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Neil Armstrong: A True American Hero

By Anneliese Devrydere Staff Writer

Fifty-seven years after he set foot on the moon, which marked the highlight of human achievement in space travel, Neil Armstrong died on Aug. 25 from complications after a cardiovascular procedure.

Neil Armstrong started his life in Wapakoneta, Ohio, took a significant 8 day, 14 hour, 12 minute, and 30 second detour in space, put the first bootprints on the moon in July of 1969, and passed away in a hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio, completing the cycle of his life. He made a career as a naval aviator and test pilot, then an astronaut in both the Gemini and Apollo programs. Armstrong was born Aug. 5, 1930 and developed an interest in aviation at an early age. His first flight came at age 6, when he flew with his father in Warren, Ohio, aboard a Ford plane known as a "Tin Goose," and by the time he was 15, Armstrong had earned his flight certificate—even before he had his driver's license. Armstrong went on to earn a Bachelor of Aerospace Engineering from Purdue University, served in the Navy during the Korean War, and earned his master's degree from UCLA in 1970, one year after his lunar landing. Armstrong has become a national hero, and in this day is an iconic figure in both NASA and American history because of his unprecedented achievements. Scholarships, test planes, buildings, and memorials bear his name, leaving constant reminder of our ability to make dreams reality. Armstrong's dream started young and he pursued it to its ultimate conclusion, thus he continued to live, learn, and contribute long after reaching that pinnacle, leaving behind a blueprint for others to follow. We will always remember his famous quote, "This is one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

Griffin Leaves UAHuntsville to Explore Leading Role at Schafer Corp.

By Adam Henry Staff Writer

It was a combination of timing, change and opportunity that led Michael Griffin to leave The University of Alabama in Huntsville and take the reigns of another company. Griffin, noted for his prominent work in the aerospace industry and role as Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, left his position at UAHuntsville Aug. 24 to head Schafer Corporation, a missile defense and technology company with close ties to Huntsville. After teaching for three years at the University, Griffin said this transition came at a perfect time for both the company and his career, moving from a rewarding teaching atmosphere to reviving a company in need of new leadership and stability. "I want to make the company great," Griffin said, noting it will be a challenging position that will occupy a few years of his time. Named as an eminent scholar and professor at UAHuntsville in April 2009, Griffin was a leading educator of mechanical and aerospace engineering. Having spent a combined total of 10 years with NASA and over half of his career creating seven educational degrees, the University did nothing short of congratulating Griffin on his move. "We extend our best wishes for a prosperous future," a UAHuntsville spokesperson said in a statement.

Amy Bishop Trial Pushed to Sept. 24

By Adam Henry Staff Writer

The trial for the accused UAHuntsville shooter was delayed for the second time by at least two weeks, a judge ruled recently. Madison County Judge Alan Munn gave no reason for the delay of the trial for Amy Bishop, which was set to begin Sept. 10. Lawyers for Bishop are currently struggling over payments for expert witnesses as they attempt to bolster their case for insanity. Judge Munn originally delayed the trial set for March after the Alabama Criminal Court of Appeals denied Bishop and her legal team funds to pay for expert witnesses. Bishop, a former professor at UAHuntsville and graduate of Harvard University, is accused of opening fire during a biology department faculty meeting on Feb. 12, 2010. The shooting resulted in the death of Dr. Maria Ragland Davis, Dr. Adriel Johnson, and Dr. Capi Podd, chair of the biology department. Bishop is also being charged with attempting to kill Dr. Joseph Leahy, Dr. Luis Cruz-Herna and Stephanie Monticciolo, three victims who survived the shooting. State prosecutors are seeking the death penalty for Bishop but her current hope to appeal the possibility of fine and manslaughter is a lessened likelihood in the near future. "I don't think of myself as knowing a lot. What I think is of how much there is unknown and yet to be done."

UAH VP for Research Leaves School for Teledyne

By Laura C. Staff Writer

The vice president for research at the University of Alabama in Huntsville left last month to pursue a career at Teledyne Brown Engineer- ing. John Horack, the former vice president for research, was responsible for leading research scientists and interacting with federal agencies at UAHuntsville. Horack is currently leading Teledyne Brown Engineering's Space Systems Division. "John is a bright guy," Ray Garrett, UAHuntsville Director of Public Affairs, said. "He has done very well for us. He has the background we needed."

