Samford faculty share thoughts with media.

Michele Haralson (Education) to al.com Oct. 25 on the practice of schools holding “e-days” in which students complete assignments using the Internet from home on teacher workdays. She said e-days are gaining traction across the country and may be a viable option for school make-up days. However, she added, not much data exist on the quality of education during e-days.

“And the downside is that some are held on Saturdays, and the ones that are held during the week can be very inconvenient for parents. Also, in rural areas, not everyone has access to the Internet.”

Rusty Yerkes (Business) to al.com Oct. 30 in a story on the recent volatility in U.S. financial markets as a result of volatility in European and Asian markets.

“Alabama has been a significant beneficiary of international trade and global business initiatives. We are generally a business-friendly state that has offered economic incentives to attract high-tech manufacturers to the area such as Mercedes and Airbus.” He explained that these corporations avoided problems associated with exchange rate fluctuations by moving their production and sales activities to Alabama. “But U.S. exported goods and services will be more expensive to the rest of the world, which in turn results in less demand. The flip side is that a stronger dollar makes imported goods and services less expensive.”

Chapman To Speak at Fall Commencement

David W. Chapman, dean of Samford’s Howard College of Arts and Sciences for the past 15 years, will be the speaker at the university’s fall commencement Saturday, Dec. 12. About 260 seniors will graduate at the program in Hanna Center at 10 a.m.

Beeson Divinity School will hold its fall commencement and service of consecration Wednesday, Dec. 2, at 11 a.m. in Hodges Chapel. William J. Carl III, pastor of Independent Presbyterian Church, will speak.

Chapman will step down as dean at the end of the current academic year, but will continue to teach English and will have a role as director of the John Howard

Samford Programs Celebrate Christmas

Samford will celebrate the Christmas season with a series of events including one of the school’s oldest holiday traditions, Christmas Around the World. The annual program of music and scripture readings, which began in the 1950s, will be Thursday, Dec. 3, at 10 a.m. in Reid Chapel. It is hosted by the departments of World Languages and Cultures, Classics, and Religion.

Two other longstanding traditions, Hanging of the Green and Lighting of the Way, will also be held Thursday, Dec. 3. Hanging of the Green, based on an old English custom, will be in Reid Chapel at 6 p.m. and include lighting of the Advent wreath, decorating a Chrismon tree and music by the University Chorale.

Fourteen senior honorees will lead the service. Philip Poole, Samford executive director of communication, his wife, Shelly, and their family were chosen as this year’s family to add a Chrismon ornament to the tree.

Lighting of the Way will begin at 7 p.m. on Centennial Walk.

Samford First Lady Jeanna Westmoreland will read the Christmas story, and singer/songwriter Steve Moakler will perform.

Christenberry Planetarium will present its annual Star of Bethlehem program at various times during December. Telephone the Samford Box Office at 726-2853 for ticket information and schedule.

The A Cappella Choir will present a Service of Lessons and Carols Friday, Dec. 4, at 5:30 p.m. in Hodges Chapel.

Out & About

Jenni Beal (Pharmacy) received a Dean’s Innovation Grant and a Continuing Professional Development Grant from McWhorter School of Pharmacy.

Nancy Biggio (Associate Provost for Administration) and Bridget Rose (Academic Success Center) attended the Education Advisory Board’s Student Success Collaborative National Summit in Washington, D.C., Oct. 27–28. The summit brings together “the most dedicated and innovative student success leaders in the country for two days of learning, sharing and networking,” according to the conference program. Those attending study such topics as progress toward degree, student retention and success, first-year experience programs, student learning outcomes and assessment.


Brad Busbee (English) was the keynote speaker Oct. 8 for a meeting of the Society for Nordic Philology at the University of Copenhagen (Denmark). The address was entitled “Living Words for Beowulf.” At the 41st annual meeting of the Southeastern Medieval Association Oct. 23,

Marshall Cates (Pharmacy) was elected to the Board of Directors (member-at-large) of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists. He received a Pharmacy Dean’s Innovation Grant for a project entitled “Evaluation of the Effect of an Elective Course Involving Mental Illness-themed Movies on Pharmacy Students’ Empathy Toward Mentally Ill Patients.”

