INSIDE Samford

A newsletter for faculty, staff, and friends of Samford University • **September 2001**

The Howard English and Classical School—Samford's original name—opened its in doors in January of 1842 in Marion, Ala., with an enrollment of nine male students. All were Alabamians. This fall, more than 4,500 men and women from about 39 states and 26 foreign nations make up the Samford student body. Samford alumni live in all states and many countries.

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Retreat Planned Sept. 21–22 for Samford Faculty and Staff

A weekend retreat for Samford faculty and staff has been planned to address the topic of renewing life and spirit. The retreat, "Enriching the Academic Soul," will be held Sept. 21–22.

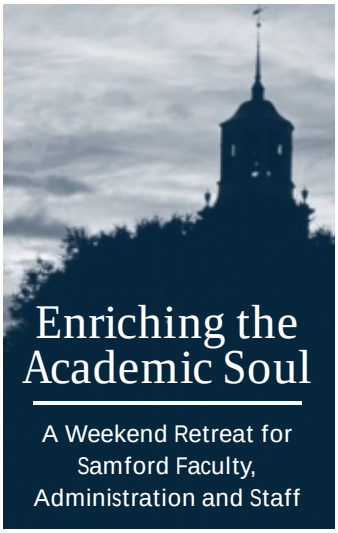
The Friday night session will be held 6–9 p.m., and Saturday's session is 8:30–11 a.m.

The retreat will include presentations, conversation, worship and fellowship.

Presentations will focus on the topics of adult development and the academic, pedagogical theory and spiritual life, prayer and Christian devotional practices for midlife renewal. Presenters include Gary Furr, Norfleete Day, Mary Ann Hocutt, Morgan Ponder, Dennis Sansom and Dan Sandifer-Stech

All sessions will be held in Orlean Bullard Beeson Hall 233.

Cost for the retreat is $5. For reservations or more information, contact Jean Thomason at ext. 2198 or E-mail mbthomas@samford.edu. ■



$200,000 Goal Set for 2001 Samford Charity Campaign

The third annual Samford Charity Campaign kicked off recently with an announced goal of $200,000. Solicitations for the campaign will occur across the Samford campus in departmental faculty and staff meetings through mid-October.

The campaign is the annual University-wide campaign to benefit:

- **United Way of Central Alabama:** Gifts fund 75 health and human service organizations in the five-county metro Birmingham area.
- **Samford Habitat for Humanity home:** Gifts are accumulated and invested to build a home each year for a local family in partnership with Greater Birmingham Habitat for Humanity.
- **Samford Employee Emergency Assistance Fund:** Monies will be used to assist Samford employees who have experienced personal emergencies and are in need of financial assistance.
- **The University:** Gifts may be designated to specific University funds or to the Samford Fund, which meets needs across the University.

Gifts to Samford Charity may be made outright (cash, check, credit card) or via payroll deduction.

As a sign of appreciation, the names and departments of participating contributors in the Samford Charity campaign will be listed in the December issue of *Inside Samford*.

The Samford Charity Council is comprised of a representative from each school and administrative division of the University. The council assists in leading and promoting the annual campaign.

For more information about the Samford Charity Campaign, contact Lee Insko at ext. 2823 or by E-mail at lainsko@samford.edu. ■

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Education Professor David Little Receives Buchanan Teaching Award

David Little, director of elementary education in the Teacher Education Department of Samford's Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies, is the recipient of this year's John H. Buchanan Award for Teaching Excellence.

Little received the award during the University's semester-opening convocation Aug. 28 in Seibert Hall. The selection is based on a vote of the previous spring's graduating seniors.

The award, which honors the late John H. Buchanan, longtime pastor of Southside Baptist Church and a Samford trustee, carries with it a silver tray and a $1,000 check.

After teaching elementary school for 13 years, Little joined the Samford faculty in 1988. He teaches reading and classroom management courses in the elementary education undergraduate program, and advanced reading courses at the graduate level.

