



(From left) Dora Duncan Bivens, Beth Matthews Barker, Joyce Greathouse, Wilodean Ruff Holley and Miriam Oglesby Finch, with staff at the Shelby County Department of Pensions and Securities, now the Department of Human Resources. The five class of 1956 social work majors participated in field education at DHP.



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UM Social Work: 1925-2016

It was our great pleasure to spend 2015 celebrating 90 years of social work education at the University of Montevallo. The Social Work Program at UM was founded in 1925, a time when social work was an underdeveloped profession and was only taught in urban universities. In fact, the first training schools of social work in the cities of New York, Chicago and Boston were also founded during the 1920s. All this to say, having a social work program in rural Alabama was innovative at the time.

Myrtle Brooke, chair of the Sociology Department, organized summer training in social work as early as 1924 by employing faculty from the University of Chicago and Simmons College, two of the first three professional social work

training programs in the United States, to teach summer courses in social casework and community organization. In 1925, the University of Montevallo established the first social work major in the State of Alabama and one of the oldest in the United States. In 1974, the social work major became the first accredited undergraduate professional social work education program in Alabama. Since that time, our graduates have been instrumental in the development of child welfare, mental health, public health and aging services as well as community and organizational leadership and policy development across the United States and abroad, but particularly in the State of Alabama, where myriad issues such as rural poverty continue to burden families.



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(full and part time)
+ 30 *student*
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NEW
PARTNERSHIP
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90
years

Dear Alumni, Students and Friends,

Greetings! I hope everyone enjoyed their spring and summer seasons. We are delighted to begin the fall 2016 semester after a year long celebration of the 90th anniversary of our Program in 2015. I hope everyone enjoyed our cover feature in *Montevallo Today*. We were happy to highlight our distinguished alumni in child welfare practice at the Shelby County Department of Human Resources. UM has a rich tradition of cultivating the child welfare work force in the State of Alabama and beyond.

As I begin my ninth year on the faculty, I am happy to report that our

program has continued to grow. As part of our expansion, our program has developed a new cooperative agreement with Auburn University at Montgomery. AUM students now have the option to transfer and complete the final year of their social work degree at UM. We welcomed our first four AUM transfer students to campus this year. Thanks to Dr. Denise Davis-Maye at AUM, our Department Chair Dr. Ruth Truss, Dean Mary Beth Armstrong (of the College of Arts and Sciences) and our Provost, Dr. Suzanne Ozment for supporting this new and exciting addition to the Social Work Program.

In closing, as you read this newsletter, I ask that you consider giving back to the Social Work Program. Our alumni support has made it possible to provide valuable resources and materials to our students. Any contribution is appreciated. You will find a list of our scholarships on the last page of the newsletter. As always, please feel free to contact me anytime I can be of any assistance.

Be Well,

Jason Newell, Chair

Welcome Professor Brendan Beal

The Social Work Program is proud to welcome the newest member of our faculty, Brendan Beal. Dr. Beal completed his doctoral degree at the University of Georgia in May 2016. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing and a Master of Social Work with a specialization in clinical social work from Florida State University.

Dr. Beal brings a wealth of practice experience in the areas of child welfare, foster care and the use of digital media and technology in social work education. Professor Beal has six dogs with his partner Meredith.



Advocacy Day 2015: Integrative Treatment of Complex Trauma for Adolescents (ICTC-A)



As part of our celebration of 90 years of Social Work Education, we were delighted to host Dr. Cheryl Lanktree as our keynote speaker for the 2015 Advocacy Day Conference. Dr. Lanktree is a nationally recognized scholar in childhood trauma-related disorders and is a licensed clinical psychologist and a clinical associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Southern California. From 1998-2009, she was director of the Miller Children's Abuse and Violence Intervention Center (MCAVIC), a multidisciplinary outpatient center in Long Beach, California. From 2005-2009, she was also principal investigator

for the federally-funded MCAVIC-USC Child and Adolescent Trauma Program, a Treatment and Service Adaptation Center of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN). Dr. Lanktree has published a number of papers on the assessment and treatment of child trauma. She has presented extensively in the United States and has given lectures and workshops internationally. To learn more about Dr. Lanktree and her work, visit her website www.cblanktree.com or the website for the National Child Traumatic Stress Network www.nctsn.org.

