



The Dean's Weekly Newsletter

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Law Week Celebrations Continue After Weather Delay



Due to winter weather, some of last week's Law Week events, including Rascal Day were rescheduled for this week. On Monday March 9, the annual Rascal Day celebrations were held. Rascal Day honors the memory of Rascal, the only recipient of the Doctor of Canine Jurisprudence degree. The annual event encourages students, faculty, staff, and friends of the law school to bring their dogs to campus for a parade and lunch. Dogs may also sit in on classes throughout the day.

During the Memorial Procession, approximately 50 dogs and their owners marched behind a saxophonist from the foot of Samford's Centennial Walk to Robinson Hall. University President Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, his wife Dr. Jeanna Westmoreland and their two Corgis lead the parade. Professor Belle Stoddard, dressed as Cruella De Vil, threw stuffed Dalmatians to bystanders during the parade. After a brief eulogy delivered by Professor Howard Walthall, participants and their pets enjoyed a hotdog lunch and cake. See [page 7](#) for more photos!



Award Winners:

- Biggest Dog:** Hans, a 108 pound German Shepherd owned by Amy Frederickson
- Most Embodies the Spirit of Rascal:** Pearl, a Blue Tick Coonhound owned by Sarah Osborne
- Best Dressed:** Ezra, a boxer outfitted as Sandra Day O'Boxer, owned by Katie Dix
- Smallest Dog:** Sidda, a 5-pound Yorkie owned by Brooke Anne Freeman.
- Biggest Troublemaker:** tie between George, an English Pointer owned by Sam Boukli, and Townes, a Golden Retriever owned by Rebecca Guidry
- Looks Most Like Owner:** Daisy, a Red Bone Coonhound owned by Rush Thrift.



Lynda Reynolds, program assistant for Cumberland's American Journal of Trial Advocacy, was honored with the student-voted staff appreciation award. Student Bar Association president Rush Thrift presented the award to Reynolds.



Janie L. Shores Moot Competition Finalists Congratulated

The Henry Upson Sims Moot Court Board would like to congratulate the finalists in the Janie L. Shores Moot Court Competition: **Justin Mitchell** (Winner), **Shadi Jaraysi** (Runner-up), **Elise Washington**, and **Rob Ireland**. The Shores Competition is an intramural moot court competition for 2L and 3L students at Cumberland. This year's problem was a criminal procedure problem. The Moot Court Board would also like to thank the Judges of our final round: Judge John Carroll and Mrs. Michelle Wales. Finally, a big thank you to Associate Justice Alex Comensky, Assistant Justice Jordan Dailey, and all of the other members of the Moot Court Board for their hard work in putting on a successful competition.

This Week's Events

Bloomberg Law Lunch Helps Students Prepare to Practice

Many law firms across the country expect summer associates and newly hired associates to learn how to use Bloomberg Law in a real world setting and to prepare accordingly for job experiences. Bloomberg Law is hosting a "Preparing to Practice Lunch: Litigation Resources & Transactional Skills" on **Tuesday March 10**. Participants will learn research tips and tricks that will help them to stand out and make a great impression. Space is limited so please be sure to [register online](#), select the Prepare to Practice session from the Training & Events calendar on the right side. All are welcome to attend. Sessions will run at the following times: **11:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m., and 1:15 p.m. -2:00 p.m.** Remember that students of Cumberland School of Law have full access to Bloomberg Law, not only during the school year, but also over the summers as well. Bloomberg Law does not have any use restrictions, so students are allowed and encouraged to use Bloomberg Law during summer employment. Additionally, 3Ls, who will soon be graduating and studying for the bar, have access to Bloomberg Law student accounts for six months after graduation.

Career Development Hosts Summer Job Luncheon

The office of Career Development is hosting "How to Find a Summer Job Outside of OCI" on Thursday, March 12 from 11:00 a.m. to noon in Room 120. Current students, Whitney Dyer (2L) and Cydney Reynolds (2L) as well as alumni, Joseph Echols (2014) and Caroline Jackson (2012) are featured speakers at the event. Lunch will be served to those who register by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 11 [Register online](#).



Dean Denning Holds Called to the Bar Session

The next program in the Called to the Bar series is scheduled Thursday, March 12 at 1:30 p.m. in the Moot Courtroom.

In this session, Dean Denning will speak to first-year students about registration and curriculum planning.

Spring Commencement Graduation Fair Held Thursday

The spring commencement graduation fair will be held on Thursday, March 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Pete Hanna Center. Students will be measured for caps and gowns, may order graduation announcements and rings, have portraits made, and register for door prizes that include gift cards to local restaurants and a night at the movies. Students will also have the opportunity to check graduation requirements to ensure that they are cleared to graduate. Additional information is located at the [commencement web site](#).