David Little

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Little serves as coordinator of Samford's Summer Institute for Teaching Excellence [SSITE], the annual conference for exemplary teachers from the Southeast. He also coordinates the Horizons program for entering freshmen.

Little "invests generously in students, both inside and outside the classroom," said Samford Acting Provost Dr. Joe O. Lewis in presenting the award.

Little graduated from the University of Montevallo with a bachelor of science degree in elementary education and received master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Alabama. ■

Out & About

Janet Alexander, Gretchen McDaniel and **Barbara Money** (Nursing) presented a four-hour workshop to nursing faculty on Implementing PBL in Undergraduate Graduate Education at the national conference, Innovations in Teaching: Strategies for Nurse Educators, in San Francisco Aug. 8.

Scott Asbill, Brett English and **Andy Webster** (Pharmacy) were awarded a $13,600 grant from ISIS Pharmaceuticals in Carlsbad, Calif. They will investigate the expression of intracellular adhesion molecule 1 in epiderm after treatment with a novel antisense oligonucleotide (ISIS-2302). They will attempt to treat psoriasis at the genetic level, utilizing novel drugs that target a gene thought to be responsible for the disease state.

Scott Asbill, Marshall Cates, Brett English and **Andy Webster** (Pharmacy) were awarded a $60,000 grant in collaboration with Janssen Pharmaceutica and the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Tuscaloosa, for a clinical research trial entitled, "Effects of Risperidone and Olanzapine on Weight Gain, Physical Health, Compliance and Outcome in a Community Sample of Severely and Persistently Ill Patients," in which the effects of these atypical antipsychotics on weight gain will be evaluated.

Ruth Ash and **Jeanie Box** (Education) presented at the National Consortium for Continuous Improvement in Higher Education in New York July 30. The title of their presentation was "Preparing Teachers for the 21st Century: A New Paradigm Shift—Measuring Performance."

Jennifer Beall, Gary Bumgarner, Andrea Boosinger and **Sherry Price** (Pharmacy) recently attended "Jump Start for New Faculty," a pharmacy faculty development seminar presented by the Albany College of Pharmacy Center for Teaching and Learning in Albany, N.Y. The conference was developed to introduce new faculty in pharmacy schools to the current states and future directions of pharmacy education and higher education in general, as well as information pertinent to getting started in an academic career.

Jonathan Bass' (History) book, *Blessed Are the Peacemakers*, has been nominated for the 2001 National Book Award in Nonfiction, sponsored by the National Book Foundation.

Marian Baur and **Judy Bourrand** (Nursing) collaborated in a cultural/educational exchange with Mohamed I University, the University of Oujda, Morocco, in late May and early June to facilitate faculty/student relations with professors from this university and with health-care agency personnel. Faculty and students had an opportunity to examine health-care practices in a variety of clinical settings and to attend classes at the university, focusing on Moroccan culture. This exchange was accomplished through a grant from the Consortium for Global Education. Contacts were also made in Tunis, Tunisia, with the Tunisian/American Chamber of Commerce and the health-care sector as well as contacts with health-care officials and tours of health-care agencies in Melilla, Spain. Nursing students Natalie Floyd, Lynn Fleming and Marie Mompoint also participated.

Jim Boockholdt (Business) is on sabbatical from Samford during 2001–02. He is conducting research in international accounting and is teaching at the University of La Verne, an English language, American-style university in Athens, Greece.

Edwina Chan, Bob Henderson, Charles Sands and **Tim Welty** (Pharmacy) attended the third East Asian Conference on the Development of Pharmacy Practice and Education at Meijo University, Faculty of Pharmacy, Nagoya, Japan, July 28–31. Chan presented "Current Initiatives in Clinical Pharmacy Practice and Education in the United States." Henderson presented a poster, "Experiential Assessment: A Model Separating Assessment and Grade Assignment." Welty presented two posters, "Development of Practice Experiences for Pharmacy Students" and "Weight Loss Associated with Use of Zonisamide in European and U.S. Clinical Trials." Sands and his graduate student, Xie Hong Juan, presented a poster, "The effect of Danshen (Salvia militiorriza) on Warfarin Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics in Rats." Sands and Henderson serve on the conference organizing committee.

