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## Trautwein Selected for Fulbright Program

by Halley Smith

Senior history major Chase Trautwein is preparing to spend the upcoming academic year teaching English in Germany. He was recently named to the Fulbright English Teaching Assistants program, a program which sends U.S. graduates overseas to learn about different cultures and share some of the United States' unique culture.

Selected Fulbright applicants immerse themselves with their chosen host country during their grants. The program will facilitate the cultural exchange through direct interaction with one-on-one encounters in the field, at home and in the classroom. Through this engagement in the community, Fulbright hopes to promote an atmosphere of openness, intellectual freedom and openness of mutual understanding.

Trautwein will be placed in either a German middle school or a high school.



"I'll be helping teach English and also introducing elements of American culture—specifically Southern culture—to kind of give them an idea about what it's like over here," Trautwein said.

Trautwein credits his German teacher, Angela Ferguson, with sparking his interest in the program. Ferguson is one of the many members of Samford's faculty who were Fulbright recipients, including Dr. Shannon Flynt, Dr. Mary McCullough and Prof. Brian Viliunas, who studied in Germany, Egypt and Norway, respectively.

The program's exposure to different

cultures was what attracted Trautwein to the program. "You can sit down with someone whether they're from Africa or Asia and you have things in common with them," Trautwein said.

Any rising senior who is also a U.S. citizen can apply for a Fulbright grant. Eight thousand grants are provided annually for the teaching program and research grants. Each year, the program awards approximately 1,800 grants and holds operations in over 155 countries worldwide. Students selected for the Fulbright Grant are also eligible to defer their education loans, similar to students going into the Peace Corps.

"It's a good experience to apply for it," Trautwein said. "You don't have anything to lose with it. The worst thing they can do is say no."

*Chase graduated with honors May 2013.*

## Wilcox One of 20 Chosen for China Internship

by Sean Flynt



Samford University history and French double-major Becca Wilcox of Chesterfield, Mo., has been chosen to participate in the new South China Internship [SCI] project organized by the

Hong Kong-America Center and United International College of Zhuhai in China's Guangdong province. The SCI project is funded in part by a grant from the Ford Foundation to the U.S. "100,000 Strong Initiative," which seeks to increase opportunities for Americans to live, study and learn in China.

Wilcox is one of only 20 Americans chosen to partner with 20 Chinese students for the eight-week summer internships supervised by major corporations based in South China. She will arrive in Hong Kong in early June this year—only weeks after her graduation from Samford—and work through early August.

Wilcox said she will be working with New Pathway Education & Technology Group, a Shanghai college consulting firm that helps Chinese students prepare for higher education experiences abroad. At the end of the internship, Wilcox and her

Chinese partner will present to the whole group a summary of the projects they undertook for their host company.

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# Samford Mourns Former History Professor, Chair, Dean Hugh C. Bailey



**D**r. Hugh C. Bailey, a member of the Samford University faculty from 1953 until 1975 and later president of Valdosta State University, died

Oct. 5, 2012, in Valdosta, Ga. He was 83.

Bailey was born in Berry, Ala., on July 2, 1929. He earned his B.A. in history from Samford University (then Howard College) in 1950 and Ph.D. in 1954 from the University

of Alabama.

Bailey returned to Samford as a history and political science instructor in 1953, working his way up the ranks to assistant professor, associate professor, professor, head of the Department of History, chairperson of the Division of Social Sciences, and dean of Howard College of Arts and Sciences. He was the author of seven books, six on Southern history. A popular lecturer, he won Samford's John H. Buchanan Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching and various other awards.

Bailey was named dean of Samford's Howard College of Arts and Sciences in

1970, serving until 1975, when he became academic vice president and dean of faculties at Francis Marion University in Florence, S.C. He was named president of what was then Valdosta State College in 1978.

Bailey served as president of the south Georgia school until 2001, leading it to achieve university status in 1993. He led numerous campus building, renovation and addition projects, and oversaw the creation of Valdosta State's intercollegiate football program. He awarded more than 33,000 diplomas to graduates during his tenure.

Bailey is survived by his wife, Joan Seever Bailey, two daughters and four grandchildren.

