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Fall Commencement Set for Dec. 18

Samford University will hold its fall commencement Saturday, Dec. 18. Approximately 300 seniors will receive degrees. The 10 a.m. ceremony will be held in Wright Center.

The Samford University School of Business has achieved accreditation of its bachelor's and master's degree programs from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business, the International Association for Management Education.

Samford—accredited as an institution since the 1920s—has one of the oldest business programs in Alabama, having offered undergraduate business degrees for 77 years and Master of Business Administration degrees for 32 years. The latest accreditation “further validates the quality of our business degree programs,” said Business Dean Carl J. Bellas.

Of the more than 1,200 U.S. universities and colleges offering undergraduate programs, fewer than 375 have achieved AACSB accreditation, according to the U.S. Department of Education. Samford is the only private university in Alabama to be so recognized.

Samford's business programs “have been valuable to the Birmingham community and a contribution to the creativity and entrepreneurship vital to the continuing renewal of our capitalist economic system,” said Samford President Thomas E. Corts.

He noted that Samford began offering the first MBA program in the Birmingham metro area in

1967. It has since added the Master of Accountancy degree program.

To achieve accreditation, the business program satisfied the expectations of a wide range of quality standards related to curriculum, faculty resources, intellectual climate, admission, degree requirements, library and computer facilities and financial resources.

During the process, Samford was visited and evaluated by business deans with detailed knowledge of management education, applying standards widely accepted in the educational community.

“The accreditation standards are ‘mission-driven,’ which means

that we've been recognized for achieving excellence while maintaining the distinctive attributes of a Samford education,” said Dean Bellas. “We are pleased with the recognition this brings to our alumni, students and faculty.”

AACSB is a not-for-profit organization consisting of more than 800 educational organizations and corporations. Its mission is to help universities and colleges achieve excellence in management education. Headquartered in St. Louis, Mo., AACSB is the premier accrediting agency and service organization for business schools.

Samford Cited as Family-Friendly Company

Samford University has been selected as one of Birmingham's Best Companies for Working Families by *Birmingham Family Times*. Marylyn Gavin, Director of Human Resources, accepted the

award at the recognition luncheon, which followed the Work/Family Forum Nov. 16. The forum, a half-day event, provides education and sharing of ideas on family-friendly

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Samford faculty members Susan Coan, left, and Karen Whelan-Berry, right, chat with James Blanchard following the Best Companies for Working Families Awards Luncheon. (Photo courtesy of Trudy Loop)

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The Onsite Proving Team

includes: Laverne Farmer (Business Affairs), Nancy Miller (Student Records), Maria Parker (Financial Aid), Sara Berry (Admission), Linda Sneed (Student Accounts), Mary Ann Tomlinson (Controller's Office), Judi Aucoin (Alumni Development), Garry Atkins (Residence Life), Ed Cherry (Library), Jan Farmer (Institutional Research), Jeanette Ellison (Payroll), and Dennis Self, John Morgan, John Hunt, Sherry Baldone, Glenn Schneider and Tracey Byerley (C&TS).

Computer and Telecommunication Services will have several people on site Jan. 1 to assure all central equipment is operating correctly; to verify that the network, including voice and data, is in full operable state, and to coordinate scheduling and notification

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Out & About

Amanda Borden (Speech Communication & Theatre) presented a poster session entitled "Problem-Based Learning in Core Curriculum Courses" at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association Nov. 5 in Chicago.

Jan Ann Box and David Finn (Education) along with **Nancy Parrish and Crysty Shoemaker** (Children's Learning Center) presented "Adapting Instruction for Students with Special Needs" for local child care and school personnel Nov. 6 at the Samford Children's Learning Center. Finn presented "Understanding (and coping with) children who have severe behavior problems" at the Alabama Head Start Association's fall training conference Nov. 17 in Birmingham.

