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Graduating Senior Art Exhibition

May 9–14

Samford Art Gallery

Reception follows Commencement May 14

Quotable

Samford faculty experts share thoughts with media.

Cynthia Lohrke (Business) to *The Birmingham News* April 9 on "spear phishing," a malicious variation of the old email phishing scam of sending spam emails in hope that messages will be opened by unsuspecting consumers, after a breach in security at a Dallas, Texas, data marketing company

"Spear phishing is more directive and can use official sounding names and language to make an email seem more legitimate. . . . These phishing emails can contain malignant code, can download key logging software which can capture personal data such as account numbers and passwords."

Don Cochran (Law) to *The Birmingham News* April 8 on former Jefferson County Commissioner Chris McNair heading to prison for his bribery conviction. Cochran was one of the prosecutors in the U.S. Attorneys Office in Birmingham in the 2002 conviction of Bobby Frank Cherry for the 1963 bombing of Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, in which McNair's daughter was killed.

"I am sorry he (McNair) is going to prison because I have respect for him, but I'm not sorry because a jury has convicted him for violating the public's trust. I think that's the conflict people in Birmingham feel about Chris. I don't understand how he put himself and us in that position. That is the conflict and how many of us feel." ■

About 880 To Graduate; Speakers, Programs Listed

Samford will graduate about 880 seniors during commencement activities in May. The schedule will begin with Beeson Divinity School's commencement and service of consecration May 4, and continue with programs May 13–14.

Here are this year's programs and speakers.

Wednesday, May 4

• 11 a.m. Beeson Divinity School, Hodges Chapel. Speaker: Dr. Timothy C. Tennent, president, Asbury Theological Seminary.

Friday, May 13

• 10 a.m. McWhorter School of Pharmacy, Wright Center Concert Hall. Speaker: Dr. Michael E. Fleenor, health officer, Jefferson County Department of Health.

• 1 p.m. Brock School of Business, Wright Center Concert Hall. Speaker: William J. Stevens, president and chief executive officer, Motion Industries.

• 3:30 p.m. Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing, Wright Center Concert Hall. Program: *The Golden Thread* video

• 6 p.m. Cumberland School of Law, Wright Center Concert Hall. Speaker: The Honorable Martha Roby, U. S. Representative, 2nd Congressional District, Alabama.

Saturday, May 14

• 10 a.m. Howard College of Arts and Sciences, Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies and the School of the Arts, Hanna Center. Speaker: Nabil K. Costa, executive director, Lebanese Baptist Society. Costa will receive a Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

Other commencement activities Friday, May 13, will include the graduation prayer breakfast in the main dining room of Beeson University Center at 7:30 a.m., and the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing pinning ceremony in

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Reid Calls For Better Sourcing

The pressure to get the story out first has become paramount in this era of social media, sometimes at the expense of accuracy, *Washington Post* sports columnist Jason Reid said at Samford's Timothy Sumner Robinson Forum April 14. "The best thing to do (in this environment) is to be true to your standards," he told Samford journalism students and others.

The advent of Twitter, blogs and Facebook means stories can be broken in real time, he said. But because bloggers and others who use social media technology don't always apply traditional journalism's standards of accuracy, "a lot of iffy stuff is going on."

At *The Post,* two sources are required before a reporter can tweet, the same standard required of its newspaper stories. "If such rules were in place for everyone, we wouldn't have shoddy reporting," he said. "I wish we had an across-the-board rule for accuracy in Twitter." ■

Davis, Woolley Get Provost Fellowships

Drs. Jonathan Davis and Tom Woolley have received the first Connecting Across the University Faculty Fellowships. The fellowships are a new initiative of the Office of the Provost offering faculty the opportunity to enhance their professional development, teaching, learning and/or scholarship through work and study in a part of the university other than their own.

Jonathan Davis

Dr. Davis, assistant professor of family studies, received the Academic Grants fellowship. He will work with the Academic Grants and Sponsored Programs Office in the development and preparation of proposals for external funding, and provide research services.

Tom Woolley

Dr. Woolley, chair and professor of economics, finance and quantitative analysis in Brock School of Business, received the Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Educational and Professional Studies fellowship. He will participate as a faculty member in the education and professional studies school. He will concentrate in the area of educational research, working with faculty to promote scholarship and research and advising on

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Out & About

Joe Adams (PARCA) spoke to the Opelika Chamber of Commerce's Business Over Breakfast April 6, discussing PARCA's work with school systems in Alabama and its database of student test scores for the Alabama Reading and Math Test [ARMT]. PARCA has created an easy-to-understand color-coding system to help the public understand school performance to encourage focused engagement to improve school performance. Check subgroup trends for student performance on the ARMT at http://parca.samford.edu/education/SystemsTestScores/Subgrouptrends.html.