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## Young Presented Irons Award at May Commencement



*Kyle Young (left), history major from Tupelo, Miss., poses with the Velma Wright Irons award for the second highest average which was presented by President Andrew Westmoreland at this year's commencement ceremony on May 18, 2013. Also pictured: Jane Marie Hutcheson, recipient of the John C. Pittman Spirit Award and a member of Samford's first graduating class of Latin American Studies Scholars, Dr. Westmoreland and Jordan Douglas Ross, recipient of the President's Cup.*



# Frost Promoted to University Research Professor



Ginger Frost, professor of history at Samford since 1996, has been promoted to university research professor by Provost and Vice President J. Bradley Creed. Dean David Chapman announced the appointment at the meeting of the College of Arts and Sciences May 7, 2013.

Chapman cited Frost's long scholarly record and work to promote faculty research as reasons for the change. He also pointed to her international reputation and national awards, including two NEH summer stipends, a fellowship at the National Humanities Center (2002–03) and membership at the Institute for Advanced Study (2009–10).

Frost is the author of three books and seventeen articles, and has given papers in five different countries. Her books have been

reviewed in North America, Britain, Europe and Australia. In the summer of 2013 alone, she will give papers in Nottingham, England, and Vilnius, Lithuania.

The Samford administration has used the position of research professor sparingly. Frost is only the third humanities recipient in the past forty years and the first woman. She will report directly to the provost, so she will no longer be in the Department of History or College of Arts and Sciences. She will, however, continue to teach in the department as affiliated faculty.

"This promotion will allow me to pursue my research agenda, as well as continuing to teach," said Frost. "It is a dream come true. I will miss being in the department, but I'm looking forward to future challenges."

## End of an Era, Prof. Jeff Northrup Retires

by Jim Brown



Jeff Northrup is hanging it up after 27 years of adjunct teaching with the History Department, including 262 courses (an average of 9.5 per year) which is surely some sort of university record. He touched a lot of lives, and his teaching and presence in the hallways will be missed.

Most of Northrup's professional career involved running the eastern third of the Birmingham/Jefferson County library system. When he was a young man in the final stages of Ph.D. work in history at the University of Alabama—he had passed the dreaded "comps," those comprehensive exams that are always the biggest hurdle in doctoral programs, with a dissertation topic already approved and research underway—the library

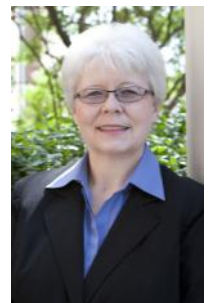
job in Birmingham unexpectedly opened. So he swapped the Ph.D. for gainful employment with benefits and remained A.B.D., "all but dissertation." But love of history, and of the classroom teaching of it, wouldn't go away, and he taught for us mainly at night until retirement from his day job when he took on daytime classes as well.

A year or so ago I was watching Charlie Rose interview conservative columnist David Brooks. One line in the interview made me go buy his new book, though my politics tend the other way—something to the effect that a good teacher gives you content, but a great teacher shows you "a way of being in the world" in light of that content. Nobody in the History Department in my 42 years experience with it was better at that than Jeff Northrup. On the one side he is extremely well read (I told him he obviously spent way too much time in the public library reading instead of administrating), au courant with the latest domestic and international issues, as excited about discovering new historical patterns as he was as an undergraduate, an accomplished pianist and very active in community affairs. On the other side he always had a really warm approach to students, and a knack for recognizing their potential, their limitations and how their personalities might affect their learning and future job work. We appreciate all he did for our students, and for the great good humor and interesting information he brought to the

rest of the faculty along the way.

So farewell to our adjunct extraordinaire, although he'll probably still be seen around campus (Jeff's wife Lori is currently associate dean of Davis Library). I expect he will probably still go on reading Samford email at [jjnorthr@samford.edu](mailto:jjnorthr@samford.edu) for those who want to say goodbye. Or hello.

### New Office Manager



In March, we welcomed Ivy Alexander to run the office. Ivy is originally from Perry County, Ala., and is an alumna of Judson College and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. No stranger to Samford, Ivy brings ample experience of campus from both Brock School of Business and the Resource Center for Pastoral Excellence. She fills the vacancy left when Anita Estis left to pursue other opportunities in January. We are grateful for such an experienced resource for both faculty and students.