Marshall Cates (Pharmacy) and Tom Woolley (Business) presented posters on “Effect of Duration of Clinical Exposure to Mentally Ill Patients on Pharmacy Students’ Stigmatizing Views” and “Pharmacy Students’ Attitudes Toward Suicide Prevention Are Improved After Participation in a Psychiatric Pharmacy Clinical Rotation” at the International Pharmaceutical Federation World Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences in Düsseldorf, Germany, Oct. 2-3.

Larry Davenport (Biological) had two articles published in the *Journal of the Botanical Research Institute of Texas*: “Change in Taxonomic Rank for a *Hexastylis* (Aristolochiaceae) Taxon of the Southeastern United States,” coauthored with Brian Keener, University of West Alabama, and “From Cro-Magnon to Kral: A History of Botany in Alabama.”

Kim Davey (Public Health) received the Best Paper Award in the Healthcare, Hospitality Management and Public Administration Track from the Southern Management Association for her paper, “Physician Adoption of Health Information Technology.”

Debbie Duke (Congregational Health) and staff members of the Center for Faith and Health participated in the Faith Chapel Cares for the Homeless Event on Nov. 14 at Linn Park.

Clif Eason (Business) and Nathan Kirkpatrick (Kinesiology) presented their poster, “Reclassifying Down from NCAA D1 to D3: The Impact on the Institution and Its Brand,” at the Sport Marketing Association Annual Conference in October in Atlanta.

Leslie Ennis and Peggy Connell (Education), with doctoral graduate Meredith McClanahan, presented “The Effects of Reading Engagement on Literacy Achievement for Elementary Students” to the Mid-South Educational Research Conference at the University of West Alabama, and November entitled “Where is Sustainability? Toward an Understanding of the Climate of Sustainability in Practice and Education in our Region.” It received the Outstanding Panel Award at the conference.

David Finn (Special Education), at the request of the European Union, was invited to present “Neuroscience and Learning” in Beirut Nov. 25 and in Sidon Nov. 26. This effort is on behalf of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, and targets Palestinian refugees in the medical and paramedical staff in those areas of Lebanon. He presented “Neuroscience and Learning: Applications to Enhance Student Learning,” in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, Nov. 28. These conferences are coordinated by LEAPS (Learning Emotionally Academically Physically and Socially), a nonprofit special education support agency in Beirut.

Mike Floyd (Law) gave a lecture on “American Precedent and Some Current Employment Law Issues in the U.S.” at the Tribunal Regional do Trabalho da 2ª Região (TRT, Regional Labor Court) in São Paulo, Brazil, in October. He and Justice Maria Cristina Zucchi discussed cooperation agreements for Samford with senior officials of the Escola Judicial do Tribunal Regional do Trabalho da 2ª Região (EJUD2, the TRT’s Judicial School); with administrators at Centro Universitário de Brasília (UNICEUB, the largest university in Brazil); and with administrators at Universidade Braz Cubas (Braz Cubas University) in Mogi das Cruzes.

Charles Ford (Interior Architecture) gave a panel presentation with two others at the 2015 Interior Design Educators Council South Region Conference in Charleston, South Carolina, in November entitled “Where is Sustainability? Toward an Understanding of the Climate of Sustainability in Practice and Education in our Region.” It received the Outstanding Panel Award at the conference.

Ginger Frost (University Research Professor) gave a paper at the Northeast Conference on British Studies Conference at the University of Ottawa Oct. 17 on “Alien Marriages: Transnational Marriage and Divorce, 1900–1940.”

Greg Gorman (Pharmacy) presented a poster, “Enzymatic Stability of Alteplase Solution for Injection: Effect of Various Methods of Thawing Frozen Solutions” coauthored by Maisha Freeman and Jeffrey Kyle (Pharmacy), at the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists in Orlando, Florida, in October. Gorman also presented a podium talk on “Nonclinical Dose Formulation Stability Analysis” at the same meeting.