Apply to be a Caruthers Fellow

Submit Applications by Fri., March 13

Applications to be a Judge Abraham Caruthers Fellow for the 2015-16 academic year are now being accepted. The deadline for application is March 13. Fellows have responsibility along with the L.L.R. faculty in teaching research skills and citation. Successful applicants must be second or third year law students at Cumberland School of Law who have either a 3.0 cumulative grade point average or are in the top 35% of their class. Interested students should submit a resume and short application letter to [Prof. Stoddard](#). The letter of application should include a statement of the reasons for the applicant's interest in participating as a Caruthers Fellow.

Submissions Requested for Literary/Law Creative Review

The Cumberland Society of the Arts is calling for submissions to start a Literary/Law Creative Review. The Society is accepting works of short fiction, poems, nonfiction essays, creative articles about law or related topics, literature reviews/criticisms, plays, screenplays, musical compositions or reviews of albums and fashion industry related articles for Volume 1. The group is also seeking artists and photographers to design or submit a photo that will be featured on the cover of the review. All submissions are due by midnight on **March 15** and can be e-mailed directly to [Brittany Harris](#). Please include your name, what year law student you are, and where you are originally from before coming to law school. Attach files as a .doc or .docx.

Summer Fellowship Applications Available Online

Submit Applications by Tue., April 7

The 2015 summer fellowship application is available [online](#). The application deadline is Tuesday, April 7 and there is a mandatory meeting for applicants on Tuesday, April 7 at 4:30 p.m. in the Great Room.

Applications for the Spirit of Service Award are now available [online](#). Please electronically submit applications by Tuesday April 21.



Einstein Bros Bagels
GRAND OPENING
Tuesday, March 10 from 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Win breakfast sandwiches for a year by being one of the first 50 customers* after the ribbon cutting ceremony.

FREE FOOD, PRIZES, GIVEAWAYS & MORE!

Normal Hours:
Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 11 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday Closed
Sunday 1 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Located in Davis Library

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* Coupon booklets for 57 free breakfast sandwiches will be given to the first 50 Samford Student customers with a valid student ID.

Hungry? Einstein Bagels is Now Open in the University Library.

Mon. - Thu. 7:30 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Fri. 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sat. Closed
Sun. 1:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

The First 50 students in line at the Grand Opening TODAY will receive breakfast sandwiches for a year (valid student ID required to win.)

Faculty Notes



Professor Woodrow Hartzog has recently been quoted in an [article](#) from The Hill about the Wyndham Hotel's challenge to the FTC's regulation of data security.

He has also been quoted in "[Internet Memes And 'The Right To Be Forgotten'](#)" an article about internet memes and legal responses on NPR.



Professor Wendy Greene will speak at a Faculty Colloquium Tuesday, March 10 at 3:15 p.m. in the Bishop Conference Room. The topic of Greene's presentation is: Hair Equality: Afro-descendant Women in the Americas and Their Struggles Against Hair Discrimination.

Student Notes

James Dawkins has written an al.com article: "[That other court case: What's happening with Obamacare while nobody is looking?: Guest opinion.](#)"

Students May Attend Office of Alumni Relations Events

Students and faculty are invited to attend alumni receptions and luncheons. For students, these are good networking events for those with aspirations to work in a specific location. To confirm your attendance and for full details, please contact Anne Marovich, director of alumni relations, at amarovic@samford.edu.



- **Thu., March 19 @ 6 p.m.**
Washington, D.C., Cumberland/Brock/Samford Business Network Alumni Reception at PricewaterhouseCoopers (1730 Pennsylvania Avenue Northwest, Washington D.C.)
- **Fri.-Sat., April 10-11 - Reunion Weekend**
Fri., April 10, all alumni reunion reception at the historic Tutwiler [Details and Registration](#)
Sat., April 11, Open House 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- **Tue., April 21 @ 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.**
Montgomery Area Alumni Luncheon Honoring Judge Joel Dubina ' 73 , hosted by Beasley Allen, at Alley Station (130 Commerce Street, Montgomery, AL 36104)
- **Thu., April 23 @ 5:30- 7 p.m.**
Alumni Reception, Roswell, Ga., McCalla Raymer law firm

Reunion Details

Cumberland's Calendar

Plan Your Spring 2015 Semester

Check each week's newsletter for updates and additions!

March							April							May							June						
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This Week's Events

Tue., March 10

Summer Public Interest Fellowship Application Available

Tue., March 10, 3:15 p.m.

Faculty Colloquium,
Professor Wendy Greene, BCR

Thu., March 12, 1:30 p.m.