Advocacy Day: September 23, 2016 — Birmingham Botanical Gardens

This year we will host Dr. R. Allan Allday, associate professor from the University of Kentucky Department of Early Childhood, Special Education and Rehabilitation Counseling. Dr. Allday will be presenting a program titled Applied Behavior Analysis and Children with Emotional/Behavioral Disorders: Bridging the Gap between Social Workers and Behavior Analysts.

The workshop will focus on how to view challenging behavior through the lens of function rather than psychological/educational label. It will detail how behavior analysts apply the principles of positive and

negative reinforcement to children with emotional/behavioral disorders; how to determine behavioral functioning (i.e., maintaining consequences) of challenging behavior exhibited by children with emotional/behavioral disorders; and how social workers and behavior analysts can work together to improve outcomes of children with emotional/behavioral disorders.

Visit our Facebook page and click on the link to register through Eventbrite. As always, registration, continuing education and refreshments are offered at no cost to our alumni, friends and community partners.



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Dr. Rebecca Turner Receives BSS Distinguished Alumni Award



Becky Turner with her daughter (left) Becca Turner

The Social Work Program welcomed Dr. Rebecca “Becky” O. Turner to our campus during Homecoming to receive the Behavioral and Social Services Distinguished Alumni Award. Dr. Turner graduated from UM in 1971 earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work. She also attended graduate school at The University of Alabama earning the Master of Social Work in 1974 and later completed her doctoral degree (DSW) in social work in 1990.

Dr. Turner is a lifetime social work practitioner, educator and higher education administrator. Before her time in the academy, she practiced and supervised social workers in child welfare practice for the Tallapoosa County Department of Pensions and Securities, now called the Department of Human Resources. Dr. Turner began her career in social work education in 1978 as an instructor of field education at Auburn

University. After three years, she left Auburn to join the faculty at Jacksonville State University where she has remained since. She is currently in her 34th year of service to the JSU campus community.

In addition to her teaching and service accomplishments, Turner has an outstanding record in higher education administration. A dedicated member of the JSU faculty, Dr. Turner helped institute the social work program at JSU and served as the first program director and later chair of the Department of Sociology and Social Work. In 1998, she was appointed to the position of Vice President for Academic Affairs and remained in that position until 2002 when her title changed to VPAA and Provost. In this role, She has been instrumental in developing JSU’s faculty, implementing the current strategic plan, leading the SACS re-accreditation process and in the overall effectiveness of the institution.



(From left) Jeannie Duke, Becky Turner and Jason Newell

Social Work Day: Celebrating Social Work Education at UM

Roxie Craig Scholarship in Social Work

- Amanda Faye Currie
- Candace Chandler
- Corrine Eyer
- Morgan Gothard
- Ashton Kupferberg
- Megan Nunnery
- Caitlin Waldrop

Jeanette Niven Social Work Scholarship

- Angela Bishop
- Lisa Spreher

Jan Eagles Memorial Scholarship in Allied Health

- Elizabeth Jennings

Mary Edna Porter Family and Child Scholarship

- Hanna Yeargan

Louise White Dawson Scholarship in Social Work

- Brittany Manasco

Mel Dorrough-Robinson Scholarship in Social Work

- Rebecca Walden

Phi Alpha Honor’s Society

- Amanda Faye Currie
- Cecelia Marie Estis
- Corrine Eyer
- Jamie Epperson
- Morgan Gothard
- Stephanie Higgins
- Brianna Juarez
- Karina Lewis
- Megan Nunnery
- Tabitha Sullivan
- Rebecca Walden
- Hanna Yeargan

