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Construction Underway at Seibert, Other Summer Projects Looming

Samford began work this summer on four major projects that are part of the Samford Promise multiyear campus improvement plan begun in 2004. The Samford board of trustees approved these and other construction projects during its spring meeting April 14.

The improvements scheduled for the summer of 2005 include:

• **Synthetic playing surface for Seibert Stadium.** Sporturf of Dalton, Ga., is installing the turf that will enable the football team to use the stadium for practice as well as games. Completion of the $1 million project is expected before Aug. 1.

The new turf will free up Samford's existing football practice field to become the site of a new tennis center, which in turn will provide part of the space needed for the new $25 million arena/fitness center announced in April.

• **New surface parking lot for 320 cars.** Construction of this lot south of Seibert Stadium will be completed during the early fall semester at a cost of $1 million.

• **Installation of a new heating, ventilation and air conditioning system for Robinson Hall.** The law building will receive an efficient new HVAC system at a cost of $3.2 million. The massive undertaking required law offices and classrooms to relocate in Brooks and Russell halls, and the Lucille Stewart Beeson Law Library for the summer. The project is set for completion no later than Aug. 15.

• **Construction of a new heating plant.** The first of three new heating plants planned for various quadrants of the campus, this project coincides with improvements to Robinson Hall and is necessary for the proper functioning of the campus-wide HVAC system. Total cost of the three plants will be $10 million. ■

Seibert Field is being readied for its new synthetic turf.

Samford Psychology Chair Chew Receives National Teaching Award

Samford University psychology professor Stephen L. Chew received the American Psychological Association's 2005 Robert S. Daniel Teaching Excellence Award. The honor recognizes the nation's top psychology teacher in the four-year college category.

Dr. Chew, chair of the Samford psychology department since he joined the faculty in 1993, will receive the award during the APA Convention in Washington, D.C., this summer.

In addition to a plaque and $750 cash award, he will be featured in an upcoming issue of *Teaching of Psychology* magazine.

Chew's research specialties include human memory and thought processes, cognition and instruction, and perception. He is a former Carnegie Scholar chosen by the Carnegie Foundation for Advancement of Learning, Carnegie Alabama Professor of the Year and recipient of Samford's John H. Buchanan Award for Teaching Excellence. ■

Dr. Chew

Genealogy Institute June 12–17 Draws More than 200 from 32 States

More than 200 genealogists from 32 states will attend Samford University's annual Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research June 12–17. A 31-member faculty will lead an in-depth study of how to research family ancestry, and participants will have the use of the University Library's extensive genealogy collection.

The weeklong program is comprised of 10 courses delving into genealogy techniques, technology, evidence analysis, research in the South, government documents, military records, land records, Irish genealogy and other areas.

Samford's genealogy institute, held annually for more than 40 years, is one of the better-known programs in the nation. Samford Library Director Jean Thomason serves as director.

The IGHR also offers an annual travel course to the United Kingdom. This year's program is scheduled for June 23–July 16, and will concentrate on resources in London and southeast England. Enrollees reside at Daniel House. ■

Out & About

Ed Craig and **Lainie Williamson** (Law Library) were elected treasurer and secretary, respectively, of the Law Libraries Association of Alabama at its spring meeting at the University of Alabama School of Law Library May 13. Also attending the spring meeting from the Samford Law Library were **Becky Clapp, Cherie Feenker, Becky Hutto, Brenda Jones** and **Grace Simms.**

Lissa Burleson (Financial Aid) was elected treasurer of the Alabama Association of Financial Aid Administrators at its April meeting.

Charles (Bo) Cole (Law) will direct master of comparative law students from Brazil and Turkey as they complete work at Samford in June. The 2005 class is comprised of five judges and two practicing lawyers from Brazil, and a practicing lawyer from Turkey. In July, Cole will lead Cumberland's study-abroad program at the University of Durham in England. The eight MCL students also will participate in that program, along with 41 law students from five U.S. law schools.

Della Darby and **Lori Northrup** (University Library) presented a poster session, "Using Server-Side Include Commands for Subject Web Page Management: An Alternative to Database-Driven Technologies for the Smaller Academic Library" at the Alabama Library Association convention in April. Darby also coordinated four Alabama Association of College and Research Libraries/College, University and Special Libraries Division "Best Practices" programs at the convention.

Larry Davenport (Biology) was elected president of the Alabama Academy of Science for 2005–06. He succeeds his biology department colleague, **Ron Jenkins,** in the post.

