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Welcome Back!

Soccer vs. Ole Miss Aug. 16
Faculty Workshop Aug. 18–19
Classes begin Aug. 25
Football vs. West Georgia Aug. 28

Herndon Named Library Director

Kimmetha "Kim" Herndon was named director of the University Libraries and librarian at Samford University, effective July 1. Samford Provost J. Bradley Creed made the announcement June 4 following a yearlong national search.

Herndon had served as dean of libraries at Shorter College, Rome, Ga., since 2001 and as a member of Shorter's Livingston Library staff since 1989. She will oversee a Samford collection that now exceeds one million volumes.

Herndon received a bachelor of science in agricultural economics from the University of Georgia and master of library science from the University of Alabama. She is a member of various professional organizations, including the American Library Association and the Southeastern Library Association.

Herndon

Herndon replaces Jean Thomason, who retired in June 2007 after 11 years as Samford library director. Suzanne Peterson, who served as interim director, will return to her full-time role as associate librarian and collection management coordinator.

"Samford's library staff, under the very capable leadership of Sue Peterson, has ensured that we have continued to progress," Creed said. "The university is very grateful for their dedicated service at all times, but especially during this year of transition." ■

Shipley Heads International Programs

Dr. David S. Shipley, who has served as London professor in residence and has been involved actively in other overseas study opportunities, was named director of Samford international programs for the 2008–09 academic year.

The veteran journalism professor will oversee Samford's broad-based, year-round international study program, Associate Provost J. Mark Bateman announced. The program maintains the London center, has ongoing programs in Germany, Spain, Italy, Greece and Costa Rica, and offers study opportunities through partnership organizations and universities.

He also will work with students from abroad who come to study at Samford.

Shipley replaces Marigene Chamberlain, the program director since 2005 who is moving to full-time teaching in the Department of World Languages and Cultures.

As associate professor of journalism, Shipley will continue to teach at least one course in the journalism and mass communication department.

Shipley joined the Samford faculty in 1993. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Georgia, and the Ph.D. degree from Louisiana State University. ■

'Transformational' Grant of $788,389 Goes to Nurse Anesthesia Program

Samford's nurse anesthesia program received a $788,389 grant for a clinical simulation program in the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing that Dean Nena Sanders described as "transformational."

The three-year grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will be used to establish a clinical simulation program with special attention to training nurse anesthetists for rural and underserved areas in Alabama and Mississippi.

The grant includes a first-year award of $458,589.

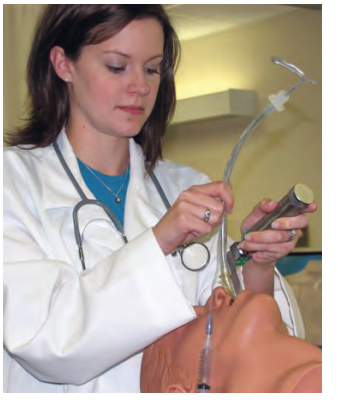
"We are very excited about expanding our nurse anesthesia program to better serve areas where most at-risk populations live," said Dean Sanders.

Samford has a strong health-care emphasis in Alabama's historic Black Belt region, and nursing students and faculty have been actively involved with those projects for several years.

The master's degree program in nurse anesthesia began six years ago and received the maximum 10-year accreditation from the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs in 2006. Currently, 65 students are enrolled.

The grant will be used to enhance the existing curriculum by using "innovative and interactive teaching methods with a particular emphasis on practice in rural and underserved practice settings," according to nurse anesthesia program director Mary C. Karlet.

The grant-funded project is designed to "prepare graduates with cultural and spiritual competence and the inclination and skills to practice in rural and medically underserved areas," Karlet said. ■



Nurse anesthesia student Mary Beth Greenway practices intubation.

SoCon FanFest Aug. 12 at Samford

Samford University will host the inaugural Southern Conference FanFest Tuesday, Aug. 12, from 5:30 until 8 p.m. at Joe Lee Griffin Field.

Everyone is invited to attend the free event, which will feature music, food, beverages and contests.

