

# INSIDE Samford

A newsletter for faculty, staff and friends of Samford University • March 2014

## Samford University String Quartet

Tuesday, March 11  
Brock Recital Hall  
7:30 p.m.

### Quotable

Samford faculty experts share thoughts with media.

**Art Carden** (Business) to the *Wisconsin Reporter* Feb. 18 on Wisconsin's initiative to fund retraining of workers at taxpayer expense

"There are worse ways for governments to use money, but when all is said and done, I don't think programs like these are all they're cracked up to be. Less visible (but no less real) are the things we have to give up in order to pay for workforce training programs."

**Sara Helms** (Business) to WCFT News in Birmingham Feb. 19 on the difficulties faced by two women trying to re-enter the job market, saying their experiences are not uncommon because of the changing market scene

"The jobs that we lost are not the same jobs that we are adding back in."

**John Carroll** (Law) to al.com in late January about legislation proposed in Alabama to declare the Affordable Care Act void in the state.

Any legislation that forbids a state official from complying with a federal law won't get anywhere from the outset, Carroll said. "There's something called the Supremacy Clause, which means federal law is the supreme law of the land until a court says the law does not need to be enforced." ■

## Bestselling Author Wes Moore To Speak on Corts Lecture Series

Youth advocate and best-selling author Wes Moore will be the 2014 speaker in the Thomas and Marla Corts Distinguished Author Series at Samford University Monday, March 17, at 7 p.m., in Wright Center.

Moore is an Army veteran, social entrepreneur and host of *Beyond Belief* on the Oprah Winfrey Network. His first book, *The Other Wes Moore* (2010), which contrasts Moore's life with that of a man who shared his name but made bad choices, became a *New*



Moore

*York Times* and *Wall Street Journal* bestseller.

The story chronicles how two kids with the same name in the same city made different choices that resulted in one being a Rhodes Scholar, decorated combat veteran, White House Fellow and business leader, and the other serving a life sentence in prison for felony murder. A young adult version of the book, *Discovering Wes Moore*, was published in 2012.

Moore's talk at Samford will focus on the importance of education and how small choices can make big differences in life. Admission to the program is \$15, but Samford faculty and staff get

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## Science and Religion Center Receives \$281,620 in Grants

Samford University's Center for Science and Religion has received two new grants totaling \$281,620 to advance its mission to promote education and research at the interface of science and religion.

A \$200,000 grant from the John Templeton Foundation and an additional gift of \$81,620 secured with assistance from the Issachar Fund will support projects including an international conference at Samford, a series of noted speakers, pastor workshops, a visiting professor, a full-time project administrator and educational collaborations between the center and Samford's Beeson Divinity School and Resource Center for Pastoral Excellence.

"From the beginning, our vision has been to create a major international center," said Samford computer science professor and project leader Steve Donaldson.

"These new opportunities, combined with a current research grant and other foundational Center for Science and Religion activities, have opened the door to long-term influence in our geographical region and beyond."

The Templeton Foundation grant is the largest of three such grants the center has earned since 2011. Previous awards of \$30,000 and \$170,000 supported a series of public seminars and ongoing computer-based evolutionary simulations, respectively. ■

## Middle East Expert Dunford To Visit as Wilson Fellow

Former U.S. Ambassador to Oman David J. Dunford will share insights from his 29-year U.S. Foreign Service career during a visit to Samford University



Dunford

March 3-7 as the 2014 Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow. The career diplomat and Middle East expert will meet with Samford students and faculty and community members in a variety of settings on and off campus.

Dunford's foreign service career included three years in the Oman post and four years as deputy ambassador to Saudi Arabia during the 1990-91 Gulf War.

In 2003, he worked in Iraq as the senior official in charge of reorganizing Iraq's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. His other assignments included economic minister-counselor in Cairo, director of Egyptian affairs in Washington, D.C., deputy assistant U.S. trade representative in the Executive Office of the President, and coordinator of the multinational team tasked with setting up MENABANK, a proposed regional multilateral development bank in Cairo.

Dunford now teaches courses on the Arab-Israeli conflict, Middle East business environment, and globalization and global government at the University of Arizona, and consults for government and the

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## Out & About

**Wilton Bunch** (Philosophy) was a judge at the National Ethics Bowl finals held in conjunction with the Society for Practical and Professional Ethics meeting in Jacksonville, Fla., Feb 27-March 2.

