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We have a new look online!

Our website was recently redesigned—take a look! One of our favorite parts of this new site is the video featuring alumnus, John Derrick. Click below to hear his story.



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Nominate Alumni for Annual Awards

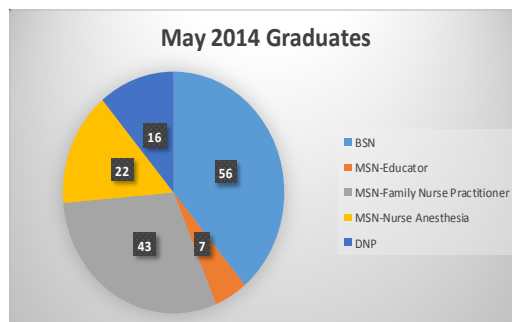


Nominations are now being accepted for the 2014 Courage to Care Awards. Recipients will be honored at an elegant gala on Friday, October 10 at B&A Warehouse in Birmingham, Ala.

The Courage to Care Awards honor outstanding alumni who have demonstrated the “courage to care” through their current or past practice as a registered nurse. More than 30

Moffett Nurses have received Courage to Care Awards since their inception in 2009. [Click here to download the full criteria and nomination forms for the Courage to Care Awards.](#) **The deadline for nominations has been extended to June 13.**

For more information about sponsorships, past recipients and more, please visit <http://samford.edu/nursingalumni-awards/>.



Congratulations Class of 2014

On Friday, May 16 Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing awarded degrees to 144 graduates. Graduates represented the baccalaureate, masters and doctoral programs. Graduating BSN student **Anna Beth Shelton** served as the nursing school’s commencement speaker.

In Her Words: Anna Crawford, B.S.N. '14



Ida V. Moffett school of nursing offers more than an education. It gave me the opportunity to step into my calling as a nurse with a faculty of men and women cheering me on and investing in me along the way. For example, during my first semester in the program, clinical associate Kristen Johnston came to my club lacrosse game with her children after hearing that a few of us played on the team. That speaks volumes. I found this program is designed not only to produce professional nurses but more importantly nurses with character, compassion, and a heart for how God is using nurses for His glory.

While I am excited to be on the graduating side of preclinical paperwork, hours of studying, and group presentations, I will miss the faculty, staff, friends, and joy of learning in such a nurturing environment. Nursing school is an experience all of its own, and Ida V. Moffett made it one I will always look back on fondly.

Following graduation, I am applying to go to the Harvest School with Iris Ministries in Mozambique, Africa. I will have the opportunity to learn from ministers and missionaries from around the world in daily classes, go on outreaches into villages,

some of which have never heard the Gospel, and use my nursing skills in a variety of ways throughout my two months there.

Upon my return from Harvest School, I will begin my job at UAB in the Emergency Department. While precepting with nurses at UAB during an ER elective in Jan-Term, I found my love for emergency medicine. I love its easy application to mission nursing, the opportunity it provides to master assessment and nursing skills, and the chance to make a difference in someone's life during a stressful time by providing professional, compassionate care.

Air Force ROTC Students Participate in Aerial Refueling Mission



Dylan Lempp with the KC-135 aircraft

Nursing students Kayla Burch, Kaley Cusumano, Dylan Lempp and Jordan Valdez from Samford's Air Force ROTC Detachment 012 witnessed operational airpower up close and personal as they participated in an aerial refueling mission with the Air National Guard's 117th Air Refueling Wing. The cadets boarded a KC-135 aircraft in Birmingham, Ala. and rendezvoused with a flight of four F-15 fighter aircraft

over the state of Florida where the KC-135 crew and cadets refueled the fighters before returning to Birmingham and Samford University. The cadets were fortunate that they were able to participate in a critical mission that highlighted the importance of teamwork, discipline, and precision skills; aspects that all of the cadets have been developing during their time in AFROTC and will put to use once on active duty.



