Judicial District; Judge Ramona L. Emanuel, '86, Louisiana 1st Judicial District Court; Judge Lisa Woodruff-White, '89, East Baton Rouge Parish Family Court; and Judge Leon L. Emanuel, III, '77, Louisiana 1st Judicial District Court



Distinguished Alumni



Distinguished Alumni, from left: Scotty Chabert, '06, master of ceremony; honorees--Alejandro "Al" Perkins, '04, Hammonds, Sills, Adkins, & Guice Law Firm, Baton Rouge; James Rodney Pierre, '90, Law Office of Pierre and Pierre, LLC, Monroe, Louisiana; and Dinisa Hardley Folmar, '99, Coca-Cola Company, Atlanta, Georgia; Chancellor Pitcher, '73; and honorees--Erin Monroe Wesley, '02, Baton Rouge Area Chamber (BRAC), Baton Rouge; J. Rodney Messina, '90, Law Office of J. Rodney Messina, APLC, Baton Rouge; and Michael R. D. Adams, '88, DeCuir, Clark, & Adams, LLP, Baton Rouge.

Chancellor's Scramble



Student Volunteers, back row, from left: Nicholas Cole, Kelley Dick, Kyle Green, Adam Taylor, Justin Simon, Jacob Davis, and Michael Cobb; and front row, from left: Drew Lyons, Harold Cradic, Kandice Williams, Lauren Ventrella, Ron'eeka Hill, Trenika Fields, Jerne' Theriot Angel Jenkins, and Erin Campbell.



2013 Chancellor's Scramble First-Place Team members from left, Jason DeCuir, Troy Walker, Darius Bonton, and State Representative Girod Jackson.



Chancellor Pitcher pictured with Second-Place Team, from left: Prof. Tom Richard, Jo Collier, and John McGourty. Not pictured, SULC third-year student Justin Brashear.



The Chancellor pictured with Third-Place Team, from left: Sherman Robinson, Hubert Chaffold, Glenn Dixon, and James Rodney Pierre, '90

SULC Alumni Association Annual Meeting



Pictured from left: Tavares Walker, '08, SULCAA executive director; Tonya Ozene, '06, secretary; Edward "James," '06, president; Chancellor Pitcher, '73; Dinisa Hardley Folmar, '99, International vice president; and Darryl Washington, '99, Texas Regional vice president.

Hall of Fame Program and Dinner



Master of ceremony was Timothy W. Hardy, '86, and mistress of ceremony was Prof. Jacqueline Nash, '83



Hall of Fall honoree Aaron Harris, '81, and his wife Rosa Bertrand Harris, (center) are surrounded by family and friends.

First-Year Student Tracy LeDuff Awarded Public Interest Labor Law Fellowship



First-year student Tracy LeDuff has been awarded a prestigious ten-week fellowship by The Peggy Browning Fund to spend the summer working for the Black Worker Center Project in Los Angeles, California.

More than 500 students from 125 participating law schools applied for the nearly 70 public interest labor law fellowships supported by the Peggy Browning Fund.

LeDuff has more than 15 years of experience in human resource management. She currently volunteers as a part-time law clerk for Southeast Louisiana Legal Services' Employment and Public Benefits unit. She formerly worked in the casino industry as a HR director. She earned an AA in paralegal studies and a BA in organizational leadership from Azusa Pacific University.

"I view the practice of labor law as the next level in my career, one in which I will have a more direct opportunity to evaluate human relationships and improve the lives of others," she said.

LeDuff believes her time as a Peggy Browning Fellow will help further that goal.

The Peggy Browning Fund is a not-for-profit organization established in memory of Margaret A. Browning, a prominent union-side attorney and member of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). The mission of the fund is to educate and inspire the next generation of advocates for workplace justice by providing law students with valuable work experience in public labor law.

Clinical Education Volunteers Participate in Another Community Program



Profs. Virginia Listach and Alvin Washington were panelists at a recent workshop for "Grandparents Raising Grandchildren." Prof. Listach discussed voluntary transfers of custody and other custody issues affecting grandparents and Prof. Washington addressed mediation issues. Clinical Education Program student-attorneys and alumni also attended the workshop. Pictured from left, back row are Tyler Breaux, Prof. Washington, and Natasha Benoit; from left, front row are Kena Kimble, Prof. Listach, Hannah Thomas, Cathryn Gits, and Elizabeth Ballard.

Two SULC Students Accepted into Coca-Cola Summer Intern Program



Kandice Williams and Jeremy Morris have been accepted into the Coca-Cola Summer In-tern Program for 2013.

The Coca-Cola internship is a six-week intensive work experience at the corporate headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia. Legal interns will work with staff attorneys in various practices areas of law, such as trademark and patents, employment and labor law, contract issues, corporate litigation, marketing law,

food law, and environmental law.

More than 600 individuals from across the country applied for the program. Williams and Morris were two of only 10 interns selected.

The Corporation Scholarship Presentation

Members of a study group from the Class of 1985 sponsor The Corporation scholarships awarded twice a year. The Brace B. Godfrey, Jr., Memorial Scholarship, in honor of one of its deceased members, was awarded to Adam Kwentua (pictured second from left) and Roeneka Hill (not pictured), by two of the members, this spring. Pictured from left are Chief Judge Brian Jackson, U. S. District Court of the Middle District Court of Louisiana, Baton Rouge; Kwentua; Kevin Cunningham of Southern Strategy Group, Baton Rouge; and Brace Godfrey III, son of the late Corporation member. Other members of The Corporation not pictured are attorneys Gregory Atwater of Jacksonville, Florida; Michael Corbin of Washington, D.C., Robert Jenkins of New Orleans, and Danny Malone of Shreveport, Louisiana.



ON THE GO

Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, Jr., was a panelist for the 2013 American Inns of Court National Symposium, May 16-19, at the Hilton New Orleans. Chancellor Pitcher discussed “The Future of Advocacy: Training the Next Generation,” on a panel with deans/chancellors of the other Louisiana law schools, May 17.

ALUMNI NEWS



Emily Gremillion Meche, '07, of Brian Caubarreaux and Associates in Marksville, Louisiana, is featured in the Young Lawyers Spotlight in the Louisiana Bar Journal, February/March 2013 issue. The link to the current publication of the Louisiana Bar Journal is http://files.lsba.org/documents/publications/BarJournal/Journal_Feb-2013.pdf



Ernestine "Teena" Anderson-Trahan, '91, has been elected judge of the Second City Court for the Parish of Orleans.