Charles (Bo) Cole (Law) coordinated a visit of Brazilian judges from Sao Paulo to the Samford campus Oct. 24-30. The delegation was composed of Dr. Paulo Bekin (the group leader and attorney for the United States in Brazil) and Judges Roberto C. Barioni, Jorge A. de Carvalho Silva, Simone Gome Casoretti, Gilberto Menna Falcao, Fatima C. Mazzo Faria, Roberto Grassi Neto, Matilde J. Sutter and Massami Uyeda. During their visit, the group met with Alabama Attorney General Bill Pryor and his staff, enjoyed presentations from the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Alabama State Bar Association, the College of Liberal Arts of Auburn University, and attended numerous law classes. This was the fifth such annual visit of Brazilian jurists planned and implemented by Cole.

Tim Covington (Pharmacy) was a participant in the Nonprescription Medicines Academy [NMA] as one of 22 faculty attendees representing colleges of pharmacy across the U.S. The second annual meeting was held Sept. 16-18 in Cincinnati. The

conference facilitates a learning environment and networking opportunity to advance education and research in non-prescription medicines.

Jeffrey Flaniken (Music) served as chair for the Alabama American String Teachers Association's Nov. 13 state competition at Samford. Flaniken also performed as a guest artist on a faculty recital at the University of Montevallo Nov. 12.

Hugh Floyd (Sociology) presented a paper, "Using the Sociological Paradigm to Facilitate Change In Families With Members Who Are Disabled: A Case For Clinical Sociology," at the Mid-South Sociological Association Meeting in Jackson, Miss., Nov. 3-6.

Eric Fournier (Geography) attended the annual meeting of the National Council for Geographic Education in Boston, Mass. Nov. 5. While there, he was a panelist for a session entitled "Teaching World Geography: Problems and Approaches." He also attended the annual meeting of the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Nov. 22 in Tampa, Fla., where he participated in a session on the "Changing Cultural Geography of the American South."

Charlotte Freeman (Education) attended a three-day conference sponsored by Harvard University on "Learning and the Brain" Nov. 7-9.

Ginger Frost (History & Political Science) presented a paper entitled "In the Names of Morality and Religion: Illegitimate Children and Cohabitation in Victorian England" at the Southern Conference on British Studies in Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 5. Frost was named Vice-President and Program Chair for the SCBS for the 2001 and 2002 meetings.

Joyce Thompson Heames (Business) was one of three women from Alabama who attended the first Business Women's Network Global Economic Summit in Washington, D.C. Representatives from 97 countries, 43 states and 150 women's organizations attended the meeting.

Tom Hines, Genevieve Blaudeau and Heather West (World Languages & Cultures) organized and hosted a tribute to French language and culture Nov. 4-9 under the auspices of the American Association of Teachers of French. Events of the week included a piano recital of French music featuring the students of **Betty Sue Shepherd** (Music). A colloquium on the international status of French included a number of French-speaking panelists, representing Quebec, Morocco, Zaire, Rwanda and France, discussing the role of French in their native countries and professions. High school and Samford students gathered to hear a selection of French popular music, and **Lowell Vann** (Art) gave a slide presentation on impressionistic art in France.

Mike Howell (Biology) delivered a paper entitled "Environmental Formation of Androgens and Fish Masculinization" at Tulane University Medical Center Oct. 18. The presentation was given at the Center for Bioenvironmental Research as part of a



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program entitled "Environmental Hormones: Past, Present, Future: A Symposium Marking the 20th Anniversary of the First Meeting on Estrogens in the Environment (1979-1999)." Howell's presentation was featured in an article in the *New Orleans Times-Picayune* Oct. 20 and *The London Times (The Times Higher Education Supplement)* Oct. 22.

Jim Jensen (Music) has had several recent performances of his compositions. A new work for organ, *Two Traversals for Organ*, was premiered by **Ted Tibbs** (Music) Oct. 19 at Birmingham-Southern College. Jensen conducted the U.S. Army Field Band Nov. 7 in the Birmingham premiere of his newest work for concert band, *Elegy for Fred*. The Samford University Wind Quintet, in which he is the clarinetist, performed his *Four Perspectives for Wind Quintet* Nov. 9. Jensen and **Sharon Lawhon** (Music) attended a conference of the Society of Composers, Inc. Nov. 11-13 at the University of Miami, where Lawhon sang the Florida premiere of Jensen's *The New Yorker Songs*, a cycle of five songs composed for her.

