Thanks to all our alumni, friends, supporters and our worldwide family for your support, which gave Oakwood a 50,000 vote lead on the last day of the competition!!!

Now,

If you're not in Huntsville to join us in person, join us "electronically" -- visit Oakwood's website, on the main page - click on "Spotlight" and select "Watch OUBN" -- or use this link: http://media.oakwood.edu.

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**Huntsville Bookends: Sunrise, . . . and Sunset**
by Tim Allston, Director - Public Relations, Oakwood University
(photography: Dock Savage, Keith So'Brien)

Celebration services for two high-profiled Huntsville leaders/Oakwood alums predominated last weekend, evoking a sunrise/sunset imagery.

SUNRISE: On Monday, April 29, Kenny Anderson became the City of Huntsville's new multicultural activities officer, replacing the retiring Mrs. Brenda Martin (OC '96).
On the preceding Sunday local diversity leaders, fellow First SDA Church members and close friends joined the 1983 alum and his wife Sonya for a consecration reception and send-off, as he leaves nearby Calhoun Community College as its Dean of Humanities & Social Sciences division.

Anderson will continue as the popular radio show host of his WJOU-FM public affairs program, "Second Chance," now entering its 22nd consecutive year.

However, across town at Madison Mission earlier that weekend,...

SUNSET: A standing-room-only congregation bid a tearful farewell to Madison Mission SDA Church founder Dr. James R. Doggette, Sr. Doggette, a 1982 alum and School of Religion associate professor, will become senior pastor of south Houston, Texas' Bellfort SDA Church.
On his last Sabbath as Senior Pastor, Dr. James R. Doggette, Sr. receives best wishes and farewells from the pastoral staff and members of the Madison Mission SDA Church.

Tributes, mayoral honors, multiple choirs' presentations and a final Doggette-as-senior-pastor sermon ("I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith, . . ." 2 Timothy 4:7) were held in the multi-use auditorium, renamed the James R. Doggette Family Life Center.

(Note: in his final action, "tour guide" Doggette showcases the proposed Madison Mission Worship Center, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gP-eUWKkOvM)

Local retired Church Leaders enjoy first "Power Lunch" with President and First Lady

On Monday, April 29, the First Couple hosted a Retired Pastoral Couples & Surviving Spouses Luncheon at the Bradford-Cleveland- Brooks Leadership Center auditorium.

There, the 51 attendees enjoyed sumptuous food and catching-up conversations, a video update of 2012-2013 campus events and milestones, as well as a special gift bag which included a blue-ribboned gold medallion to honor their servant leadership to Adventism and support for Oakwood.
The invited honorees were: Dr. & Mrs. Robert Andrews; Mrs. Geri Banfield; Dr. & Mrs. Charles Bradford; Mrs. Rose Carter; Mrs. Elizabeth Cleveland; Elder & Mrs. Sherman Cox; Mrs. Minneola Dixon; Elder & Mrs. Robert Douglas; Mrs. Ethel Dykes; Elder & Mrs. George Earle; Elder Joseph Follette, Sr.; Elder & Mrs. Gilbert Foster; Mrs. Lucy Goulbourne; Dr. & Mrs. Clarence Hodges; Mrs. Mabel Hoyte; Mrs. Dorothy Hudson-Smith; Elder & Mrs. Sylister Jackson; Elder & Mrs. Murray Joiner; Mrs. Doris Jones; Mrs. Dorothy Jones; Elder & Mrs. T. Marshall Kelly; Dr. & Mrs. Harold Lee; Elder & Mrs. Richard Long; Mrs. Gloria Meyers; Elder Earl Moore; Elder Hector Mouzon; Elder & Mrs. Luther Palmer; Elder & Mrs. Ephraim Pemberton; Elder Calvin Robinson; Dr. & Mrs. E.E. Rogers; Elder & Mrs. Douglas Simons; Elder & Mrs. Samuel Thomas; Mrs. Lucille Wagner; Elder & Mrs. Gerald Wells; Elder & Mrs. Lloyd Wilson; Elder Mrs. Fred Williams; Mrs. Bettye Willis; Mrs. Ramona Young.

Employment Opportunities at "the Oaks."

Registrar

Secretary/Office Manager - Registrar's Office

Assistant Network Administrator - Technology

Faculty - Chemistry

Assistant Professor - Psychology

To apply for these and other positions, visit the Human Resources page on Oakwood's website.
Spring 2013 Board of Trustees Meeting Highlights

(Note: Over these next several weekly issues, OU? Oh, Yes! will capture highlights from the reports of the various divisions; this week’s report comes from the President’s Office.)