Judge Anderson-Trahan began her legal career in 1991 as a law clerk for the Honorable Yada T. Magee in Civil District Court for Orleans Parish.

The cum laude SULC graduate earned a B.A. degree from Loyola University in 1988. While at the Law Center, she served as secretary of the Moot Court Board.

Judge Anderson-Trahan is a former recipient of the Louisiana State Bar Association Pro Bono Award.



William Banton, Jr., '83, of Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin has become a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, one of the premier legal associations in America. The induction ceremony at which Banton became a Fellow took place during the 2013 Spring Meeting of the college in Naples, Florida.

Banton is a shareholder and assistant director of the Health Care Department at Marshall Dennehey. He has been practicing law since 1984 and has concentrated his practice on medical malpractice for the last 20 years.

Founded in 1950, the American College of Trial Lawyers is composed of the best of the trial bar from the United States and Canada. Fellowship in the college is extended by invitation only to those experienced trial lawyers who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility, and collegiality.

Southern University Law Center Spring 2013 Graduates

Tomas E. Alarcon	Baton Rouge, LA
Jamien An'jel Arvie	Chataignier, LA
Edward R. Atebara	Metairie, LA
Kobena K. Arthur, Jr.	Baton Rouge, LA
Rebecca Block Autin	Lafayette, LA
Raven Alexandria Bailey	Memphis, TN
Elizabeth Ellen Ballard	Weston, MA
Shawn Michael Bordelon	Alexandria, LA
Karen A. Boutte'	St. Martinville, LA
James Richard Boyd	Baton Rouge, LA
Dwayne Douglas Braithwaite	Ellenwood, GA
Justin S. Brashear	Lake Charles, LA
Tyler J. Breaux	Cut Off, LA
Amanda T. Brown	Princeton, LA
Christina Marisa Brown	Sugar Land, TX
Tina Louise Brown	Edmond, LA
James R. Bullman	Baton Rouge, LA
Skyler Burton	Memphis, TN
Faith Janiece Butler	New Orleans, LA
William J. Casanova	Church Point, LA
Rachel Ann Chandler	Brandon, MS
Ashleigh J. Clare-Kearney	Manchester, CT
Michael Anthony Cobb Jr.	Detroit, MI
Abigail Cole	Brooklyn, NY
Ashley Collins	Monroe, LA
Bradrick Jermaine Collins	Baton Rouge, LA
Shannyn Tenelle Collins	Baton Rouge, LA
Amelia Dawn Colomb	Shreveport, LA
Kacia N. Cook	Baton Rouge, LA
Christopher B. Cortez	Metairie, LA
Merrick D. Cosey	Baton Rouge, LA
Tamyra Nicole Craig	Harvey, LA
Adam Russell Credeur	Lafayette, LA
Adam M. Crepelle	Patterson, LA
Anna Camille Curry	Henderson, NV
Patrick J. Cusick	Baton Rouge, LA
Willie James Cyprian Jr.	Ponchatoula, LA
Daniel A. Dailey	Baton Rouge, LA

Jacob B. Davis	Baton Rouge, LA
Dean T. De Francesch	Laplace, LA
Justin Deandre Dick	Southfield, MI
Isis Djata	Rye Brook, NY
Clarence Dortch, IV	Talladega, AL
Heather Ann Duhon	New Iberia, LA
Christopher James Edwards Jr.	Independence, LA
Evan Trigg Edwards	Lafayette, LA
Peter Eugene Ellis	Ocean Springs, MS
Seanice Minnette Etienne	Baton Rouge, LA
Bryanne Alyse Farr	Denham Springs, LA
Trenika L. Fields	Berkeley, CA
Glenn Kareem Fleming	Monroe, LA
Shanerika Monique Flemings	Baton Rouge, LA
Antoine Mosi Floyd	Memphis, TN
LaKeisha A. Ford	Alexandria, LA
Tiffany A. Ford	Alexandria, LA
Osceola Free	Los Angeles, CA
Alberto C. Gala	Lake Charles, LA
Shawn E. Garner	Baton Rouge, LA
Avia Rice Gauthier	Allen, TX
Yoursheka D. George	Clinton, LA
Shirlee' P. Gilliam	Philadelphia, PA
Martha Monique Gillespie	St. Louis, MO
Catherine Huetten Gilmore	Baton Rouge, LA
Cathryn Elise Gits	Baton Rouge, LA
Christopher Daniel Granger	Washington, LA
Shelvia Richele Grant	Shreveport, LA
Deontrienne Ardesia Green	New Orleans, LA
Kade Alexander Griffon	Plaquemine, LA
Oni Nabirye Ann Groves	Fort Worth, TX
Adam Stephen Guillory	Pineville, LA
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Jerry L. Harrell Jr.	Harvey, LA
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Cortney Michelle Heard	San Antonio, TX
Adrian R. Hebert	Baton Rouge, LA
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Amanda Hilgendorf	Prairieville, LA
Kerry Allen Hill	Jeanerette, LA
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Tamara Rochele Holliday	Hampstead, NC
Valerie Charlean Hughes	Eight Mile, AL
Angel Donita Jenkins	Nashville, TN
Kurt Dominic Jones Jr.	Pensacola, FL