Myralyn Allgood and **Charlotte Coleman** (World Languages and Cultures) participated in the XIX Congreso Internacional de Literatura Centroamericana in Antigua, Guatemala, April 5–8. Allgood moderated a session entitled "Reflexiones sobre la literatura en la Guatemala de la postguerra" and Coleman presided over the session "Literatura de testimonio: Discurso y obras literarias."

Jim Angel (Exercise Science and Sports Medicine) presented "Metabolic Syndrome" at the Alabama State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance spring conference April 16 in Orange Beach, Ala.

John Arnold (Pharmacy) was selected to serve as a voting delegate from McWhorter School of Pharmacy to the United States Pharmacopeial Convention.

Wilton Bunch (Philosophy) visited St. Catherine's Episcopal Church in Chelsea, Ala., and gave a Lenten presentation on forgiveness.

Chad Carson (Business) has been named the 2011 Federation of Business Disciplines/ Southwest Case Research Association "Outstanding Educator."

Stephen Chew (Psychology) served as an external reviewer for the psychology program at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. He was also appointed to a two-year term as chair of the Fellows Selection Committee for the Society for the Teaching of Psychology.

Larry Davenport (Biology) published two articles in *Alabama Heritage* magazine, "Professor De Vries and the Evening Primrose Path" in the Winter 2011 issue and "Eight Acre Rock" in the Spring 2011 issue.

Steve Donaldson (Mathematics and Computer Science) published a paper, "Teaching Computer Science in a Big Questions Framework," in *The Journal of Computing Sciences in Colleges* (Vol. 26, No. 5) and presented at the Consortium for Computing Sciences in Colleges Mid-South Conference in Conway, Ark., in April.

Les Ennis (Graduate Studies—Education) presented a paper with **Craig Pouncey** (Alabama State Department of Education) entitled "School Funding Issues in Alabama: The State Legislature and School Superintendents—Adversaries or Allies?" at the National Education Finance Conference in Tampa, Fla. Ennis was also recently reappointed for another term to the Birmingham Bar Association's Long Range Planning Committee.

Margie Findlay and **Jill Cunningham** (Nursing) copresented "Children who are Medically Complex" during March for graduate students enrolled in Project TransTeam at UAB. Project TransTeam is funded by the U.S. Department of Education to increase the quantity, quality and diversity of personnel who provide services to young children with disabilities and their families.

Carson

Ennis

Grayson

Prince

David Finn (Special Education and the Children's Learning Center) has been asked to serve on the Advisory Committee for the Head Start-Early Head Start Alabama Early Childhood Leadership Academy. This "first-of-its-kind" leadership institute is specifically designed to enhance the leadership capacity for those who care for the youngest of Alabama's citizens. Finn was also asked to serve on the Advisory Council for the acclaimed Child Development program at Jefferson State Community College.

Marissa Grayson (Political Science) presented a paper entitled "The Alabama Constitution: How Public Opinion and Interest Group Politics Impact Reform" at the Southern Political Science Association annual meeting in New Orleans, La., Jan. 6.

Michael Hogue (Pharmacy) was installed as the national president of the American Pharmacists Association's [APhA] Academy of Pharmacy Practice and Management, and a member of the APhA Board of Trustees, at the organization's annual meeting March 24–29, in Seattle, Wash. Coincidentally, Seattle is the city in which Hogue was elected national student president of APhA in the early 1990s. He becomes the first person in the association's history to serve as president of both the student and practitioner academies. His current term of service as Academy president and board member runs through 2013.

Jim Jensen (Music) has seen a multitude of his compositions performed by School of the Arts colleagues during recent weeks. On Feb. 15 at a Faculty Composers Recital in Brock Recital Hall, "The Works of Jim Jensen" featured "Variations and Theme on Lullaby for Louise" with **Hannah Frees,** violin, and **Donald Sanders,** piano; "The New Yorker Songs," five songs for soprano and piano with **Sharon Lawhon,** soprano, and **Daniel Lawhon,** piano; "Whitman Sampler," five pieces for piano with Fouse; "Five Casual Pieces for Violin and Viola" with **Jeffrey Flaniken,** violin, and **Angela Flaniken,** viola; and the world premiere of "Two Songs for Bass-Baritone and Piano," an addendum to The Theodore Haddin Songbook with **G. William Bugg,** bass-baritone, and Fouse, piano. On March 4, Bugg and Fouse performed "Two Songs for Bass-Baritone and Piano" on a Birmingham Art Music Alliance program at The University of Alabama in Huntsville. On March 31, "Bare ruin'd choirs . . ." for Cello Alone was performed by Alabama Symphony cellist **Craig Hultgren** at the Snead State Community College guest artist series. Earlier, Jensen and 12 other members of the rock band, "The Rising Suns," were inducted into the Iowa Rock and Roll Music Association's Hall of Fame.

