Under the theme "God First: Formulating Strategies for Effective Service," Oakwood faculty and staff gathered at the McKee Business & Technology Complex July 31-August 2, 2012 for the annual Faculty and Staff Colloquium.

In addition to being the special Colloquium guest, Dr. Elissa Kido, Principal Investigator on the ground-breaking Cognitive Genesis Study (pictured, right, with South Central Conference President Dana Edmond and OU President Pollard), presented results at a K-12 Education Summit. The Cognitive Genesis Study revealed that Seventh-day Adventist K-12 students scored above expected in ALL subjects compared to other private and parochial school students.

(ballistics) Pastor Debleaire Snell, senior pastor of Huntsville's First Seventh-day Adventist Church,
preached power-packed devotionals each morning, and led us in corporate prayer.

Jeremiah Knight, director of Customer Service for Verizon Wireless in Huntsville, presented on the topic of customer service.

Reports and updates on divisional plans and activities from the vice presidents were also included.

Kisha Norris, Executive Director of Advancement and Development

Dr. Garland Dulan, VP for Academic Affairs


Oakwood’s newest flag, designation: The ISO (International Organization for Standardization) 9001:2008 -- making Oakwood the first-and-only HBCU, first-and-only SDA, and first-and-only Alabama school so certified.
New employees were welcomed into the Oakwood fellowship at a supper with President and Mrs. Pollard and Administrators on Wednesday night.

Kim Pearson, OU’s new female chaplain, reminded us not to be deceived by her petite size.

Ivy Starks and Jorge Bartholomew gave important logistical reminders...

OUPD Chief Lewis Eakins congratulated Capt. Francis Hughes, as he transitions to the Transportation Department (now under the direction of Physical Plant).
New and returning employees were welcomed, including Dr. Eurydice Osterman (standing, middle)

Keep Oakwood in your “Dailey” prayers as we begin the 2012-2013 academic year.

Microsoft Office 2010 Training Classes Beginning August 2012

What: Access, Outlook, PowerPoint, Excel and Word
When: Beginning Monday, August 20, 2012
Time: 5:45 pm – 7:45 pm Mon & Wed or Tues-Thurs
Cost: Free!!! (Snacks are provided each evening.)
Interested? Contact Patricia Beale: pbeale@oakwood.edu for enrollment instructions.

Instructors: Shaunda Roach (left) & Sandra Burton (right)

Hurry!!! Seating is Limited!
Support Oakwood students with an Oakwood license plate.

Purchase an "OU License Plate" for your car, by visiting your local Department of Motor Vehicles, like Advancement & Development Executive Director Kisha Norris (pictured, left) did recently. Funds generated are directed toward scholarships for OU students who are Alabama residents.

Outside Alabama? PR Intern Quran Simmons has been investigating availability of an Oakwood license plate in other states. So far, Connecticut, Delaware, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, North Carolina and Texas have responded to Quran’s inquiries. If you live in one of these states and would like to have an OU license plate for your state, as a means of helping to increase student scholarship funding here at OU, let us know by email: pr@oakwood.edu.

Did I hear something about a brownie?

Oakwood Alumni and Friends are invited to attend a complimentary brownie/ice cream reception at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center, Nashville, Tennessee, on Tuesday, August 7, 2012 at 6:30pm.

This event will be held during the NAD Teacher’s Convention. www.2012teachersconvention.com

Don’t miss this great opportunity to reconnect with your Oakwood family, visit with Oakwood faculty and administrators and hear about exciting updates from your school. There will also be a drawing for Oakwood gear and memorabilia. We can’t wait to see you in Nashville!

Who will be there? Fellow Oakwood Alumni and Friends, Dr. Leslie Pollard (President), OU Administrators and many more.

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Thanks for your support!
OU Student’s photography featured in New York Times

In April, the Council of Independent Colleges announced that the summer edition of the New York Times’ Education Life supplement was collecting student photos of "back-to-school" moments. Students were invited to submit a photograph (...) and then tell us the back story in 200 words or less.

Colee Mitchell, OU class of ’15, said: “The photo shoot started because we were bored. Then my friend Ashlea said “jump” and it turned joyous. I’m really ready to go back to school, to see friends and make more memories together. Oakwood is a Seventh-day Adventist school. There’s not a lot of Adventists so when you find someone who is, it brings you close. Photography credit goes to Ashlea Hendrickson (right)


As we consider the upcoming national election, did you know?

- **Alabama** will become a photo ID state in 2014 if its new law receives pre-clearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. - **Mississippi, South Carolina and Texas** have new strict photo ID laws which may take effect before November 2012 if they receive pre-clearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. - **New Hampshire** passed a new voter ID law in 2012. However, it will not take effect until it receives pre-clearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. - **Wisconsin**’s new strict photo ID law was held unconstitutional on March 12, 2012. It could take effect before November 2012 if that ruling is reversed by a higher court. - For more information, visit [http://www.ncsl.org/legislatures-elections/elections/voter-id.aspx](http://www.ncsl.org/legislatures-elections/elections/voter-id.aspx)
Missouri Governor appoints Oakwood alum as new Judge

Mark Morris of The Kansas City Star reports that Missouri Governor Jay Nixon recently announced that one of Jackson County’s top prosecutors will become the county’s newest judge. Kevin D. Harrell (pictured, left), the county’s chief deputy prosecutor, will fill the vacancy created when Judge Brian Wimes joined the federal bench. Read more here: http://www.kansascity.com/2012/07/24/3721197/respected-prosecutor-to-become.html#storylink=cpy

Columbia Union Constituency Overwhelmingly Approves Ordination Without Regard to Gender  (Contact: Celeste Ryan Blyden, communication director, Columbia Union Conference; (410) 997-3414; cryan@columbiaunion.net

In a specially called session of the Columbia Union Conference Constituency, delegates voted overwhelmingly to approve a recommendation from the union executive committee authorizing ordination without regard to gender. The historic vote was 209 in favor and 51 opposed, with nine abstentions—a ratio of 4 to 1.

The approved motion states: “That the Columbia Union Conference authorize ordination to the gospel ministry without regard to gender.” This means that the union will no longer deny requests from conferences to ordain proven female ministers to the gospel ministry.

"I’m with you, Constituents. We are part of the mission to preach the good news. I’m here today to say that I want to be part of the revival that is taking place in our church. It will not be an easy road. We’ll work together, but we are part of the worldwide church,” said Dave Weigley, president of the Columbia Union Conference.

The four-hour meeting was streamed live and is available at www.columbiaunion.org/2012specialconstituency.
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