Brian Gregory, Paul Wiget and Corey Johnson (Chemistry) accompanied five students to the joint Southwest/Southeast Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society in Memphis, Tennessee. Abby McMurry, Alex MacLean, Mallory Smith, Roman Travis and Hannah Patterson (Judson College) each presented a poster on a summer research project.

Michael Hogue (Pharmacy) delivered a continuing education program, “Overcoming Barriers to Vaccination of Adult Patients,” for physicians attending the Georgia Academy of Family Practice meeting in Atlanta Nov. 7.

P. J. Hughes (Pharmacy) was one of 60 Continuing Pharmacy Education stakeholders who participated in an Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) event in Chicago Oct. 29-30. The program, “ACPE’s CE Provider Accreditation Program Invitational Conference: 40 Years Later — Current and Future Opportunities and Challenges,” provided thought leaders in pharmacy practice and education the opportunity to advise ACPE on
## December Calendar

(Birthdays are listed in red.)

### Tuesday, December 1
- Nancy Battles, Jean Debrecht, Steve Wall, Betty Winches
- 10 a.m. Reid Chapel: Lowell Vann, art professor (ret.), and A Cappella Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Bells of Buchanan, Brock Recital Hall

### Wednesday, December 2
- Drayton Nabras, Giliane Nettles, Betty Murray (ret.), Wayne Pittman, Matt Smith, Anne Stowe (ret.)
- 11 a.m. Benson Divinity School Commencement and Consecration program, William J. Carl III, senior pastor, Independent Presbyterian Church

### Thursday, December 3
- Erica Calvert, Richard Cassarino, Billy Foster, Taraq Masri, Renie Moss, Susan Nolan
- Fall classes end
- 10 a.m. Reid Chapel: Christmas Around the World
- 6 p.m. Hanging of the Green, Reid Chapel
- 8 p.m. Star of Bethlehem program, Christenberry Planetarium

### Friday, December 4
- Karen Birk (ret.), Bruce Foster, Yuki Nakamura, Jennifer Speights-Binet

### Saturday, December 5
- 2 p.m. Women's Basketball: Samford vs. Colgate

### Sunday, December 6
- 7 p.m. Men's Basketball: Samford vs. Citadel
- 8 p.m. Alabama Ballet presents Balanchine's The Nutcracker, Wright Center, alabamaballet.org

### Monday, December 7
- McSparen Gardner, Dave Garza, Jennifer Maye, Scott McCaghren (ret.), Dave Proctor, Randy Todd, Linda Durban, Julie Hannah, Shirley Hutchens, Carlson Coogler, Tina Duffey (ret.), Michelle Spear, Susan Stevens, Joyce West (ret.)
- Final exams
- 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 4-8 p.m. Legacy League Christmas Tour and Holiday Gift Market
- 7:30 p.m. Opera Birmingham presents "Home for the Holidays," Brock Recital Hall, operabirmingham.org

### Tuesday, December 8
- Joe Cory, Cheryl Miller, Kaye Nail
- 7:30 p.m. Alabama Ballet presents George Balanchine's The Nutcracker, Wright Center, alabamaballet.org

### Wednesday, December 9
- Bill Dixon, Jennifer Donovan, Suresh Mathews, Nena Sanders, David Smolin
- 10 a.m. Commencement, Hanna Center
- 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Alabama Ballet presents George Balanchine's The Nutcracker, Wright Center, alabamaballet.org
- 7:30 p.m. Opera Birmingham presents "Home for the Holidays," Brock Recital Hall, operabirmingham.org

### Thursday, December 10
- Steve Donaldson, Myrtis Johnson, Jarod Lenahan, Nancy Miller (ret.), Ann Phillips, Claude Rhea, Timothy Sutton
- 2:30 p.m. Alabama Ballet presents George Balanchine's The Nutcracker, Wright Center, alabamaballet.org

### Friday, December 11
- Nita Carr, Karen Jones (ret.), Keith Minisman, David Nichols (ret.), Neil Teiteltbaum
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Staff Advisory Council Chili Cook-off, Hanna Center West Lobby, shuttles available during lunch from Propst Hall and Sherman Circle