Lynda Jentsch (World Languages and Cultures) chaired a session at the 19th annual Latin American Studies Symposium at Birmingham-Southern College April 8. She also sponsored a

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MayCalendar

(Birthdays are listed in red.)

Sunday, May 1
Patricia Kuntz, Ginger Robertson
• 2:30 p.m. Music Theatre Ensemble Production, *No Way to Treat a Lady,* Harison Theatre, arts.samford.edu
• 3 p.m. Super Jazz Concert, *The Sonny Harris Trio featuring Pedro Mayor and Cleve Eaton,* Brock Recital Hall
• 7:30 p.m. Music Theatre Ensemble Production, *No Way to Treat a Lady,* Harison Theatre, arts.samford.edu

Monday, May 2
Charlie Cope
• 5:30 p.m. Gospel Choir Concert, Reid Chapel

Tuesday, May 3
Jack Berry, Michael DeBow, Robert Schrimsher, Andrea Ward
• 11 a.m. Hodges Chapel: Beeson Divinity School Awards Day, *Judd Spenser,* student preacher
• 4 p.m. Town Hall with Mike Huckabee, Wright Center

Wednesday, May 4
Jessie Baker (ret.), Bob Greene, Joyce Johnson (ret.), Raymond Johnson, Ashley Mims
• 11 a.m. Hodges Chapel: Beeson Divinity School Commencement

Thursday, May 5
Matthew Aiken, Rita Cantrell, Evelyn Lynn (ret.), Heather Mitchell, Jeff Whitcomb
• 4 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. College of Charleston, Bulldog Softball Field (DH)
• 7:30 p.m. Wind Ensemble/Symphonic Band Concert, Brock Recital Hall

Friday, May 6
Marc Calhoun, Mike Morris, Becca Wilson
Spring Semester classes end.
• 2 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. College of Charleston, Bulldog Softball Field (DH)
• 7 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Griffin Field

Saturday, May 7
Gail Barton, Regina Coleman, Ralph Gold, Rick Hinkle
• 1 p.m. Prep Music Recital, Brock Recital Hall
• 2 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Griffin Field
• 7:30 p.m. Faculty Recital: *G. William Bugg,* bass-baritone, Brock Recital Hall

Sunday, May 8
• 1 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Griffin Field

Monday, May 9
Tim Banks (ret.), Jason Black, Eva Click, Bradley Harris, Preston Hite, Jeanette Lincecum (ret.), John Stone
Spring Term Final Exams
• Graduating Senior Art Show, Art Gallery, 9 a.m.–4 p.m., through May 14

Tuesday, May 10
Lindsey Bishop, Kathryn Champion, Nancy Harbin, Grant Lyons, Glenda Martin, Jeff Wallace
Spring Term Final Exams
• 6 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Auburn, Griffin Field

Wednesday, May 11
Candia Cole, Stan Davis, Dianne Ellis (ret.), Faye Howell (ret.), Nancy Hughes
Spring Term Final Exams
• 7–10 p.m. Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing Reception, Harry's Coffee House

Thursday, May 12
Nancy Carroll, Tim Covington (ret.), Rosemary Fisk
Spring Term Final Exams

Friday, May 13
Arcie Bonds (ret.), Carrie Dooley, J. Michael Garrett, John Knapp, Lauren Thompson, Annie Wheeler (ret.), Jim Williams
Commencement Weekend
• 7:30 a.m. Graduate Prayer Breakfast, Cafeteria
• 10 a.m. Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing Pinning Ceremony, Reid Chapel
• 10 a.m. McWhorter School of Pharmacy Graduation, Wright Center
• 1 p.m. Brock School of Business Graduation, Wright Center
• 3:30 p.m. Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing Graduation, Wright Center
• 6 p.m. Cumberland School of Law Graduation, Wright Center
• 6 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Wofford, Griffin Field