Joyce Greathouse Advocacy Writing Contest

- Mary Beth Janeway

Social Work Day: Celebrating Social Work Education at UM

Each spring semester, the Social Work Program hosts an annual Social Work Day event. March is nationally designated as Social Work Month and this year's theme was "Forging Solutions out of Challenges." Social Work Day is a warm tradition of not only celebrating our beloved profession, but also our students, their families, practicum agencies and

instructors, alumni and friends. This year, 12 students were inducted into UM's Delta Tau Chapter of Phi Alpha, the National Honor Society for social work students. We were also thrilled to award more than \$10,000 in scholarship funding for 12 students. Alabama Possible received the award for Outstanding Practicum Agency of the Year and

Jennifer Travis-Scott '09 received the Agency Instructor of the Year Award for her work with our students at Pathways. Social work alumnus Renae Guy Carpenter '88, State Director of Social Work for the Alabama Department of Public Health, provided a keynote address.



Social Work Awards

2015 Agency Instructor of the Year:
Jennifer Travis-Scott, Pathways



2015 Outstanding Practicum Agency of the Year: Alabama Possible



(Top left) Jennifer Travis-Scott with Jeannie Duke; (above) Renae Guy Carpenter, State Director of Social Work for the Alabama Department of Public Health provided the keynote address for Social Work Day; (left bottom) Renae Guy Carpenter with Alabama Possible intern Mary Beth Janeway.

Special Thanks to Johnna Matthews

The Program would like to extend our sincere thanks to Johnna Matthews for her contributions as a full-time adjunct professor of social work last year. Johnna earned her BSW and MSW from The University of Alabama and brought years of practice expertise in child welfare and with veterans and military families to our courses.

During the fall and spring semesters, Professor Matthews taught our introductory courses in Social Welfare and Social Work, Human Behavior and the Social Environment, Social Work Practice with Groups, Mental Health Issues and Services and Practice with Individuals and Families. In addition,



Matthews assisted the program with Advocacy Day, student advising and with field liaison work.

Her friendly attitude and witty personality will be missed by all!

Social Work Club

The Social Work Club is selling t-shirts as part of their fundraising efforts for this year. Shirts are available in sizes small, medium, large and extra-large. Shirts are \$10 for students and \$15 for alumni and other patrons. All proceeds support UM's campus social work student organization and their community charity projects.

This past year, social work students participated in the "No More" campaign for domestic violence, contributed to the food and toiletry pantry on campus, observed child abuse awareness month and participated in the "Big Event."



President: Karina Lewis
Vice President: Eboney Jones

Social Work Students Attend the Alabama Conference on Social Work

by Ebonie Johnson '16

I really enjoyed my time at the Alabama Conference on Social Work. It was a great experience and I learned so much from each of the workshops I attended. Each speaker was very passionate about the topic they spoke on and it was very motivating and encouraging. Going to this conference reminded me why I became interested in social work. I was able to learn about things I didn't know and

to hear others' opinions on subjects I did know. I was also able to meet and introduce myself to people from different agencies and organizations around the State. I think that all students that are able to go should attend because it is such a great experience.

(From left) Ebonie Johnson, Briana Juarez, Rosie Shanks, Karina Lewis, Michelle Pollock, Jeannie Duke, Jason Newell



Fall 2016

Practicum Students

- Candice Chandler, Alabaster City Board of Education
- Amanda Faye Currie, Calhoun County Department of Human Resources
- Corrine Eyer, Priority Veterans: United Way of Central Alabama
- Katie Fancher, Bibb County Department of Human Resources
- Ryan Gillespie, Birmingham Aids Outreach
- Morgan Gothard, Alabaster City Board of Education
- Brianna Labello, Shelby County Department of Human Resources
- Elizabeth Jennings, Jefferson Co. Public Defender's Office
- Megan Nunnery, Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging
- Lisa Spreher, SafeHouse of Shelby County
- Hanna Yeargan, Chilton County Department of Human Resources