# Wallace Named First Director of Core Texts Program



Beginning this fall Dr. Jason Wallace, associate professor of history, will assume new responsibilities as the first director of the

Samford University Core Texts Program. Housed in College of Arts and Sciences, the Core Texts Program is an initiative designed to introduce all Samford freshmen to the literature, philosophy, history and theology courses that serve as the foundation for humane and liberal learning. The program will oversee curricular development and implementation, as well as unique learning opportunities for faculty and students including speakers, seminars and travel.

While the Core Texts Program is a new name, it is not a new idea in the Samford community. Since the fall of 1997, all Samford students have taken *Cultural Perspectives* as a two-semester introduction to the humanities, and the course sequence has become an essential part of the undergraduate experience. Dr. Wallace notes, “As we settle into the 21<sup>st</sup> century we have learned the value of a core curriculum, and we appreciate the prescience of the professors and administrators who pioneered a lasting vision of what a Samford education could and should be.” The course, however, has

evolved. “A foundational ‘core’ education in the humanities,” Wallace continues, “cannot rest on an assertion of culture in the abstract. Education, as the ancients teach us, is fundamentally a kind of moral activity that always keeps in view the transmission of values from one generation to the next across time and place. Education involves discernment, value judgments and discriminating estimation of ideas worth our time and effort.”

An important goal of the program is to offer Samford graduates a signature intellectual experience that is not easy to find in contemporary higher education. Whereas numerous universities offer freshmen seminars covering a range of subjects, the purpose of the Core Texts Program is to stress there are foundational concepts and conversations that deserve treatment before a student pursues specialization. Wallace stresses, “We want to equip our students with an intellectual narrative that illuminates important thinkers from the past so that they are better equipped to navigate the complicated marketplace of ideas today. We want them to understand the pursuit of wisdom has deep moral roots, and that what constitutes fashionable intellectual trends today has not always held sway.”



## Wilcox

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Center first announced this project that would involve only 20 American students, I knew we could be competitive with the right student,” said Rosemary Fisk, professor of English and associate dean of Howard College of Arts and Sciences.

Fisk, who was a Fulbright Scholar in Hong Kong in 2011, asked history professor Paul Cha to recommend a student. Cha, coordinator of Samford’s new global studies major, immediately thought of Wilcox even though she is neither a global studies major nor an Asian history minor. “I’m just so impressed with Becca as a student,” Cha said. He noted that Wilcox was in competition with Asian studies majors from throughout the nation, but her passion for learning about the

region, her academic record and her confidence in the face of a daunting international opportunity successfully carried her through the application process.

When Cha mentioned the internship to Wilcox she thought it was out of the question, financially. “There’s no way,” she thought after seeing the price of airline tickets and various other expenses. “I can’t afford that.” But Fisk and Cha not only helped her navigate the application process, they also secured

## COURSE SEQUENCE

**Fall Semester:** Freshmen will cover texts from four historical rubrics:

- Greece and the Ancient World
- Rome and Early Christianity
- The Middle Ages and Renaissance and European Exploration

**Spring Semester:** Students will read texts from The Reformation and Scientific Revolution, the Enlightenment, the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

## CURRICULUM

The curriculum will emphasize the development of Western thought, but because many important themes in Western thought can be put in conversation with other cultures, significant texts from non-Western, or global sources, are included as well.

The curriculum, says Wallace, is intentional; “it is designed to provoke thought and discussion about the human pursuit of meaning. The texts we use are selected because they raise vital questions about human nature, the natural world, religion and political community.”

## MOTTO

The program’s motto draws from the West’s classical heritage: **Quaestio:** Inquiry, **Disputatio:** Discussion, **Fides:** Faith, **Ratio:** Reason. These four words summarize the common structure and emphasis that govern every class taught in the curriculum. Wallace says, “At Samford, inquiry, discussion, faith and reason are what separate students trained for a profession from students trained for life. No matter your career path, when you complete the Core Texts Curriculum you will possess intellectual resources able to draw from the best that has been thought and written.”

funding from the history department and from the office of Howard College of Arts and Sciences dean David Chapman. “They’ve made this 100 percent possible for me,” Wilcox said. Host corporations will provide for the students when they begin work.

Wilcox’s interest in Asia began with her parents’ adoption of a Chinese girl when she was in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Wilcox hoped to accompany her parents to China to help bring home her new sister, but the adoption was approved so quickly that her own visa didn’t arrive in time. She is happy to have a second chance now that she has immersed herself in Asian literature and Samford’s Asian history courses. “I’ve been wanting to go to China for over 10 years now,” Wilcox said.