Matthew Jordan Joseph	Boutte, LA
Kristi Nicole Julien	Baton Rouge, LA
Duran Lawrence Keller	Lafayette, LA
John Joseph Kelley	Covington, LA
Leslie Bankston Kidder	Baton Rouge, LA
Sharika L. King	Alexandria, LA
David John Kinsaul	Baton Rouge, LA
John Eric Kitto	Baton Rouge, LA
Adam Christopher Kwentua	Greenwell Springs, LA
Amanda Marie LaGroue	Denham Springs, LA
Allie Renee' LeBlanc	Raceland, LA
Curry J. Landry	Napoleonville, LA
Bianca Christina Lee	New Orleans, LA
Jahida Lizzaurt Lewis	Kenner, LA
Crishauna Renell Lloyd	Baton Rouge, LA
Tassi Melissa Long	Boyce, LA
Ephraim Andre Lucas	Valdosta, GA
Jasmyne Astarri McConnell	Monroe, LA
Cherita Renee McNeal	Huntersville, NC
Patrice Ann Maddox	Philadelphia, PA
Jacqueline Blue Maher	Gonzales, LA
Amanda Lea Maillet	Baton Rouge, LA
Samantha N. Mallett	Iowa, LA
Chase Anders Manuel	Lafayette, LA
Matthew T. Meek	Shreveport, LA
Kevin Blair Milano Jr.	Metairie, LA
Summer-Marie Miller	Buffalo, NY
Aisha Kamran Mirza	Fort Wayne, IN
Parker R. Mitchell	Monroe, LA
Asya L. Mitchem	Cedar Hill, TX
Cheyenne Mechelle Moeller	Baton Rouge, LA
Hayden Amelia Moore	Baton Rouge, LA
Sonji Adeh Moore	Pine Bluff, AR
Bridgette Marie Morgan	Greenville, MS
William Penn Morrow	Opelousas, LA
Jarrold D. Mumford	Jackson, MS
Andrew James Murphy	Spring, TX
Mukhayee Martha Nangalama	El Dorado Hills, CA
Ashley Cheneye Ogbonna	Lancaster, TX
Chidiebele Alex Oha	Houston, TX
Rolando A. Padilla	Terrytown, LA
Lori E. Palmintier	Baton Rouge, LA
Chandni B. Patel	Alexandria, LA
Kimmier L. Paul	Port Allen, LA
De-Neita Charvay Peoples	Sacramento, CA
Jamiel Jontae Peterson	Donalsonville, GA

W. Ellis Petit	Royal Palm Beach, FL
Christopher R. Quintyne	Silver Spring, MD 20903
Susan M. Raborn	Baton Rouge, LA
Gregory Antonio Ramos, Jr.	Mobile, AL
Michael George-Paul Reck	Iota, LA
Edgar L. Redding II	Jackson, MS
Harold D. Register, III	Lafayette, LA
Randy Jamal Reynolds	Jackson, MS
Stasha Marie Rhodes	Belle Rose, LA
Courtney Michelle Richardson	Kentwood, LA
Jenny Katherine Richardson	Marrero, LA
Tiajuana Lovette Robinson	Wiggins, MS
Carmen Elyse Ryland	Columbia, LA
Willie Christopher Saltz	Walker, LA
Kimberly A. Sams	Brandon, FL
Sherry Denise Sanders	Lubbock, TX
Ashley Unsworth Schmidt	New Orleans, LA
Cynthia Dimple Schwartz	Shreveport, LA
Ashlei Gradney Scott	Beaumont, TX
Stanley G. Settle, II	Inglewood, CA
Erin Taylor Sharkey	Amite, LA
Justin Jean-Marc Simon	Lafayette, LA
Dione Nicole Simpson	Hogansville, GA
Ericka Enchanique' Smith	Ashland, VA
Michael Neil Spears	Dexter, GA
Willie Stephens, Jr.	Baton Rouge, LA
William A. Stewart II	Ruston, LA
Christopher L. Strickland	West Monroe, LA
Adrian B. Stull	Shreveport, LA
Jessica A. Taormina	Laplace, LA
Jerne' Chianta Theriot	Houma, LA
Ryssa K. Toussaint	Patterson, NY
Keith Foster Verrett Jr.	Franklin, LA
Jason Alan Weaver	Lafayette, LA
Briana C. Westry-Robinson	Alabaster, AL
Dennis Freemond Wiggins, Jr.	Baton Rouge, LA
Lacresha Danielle Wilkerson	Jonesville, LA
Jennipher Valentine Williams	Baton Rouge, LA
Joshua K. Williams	Shreveport, LA
Laura Ann-Murielle Williams	Missouri City, TX
Sherrie LaChae Williams	Covington, TN
John Anthony Willis	Port St. Lucie, FL
Lashanda J. Willis	Philadelphia, PA
Kathleen Dillon Witkovski	Lafayette, LA
Chauntelle Renee Wood	Lawton, OK
Prisca Annette Zeigler	Carson, CA

Summer 2013 Graduates

Laura Isabel Alemany	Carencro, LA
Xavier Isadore Alexander	New Iberia, LA
Yefim Ashurov	Brooklyn, NY
Shawon Jackson Bernard	New Orleans, LA
Lauren Victoria Blauvelt	Baton Rouge, LA
Kelly R. Broussard	Baton Rouge, LA
Paul James Hanchett	Baton Rouge, LA
April Evettee Hibbler	New Orleans, LA
Yi Liu	Staten Island, NY
Linda Ann Madril	Tuscan, AZ
Bobby E. Menefee II	Baton Rouge, LA
Danielle Marie Metoyer	Alexander, LA
Hillary Lynn Nixon	Baton Rouge, LA

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Special Problems

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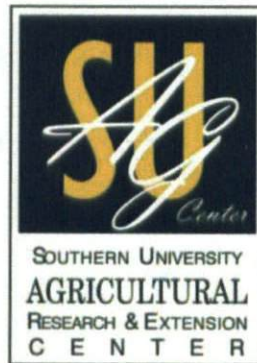
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Chancellor's Public Interest Summer Stipend Recipients

John	Allen, III	Baton Rouge City Prosecutor's Office, Baton Rouge, LA
Justin	Arrington	Southern Circuit District Attorney's Office, Valdosta, GA
Arisa	Banks	Fulton County Court Appointed Special Advocates, Inc., Atlanta, GA
Rashida	Barringer	SULC Law Clinic, Baton Rouge, LA
Kristin	Bluain	Southeast LA Legal Services, Hammond, LA
Kimberly	Brown	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Jackson	Brown	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Brittany	Bryant	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Blayer	Cedeno	Catholic Chariteis of Dallas, Inc., Dallas, TX
Benjamin	Comeaux	Orleans Public Defender's Office, New Orleans, LA
Sherron Phae	Douglas	Catholic Charities of Baton Rouge, Inc., Baton Rouge, LA
Quinn	Eubanks	SULC Law Clinic, Baton Rouge, LA
Alonzo	Jackson	NCAA Sunbelt Atheltic Conference, New Orleans, LA
Ruby	Lewis	Opelousas City Court, Opelousas, LA
LaClaire	Matthews	Juvenile Justice Project of Louisiana. New Orleans, LA
SeNita	McRae	The Compas Center For Women and Families, Chapel Hill, NC
Marquel	Melton	State of Maryland Office of the Public Defender, Baltimore, MD
Carlton	Miller	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Nana	Mireka-Boateng	US District Court for the Eastern District of LA, New Orleans, LA
Allison	Morrow	15th JDC, Division M, Lafayette, LA
Ekelemchi	Okpo	Federal Public Defender's Office for the Middle District of AL, Montgomery, AL
Brittany	Pennywell	Baton Rouge City Prosecutor's Office, Baton Rouge, LA
Anya	Perrilloux	St. John the Baptist Parish, Dept. of Planning and Zoning, Laplace, LA
Katrena	Porter	City of Lafayette, Planning Commission, Lafayette, LA
Michael	Richard	US DOJ-Executive Office of Immigration Review, Oakdale, LA
Aisha	Sanders	6th Circuit Court, Natchez, MS
Kaylen	Stern	Orleans Parish Criminal District Court, New Orleans, LA
Jarrette	Tuircuit	40th JDC District Attorney's Office, Laplace, LA
Artis	Ulmer, III	15th JDC Public Defender's Office, Lafayette, LA
Kayla	Williams	American Civil Liberties Union of Georgiga, Atlanta, GA