Kayla Burch

Jackie H. Davis Medical Missions' Fund Recipient Returns from Ecuador



The first recipient of funds from the Jackie H. Davis Medical Missions' Fund, **Candace Gullung**, SRNA, recently returned from a trip to Ambato, Ecuador. Gullung travelled with a Rotarian sponsored group including **Lisa Kirby**, CRNA, **Rhonda Green**, CRNA, **Dr. Alfonso Yonfa**, and others. They provided anesthesia

for children having cleft palate and club foot repairs.

The Jackie H. Davis Medical Missions' Fund was established to encourage nurse anesthesia student participation in medical missions above and beyond required program activities. You can help support other SRNAs who seek to pursue medical missions' opportunities outside of their required coursework!

[To make a gift to the Jackie H. Davis Medical Missions' Fund, please click here.](#) All donations directly impact students' ability to travel for medical missions and gifts of any size are important.

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Students Travel to London for Nursing in the British Isles



In Jan-term, seven undergraduate Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing students, **Lucy Breault, Rebecca Cofield, Shayla Cunningham, Sophia McCormack, Abby Ozment, Hannah Sullivan** and **Taylor White**, traveled with faculty members **Dr. Vicki Rochester** and **Dr. Cindy Berry** to the Daniel House in London to study "Health Care in the British Isles." The students and faculty had a wonderful two weeks visiting The Old Operating Room, The Florence Nightingale Museum, The Foundling Museum, and the Royal Hospital Chelsea for

Veterans, just to name a few. They were privileged to have an RN from London come to the Daniel House and spend several hours talking to them about nursing in Britain and the differences between the U.S. and British health care systems. On their final night in London, students and faculty joined the Department of Kinesiology's Fitness Walking class and Dr. Rob Hensarling for a guided tour about Jack the Ripper that not only described the crimes he committed but the conditions in London during that time period.

Volunteer to Serve with CampUs

We need you this summer for CampUs! CampUs is a summer camp hosted by the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing for children with special needs.

Volunteer opportunities are available for faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends. In addition to providing nursing care, nutrition, safety and security for campers, volunteers are needed to assist with arts, crafts, music, reading, Bible school, exercise, and a variety of community partner visits such as the Sensory Bus and Hand-in-Paw. Volunteers will also

lend a hand with set-up, clean-up, check-in and check-out. There are a variety of ways you can serve at CampUs depending on your interests, gifts and talents. Come make a difference for children and families with special needs.

CampUs sessions will be held at Samford University in the Pete Hanna Center during the months of June and July. Students can earn course credit and/or convocation credit for volunteering.

If you are interested in serving at CampUs this summer, please contact Dr. Jill Cunningham at jlcunni1@samford.edu.



FEMA Provides Senior Students with Disaster Management and Preparedness

Graduating seniors in the Critical Care course (NURS 460) spent March 13 and 14 learning Disaster Management and Preparedness from representatives from the FEMA Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, Ala. On the first day, students heard lectures and participated in on-campus activities. The following day

FEMA arranged for them to travel to Anniston to participate in active learning sessions related to disasters. Students learned about nursing and community partner roles in various disaster situations from expert FEMA faculty who each had long careers in their specialties and are now part of

the Center for Domestic Preparedness. FEMA offers this incredible educational opportunity to groups all over the world at no cost. Students will benefit from this unique learning experience throughout their careers.

Congratulations to the Newest School of Nursing Diplomats

Lindsay Kate Elrod

Chaunce Neal

Jennifer Pritchett

Jenna Harper

Jess Price

Abbie Shimer

Accolades, Honors and Acknowledgements—Alumni and Students



Dr. Rebecca Peinhardt

Cheryl Conley, Post-Master's FNP student, published "The Use of Human Patient Simulation to Improve Academic Test Scores in Nursing Students" in the August 2013 issue of *Teaching & Learning in Nursing*.

Sara Beth Hennessey, BSN 2013, accepted an RN position on the Labor and Delivery Unit at Willis-Knighton Pierremont in Shreveport, La.