William J. Keller (Pharmacy) presented an invited plenary lecture at the International Congress of Herbal Medicine Products in Santiago, Chile, Oct. 18-21. The Congress, organized by the Public Health Institute of Chile and sponsored by Fundacion Chile, featured herbal experts from around the world describing various aspects of herbal medicine in their home countries. Keller's presentation focused on herbal standards, legislation and safety/efficacy issues in the U.S. He also attended and moderated a scientific session at the International Conference on Ethnomedicine and Drug Discovery in Silver Spring, Md., Nov. 3-5. The conference—sponsored by the National Cancer Institute, the Ford Foundation and others—included speakers from around the world describing the importance of bioprospecting, biodiversity and biopiracy. Intellectual property of indigenous peoples relative to ethnomedicine and their right to this property was a major theme of the conference.

Cindy Formanek Kirk made a presentation at the 61st annual conference for the Association for Continuing Higher Education [ACHE] in Cincinnati. The Nov. 8 presentation, "Integrating College and Parenthood: Implications for Recruiting and Retaining Mothers of Young Children," included UAB's Jerry Aldridge.

David Little (Education) and two senior education students, **Stephanie Sprouse** and **Elizabeth Tiley**, recently received training by the National PTA in developing

curriculum standards for parent/family involvement in K-6 schools. The two-day workshop allowed the three Samford attendees an opportunity to team with Brookville Elementary School of Jefferson County to develop school-wide programs that foster meaningful parent and family relationships.

Mike McCormack (Business Services) will serve as secretary next year for the Southeast region of the National Association of Educational Buyers and will move up to the group's presidency in three years. The region includes colleges and universities in Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and Mississippi.

Heather Mitchell and Brent Latta (Career Development Center) will present a workshop entitled "A Career Counseling Model: Keep them coming back for more" to the Southern Association of Colleges and Employers Conference in Savannah, Ga., Dec. 6-8. Mitchell has been elected as president of the Jefferson-Shelby Chapter of the Alabama Counseling Association. Latta has been elected secretary/newsletter editor of the Alabama Career Development Association and she also serves as the Co-Chair of Membership for the Jefferson-Shelby Chapter of the Alabama Counseling Association.

Bill O'Brien (Divinity) was a trainer at an international workshop on Community Conflict Transformation held at the Los Angeles Convention Center Nov. 7-11. The workshop focused on an approach to mediation based on the South African experience and was led by six South African trainers teamed with six American trainers. The 150 participants from Asia, Africa and the U.S. were divided in six groups and led by the co-trainers. Initiated by The Plowshares Institute, the workshop was sponsored by the Los Angeles Human Relations Commission, Pew Charitable Trust, the Ford Foundation, USAid and others.

Valerie Prince (Pharmacy) presented "The Recovering Pharmacist—Survey Results" at the Southeastern Pharmacists Recovery Network Regional Meeting in Atlanta. Prince also presented "From Student to Practitioner: Making the Transition" at the American Pharmaceutical Association Academy of Students of Pharmacy Region 3 mid-year meeting in Atlanta.

Robin Roberts (Sociology) and **Penny Marler** (Religion & Philosophy), along with J. Walter Mason of UAB, published a research paper in the October 1999 issue

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of the American Sociological Association's journal, *Teaching Sociology*. The article is titled: "A True Specialist: Teaching Sociology Through a Service-Learning Project Involving the Construction of a Pit Latrine." Roberts and Obie Clayton, Jr., Director of the Morehouse Research Institute, organized and presided over a session on "Poverty and Sanitation in the Rural South: Old Issues—New Concerns" at the 25th annual meeting of the Mid-South Sociological Association Nov. 4 in Jackson, Miss.

Chuck Sands (Exercise Science & Sports Medicine) visited the principle investigators of the Jackson Heart Study at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Miss., Nov. 1. Sands' visit was to build relationships with the investigators and to begin some collaborative work on the project, studying cardiovascular disease and its relationship to exercise, diet and stress management.

