



The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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Cumberland Team Finishes Second Overall In CKP Cup

Cumberland's Duberstein Moot Court team attended the CKP Cup in Miami this-past weekend. The CKP Cup is a formal practice competition between the participating schools in the Eleventh Circuit hosted by the University of Miami School of Law. It is a precursor competition to the Duberstein Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition, which will be held the first weekend of next month. The Cumberland Team made it all the way to the finals and came in Second overall.



From left to right: Christian Flowers (2L), Haley Stencel (3L), and Chip Slawson (3L).

Cumberland Team Reaches Semifinals of ABA National Moot Court Competition Regionals

Cumberland School of Law participated in the Regionals for the ABA National Moot Court competition in San Francisco, California this-past weekend. The team consisted of 3Ls David Manush and Zach Mardis and 2L Gage Smyth. The team performed very well. After three rounds, Cumberland was 3-0 and the #5 overall seed out of 32 teams from all over the country. The team advanced to the semifinals, and despite an outstanding argument, fell in a close 2-2 split decision. Manush and Mardis were among the top ten advocates in the entire competition. The team was coached by Charlie Shah '94.



From left to right: Coach Charlie Shah '94, Gage Smythe (2L), David Manush (3L) and Zach Mardis (3L).

Get Connected to Cumberland School of Law for all the latest updates.

The official Facebook page is "[Cumberland School of Law](#)" and the official Twitter account is "[CumberlandLaw](#)"



The law firm of Wallace, Jordan, Ratliff & Brandt, LLC sponsored the American Shakespeare Center's (ASC) 2016-17 Hungry Hearts Tour at Cumberland School of Law on February 17 and 18, 2017. This internationally acclaimed theatre company performs Shakespeare's works under their original staging conditions—on a simple stage, without elaborate sets, and with the audience sharing the same light as the actors so they can see and engage the audience throughout the show.

➤ The ASC tour at Cumberland included the presentations of Romeo & Juliet and The Two Gentlemen of Verona. For the performance of Two Gentlemen the ASC partnered with a local animal shelter to showcase an adoptable dog in the role of “Crab” and encouraged audience members to adopt Crab (a.k.a. “Buddy”) after the show.



Pictured: Shakespearean Actor and Buddy

➤ If you are interested in adopting the star of the show, “Buddy,” or his understudy, “Vicki Lee” the corgi, please contact Debra Woodley at phule_two@yahoo.com.

This Week's Events



PICS, Cumberland Children's Center, and Women In Law are co-hosting a supply drive to benefit Grace House that will run from **Monday, February 20 to Friday, March 3**. Donations will be collected in the breezeway.

CLEANING SUPPLIES

- Dishwashing liquid
- Laundry detergent
- Fabric softener
- Bleach
- Clorox Bleach for colors
- Sani-flush
- Scrub-free bathroom cleaner
- Lysol Disinfectant Spray
- Glade Air Freshener
- Pine Sol (original scent)
- Anti-bacterial hand soap refill
- Furniture polish (dusting)
- Glass cleaner
- Comet/AJAX
- Carpet deodorizer
- Cotton wring-out mops (replace frequently)

PAPER PRODUCTS/ HOME MAINTENANCE

- Copy paper
- Toilet paper (Angel Soft 24 pack)
- Paper towels (Sparkle 8 count)
- Napkins
- Paper plates
- Paper bowls
- Plastic/foam cups
- Glad gallon freezer bags
- Gallon storage bags
- Zipper seal sandwich bags
- Zipper seal quart storage bags
- Aluminum foil

- Wax paper
- Plastic wrap
- Dish rags/towels
- Medicine/ mouthwash cups
- 13-gallon draw string kitchen trash bags
- 30-gallon drawstring bags
- 8-gallon bags

TOILETRIES

- Toothpaste
- Tooth brushes (soft)
- Mouthwash
- Dental floss
- Lotion
- Body wash
- Bar soap
- Facewash

- Anti-bacterial hand sanitizer
- Wash rags
- Deodorant
- Shaving cream or gel
- Razors
- Cotton balls
- Q-tips
- Cough drops
- Band-aids
- Neosporin
- Fingernail clippers
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Tampons (Tampax Pearl - all sizes)
- Panty liners
- Maxi pads

OFFICE SUPPLIES

- Copy paper
- Post-Its
- Note pads
- Pens
- Binder clips
- Staples
- Tape
- Colored paper
- Card stock
- Stamps
- Highlighters
- Legal pad notebooks

This Week's Events

• **PAD's Lunch with a Lawyer** (Come listen to Jeremy Richter '12 and David Graves '10 as they discuss the differences between plaintiff and defense work and what makes a good associate in the respective fields. Lunch will be served to those who RSVP.) **Thursday, February 23, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., ROBH 120, RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pads-lunch-with-a-lawyer-tickets-31452677806>**

• **Robert Thornhill**, Director of Alabama Lawyer's Assistance Program, will be in the **Student Services Office Suite, Room 124, this Thursday, February 23 from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

Plan Ahead

This year's Project Homeless Connect Outreach Day will be held on **Saturday, March 4, 2017 at the Boutwell Auditorium from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** Law student volunteers are needed to conduct intake interviews for those coming to PHC for legal assistance. This is a great way for law students to gain insightful experience while making an immediate impact on our community! Volunteers are asked to wear their red Cumberland Volunteer t-shirts and jeans, and to bring their laptop. If you do not have a t-shirt, please stop by ROBH 215 to acquire one.