The conference also will have prize giveaways, including hotel rooms and two tickets to the Football Championship Subdivision game in Chattanooga, Tenn., as well as the SoCon's basketball and baseball championships. ■

Out & About

Janet Alexander and **Barbara Money** (Nursing) presented a paper on their innovation in education, "The Collaborative Capstone Project to Determine Evidence-based Practice in Health Care Organizations," at the LEAD Summit Conference sponsored by the Center for American Nurses June 23 in Washington, D.C.

Jim Angel (Exercise Science and Sports Medicine) spoke to the Ministering to Ministers Foundation on campus in June. His topics were "Caring for Yourself—Exercise and Nutrition" and "Caring for Yourself—Maintaining Your Sense of Humor." Angel and **Jennifer Steele** (Nursing) co-coordinated a health day on June 27 at First Baptist Church Helena.

Bernie Ankney, Dennis Jones and **Jon Clemmensen** (Journalism and Mass Communication) reviewed newspaper-college collaborations for the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication [AEJMC] national competition, newspaper division. They looked at 11 projects nationally. Awards will be presented at the AEJMC convention in Chicago, Ill., Aug. 6–9.

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Kim Benner (Pharmacy), in her role as president of the Alabama Society of Health-System Pharmacists, presided over the organization's summer meeting and exhibit in Sandestin, Fla., June 16–18. She presented two posters: "Gram-negative Infections in a Pediatric Intensive Care Unit" and "Relationship of Vancomycin Minimum Inhibitory Concentration to Outcome in Pediatric Patients with Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus Aureus." The latter won third place. Both posters represented work done with former Samford pharmacy students and physicians at Children's Health System.

Ed Cherry (University Library) made a presentation June 4 at Homewood Public Library to the Data Services Round Table, librarians who provide computer and technical support in Jefferson County public libraries. His topic was the use of Public Web Browser software to better manage public-use computers in libraries.

Kacey Cole (Residence Life) attended the New Professionals Institute sponsored by the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators Region III and the Southern Association of College Student Affairs at Tulane University in New Orleans, La., June 16–20.

Grant Dalton (Arts) performed concerts for about 1,000 high school and junior high students as a part of the Vulcan Park Education Fair May 5–9. He hosted the Yamaha Sounds of Summer day camp May 28–29 that brought approximately 130 high school and junior high percussionists to the campus to hone their marching percussion skills.

Malia Fincher (Biology) received a LI-COR Environmental Education Fund Program Grant to purchase a portable photosynthesis and fluorescence system. She worked this summer with undergraduate biology major **Taylor Stroud** to launch a research program using the new equipment. Fincher and **Ginny Brown** (Biology) led a two-week course in Tanzania during June with students from Samford and Miami (Ohio) University.

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Rosemary Fisk (English) presented "Hawthorne and the Post-Colonial Classroom" at the Nathaniel Hawthorne Society [NHS] meeting at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine, June 12–15. She serves as secretary of the NHS Executive Council.

David Frings (Biology) received a $5,000 grant for interpretive signs at the Monarch Way Station under construction at the Oak Mountain Interpretive Center [OMIC]. The way station is an outdoor butterfly garden planted with wildflowers to attract butterflies and assist the Monarch on its migration from Mexico to Canada. The grant is from the Cahaba, Warrior and Coosa Resource Conservation and Development Council.

Ginger Frost (History) gave a paper at the Berkshire Conference on the History of Women in Minneapolis, Minn., June 13 entitled "Women in Court: The Trials of James Rush, 1849."

Clara Gerhardt (Family Studies) was appointed to a second term on the Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology by Alabama Governor Bob Riley. The appointment extends through 2013.

Robb Hensarling, Alan Jung and **John Petrella** (Exercise Science and Sports Medicine), **Chuck Sands** (Education and Professional Studies) and ESSM graduate **Daniel Crane** published an article in the peer-reviewed journal, *Perceptual and Motor Skills,* entitled "The Effect of Light Color on Muscular Strength and Power."