Alumni Donations

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- Mary Louise Dabbs

Jeanette Niven Scholarship

- Sue McClamroch

Joyce Greathouse Advocacy Writing Scholarship

- Joyce Greathouse



Integrating Service Learning into Social Work Education

In March, Dr. Meredith Tetloff along with Dr. Jill Wicknick received the 2015 Community Partnership Award. The award was accepted by Dr. Tetloff at the Annual Community Partnership Appreciation Breakfast and Service Fair. Drs. Tetloff and Wicknick co-teach Summer Harvest, a service learning course focusing on the importance of sustainable resources and on issues of environment and food justice. The labwork for this course takes place at the UM community garden where students have the opportunity to learn how to grow and harvest natural food resources. The organic food produced during the course is donated to the local food pantry at Shelby Emergency Assistance.

In the Spring 2015 semester, Dr. Newell's Introduction to Social Welfare and Social Work course completed 500 hours of service learning at more than 20 different sites in Jefferson and Shelby Counties. Service learning sites included: Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Best Buddies International, Hillcrest Hospital, Boys and Girls Club, Montevallo High School, Shelby Emergency Assistance, Save-A-Life Clinic, Shelby County Juvenile Detention Center, SafeHouse of Shelby County, the Dave Matthews Center and PetSmart.

Social Work Graduate Student Worker Accepted to Ph.D. Program



William "Will" Hasenbein '13, M.A. '15, served the Social Work Program as a graduate student worker for two years. Will has made considerable contributions to the functioning of our program, students and faculty. He played a key role in developing and maintaining program accreditation, administrative and research datasets. Additionally, Will traveled last summer with Dr. Newell and Professor Duke to support our state-wide training efforts for child welfare workers through Title IV-E. Will has been accepted into the concurrent

MSW/Ph.D. program in social work at The University of Alabama where he plans to specialize in macro-social work practice and public policy. We like to think Will "found" social work through his involvement with our program. Will has an outstanding record of scholarship and service to Behavioral and Social Sciences and we will miss his earnest and helpful presence next year. We wish Will and his wife Ashley '14 all the best in their future endeavors.

Meaningful Volunteer Experiences *by Sammy Schiffman '15*



For my volunteer service, I worked 30 hours at each of two separate organizations, The Exceptional Foundation in Homewood and Operation Blueprints in Montevallo. I can say that both of these experiences have taught me so much about people who are less fortunate than myself.

The most recent organization I was lucky enough to help with is Operation Blueprints, a program that pairs college students with high school students to better prepare the high schoolers for college. As a service learning opportunity, Blueprints is not only beneficial to the high school students, but also to the college students, the school and the city. It is beneficial to high schoolers because they learn important information about higher education through fun activities about what to do when thinking about college. Through Blueprints, teens are

able to learn about ways to pay for college with scholarships and loans. The program prompts students to discuss and further consider whether they prefer a small school or a large school; a place near their home or far away; what possible careers they may be interested in; what they are good at; how to prepare for the ACT and the importance of getting the best grade possible on it. The program also discusses the importance of extracurricular activities everyone should experience while at college.

The external purpose of Blueprints is for high schools in low-income areas to have a higher graduating rate and also prepare those students for college so they will have a better chance of graduating. I believe that the more knowledgeable a person is, the more powerful they become. If I can help these students graduate high school and college then I think the city as a whole grows stronger as well. The high school has a better graduating rate and looks better, which would make more people want to attend the high school, giving it revenue and the ability to grow into an even better learning establishment.

The group also helped me as a social worker. As we were teaching the high schoolers, we got into groups of about four to seven with one college student mentor and three to six high school student mentees. As a mentor, we learned about some of the things we wish we had learned in high school and how to lead and control groups. I feel like, as a social worker, I have

to know how to lead, control and maintain the focus of a group of individuals. I have learned that many issues arise when you are in a group setting but you have to do the best you can to solve every problem you come across.