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The Southern University and Louisiana State University Agricultural Centers jointly hosted the 2013 National Extension and Research Administrative Officer's Conference (NERAOC) in New Orleans, Louisiana. The conference was held May 5-8 for more than 500 officials from land-grant institutions, experiment stations and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) registered attendees. This year's conference themed "Partners in the Journey" was critical and slated to assist participants in best practices of collaborating to reduce costs.

In his welcome address on May 6, Deputy Director for Food and Community Resources Dr. Ralph Otto, commended partici-

pants for work they are doing and also spoke about the FY 2013 Federal Budgets. Chancellor Bill Richardson, LSU Ag Center and ChancellorLeodrey Williams, SU Ag Center also addressed the participants and discussed the current budget situation in the State of Louisiana. Both chancellors urged attendees to take some time to tour the rich cultural and historical heritage in New Orleans and the surrounding areas and to help boost Louisiana economy by spending some money while they are here in the state. In her address on behalf of the Louisiana Commissioner for Agriculture & Forestry, the Associate Commissioner for Public Policy and Governmental Affairs, Dr. Carrie Castille, spoke about the significant

role of New Orleans ports in US agricultural exports. Dr. Calvin Mackie, author, mentor and motivational speaker in his keynote speech, urged the attendees to continue providing hope to all including the hopeless, underserved, socio-economically disadvantaged youth and families, despite budget uncertainties.

Session presenters from the SU Ag Center and their topics included: Oscar Udoh, USDA Success In Communities; Belinda Mack, Financial Reporting; Linda Batiste, Ethics: Don't Come to the Job Without It; De'Shoyn York, Eating Healthy on the Road; and Kenyatta Smith, 1862/1890 Best Practices in collaboration.



L-r: Chancellor Williams welcomes conference attendees; Linda Batiste, Oscar Udoh, and De'shoyn Friendship present in concurrent breakout sessions.

7th Annual Goat Field Day Brings New People to the SU Ag Center

The 7th Annual Goat Field Day was held on Saturday, May 4, 2013 at the Maurice A. Edmond Livestock arena. Approximately 60 producers and extension personnel made their way to Baton Rouge to learn more about the goat industry and obtain updates on the SU Ag Center's goat research. In addition to having a large number of participants from Louisiana, there were producers in attendance from Mississippi. The event was sponsored by the SU Ag Center, LSU School of Veterinary Medicine and LSU AgCenter. Coca Cola Co. of Baton Rouge; NASS, USDA; Tri-Parish Coop, Slaughter, Louisiana; and Purina Mills LLC, St. Louis, Missouri made financial and material contributions for the event.

This year's speakers covered a variety of topics relevant to the goat industry including active goat related projects at the SU Ag Center, small ruminant parasite issues, goat meat processing and marketing, the status of the dairy goat industry, holistic health management practices, and more. The afternoon sessions were hands-on training in fecal egg counting, soil testing and FAMACHA[®] training and certification. The culmination and highlight of the event was a farm tour where participants had an opportunity to learn more about the ongoing sequential/mixed species grazing project at the Ag Center Experiment Station.

To contact the event organizer, Sebhatu Gebrelul, professor of animal science, please call 225-771-3841 or email Sebhatu.gebrelul@suagcenter.com



Field Day attendees soak up information

SU Ag Center-Communities of Color Network Sponsors Women Chef Show Off

The Communities of Color Network (CoC) was a sponsor for the 18th Annual Women Chef Show Off held at the Belle of Baton Rouge Casino & Hotel Atrium on Thursday, May 2, 2013. The CoC Network provided an educational tabletop display regarding the dangers of tobacco use and secondhand smoke. Literature and brochures were also available for participants.

This fundraiser was held by the IRIS Domestic Violence Center whose mission is to end domestic violence against women in the Baton Rouge area. Many people took part in the silent and live auctions and shared food from area artisans. The guests of CoC in attendance are community advocates and partners for healthier living in the Baton Rouge area.



Front row l-r: Bernice Carter, Gloria London and Myrtis Piper. Standing l-r: LaKeesha Giddens, Fatemeh Malekian, Linda E. Brown, CoC Director, Frankie Poland, CoC Regional Coordinator and Lori Lawson.

SU Ag Center project helps community youth improve health

Neighborhoods through the Development of School Garden's project, on May 31, 2013 recorded the first of many segments that will encourage healthy living during the school year and the summer. Typically, youth engage in more sedentary activities during their "down time" than when school is in session. But, the Ag Center team had a different summer planned for a group of youth. Their partnership with Exxon Mobil's YMCA affords youth the opportunity to continue planting gardens and engaging in physical fitness activities during the summer to further reiterate the need to eat and exercise for healthier living. The skills that youth ages, 6-14 will learn are transferable to their homes, schools, and neighborhoods.

Mr. Ron Smith, Executive Director for Exxon Mobil's YMCA is an asset to the program and very "hands-on" with ensuring successful outcomes for participating youth.

This USDA/NIFA funded Capacity Building Grant project is directed by Tiffany Franklin, Extension Associate, assisted by Stephanie Elwood, Extension Associate-Community Gardens. The National Institute of Food and Agriculture is an agency of US Department of Agriculture.