Charles (Bo) Cole (Law) directed Samford's study-abroad program at the University of Sao Paulo Law School during July. Students from six U.S. law schools and graduate students in the Master of Comparative Law program participated. The students and faculty were received by the Tribunal Justicia (the Supreme Court for the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil) for lunch and a tour of the Palace of Justice, including visitations to appeals in progress July 25. The program also offered field trips to Rio de Janeiro and Embu, a local historical site, during the course of the month. While in Brazil, Cole was informed by the American Judicature Society that he had been elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of that organization.

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Mitzi Davis (Law) was named to the 2002 Annual Meeting and Educational Conference Planning Work Group of the Law School Admissions Council. The meeting will be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in June 2002.

Carol Dean (Education) conducted a PBL workshop for teachers at Pizitz Middle School Aug. 14 as part of an ongoing partnership. She will work with teachers this year to develop and implement PBL problems at Pizitz and will conduct research on the effectiveness of PBL in engaging middle school students. On Aug. 16, Dean made a presentation at Columbus State University's Faculty Institute in Columbus, Ga., on the PBL work in the School of Education and Professional Studies at Samford.

Jim Eck (Institutional Research) was elected to a two-year term as member-at-large on the board of the Southern Association for Institutional Research [SAIR].

Timothy George (Divinity) was selected to serve on the advisory board of the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life. The forum, a new project supported by The Pew Charitable Trusts, seeks to promote a deeper understanding of how religion shapes American ideas and institutions. Its purpose is to bridge the worlds of scholarship, public policy and journalism to function as both a clearinghouse and a town hall.

Patricia Hart (Human Sciences & Design) participated in a Hispanic Health Fair held in Pelham in May. Area churches, hospitals and clinics were represented. Blood pressure, blood sugar screenings, nutrition counseling and information from various health organizations were available to Hispanic participants. Hart, **Jim Angel** (Exercise Science & Sports Medicine), **Beth Miller** (Exercise Science & Sports Medicine) and four Samford students hiked, biked, snorkled, swam and climbed their way through Cuba as part of a PHED 122 activity class in June. Thousands of dollars worth of medicine, medical supplies, personal items and clothing were collected in Alabama by the students and distributed to Cuban Baptist Churches.

Joyce Thompson Heames (Business) completed the certification course for the program "Who Moved My Cheese" in July. This program explores how people deal effectively with change, both personally and professionally. It also takes a look at how effectively teams can facilitate change if different change resistances are identified and used productively.

Paul Holloway's (Religion) article, "The Enthymeme as an Element of Style in Paul," appeared this summer in the *Journal of Biblical Literature* 120/2 (2001) 329–339.

Emily Hynds and **Sonya Stanley** (Mathematics & Computer Science) attended the August Mathfest in Madison, Wisc. The Mathfest is held each summer and is sponsored by the Mathematical Association of America. Stanley also attended the Women Count Conference (held in conjunction with Mathfest), a meeting that addressed ways to encourage more young women to study mathematics and to pursue careers in mathematics. Hynds attended Mathfest in conjunction with her participation in Project NExT, a program sponsored by the MAA to assist recent Ph.D.'s as they begin their academic careers.

Archie Lockamy (Business) led a workshop for business executives called "How to Use Internet Technologies for Competitive Advantage" July 12 at Samford. The workshop was cosponsored by the School of Business, Stonebridge Technologies and DRK Research and Consulting. Lockamy also presented two research papers at the eighth annual American Production and Inventory Control Society Educational and Research Foundation Summer Academic Workshop July 28. The papers were entitled "Global Supply Chain Management: Developing A Virtual Enterprise in South Africa" and "Best Practices in the Extended B2B Supply Chain: A Proposal for a Statistical Benchmarking Study."