Betsy Holloway (Business) will present a research paper at the 2008 American Marketing Association Summer Educator's Conference in San Diego, Calif., August 6–10, the largest annual academic event globally for the discipline of marketing. The paper is entitled "The Management of Multisector Innovations: A Framework for Comparative Analysis."

Randolph Horn (Political Science) published an article entitled "Public Attitudes Regarding the Alabama Legislature: PARCA Poll Results" in the Spring 2008 issue of *The PARCA Quarterly.*

Alan Jung (Exercise Science and Sports Medicine) and **David Luthin** (Pharmacy) gave a presentation at the American College of Sports Medicine annual meeting entitled "Wheel Activity Provides No Protection Against Weight Gain in Mice Fed High-Fat or High-Carbohydrate Diets."

Kara Kennedy (Business) was appointed to the Dean's Advisory Council of the College of Liberal Arts, Auburn University.

Sherrie Lawhon (Music) taught at the West Coast Chinese Christian Church Music Institute session for youth and adults July 7–11 in San Rafael, Calif.

Franz Lohrke (Business) will present a professional development workshop on publishing and a review of the history of entrepreneurship research at the Academy of Management annual meeting in Anaheim, Calif., Aug. 8–13.

David Luthin (Pharmacy) and **Gregory Gorman** of Southern Research Institute had a book review on *Principles and Practice of Pharmaceutical Medicine, Second Edition* accepted for the June 25 issue of *Journal of the American Medical Association.*

Suzy Metts (Arts) took part in her ninth World Changers mission trip July 12–19 to Tupelo, Miss. She will participate in a September Baptist medical and dental mission trip to Nicaragua.

Joys & Sorrows

Congratulations to . . .

• **Emily Bourke** (formerly of University Relations) on her Aug. 9 marriage to David Geyer in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Sympathy is expressed to . . .

• **Jennifer Beall** (Pharmacy) in the June 4 death of her father, Jim Beall of Pelham, Ala.

• **Susan Crosthwait** (University Relations) in the June 23 death of her mother, Virgene Dial of Livingston, Ala.

• **David Frings** (Biology) in the July 3 death of his brother, Dr. Christopher Frings, of Birmingham

• **David Goodwin** (University Relations) in the June 10 death of his grandfather, Troy Mallett of Jacksonville, Fla.

• **Kim Whitfield** (Financial Aid) in the June 5 death of her brother, James Franklin Limbaugh, Jr., of Talladega County, Ala. ■

FYI

Staff Advisory Council Names Seven New Members

The Samford Staff Advisory Council has named seven new members for 2008–09. They are Jenny Lucas, student involvement; Dean Smedley, residence life; Ashley Williams, admission; Lisa Aday, investments; Debbie McGrady, journalism/mass communication; Suzy Metts, arts; and Debbie Crowson, student records.

Returning members are Ken England, purchasing; Danielle Johnson, accounting and financial services; Jeff Whitcomb, law; Andy Parrish, university relations; George Buchanan, bursar's office; Chris Scott, athletics; and Josh Thomas, pharmacy.

England serves as president, Johnson as vice president and Metts as secretary.

Completing their two years of service in June were Tan Hall, nursing; Charlotte Baughn, psychology/sociology; Marian Carter, nursing; Theresa Kanute, financial aid; Lisa Dodd, printing; and Elaine Moody, university ministries. ■

Brock Challenge Nets $311,000 for Endowment

Samford University's students and employees exceeded a $100,000 challenge from Birmingham businessman Harry Brock, resulting in $311,352 to various university funds. Through the Brock family foundation, Brock committed to match up to $100,000 in new contributions to endowment from students and employees.

Called the 1841 Mission in recognition of the university's founding and Christian mission, the challenge encouraged each student and nondonor employee to make a gift of $18.41 or more to the general endowment or the endowment of one of Samford's eight academic schools, according to Sheri H. Ransome, Samford's director of annual giving.

Many of the gifts were designated for scholarships, Ransome said, and the gifts benefitted each of Samford's eight schools. Although final totals have not been announced for 2007–08 annual giving, Ransome noted that faculty, staff and students gave about $479,000 in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, an 87 percent increase over the 5-year average for those groups. The increase could be tied directly to the Brock challenge, she noted.