Called to the Bar - Registration & Planning Moot Courtroom

Thu., March 12 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Office of Career Development
How to Find a Summer Job Outside of OCI Room 120 [Register](#)

Thu., March 12 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Spring Commencement Graduation Fair Pete Hanna Center

Fri., March 13

Caruthers Fellows Application Deadline

Sun., March 15

Cumberland Society of the Arts
Submission Deadline bharris@samford.edu

Mon.-Fri., March 16-20

Spring Break

Thu., March 19

Office of Alumni Relations
Washington, D.C. Cumberland/Brock/Samford Business Network Alumni Reception

Thu., March 26 @ 9-11 a.m.

Student Services
Alabama Lawyer's Assistance Program Director Available

Robert Thornhill, Room 124

Thu., March 26 @ 11 a.m.

Joint Degree Informational Meeting,
Room 120, Anyone interested in participating in a joint degree program should make plans to attend

Fri., March 27

Cumberland Law Review
"Bullying and The Internet: The New Face of School Safety and Civil Liability" Symposium
Free & Open to Public

Tue., March 31

Fall Registration Starts

APRIL

Wed., April 1

Summer School Registration Begins Online

Thu., April 2 @ 1:30 p.m.

Called-to-the-Bar: "Life as a Corporate Lawyer," Lee Thuston, Moot Courtroom

Fri., April 3

Fall Registration Ends

Mon., April 6

Easter Holiday/Closed

Tue., April 7

Summer Public Interest Fellowship Application Due
Mandatory Meeting: Great Room @ 4:30 p.m.

Thu., April 9

Cordell Hull Speakers Forum

Fri., April 10

Spring Advisory Board Meeting

Do not see your event listed?

The first step is to confirm your room reservation with [Mrs. Kathy Walton](#) in the Dean's Office.

The second step is to send your event details to [Mrs. Laura Taylor](#).

Cumberland's Calendar continued

Fri. & Sat., April 10-11

- Office of Alumni Relations
Reunion Weekend
[More Details](#)
- Office of Law Admission
Admitted Student Weekend

Thu., April 16 @ 11 a.m.

Trial Journal & Law Review 1L Luncheon, Great Room

Tue., April 21 @ 11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Office of Alumni Relations
Alumni Luncheon, honoring Judge Joel Dubina '73, Montgomery

Tue., April 21

Spirit of Service Applications Due
[More information](#)

Thu., April 23 @ 5:30 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

Office of Alumni Relations
Alumni Reception, Roswell, GA

Tue., April 28

Classes End

Wed., April 29

Study Day

Thu., April 30

Exams Start

MAY

Wed., May 13
Exams End

Fri., May 15

Commencement

Tue., May 26

Summer Classes Begin

JUNE

Thu., June 18

Office of Alumni Relations
Alumni Reception, Asheville, N.C.

Wed., June 24

Office of Alumni Relations
Alumni Reception, Tampa, Fla.

Thu., June 25

Office of Alumni Relations
Alumni Reception, Boca Raton, Fla.

JULY

Thu., July 16

Office of Alumni Relations
Alumni Reception, Point Clear, Ala.
During the Alabama State Bar Meeting

Fri., July 31 - Sat. Aug. 1

Office of Alumni Relations
Annual Military Law Symposium
Sponsored by the Alabama State Bar
Military Law

FALL 2015

Thu.-Fri., Aug 6-7

ADLA Trial Academy

Mon. - Fri. Aug. 10-14

First Year Orientation

Mon. Aug. 17

Classes Begin

Wed. Nov. 4

Supreme Court Oral Arguments,
Wright Center

Samford's Events

- Samford University's Public Events
- Sporting Events
- Performing Arts Calendar

Samford Arts

Free for Samford Students, Faculty and Staff

Regina Carter and Southern Comfort

Mon., March 23 @ 7:30 p.m.
Wright Center

The Skin of Our Teeth

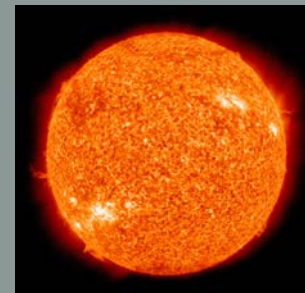
March 26-28 @ 7:30 p.m.
Wright Center

H.T. Chen & Dancers

Sun., April 19 @ 3 p.m.
Wright Center

Annie Moses Band

Thu., April 23 @ 7:30 p.m.
Wright Center



Energy Forum

Fri., April 17
@ 8:30 a.m. -
4:30 p.m.
Moot
Courtroom

**Click on event titles
for more information**

Photos of the Week - Rascal Day