Betty Sue Shepherd and **Timothy Banks** (Music) recently visited former piano student Clell Wright, minister of music at Bonhomme Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, Mo., in October for a concert of classical sacred music. Wright conducted the first half of the concert, and Banks conducted the second half while Wright performed Beethoven's *Choral Fantasy* on piano. Banks was Wright's conducting professor. Wright's wife, the former Carol Riggins, was also one of Shepherd's piano students. While in St. Louis, Shepherd attended the World Piano Pedagogy Conference. She also performed recently at the Alabama Theater for the Granada Gala, an event to raise money to house homeless women and children. She accompanied The Three Sopranos and performed as a soloist.

Stephen Ware (Law) was the luncheon speaker for the Alabama Civil Justice Reform Committee Nov. 2. He also spoke on arbitration to the law faculties at Case Western Reserve University and Cleveland State University Oct. 25 and 26.

K. C. White (Student Involvement) co-presented two workshops at the 50th Anniversary of the Southern Association for College Student Affairs Conference in Louisville, Ky. The sessions included "The Many Uses of Focus Groups in Student Affairs" and "Student Paraprofessional Staff: Providing a Framework for Their Future."

Nancy Whitt (English) read a paper, "Rosemary Radford Reuther and Alice Walker," at the conference of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association in Atlanta Nov. 4-6.

Don Wilson (History & Political Science) spoke to the XYZ Club at Mountain Brook Baptist Church Nov. 11 and the Hoover Historical Society Nov. 16 on "The Home Front In World War II."

Tom Woolley (Business) presented a paper entitled, "An Investigation of the Effect of the Swamping Phenomenon on Several Block Procedures for Multiple Outliers in Univariate Samples," before the annual meeting of Decision Sciences Institute in New Orleans.

During January, two groups from the department of World Languages and Cultures will be studying abroad. **Hajo** and **Denita Drees** will lead a group to study Germanic culture in Germany, Austria and Switzerland. **Bob** and **Barbara Crider** and **Lynda Jentsch** will accompany a group of 33 students who will be studying in Costa Rica.

The Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies hosted seven faculty members from the School of Education at Mississippi State Nov. 5. The MSU faculty have received a grant to redesign their curriculum and were interested in learning about Problem-Based Learning from the Samford experience.

Samford Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta Established

Samford's Department of Sociology has established a chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta, an international sociological honor society.

Sociology majors in their junior year with a 3.0 grade point average are eligible for membership in Alpha Kappa Delta.

Six Samford students were

recently inducted as founding members of Alpha Kappa Delta's Omicron of Alabama chapter.

Founded in 1920 at the University of Southern California, Alpha Kappa Delta has more than 300 chapters throughout the world.

Department chair Hugh Floyd will serve as chapter advisor.

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benefits and programs.

Samford made the list, which is determined by a panel of judges and a point value system based on 54 "family-friendly benefits/policies," for the first time. In addition to making the list for the best companies in Birmingham, the University was a finalist in the best of the medium-sized companies category. Samford benefits/policies cited included near-site childcare center with reduced rates for employees, a sick leave bank where employees can donate benefits to other employees when a catastrophic illness occurs, continuing education and tuition reimbursement for employees and their dependents, and "generous religious holiday observance and days off."

James H. Blanchard, CEO of Synovus Financial Corporation, spoke at the awards luncheon. *Fortune* magazine identified

Synovus as the number one organization on the magazine's list of "100 Best Companies To Work For In America."

Several Samford faculty were involved in the event. Karen Whelan-Berry (Business) served as the forum advisor, and she, Dan Sandifer-Stech (Education) and David Finn (Education) designed the forum program. Susan Coan (Business) served on the panel of judges.

Whelan-Berry said the honor "affirms the breadth and strength of Samford's employee benefits, programs and practices. At the same time, the typical family-friendliness across organizations continues to increase, so we should continue to work to be a leading organization in supporting healthy work/life balance for all employees. This would be in keeping with Samford's Christian mission, which values family and community."