Brock envisions a long-term impact of the challenge if current students will continue giving after graduation.

Gifts to the 1841 Mission can be made online at www.samford.edu or through Samford's university relations office, 310 Samford Hall, 800 Lakeshore Dr., Birmingham, AL 35229. ■

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22. Scrivner is teaching a 14-week Sunday school class at Independent Presbyterian Church.

Bill Service (Business) attended the International Conference of the Academic Business World in Nashville, Tenn., May 25–28. He had three papers published in the proceedings: "How to Lead: Try Managing First," coauthored with **Chad Carson** (Business); "Managing and Leading Technology and Innovation: An Introductory Approach," coauthored with **Doug Smith** (Business); and "Measuring and Improving Leadership: The Leadership Quotient." Carson presented the first paper and Service the other two. The "Innovation" paper received a best presentation award and will be published in the *International Journal of the Academic Business World.*

D'Andrea Skipwith (Pharmacy) won first place in the poster session of the Alabama Society of Health-System Pharmacists annual meeting in Destin, Fla., in June for a poster coauthored with 2007 pharmacy graduate **Amanda Reynolds**, and **Maisha Kelly-Freeman** and **Charlie Sands** (Pharmacy). Their topic was "Psychotropic Drug Use in Elderly Hospitalized Patient with Dementia or Alzheimer's Disease: A Retrospective Chart Review."

Henry Strickland (Law) delivered bar exam review lectures in June for BarBri in Detroit, Mich.; Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati, Ohio; Milwaukee, Wis.; Louisville, Ky.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Birmingham and Tuscaloosa, Ala. He also put together and spoke on a panel on "Working with Administrative Staff" at the American Bar Association Associate Deans' Conference in Denver, Colo.

Beck Taylor (Business) was appointed to the Board of Governors of Beta Gamma Sigma international honor society.

Don Wilson (History, ret.) addressed the annual meeting of the Alabama Prisoners of War on "Experiences of Alabama Airmen in the German Stalags of World War II." The talk was extracted from his forthcoming book on the European bombing war.

Will Womack (History) led a seminar on Karen history and culture for volunteers working with Karen refugees from Burma. The June 28–29 event was hosted by the Burmese Connections program at New City Fellowship Church in St. Louis, Mo.

Melissa Woodley (Business) was elected to the Board of Directors of the Chartered Financial Analyst Society of Alabama. The CFA Society of Alabama is an association of investment professionals that promotes ethical and professional standards within the investment industry and is a member society of the worldwide CFA Institute. ■

Samford Welcomes New Faculty

Kristin A. Bakkegard, assistant professor of biology

Lowell S. Broom, professor and chair of accounting

J. Chandra Clark, visiting instructor in journalism and mass communication

Erika Cretton-Scott, assistant professor of biochemistry and medical chemistry, pharmacy

B. DeeAnn Dugan, assistant professor of pharmacy practice

Jasmine P. Gaines, assistant professor of biology

Julie S. Jones, assistant professor of nursing

Sean R. King, assistant professor of pharmacy administration

John C. Knapp, professor of management and university professor

Jeffrey A. Kyle, assistant professor of pharmacy practice

Andrew J. Lampkins, assistant professor of chemistry, arts and sciences, and assistant professor of pharmacy, pharmacy

Gregory Kent Laughlin, associate professor of law and director, law library

Jo Beth Newton, assistant professor of teacher education

Lakisha D. Moore, assistant professor of biology

Osvaldo Padilla, assistant professor of New Testament, divinity

LeeAnn G. Reynolds, assistant professor of history

Jennifer Speights-Binet, assistant professor of geography ■

T. N. Mohan (Digital Video Center) received 2008 Silver Telly awards in the documentary and religion categories for *A Heart Set Free,* his documentary on prolific hymn writer Charles Wesley. Mohan also received a Bronze Telly in the religion category for *Called,* a film produced for the Samford in Mission program. His film on situational poverty, *The 51st State: Down But Not Out,* was released by Films for Humanities and Sciences in the academic market.

