

Convocation cont'd

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the responses of an intoxicated driver. The drunk driving simulation included the entire display in front of the stage, including a texting and driving simulator, the drunk driving simulator and a life-sized casket.

Ashley Gohl, senior mass communications major, said the presentation made her feel like she was back in high school.

"I wish he'd shown more statistics," Gohl said. "We see death all the time in the movies, so honestly, many of us won't be moved by [the presentation]."

Rich said the casket was a reminder of the possible consequences of driving intoxi-

cated and the graphic material can be effective depending on the viewer. Some are desensitized and don't care, but some are affected and make decisions to never drive impaired again.

"[I want everyone] to make smarter decisions with what they do in this world," Rich said. "Think a little more before you do things."

John Hannah, junior biomedical major, was the first student to try the drunk driving simulator and said the experience encouraged him to make wiser decisions when driving.

"I don't drink," Hannah said. "But I definitely need to not text and drive."

Power outage cont'd

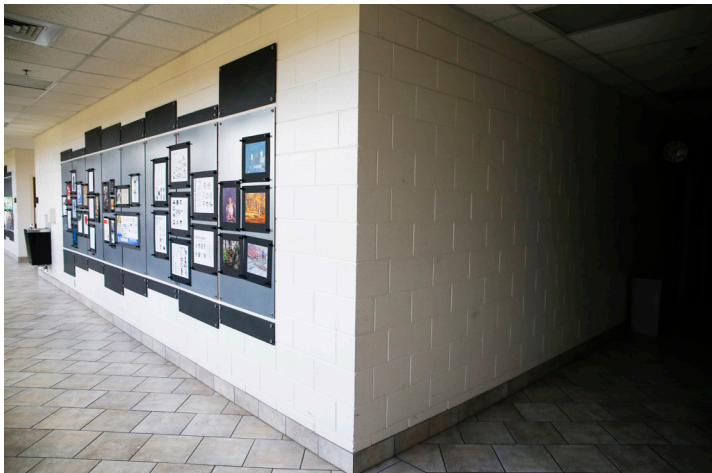


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The power outage at Brock Hall left the building empty with the only light source coming from the windows.

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lating to an estimated nine hours of repair work.

"I'm estimating that the repair [cost] is going to be between two and three thousand in total, but I don't know that for sure," Allemand said.

Repairs were finished around midnight and classes were approved to resume the next day in the affected buildings around 2 a.m. Thursday

morning.

"Had the power outage continued, it really would have impacted our class schedules for getting everything done between now and the end of the semester," Pamela Harris, professor in the School of Journalism and Communication, said. "We're thankful we got power back as quickly as we did."

Counseling services serves Southern



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If you are having roommate issues, a hard time pinpointing what your career should be, or just having a bad week, counseling services has resources that can help.

Located on the third floor of Lynn Wood Hall, counseling services offers multiple resources for students here at Southern.

"If you are facing any type of addiction or even something as simple as a difficulty with your roommate, they have a lot of [pamphlets] and advice they can give you about that," said Jonathan Johnson, senior psychology major.

Like many freshman, John-

son changed his major several times during his freshman year. After a visit with Jeremy Moore, career services coordinator, Johnson was able to gauge what the right path for him was. Now he is interning for the counseling center.

Counseling services arranges many awareness days for students. National Stress Awareness Day was on Nov. 7, and in a couple of weeks, there will be an alcohol awareness day.

Counseling services also provide educational workshops in the resident's halls and holds presentations for southern connection classes.

"Our goal is to provide emotional support to students at Southern," said Liane de Souza,

counseling services coordinator.

Confidentiality is very important to them; everything a student says is kept between the counselor and the student. The only reason this would not be the case is when someone's life is in danger.

If an individual threatens to harm themselves or someone else, by law, counselors are then required to contact a doctor for further help and will notify a dean.

"Our job, when we have somebody in our office, is not to tell them what to do, [but] help you to sort through your emotions so you can make a decision," said de Souza. "We give you the tools so you can make your own decisions."



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