

DATA SCIENCE

Every Other
Wednesday

4:45 to 6:00PM
Shelby Hall Rm 3104

SYSTEMS PROTECTION AND EXPLOITATION RESEARCH GROUP (SPERG)

Every Friday 10 – 11 a.m.
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PARTNER SCHOOL PROGRAM

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Quote of the Month

“It is only when they go
wrong that machines
remind you how powerful
they are”.

Clive James
(Australian Critic)

CFITS Lecture Series: Bill Oppenheimer

Wednesday, April 21st at 2:30 pm

“Everything You Wanted to Know About Computer Backup but Were Afraid to Ask”

Virtual lecture: Zoom link:

<https://southalabama.zoom.us/j/93895990015>

CFITS Speaker Profile

William (Bill) Oppenheimer

CEO of Enveloc

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William W. Oppenheimer is CEO of Enveloc, Inc., a software development company which specializes in backup and restoration software and services. His previous business experience includes an export management company specializing in agricultural machinery, founded in 1977. Oppenheimer Exports, Inc. grew to include two overseas sales offices and dealers in over sixty countries. He merged this company with the original family business, OPICO, in 1988, and continues to serve as an officer and board member.

His present and past civic involvements include serving on the boards of the Mobile Rotary Club (past president), Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, The Nature Conservancy in Alabama, NEST of Mobile, Family Counseling Center (past president), Habitat for Humanity, Dumas Wesley Community Center, Coastal Conservation Association, and the National Wild Turkey Federation Mobile. He is an Elder at Spring Hill Presbyterian Church.

He is also an avid hunter and fisherman, and enjoys playing keyboards with several bands. His college band, Diamond Reo 75, reunited after nearly forty years and released an EP, *Back on the Truck*, which includes his song, “Tell Me About the Time.”

Oppenheimer, a native of Mobile, received a B.A. degree from Yale University in 1975. He and his wife Nancy have two grown children and four grandchildren, all residing in Mobile.

April showers brings May flowers

Alumni Profile

Brian Holbert

Brian Holbert, PhD

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Brian graduated in 2002 with a Master's Degree in Computer Information Science. It was the accelerated program at USA that made it possible for him to get his degree. He had obtained his BS in Biology from Spring Hill College and was starting the PhD program at USA in Micro-Biology when he found computing. He wanted to make the switch and the fast track program made it easy for him with several undergraduate course requirements being offered at the master's level. He was able to work at Xante while in the program and as a graduate assistant for the department. His work as a graduate assistant is what lead him to choose education as his career.

The faculty member he most closely aligned with was Dr. Michael Doran. He loved robotics and so did Brian. Even though it was a MIS degree the program really allowed you to make you own path at that time and he was able to focus on real time system, robotics, and programming which were his passions. He worked with Dr. William Owen on his Thesis and he really taught him how to write. This served him well in the next phase as he went to the University of Texas at Arlington for his PhD in Computer Science.

As much as he loves teaching he still loves to program and he spends his free time writing mobile apps, but evangelizing for careers in computer science is a big part of his life and he has been coordinating some of the regional robotics competitions in north east Florida for the past 8 years. He really thinks it was his time with Dr. Doran that motivated him to want to teach computer science and share his love of it with the world.

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