Lori Liocce, DNP 2010, was selected to serve on the national Code of Ethics for Nurses Revision Panel: Steering Committee of the American Nurses Association.

Rebecca Peinhardt, DNP 2009, was promoted to Professor with tenured faculty status effective Fall 2014 at Jacksonville State University College of Nursing, Jacksonville, Ala.

Peinhardt presented "Master's Curricula: The Intersection of QSEN and MSN Essentials" at the 2014 AACN Master's Education Conference in Scottsdale, Ariz. in February 2014.

Katherine Pendleton-Romig, DNP 2012, presented "Reducing Falls in Outpatients: Evaluation of Fall Risk Assessment and Identification of Fallers" at a number of international, regional and state conferences and conventions including: Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society 24th International Nursing Research Congress in Prague, Czech Republic in July 2013; Tennessee Nurses Association Convention in Franklin, Tenn. in October 2012; Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society Region 8 Conference in Jackson, Tenn. in October 2012. She will also present this poster at

Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society European Region Conference in Gothenburg, Sweden in June 2014.

Pendleton-Romig will serve as the lead nursing faculty at Tennessee Technological University Whitson-Hester School of Nursing for a mission trip to Belize this summer.

Markie Ramsey, MSN FNP 2013, received the AANP Pharmvite Master's in Nursing Scholarship.

Susan Stillwell, DNP 2009, has been named Associate Dean for Graduate Programs at University of Portland, Portland, Ore.

Courtney Williams, senior in the BSN program, was selected to participate in the VA Learning Opportunities Residency (VALOR) Program.



Dr. Susan Stillwell

Nurse Anesthesia Alumni Selected as Outstanding Preceptors

The Alabama Association of Nurse Anesthetists (ALANA) recently recognized outstanding clinical preceptors. Clinical preceptors are the backbone of nurse anesthesia education. Our students learn from the best in the business, the community CRNAs in our clinical sites. Both faculty and students are grateful for

the selfless way that our generous preceptors mentor students in clinical judgment, technical and nontechnical skills, critical resource management, and professionalism. Two of the five preceptors recognized by the Class of 2014 are Samford alumni: **David Sanford** - St. Vincent's, Birming-

ham and **Christy Moore** – Princeton Baptist Medical Center, Birmingham. Congratulations and thank you for "giving forward" to our profession!



Roger Carrwright
Advisory Board President

Advisory Board Welcomes New Members and Leadership

Ann McEntire Chief Nursing Officer at Citizen's Baptist Medical Center and **Dianne Bonner**, Registered Nurse at St. Vincent's East, are the two newest members of the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing Advisory Board. Advisory board members serve as ambassadors and advocates for the school of nursing in communities and organizations and seek ways to extend the influence, reputation and resources of the school.

The Executive Committee also welcomed new leadership. Roger **Cartwright** was named chair of the Advisory Board. Committee chairs include, **Dr. Cyndi Bass**, Academic Affairs and Student Life; **Dr. Wanda Lee**, External Relations; **Kerry Gossett**, Resource Development. **Jo D. Kicker**, immediate-past president also serves on the Executive Committee.

Advisory Board members serve four-year terms, with an option to

renew at the end of a term, and Executive Committee members serve three-years in their position.

For a full list of Advisory Board members, please [click here](#). To nominate someone to serve on the Advisory Board, please contact [Katie Stripling](#).

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Save the Date: Upcoming Alumni Events

MOFFETT NURSE NETWORK

Visit us at the AANP Conference

June 19-21

Nashville, Tenn.

Stop by and see us while you're in Nashville for the AANP Conference! Alumni and current students should plan to visit our booth, #353, for a special gift and to register for a door prize!

NLN Summit-Phoenix Moffett Nurse Network

September 2014

Phoenix, Ariz.

Join us while in town for the NLN Summit! We're working on plans to connect faculty and alumni; stay tuned for details!