**Jongwha Chang** (Pharmacy) published "Comparisons of Health-Care Utilization Outcomes in Children with Asthma Enrolled in Private Insurance Plans Versus Medicaid" in the *Journal of Pediatric Health Care* Vol. 128, Issue 1, 71-79.

**David Chapman** (Arts and Sciences) completed a four-year term as President of the Pan-American Network for Problem-Based Learning at the 2014 conference in Concepcion, Chile. Chapman delivered a preconference workshop on "Creating a Problem Is a Good Thing," conducted a roundtable and gave two plenary addresses. He also copresented a paper by **Clara Gerhardt** (Education) on "When a Mine Closes Down: A PBL Study of Community Sustainability."

**Stephen Chew** (Psychology) gave two presentations at Penn State University. One was for faculty on improving student learning by correcting student and teacher misconceptions. The other was for students on how to study effectively. He also made a presentation for faculty at The Altamont School on using cognitive research to develop critical thinking in students.

**Joel Davis** (Music) conducted, orchestrated and performed musical selections in the Shades Mountain Baptist Choir and Orchestra's presentation of *King of Heaven* Dec. 8. Earlier in the fall, he coproduced *The Cardinal EP*, an album of five songs by local music group Cardinal that was released on iTunes, Amazon and other digital media outlets Oct. 18. This spring, his original score for the 2010 feature-length documentary *Mississippi ReMixed* will be broadcast on 70 PBS stations nationwide, including Alabama's PBS affiliate, APTV.

**Betsy Dobbins** (Biology) received the 2014 Howard College of Arts and Sciences Teaching Award for her "exceptional skill, her infectious enthusiasm and love for her discipline," said presenter **Lynda Jentsch** (World Languages and Cultures) at a Feb. 4 college faculty meeting. Dobbins, the Paul N. Propst Professor of Natural Sciences, teaches courses in embryology, neuroscience, bioinformatics, human physiology and foundations of biology. She also teaches scientific inquiry in the University Fellows honors program. She is the coordinator for Samford's Earth Day, a member of the Executive Board of the Cahaba River Society, secretary of the board of the Friends of Shades Creek and a member of the Black Warrior Riverkeeper Advisory Council.

**Steve Donaldson** (Mathematics and Computer Science) spoke at Judson College Feb. 13 as part of its 175th anniversary celebration. His topic, "The Gift of Reason: Exploring Intersections of Science and Biblical Faith," included two lectures: "The Seven Deadly Sins of Science and Religion" and "A Scientist Talks about Faith."



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**Malia Fincher** (Biology) traveled to Costa Rica in January to perform research with senior Samford student Kaitlyn Schaaf, completing a three-year experiment designed to examine the costs and consequences of plant defense against herbivores.

**David Finn and Michele Haralson** (Education) conducted special education and technology workshops at K-12 schools in Lebanon Jan. 18-25, including a school just recently opened for Syrian refugee children near the Syrian border. Students with special needs often are overlooked or go undiagnosed in many Arab countries, they reported. Lebanon is one of the first to open its classrooms to inclusion.

**Hugh Floyd** (Sociology) recently received the Outstanding Service Award from the Samaritan Counseling Centers [SCC] of Birmingham. He has served six years on the SCC Board of Directors, two years as board president, and currently serves on the advisory board for the center.

**Clara Gerhardt** (Education) will be the guest editor of the forthcoming issue of *Family Focus*, a publication by the National Council on Family Relations. Gerhardt also coauthored three conference presentations: one international with **David Chapman** (Arts and Sciences) which was presented in Chile, and two regional presentations coauthored with **Kristie Chandler** and **Celeste Hill** (Education).

**Matthew Kerlin** (University Minister) published an article in *Ethics and Medicine: An International Journal of Bioethics* entitled "Playing God: Medical Ethics and Biblical Justice." The article was published in the Spring 2014 issue, Volume 30:1.

**Brickey LeQuire** (Political Science, Core) moderated a roundtable discussion of G. E. Lessing's *Nathan the Wise* and "The Education of the Human Race" at the Memmius Forum in Cold Spring, N.Y., Feb. 8.

