Getting to Know You, . . . ★ ★

History and Political Science Department meets and greets, announces Historical Society -- The Department of History and Political Science celebrated the start of a new academic year with a meet and greet social on August 29, 2012, in Moran Hall. The event began with an invocation and devotional by sophomore Pre-Law major and
chaplain of the OU Pre-Law Society Alexandria Carrington. Next, Dr. Samuel London, department chair, welcomed everyone and introduced the Department faculty. He gave pertinent advice to the Department’s majors that will help them effectively matriculate through their respective programs (History, Political Science, Pre-Law, and International Studies).

Dr. London announced the formation of the OU Historical Society, a new student organization designed to promote the study of history, foster an appreciation for historical scholarship, and encourage students to pursue careers that utilize and/or promote historical studies. It will also seek to preserve historical sites and artifacts. Furthermore, the society will create a social environment for students to develop friendships and professional connections.

Dr. Ciro Sepulveda, faculty advisor to the Historical Society (pictured, right), described the host of exciting events planned for this academic year, including guest speakers and field trips, as well as publication and professional networking opportunities. He announced the organization’s inaugural meeting and officer elections on September 5.

Ms. Leandra Joseph, a sophomore Pre-law major and president of the OU Pre-Law Society, described several activities scheduled for this academic year, including movie nights, debates, LSAT prep meetings, and a plethora of guest speakers. She discussed the Department’s new mentoring program, in which incoming freshmen students are paired with upperclassmen to create a dynamic of friendship, support, and guidance. Several students signed up to participate in this initiative.

Finally, she reminded the assembly to support the Pre-Law Society’s “Legal Careers Seminar Series.” The first event, featuring guest speaker Judge M. Lynn Sherrod, (pictured, left) is scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the McKee Business and Technology Complex. Judge M. Lynn Sherrod will share her personal journey into the judicial arena, her duties as a Madison County District Judge, and provide tips for college students aspiring to become judges. This event is free and open to the public.

All enjoyed a good meal and engaged in a series of high spirited games (led by the officers of the Pre-Law Society). The faculty and staff who organized this event said its purpose was to promote a familial atmosphere within the department. The smiles and students’ enthusiasm was “evidence” that the goal was met.
One Date
Three Opportunities

September 13th
4-6 p.m.
Blake Center Mall

VOLUNTEER.
Volunteer with a local organization
to make a difference in Huntsville

JOIN.
Join the Bone Marrow Registry...
Save a life... BE THE MATCH

REGISTER TO VOTE!
in November.

For more info contact us at ext.8133 or ouserves@oakwood.edu

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The Oakwood campus is simultaneously mourning the loss, and yet celebrating the life and servant leadership, of Dean Philip Nixon. He began his professional service at Oakwood in 1986. Philip served as Resident Hall Dean at Edwards Hall and later became the Assistant Vice President of Student Services, where he worked until he fell asleep in the Lord on August 29, 2012.

Dean Nixon will long be remembered by his wife, Margaret; their sons, Marc and Andrew; his brothers John and Timothy Nixon; his sisters, Marguerite Pollard and Elise Wright, a host of other family members and loved ones, former Oakwood students, coworkers and friends.

The entire readership of this publication is asked to complete the College Experiences Survey, available at: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NDC66K5, which should take between 25-30 minutes.

In order to encourage you to be completely candid in your answers, your individual responses will be kept strictly confidential and not shared with anyone at Oakwood.

Your input is very important to us because it will help administrators, faculty members and student leaders improve the quality of experiences for future students. When you complete the College Experiences Survey, you will be invited to enter your name in a drawing for one of 10 iPod touches to use for yourself or give to someone else.

Please be sure that email links to surveymonkey.com will not be blocked by your email or spam filters. Be reassured that your survey responses are completely confidential. Your
individual answers will not be tied to any personal information so please feel free to share your honest opinions here: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NDC66K5.
If you know of friends who attended and/or graduated from an Adventist college or university, or of Adventists (or former Adventists) who attended and/or graduated from a public or other private college or university, feel free to share invite them to participate in the survey. If you have questions about the survey I invite you to contact Rob Weaver (rob@adventistcolleges.org or 402-486-2580) or Jimmy Kijai (Kijai@andrews.edu or 269-471-6240).