Cap and Cape Society Luncheon

Friday, October 10 at 11 a.m.

Birmingham, Ala.

Diploma graduates from the Birmingham Baptist Hospital and Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing should plan to join us for this annual tradition! We'll celebrate the strong history of our school and the outstanding nurses who have made it what it is today. Interested in serving on the Cap and Cape planning committee? [Contact us](#), we would love to have your input on how to make this day even more meaningful for our alumni!

Courage to Care Gala

Friday, October 10 at 7:00 p.m.

B&A Warehouse, Birmingham, Ala.

The annual Courage to Care Gala, will honor our outstanding alumni who exemplify the "Courage to Care." Nominations for Courage to Care Awards will be accepted until June 13. [Click here for the criteria and nomination packet](#). To purchase tickets or sponsorships, [click here](#).

Alumni and Friends Homecoming Barbecue

Saturday, November 1, 2014

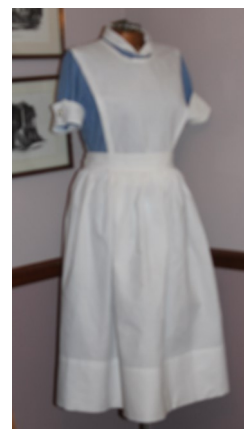
Samford University, Birmingham, Ala.

Stay tuned for exciting announcements about this year's Homecoming activities! There will be more to do than ever before, so be on the lookout for details!

Interested in a class reunion? We can help! [Contact us](#) for details. Some anniversary year classes—1954, 1964, 1984, 1987, 1999, 2009—may want to put together a special gathering to celebrate their anniversary year and we're happy to provide support to these classes and others! Make plans to reconnect with your classmates today—you'll be glad you did!

Class of 1965 Reunion

On April 17, 2014 the class of 1965 gathered for a special reunion luncheon at the home Millie Snead Street. The class shared great food, and company. Street was a wonderful host—she had even displayed one of their old nursing uniforms for everyone to see. It was truly a special day!



Nursing Faculty Member Receives Prestigious Macon Award



School of Nursing professor Dr. Gretchen McDaniel was honored with Samford University's 2014 George Macon Award. The award was presented by Samford Provost, Dr. J. Bradley Creed at the opening convocation. When describing Dr. McDaniel, a former student wrote, "She believed in me before I believed in myself, and I credit her for much of what I have accomplished, because it was her encouragement that caused me to try."

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McDaniel a constant reminder to faculty and students of the enduring influence that a teacher can have. She is highly regarded for being a consistent source of knowledge, guidance, and encouragement for students as they learn the intricacies of the research process and related statistical measures. Her unique

ability to make even the most difficult subject practical and easy to understand, places students at ease and allows them to express both their confidence and their uncertainties. She's passionate about research and imparts that to her students, many of whom go on to present and publish research they have done under her guidance.

Through her more than 17 years of service as a member of the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing faculty, she has earned a reputation for her accessibility and commitment to student success. It is not rare to find her office light burning late into the evening as she accommodates the various schedules of students at the baccalaureate, master's and doctoral level. Never one to seek praise, she goes

about her day very quietly, not in the limelight, but purposeful in every situation she encounters. Her ability to selflessly give of her time to serve others is unparalleled and students and their learning are at the center of all she does. Despite a full teaching load and a number of continuing education responsibilities, students are always met with respect and are freely given her undivided attention.

Her willingness to give of herself both personally and professionally epitomizes what it means to be called to teach. McDaniel embodies the spirit of the George Macon Award and the School of Nursing is proud to celebrate this accomplishment with her.

Nursing Faculty and Staff Honored with ALN Awards



Award recipients with Associate Deans Dr. Jane Martin and Dr. Joy Whatley

On Thursday, April 24, three members of the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing faculty and staff were honored at the Alabama League for Nursing's annual awards banquet.

Staff members **Doug Davis** and **Gena Sullivan** received Lamplighter Awards for their exemplary contributions to the nursing profession.