**Scott McGinnis** taught a five-part series in February (and early March) on N.T. Wright's book, *Evil and the Justice of God*, for the Canterbury Academy at Canterbury United Methodist Church.

**Chris Metress** (University Professor) published a review-essay entitled "Culture, Memory and the Legacies of Lynching." This essay reviewed W. Jason Miller's *Langston Hughes and American Lynching Culture* and Julie Buckner Armstrong's *Mary Turner and the Memory of Lynching* for the *Southern Literary Journal* 46.1 (Fall 2013): 127-31.

**Renie Moss** (Campus Life) participated in the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education, inaugural Assistant Vice Presidents Institute in New Orleans, La., January 19-21. Also, she was appointed Alabama state president for the Children's Tumor Foundation, and will chair the first Birmingham Neurofibromatosis Walk scheduled for May 10, 2014, at Railroad Park.

**Drayton Nabers** (Mann Center for Ethics and Leadership) drew a "rave" from the *Montgomery Advertiser* in its Jan. 20 edition for his appointment to head the Mann Center. "His reputation for personal and intellectual integrity is a real asset for the center," the item noted.

**Ken Roxburgh** (Religion) taught a series on Revelation (six studies) at

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## March Calendar

(Birthdays are listed in red.)

### Saturday, March 1

Jennifer Epperson, Jennifer Layton, Morgan Ponder

- 2 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Butler, Griffin Field
- 6 p.m. Men's Basketball: Samford vs. Western Carolina, Hanna Center
- 7:30 p.m. Freeman Theatre and Dance Series presents *The Light in the Piazza*, Harrison Theatre, samford.edu/arts

### Sunday, March 2

Myralyn Allgood (ret.), Thomas Callans, Mark Digorgio, Ryan Galloway, Betsy Rogers

- 12 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Butler, Griffin Field
- 1 p.m. Men's Tennis: Samford vs. Appalachian State, Tennis Center
- 1 p.m. Women's Basketball: Samford vs. Elon, Hanna Center
- 2:30 p.m. Freeman Theatre and Dance Series presents *The Light in the Piazza*, Harrison Theatre, samford.edu/arts
- 4 p.m. Concert: Birmingham Boys Choir and Traces of Blue jazz ensemble, Wright Center, admission \$10

### Monday, March 3

Patricia Goodman, Glenn Schneider, Liz Sorrell

- Visual Arts Achievement Program Juried Exhibition, Art Gallery, Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m., through March 13

### Tuesday, March 4

Leah Ashworth-Edge, Mark Bateman, Gregory Kawell

- 10 a.m. Reid Chapel: *Rodrigo Rodriguez*, classical guitarist
- 11 a.m. Hodges Chapel: *Andrew Purves*, professor of reformed theology, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Conger Preaching Lectures
- 3:30 p.m. Philosophy Department Spring Lecture: *Dean Zimmerman*, professor of philosophy, Rutgers University, "God and the Cosmos," Brock Forum
- 6 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. Alabama, Softball Stadium
- 7:30 p.m. Faculty Recital: *Demondrae Thurman*, euphonium

### Wednesday, March 5

Jim Angel, Dick Bodenhamer, Jack Deason, Ken Kirby, Linda Sneed (ret.)

- 11 a.m. Hodges Chapel: *Andrew Purves*, professor of reformed theology, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Conger Preaching Lectures
- 6 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Jacksonville State, Griffin Field

### Thursday, March 6

Mike Myers

- Gulf South Conference men's and women's basketball tournaments, Hanna Center, through March 9, samfordsports.com/tickets

- 10 a.m. Reid Chapel: *Andrew Purves*, professor of reformed theology, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Ray Robbins Lecture

### Friday, March 7

Larissa Charny, Chiwanna Smart

- Cumberland School of Law hosts Public Policy Mediation Symposium, Robinson Hall
- 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Best Care for Orphans Luncheon and Roundtable, Global Center, N101 Divinity Hall, beesondivinity.com/orphans
- 1:30 p.m. Women's Tennis: Samford vs. South Alabama, Tennis Center
- 5:30 p.m. Vespers, University Chorale, Hodges Chapel
- 6 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Louisiana-Monroe, Griffin Field
- 7 p.m. Wright Center Signature Series presents *Halie Loren*, jazz vocalist, Brock Recital Hall, samford.edu/arts (click on calendar/tickets)