Wilcox has been offered an English language teaching internship in the Orléans-Tours school district of France this fall. She graduated with honors in May.



# faculty notes

**Jonathan Bass** spoke to the Birmingham Rotary Club on the topic, “Look Down that Lonesome Road: A Journey through Martin Luther King’s ‘Letter from Birmingham Jail.’” Dr. Bass also coordinated Samford’s program, “The Year of Birmingham: Reflections on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Birmingham Civil Rights Movement.” The series of lectures, films and other programs began Fall 2012 and culminated in May 2013. During a series of speaking engagements, Bass spoke on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King’s “Letter from Birmingham Jail” at the dedication of an historic marker outside the Birmingham jail where Dr. King was imprisoned for his leadership of the movement; at an event at Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, where four children were killed when a bomb exploded on a Sunday morning during Sunday School; he led a symposium that examined the letter, word for word, with readers including Dr. King’s daughter, Bernice King; and, on “This City Isn’t Dead Yet” at Temple Emanu-El.



**Paul Cha** presented a paper March 23, at the annual conference of the Association for Asian Studies entitled “Entangled Relations: American Presbyterian Missionaries and the Choson State, 1884–1894.” The conference was in San Diego, Calif.

He has also made frequent appearances on Birmingham’s Fox6 News to speak on the North Korean nuclear issue.

**Ginger Frost** served on panels at four conferences in 2012–13. She commented on sessions at the North American Conference on British Studies in Montreal, Canada, in November 2012; the Southern Conference on British Studies in Mobile, Ala., also in November; and, the Mid-Atlantic Conference on British Studies in New York City in March 2013. She was one of twelve panelists at a meeting in December 2012 organized by the University of Warwick Law School on “Changing Relationships? Cohabitation and Births Outside Marriage, 1600–2012.” She gave a paper on illegitimacy and poor law unions and was one of two Americans at the

meeting. She used her winnings from the Dean’s Award for Research in May 2012 to fund a research trip in England in the six weeks after the conference. Frost published two articles this year: “When is a Parent not a Parent?: Custody and Illegitimacy in England, 1860–1930,” in the *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth* (Summer 2013), and “‘Under the Guardians’ Supervision’: Illegitimacy, Family, and the English Poor Law, 1870–1930” in the *Journal of Family History* (April 2013). She also published two book reviews in the *Journal of British Studies*. She (gratefully) completed a two-year stint as speaker of the Arts and Sciences Assembly in May 2012.

**John Mayfield** is co-editing a new volume of essays on Southern honor and culture for the University of South Carolina Press. The book is to be called *Matters of Honor: Southern Character and American Identity* and includes essays by eighteen prominent scholars of Southern studies. His co-editor is Todd Hagstette of the University of South Carolina. Additionally, his long overview of Southern humor and social class appeared in *The New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture: Volume 20, Social Class* published by the University of North Carolina Press. He has served as co-chair of the program for the St. George Tucker Society (an organization dedicated to Southern studies), has given commentary on panels at meetings of The Historical Society and the Southern Historical Association, and is a member of the Southern Intellectual History Circle. He is one of three referees nationally for books submitted for the Owsley Prize in Southern history, presented by the Southern Historical Association. Locally, he delivered a series of lectures on Reconstruction at the Hoover Public Library in January.

**LeeAnn G. Reynolds** began serving a three-year term on the Southern Historical Association’s Committee on Women. She also completed a book review for *The Journal of Southern History*. Throughout much of the academic year, Reynolds worked on an Alabama Humanities Foundation [AHF] grant application for a media grant to produce a companion film to the 1961 CBS Reports documentary “Who Speaks for Birmingham?”. In April, the AHF awarded a \$16,000 grant to support the project.

Reynolds continued serving as faculty adviser for Phi Alpha Theta and served on the university’s campus life and diversity committees.

**Marlene Rikard’s** research efforts this year have focused on the biography of Pattie Ruffner Jacobs, Alabama suffragist leader, which she is doing in collaboration with Wayne Flynt. They have an overview article coming out in *Alabama Heritage*, summer 2013. Rikard has recently returned from a trip to France where she checked off two items from her retirement “bucket list”: a trip to the Normandy beaches and a visit to Monet’s home in Giverny.

