



UAB honors the top 25 businesses owned or operated by the school's graduates

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The members of the UAB Excellence in Business Top 25 Class for 2015 (UAB photo).

The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) **National Alumni Society** has announced the UAB Excellence in Business Top 25 Class for 2015.

The award program is used to recognize and celebrate the success of the top 25 businesses owned or operated by UAB alumni.

The following honorees for this year -- with their UAB schools or colleges in parentheses -- were recognized during a luncheon at the UAB Alumni House on Tuesday, according to a UAB news release today.

James Randall Beckers of Staas & Halsey LLP (College of Arts and Sciences).

Mark Bowling of MedTrust Inc. (School of Health Professions).

J. Wesley Calhoun of Shoe Corp. (College of Arts and Sciences).

Richard Cashio of ServisFirst (College of Arts and Sciences).

Chris Donohoo of DonohooAuto LLC (College of Arts and Sciences).

Gretchen Napier Geagan of Life-Links Geriatric Care Management (School of Health Professions).

Idie Hastings of Hot and Hot Fish Club (College of Arts and Sciences).

Cynthia Eades Huss of Coastal Vascular & Interventional PLLC (College of Arts and Sciences).

Elisabeth Hyde of Hyde Engineering (School of Engineering).

John Charles Kearney of Kearney Machinery & Supply Inc. (School of Engineering).

Santhosh Keshavan of Regions Financial Corporation (Collat School of Business).

Gregory A. King of IBERIABANK (Collat School of Business).

Bolaji Kukoyi of Dynamic Civil Solutions (College of Arts and Sciences, School of Engineering).

Eric Meyer of Cahaba Brewing Company (College of Arts and Sciences).

Dr. Marc Michelson of Michelson Laser Vision Inc. and Alabama Eye & Cataract Center (School of Medicine).

John B.D. Milledge of Action Environmental (College of Arts and Sciences, School of Education).

Gwendolyn Goosby Mizell of GSM Developmental LLC (School of Engineering).

Mazi Rasulnia of M Consulting LLC, and PACK Health LLC (Collat School of Business, School of Public Health and School of Health Professions).

Eric Robinson of Natchez Community Hospital and Natchez Regional Medical Center (Collat School of Business, School of Health Professions).

Amy Smith of Amy Smith State Farm Insurance (Collat School of Business).

Dr. Parvez K. Sultan of Cardio-Thoracic Surgeons P.C. (School of Medicine).

Dr. Bobby Underwood of Dreamland Bar-B-Que (School of Dentistry).

Deborah Wesley, MSN, of Children's of Alabama (School of Nursing).

David W. Whitehurst of Champion Cleaners (Collat School of Business).

Robert J. Zasa of ASD Management, (School of Health Professions).

To be nominated, businesses must have been in operation a minimum of 36 months, have verifiable revenue of at least \$150,000 in the past 12-month period, and be owned, operated or founded and managed by a UAB graduate, according to the news release.

The top three fastest-growing companies among the honorees also were recognized: GSM Development LLC, Action Environmental and Dynamic Civil Solutions.

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