### Saturday, March 8

Niki Lincoln, Janet Smith, Monica Sun

- 2 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Louisiana-Monroe, Griffin Field

### Sunday, March 9

Patricia Romero Munoz, Dale Skelton

- 12 p.m. Women's Tennis: Samford vs. Georgia Southern, Tennis Center
- 1 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Louisiana-Monroe, Griffin Field

### Monday, March 10

Shane Both, Sherri Brown, Laura Byland, Amy Kester, Fred Rogan

### Tuesday, March 11

Della Fancher, Lynda Reynolds, David Vest

- 10 a.m. Reid Chapel: *Jim McCafferty*, president and chief executive officer, The Members Insurance Company
- 11 a.m. Hodges Chapel: *Mark Searby*, director, doctor of ministry studies and student services, Beeson Divinity School
- 3 p.m. Reid Chapel: *D. G. Hart*, visiting professor of history, Hillsdale (Mich.) College, Core Texts Program Speaker Series
- 6 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. Alabama State, Softball Stadium
- 7:30 p.m. Recital, Samford University String Quartet, Brock Recital Hall

### Wednesday, March 12

Susan Alverson (ret.), Lisa Battaglia, Emily Gettys, Steven Jones, Stacia Kolb

- Pastors Symposium, Beeson Divinity School

### Thursday, March 13

Thomas Annino, Hillary Castleberry, Anna Meador, Tom Spencer, Sid Trant

- 10 a.m. Reid Chapel: *Jeremy Courtney*, founder and executive director, Preemptive Love Coalition
- 12 p.m. Prayer for the Nations Meeting, Global Center
- 3 p.m. Men's Tennis: Samford vs. Eastern Kentucky, Tennis Center
- 7:30 p.m. Recital: Wind Ensemble/Symphonic Band, Brock Recital Hall

### Friday, March 14

Mary Sue Baldwin, Jill Cunningham, Sean Flynt, Roy Oliver (ret.), Tamika Reeves, Chandra Sparks Splond

- 1 p.m. Women's Tennis: Samford vs. Charlotte, Tennis Center
- 7:30 p.m. Opera Birmingham presents

*Pagliacci/Suor Angelica*, Wright Concert Hall, operabirmingham.org

### Saturday, March 15

Teresa Luke

- 10 a.m. Men's Tennis: Samford vs. Louisiana-Lafayette, Tennis Center

### Sunday, March 16

Debbie Adams (ret.), Brian Koonce, Dino Theodorou

- 2:30 p.m. Opera Birmingham presents *Pagliacci/Suor Angelica*, Wright Concert Hall, operabirmingham.org, March 16
- 4 p.m. Harlem Globetrotters, Hanna Center, samfordsports.com/tickets

### Monday, March 17

Sue Mueller, Jim Reburn

- 7 p.m. Lecture: *Wes Moore*, author, *The Other Wes Moore*, Tom and Marla Corts Distinguished Author Series, Wright Center

### Tuesday, March 18

Wendy Greene

- 10 a.m. Reid Chapel: *Kevin Blackwell*, assistant to the president for church relations
- 11 a.m. Hodges Chapel: *Gene Edward Veith*, provost and professor of literature, Patrick Henry College
- 6 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Alabama State, Griffin Field
- 7:30 p.m. Davis Architects Guest Artist Series, Emerson String Quartet, Brock Recital Hall, samford.edu/arts (click on calendar/tickets)

### Wednesday, March 19

Eric Allen, Art Carden, Greg Gorman, Peter Malysz

- 1 p.m. Women's Tennis: Samford vs. David Lipscomb, Tennis Center

### Thursday, March 20

Robin Beardsley, Randi Bourdages, Jeff Bramer, David Frings, Nirmala Pareek (ret.), Kathy Walton

- Alabama Supreme Court in session, Wright Center
- 12 p.m. Prayer for the Nations Meeting, Global Center
- 7:30 p.m. Samford Orchestra and Student Soloists (formerly Concerto-Aria series), Brock Recital Hall

### Friday, March 21

George Atchley (ret.), Jim Barnette, Anne Covington, Eric Mathis, R. Scott Robertson