Norfleete Day (Divinity) will lead a spiritual retreat for incoming doctor of ministry students June 14–16, Bible study at Vestavia Hills Baptist Church July 13 and a workshop for the Pastors School July 19–21. She and **Calvin Miller** (Divinity) will lead a student travel course to Ireland and Scotland July 30–Aug. 12.

David Finn (Children's Learning Center) presented a keynote address at the International Conference on Social and Special Education Care in Liberec, Czech Republic. His topic was "America Responds to Children with Special Needs." The conference was in collaboration with Project ABLe (authentic-based learning), a special education effort between Vaxjo University of Sweden, the Technical University of Liberec and Samford.

Timothy George (Divinity) attended a meeting of the Faith and Order Commission in Geneva, Switzerland, and helped draft the new World Council of Churches document, "The Nature and Mission of the Church." In April, he presented the Staley Lectures at California Baptist University. Among his recent writings are "The Blessed Virgin Mary: An Evangelical Perspective," in *Mary, Mother of God,* edited by Carl E. Braaten and Robert W. Jensen; "Modernizing Luther, Domesticating Paul: Another Perspective," in *Justification and Variegated Nomism,* edited by D. A. Carson, P. T. O'Brien and M. A. Seifrid; and a book coauthored with John Woodbridge, *The Mark of Jesus: Loving in a Way the World Can See.*

Betsy Holloway (Business) presented two papers at the 34th European Marketing Academy Conference in Milan, Italy, May 24–27. Her topics were "Critical Service Encounters: An Extension of the Online Environment," cowritten with University of Alabama marketing professor Sharon E. Beatty and doctoral candidate Alicia A. Dixon, and "Using Perceived Corporate Reputation as an Attitudinal Segmentation Criterion: Findings from Germany," cowritten with University of Strathclyde (Scotland) professors Gianfranco Walsh and Keith Dinnie.

George

Latham

Monk-Tutor

Webster

Bryan Johnson (English) was featured for National Poetry Month in the April issue of *Birmingham Magazine.*

Sarah Latham (Institutional Research) was elected conference chair/president-elect of the Alabama Association of Institutional Research.

Jack Nelson (Law) served as legal consultant on living wills for the Eternal Word Television Network's *WorldOver* television program May 6. The program has an international audience that takes call-in or e-mail questions and comments.

Jane Leask (Student Records) won the Barksdale-Maynard Prize for Fiction from the University of Alabama at Birmingham English department for her short story, "Lost & Found." The story will be published in an upcoming issue of *Aura,* UAB's literary arts magazine. Leask is enrolled in UAB's M.A.-English program with a concentration in creative writing.

Mary Monk-Tutor (Pharmacy) and **Karren Crowson,** a member of the McWhorter School of Pharmacy advisory board, collaborated on an article, "Use of Automated Controlled Substance Cabinets for Detection of Subversion in U.S. Hospitals," that has been accepted by the peer-reviewed journal, *Hospital Pharmacy.* Monk-Tutor and **Pamela Sims** were invited speakers, and **Charles Sands III** (all of Pharmacy) was moderator at the International Clinical Pharmacy Education Symposium and Workshop at Meijo University, Nagoya, Japan, Feb. 26. The Meijo School of Pharmacy translated the McWhorter monograph on problem-based learning, compiled and edited by Monk-Tutor, into Japanese for publication in May. McWhorter originally published the monograph in 2002.

Morgan Ponder (Chemistry) gave a talk May 6 on teaching at a primarily undergraduate institution during a symposium for University of Alabama at Birmingham postdoctoral associates. The purpose of the symposium was to present career options other than faculty positions at research-oriented institutions.

Milburn Price (Performing Arts) will serve as guest lecturer at the summer session of the Russian Academy of Church Music in Moscow June 29-July 1, and deliver the commencement address July 2. Earlier, he will be guest conductor for the Kentucky Baptist All-State Youth Choir the week of June 19–27.

Bridget Rose ((Divinity) served as a judge for the apologetics competition at the Region VII National Christian Forensics and Communications Association Invitational National Qualifying Speech and Debate Tournament May 3. The tournament at Mountain Brook Community Church drew more than 150 competitors from four states.

Allen Ross (Divinity) is leading a Bible study tour to Israel. It began May 22 and concludes June 5. Earlier, he spoke at the Center for Biblical Studies in Tallahassee May 13–14 and spoke at the spring Bible conference for Christ Anglican Church in Mobile April 15–17.

Ken Roxburgh (Religion) will preach a series of six Sunday sermons on "Roots That Refresh" at Vestavia Hills Baptist Church during June and July.

Chuck Sands (Exercise Science and Sports Medicine) will travel to Yanbian University in Yanji, China, during late July and early August to plan phase two of a longitudinal research project studying childhood obesity in China and the U.S. Phase one was completed last fall.