Dean Smith has been named interim vice president for research until the permanent post can be filled, officials with the university announced on Aug. 15. Smith earned a bachelor's degree from Harvard University, as well as a master's and a Ph.D. from Stanford University, all in the field of biological sciences. A national search for a new vice president for research is now under way. Horack had a strong NASA background that helped him with his UAHuntsville responsibilities and will continue to help him at Teledyne Brown Engineer- ing, one of the first technology companies in Huntsville. Horack served as director of the Science and Mission Systems Office at the Marshall Space Flight Center before joining UAHuntsville. He was also a co-founder, executive, and board member of Mobular Technologies, a software technology company founded in 2000. Horack joined Teledyne around the middle of July.
Christy Testifies on Global Warming Before Senate Committee
By Adam Henry
Staff Writer
AUA Huntsville professor testified during a congressional hearing at the beginning of this month, providing evidence as to why global warming is not to be trivialized. Her testimony highlighted climate events across the nation.

Professor of Atmospheric Science Dr. John R. Christy, who is also director of the Earth System Science Center and a state climatologist for Alabama, testified Aug. 1 before the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works. During the media and scientific debate on recent surging temperatures, Dr. Christy provided data that dispelled the gloom of global warming activists and climate event critics.

Christy has been teaching at AUA in Huntsville for 10 years and has been conducting research on climate events and global warming. She is an expert in climate science and has been involved in numerous climate research projects.

Christy's testimony was an opportunity to educate lawmakers about the reality of climate change and the need for action. She provided evidence such as temperature records, satellite images, and climate models to support her claims.

"I believe that global warming is a real and pressing issue," Christy said. "We have seen the effects of climate change on various scales, from extreme weather events to rising sea levels. It is imperative that we take action to mitigate these impacts and protect our planet for future generations."

The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works is responsible for legislative oversight of federal environmental policy. Christy's testimony is one of many efforts to bring attention to the issue of global warming and the need for action.

In conclusion, Christy's testimony serves as a reminder of the urgency of addressing climate change. It is essential that we continue to educate ourselves and our lawmakers about the reality of climate change and the need for immediate action to protect our planet.
Dr. Boyd Leaves UAH for a New Position at Middle Tennessee State University

By Dawn Carey

Staff Writer

This past spring a beloved biology professor, Dr. Lynn Boyd, decided to leave UAHuntville for a new administration job at Middle Tennessee State University.

Student Run eSports Kick Off the Fall Semester

By Charlotte Ellett

Staff Writer

Student Run eSports had its first game night of the fall semester on August 23rd in the Salmon Library.

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Sports

The Blue Crew President
By Bethany Horlick
Sports Reporter

The Southern division in the NFL, the AFC East, continues to be a packed division.

The Patriots are expected to continue their role as division leader with quarterback Tom Brady, and other key additions to the team. Next in line is the New York Jets. Despite losing their three best players, the Patriots are expected to continue their dominance heading into the 2012 season.

UAH Volleyball Looks to Dominate
By Andy Donovan
Sports Reporter

The University of Alabama Huntsville's volleyball team is full of confidence heading into the 2012 season as they look to defy expectations.

The Lady Chargers are looking to rebound coming off a disappointing ending 2011 campaign. They finished the season with a 10-25 record and a loss in the semifinal round of the conference tournament. Head Coach Laura Williams said. The optimism within the Lady Chargers team is looking forward to another good year, I'm pumped for this season. The acquisitions to the team. Next in line is the New York Jets. Despite losing their three best players, the Patriots are expected to continue their dominance heading into the 2012 season.

UAH Soccer Ready to Start the 2012 Season
By Jeff Carr
Sports Reporter

Through defeat a team can learn a lot about itself. UAH soccer team learned that it has a hearty defense and is ready for the season opener on Sept. 1.

UAH fell to Lipscomb in an exhibition game 2-0 last Thursday in Nashville, Tenn. The game was the team's last tune up before the start of the season next Saturday at Lincoln Memorial in Harrrogate, Tenn. The defense held strong against its division one counterpart by only allowing a penalty goal in the whole first half. Lipscomb added one more early in the second half.

The AFC Conference is One to Watch This Season
By Edgar Lopez Vega
Sports Reporter

The NFL's AFC conference is packed with potential and is looking to return to dominance.

The Southern division, the AFC South, is full of young teams. The Houston Texans seem to be the most prominent of the bunch with hallback sensation Arian Foster expected to continue his dominance and lead his team to a title. The Indianapolis Colts, Tennessee Titans, and Jacksonville Jaguars all seem to be in similar positions. The Colts No. 1 pick, Andre Lloyd, is exceeding expectations despite being a late pick. The Titans are expected to remain mediocre and continue to do so until the return of Kenny Britt, who was injured last season.