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Food Drive a Success: Randy Todd (Classics) and Jamie McDaniel, chair of the Food Fight, present canned food items to the United Way's Community Food Bank Nov. 19. Members of the Samford community collected some 3,000 canned goods, including 800 contributed by faculty and staff. Jennifer Dunn is Community Service Director.

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December Calendar

Birthdays listed in red.
Celebrations

Wednesday, December 1

Berkley Fraser, Leven Hazlegrove (ret.),
Janice Tennyson

Thursday, December 2

Cecil George Betros, Marilyn Morton
(ret.), Betty Murray, Anne Stowe (ret.),
Arthur Weeks (ret.)

Friday, December 3

Eric Skipwith

Saturday, December 4

Karen Birk, Mitzi Davis, Jennifer Dunn,
Bruce Foster, Jared Hunt

Sunday, December 5

Tina Duffey, Billy Gamble (ret.), Shirley
Hutchens (ret.), Catherine McCarty, Brett
Stiefel, Stephen Todd, LaNeil Wilson (ret.),
Linda Wood

Monday, December 6

Jennifer Bentley, B.S. Ellis (ret.), David Garza

Tuesday, December 7

Emily Ann Baker, Dana Basinger, Janet Cone

Wednesday, December 8

Hajo Drees, Frannie Horn, Paul Kuruk

Thursday, December 9

Stefana Dan, William Lawson, Joseph
Rankin, Kim Whitfield

Friday, December 10

Abby Casey, Alto Garner (ret.), Carter
Law (ret.), Robert Moore, Bonnie Spear,
Joyce West (ret.), Etta Wilson (ret.)

Saturday, December 11

Vernon Davison (ret.), Jason Judkins,
Timothy Parenton

Sunday, December 12

Nena Sanders, David Smolin, Diane Wade

Monday, December 13

Laverne Farmer, Craig Galloway, Nancy
Miller, Ann Phillips

Tuesday, December 14

Bill Raabe, Linda Self

Wednesday, December 15

John L. Armstrong (ret.), Vera G. Brown (ret.)

Thursday, December 16

Rebecca Box, John Carter (ret.), Russell
Donaldson (ret.), Karen Joines, David
Nichols, Thomas Skinner

Friday, December 17

Latrell Anderson (ret.), Richard Dendy,
Janice Farmer, Suzanne Martin, Teresa
Mauldin, Warren Louis Ruden

Saturday, December 18

Daphne Carr, Dan Sandifer-Stech,
Lynne Stella

Sunday, December 19

Renate Harder, Charles Sands, Mary
Monk-Tutor

Monday, December 20

W. T. Edwards (ret.), Martha Clark,
Vickie Nichols, Melvin Smith (ret.)

Tuesday, December 21

Matt Sullivan

Wednesday, December 22

James Doughton, William Ross

Thursday, December 23

Nancy Biggio, Charles Coleman (ret.),
Maurine Giselle Gauthier, Pamela Sims,
Janet Thomason

Friday, December 24

Lee Carmon, Wayne Kendrick

Saturday, December 25

Ken Fentress, William Geer (ret.), Ceola
Giles (ret.), Joellen Henson

Sunday, December 26

Waymon Martin, Dea Mathews, Joyce
Rader (ret.)

Monday, December 27

Marilyn Bailey, Vitaly Charny, Jennifer
Marie Hammons, John Thomas

Tuesday, December 28

Carol Dean

Wednesday, December 29

Alisa Dunklin, Colleen Holcombe (ret.),
James Jensen, Jacqueline Tally

Thursday, December 30

Tamala Douglas

Friday, December 31

Benjamin Coulter, Rebecca Warr

Saturday, January 1

Rick Stephens

Monday, January 3

Paul Blackwell (ret.), Jewell Carter (ret.),
Janet Anne Hails, Katherine Grace
McDonald, Amy Snow