John Mayfield (History) presented a paper on antebellum Southern humor to the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, which met in Baltimore in July.

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Samford University is an Equal Opportunity Institution and welcomes applications for employment and educational programs from all individuals regardless of race, color, sex, age, disability, or national or ethnic origin.

Karen Newman (Nursing) was awarded the State Award for Excellence as a Nurse Practitioner by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners. Newman was also appointed to an advisory council regarding historical research for the Alabama Board of Nursing. Her recent presentation was in San Francisco Aug. 6: "Caring for Culturally Diverse Populations: Integrating Innovative Clinical Rotations for Family Nurse Practitioner Students." This was a national conference sponsored by the Mosby Publishing Company, Division of Continuing Education and Training.

Milburn Price (Performing Arts) served as chair of the 2001 Biennial National Leadership Conference for the American Choral Directors Association in Oklahoma City Aug. 3–4.

Rebecca Remley (Performing Arts) had a composition performed on the Classical Stage during this summer's City Stages. The name of the composition is "Of Two Friends," written for alto flute and piano.

Dan Sandifer-Stech and **Clara Gerhardt** (Human Development & Family Studies) will have an article titled, "Real-world roles: Problem-Based Learning in Undergraduate Family Studies Courses" published in the fall edition of *Journal of Teaching in Marriage and Family.*

Charles Sands (Pharmacy), visiting professor, Yanbian University, Yanji, China, attended the International Symposium on Advances in Interventional Cardiology and Coronary Heart Disease (Chinese Cardiology Society) held in Dalian, China Aug. 3–5, where he made a presentation entitled "Antithrombotic Therapy in Atrial Fibrillation."

Dennis Sansom (Philosophy) published with **John Harris** (Academic Affairs) "Discerning Is More Than Counting" with the American Academy for Liberal Education. Sansom will present a paper, "The Wisdom of Love Versus the Wisdom of Apathy: The Contrast of St. Augustine and the Stoics," at the Pruit Memorial Symposium, and "Augustine's Confession: Reading for the Millennium," October 4–6 at Baylor University. He has also been asked to join as an ethicist on the Institutional Biosafety Committee of Princeton Baptist Medical Center.

Bill Service (Business) attended the Society for Case Research July conference at Miami University in Ohio and presented two cases. One case, coauthored with **Ed Felton** (Business), addressed the enforcement of drug abuse policies. The other case, coauthored with **James King** (Business), was on a new manager's most dreaded task: the performance appraisal. In August, at The Americas Conference on Information Systems, Service presented a paper he coauthored with **Jim Boockholdt** (Business), "Achieving Competitive Advantage Through Information Technology."

Condit Steil (Pharmacy) was appointed to the Enhancing Communication Abilities Task Force for the AACP Section of Teachers of Pharmacy Practice for 2001–02.

Billy Strickland (Performing Arts) is chair-elect of the American Guild of Handbell Ringers, Inc., Area VI (Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee). In this capacity, he will oversee the 2003 Festival-Conference in Memphis, Tenn. Samford's handbell choir, The Bells of Buchanan, played the opening concert for the AGEHR Area IV–VI Festival-Conference June 22 at First United Methodist Church, Birmingham. The concert was attended by 567 registered handbell ringers from 10 southeastern states. Strickland presented "Advanced Conducting for Handbell Directors" at the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers, Inc., Area IV–VI Festival-Conference. The conference was held at the BJCC June 22–24.

Corky Strickland (Law) recently gave bar exam review lectures in six cities in four states. He also taught in BarBri-NILE's law school preparation programs held at Harvard, Pepperdine and St. Mary's law schools.