**Delane Tew** served as president of the Baptist History and Heritage Society (2012–2013) and presided over the annual meeting in Richmond, Va. During Jan Term, she led seven Samford students on a trip to Jordan and Israel for a course entitled “Introduction to the Arab World.” The group was aided by the Jordan Evangelical Theological Seminary. While in Jordan students experienced natural wonders such as Petra and Wadi Rum. Jerusalem opened up the world of biblical times. The stark contrast between developed and third-world countries was obvious as students compared the two nations. Students studied topics such as Islam, the conflict between Arab and Israeli, and Christianity in the Middle East.



**Elizabeth Wells**, director of Samford’s Special Collection in Harwell G. Davis Library, was awarded the National Genealogical Society’s William Filby Award for Genealogical Librarianship in recognition of a librarian whose primary focus is genealogy and local history and who is employed in a public, academic or special library.



## Department Has Strong Presence at AHA Annual Meeting

by Marlene Rikard

*Relaxing on porch of Shorter Mansion: Marlene Rikard, Jackie Matte, Jean Butterworth of Hoover Historical Society, Rachel Cohen and Liz Wells*

The department had a strong presence at the 2013 annual meeting of the Alabama Historical Association [AHA] in Eufaula, Ala., April 11–13. Papers were presented by department chair, Jonathan Bass; former faculty member, Carolyn Satterfield; and alum, Chriss Doss. Provost Brad Creed was re-elected to the AHA board of directors. Retired faculty members, Don Wilson and Marlene Hunt Rikard, were in attendance, as well as Elizabeth Wells and Rachel Cohen of Samford’s Special Collection staff. Among alumni attending were Jackie Matte and Marty Evers.

The AHA is the largest historical association in the state and one of the oldest in the nation. Past presidents with Samford connections include Marlene Rikard, Jackie Matte, Daniel Brooks, Lee Allen, Albert Brewer, Leah Atkins and Wayne Flynt.

The AHA Fall Pilgrimage, October 19, will feature Horseshoe Bend National Park near Dadeville, Ala. The next annual meeting, April 10–12, 2014, will be held in Scottsboro, Ala. Additional information on meetings, awards and membership can be found at [www.alabamahistory.net](http://www.alabamahistory.net) or [www.archives.state.al.us/aha/aha.html](http://www.archives.state.al.us/aha/aha.html).



*Chriss Doss presenting paper*

## History Majors Meet Governor

*History majors Martin Bear (left), Jimmy Ramey (middle) and Darren Gray (right) greet Alabama Governor Robert Bentley at the dedication of the “Letter from Birmingham Jail” historical marker on the occasion of the letter’s 50th anniversary earlier this year.*







## Dr. Carlos Alemán Joins Faculty this Fall

Carlos Enrique Alemán is joining the Department of History this fall as an assistant professor of history. Alemán is a Latin American expert and has a doctorate from Michigan State University. He has been an instructor at Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Ga. Research interests include Latin American studies and history,

migration studies, Central American history and culture, and immigration policy among others. Dr. Alemán will be teaching Modern Latin America and two sections of Cultural Perspectives during the fall 2013 semester. Alemán will also serve as director of the Latin American Studies Scholars Program.

## Samford's First Latin American Studies Scholars Among May Graduates

by Mary Wimberley

A baker's dozen of Samford graduating seniors wore colorful red, blue and yellow cords with their black commencement robes Commencement weekend. The colors represent the flag of Ecuador, where they each spent part of a summer to complete a minor in Latin American Studies.

The 13 members of Samford's first graduating class of Latin American Studies Scholars majored in a variety of subjects, including English, business and history, but they all claim a common interest in the culture, history and language of Latin America.

"I could not have asked for a more perfect combination of my interests," said Latin American Studies Scholar Kyle Young, who graduated with a double major in history and Spanish.

In addition to the three-week study trip for immersion in the culture of Ecuador, Latin American Studies Scholars took courses in Latin American history, language, political science and geography.

The new graduates will put their degrees and unique expertise to use in a variety of situations and places, some faraway, others not so distant.

Young has a job lined up in the South American nation of Bolivia, thousands of miles from his hometown of Tupelo, Miss. Alabama native Kelsie Robinson will work with the Hispanic community in Birmingham.

Others, such as Jenaé Steele, will pursue graduate studies. The history major from

Montgomery, Ala., will study at the University of Texas Law School with plans to use her law degree to work on social justice issues.

