



THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

LETTERS DAY

Lives Enriched Through Their Endeavors: Research and Scholarship

LETTERS DAY is a celebration for all our faculty, staff, current and prospective students, alumni and other community partners and supporters. Join us at the new Thad Cochran Center for the final day of Grand Opening Week celebrations!

September 8, 2006

LETTERS DAY focuses on the achievements of faculty members in the areas of research, creative endeavors and scholarship. The purpose is to celebrate the scholarly, scientific and creative explorations pursued by the many outstanding faculty members at Southern Miss.

SCHEDULE

- 9 a.m. "Life and Death in the Early Colonial Period on the Mississippi Gulf Coast: Recent Discoveries in the Wake of Katrina" – Dr. Marie Danforth, anthropology and sociology
- 10 a.m. "Katrina and the Schools: Insights into Weathering the Storm" – Dr. Mike Ward, Dr. Ronald Styron and Dr. Wanda Maulding, educational leadership and research
- 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Faculty book signings at the Barnes & Noble bookstore
- 11 a.m. "Hurricane Katrina and the Gulf Coast Research Lab: Effects and Recovery" – Dr. Bill Hawkins, Gulf Coast Research Laboratory and Coastal Sciences
- 12 noon "Hurricane Katrina as Viewed by the Central Gulf of Mexico Ocean Observing System, Mississippi's Component of the Global Ocean Observing System" – Dr. Stephen Howden, Marine Science
- 1:30 - 2 p.m. FACULTY SENATE AWARDS CEREMONY
- Junior Faculty Outstanding Teaching Award
Dr. Brent Wolfe, human performance & recreation
 - Junior Faculty Creative Activity Award
Dr. Steven Sloan, history
 - Junior Faculty Research Award
Dr. Michael Madson, psychology
 - Mentoring Award
Dr. Marie Danforth, anthropology and sociology
 - Community Service Award
Mr. Hugo Ley, architecture technology

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2 - 3 p.m.

LETTERS DAY AWARDS PRESENTATION

State of the Research Enterprise Report

Dr. Cecil Burge, vice president for research

Katrina Research Center Report

Dr. Raymond Scurfield, director

PRESENTATION OF INNOVATION AWARD WINNERS

- **Lifetime Contribution:**
Dr. R.D. Ellender, biological sciences
- **Basic Research:**
Dr. Vernon Asper, marine sciences
- **Applied Research:**
Dr. Philip Kolin, English
Dr. Kathy Yadrick, nutrition
- **Academic Partnerships:**
Dr. Agnes Hinton, community health

3 – 5 p.m.

Poster Session

Explore academic endeavors – posters displayed throughout

Collegial Tapas Reception and

join your colleagues in a celebration of achievement

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