The Legal Assistant Education Program of the Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies received full reapproval by the American Bar Association in August. The reapproval is for a term of seven years and is the American Bar Association equivalent to accreditation. The director of the program is **Les Sturdivant Ennis.**

1998 Samford pharmacy alumni Robert and Heather Warhurst of Clarian Health System in Indianapolis, **Brett English, Scott Asbill** and **Andy Webster** (Pharmacy) have received grants from Roche Pharmaceutical Co., Glaxo Smith Kline and the Clarian Health System (Methodist-IS-Riley) to investigate the compatibility of the anticoagulant argatroban and several members of the cephalosporin antibiotic family. These grants will provide support for four doctor of pharmacy student senior projects. The central instrument used in the study is the High-Performance Liquid Chromatography [HPLC] system, purchased last year with a University grant.

The Public Affairs Research Council of Alabama (PARCA) has received the Governmental Research Association's Certificate of Merit for Effective Citizen Education for its report, "How Alabama's Taxes Compare."

SeptemberCalendar

Birthday are listed in red.

Sunday, September 2
Linda Jones, Mearl Danner

Monday, September 3
Alexander Bolla, Carrie Hill, Betty Sue Shepherd, Nicole Siegfried, Lean Trigg
All Classes Meet
University Offices Are Open

Tuesday, September 4
Jane Hiles, Pamla Little, Patricia Naro, Kenneth Tremelling
• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Bronwyn Schwiegert*
• 11 a.m. Divinity Chapel: *Gary Waybright*, president, Trinity International University

Thursday, September 6
Jerry Batson, Lisa McNeal, Perry Relfe, Gerry Waters, Tracy Wiggins
• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Gary Fenton*, pastor, Dawson Memorial Baptist Church

Friday, September 7
• 3 p.m. Faculty Senate Meeting, DBH 216

Saturday, September 8
Ashley Gassner

Sunday, September 9
Tom Fuller, Jan Paine, Susan Rice

Tuesday, September 11
Tina Chaffin, Robert Henderson, Dennis Jones, Mary Jane Niesen
• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Paul Loeb*
• 11 a.m. Divinity Chapel: *Timothy George*

Wednesday, September 12
Bill Gray, Rob Willis

Thursday, September 13
Paul Blanchard, Jeanie Box, John Watkins
• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Samuel Pettagrue*, pastor, Sardis Baptist Church

Friday, September 14
Norfleete Day
• 12 p.m. Volleyball: SU vs. Belmont, Seibert Hall
• 6 p.m. Soccer: SU vs. Tennessee Tech, Soccer Field
• 7:30 p.m. Volleyball: SU vs. Tennessee State, Seibert Hall

Saturday, September 15
Karen Appleby, Wanda Lucas
• 11 a.m. Football: SU vs. Tennessee Tech, Seibert Stadium
• 11:30 a.m. Volleyball: SU vs. Birmingham-Southern, Seibert Hall
• 7 p.m. Volleyball: SU vs. South Alabama, Seibert Hall

Sunday, September 16
Alice Bullington

Monday, September 17
Tristan Tillette, Linda Winfield

Tuesday, September 18
Allison Jones
Christian Emphasis Week
• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Dieter Zander*
• 11 a.m. Divinity Chapel
• 6 p.m. Soccer: SU vs. Mississippi State, Soccer Field
• 7 p.m. Volleyball: SU vs. UAB, Seibert Hall

Wednesday, September 19
Pat Cissell, Jerry Harris, Steven Hood, Cathy Horton, Mary Newell, Condit Steil
Christian Emphasis Week
• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Dieter Zander*

Thursday, September 20
Michael Janas, Tanya Parks, Nina Strickland
Christian Emphasis Week
• 10 a.m. Chapel: *Dieter Zander*
• 6 p.m. Soccer: SU vs. Lipscomb, Soccer Field
• 7 p.m. Volleyball: SU vs. Memphis, Seibert Hall