Bob Schrimsher (Pharmacy) was elected vice president/president-elect of the Alabama Association of College and Research Libraries [AACRL]. He also was awarded Senior Member status in the Academy of Health Information Professionals [AHIP] by the Credentialing Committee of the Medical Library Association.

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JuneJulyCalendar

(Birthdays are listed in red.)

Wednesday, June 1
James Garrett, Kevin Kozak, Shelley Vail
Cumberland School of Law classes begin.

Thursday, June 2
James Hubbs, Mitchell Love
Baptist History and Heritage Conference, through June 4
Alabama Music Teachers Association Convention, through June 4

Friday, June 3
Jana Peairson, Laura Smith
• 8 p.m. Concert: *Santiago Rodriguez,* pianist, Harrison Theatre. Call *Jordan Catt* at 870-8059 for tickets.

Saturday, June 4
David Downing (ret.), Frances Owens (ret.), David Roberts (ret.)

Sunday, June 5
Emory Haygood, Lenita Hunter, Mary Pickett, Jon Remley, Sharon Young
• 2–4 p.m. Opening Reception, Alabama Designer Craftsmen 2005 Gallery Exhibition, Wright Center Art Gallery, show on exhibit through June 23, Mon.–Fri., 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Monday, June 6
First Summer Term classes begin.

Tuesday, June 7
Jennings Marshall, Molly McAllister, Barbara Snyder, Becky Strickland

Wednesday, June 8
David Dedo, Gene Garza, Nancy Hicks (ret.), Mike Howell, Ruth Hudson, Doris Miller (ret.), Andy Parrish, Metta Faye Street (ret.), Marjorie Walker, Parham Williams (ret.)
• 7:30 p.m. Miss Alabama Preliminary, Wright Center Concert Hall

Thursday, June 9
Scott Camp, John Halbert, John Ott, Linda Swann
New Student Orientation, First Group
• 7:30 p.m. Miss Alabama Preliminary, Wright Center Concert Hall

Friday, June 10
Mark Baggett, Karen Lee, Donald Sweeney
New Student Orientation, First Group
• 7:30 p.m. Miss Alabama Preliminary, Wright Center Concert Hall

Saturday, June 11
Beth Ashmore, Joey Duke
• 7:30 p.m. Miss Alabama Finals, Wright Center Concert Hall

Sunday, June 12
Shawn Gregory, Greg Jeane, John Killinger (ret.)
Alabama Governor's School, through June 24
Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, through June 17

Monday, June 13
Rita Brown, Alan Hargrave, Mark Mathieu, James Pate
New Student Orientation, Second Group

Tuesday, June 14
Ronald Burgess, Michael Fiedler. Linda Vandiver
New Student Orientation, Second Group

Thursday, June 16
Buford Gates, Laura Gomez

Friday, June 17
Stephen Inman, Theresa Kanute, Scott McGinnis, Glenn McWaters, Mary Miller, Carole Webb, Darlene Wright

Saturday, June 18
Bob David (ret.)
• 6:30 p.m. Kenny Morgan Scholarship Foundation Dinner, Beeson University Center Main Dining Room

Sunday, June 19
Ann Armstrong (ret.), Diane Baker, Laura Beason, Jeffrey Corley, Beth Habeishi, David Little, Lucy Phillips, Angulus Wilson

Monday, June 20
Jane Leask, Evan Zeiger (ret.)
New Student Orientation, Third Group

Tuesday, June 21
Joe Dean, Charles T. Workman
New Student Orientation, Third Group

Wednesday, June 22
William Belski, Cecil Cherry, Chris Gillespie, Charles Workman

Thursday, June 23
Jeffrey Flaniken, Michelle Joiner, Tonya Moore, Bob Roller, Curtis Stephens (ret.)
New Student Orientation, Fourth Group

Friday, June 24
Joseph Zellner
New Student Orientation, Fourth Group

Sunday, June 26
Martha Alverson (ret.), Elmer Cottrell, Jacqueline Davis

Monday, June 27
James Carlson, Janet Carr, Laura Cotlin, Betty Duncan (ret.), Allison Jackson, Donald Sloan (ret.), Georgia Traylor (ret.)

Tuesday, June 28
Sara Eddings (ret.), Staci Gwinn, Tom Hines (ret.)

Wednesday, June 29
Grace Christian (ret.), Richard Gates, Marie Holley (ret.), Jeannie McCutchen, Pete Neuberger, Willia Powell (ret.), Caldwell Stevenson, Teresa Wilborn

Thursday, June 30
Sylvia Barron, Elizabeth Emmons

Friday, July 1
Joel Landry, Betty White (ret.)