"The SU Ag Center is delighted to partner with Louisiana Public Broadcasting to assist with marketing and publicizing our project! This is only the beginning of great things to come! Stay tuned," says Franklin.

Keith Crews, Cameraman and Dorothy Kendrick, Senior Producer, both from LPB, were excellent to work with. Also present at the taping was Kristen Hogan, Marketing Director, YMCA of the Capital Area.

For more information on the "Eradicating Food Deserts in Neighborhoods through the Development of School Gardens" project, contact Tiffany Wilkerson-Franklin at 225-771-2775 or via email at:

tiffany_franklin@suagcenter.com



L-r: Kristen Hogan, Ron Smith, Tiffany Franklin set stage to record segment



Crews gets Franklin ready for taping.



Elwood and Franklin with participating students in the garden

SU Ag Center Hosts Summer Youth Academic Enhancement Program

The Southern University Ag Center received 20 students to the 3rd “Academy for Academic Enhancement of High School Students in the Food and Agricultural Sciences” program on May 26, 2013. Chancellor Leodrey Williams, and Gina E. Eubanks, vice chancellor for Extension were among the administrators, faculty and staff of the Ag Center who brought greetings to the students and their families.

The five-week program, recruits students in 11th grade based on strict criteria to benefit from skill enriching activities ranging from classroom instruction to outdoor tours. Candidates were selected from East Baton Rouge and surrounding parishes. The goal of this all-expense paid residential program is to prepare youth for college or agriculture related careers.

Participants, who will live on Southern University campus will hone their skills on American College Test (ACT) taking, engage in other activities such as field trips. At the end of the program, participants will receive community service certificate and \$500 stipend.

The “Academy for Academic Enhancement of High School Students in the Food and Agricultural Sciences” is a US Department of Ag/National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) funded project directed by Zanetta Augustine and Dawn Mellion-Patin. “This program has been successful in increasing ACT scores as high as six points, thus qualifying students for TOPS and enrollment at Southern,” Mellion-Patin said.

Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) is a Louisiana scholarship program.

Participating students and their parishes: Ce’Layra Melodden, Madisson; Isaiah Smith, East Baton Rouge; Sankari Washington, Concordia; Devin Robbins, St. Helena; T’Quori McGahee, Morehouse; Justin Ward, Caldwell; Giavanna Leonard, Concordia; Victoria Nguyen, Jefferson; Henry Hardin, Franklin; Demetric Rollins, Franklin; Bianca Brewington, Franklin; Darron Mikell, Franklin; LeKedriyona Hawkins, Madison; Ebonie Isbell, East Baton Rouge; Morgan Lewis, St. Landry; Tyler Brown, St. Landry; Jessica Espree, St. Landry; Zoe Collins, Caddo; Taylor Franklin, East Baton Rouge; and KaDeidra Hootsell, East Carroll.

For further detail, contact Zanetta Augustine at 225-771-2591.



Chancellor Williams welcomes students



Zanetta Augustine lays down the ground rules for students



Vice Chancellor Eubanks addresses students

BOLD Launches Course for Faith-Based Leaders in Pointe Coupee Parish

The SU Ag Center has launched a series of classes for Faith-Based Leaders in New Roads, Pointe Coupee Parish. Dana Isaac, grant assistant for Building Opportunities through Leadership Development (BOLD), launched the initial "BOLD For Faith-Based Leaders Class" on Saturday, May 4, 2013 in New Roads, attracting 13 participants.

The program's main goal is to enhance and strengthen faith-based leaders and make them better equipped to serve their institutions and their communities. The classes will be held every Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, for 6

weeks at the Pointe Coupee Community Resource Center, New Roads, LA, from May 4 - June 15. BOLD is a statewide grassroots leadership development project under the direction of Dr. Kenyetta Nelson-Smith, assistant specialist for community and economic development. BOLD for Faith-Based Leaders is an extension of the BOLD project, focused solely on faith-based institutions, which will empower persons in leadership positions to become more effective in their roles. The ultimate beneficiaries will be individuals and families in the faith communities that they lead.

For additional information, contact Dana Isaac at 225-771-3902 or dana_isaac@suagcenter.com



Isaac interacts with participants

Food Desert Project Holds its First Garden Graduation Ceremony

The 1890 USDA Capacity Building Grant, "*Eradicating Food Deserts in Neighborhoods through the Development of School Gardens*", directed by Tiffany Wilkerson-Franklin, held the first graduation and certificate ceremony. Since November, youth have been attending and participating in the school garden sessions and were awarded certificates of completion, which enable them to implement basic gardening strategies at home and in their neighborhoods. On May 6th and 15th, 80 certificates of completion were issued to students from the food desert school locations.

The celebration was led by Stephanie Elwood, Extension Associate-

Community Gardens. Students were able to implement the overarching concept of the project, which is to "plant it, grow it, try it, like it"! Students from each of the schools developed gardens on the campuses of Scotlandville High, Scotlandville Pre-Engineering Academy and Southern Laboratory Schools.

The gardens have embraced the hands-on methods of learning by doing to properly grow their own food and promote and encourage healthier eating. Youth attending weekly sessions learned about food deserts and gained horticultural knowledge taught from the SUAREC self-produced Community Garden Curriculum.

Overall, the graduations were successful and each class celebrated by eating fresh salad, made from their own gardens! The teachers and students expressed their deep appreciation for the SU Ag Center's project.



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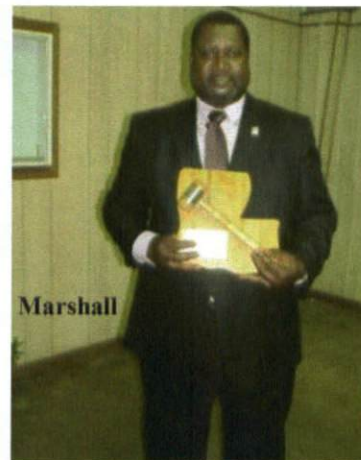
Marshall to Serve as LCAAA President

Terrence Marshall, County Agent, East Baton Rouge Parish recently received the Louisiana County Agricultural Agents Association (LCAAA) President's Gavel and Sounding Board as the incoming association president. He will preside over the association meetings for the coming year. The gavel was made from a block of pecan tree taken from the residence of Seaman A. Knapp, founder of Extension in Louisiana in 1909. It was presented to the association

in 1976 by Robert Verrett, Past President and John Jackson, then District Agent.