Young enrolled at Samford with some high school travel experience in South America, but the college-level studies broadened his understanding of historical and cultural themes of Latin America, he said.

He spent parts of two Samford summers on study trips to Ecuador, first as a participant and later as a teacher's assistant. "I learned about Latin America through experiencing it," said Young, who eventually wants to attend graduate school, perhaps a seminary. For the next two years, however, he will be a missionary-teacher of social studies at an international Christian school in La Paz, Bolivia. It is an English-speaking school with about 70 percent of its students from Bolivia.

Robinson will work with the Hispanic community in and around Birmingham. The Language and World Trade major found the community service hours required by the Latin American Studies curriculum to be life-changing.

A freshman year experience that made her step outside her comfort zone became a turning point in her life, Robinson said of her work with an English as a Second Language class for Hispanics. She quickly bonded with members of Birmingham's Hispanic community and sought more ways to interact with her new friends.

"Those community service hours were the beginning of a lifelong commitment to the Hispanic community here in Alabama," said Robinson, who is from Vestavia Hills.

The more she gets involved, however, the more Robinson learns about misunderstandings between the Hispanic community and many Alabamians.

"The people of the Hispanic community are more than happy to communicate with me when I open my ears and express an interest in what they have to say. I hope to spread this joy of communication throughout my community, encouraging dialogues between the two groups," said Robinson.

She said she hopes to identify ways to make her home state a better place by connecting the people in it. Her appreciation for Alabama's Hispanic community runs deep, and is strengthened by "its diversity, its history and its potential."

Samford's Latin American Studies Scholars adviser Dr. Lynda J. Jentsch is proud of all of the students she has mentored during their unique academic journey.

"It was my privilege to teach these students," said Jentsch, professor of Spanish and Portuguese and Spanish Program director in Samford's Department of World Languages and Culture. "They will go far, literally, in whatever paths their lives take."

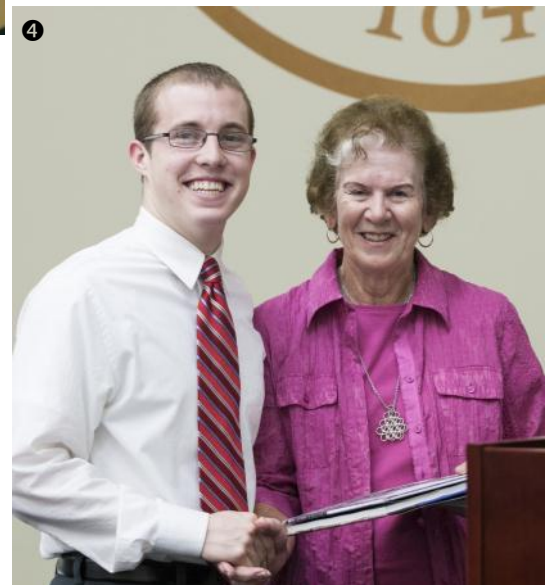
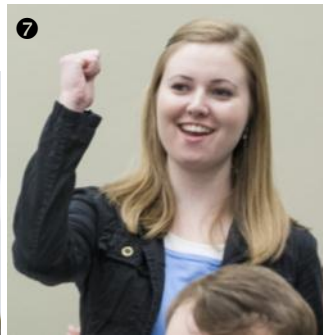
The complete roster of Samford's inaugural Latin American Studies Scholars graduates includes: Caroline Burkhardt, Margaret Frymire, Sarah Fultz, Ryan Gaines, Ashley Hall, Jane Marie Hutcheson, Carmen Patulea, Reed Richardson, Kelsie Robinson, Alexis Rollins, Abby Sander, Jenaé Steele and Kyle Young.

They were among about 900 graduating seniors receiving Samford degrees during commencement activity May 17-18.