Saturday, July 2
Martha Brown (ret.), Yasuhiko Oyama

Sunday, July 3
Patricia Clotfelter, Betty Love, Penny Marler, Tamara Shadinger

Monday, July 4
Roy Brigance (ret.), Renee Butcher, James Carter, David Chapman, Bernice Harville (ret.), Thomas Rohling, Henry White (ret.)
Happy Independence Day!
University is closed

Tuesday, July 5
David Bains, Kenneth Van Sise (ret.)

Wednesday, July 6
Suzanne Lacey, Lois Roberson (ret.), Clarissa Tomlinson

Thursday, July 7
Ken Brazil, Maisha Freeman, Jack Sharp, Christopher Whatley
First Summer Term classes end

Friday, July 8
Leslie Ennis, Eleanor Ousley (ret.), Iva Thomas
First Summer Term final exams

Saturday, July 9
Edward Felton (ret.), Viola Jackson (ret.), Daniel Mitchell, Barbara Thorn (ret.)

Sunday, July 10
Gene Black (ret.), Shonna McLin, Jeanette Rader

Monday, July 11
Richard Herzog, Connie Macon, Daniel Smith, Valarie Weedman
Second Summer Term classes begin

Tuesday, July 12
Janica Carter, Cathy Franklin, Bovorn Sirikul

Wednesday, July 13
Rosemary Carnley (ret.), Joyce Cox (ret.), Moya Nordlund

Thursday, July 14
Jo Anne Coggins, Amy Gale, Chicketta Jackson

Friday, July 15
Roderick Davis, Elsie Ray (ret.), Ann Sargent, Pamela Walker

Saturday, July 16
Angela Flaniken, Harold Hunt (ret.), Rhenae Kennedy

Sunday, July 17
Bruce Atkinson, Sonya Davis, Lisa Gurley, Darlene Mathis

Monday, July 18
Robin Roberts
Pastors School, through July 22

Tuesday, July 19
Cynthia Dahlke, Clayton Fogg, Karen Hubbard, William Rosenblum

Wednesday, July 20
Gene Calhoun, Sandra Fox, Debra McGrady

Thursday, July 21
Betty Caterinichia, Miriam Cherry, Mark Elliott (ret.)

Friday, July 22
Janet Bratschi, Antonietta Hyche

Saturday, July 23
Joel Gilbert, David Glenn, Deborah Strickland

Sunday, July 24
Susan Barineau, Jennifer Coleman, Michael Floyd, Elizabeth Kleinberg, Sarah Latham, Archie Lockamy, Donald Nation

Monday, July 25
Pat Gardner (ret.), Kathey Gassner, Emily Warren

Tuesday, July 26
Bobby Breed, Martha Ann Cox (ret.), Michele Haralson, Mary McCullough

Wednesday, July 27
Linda Ables, Lisa Dodd, Marian Ferguson (ret.), Billy Ivey, Stacy Lauderdale

Thursday, July 28
Robert Hensarling, Cathy Thompson, Tom Woolley

Friday, July 29
Travis Richards, Fred Shepherd, Robert Turner

Saturday, July 30
Paul Aucoin, Rachel McWhorter, Ian Thompson
• 7 p.m. Jefferson County Junior Miss Scholarship Pageant Final, Wright Center Concert Hall

Sunday, July 31
Beryl Flurry, Rachel Fry, Jacqueline Goldstein, Martha Hearn (ret.), Michael Kendrach, Jack Nelson, Dennis Sansom

Joys & Sorrows

Congratulations to . . .

• **Caroline Gowins** (Human Resources) on the May 4 birth of her grandson, Benjamin David Dale, to parents Kym and David Dale

• **Nicki McWilliams** (Institutional Research) and her husband, Shaun, on the March 4 birth of their son, Jordan Shaun

• **Chez Shaeffer** (Computer and Telecommunications Services) and her husband, Chris, on Chris' graduation May 7 from the University of Alabama School of Law. He is a 2001 Samford graduate.

Sympathy is expressed to . . .

• **Bill Bugg** (Performing Arts) in the late April death of his father, George Bugg, of Memphis, Tenn.

• **Dick Franklin** (Student Affairs) in the April 28 death of his father, Harry Franklin, of Anderson, S.C.

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Andy Webster (Pharmacy) mentored a Birmingham high school student, Thanh P. Le of the Jefferson County International Baccalaureate School, who won the Alabama competition in the Junior Science & Humanities Symposium Program. Le studied one afternoon a week for a semester in Webster's pharmacokinetics lab, working on the winning project. It demonstrated the stability of Lisinopril, a blood pressure medication, in tap water. As the Alabama regional winner, she represented the state at the national competition in San Diego during May.