The LCAAA is a professional organization designed to give dignity to, and stimulate personal pride in the opportunity to serve the people of Louisiana in the important profession of agriculture and its related fields.

For further details, contact Terrence Marshall at terrence_marshall@suagcenter.com



Robinson Receives DSA Award

Carolyn Robinson, Area Associate Agent, East and West Carroll Parishes, received the Distinguished Service Award (DSA) at the annual meeting of Louisiana Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences held May 1-3, 2013. The DSA is the highest award presented by the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. The

award recognizes members for leadership, educational program efforts and professional development. Mrs. Robinson will also be recognized at the Galaxy Conference in Pittsburg.



Retirement and Resignations

Thus far in 2013, the SU Ag Center lost five employees in light of the looming budget reductions. Felix Mathieu, research associate, retired after three decades of service.

Daniele Coleman, finance department; Emily King, agriculture and natural resources; Kestee Weir, facilities, and Lisa Gray, animal science, resigned to pursue new opportunities.

FUTURE EVENTS

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Vice Chancellor White was also named the Charles Hatfield Endowed Professor of Law in 2012. Presently, he chairs the Faculty Appointment, Retention, Promotion and Tenure Committee; the Student Affairs Committee; and the Endowed Professorship Selection Committee and is a member of the Faculty Advisory and Planning Committee and Teaching Excellence Committee.

Special Problems

None

Significant Administrative or Policy Changes

None

Chancellor's Public Interest Summer Stipend Recipients

John	Allen, III	Baton Rouge City Prosecutor's Office, Baton Rouge, LA
Justin	Arrington	Southern Circuit District Attorney's Office, Valdosta, GA
Arisa	Banks	Fulton County Court Appointed Special Advocates, Inc., Atlanta, GA
Rashida	Barringer	SULC Law Clinic, Baton Rouge, LA
Kristin	Bluain	Southeast LA Legal Services, Hammond, LA
Kimberly	Brown	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Jackson	Brown	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Brittany	Bryant	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Blayer	Cedeno	Catholic Chariteis of Dallas, Inc., Dallas, TX
Benjamin	Comeaux	Orleans Public Defender's Office, New Orleans, LA
Sherron Phae	Douglas	Catholic Charities of Baton Rouge, Inc., Baton Rouge, LA
Quinn	Eubanks	SULC Law Clinic, Baton Rouge, LA
Alonzo	Jackson	NCAA Sunbelt Athletic Conference, New Orleans, LA
Ruby	Lewis	Opelousas City Court, Opelousas, LA
LaClaire	Matthews	Juvenile Justice Project of Louisiana. New Orleans, LA
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Marquel	Melton	State of Maryland Office of the Public Defender, Baltimore, MD
Carlton	Miller	Southeast LA Legal Services, Baton Rouge, LA
Nana	Mireka-Boateng	US District Court for the Eastern District of LA, New Orleans, LA
Allison	Morrow	15th JDC, Division M, Lafayette, LA
Ekelemchi	Okpo	Federal Public Defender's Office for the Middle District of AL, Montgomery, AL
Brittany	Pennywell	Baton Rouge City Prosecutor's Office, Baton Rouge, LA
Anya	Perrilloux	St. John the Baptist Parish, Dept. of Planning and Zoning, Laplace, LA
Katrena	Porter	City of Lafayette, Planning Commission, Lafayette, LA
Michael	Richard	US DOJ-Executive Office of Immigration Review, Oakdale, LA
Aisha	Sanders	6th Circuit Court, Natchez, MS
Kaylen	Stern	Orleans Parish Criminal District Court, New Orleans, LA
Jarrette	Tuircuit	40th JDC District Attorney's Office, Laplace, LA
Artis	Ulmer, III	15th JDC Public Defender's Office, Lafayette, LA
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Graduates pose after the ceremony



Dr. Kathleen Merrigan addresses graduates

The Small Farmer Agricultural Leadership Institute held an official graduation ceremony in Washington, DC on April 4, 2013 for its Class IV participants converging from 14 states across the nation. Dr. Dawn Mellion-Patin, Director of the Institute and Chancellor Leodrey Williams, Southern University Ag Center, were there to bring greetings to the graduating class. The team heard presentations from five of the 18 USDA Agencies. Representatives from those agencies shared information about their programs that are of benefit to minority

farmers, limited resource producers/land owners, etc. One of the presenters was Ronald Harris, Director NRCS, Outreach and Advocacy Division. The Keynote Speaker for the ceremony was Dr. Kathleen A. Merrigan, Deputy Secretary, US Department of Agriculture. In her speech, Merrigan emphasized the importance of the *Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food* Initiative, a USDA-wide effort to strengthen local and regional food systems; urging the graduates to advocate for the spread of knowledge in their communities.

Several SU alumni in key positions with USDA were on hand to welcome them and share information about programs available from their agencies. The five USDA agencies represented were: Farm Service Agency (FSA), National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Forest Service (FS), and Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS).

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Graduation contd.

The SU Ag Center's Small Farmer Agricultural Leadership Institute Class IV Graduated 30 members from 14 states across the nation: Jewell Bean of Eufaula, AL; Susan Beddy of Quincy, FL; Mia Boyland of Memphis, TN; Alice Davis of Franklinton, LA; Goldie Dicks of Stone Mountain, GA; Marcus Feazelle of New Hebron, MS; Marshall Gazaway of Louisville, KY; Alfred Greenlee of Albany, Georgia; Alfred Gross of Belle Chasse, LA; Dorothy Harper of Louisville, MS; Ned Highsmith of Clinton, NC; Demetrius Hooks of Mont., AL; Lorraine Jackson of

Ridgecrest, LA; James Joyner of Faison, NC; Eddie McNair of Plymouth, NC; Cleophus Payne of West Monroe, LA; Valerie Prescott of Opelousas, LA; Brigitta Robinson of Hahira, GA; Henry Schumacher of Husser, LA; Terrance Scott of Cotton Plant, AR; Georgia Shaw of Alto, TX; Tomiplier Streater of Chesterfield, SC; Desire'e Thomas of Swansea, SC; Willie Torrey of Conyers, GA; Janice Truitt of Hartly, DE; Robert Wallace, Jr. of Zachary, LA; Boatner Ware of Rayville, LA; Shekinah Williams of Allendale, SC; Stephen Wright of Smyrna,

DE; and Khiquita Young of Jackson, MS.