Mary Monk-Tutor (Pharmacy) gave a PBL Primer Workshop for faculty at the University of Charleston School of Pharmacy in Charleston, W.Va., May 30.

Jonathan Parker (Pharmacy) presented "Current Issues in Graduate and Professional School Admissions" at the Alabama Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers summer conference in Opelika, Ala., June 18. He also presented the Pharmacy College Admission Service (PharmCAS) Application Update at the National Association of Advisors for the Health Professions (in Chicago, Ill., June 25–29 in his role as chair of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy PharmCAS Advisory Panel.

Keith Putt (Philosophy) published an essay entitled "Poetically Negotiating the Love of God: An Examination of John D. Caputo's Recent Postsecular Theology" in *Christian Scholars Review* 37 (Summer 2008): 483–97.

Chuck Sands (Education and Professional Studies) is spending the summer in Jilin, China, serving as a management consultant at Bo Hua Heart Hospital. He and **Katherine Manget** (former student and current graduate student at UAB) published an article entitled "Evaluation of a Faith-based Healthy Lifestyle Program" in the July issue in *The International Journal of Fitness*.

Joe Scrivner (Religion) preached at the 7, 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services of Sixth Avenue Baptist Church June 1. He preached at Tabernacle Baptist Church June

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AugustCalendar

(Birthdays are listed in red.)

Friday, August 1
Bernie Ankney, Suzanne Freeman, Chad James, Tanya Martin, Mickey Naro, Mark Richardson
In-Service Guidance Association Conference

Saturday, August 2
Lisa Falletta, T. Sam Roe (ret.), Elisabeth Welty
In-Service Guidance Association Conference

Sunday, August 3
Roger Parker (ret.), Gilda Speegle (ret.), Angela Thomason, Brad Tomas

Monday, August 4
Edwin Hall (ret.), Domingo Martinez (ret.), Paul Richardson, Heather Watters

Tuesday, August 5
Sandra Dudley-Mitchell, Lindsay Seaborn, Julie Steward

Wednesday, August 6
Steve Brickey, Joe Collins, Janet Cumbee, Carrie Landgraf, Judy Martin (ret.), Deborah Mize
Summer Term classes end

Thursday, August 7
Stephen Chew
Summer Term final exams

Friday, August 8
Shelley Chapman, Dennis Foust, Kathryn Green (ret.), William Hodge, Jim Lewis, Rick Traylor (ret.)

Saturday, August 9
Nancy Bales, Ursula Hendon (ret.), Paul Hogan, Bill Ringler

Sunday, August 10
Malia Fincher, Sandra McDonald, Brian Toone

Monday, August 11
Dorothy Brice, Margo Golden, Monty Hogewood, Ronda Lacey, Frank Minter (ret.), Marlene Rikard (ret.), Deborah Thompson, Taryn Warren
Marching Band Camp, through Aug. 22
• 11:30 a.m. Cumberland School of Law Orientation Luncheon, Beeson University Center

Tuesday, August 12
Emma Bouyer (ret.), Larry Davenport, Jerri Hinkle, Walter Moore, Karen Wade, Wallace Williams (ret.)
Cumberland School of Law Orientation, through Aug. 15
• 5:30–8:30 p.m. Southern Conference Fanfare Tailgate Party, Hanna Center

Wednesday, August 13
Naomi Gold, Diane Vakakes

Thursday, Aug. 14
Janice Brantley, Iris Christopher (ret.), Lora Shelton, Lavone Warren
• 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Extension Division Workshop, Commons, N101 Divinity Hall

Friday, August 15
Alyssa DiRusso, Bill D'Ottavio, Gretchen McDaniel
• 10 a.m. Air Force ROTC Commissioning, Hodges Chapel

Saturday, August 16
Joyce Chappelear (ret.), Donna Hester, Marcie Parsons
• 1 p.m. Soccer: Samford vs. Ole Miss, Bulldog Soccer Field