Dr. Jennifer Coleman received the 2014 Excellence in Teaching Award. The awards were presented at the Carraway Davie House in Birmingham, Ala. Numerous nursing school faculty were on hand to celebrate these accomplishments.

Nurse Anesthesia Students Attend ALANA Spring Meeting



Twenty-two Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing nurse anesthesia students attended the annual ALANA Spring Meeting in Destin, Fla.

While at the meeting, Brittney

Kilgore, Samford student representative to the ALANA, co-chaired and led her class in coordinating a first-ever 5K event that raised over \$800 for the state CRNA PAC.

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Accolades, Honors and Acknowledgements—Faculty and Staff

Dr. Lisa Allison provided podium presentations entitled “Pediatric Airway Update, Common Pediatric Post-Anesthetic Complications, Anesthesia Induced Neuroapoptosis” and “DNP, CRNA...What’s It All About?” at the ALANA Spring Meeting in Destin, Fla.

Dr. Terri Cahoon presented “Malignant Hyperthermia: New Information for CRNA Webinars” at the ALANA Spring Meeting in Destin, Fla.

Dr. David Fort presented “Anesthetic Management of Robotic Procedures in the Steep Trendelenberg Position and O₂ Saturation - What May Be Detected Beneath the Surface?” at the Charleston Anesthesia Conference.



Tinisha Glenn passed the Alabama State Bar Exam and was sworn in on May 22.

Dr. Arlene Hayne and **Dr. Sharron Schlosser’s** article “Using Problem-Based Learning to Teach Health Policy at the DNP Level” was published in the May/June 2014 issue of *Nurse Educator*.

Dr. Jane Holston attended the ASNA Leadership Academy in Montgomery in April.

Dr. Holston also provided a podium presentation, “Head Injuries in School Aged Athletes” at the FACES conference in Montgomery, Ala.

Abbey Holthaus successfully defended her dissertation proposal and she has been granted candidacy status.



Dr. Erin Killingsworth’s abstract, “Nursing Faculty Decision Making about Best Practices in Classroom Testing,” has been accepted for a poster presentation at the 2014 NLN Education Summit.

Killingsworth was selected for the Georgia Baptist College of Nursing’s Outstanding Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing Award.

John Lundeen successfully defended his dissertation proposal, “Analysis of Unsuccessful Candidate Performance for the Certified Nurse Educator Examination”, on May 9. He was granted candidacy for the Doctor of Education degree by his committee.

Dr. Gretchen McDaniel, Cristy Daffron, DNP 2012, and **Debbie Duke** presented, “Continuing Education Needs for Trained Faith Community Nurses in the United States as Reported by FCN Educators and Coordinators” at the 2014 Westberg Symposium in April 2014 in Olive Branch, Miss. They will also present this at the Innovations in Faith-Based Nursing Conference in June 2014.

Amber Patrick’s abstract, “Simulation Evaluation Tool for Associate Degree Programs,” has been accepted for a poster presentation at the 2014 NLN Education Summit.

Adam Peeples, MSN, Nurse Anesthesia 2014, has published his capstone project, “Cricoid Pressure Effectiveness: A Review of the Evidence,” in the Spring 2014 *International Student Journal of Nurse Anesthesia*.

Dr. Carol Ratcliffe was selected for inclusion in the second edition of

Who’s Who In Black Alabama.

Ratcliffe’s article, “Nursing Cost Reduction Decisions Can Create an Unstoppable Grizzly Bear” was published in the *ACHE Healthcare Consultants Forum Online Newsletter*, in April 2014.

Ratcliffe, immediate past president of the Alabama Organization of Nurse Executives, accepted one of only two 2014 American Organization of Nurse Executives Chapter Achievement Awards on behalf of the chapter.

Amy Snow, presented a poster entitled “Changes in Service and Knowledge in Nurse Anesthesia Students after Service Learning Program Implementation” at the ALANA Spring Meeting in Destin, Fla.