The graduates expressed their gratitude to Dr. Mellion-Patin, SU Ag Center, 2501 and USDA for the opportunity and pledged to use whatever knowledge & skills they acquired to help solve problems and create opportunities for themselves, families, and other producers in their communities.

For further information, contact Dr. Dawn Mellion-Patin at 225-771-3532 or via email: dawn_mellion@suagcenter.com

9th Annual Procurement Conference Huge Success



Participants networking with exhibitors



Gloria London mingles with participants



A concurrent breakout session

The Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center held the 9th annual "Connecting Businesses with Contracts" Procurement Conference at the Smith Memorial Student Union for small business owners and experts in the field sharing information and networking on April 4. The event attracted a crowd of nearly 400 participants including new and existing businesses, exhibitors, private and government

agencies.

"We wanted people to come out and learn how to do business right, and they showed up, I'm very pleased at the turn out," said Gloria London, Director of the Center for Rural and Small Business Development at the SU Ag Center.

The conference fosters partnerships between all small businesses including small disadvantaged, woman-owned, veteran-owned, Hubzone, Federal, State and Local Government Agencies and major prime contractors. This annual event is free and open to all current and potential small business owners, contractors and the public.

SU Ag Center scientists lead students to excellence at national conference

Southern University College of Agriculture, Family and Consumer Sciences students mentored by SU Ag Center scientists raked up awards at the 17th Biennial Research Symposium hosted by the 1890 Association of Research Directors in Jacksonville, FL., April 6-10, 2013. Altogether, about 400 students competed in the different program areas for plaques and cash awards. Four students from Southern won awards for their excellent performance in the oral and poster presentation categories at the ARD Symposium. The students who won first place were: Christopher Chappell, doctoral student, Urban Forestry mentored by Dr. Andra Johnson; DeLane Ross, Animal Science senior, mentored by Dr. Patricia McLean-Meynsse; and Lillian Profit, graduating senior, Animal Science mentored by Dr. Renita Marshall and Sebhata Gebrelul.

And winning third place in the poster presentation category, Michael Breithaupt, pursuing a Master's degree in Urban Forestry was mentored by Dr. Yadong Qi.

The symposium convened with more than 900 participants from 18 Historically Black Land-grant Institutions in 17 states to share research information, collaborate, network, and expose students to graduate school and job opportunities. This year's theme was "1890 Research: Sowing Seeds of Change for the Global Community," and included five research program areas: Animal Health and Production and Animal Products; Family, Youth, Community and Economic Development; Food Safety, Nutrition and Health; Plant Health and Production and Plant Products; and Renewable Energy, Natural Resources, and Environment. Kudos to our students and their advisors!



L-r: Profit, Ross, Chappell, Breithaupt



L-r: Gebrelul, Marshall, Profit, Ross, Chappell, Breithaupt, Chin, Johnson.

Drs. Patricia Meynsse and Yadong Qi were not available for photo.

SU Ag Center Launches Oak Park Plaza Senior Housing SNAPed Garden



Indoor and outdoor gardening activities at Oak Park Plaza.



The East Baton Rouge Nutrition Education SNAPed team, De'Shoin York, Associate Specialist, Nutrition; Kaci Earnest, Nutrition Educator; and Stephanie Elwood, Community Garden Extension Associate, have been working with a group of senior citizens at Oak Park Plaza Senior Living Apartments. The apartment residents are all seniors that enjoy independent living. They attend a Nutrition Education class taught by Kaci Ernest once per month. In addition to the nutrition education, a garden has been implemented at Oak Park Plaza.

SU Ag Center representatives, Volunteers of America employees, Southern University students, Oak Park residents and employees, all came together on April 9th to build a raised bed and grow vegetables. The apartment residents who work in the garden will enjoy the benefits of the garden.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) offers nutrition assistance to eligible, low income individuals and families and provides economic benefits to communities.

SNAP is the largest program in the domestic hunger safety net. SNAP-Ed is a nutrition education program funded by the US Department of Agriculture.

For further detail, contact Stephanie Elwood at 225-771-2134.

Southern University Ag Center holds 44th Annual Horse Show

The Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center held its 44th Annual Horse Show and Trail Ride, April 12 -14 at the Maurice A. Edmond Livestock Arena in Baker. Trail riders from as far as Texas, Mississippi, and North Louisiana converged in Baton Rouge for the event. The horse parade including riders of all ages galloped around the Baker area with different horse riding associations. The event concluded with musical performance by local entertainers.

The Last of the Dying Breed Club from Clinton led by Chris McKnight and Ray Davis came arrayed in red riding gear with youth of all ages. "We bring youth riders together to have fun, learn discipline, showmanship, and stay out of trouble," said McKnight.

The East Baton Rouge Southern Jr. Posse led by Megan Johnson came in blue outfit. Ms. Johnson reported that, "they have been coming to the show since they were babies. We welcome kids of all ages to learn showmanship, grooming and responsibility.



Youngest rider, Santana Runles



Last of Dying Breed



Bayou State Riders

In addition, our youth go out and teach other kids how to prepare their animals for the show. The club is open to all EBR youth even those without horses."

More than 50 riding clubs were represented from four states: Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi and Texas. The winner of this year's trail ride division Most Uniform Group was "Last of a Dying Breed"; Best Dressed Group, "Bayou State Riders"; Group with Most Youth, "Last of a Dying Breed"; Youngest Rider, "Santana Runles, age 7, "Cherokee Riders"; and Unnamed rider age 7, "504 Riders."

For further detail, please contact Christie Monroe at 225-771-4350 or via email: christie_monroe@suagcenter.com

Earth Day 2013

On April 22, 2013 Louisiana celebrated Earth Day, an annual national event that focuses on environmental sustainability. SU Ag Center joined in the celebration which started on Sunday, April 21 from noon-8:30 pm in Downtown Baton Rouge. Booth 19 featured the SU Ag Center gardening and tobacco free living information for participants. Participants learned about planting and harvesting crops for food as well as the side effects of using tobacco products. Southern University students volunteered to assist staff on educating the public about Ag Center gardening. The booth was manned by the Eric Williams-Michel, research associate, and Frankie Poland, regional coordinator.