Sunday, August 17
Paul Kelly, Ellen McLaughlin (ret.), Steve McKinney

Monday, August 18
James Connell, Bill Kolar, Yachiyo Takiguchi, Danny Wood
Cumberland School of Law classes begin
• Art Exhibit, One-Man Show, *Ted Whisenhunt,* art chair, Judson College, Swearingen Hall Art Gallery, Mon.–Fri., 9 a.m.–4 p.m., through Sept. 24
• 9 a.m. Samford Community Worship, Reid Chapel
• 10:15 a.m. State of the University address, *President Andrew Westmoreland,* Wright Center
• 11 a.m. University-wide luncheon, Beeson University Center Main Dining Room
• 6 p.m. Faculty Banquet, Beeson University Center Main Dining Room

Tuesday, August 19
Ginger Frost, Debi Whitcomb
• 8:a.m.–4:30 p.m. Faculty Workshop, Brock Recital Hall
• 12:30 p.m. New Faculty Lunch, Flag Colonnade

Wednesday, August 20
Lisa Aday, Debra Atchison, Ben Bingham, Kathy Shirley
New Student Orientation Session V
• 7 a.m. Samford Business Network Birmingham breakfast, Harbert Center, Birmingham, *Coach Pat Sullivan,* speaker

Thursday, August 21
Charlotte Freeman, David Goodwin, David Hull, LeDeatric McAdams, Mark Searby
New Student Orientation Session V
Connections 2008, through Aug. 24

Friday, August 22
Alan Baty, Kim Benner, Johnny Brown, Michaela Bundon, Staci Glover, Caroline Gowins, Hubert Hocutt (ret.), Pattie Neill, Nancy Whitt
Transfer Student Orientation

Saturday, August 23
Glenn Waddell, Michelle Wales

Sunday, August 24
Charlotte Brammer, Elizabeth Fell, Sara Gould, Brian Gregory, Steven Guthrie, Lawrence Iannotti (ret.), Tommie Mitchell (ret.), Connie Morris (ret.), Tabitha Moore, Witold Turkiewicz (ret.)
Welcome Back!

Monday, August 25
Reba Clark, Brandon Falls, Sandra Foster, Crystal Grier, Lane Powell (ret.), Lisa Wienhold
Fall Semester classes begin

Tuesday, August 26
Lacy Nance (ret.), Miriam Newman, Pam Sanker
• 10 a.m. University Convocation, Wright Center Concert Hall

Wednesday, August 27
Patrick Darby, Jim Dorroh, Scott Fisk, Gary Furr, Alan Jung, Elizabeth Martin, Cathy Stewart

Thursday, August 28
Margaret Carlisle, Billye Currie, Leslie Daniel, Ed Landers, Calvin Miller (ret.), Donna Seibels
• 7 p.m. Football, Samford vs. West Georgia, Seibert Stadium

Friday, August 29
Kay Hambrick (ret.), Chris Hopson, Jennifer Lucas, Rosemary Traylor (ret.)

Saturday, August 30
Jennifer Beall, Candy Hughes, Patsy Puchta (ret.), Jan Vaughn

Sunday, August 31
Hugh Floyd, Libba McMillan, Joey Mullins

NEW FACES

Dale Baldwin *(Student Records)*
Dawn M. Burgess *(Religion)*
Matthew L. Cohen *(Campus Safety)*
Meredith Haughton *(University Relations)*
Steven R. Gladden *(Campus Safety)*
Jennifer R. Hogan *(Football)*
Hollie V. Huey *(Athletics)*
Maryam Iranikhah *(Pharmacy)*
Laura H. Lee *(Adult Evening Programs)*
Lauren C. McCaghren *(Law)*
Bradley Purvis *(Hanna Center)*
Debra L. Simonetti *(Divinity)*
Emily Sparks *(University Relations)*
Grant D. Taylor *(Divinity)*
Andrea J. Ward *(Women's Basketball)*

Transfers

Michelle H. Joiner *(Student Records, from Exercise Science and Sports Medicine)*
Alicia Newton *(Shift Supervisor, Campus Safety, interoffice transfer)*
Marceline J. Parsons *(Loan Processor, Bursar's Office, interoffice transfer)*