Rebecca Warr published “Physical Pain Management in Senior Adults,” an interdisciplinary article written with Dr. Amber M. Hutchison, Assistant Clinical Professor at Auburn University. The module can be accessed [here](#).

Warr also published “Pain in the Hospitalized Alzheimer Patient” on the [Deep South CME Network](#), UAB Geriatric Education Center, UAB Division of CME in December 2013.

Warr participated in the 2012-13 class of the University of Alabama at Birmingham Geriatric Education Center’s Faculty Scholars Program (UAB GEC FSP), an interdisciplinary training program focused on providing faculty with tools to enhance training related to chronic and advanced illness in older adults.



Nursing Faculty Member to Travel to Africa

School of Nursing instructor Amber Patrick will travel to Zambia, Africa June 15-July 1 to work with Luyando.org. As a part of a 14 person team, Patrick will be devoted to medical outreach in

the mornings, meeting the physical needs of the people of the Simukale village. In the afternoons she will join the rest of the team in kids Bible clubs, building the village's first

orphanage, and distributing food through the established feeding club. Patrick sponsored a child through Luyando and will get to meet her for the first time while on this trip.

In Her Words: Amber Patrick, alumnus and nursing instructor

Meet Matron, my sponsor child. Our journey to each other is nothing short of God's divine sovereignty. Three years ago I was walking a dirt trail in the hills of Blantyre, Malawi - a small country in the middle of nowhere Africa - heading toward a "hut" house to tell a family the Good News of Jesus Christ. I knew this family would have never seen a blonde girl with such fair skin before, would have never heard of America, and would have never heard the name Jesus prior to this. I knew this because of the four families and the school of around 100 students I had just spoken to. They all stared at me in awe - panic, maybe at first - but sheer awe. Not at me, exactly, but at the news I brought to them. The Hope.

As I walked between house four and five, I turned to one of my translators who worked with the ministry staff (e3 partners) to ask him where he was from because I knew he wasn't from the area. He

said Zambia. He asked me where I was from in return. I said Alabama, never dreaming he'd have a clue where I was referring to. He asked me if I knew someone named Kelsey Weeks from Birmingham. Right then and there, in the middle of the hills of Malawi, Africa, my path crossed with one of the Zambian locals that Kelsey founded Luyando with, Pastor Wilfred Kapapa. Only God could orchestrate something so perfect.

I met him, and heard about her, and came to realize that my sister actually already knew Kelsey too. And that I might pray diligently about sponsoring a sweet baby girl in the sponsorship program until finally I felt such a tug on my heart when I saw Matron's picture that I knew it had to be her. It was as if the Lord had saved her especially for me. This summer I have the chance to travel to Zambia to not only serve as a

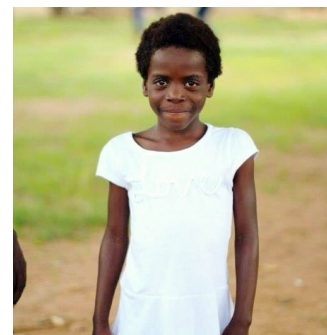
nurse in meeting the physical needs of the Simukale people, but also telling them about Jesus, and getting to meet my sweet Matron girl for the first time.

This is more than just a trip. It's going to change my life forever - I know. He already has, she already has. Can't wait to update everyone when I get back.

Amber Patrick received her BSN in 2010 and her MSN in 2013 from the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing. She is an instructor in the undergraduate program.



Matron with a photo of her sponsor Amber



Nurse Anesthesia Students and Alumni Advocate for the Profession



Laura with Amy Neimkin, ALANA Director of Government Relations, Elizabeth Fuller, UAB student, Heather Rankin, class of 2005, Congressman Mike Rogers, and Jen Overton., class of 2007 and current ALANA President.