Friday, September 21
Sherry George, Dennis Self

Saturday, September 22
Donna Dunaway, Pete Hurt
Leadership Samford Weekend

Sunday, September 23
Leadership Samford Weekend

Monday, September 24
Judy Gachet, Bradley Hodges, Melba Maudlin

Tuesday, September 25
Marlene Reed
• 10 a.m. Chapel: Summer Missions Reflections
• 11 a.m. Divinity Chapel
• 7:30 p.m. Guest Artist Recital: *Cynthia Perry Jones*, pianist, Recital Hall

Wednesday, September 26
Cynthia Benser, Janice James

Thursday, September 27
Chris Scott
• 10 a.m. Chapel: Summer Missions Reflections

Friday, September 28
Lynne Barnes, Stacey Kerr, Chris Metress, Trisha Olson, Paula Tillery
• 12 p.m. Faculty/Staff Devotional, *Greg Jeane*, Flag Colonnade

Saturday, September 29
Elizabeth McCullough
• 2 p.m. Volleyball: SU vs. Troy State, Seibert Hall

Sunday, September 30
Jessica Browne, Renee DeHart, Jeanette Ellison, Kathy Parnell, Candra Smith, Paula Thompson

Joys & Sorrows

Congratulations to . . .

- **Rosemary Carnley** (Financial Aid) on the Aug. 7 birth of her grandson, Finnegan Lee Dowdey.
- **Crystal Dodd** (Law) on her July 28 marriage to Curt Grier. Crystal is the daughter of Lisa Dodd (Printing).
- **Penny Marler** (Religion) on her Aug. 4 marriage to C. Kirk Hadaway.

Sympathy is expressed to . . .

- The family and friends of **Alto Garner** (retired, Education) who died in early August.
- **Linda Rainey** (Law) in the death of her mother-in-law.
- **Dianna Sanders** (Basketball) in the death of her mother, Mae Ritter.
- **Bob Schrimsher** (Pharmacy) in the death of his son-in-law, William Carson.

Mabry Holt loved his family and friends.

He would have felt so blessed to have known the love and concern you have shown his family.

Dear Dr. Corts,

In this time of sorrow, I have been deeply touched by the outpouring of concern showered upon me in various ways from all across the Samford campus. I am truly privileged to be a part of such a caring community.

Thank you and the staff especially for the beautiful potted plant sent to us in remembrance of Mabry.

Sincerely,
Ruth Holt

The family of Brooke Davis acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

Our family thanks you for the lovely plant. We appreciate your support and comfort through visits, cards, food and especially your prayers.

Please continue to remember us in your prayers.

Jackie Davis and family

Thank you to the Samford Community:

For all the expressions of care and concern . . . for all the prayers that we felt and that sustained us . . . for all the cards, flowers, food and more . . . we offer this humble and grateful thank you.

We are truly blessed to be part of such a compassionate, concerned, caring community.

Marianne and Jon Clemmensen

Women's Cross-Country Posts Nation's Second Best GPA

Samford's women's cross-country team had the nation's second highest team GPA and was named Academic All-American Team with Distinction by the NCAA.

Samford's team GPA of 3.67 was second only to the University of Nebraska with 3.69. Belmont (3.64), Indiana State (3.62) and Northern Arizona (3.61) rounded out the top five. To qualify for the Academic All-American Team, a team must have a cumulative 3.0 GPA. Thirty-nine schools had a team GPA of 3.35 to earn "with distinction" honors.

"This is a tribute to how hard our student-athletes work on the course and in the classroom," said Coach Glenn McWaters. "Samford puts high expectations on its student-athletes, and to see our team honored with this distinction is a testament to the kids who earned it."

Samford student-athletes were recognized earlier this summer as the Bulldogs won the Atlantic Sun Academic Championship for the second consecutive year. Samford had 54.1 percent (112 of 207) of its student-athletes receive a 3.0 or higher grade point average. ■

Samford Tax Planning Seminar Set for Oct. 11

Samford's Office of Gift and Estate Planning has scheduled an Oct. 11 teleconference on the 2001 Tax Reform Act. The noon event, open to faculty and staff, will be held in Brock Forum.