The AFC North is known for their rough, hard-nosed defense and "run it down their throats" attitude. The Pittsburgh Steelers return the defense, with their running back Le'Veon Bell, who was the division's leading rusher last season. They also return their lead back Ben Roethlisberger. The Baltimore Ravens have the best defense in the league, with Ray Lewis leading the defense, and the Cleveland Browns, with their star running back Trent Richardson, will be promising in the future. The AFC East, led by the Buffalo Bills, could take the division title with a strong season. The AFC West has multiple teams that could take the division title depending on momentum, injuries, and coaching. The Denver Broncos are expected to have the most power this season. The team that has the most wins in the past five seasons will be the Kansas City Chiefs. They are expected to make a run to the playoffs.
Arts & Leisure
Lone Goose Saloon
By Charles Taylor
Staff Writer
For those who are looking to get out and have a drink in a relaxed and back environment, one bar in Huntsville brings talent and just alcohol.
For starters, I tend to look toward the local music and bar scene. For those who are not big drinkers, that is okay, many of the bars in Huntsville bring talent not just alcohol.
One of these bars is the Lone Goose Saloon, tucked away between Cleveland Ave. and Meridian St. The owners, Danny George and Margaret Poole, felt that this was a perfect location for the bar and they kept that in mind after having opened two successful bars, the Furniture Factory and Black Water Llc’s. The back patio of the Lone Goose is connected to the historic A.M. Booth Lumberyard, giving the bar a somewhat of an old school yet modernized vibe, which may be the reason that the owners decided to have everything in the bar be either old or refurnished. Walking into the “goose”, one will find wood-paneled ceilings with fans, speakers, and paintings hung throughout, alcohol and good people in an opium environment, with well-performed music to boot! The music that comes through this place ranges from indie folk, mostly original, to classic just band cover bands. Lauren Lynn Hardy, a local musician, plays every Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. I caught up with her for a few minutes and asked her what her thoughts were of the place.
Without hesitation, she replied “Great folks with a good vibe, down-home environment that has great music and atmosphere. Feels like home... but with all of your friends.”

Alaska Shakes Shake It Up
By Nhu-An Nguyen
Staff Writer
For anyone under the impression that the only kind of music coming out of Al- ams falls under the country genre, the Alaska Shakes have emerged to change your mind.
In fact, the group comes from Athens, Ala., a small city only fourteen miles west of Huntsville. They have experienced tremendous national success in the past year, bringing about a Muscle Shoals style of Alabama music tradition. Their debut album “Boys & Girls” and authenti- cally rock sound has catapulted them to overnight fame.

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Fifty Shades of Monotony
By Michael House
Staff Writer
“Fifty Shades of Grey” is the first of an erotic trilogy written by Erika Leonard under the pseudonym E.L. James. The novel tells the story of Anastasia Steele as she becomes involved in a complex sexual relationship with billionaire businessman Christian Grey. Fifty Shades of Grey was originally a serialized Twelve fan fiction piece published online under the title “Master Of The Universe,” and it shows in the writing. The author’s blis-

New Restaurant Now Open for Business
By Sam Jenkins
Staff Writer
Mango’s, a new res-

Local Band on the Rise
By Samantha Jenkins
Staff Writer
The trio is inspired and talented young men, making up the indie folk band known as Asbyh Maine.
Asbyh Maine has a sound comparable to the popular English folk rock band Mumford & Sons. Their many influences include, but are not limited to: City and Colour, Freelance Whales, Hozier, The Luminary, and Metallica and Death Cab for Cutie.
The three band mem-
bers are Jake England, Aaron Myers and Jake Hall. They have been together for about a year. England plays guitar and sings lead vocals, Myers plays mandolin along with the banjo and sings back up vocals, and Hall plays the upright bass and tambourine and also sings back up vocals.
Since they have been together they have complet- ed about 12 original songs. As a group they have had a few rough patches and a hard time compromising in order to keep a common goal amongst themselves, however, they continuously work to keep the peace and keep their future in mind.
“We play because we can’t see ourselves doing anything else but music,” Meyers said. In the next few years the guys hope to have two albums completed and have them available for download. They are looking to get signed with a record label as soon as possible and dream of being world famous by the end of their careers.
Asbyh Maine, though young, has great potential. With their new and fresh ideas they quickly capture the audience’s attention and hold it. They are talented musicians for sure, but what will make them great is their music’s honest emotion that

Music Schedule for the Week:
Thursday, August 30 at 9 p.m.: Communion with Traci Traci
Friday, August 31 at 9 p.m.: Toy Shop
Saturday, September 1 at 9 p.m.: Blue Handle Band

The restaurant has a bright but relaxing atmosphere. The servers are as welcoming as if they are inviting you into their own home. The menu at Mango’s contains entrees such as jerk chicken, mango chicken, curried chicken and curried goat, just to name a few. The prices of the entrees range from $7-14. The most interesting aspect of the menu is the levveribbean cuisine. Authentic Caribbean drinks Sorel and Mambi are available. They are unique in flavor and perhaps not for everyone, but samples are available upon request.
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Our menu is a blend of fresh, organic, and seasonal ingredients. The menu features an array of dishes that are comforting and satisfying, while remaining fresh and healthy. We offer a variety of options including gluten-free, vegan, and vegetarian dishes.