# Annual Department Awards Banquet



Counterclockwise from top: (1) Dr. Jonathan Bass, chair, and Bryan Kessler, alumnus and University Historian researcher, pose with Dr. Sigurd Bryan as he accepts recognition as department's 2013 Distinguished Alumnus Award; (2) Liz Wells and Dr. Bryan; (3) Lee and Catherine Allen & Chriss and Harriett Doss; (4) Evan Musgraves receives Marlene Rikard award from the award's namesake; (5) Lauren Ziemer receives Alumni Award from Dr. Bass; (6) Dr. Allen greets Dr. Bryan; (7) Justine McCarty, one of the first Global Studies majors, graduated this May





# Phi Alpha Theta News

The Epsilon Rho Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, the history honor society, had an active year under the leadership of president Derek Cantrell and vice president Lauren Ziemer, inducting thirty new members this year. Fall inductees included Smith Ann Burley, Alison M. Cotey, Darren Gray, Caroline Harbin, Avery N. Harrison, Aleks Holiman, Maggie Johnson, Benjamin Lewis, Abby Morgan, Courtney L. Phares, Angie Selvaggio, Elizabeth Todd, Kelli N. Watkins and John Wilson. At the spring awards banquet, the chapter inducted Caleb Blow, Daniel Broderick, Zach Brown, Sarah Grace Buckley, Sara Curley, Conner Davis, Baylie Johnston, Kali Jones, Mary Kathryn Jorgensen, Justine McCarty, Molly McCollum, Bobby McNeill, Zach Melton, Jimmy Ramey, Elizabeth Robinson and Matt Sessions.

The officers organized a number of events this year, including a fall outing to Sloss Furnace and a spring outing to the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the civil rights campaigns in Birmingham. Phi Alpha Theta also sponsored its first ever Faculty Meet and Greet in which students sat down with faculty members in an informal setting to learn about their research and to ask questions about graduate school.

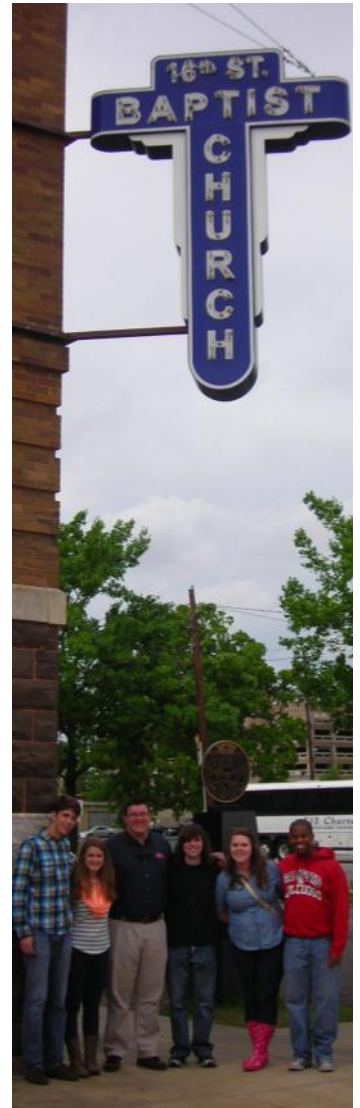
Finally, the chapter sponsored two campus-wide history movie nights. The fall event featured the film *Miracle*, and in the spring, Phi Alpha Theta co-sponsored a showing of the documentary *The Fog of War* with the Samford Film Club and hosted Former U.S. Ambassador Thomas Boyatt who provided commentary on the film.



*Top: New members are recognized during annual department awards banquet.*

*Right: Members with faculty adviser, Dr. LeeAnn Reynolds, at Sloss Furnace during fall outing.*

*Far Right: Phi Alpha Theta members visit 16th Street Baptist Church in honor of the 50th anniversary of the civil rights campaigns in Birmingham.*



# alumni notes



**Sigurd Bryan '46**, Howard College graduate in history and English, and professor emeritus in the Department of Religion, was honored with the

Department of History Alumnus of the Year Award which was presented at this year's awards banquet. He also received the Lockmiller Award as the representative of the earliest class present at the 2012 Samford University Homecoming.

**J. Wayne Flynt '61**, was honored with a Governor's Arts Award by the Alabama State Council on the Arts during the 2013 "Celebration of the Arts" awards ceremony on May 21. In his various works, Dr. Flynt has consistently documented the important artists, writers and musicians of Alabama, as well as, the impact they have had both nationally and internationally.

**James Huskey '69**, was recognized with an Alumni of the Year Award from Samford



during a banquet which kicked off Homecoming 2012. He is a career diplomat with the U.S. State Department and now based in Washington, D.C. Huskey,

who received a Samford degree in history, served embassies in China, Liberia and Lebanon. He was a top U.S. official during the Tiananmen Square uprisings in 1989 and in Beirut when the U.S. embassy there was bombed in 1983. He earned a doctorate in history from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

**Bill Summers '72**, director of the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives in Nashville, Tenn., received the W.O. Carver Distinguished Service Award during the 2011 Baptist History and Heritage Society's meeting at Dallas Baptist University.