### Saturday, March 22

Martha Alverson (ret.), Teddy Champion, Arlene Hayne, Jaime Ivie, Michael Teel

- 1 p.m. Men's Tennis: Samford vs. Davidson, Tennis Center
- 1 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. UNCG, Softball Stadium (DH)

### Sunday, March 23

John Strohm

- 1 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. UNCG, Softball Stadium

### Monday, March 24

Gay Barnes

Spring Break

### Tuesday, March 25

Walter Clepper (ret.), Loree Crenshaw (ret.), Doug Hamilton (ret.), Danielle Ivey, Chris Roper

Spring Break

### Wednesday, March 26

Shannon Flynt, Serena Simoni, Craig Stephens

Spring Break

### Thursday, March 27

Betty Hopson, Joe Hubbard

Spring Break

### Friday, March 28

Garry Atkins, Kristie Smith

Spring Break

- 6 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Furman, Griffin Field

### Saturday, March 29

Deborah Camel (ret.), Matilda Easterbook

- 1 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. Appalachian State, Softball Stadium (DH)
- 2 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Furman, Griffin Field
- 8 p.m. Alabama Symphony Orchestra Red Diamond SuperPops Series, Rhapsody in Blue: The Best of Gershwin, *Chris Confessore* conducting, alabamasymphony.org

### Sunday, March 30

Charlotte Baughn, Melanie Butts, Carlo Chianenza, John Culpepper, Martin Newton, Mary Worthington

- 1 p.m. Baseball: Samford vs. Furman, Griffin Field
- 1 p.m. Men's Tennis: Samford vs. Wofford, Tennis Center
- 1 p.m. Softball: Samford vs. Appalachian State, Softball Stadium

### Monday, March 31

Scott Littleton ■

## Upcoming in April

April 1, *An Evening with C. S. Lewis*, British actor David Payne, Wright Center Signature Series

April 12, Old Howard 100 Bike Ride, Marion, Ala.

April 15, Earth Day speaker, Dr. Joe Mendelson, Zoo Atlanta

April 18, Alabama Symphony Classical Masters, Brock Recital Hall

## Joys & Sorrows

Sympathy is expressed to . . .

- **Mark DeVine** (Divinity) in the Feb. 7 death of his grandmother, Edisto Littlejohn Harris, of Spartanburg, S.C.
- **Kay Guess** (Business) in the Feb. 3 death of her mother, Inez Garner, of Hoover, Ala. ■

## Spring Enrollment a Record 4,698

Samford University has set another record for spring semester enrollment: 4,698 students. That tops the record spring enrollment of 4,605 set in 2012.

The 2014 spring enrollment includes 2,864 undergraduates, and 1,834 graduate and professional students.

Samford has had record enrollments in eight of the last nine semesters, including an all-time record of 4,833 in fall 2013. ■

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private sector on Middle East issues.

With retired Iraqi Ambassador Ghassan Muhsin Hussein, he is coauthor of *Talking to Strangers: The Struggle to Rebuild Iraq's Foreign Ministry* (Southwestern College Academic Press 2013).

He will lead faculty discussions on *Talking with Strangers*, advise students on foreign service careers, meet with Samford's Model United Nations Team and University Fellows, make classroom talks on public administration and U.S. foreign relations, and take questions at meetings with the Birmingham Rotary Club and the Women's Committee of 100 for Birmingham. He will also meet with the Samford Film Club for a screening of a film on a related topic. ■

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Brookwood Baptist Church on Wednesday evenings in January and February entitled "Leaving 'left behind' Behind." He also preached at Brookwood Baptist on Feb. 2, and at First Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., on Feb. 16 and 23.

**Don Sanders** (Music) is a member of the editorial board of *Universitas Studiorum*, an Italian publishing house based at the University of Mantua that produces monographs in numerous disciplines.

**Dennis Sansom** (Philosophy) presented a paper, "The Legitimacy of Christian Ethics," at the Faith and the Academy Conference: What Makes Christian Education Christian? at Faulkner University Feb. 7. He gave a four-part series at Birmingham's Cathedral Church of the Advent entitled "Scientists Who Believe in God."