Tuesday, January 4

James Burson, Henry Glotfelty, Anne
Palmer, Donald Wilson

Thursday, January 6

James Cooper, Carolyn Featheringill,
Janet Keys

Friday, January 7

Brad Bishop, Caryl Privett

Saturday, January 8

Alice-Marie Morrison

Sunday, January 9

Timothy George, Linda Rainey, William
Self, Holly Watson

Monday, January 10

Frances Skelton, Jean Thomason, Bruce
David White

Tuesday, January 11

George Crawford (ret.), Patrick Pittman

Wednesday, January 12

Dustin Allen, Becky Atkinson, Wilton
Bunch

Thursday, January 13

Sandra Long, Robin McLendon,
Catherine Rowland

Friday, January 14

Sigurd Bryan, James Hous (ret.), Phil
Kimrey

Saturday, January 15

Gwendalyn Childs, Tracey Harwell,
David Mee, John Tarvin

Sunday, January 16

Doug Smith

Monday, January 17

Daniell Ferguson, Gail McKenzie,
Douglas McWhorter, Hattie Myers,
Suzanne Reeves, Mary Ann Tomlinson

Wednesday, January 19

Paula Floyd, Perry Morton (ret.), Robert
Stiles, Anita Wallace

Thursday, January 20

Mary Culotta, Carole Webb

Friday, January 21

Elaine Marshall, Mary White, Joel
Williams

Saturday, January 22

James Cook, Susan Harris, Karen
Newman, Robert Sharp, John Sowell

Sunday, January 23

Marsha Cremer, Sharon Duckworth,
Monica Michelle Rose, Kelly Stedeford,
Ruby Shepherd (ret.), Candace Todd,
Eunice Williams (ret.)

Monday, January 24

Naomie Abe, Ruth Ash, Barbara Crider,
Chris Allen Edwards, Mary Olks,
Barbara Sloan

Tuesday, January 25

Alabama Folsom Hager, Frederick
Howard, Pratibha Khare, Mary Nell
Miner (ret.), Neal Schooley, Andrew
Webster

Wednesday, January 26

Larron Harper, Stephanie Wright

Thursday, January 27

Jeraline Dorrough, Kathe Gabbe, Irene
Grubbs, Charles Stockes

Friday, January 28

Lynn Bailey, Bill Ellison, Rodney Max

Saturday, January 29

David Finn

Sunday, January 30

Donna Fitch, Jann Hammel, Randall
Richardson, Earlean Roberson

Monday, January 31

Stephen Ireri, David Pridemore



January

Monthly Theme:

• 7 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Chattanooga, Seibert Hall

• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Audrey Hester, Senior Congregational Studies Major*
• 10:30 a.m. Samford Auxiliary Meeting: "Home for Christmas From a Far Country—By a Different Way," Divinity Chapel

• 3 p.m. Faculty Senate Meeting, DBH 216
• 7:30 p.m. Festival of Christmas Music, Wright Center

• 4 p.m. Phi Mu Alpha Christmas Concert, Reid Chapel

• 7 p.m. Men's Basketball: SU vs. Campbell, Seibert Hall

• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Khalief Stamps, Senior Sociology Major*
• 11 a.m. Divinity Chapel: *Rev. Dr. Paul F.M. Zahl*
• 7:30 p.m. Bells of Buchanan Concert, Divinity Chapel

• 7 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Nicholls State, Seibert Hall

• 10 a.m. Chapel: Christmas Around The World

• 7:30 p.m. Samford Theatre: 10 Minute Play Festival, Harrison Theatre
• 12 p.m. Administrative Team Meeting, Flag Colonnade
• 7 p.m. Divinity Christmas Worship Service, Divinity Chapel

• 4 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Alabama State, Seibert Hall

• 10 a.m. Fall Commencement, Wright Center
• 2 p.m. Men's Basketball: SU vs. North Georgia, Seibert Hall

• 7 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Tennessee-Martin, Seibert Hall

JAN TERM REGISTRATION & CLASSES BEGIN

• 7 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Stetson, Seibert Hall

• 3 p.m. Faculty Senate Meeting, DBH 216

• 2 p.m. Men's Basketball: SU vs. Central Florida, Seibert Hall
• 4:15 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Jacksonville, Seibert Hall