The Allied Health Program and the Allied Health Club will be hosting

Andrews University
&
Loma Linda University
Graduate School of Allied Health Professions

When: Monday, September 10, 2012 | Time: 5:30-7:00pm
Venue: Biology Auditorium (Cooper Science Complex)

Learn how to get the competitive edge for the Doctor of Physical Therapy, Master & Occupational Therapy Doctorate, Physician Assistant, Speech Language Pathology & Audiology, Orthotics & Prosthetics, and other Allied Health graduate programs. Refreshments will be served.

The Grand Reopening and Ribbon Cutting of the University Market Square is scheduled for Monday, September 10, 2012 – at 12:30 p.m.
Been to “the Snack Bar” lately? The Grill and Convenience Store have been redesigned, and the counter at the main entrance is now called Zebi’s. More information in next week’s issue. The facility is open during the following hours:

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Under the leadership of Dr. Prudence Pollard, Assistant VP of Leadership Development, the Oakwood University Leadership Academy (OULA) kicked off its 10-month series on September 5, 2012.

OULA is designed to “empower, support, and deploy high-impact supervisory leadership within Oakwood University.”

OU’s top executives and middle management leaders will be offered such courses as: Introduction to the Academies, Strategic Thinking and Leadership, Planning and Delegation, Essential Supervisory Skills: Communication & Performance Management, Accountability and Results Orientation, Conflict Resolution, Workforce Planning and Monitoring, Leadership and Motivation, Legal and Ethical Supervision, and Career and Employee Development.
Oakwood University has been invited to coordinate the Sabbath program at the Ellen G. White Estate’s Year-end Consultation, scheduled for January 4-7, 2013, on Kent Island, Maryland. Not only does this event afford our students an opportunity to present before a select group of world church leaders, but to also demonstrate before the world body that the next generation of Oakwood students are being prepared academically, spiritually and socially to address relevant issues facing the communities they must serve upon graduation.

We are looking for Oakwood instructors and students who are willing to participate in this project and meet the challenge of an extra-credit assignment in line with the Re-CONNECT research project 2013. Re-CONNECT research papers are to be formatted in 5-7 double spaced pages with a total of 25 references, addressing the issue of familial dysfunction and negative disparities affecting single parent households among African American families. The purpose of the papers is for students to discover what solutions and answers are offered in the Everlasting Gospel of Revelation 14:6-12, to rectify the family dysfunction and ensuing disparities decimating the African American community.

Students preparing the best eight papers will qualify for a scholarship and an all-expenses-paid trip to Kent Island. We welcome interdisciplinary collaboration on a unified service learning activity implementing the findings of our research.

Questions, input or responses should be directed to the Ellen G. White Estate, Oakwood University Branch Office at (256) 726-8423, or at jthompson@oakwood.edu or egw@oakwood.edu.
After Committed’s performance at the “ALObama” Democratic Party Gospel Brunch on September 2, 2012, in Charlotte, North Carolina, they took a picture with the Chairman of the Alabama Democratic Party, Judge Mark Kennedy, and Alabama Congresswoman, Terri Sewell.

CONGRATULATIONS, Again . . . and Again! OU men’s basketball coach enjoys summer of honors! Even during this “off-season,” Coach Tony McGinnis was both:

1) Awarded the “Young Professional of the Year” by the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce
   http://blog.al.com/huntsville-times-business/2012/08/aegis_technologies_its_ceo_win.html; and
2) Enshrined in the Boys and Girls Club Hall of Fame.

Earlier this year, OU men’s basketball head coach Tony McGinnis led the OU Men’s Ambassadors basketball team to capture the 2012 USCAA Division I collegiate men’s national championship: http://www.oakwood.edu/news/1619-ous-mens-ambassadors-uscaa-division-1-champions-return-home.
☆☆ Getting to Know You, . . .

OU? Oh, Yes! was created to “tell the Oakwood story.” With this issue, we’re starting a new “Getting to Know You” column that will feature campus units announcing their servant leadership, students, 2012-2013 initiatives and possible events for you to attend and support.

Team PR and “Getting to Know You” need your help. OU? Oh, Yes!'s audience, estimated to be about 10-12,000 weekly readers, is waiting anxiously to hear your story. Our goal? To work with each OU unit to “tell its Oakwood story” in OU? Oh, Yes! during this school year.

To help us, please:

a) Designate a person in your unit to serve as your “beat reporter” to keep OU? Oh, Yes! updated on your department’s events, special guests, publications, personnel awards and recognitions;

b) Take digital pictures at your event; and

c) Prepare for us a brief 200 to 300-word wrap-up of your event; and

d) Send both photos and write-ups to editor Debbe Millet at pr@oakwood.edu.

Just 60 days until Election Day.

http://www.electioncountdown.us/