The very first issue was that I had never really lead a group before. While the first meeting was a little awkward, we all slowly got comfortable with each other after learning each others' names and a little bit about one another. Sometimes, when I was leading my group, we would get off focus and I would have a hard time trying to get the kids back on track, but luckily I always had a peer I could turn to for advice and we would quickly get back on task. Another issue faced was a lack of commitment from the group. There were many times when group members would not show up to the daily lesson, but I learned that incentives are a great way to approach this problem. One incentive was that they got to learn how to better prepare for college, but the two big prizes were that only a select few who were active participants got to go on a field trip to Troy University and one got a chance to win a \$50 gift card.

I think that Operation Blueprints is an excellent agency to volunteer for, not only for the high schoolers, but also for the college kids who want to work with kids or in a leadership position. It helps out the entire community when graduation rates are high and it makes both parties feel accomplished when each daily activity is done.

Social Work Alumni Updates

Melanie Andrews '14 has passed her LBSW licensing exam and is employed at the Shelby County Department of Human Resources as a CA/N assessment worker.

Deanna Bonagura '14 is employed at the Coosa County Department of Human Resources.

Jenna Bryson '15 has successfully passed her LBSW exam and is practicing as the Family Advocate at Owens House.

Jennifer Chadwick '15 completed her MSW at The University of Alabama. Jennifer was awarded the Torchbearer Scholarship by the Alabama Chapter of the NASW for her

essay on importance of policy, advocacy and leadership for professional social workers.

Larry Cohill '96 has been elected as Wilsonville, Alabama's newest member of the city council. In addition, Larry is the Director of the Montgomery Veterans' Center.

Jackie Collins '11 and her husband UM alumnus **Quinton Collins** welcomed Quinton Dewayne Collins Jr. born Jan. 7, 2015. (PICTURED)

Wendy Cosby '15 is employed in Montgomery with the AESAP Program as a Veteran Services Representative for disability benefit claims.



Audrey Crippin '12 has successfully completed her MSW and the LGSW exam and she is currently employed as a Housing Stability Case Manager at Community of Hope in Washington, D.C. She and her husband Justin Vest are enjoying living in Washington, D.C. with their two sons. In her correspondence, Audrey indicated that her agency model of care is both holistic and strengths based, perspectives she linked directly back to her training at UM.

Natalie Crowder '15 has successfully passed her LBSW licensing exam and is practicing as a Family and Child Specialist in therapeutic foster care at Gateway Inc.

Ann Curtis '74 is working at Lake Martin Hospice, a position she learned about from the Social Work job board!

Leah Pedersen Eldridge '12 married fellow UM alumnus Nathan Eldridge in November 2014 and is currently completing her MSW degree.

Marie Estis '16 was selected as the July Social Work student of the month by the Alabama Chapter of NASW.

Lauren Haley '15 is working as a Cottage Manager at Buckhorn Children's and Family Services in Kentucky.

Stefan Hampton '16 has been accepted into the MSW Program at Alabama A&M University.

Becky Martin Harchanko '62 received a MSW from the Kent School at the University of Louisiana. Becky has been involved with internationals in the Huntsville area for 45 years. She is Director of an ESL Program at Weatherly Heights Baptist Church in Huntsville.

Joanna Hawkins '12 is employed at Fresenius Medical Care in the dialysis unit. Joanna helped host an annual meeting for the Alabama Council on Nephrology Social Workers at the University of Montevallo last fall. (PICTURED)



Angela House '94 recently transferred from the Chilton County Health Department to the Shelby County Health Department where she is managing a new program called Woman Wise, focusing on reducing heart disease for under and uninsured women ages 40-64.

Staci Johnson '12 successfully completed her MSW at The University of Alabama and has passed her LGSW licensing exam. Staci is currently practicing at the Tri County Treatment Center and is the proud mom of four children, her youngest son born in May 2015.

Briana Juarez '16 was awarded a Title IV-E Child Welfare stipend and was hired to practice at Elmore County Department of Human Resources immediately after graduation.

Charity Laister '09 is employed at Aids Alabama and has completed her LCSW examination.

Natasha Langner '14 successfully completed her MSW program at The University of Alabama and has passed her LGSW licensing exam.