Saturday, May 14
Bo Cole (ret.), Tanual Hall, Shannon Lisenby
Commencement Weekend
• 9 a.m. Air Force ROTC Commissioning, Hodges Chapel
• 10 a.m. Howard College of Arts and Sciences, School of the Arts and Orlean Bullard Beeson School of Education and Professional Studies Graduation, Hanna Center
• Following Graduation, Reception, Graduating Senior Art Show, Art Gallery
• 2 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Wofford, Griffin Field

Sunday, May 15
Janice Lassiter (ret.), Elaine Moody, Karlo Senasi
• Baseball: Samford vs. Wofford, Griffin Field

Monday, May 16
Robert Cameron, Kellie Eubanks, Patricia Outlaw, Bill Strickland

Tuesday, May 17
Kristie Chandler, Ken Mathews, Butch Mullins, Anethia Reliford (ret.)
• 7:30 p.m. Alabama Symphony Orchestra ConcertMaster & Friends, Beethoven Festival, Brock Recital Hall, alabamasymphony.org

Wednesday, May 18
Kevin Chance, Keith Deakle, Paul Hall (ret.), Azalea Hulbert, Eric Olson, Robin Snyder, Deborah Young

Thursday, May 19
Ernestine Bodie (ret.), Candace Hudson, Patricia Sillavan (ret.)

Friday, May 20
Jack Brymer (ret.), Carolyn Crocker, Ashley Floyd, Lori Hill, Rory Segrest, Stephanie Sides
• 10 a.m. Law Admissions Open House, Murfee Courtroom
• 6 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. College of Charleston, Griffin Field

Saturday, May 21
Keith Abrams, Frances Carter (ret.), Patrice Donnelly, Mary Hudson (ret.), Scott Leigh, Alice Martin (ret.), John Ray (ret.)
• 2 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. College of Charleston, Griffin Field

Sunday, May 22
Rachael Bailes, Linda Connor, Angie Elia, Becca Williamson (ret.)
• 1 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. College of Charleston, Griffin Field
• 2 p.m. Birmingham School of Law Commencement, Wright Center

Monday, May 23
Josh Bearden
• 7 p.m. Recital: *Jeffrey Flaniken,* violin, Bolding Studio
• 7 p.m. Homewood High School Commencement, Wright Center

Tuesday, May 24
Sandra Brinson, Leslie Carlisle, Ken Cook, Steven Gladden, Sheri Heasley, Felisa Hsu, George Keller
• 7 p.m. Spain Park High School Commencement, Wright Center

Wednesday, May 25
Sara Berry, Jane Holston, Paul House

Thursday, May 26
Angela Ferguson, Mike Grace, Ronda Lee, B. Keith Putt, Robert Smith, Sara Tew, Judith Vinzant
• 7 p.m. Clay Chalkville High School Commencement, Wright Center

Friday, May 27
Laura Gentry, Russell Jackson, Andy Montgomery, Marion Nance, Jonathan Parker, Lisa Pickett
• 6 p.m. Mountain Brook High School Commencement, Wright Center
• 7:30 p.m. Alabama Symphony Orchestra ConcertMaster & Friends, Summer Serenades 1, Music of Dvorak (Wind Serenade) and Mozart (Serenade No. 10), Brock Recital Hall, alabamasymphony.org

Saturday, May 28
John Arnold, Chriss Doss (ret.), William Hull (ret.), Kara Kennedy

Sunday, May 29
April Arendall, Aaron Farrow, Anton Fourie, Mike McCormack, John Morgan, Travis Trickett
• 2 p.m. John Carroll High School Commencement, Wright Center

Monday, May 30
Memorial Day. University closed.

Tuesday, May 31
Kathryn Fouse, Betty Legg (ret.), Cynthia Medbery, Marilyn Wright (ret.) ■

Joys & Sorrows

Congratulations to . . .

• **Janica York Carter** (University Advancement) and her husband, Scott, on the April 6 birth of their daughter, Jessie York Carter

Sympathy is expressed to . . .

• **Henry Glotfelty** (Physics) in the April 1 death of his brother, John Wayne Glotfelty, of Waynesville, Mo.

• **Josh Thomas** (University Advancement) and **Sheila Thomas** (Provost Office) in the April 14 death of Josh's grandmother and Sheila's mother-in-law, Lois Thomas, of Philadelphia, Miss. ■

FYI

Prep Music Summer Camps Scheduled in June, July

The Samford Prep Music Department will hold several workshops for young students this summer.

Adventures in Music Camp will meet June 20–24 for piano, grades 1–12, and again July 6–10 for piano, grades 1–12 or voice, ages 10–18. The fee is $340. Instructors and university assistants provide individual assistance for the campers. The camp includes music theory, private lessons, practice time, guest artists, Orff instruments, computer music, lunch, swimming and recreation, and ensemble.