On April 22, Delmont Gardens Branch Library, in North Baton Rouge, celebrated Earth Day with a program targeting surrounding community members of all ages. Southern University Ag Center represented by Stephanie Elwood, Extension Associate for community gardens, taught attendees how to make and use recyclable flower pots. Visitors to the booth took home potted sunflower seeds to nurture and enjoy. The Flower Lover's Garden Guild also presented different types of flowers

and plants alongside the Ag Center.

Elwood was assisted by 13-year old Reshay Wilson of Kenilworth Middle School. Reshay says she is learning and helping because she has done this before.

"Last year, Ms. Elwood came by my house and asked my mom if she would like a garden by the house. Mom said yes. So she planted a garden with cucumbers, squash and some herbs. Then I signed up for the 2012 Summer Garden Program at the Southern Ag Center. Now I like showing other people how to grow things like sunflower." Reshay was on spring break during Earth Day.

Also, in Caddo Parish, Patricia Lee, Assistant Area Agent DeSoto and Caddo Parishes, took charge of the Alphonse Jackson Head Start garden, where parents, youth, and teachers planted vegetables in the garden to mark the day.

For more information, visit Louisiana Earth Day at <http://www.laearthday.org>



Down Town Baton Rouge celebration



Delmont Gardens Library Earth Day



Caddo Parish celebrates Earth Day at Alphonse Jackson Head Start garden

Healthy eating and gardening introduced at Mamou Elementary School

On April 16, Nutrition Assistant Melody Coco in Avoyelles Parish spent the day talking to students at Mamou Elementary about the importance of Healthy Eating. She explained the number of servings needed in each food group per day. Coco also explained the new version of the Food Guide Pyramid, "Choosemyplate," stating that "this is very easy for the students to understand."

Additionally, Coco is working with the school on a spring garden, with plans to do another garden in the fall. "The students will plant vegetables such as cabbage, lettuce, carrots, radishes, cauliflower and broccoli, Coco said.



Coco explains the Choosemyplate guide

Coco stated that the students have a tendency to try a new vegetable if they actually plant it, take care of it and watch it grow. At harvest, they are all excited and ready to try it. She explained that there are many easy ways to make a garden

such as using an old container. "The students interacted very well with the demonstration, were very well behaved and really enjoyed the presentation," Melody Coco said.



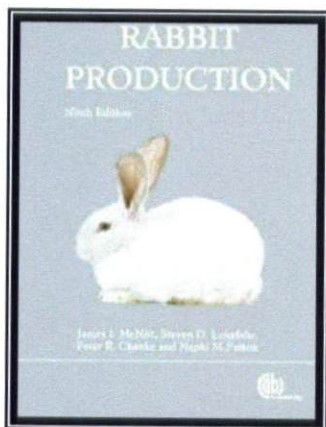
Correction:

Dr. Fatemeh Malekian is a full professor of nutrition, but in the last chancellor's report, she was denoted as associate professor.

FACULTY AND STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

McNitt authors *Rabbit Production* Book

SU Ag Center Professor Emeritus James McNitt is senior author of the recently published 9th edition of the book entitled *Rabbit Production*, now available online. Although the book will be released in May, 2013, you may pre-order it now at Amazon.com. ISBN-10: 1780640110 or ISBN-13: 978-1780640112.



“This new edition of *Rabbit Production* has been fully updated throughout. Mainly concerning rabbits bred for meat and fur, it also contains practical information on pet rabbits, show rabbits and rabbits used as laboratory animals. Core topics are covered, including rabbit genetics, reproduction, health and diseases, behavior, welfare, fur and meat production, rabbit production in developing countries, slaughtering and the marketing of rabbit products. Current areas of interest such as animal welfare and coat color genetics are expanded in the new edition. An important resource for all those involved in rabbit produc-

tion, this book is also vital reading for students and researchers of animal science and meat production, as well as the keen amateur rabbit enthusiast.”

Rabbit Production was published by CABI, Oxfordshire, UK. The authors are James I. McNitt, Professor Emeritus, Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center; Peter R. Cheeke, Professor Emeritus, Oregon State University; Nephi M. Patton, Professor Emeritus, Oregon State University; and Steven D. Lukefahr, Regents Professor, Texas A & M University-Kingsville.

Dr. McNitt can be contacted at jimcnitt@att.net or by telephone at 225- 654- 9252.

Dr. Gina E. Eubanks to hold joint appointment with SU and LSU Ag Centers

Effective May 1, 2013, Dr. Gina E. Eubanks, Vice Chancellor for Extension, will become a joint employee of the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center and the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center. It has been agreed upon by both Chancellors that the joint appointment is an excellent opportunity to strengthen the working relationship between the land grant universities.

This joint appointment is an excellent way of two institutions partnering to continue providing services to Louisiana citizens especially in the face of increasing budget cuts. Dr. Eubanks will serve as the Associate Vice Chancellor-Family and Consumer Sciences with LSU AgCenter, and continue to serve as the SU Ag Center Vice Chancellor for Extension at a reduced percent of time.



Dr. Gina E. Eubanks

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 26: La. Food & Ag Sciences Academy Residential Program Orientation at A.O. Williams Hall, SU University Ag Center, Baton Rouge, LA. For additional detail, contact Zanetta Augustine at 225-771-2591.

June 1-30: La. Food & Ag Sciences Academy Residential Program at A.O. Williams Hall, SU University Ag Center, Baton Rouge, LA. For additional detail, contact Zanetta Augustine at 225-771-2591.

June 13-15: Family and Youth Exposition. A.O. Williams Hall, SU University Ag Center, Baton Rouge, LA. For additional information, contact Wanda Burke at 225-771-5184.

June 29: Louisiana Small Farmer Ag Leadership Institute, A.O. Williams Hall, SU University Ag Center, Baton Rouge, LA. For further detail, contact Dawn Mellion-Patin at 225-771-3532.

July 19: Morehouse Parish Black Farmers & Landowners Association Field Day in Morehouse Parish. For further detail, contact Dawn Mellion-Patin at 225-771-3532.

July 20: The Wisteria Alliance - Food Preservation / Food Safety, A.O. Williams Hall, SU University Ag Center, Baton Rouge, LA. For further detail, contact Dawn Mellion-Patin at 225-771-3532.

July 27: Louisiana Small Farmer Ag Leadership Institute, A.O. Williams Hall, SU University Ag Center, Baton Rouge, LA. For further detail, contact Dawn Mellion-Patin at 225-771-3532.