- OU-established Consortium of African Adventist Universities and Partners’ first faculty exchange this summer, with Northern Caribbean University
- Motor Coach Purchase, via Executive Committee Vote of March 19, 2013
- 2012-2013 Capital Projects Line-up: Ford Hall ($4.5M) + Carter Hall ($5.5M) = Capital Campaign ($9 Million)
- Implemented best-practice recommendations from enrollment management consultants
- Create seamless Student Enrollment Services (SES), to include Financial Aid as part of the recruitment-enrollment process
- Installed new leadership in SES
- Installed new leadership in Enrollment Management
- Instituted minimum "quota" standards for recruitment and financial aid awarding
- Restructured and enhanced University Scholarship Program

Upcoming Events
- Faculty and Staff Think Tank--May
14-23, 2013

Additionally, the second quarter issue of the President's FYI newsletter was distributed. View the issue online (click here).

Miriam Battles, administrative assistant in the President's Office, instructs Board members on the new electronic voting procedures.

Next week:
Academic Administration report

On "Ask the Experts" this week --

President Dr. Leslie N. Pollard answers the question, "What is a leader?" on WAAY-TV's midday news program.
Keeping it real: “not just books” -- Learning through Serving!
By Dr. Martin Hodnett

At least seven courses offered at Oakwood University during spring semester 2013 had a service-learning component, where students had an opportunity to learn in a community setting as part of the course objectives. Students in these courses (collectively) provided over 1500 hours of serving learning to community organizations, including Village of Promise, the Child Development Lab, Chapman Middle School, Oakwood Adventist Academy, the Huntsville Housing Authority, and a number of others. The courses were:

1) NU 411/417, Community Health Nursing/Nursing Performance (Dr. K. Anderson)
2) CO 332, Writing for Public Relations (Mrs. P. Conwell)
3) IS 430 Web Design (Miss S. Roach)
4) FS439 Medical Nutrition Therapy (Dr. M. Sovyanhadi)
5) ED 318 Methods in Social Studies & Bible (Dr. I. Enniss)
6) OU 201 Community & Service Learning (Mrs. V. Leftridge); and
7) PSY 357 Health Psychology (Dr. M. Hodnett).
In the Health Psychology course taught by Dr. Hodnett, students were divided into groups of 4-5 individuals and were given the opportunity to choose a specific focus in mental or physical health. Each group developed a presentation, activities, and displays for either adults or children. On April 19, 2013, each of the groups gave a presentation to a group of adults or several groups of children who are residents of the Huntsville Housing Authority, the community partner of this project.

According to Hodnett, "Health promotion, an aspect of health psychology, focuses on educating and empowering individuals to take active control of their physical and psychological health. I believe that took place through the health and wellness fair conducted by our students. I’m particularly proud of our students for the exemplary work they did with children and adults from our community."
A Pre-PT student wrote: "From engaging in this experience, I realized that people who are less fortunate are just like us but with less money and not as good resources. I also realized that I can't blame people for not being healthy because a lot of people genuinely do not understand how to eat healthy. I realized that God has blessed my Christian denomination with so much good knowledge that needs to be spread throughout the nation and the world. I always knew this last part, but it really hit me as a result of this project. This experience also my thinking about my potential career. I thought I wanted to get my Doctorate in Physical Therapy, but as a result of this project and other things, (...) made me consider maybe doing something different including getting a Doctor of Public Health Preventive Specialist degree, so that I can really know that I am helping people."

Another student wrote: "This service experience really caused me to question how much is actually done for these communities by our university. This was my first service experience that was implemented in class. It should be done more often seeing that the motto of Oakwood University is 'Enter to learn, depart to serve.' Service should also be done while we are in school so it can be normal to serve when we leave."

Frederick Whitlow II, Youth and Family Services Coordinator at the Huntsville Housing Authority had this to say regarding the health and wellness coordinated by the Health Psychology class: "It is through meaningful and well planned service-learning projects such as this one that many lives in our community are impacted and empowered to achieve their lifelong goals. Together we will continue to fulfill the mission and goals of community involvement, self-sufficiency, and create a better quality of life, one family at a time. Keep up the good work OU."
In last week's issue, we made a mistake.

To OU? Oh, Yes! staff,

The name of the male basketball player in the white shirt pictured is incorrect. It should be Ryan Johnson.

Respectfully submitted by his proud mother,

Jackie Praylo-Johnson

The corrected caption should read: (left to right) Men's Ambassadors Coach Tony McGinnis, Ryan Johnson, and Assistant Coach Simon Jacob, Sr. Thanks for keeping us on our editorial toes!