• 7 p.m. Men's Basketball: SU vs. Florida Atlantic, Seibert Hall

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: NO CLASSES

JAN TERM CLASSES END
• 7:30 p.m. The Kocian String Quartet, Reid Chapel

JAN TERM FINAL EXAMS & SPRING SEMESTER VALIDATION

• 7 p.m. Men's Basketball: SU vs. Georgia State, Seibert Hall

SPRING SEMESTER CLASSES BEGIN

• 10 a.m. University Convocation, Wright Center
• 7 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Central Florida, Seibert Hall

• 7 p.m. Men's Basketball: SU vs. Jacksonville State, Seibert Hall

• 4 p.m. Women's Basketball: SU vs. Florida Atlantic, Seibert Hall

FALL CLASSES END

Through November 22, Samford faculty and staff had raised \$179,500 in gifts and pledges through the Samford Charity Campaign. This figure includes gifts to Samford University, United Way of Central Alabama, Samford's Habitat for Humanity house and the Samford Employee Emergency Assistance Fund.

Linda Ables	Lamar Burton	Tamala Douglas	Jann Hammel	Linda Killingsworth	David Mee	Robin Roberts	Ted Tibbs
Deborah Adams	Tracey Byerley	Denita Drees	Alan Hargrave	Phil Kimrey	Calvin Miller	Melissa Rodick	Paula Tillery
Holly Adams	Mary Jo Byrd	Hajo Drees	Donna Harless	James King	Nancy Miller	Bob Roller	Candace Todd
Sheila Aderhold	Scott Camp	Lewis Drummond	Mattilyn Harless	Raymond King	Heather Mitchell	William Ross	Randy Todd
Janet Alexander	Glenda Campbell	Tina Duffey	Ken Kirby	Frank Mobley	Joelle Rule	Charles Sands III	Mary Ann Tomlinson
Christy Allen	Lee Carmon	Donna Dunaway	John Harris	Barbara Money	Gloria Russell	Dennis Sansom	Perry Tompkins
Dustin Allen	Daphne Carr	Jennifer Dunn	Susan Harris	Tabitha Moore	Donald Sanders	Sharron Schlosser	Dara Trotter
Lee Allen	Abby Casey	Lea Dutton	Patricia Hart	Cherrill Morgan	Nena Sanders	Glenn Schneider	James Underwood
Myralyn Allgood	Betty Caterinichia	James Eck	Michael Hartline	Ann Kolter	Dan Sandifer-Stech	Dennis Self	Linda Vandiver
Melanie Alston	Cheryl Cecil	Mark Elliott	Tracy Harwell	Renee Kreienbrink	Don Sandley	Linda Self	Lowell Vann
Susan Alverson	Natina Chaffin	W. James Ellison	Joyce Heames	Jeanie Krumdieck	Lynette Sandley	James Senter	John Venable
James Angel	Edwina Chan	Jeanette Ellison	Todd Heifner	Jessica Kryger	Jo Ann Venes	Robert Service	Alan Verlender
Ruth Ash	Amy Chandler	Steven Epley	Fred Hendon	David Kulpe	Robin Vickers	Jeffery Shelley	Rebecca Warr
Garry Atkins	Kristie Chandler	Catherine Evans	Robert Hensarling	Patricia Kuntz	Judith Vinzant	Lora Shelton	Lavone Warren
Bruce Atkinson	David Chapman	Jill Evans	Katherine Herndon	Roger Lander	Kelly Vornauf-Bryant	Bill Nunnelley	Gerry Waters
Judi Aucoin	Joyce Chappellear	Jan Farmer	Alyssa Hester	Joel Landry	Diane Wade	Sandy O'Brien	Carole Webb
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Hunt Receives Theatre Award

Longtime Samford University Theatre director Harold Hunt, now retired, has been awarded the 1999 Theatre Hall of Fame Award by the Alabama Conference of Theatre and Speech [ACTS].



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The award, which recognizes past pioneers in Alabama theatre, was presented at the ACTS fall conference Oct. 23 at

Auburn University.

Hunt joined the Samford faculty in 1963 and served as head of the Department of Speech and Dramatic Arts—now Speech Communication and Theatre—from 1966 until his retirement in 1997.