The Mango Chicken dish is a fan favorite. It features tender, juicy chicken breast marinated in a blend of tropical fruit juices and served over a bed of coconut rice. The dish is accompanied by a side of black bean and corn salsa. For those looking for a healthier option, we offer a grilled chicken breast served with a side of roasted vegetables and quinoa.

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Every year the sorority of UAHuntsville pick a new group of young women to be inducted into their family. These pledges will one day rise to take the place of those who welcomed them into their ranks. The 2012 pledges of Alpha Omicron Pi, Delta Zeta, and Kappa Delta are as follows:

**Alpha Omicron Pi**
Blackmon, Latesha
Bray, Rachel
Correale, Kar
DeStefon, Shannon
Dixon, Kayla
Eaton, Brittany
Hasting, Mary Lynn
Jones, Tara
Kemery, Allison
Lobetter, Brittany
Loomer, Kasey
Nelson, Betty Ann
Newton, Laura Allen
Parker, Amber
Scott, Taylor
Wong, Paula

**Delta Zeta**
Bikely, Andrea
Callahan, Haley
Christensen, Kelli
Garrison, Jessica
Gilbert, Rachel
Hazen, Kristal
Hambridge, Carly
Harrison, Savannah
Horlick, Bethany
Laforge, Meredith
Maxon, Kaitlyn
Mulkerns, Georgia
Roberts, Danielle
Sellers, Katlin
Sprinkle, Tara
Thosneberry, Jamie

**Kappa Delta**
Bangham, Dianna
Bellinghizer, Allison
Bromley, Nikki
Burns, Miranda
Bush, Shelby
Calvert, Blanton
Campbell, Madison
Canter, Cristin
Cherry, Julia
Davis, Emily
Davis, Haley
Parker, Heather
Robertson, Maycie
Sanders, Melbye
Taylor, Brittany
Trescot, Whitney
Walker, Katie

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**Did You Know?**

**Frozen Yogurt Fad: Not Impressed**
By Clark Cooper
Staff Writer

I get it. Every once in a while Americans need something new to latch onto to show the world we have not totally descend ed into a furry pit of McRibas and Baconouts. But this has to be the most hilarious attempt at healthy eating I have seen.

I have noticed one thing from yogurt shops do have to offer in a festive place to people who see mortally obese adults fill a bowl full of glorified ice cream, then top it off with chocolate sauce and six scoops of white cream, then proceed to brag about how healthy they are for not eating ice cream. Call me crazy but I am not impressed.

I am not saying that frozen yogurt is not delicious. It is. Especially after it has been enhanced with cheesecake chunks and nutella. But healthy? Please. Frozen yogurt does not contain any significant impact on the world we live in. After all, as it was astutely noted by Remus Lupin, "It is the quality of one's convictions that determines success, not the number of followers." Looking at the beginnings of America you see that our founding fathers refused to sacrifice their beliefs to assimilate into the status quo. The easy path is often the one most taken, but it is not always the correct one. If we live constantly concerned with winning we will ultimately fail to make any significant impact on the world we live in.

The most common thing I hear from people when I tell them I support Ron Paul is, "I really like his ideas, I just don't think he can win." If everyone who said this would vote for Ron Paul he would have a chance of winning. Voting for someone solely based on their ability to win is about generalities in politics. We have, in effect, made the most important political race in our country into a high school student government election. The most powerful man in the western world is now elected via popularity contest.

If we decide as a country, particularly as young people in our country, that we want to shift our focus from the pretty candidates who give the most eloquent speeches to focus on the candidates who are actually offering solutions. In this case, solutions that mean personal as well as economic liberty. Winning, while enjoyable, cannot become a goal in and of itself; when one of the candidates may win, but the American people ultimately lose.

I am proud to have voted for Ron Paul in this election and I look forward to voting for the "loser," who is in the future, as long as they stand up for what we, and ultimately, I believe in.

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**Event Calendar by Rachel Palazzo**

**Thursday, August 30**

WSCC vs. North Georgia 2:30-4:30 p.m. @ Charger Park Complex

**Friday, August 31**

College Colors Day 8 a.m. - 11:59 p.m. @ Campus Wide

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