**Sharron Schlosser** (Nursing) conducted a continuing education workshop on "Interpreting and Using Item Analysis Data to Improve Test Questions" for the nursing faculty at Judson College Feb. 5.

**James Strange** (Religion) preached at Shades Crest Baptist Church Sunday, Feb. 9. His topic was "Trust in the Lord."

**Rachel Thomas and Maisha Freeman** (Pharmacy) presented a poster, "Multicenter Evaluation of Aminoglycoside Susceptibility of Gram-negative Bacilli Isolates Among Urban and Rural Inpatient Facilities over a 10-year Period" at the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists midyear clinical meeting in Orlando, Fla., Dec. 10.

**Larry Thompson** (Art) presented the paper "iCritique: Using Technology for Assessment in the Art Studio" at the 101st annual College Art Association [CAA] Conference in Chicago, Ill., Feb. 12. In addition, he served as career mentor for junior faculty from around the nation at CAA this year.

**Brian Viliunas** (Arts) spent January performing in Arizona. He performed C. M. Von Weber's *First Clarinet Concerto* with the San Tan

Orchestra Jan. 17, performed in *La Boheme* with the Arizona Opera Jan. 24-Feb. 2, and did two benefit concerts with his chamber group, Seventh Roadrunner Ensemble, benefiting local churches and their missions to help the homeless.

**Robert Wang** (Pharmacy) published "Enhancing the Potency of F508del Correction: A Multilayer Combination Approach to Drug Discovery for Cystic Fibrosis" in the *Journal of Pharmacology and Clinical Toxicology* 1(1): 1007(1-7) with E. F. Kirby and A. S. Heard.

**Julie Williams** (Journalism and Mass Communication) won the 2014 Ella Dickey Literacy Award for her book *A Rare Titanic Family*. The award, given to authors whose work has helped preserve history, will be presented at the Cherry Blossom Festival in Marshfield, Mo., in April. The festival focuses on history and particularly favors descendants of famous characters in history, including families of presidents, who often appear and speak. *A Rare Titanic Family* is about Williams' great-uncle, Albert Caldwell, who survived the *Titanic* at age 26, along with his wife and baby. He lived to be 91 and told Williams the *Titanic* story firsthand many times.

**Sean Wright** (Wright Center) spoke to the Artistic Directors/Executive Directors Council of Dance USA at the annual Association of Performing Arts Presenters Conference [APAP] in New York City. His topic was "What Dance Presenters Want from Dance Companies: Six Steps to Building More Frequent and Better Dance Engagements." Wright was also selected to attend the Emerging Leaders Institute at APAP, joining 24 other professionals in the performing arts for an intensive three-day institute covering issues facing the entire industry. ■

## Purves to Deliver Conger, Robbins Lectures March 4-6

Theologian and spiritual renewal specialist Andrew Purves will deliver the Conger and Robbins Lectures at Samford March 4-6.

Dr. Purves, professor of historical theology at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, will present the 2014 William E. Conger, Jr. Lectures on Biblical Preaching sponsored by Samford's Beeson Divinity School, and also give the Ray Frank Robbins Lecture sponsored by the Howard College of Arts and Sciences' religion department.

The overall theme for the week is "Christ in Ministry."

The Conger Lectures will be in Hodges Chapel on Tuesday, March 4, with the topic "No Other Name" (Acts 4:1-12) and on Wednesday, March 5, on the topic, "Who is the Incarnate Savior of the World?" Both lectures will be at 11 a.m.

Purves will give the Robbins lecture on Thursday, March 6, at 10 a.m. in Reid Chapel on the topic, "The Pastoring God."

A native of Edinburgh, Scotland, Purves came to the United States in 1978 and was minister of a Presbyterian church in Pennsylvania until 1983, when he joined the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary faculty. He is the author of several publications on pastoral theology and ministry. ■

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one free ticket each. Samford students may attend free.

Raised by his widowed mother, Moore overcame early struggles in life to graduate Phi Beta Kappa from Johns Hopkins University in 2001 and earn a master's degree from Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar in 2004. He was a paratrooper in the U.S. Army, serving a combat tour of duty in Afghanistan. He later served as a White House Fellow and special assistant to U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. He founded STAND! an organization that works with Baltimore, Md., youth involved in the criminal justice system. ■