During his 34-year Samford tenure, he directed more than 100 plays.

A former president of the Alabama Speech and Theatre Conference, he was active in regional and national associations.

The Alabama Association of Elementary School Administrators [AAESA] has selected Samford's Maurice Persall as the recipient of its 1999 Truman M. Pierce Leadership Award. This annual award is presented to an individual who has made outstanding contributions that advance the direction of education in Alabama. It honors the late Dr. Truman Pierce, who was Dean Emeritus of the College of Education at Auburn University.

Persall is Director of the Graduate Program and Associate Professor of Educational Administration in the Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional

Studies. Prior to joining Samford, he held educational leadership positions as Alabama Assistant State Superintendent of Education and superintendencies of Vestavia Hills and Arab schools.

Persall was a member of the Educational Advisory Committee of the Economic Development Partnership of Alabama and has served as Vice-President and President of the Alabama Association of School Administrators.



Persall

Dec. 3 Festival of Christmas Music To Feature Susan Patterson

Soprano Susan Patterson will be guest soloist for Samford's 1999 Festival of Christmas Music Friday, Dec. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in Wright Center Concert Hall.

Patterson, who has sung leading roles with major opera houses in the U.S. and Europe, will sing the soprano solos in the *Gloria* by Francis Poulenc. The piece is widely considered to be one of the major works for chorus and orchestra written in this century.

A Samford graduate from Birmingham, Patterson has appeared with the San Francisco Opera, Chicago Lyric Opera, the Opera Theater of Saint Louis and the New York City Opera. She made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera in 1998. Her European appearances include the famed La Scala in Milan, the Opera-Comique in Paris, the Netherlands Opera, the Danish Opera, the Cologne Opera and the English National Opera in London.

The Samford festival will also feature a 160-voice choir comprised of members of the Samford A Cappella Choir, University Chorale and MasterSingers, along



Susan Patterson

with the Samford Orchestra. Samford School of Music Dean Milburn Price will conduct.

The first half of the concert will include the A Cappella Choir conducted by Price, and University Chorale conducted by Timothy Banks. The groups will sing choral selections for the Christmas season.

Faculty and staff may purchase discounted tickets in advance for \$5. Proceeds will benefit the music scholarship fund. All seating is reserved. For information, call the Samford School of Music at 726-2778.

Samford Geography Hosts National GIS Day

The Samford University Department of Geography hosted a National GIS [Geographic Information Systems] Day Nov. 19. The University was one of 1,800 sites worldwide that held an event to commemorate the day, a part of Geography Awareness Week.

Representatives from the City of Birmingham, Alabama Power Company, Energen Data Services, Storm Water Management Authority, Jefferson County Information Services, USInfrastructure, Lucas Engineers and the Birmingham Regional Planning Commission made presentations for Samford students and other interested people about how GIS was being used in their respective businesses. Throughout the day, geography majors and minors and EGIS students worked at the Alabama

Power Company GIS display in the Food Court.

Afternoon sessions included demonstrations of GIS applications by students in the Geography/EGIS programs. Many of these are currently interns with companies using GIS. As the only GIS program in the Birmingham area, Samford is widely recognized in the GIS community for the quality of its graduates, many of whom are now instrumental as GIS analysts or managers of GIS systems in a number of the companies represented.

National GIS Day ended at Samford with a departmental open house for Arts and Sciences faculty to see GIS demonstrations and learn more about what geography has to offer Samford students.

Joys & Sorrows

- **Nancy Whitt's** (English) daughter, Vassilka, who became a citizen of the United States during a November ceremony in Atlanta.
- **Bob and Barbara Crider** (World Languages & Cultures) on the Oct. 11 birth of their grandson, Zachary David Turman. Proud parents are Samford alumni Joey and Stephanie Crider Turman.
- **Lynn Bailey** (Post Office) in the death of his mother, Alice.
- **June Myers** (Math) on the Sept. 28 death of her brother, Cecil Cox.

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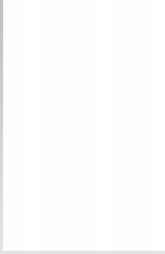
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