All Aboard for Music will meet July 18–22 for preschoolers ages 3–6. The fee is $200. Separate classes are offered for different age groups. Camp includes music and rhythm activities, guest artist, snack time and more.

For information, email chmacon@samford.edu or call 726-4049. ■

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paper by senior Spanish major **Ashley Collins** on the 19th century Peruvian writer, Ricardo Palma.

Bryan Johnson (English) was a finalist and runner-up for the Washington Square Review Poetry Prize for his poem "Aren't I the Real Becky?" The poem will be published in the magazine as a result of the recognition. Johnson moderated a panel discussion called "From the Classical to the Modern" at the Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society Convention in Pittsburgh, Pa., in March. Four Samford English majors presented on the panel: Steven Thomas, Caroline Milam, Deborah Rodriguez and Katie Ormsbee.

John Lundeen and **Jill Pence** (Nursing) presented "Evolution of Simulation at a Small, Faith-Based University" at the Human Patient Simulation Network 2011 annual conference hosted by Medical Education Technologies, Inc., in Tampa, Fla, in February.

Chris Metress (University Fellows) has been named chair of the C. Hugh Holman Prize Committee. The Holman Prize is awarded each year by the Society for the Study of Southern Literature for the best book on southern literature or southern studies.

Scott McGinnis (Religion) led a Lenten Lecture series at St. Mary's on the Highlands Episcopal Church in Birmingham entitled "Render Unto Caesar: The Christian in Society."

Milburn Price (Arts, ret.) was guest conductor for a High School Honor Choir Festival for the Sarasota/Bradenton, Fla., school district April 7–9.

Valerie Prince (Pharmacy) completed a three-year term as speaker of the American Pharmacists Association [APhA] house of delegates and trustee of the American Pharmacists Association. She presided over the 2011 House of Delegates at the APhA annual meeting in Seattle, Wash., March 24–29.

Robert Riggs (Pharmacy) was elected to a two-year term as Region III–Southeast Rho Chi Councilor at the National Rho Chi Society meeting March 27 in Seattle, Wash.

Ken Roxburgh (Religion) preached on the four Sundays of April in Trinity Baptist, Madison, Ala. He will preach at Brookwood Baptist Church May 1.

Dennis Sansom (Philosophy) is studying in Jerusalem on sabbatical this spring. He writes that he is having "a very educational, challenging, and memorable experience." His blog describing it is on the web at diaryofapilgrim.wordpress.com.

Pamela Sims (Pharmacy) provided two 2-hour programs Feb. 11 to the Third District Dental Society of Mississippi in Meridian entitled "Preventing Infections in the Dental Patient" and "Local Anesthetic Choices and Drug Interactions." She presented a seven-hour program for LSU Continuing Dental Education March 18 in Shreveport, La., entitled "Pharmacology Update: Medications Important to Dentistry." The topics included Antibiotic Prophylaxis, Local Anesthesia and Pain Management. On March 31, she served as faculty for the UAB Department of Oral Maxillofacial Surgery's IV Conscious Sedation course, delivering five hours of lecture on Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacology of Medications Used for Sedation, Pain and Nausea and Vomiting.

Ami Teague (Pharmacy) presented a continuing education talk, "HIV: A Current Primer," for the Jefferson County Pharmaceutical Association March 10.

Heather West (World Languages and Cultures) gave a talk entitled "The Creative Process in Francine D'Amour's Pour de vrai, pour de faux" at the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference at the University of Kentucky in Lexington April 14-16.

Patti Wood (Education) presented a paper April 12 at the American Educational Research Association's annual conference in New Orleans, La., entitled "Peers, Expectations, and Labels: A Profile of Gifted Students in School." She also conducted a webinar for the National Association for Gifted Children, "The Road Less Traveled: Combining Creativity and Differentiation." ■

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Reid Chapel at 10 a.m.

On Saturday, May 14, the Air Force ROTC commissioning ceremony and reception will be at 9 a.m. in Hodges Chapel, and the graduating senior art exhibition reception will follow commencement in the Samford Art Gallery. ■

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current projects.

The fellowships are for the academic year 2011–12. At the end of the year, Davis and Woolley will provide an account of their activity, including a description of the benefits of the fellowship experience, to their university peers.

Davis, at Samford since 2002, holds the bachelor degree from Georgia Tech, master from Abilene Christian and Ph.D. from Columbia University. Woolley, a Samford faculty member since 1993, holds bachelor, master and Ph.D. degrees from Florida State University. ■