Rachel Ellison Lawley '12 is employed as a Crisis Coordinator in the Shelby County Regional Office for Bradford Health Services.

Karina Lewis '16 has accepted a position at the Bibb County Department of Human Resources where she completed her field education placement.

Ashley Malone '12 is employed at Birmingham Aids Outreach and passed her LBSW exam in the Spring of 2015.

Katherine Robertson Martin '14 married fellow UM alumnus **Michael Martin** in 2015. She

passed her LBSW licensing exam and is the Social Service Coordinator at Shelby Woods in Columbiana, Alabama.

Karen Marks '88 is practicing at the Wadley Senior Center, part of Wadley Health System in Texas.

Adriane Matherne '13 has been teaching English in Japan for the last two years. Adriane describes the experience as "eye-opening and learning a new language is a new challenge. The people I've met have helped expand my love for teaching and helping regardless of background, nationality or language barriers."

Sonya McCurdy '03 passed her LCSW exam and is currently enrolled in a master's program in public health (MPH).

Karen Jennings Payne '91 has accepted a position as a school social worker in Madison County.

Tabitha Perry '12 earned a master's degree in education assessment and evaluation at Auburn University. She is currently employed as the District Early Intervention Coordinator in Birmingham.

Cherisse Pittman '14 is completing her MSW at Syracuse University in New York while working at a home for young girls in foster care.

Michelle Pollock '14 completed her MSW at The University of Alabama after field placement at the Shelby County Department of Human Resources. She has accepted a position with the Lee County Department of Human Resources in Auburn, Alabama.

Kelsey Prestridge '12 was recently accepted to the One Roof Junior Board of Birmingham to help prevent and end homelessness across central Alabama and she is employed as a Case Manager at JBS Mental Health Authority.

Laura Quattrochi '15 is currently working with the Birmingham YWCA through the AmeriCorp Program.

Dana Lake Rozelle '89 is currently living in Warner Robins, Georgia, and works on Robins AFB as a Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate (DAVA) in the Family Advocacy Program. Dana has practiced with victims of family violence, either in the civilian or military community, for almost 20 years. She has been married to her college sweetheart, Retired Major Sgt. Robert "Skip" Rozelle, Jr. for 26 years. They have two sons, Drake and Seth, who are still in high school.

Snow Sellers '15 is working in the Healthy Relationships Program through AmeriCorp and is in the process of pursuing a MSW at The University of Alabama.

Jessica Smith '14 is employed as an intake assessment and referral worker for Gateway Family Services.

Maggie Spiller '15 has completed her LBSW licensing exam and is employed at Lifeline in Birmingham.

Amber Sutton '12 completed her MSW at Washington University in St. Louis and plans to start a career working with the domestically abused. She and her husband **Jeff Sutton '11** recently celebrated their 4th wedding anniversary. They met in Dr. Newell's Social Work 203 class in the fall of 2009.

Laura Tracy '14 is a Program Counselor at the Alabama Therapeutic Education Facility in Columbiana, Alabama.

Justin Vest '13 is completing his MSW field placement at the Center for American Progress as part of The University of Alabama's Washington D.C. internship program. As part of his internship experience, Justin wrote on the issue of the school-to-prison pipeline which will eventually be published on the CAP website.

Gregory J. Ware '14 completed his MSW at The University of New England in the spring after field placement with Collaborative Solutions in Birmingham.

∇ Selma Native Gives Back to Her Community



I am Brandi Hatter '16, a native of Selma, Alabama, and co-leader of a group called Students UNITE: Unified Nonviolent Initiative Towards Equality. The goal of UNITE is to take direct nonviolent action against the injustices that are still occurring in today's society. Being a part of this group, I have gained many opportunities to use my voice for the voiceless and really learn about things I am passionate about and how to work towards those things in a tangible way.