Laura Durchsprung, SRNA, has served the past year as the Alabama Association of Nurse Anesthetist (ALANA) student representative from Samford. As her final privilege as student rep, Laura attended Mid Year Assembly in Arlington, VA, April 5-9. Laura joined forces with ALANA board members and Government Relations Committee members in the nation's capital to educate and

inform leaders of the value of nurse anesthetists and advocate for our profession and healthcare.

To learn more about the Department of Nurse Anesthesia at Samford, please click here.

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Faculty Integral in AL-HAC Initiatives to Address Health Care Challenges

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) announced that the Alabama Health Action Coalition (AL-HAC) is one of 30 state coalitions to receive grant funding as part of the *Future of Nursing State Implementation Program (SIP)*. The program is helping states prepare the nursing profession to address our nation's most pressing health care challenges—access, quality and cost.

AL-HAC was established in late 2012 and is part of the [*Future of Nursing: Campaign for Action*](#). Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing associate professor, Dr. Carol Ratcliffe and dean Nena F. Sanders were founding members of the AL-HAC organization. Ratcliffe currently serves as co-leader for the organization. Associate dean for graduate programs, Dr. Jane Martin is a member of the organization's 80 x 20 Taskforce. The nursing lead partner of the AL-HAC is the Alabama Organization of Nursing Executives (AlaONE) and the other lead partner is Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama (BCBSAL). Other partners of record are the Alabama Hospital Association (AlaHA), the

Medical Association for the State of Alabama (MASA), and AARP Alabama.

The State Implementation Program (SIP) bolsters efforts already underway in 50 states and the District of Columbia—the *Future of Nursing: Campaign for Action*—to improve health and health care through nursing. A joint initiative of AARP and RWJF, the *Campaign* is working to implement the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) evidence-based recommendations on the future of nursing. It provides a vehicle for nurses at all levels to lead system change to improve care for patients and families through collaboration with business, consumer, and other health professional organizations.

Grant recipients for the SIP will implement programs that prepare nurses to lead system change, strengthen nursing education, expand access to care by maximizing the use of nurses, recruit and train a more diverse nursing workforce, and improve quality and coordination of health care. The Center to Champion

Nursing in America (CCNA)—an initiative of AARP, the AARP Foundation, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation—serves as the national program office for the *Future of Nursing State Implementation Program*.

When official news of the SIP grants was made public by the RWJF, the partners of the AL-HAC were ecstatic. "The diverse leadership and partnership of the Alabama Health Action Coalition and our focus on meaningful outcomes that improve care were key factors in Alabama being selected," Ratcliffe said. "We are part of a powerful movement that is improving health care for all Americans. The Alabama Health Action Coalition is grateful to RWJF for this support, which will strengthen our work immeasurably."

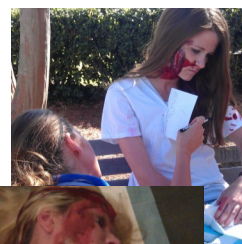
For more information on the Alabama Health Action Coalition or to make a donation please email: AlabamaActionCoalition@gmail.com.

School of Nursing Hosts 3rd Annual Disaster Drill



Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing hosted its annual Disaster Simulation on April 10, 2014. This year, 115 undergraduate students, including both accelerated second degree BSN and traditional BSN seniors, participated as victims and first responders in an active Shooter situation.

Campus Police, Regional Paramedic Service, and Homewood Fire actively participated in this drill. Plans are already underway for next year's drill.



Sigma Theta Tau Inducts New Officers

The new officers for the Gamma Eta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International were inducted at a ceremony on Thursday, May 15 in Brooks Hall on the Samford University Campus. New officers are: **Dr. Andrea Collins**, Vice-President; **Ms. Debbie Duke**, Treasurer; and **Mr. Drew Kilgore**, Membership Ambassador.



Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing Mission

The mission of the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing is to nurture students while providing quality education in a Christian environment that prepares caring, competent and compassionate graduates with a commitment to service, scholarship, life-long learning and professional practice.

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