Heather West (World Languages and Cultures) will attend the 26th Quebec Summer Seminar in Quebec City June 5–11 before presenting a paper entitled "La violence comme punition de l'indépendance dans *Laurence* de France Théoret" at a panel on "Viol et violence dans la littérature francophone" that she will organize at the annual conference of the Conseil International d'Études Francophones June 27–July 3 in Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario, Canada. ■

FYI

Reliford Leads Advisory Council

Anethia Reliford of the Department of Human Resources is the new chair of the Samford Staff Advisory Council for 2005–06. Lisa McNeal of University Library is chair-elect, and Christy Allen of the Office of University Relations is secretary.

Staff Advisory Council representatives in addition to the officers are Jeanie Coupland, purchasing; Courtney McCrory, athletics; Bruce Foster, pharmacy; Stacia Gaines, career development; Faye Howell, student affairs; Jim Lewis, law; Randy McKinney, accounting and financial services; Tim McRae, computer services; Melba Maudlin, financial aid; Stacy Miner, nursing; and Sheila Thomas, provost's office.

Samford Hosts 5th-Grade Authors

The Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies teacher education department hosted 200 fifth graders from Fairfield City Schools April 29 at a Young Authors Conference.

The students shared their writings with peers and participated in activities in several literature genres, including Reader's Theater productions, book talks led by Samford and Miles College students, and arts and crafts.

The conference was supported by a Samford in Mission grant awarded to Dr. Michele Haralson of the education school. Samford faculty participating included Dr. Jean Box, Dr. David Little, Myrtis Johnson, Mary Hollis Newell and Dr. Haralson. ■

NEW FACES

Laura B. Beason *(Accounting and Finance, transfer)*
Doshia Bennett *(University Library)*
Erica Brown *(Financial Aid)*
Lissa Burleson *(Financial Aid, promotion)*
Jennifer Craton *(Pharmacy)*
John Robert Drake *(Athletics/Football)*
Elizabeth Gambrell *(Education/Paralegal Studies)*
Barrett Hathcock *(University Relations)*
Jay Roberson *(Athletics)*
Alayna Tippen *(Children's Learning Center)*
Amber Wade *(Children's Learning Center)*
Monica Washington *(University Relations)*
April Young *(Children's Learning Center)*

Seven Faculty Selected to Participate in Service-Learning Course Project

Seven Samford faculty members were selected for the 2005–06 Service-Learning Course Development Project funded by the Samford in Mission grant. Participants and the courses in which they will incorporate service learning are:

• **Janet Alexander** (Nursing), Community Health Nursing, a required clinical course for nursing majors

• **Amanda Borden** (Communication Studies), Intercultural Communication, a new elective course of communications studies for majors and minors

• **Jonathan Davis** (Family Studies), Family Life Education, required for family studies majors

• **Robin Roberts** (Sociology), Sociology of Medicine, an elective for majors and any student that has taken introductory sociology

• **Don Sandley** (Theatre), Advanced Creative Drama, an elective for majors that builds on an entry-level, creative drama course

• **Jeremy Thornton** (Economics), Poverty and Economic Development, elective Jan-term course with domestic components and travel to Peru

• **Brian Toone** (Computer Science), Introduction to Computer Science, a course open to all students

Participants will attend a June 1–3 service-learning academy, plan and teach their courses during 2005–06, and document the service-learning experience through a course portfolio or scholarly article. ■

Samford Exercise Science Department To Screen Additional Perry County Students

The Samford University Department of Exercise Science and Sports Medicine will continue its program of health and fitness screening in Perry County later this year after conducting a successful health fair for Marion high school students May 6.

Three faculty members and 21 students from the department helped more than 100 students at Francis Marion High School with assessments of their blood pressure, heart rate, strength, body fat and other health measures.

Fifteen high school students who showed signs of hypertension were referred to their school nurse and a weekly hypertension clinic in Marion run by Samford's McWhorter School of Pharmacy.

"We received a very positive response from students, teachers, nurses and administrators," said Dr. Charles D. Sands IV, exercise science and sports medicine department chair. "They wanted us to come back and screen other students at Francis Marion High and students at another school as well."

Sands said the screening programs would be scheduled later in the summer and fall.

In addition to the screening, Dr. Jim Angel of the Samford exercise science and sports medicine faculty provided nutrition education in-service training for the high school cafeteria staff.

The health fair was held in conjunction with the Sowing Seeds of Hope program and was part of a yearlong effort by Samford to work with Perry County residents on health programs. ■