The one-hour seminar will present a series of case studies on how to benefit from the recent federal tax reduction. Presenters Betsy Mangone, Claudia Sangster and Charles Schultz will discuss tax-saving ideas such as the gift annuity, the sale and unitrust, and the retirement unitrust.

For reservations or more information, contact Stan Davis at ext. 2366 or E-mail csdavis@samford.edu. ■

Law Students Sign Birmingham Pledge

The Class of 2004 at Samford's Cumberland School of Law began their law school experience Aug. 13 by signing the Birmingham Pledge, a statement of commitment to ending racial prejudice.

On the first day of Cumberland's weeklong orientation, incoming first-year students heard a talk by Birmingham Pledge author James E. Rotch, a partner at the Birmingham firm of Bradley Arant Rose & White. Rotch wrote the Birmingham Pledge in 1997 to find a way to make a positive impact on racial harmony in Alabama.

Since then, more than 70,000 people have signed the Birmingham Pledge, including the President of the United States, members of Congress, governors, state legislators, mayors, and citizens around the world. Each Birmingham Pledge signed and returned to Birmingham is recorded at the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute as a permanent testament to racial reconciliation, peace and harmony.

Rotch noted that "it is the duty of every lawyer to strive for equal justice under the law. Where racial prejudice exists, equal justice is often impossible. The Birmingham Pledge is a means by which lawyers can fight racial prejudice and promote equal justice."

The Cumberland Class of 2004 includes 174 students from 12 states and 59 undergraduate colleges and universities. ■

Board Formed to Support Women's Athletics

Samford Athletics recently formed a Women's Athletics Advisory Board. The mission of the board is to enhance the experience of female student-athletes at Samford by gaining fan and financial support and involving the student-athletes in mentorship and service programs.

The first president of the Women's Athletics Advisory Board is Jay Roberson of the Alabama Sports Foundation/ Bruno Event Team.

According to Joelle Rule, assistant director of athletics, "We are pleased to have the support of so many people who love Samford and are willing to give their time to ensure that female student-athletes have a wonderful college experience."

The first event sponsored by the advisory board is the Oct. 6 Samford University Women's Walk. The 30-minute walk will raise money specifically for women's athletics. Individuals will be asked to raise a minimum of $100 in sponsorship and participate in the 9 a.m. walk.

For more information about the walk or the advisory board, contact Rule at ext. 2907 or E-mail jlrule@samford.edu. ■

NEW FACES

Emily Adams *(PARCA)*
Annette Alston *(Athletics)*
Melanie Alston *(Admission)*
Karla Bean *(Divinity)*
Kimberly Boyd *(Metro College)*
Joseph Carlisle *(Library)*
Anthony Scott Curtis *(Residence Life)*
Bobby Deavers *(Pharmacy)*
Lauren Dressback *(Residence Life)*
Terry Hale *(Campus Safety)*
David Hedges *(Residence Life)*
Bradley Hodges *(Residence Life)*
Jessica Leigh Hudson *(Performing Arts)*
Kerwin Lonzo *(Athletics)*
Christy Mathis *(Performing Arts)*
Rachel Michel *(Residence Life)*
Tonya Moore *(Campus Safety)*
Ashley Norman *(Athletics)*
Kathy Parnell *(Communication Arts)*
Seth Patterson *(Library)*
Tal Prince *(Divinity)*
Bridget Rose *(Divinity)*
Debora Ruffin *(Pharmacy)*
Michael Ruzicka *(Library)*
Kim Sims *(from World Languages to Student Records)*
Scarlett Stewart *(Residence Life)*
Lauren Taylor *(Residence Life)*
Jenny Vires *(SCIENCENTER)*
Dee Dee Warren *(Divinity)*
Heather White *(Residence Life)*
Jerry Wilkerson *(Library)*
Ricardo Woods *(Residence Life)*
Vanessa Wooddy *(Children's Learning Center)*