Summers is the 30th recipient of the Carver award and joins two of his former professors at Samford University, Wayne Flynt and Lee Allen, who were past recipients of the award. The Carver award recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the cause of Baptist history.

**Marlin Harris '75**, former healthcare administrator and foreign missionary to Paraguay (1986–2000) is presently a Spanish teacher and foreign language department head at Prattville High School, state president of the Alabama Association of Foreign Language Teachers, first vice president of the Alabama Federation of Spanish Clubs, and president of the Paraguay Baptist Medical Center Foundation. Marlin has recently authored the book, *Let the Beatitudes BE My Attitude in You*, WestBow Press, 2012.

**MaryAnn Buffington Moon '76**, was honored, along with her husband, Rick, with the 2012 Alumni of the Year Award from Samford. The Moons are the fifth couple to be honored as alumni of the year. Moon is a teacher at Huntsville (Ala.) High School and was named the secondary teacher of the year in 2009–2010 by the Alabama state Parent-Teacher Association. Moon earned her Samford degree in history and has a master's degree from Alabama A & M University.

**Don Blankenship '78**, was elected as Jefferson County (Alabama Circuit 10) circuit court judge in 2012.

**Annesley H. DeGaris '88 (J.D.)**, of Cory, Watson, Crowder & DeGaris, is a member of the advisory board of the Association of Plaintiff Interstate Trucking Lawyers of America and the board of directors of the Alabama Association for Justice. DeGaris was elected to *Birmingham* magazine's Top Birmingham Attorneys 2010 in the practice area of environmental litigation.

**David Fleming '94**, is president and chief executive of Operation New Birmingham, a downtown advocacy organization. He and Mary Allison Haynie are co-authors of the book, *Ensley and Tuxedo Junction*, part of the Images of America series by Arcadia Publishing. The book contains 200 vintage photographs chronicling the annexation of

Ensley into Birmingham and the establishment of the "Magic City."

**Carey Heatherly '01**, is a reference librarian and the University of Montevallo's first professional archivist. He and Dr. Clark Hultquist published the book, *Montevallo*, part of the Images of America series by Arcadia Publishing in May 2011. The book is a pictorial history of both the town and university with photos predating the Civil War. Dr. Heatherly has also participated in the Lyrasis Mass Digitization Project, which created a digital presence for the University of Montevallo's yearbooks and catalogs, highlighting the early days of women's education in the rural south.

**Lance Oliver '01**, was chosen by his peers for inclusion in the 2013 South Carolina Super Lawyers® Rising Stars list and is recognized as an AV® rated attorney by Martindale-Hubbell®.

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## History Students Honored for Winning Papers at 2013 Colonial Dames Luncheon

by Mary Wimberley



From left, Evan Musgraves, Paul Martini, Becca Wilcox and Franklin Lowe

**F**our Samford University students received cash awards from the Birmingham Center of Colonial Dames of America for

outstanding papers written in Samford history classes. All honorees are history majors.

Nicholas Paul Martini, a senior from Alpharetta, Ga., won first place and a \$1,000 cash prize for his paper, "Blood Will Out: the Trial of Thomas Lutherland and the Quaker Idea of Criminal Justice in Colonial America, 1692."

Rebecca Nicole Wilcox, a senior from Chesterfield, Mo., won second place and an \$800 prize for her paper, "Puritan Captivity Narratives."

Evan Musgraves, a senior from Yucaipa, Calif., placed third and won \$600 for his paper, "Brethren We Have Met to Worship: *The Sacred Harp* and Evangelical Theology."

Franklin Lowe, a sophomore from Fayetteville, Ga., won fourth place and \$400 for his paper, "Propaganda: Patriotic and Socially Progressive, a Comparative Analysis of *Common Sense* and the *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*."

The award winners gave brief presentations on their paper topics at a luncheon at Mountain Brook Country Club on Wednesday, April 3. A bound volume of the papers was dedicated to Samford history department chair Dr. S. Jonathan Bass.

Mrs. C. Lawrence Whatley is president of the Colonial Dames' Birmingham Center.