In addition, all volunteers are asked to attend a brief mandatory training for the event on **March 2, 2017 in the Great room from 4:30-6:00 p.m.** Two hour time slots have been published for you to select the time that best fits you. If you desire to stay longer than the two hours allotted, please email ccmc@samford.edu with your desired volunteer time. Please use the link below to sign up electronically via "Signup Genius" for the time slots that work best for you!

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/409044BAAA82AA6F94-phcsign2





Join us for

LAUNCHING YOUR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW CAREER

Wednesday, March 1st
4pm-5pm
in the Great Room
Light refreshments provided

Equal Justice Works staff will provide expert advice on:

- ▶ Postgraduate Fellowship Opportunities
- ▶ Law Student Internship Opportunities
- ▶ Educational Awards for Public Interest Internships
- ▶ Managing your Student Debt

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Plan Ahead

Thurgood Marshall Symposium,
“Civil Rights Movement 50 Years Later,”
 featuring Keynote Speaker Judge Carlton Reeves.

Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the Great Room.
 Reception following.

This event is open to the public and free of charge; no RSVP necessary.



CCMC Hosts Andy Seitz '13

Andy Seitz, a Cumberland alumnus, will speak to students next Tuesday, February 28th at 9 a.m. in the Great Room, on the topic of “What I would’ve told me when I was in Law School.” Seitz was in the top 10 of his law class, served as an associate editor of the Cumberland Law Review, was on the Dean’s list for 6 semesters, was a Cumberland Merit Scholar, won the Most Outstanding Advocate Award, and was a Trial Competition Finalists amongst many other accolades during his tenure here. Light refreshments will be served.

Future CDO events:

- **Public Interest Fair**

(Dress professionally and come to speak to Public Interest from Birmingham and the surrounding areas. We will be confirming the attendance list in the coming weeks and will keep you posted on which employers are attending.) **Wednesday, March 8, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Great Room, RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/public-interest-fair-tickets-29574062818>**

The Samford University Library invites you to experience “Scottsboro Boys: Outside the Protective Circle of Humanity” — a traveling exhibit chronicling what many consider to be the very beginning of the civil rights movement in the United States. This exhibit comes to us courtesy of the Morgan County Archives and is on display on the second floor of the library in our Main Reading Room now through March 3rd.

- In addition, archivist John Allison will be discussing the Scottsboro trials at a Lunch and Learn sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Intercultural Initiatives starting at **11:30 a.m. on February 28th.**

- For more information about the Scottsboro Boys, click here: <http://samfordlibrarynews.blogspot.com/2017/02/scottsboro-boys-photo-exhibit-now.html>.

- To register for the Scottsboro Lunch and Learn, click here — <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lunch-and-learn-scottsboro-display-tickets-31614735525>.

Law School Announcements

AJTA Welcomes New Members

The editorial board and membership of the American Journal of Trial Advocacy are pleased to announce the following 2L students have been extended membership based on their successful completion of the Journal’s Third Semester Writing Program:

Ransome R. Hare

Megan Seaton

Sarah A. Meigs

Laura E. Yetter

In addition to achieving an outstanding class rank, these students had to complete a rigorous writing assignment and Bluebook exam while attending classes over the last three weeks. *Please congratulate them on their accomplishment!*

Law School Announcements



LOVE
CUMBERLAND?

**Apply to be an
Admission Ambassador**

Now accepting applications for
the 2017-2018 school year

(Current 1L and 2L students may apply)

Check your email for the online application
or visit the admission office.



May Graduation Announcements

Graduation Ceremony:

Everyone is invited to attend spring graduation ceremonies to be held May 12th at 6:30 p.m. in **Wright Center on the Samford campus.**

Tickets are not needed.

Details for graduates may be found at <https://www.samford.edu/departments/registrar/graduation>.

Graduation Fair:

A Graduation Fair will be held on **March 23, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., in the Howard Room located in the University Center.**

At that time, students may order graduation announcements, register for door prizes and enjoy free food. Undergraduates will receive their caps and gowns; law students will order via a survey sent from Law Student Services and will pick up their regalia at a later date.



**KEEP
CALM
and
STUDY
ABROAD**

Applicants for Cumberland's Study-Abroad Summer Program in Cambridge England are being accepted.

Applicants in good academic standing are taken on a first-come, first-serve basis. Space is limited, but there are still some openings.