### Saturday, December 12
- Latticele Anderson (ret.), Richard Dendy, Jan Farmer (ret.), Emily Hynds, Vickie Jefferson (ret.), Teresa Mauldin, James Roberts, Carol Vaughn Cross

### Sunday, December 13
- Daphne Carr, Kim Davey, Noel Forlini, Kelly Fuller, Glenda Jones, Hal Langston, April Robinson, Kenny Smith, Tennelle Piggie West
- 5:30 p.m. Men's Basketball: Samford vs. Harvard, Hanna Center

### Monday, December 14
- Joe Brock (ret.)
- 7 p.m. Women's Basketball: Samford vs. Harvard, Hanna Center

### Tuesday, December 15
- Betsy Holloway, David Whitt

### Wednesday, December 16
- Brad Burchel, Devon Laney, Janet Slaughter, Deanna Smeltzer, Terry Taylor, Nathan Taylor, Tim Wolfe, Stephanie Wynn

### Thursday, December 17
- Kaitlin Burns, Victor Cabral, Ken England, Rebecca Farr, Clayton Winters

### Friday, December 18
- Brad Burckel, Devon Laney, Janet Slaughter, Deanna Smeltzer, Terry Taylor, Nathan Taylor, Tim Wolfe, Stephanie Wynn

### Saturday, December 19
- Kevin Burns, Victor Cabral, Ken England, Rebecca Farr, Clayton Winters

### Sunday, December 20
- Robbie Jackson, Jessica Shelley
- 2 p.m. Women's Basketball: Samford vs. Harvard, Hanna Center

### Monday, December 21
- Paul Blackwell (ret.), Jewell Carter (ret.), Sara Clemmons, Janet Hailes (ret.), Tom Monroe, Richard Rash, Amy Snow, Katherine Winchester

### Tuesday, December 22
- James Burson, Rosemary Dallam, Brian Ersnberger, Henry Glefchey, Don Wilson (ret.)
- Law terms classes begin

### Wednesday, December 23
- Natasha Davis, Priya Gilliam, Jennifer Novotny, Mark Quay
- 7 p.m. Men's Basketball: Samford vs. The Citadel, Hanna Center

### Thursday, December 24
- Nana Benslow, Don Bradley, Paul Daniel (ret.), Holly Deemer, Carolyn Featheringill (ret.), Polly McKay, Patty Roark, Scott Simpson

### Friday, December 25
- Brad Bishop, Susan Cooper, Caryl Privett, Cecilia Tubbs

### Saturday, December 26
- Laura Breidlove, Timothy George, Rebecca Little, Bob Stiles (ret.), Whitney White

### Sunday, December 27
- Kelly Bonner, B. Coyne (ret.), Wayne Richardson, Francois Skelton (ret.), Jean Thomason (ret.), Bruce White

### Monday, December 28
- George Crawford (ret.), Mike Grace, Brandy Mobley

### Tuesday, December 29
- Preston Bunch, Kate Cohen, Becky Willis

### Wednesday, December 30
- Sandra Long, Doug Rigney, Grant Taylor

### Thursday, December 31
- Christmas Adams, Sigurd Bryan (ret.), James Hous (ret.), Phil Kinney, Meg McKinney, Scott, Schablow, Patti Wood
- 7 p.m. Men's Basketball: Samford vs. East Tennessee State, Hanna Center

### Friday, December 31
- Gwendalyn Childs, Jonathan Davis, Clif Eason, Pat Hester, Sarah-Kate Masters, Tommy Tarvin

### Saturday, January 1
- Borden LeSueur, Doug Smith (ret.)
- 2 p.m. Women's Basketball: Samford vs. Mercer, Hanna Center
- 6 p.m. Men's Basketball: Samford vs. Western Carolina, Hanna Center

### Sunday, January 2
- Kyle Bailey, Amanda Barron, Michael Crouch, Katie Daspit, Hal Horton, Victoria Kna rim, June Myers (ret.), Mary Ann Tomlinson (ret.)