On Valentine's Day weekend, I had the opportunity to travel with UNITE to Washington, D.C. to meet Civil Rights leader and Selma March participant John Lewis and Congresswoman Terri Sewell. I knew ultimately that we were

there to love and appreciate this small, but extremely courageous man, for all he had done and continues to do, even in Congress. There was such a joy and light about John Lewis that you cannot help but love him. It was like speaking to a close friend or even a grandfather. He looked at us with the most loving eyes and told us stories of his college roommates Bernard Lafayette and James Bevelle. For a man who had fought for so much, he loved with one of the biggest hearts I had ever witnessed. I could not help but think that it is because of him, and so many others, that we were all able to sit there that day.

We then went on to Congresswoman Terri Sewell's office, not even knowing if we would be able to meet with her but just making the most of the opportunities we had at that moment. Who would have known that we would have a whole hour with her! Congresswoman Sewell is so passionate about Selma and it was so beautiful to see. She has not forgotten the things that she went through and wants to provide more opportunities for the people who still live in Selma. She even spoke about how she likes to hire people from

Alabama to work for her. She is so excited for change and wants to support change in a big way, and believes that change can begin in Selma. I have seen her involvement in the community through job fairs and speaking at numerous events. It is refreshing to see someone in politics continuously putting time and energy back into the community that she grew up in.

It relates so much with what I want to do in social work, connecting to people and really showing them that someone genuinely cares for them. With the release of the movie "Selma," there have been more people visiting and talking about Selma. This is what is needed to really let the world know

about how much still needs to change in Selma. Students UNITE is taking action by speaking out against the injustice, getting out in the community and doing community service and really trying to get the word out about the work Students UNITE is doing. This was an opportunity that I could not have ever dreamed of having and I never want to forget it. What is happening in Selma now is a movement that is continuing from 50 years before and I am incredibly grateful and honored to be a part of it.

"This was an opportunity that I could not have ever dreamed of having and I never want to forget it."

Job Announcements and CEU Opportunities:

In a combined effort to continue to circulate employment opportunities to our recent graduates and alumni who value this correspondence, while also not flooding the inboxes of those

of you who are retired, out of state or not in the job market, our program will be moving all job announcements and CEU opportunities to a separate email distribution list. If you are not interested in receiving job notifications and CEU correspondence, please notify Dr. Newell at jnewell2@montevallo.edu.

Unless you specify, your name will remain on the master distribution list, so you will continue to receive general correspondence on program matters, special events and two newsletters each year.

Social Media

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Check out our YouTube Channel! SWKMontevallo at www.youtube.com/user/SWKMontevallo. Watch videos produced by UM Social Work students, faculty and staff.

Like our Facebook page! Simply search "University of Montevallo Social Work Program" on Facebook, or use this link: www.facebook.com/pages/University-of-Montevallo-Social-Work-Program. "Like" our Facebook page to receive updates on the program and our alumni. Also, please suggest our page to any other friends so our Facebook community can grow.

Current Scholarships

- Anne and Harrison Blair Foundation Scholarship
- Jan Eagles Memorial Scholarship in Allied Health
- Jeanette Niven Social Work Scholarship
- Joyce Greathouse Advocacy Writing Scholarship
- Louise White Dawson Scholarship
- Mary Edna Porter Scholarship in Child Welfare
- Mel Dorrough Robinson Scholarship
- Roxie Craig Scholarship in Social Work
- Susan Vaughn Advocacy Scholarship

Susan Vaughn Scholarship Reaches Endowment

The Social Work Program is delighted to announce that the Dr. Susan Vaughn Advocacy Scholarship has reached full endowment. Dr. Vaughn '71, alumna and professor emerita served the Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences as Chair of the Social Work Program for more than 30 years. With Dr. Vaughn's legacy, we have maintained our reputation as a stellar social work education program. Future recipients of this scholarship will be student(s) at the University, preferably a junior or senior meeting the requirements for admission to the Social Work Program, demonstrating financial need and a strong desire to help vulnerable and underserved populations through advocacy and community service.



Susan Vaughn and Joyce Greathouse

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Congratulations to the following Social Work graduates:

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