**Applications are due
Wednesday, March 1, 2017.**



Law School Announcements

The Student Bar Association is excited to remind everyone that election season for the 2017-2018 school year is just around the corner. If you are interested in running for a spot on SBA or for a 3L class officer position, please see the details below:

The following positions will be available for the 2017-2018 school year:

- **Current 1L Class Votes and Runs for:**
 - 2L SBA Class Representatives (4)
 - 2L Honor Court Justices (6)
- **Current 2L Class Votes and Runs for:**
 - Senior Class President
 - Senior Class Vice President
 - Senior Class Secretary
 - Senior Class Treasurer
 - 3L Honor Court Justices (6)
- **Current 1L, 2L, and 3L Classes Vote for:**
 - SBA President — Only current 2Ls are eligible to run
 - SBA Vice President — Current 1Ls and 2Ls are eligible to run
 - SBA Treasurer — Current 1Ls and 2Ls are eligible to run
 - SBA Secretary — Current 1Ls and 2Ls are eligible to run
 - ABA Vice Chair — Current 1Ls are eligible to run

More detailed information will follow, but here are some important dates you need to write down if you are interested in running for a position:

- Letters of Intent will be available online at 9:00 a.m. next **Monday, February 27**. An email with the link will be sent out a week from today.
- Letters of Intent close 4:00 p.m. on **Thursday, March 2**. You must submit a LOI to run, and late letters will NOT be accepted.
- The MANDATORY candidates meeting will be 5:00 p.m. on **Sunday, March 5**. This will take place in the Great Room.
- Campaigning begins on **Monday, March 6**, and ends **Thursday, March 9**.
- The election will take place on **Thursday, March 9**.
- You can only run for one position.

Alumni News

3L students are invited to join Cumberland School of Law alumni, Dean H.C. Strickland and others at Samford University for a men's basketball game and pre-game supper.

Saturday, February 25
The Pete Hanna Center

Supper begins at 5 p.m.
tip-off begins at 6 p.m.

Email Anne Marovich to reserve your spot today at amarovic@samford.edu.



Alumni News

**MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR**



THE BIRMINGHAM BAR FOUNDATION
presents
A Conversation with



DEAN A. STRANG
Noted Criminal Defense Attorney
featured in
**MAKING
— A —
MURDERER**
MARCH 16, 2017 - 7 P.M.
Lyric Theatre | Birmingham, Alabama
Tickets: \$30 | Students Tickets: \$20

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON TICKETMASTER.
For more information, visit www.bbfound.org or call (205) 251-2231.

The Office of Alumni Relations is seeking nominations for the following awards:

- **The Distinguished Alumnus Award** is given to a Cumberland graduate who has distinguished herself/himself in the practice of law, service to the community, and leadership in the profession.
- **The Young Alumnus of the Year Award** is given to a graduate who graduated within the last 15 years, and to someone who has distinguished herself/himself in the practice of law, service to the community, and leadership in the profession.
- **The Volunteer of the Year Award** is given to a graduate who has provided exceptional volunteer service to the law school and its constituents. The recipient has distinguished himself/herself by assisting in multiple facets of the law school program.
- **The Friend of the Law School Award** is given to a person who is not a graduate of Cumberland, but who has, through financial and other means of support, made a significant investment in Cumberland and its future.

Please send your nomination to Anne Marovich at amarovic@samford.edu.

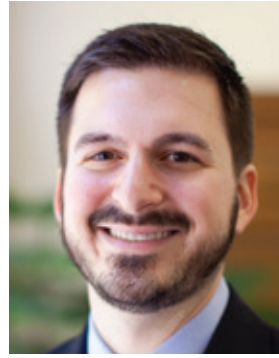
Any information you can provide about the nominee is appreciated. Awards will be announced April 1, 2017.

Faculty Notes



• Last week, **Cassandra Adams** attended the “Breakfast with Champions” in a mentorship role as part of the Young Women’s Empowerment Conference. This conference is put into place to pair high school girls with mentors in the career paths they wish to pursue. Adams was paired with

a young lady from Ramsey High School who wants to become a lawyer someday. Adams also spoke to a group of students from Huffman High School who visited Cumberland last week to take a tour of the facilities and soak up knowledge and guidance about their future goals, endeavors, and expectations.



• **Woody Hartzog’s** article, “Taking Trust Seriously in Privacy Law, co-authored with Neil Richards, was recently published in the Stanford Technology Law Review: [http://journals.law.stanford.edu/stanford-technology-law-review/print/volume-19/issue-3/taking-trust-seriously-](http://journals.law.stanford.edu/stanford-technology-law-review/print/volume-19/issue-3/taking-trust-seriously-privacy-law)

[privacy-law](http://journals.law.stanford.edu/stanford-technology-law-review/print/volume-19/issue-3/taking-trust-seriously-privacy-law). Bloomberg also recently published an article on the amicus brief Hartzog co-authored with seven other law professors in the important FTC case against LabMD, which challenges the agencies authority to regulate unfair data security practices: <https://www.bna.com/law-profs-say-b57982084059/>.

Photo of the Week

Last week, the Cumberland International Society of the Arts hosted a meeting featuring Alan Enslin of Maynard, Cooper & Gale, P.C.

Pictured from left to right: Charlie Hearn, Lee McLean, Alan Enslin, Chuck Blackledge, and Christian Flowers.



Want to see your photos featured?
Send them to [Polly Manuel](#) for inclusion in upcoming editions of the Dean’s Newsletter