### Monday, January 3
- Ruth Beason (ret.), Chuck Lane, Pat Sullivan

### Tuesday, January 4
- Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, university closed

### Wednesday, January 5
- Bony Caldwell, Woody Hartzog, Gwendolyn Marshall, Vicki Thornburg, Mary White
- 6 p.m. Women's Basketball: Samford vs. East Tennessee State, Hanna Center

### Thursday, January 6
- Millicent Bolden, Esther Gonzalez Blanco, Jim Cook (ret.), John Sewell (ret.), Lee Walsh
- 7:30 p.m. Opera Birmingham presents La Traviata, Brock recital Hall, operabirmingham.org

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Jeffrey Kyle (Pharmacy) was named Outstanding Practitioner of the Year by the Alabama Society of Health-System Pharmacists. He published “Antibiotic Therapy for Epidermiditis” in *US Pharmacists* 2015:40:39–43 with students Rebekah Bradford and Stacy Farry.

Piotr Malysz (Divinity) contributed an article on the reception of the Apostolic Council (Acts 15) in medieval and Reformation theology and political thought; it will appear in the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* (De Gruyter). He authored “Grounded in the Resurrection: The Church as a Community of Kinship” in *Modern Reformation*.

Jennifer McClure (Religion) on Oct. 23 presented “Prosocial Spillover Effects: How Congregations Can Shape Attendees’ Prosocial Behavior” and “Resources on the ARDA for Congregations” at the annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and the Religious Research Association. She also convened sessions on “Congregations and Community Involvement” and “Denominations and Congregations” at the meeting.


Susan Nolin (Technology Services) presented “Using Unions and Extract Text Reports in Argos,” and Brandon Rawls and Brett Burkes (Technology Services) presented “Automating document loads from Slate to BDM using III” at the Alabama Banner Users Group fall conference in Florence, Alabama.

Ken Roxburgh (Religion) published “George Whitefield and the Scession Movement’s Reaction to the Cambuslang Revival” in the *Journal of Religious History and Culture*, November 2015. Roxburgh was installed Nov. 15 as part-time pastor for preaching and teaching at Southside Baptist Church.

Dennis Sansom (Philosophy) accepted the invitation to become a peer review reader for the journals *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy* and *Christian Bioethics*.

Pamela Sims (Pharmacy) presented on several topics at the Georgia Advanced General Dentistry Master Track Program in Atlanta, Georgia, Aug. 7–8. They were “Overview of Pharmacokinetics,” “Pharmacologic Effects of Medications,” “Mechanisms of Drug Interactions and Allergies,” “Behavior Modification,” “Acute Pain Management” and “Emergency Medications.”

James Strange (Religion) read a paper, “Report of the 2015 Season of the Shikhin Excavation Project,” at the annual American Schools of Oriental Research Program in Atlanta Nov. 19. At the same meeting Nov. 20, he chaired the paper session, “The Role of Texts and Archaeology in the Study of New Testament Backgrounds: Essays in Honor of James F. Strange,” which he also organized. (James F. Strange is his archaeologist father.) He delivered the lecture “Digging Jesus: Insights from Samford Archaeologists on Everyday Life in His Galillee” at Samford’s Family Weekend and homecoming.

Stephen Watson (Visual Arts) has been exhibiting his spice and herb artworks throughout the country. He had a solo show at Austin Peay State University entitled *Traces* (Oct. 26–Nov 18). He participated in a group art show at Goucher College entitled *With Silence Comes Peace* (Oct. 27–Dec. 6). He was also a guest artist at the “Ravi Zacharias International Ministries: Founders’ Weekend” in Orlando, Florida (Oct. 30–Nov. 1). And he had a solo show at Union University entitled “Vestige” (Nov. 17–Dec. 17).

Terri Wensel (Pharmacy) was elected the District Six Trustee of the American Pharmacy Association.

Heather West (World Languages and Cultures) gave a paper entitled “The North-South Clash in *Marraine et Filleul* by Helène Koscielnik” at the 23rd biennial conference of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States Oct. 15–17. She also attended the annual conference of the National Association of Self-Instructional Language Programs Oct. 30–31, where she was elected to the organization’s 2017–19 board.
