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Thompson comments on new building plans

by Marian Delaney Sampson
news reporter

The Exponent recently asked former Vice President for Finance Ken Thompson why UAH waited so long to fund the Administrative Science and Materials Science Buildings. Contrary to published reports, though, funding has already been provided.

“Student fees have been raised each year for the past two years to fund those buildings,” said Thompson. “There is a funding plan in place within the existing building fee structure to construct those two buildings.”

According to Thompson, the two buildings will be constructed with the current fee structure along with $3.8 million dollars in state bond funds in Montgomery, which is a UAH building fund.

Padulo speaks to Trustees about UAH’s needs

by Marian Delaney Sampson
news reporter

Dr. Louis Padulo, UAH president, told the UAH Board of Trustees on March 23 that after a self-study to determine UAH’s most important needs, “it became obvious rather quickly that for the most pressing campus problem is ‘space’.”

“Other than space,” he said, “Our greatest concerns are the heavy teaching loads and low salary levels of faculty and staff. Our turnover is still intolerably high and our extremely productive faculty is burdened by the vacancies and constant churn of staff and support personnel.”

Padulo told the board that UAH was awaiting the letting of construction bids on the Administrative Science and Materials Science buildings. He said that to raise the $9.5 million needed to build these two buildings, he hopes UAH will begin selling bonds this spring and to begin construction shortly thereafter.

Padulo added that UAH is “presently considering ‘purchasing’—space adjacent to campus to meet short term needs and buffer our future growth.”

According to the UAH president, the university’s “Campus Planning Committee is currently carrying out its annual update” of the Masterplan and “is also taking the steps to speed up the anticipated construction of an addition to the university library.”

Concerning campus housing, Padulo stated that UAH had decided not to sell off-campus housing for several reasons. The first is that UAH has not received any bids that met the appraised valuations. The second reason is that the 86 units in off-campus housing “have long enjoyed full occupancy.” He told the board that UAH is “reinstating minimal maintenance to the off-campus units.” Fortunately, only cosmetic facelifts such as painting and routine repairs seem to be required.

Other space, he added, said that in addition to off-campus housing, UAH also has 123 newer units — 46 one-bedroom and 77 three-bedroom apartments. He said that the one-bedroom apartments are “always at full occupancy ... We have never been able to utilize the [three-bedroom apartments] as apartments, because they have been pressed into service as ‘surrogate dormitories’ in the absence of conventional dormitories.”

Padulo stated that the offices of Campus Housing and Student Affairs “have long sought to have four students occupy two of the three bedrooms in each unit, using the third bedroom as a study or common area. Unfortunately, our housing staff has never been able to accomplish that goal because there has been too much demand for the available housing, and they’ve had to put five or six students in each apartment.”

Instead, he said, housing must put five or six students in each 3-bedroom unit.

“Unless we were to evict married couples and families from some of the other apartments and begin using them as dormitories also, we would really have beds for only 77 additional students at UAH by cramming them into the study rooms of those 77 units which now have five students in them,” said Padulo.

“If our enrollment were to increase by more than 77 people, of course, we could shoehorn them into campus housing,” he added. “Since our admitted freshman students for Fall ’89 are now running so far ahead of last year, and since many more of those students are roommates, we must reluctantly face the prospect of cannibalizing some of our other apartment units to house the anticipated greater numbers of single undergraduates.”

According to Padulo, UAH had been heavily subsidizing student housing until this year. Therefore, he concluded, UAH has “decided to raise rents this spring, as UAH has done, to make them more self-supporting. This is a move to correct last year’s deficits in the auxiliaries.”

Padulo said that this housing information was presented as background “to illustrate our need for new dormitories.” After presenting some of the same information that he presented to the Huntsville Board of Trustees, he concluded, UAH has “decided to raise rents this spring, as UAH has done. For example, when referring to UAH housing at all,” he added. “Since our admitted freshman students for Fall ’90 are now running so far ahead of last year, and since many more of those students are roommates, we must reluctantly face the prospect of cannibalizing some of our other apartment units to house the anticipated greater numbers of single undergraduates.”

In a number of speeches recently, UAH President Louis Padulo has made a number of statements that do not appear to be supported by the documentation that The Exponent has available. For example, when referring to UAH students, Padulo constantly calls them “kids.” However, according to The Fact Book of UAH, published by the Office of Planning and Budgets, the average age of UAH undergraduates is 25. The average age of UAH graduate students is 30, and the average of the total student population is 26.

Also, in talking about the university’s anticipated increase of student fees for 1989-90, Padulo has given various percentages to show UAH’s rapid growth. But, he neglected to give the actual number of students enrolled.

In April 1988, 292 first-time freshmen had applied for admission to UAH. As of March 31, 1989, 467 first-time freshmen have applied for admission. This is an increase of 59.9 percent. However, transfer admissions for the same time have decreased from 125 to 68 for a decrease of 45.6 percent.

Percentages and numbers aside, Dr. Ron Koger, asst. vice president for Enrollment Management, has issued a memo to vice presidents, deans, and directors, urging them “Don’t get too excited because this [increase]
Inconsistencies found in recent Padulo speeches

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represents less than 30 percent of the total admitted last year. I cannot explain any of the trends, but can only wonder if students are applying earlier to UAH than in past years." The total number of students admitted is generally about three times the number of students who actually attend UAH as first-time freshmen.

How many students actually attend UAH? According to "The Fact Book," an "unduplicated headcount" for 1987-88 was 9,075. Only about one-third of these students attended UAH as full-time students. Padulo claims UAH has 7,500 students and that an increase of 1,000 out-of-state students would raise UAH's enrollment to 8,500. UAH actually has about 3,000 full-time students, and adding 1,000 more full-time students would be a major change for the university.

Also, Padulo said that UAH needs money. At the Board of Trustees meeting in March, the financial summary for 1987 through Sept. 30, 1988 indicated that UAH had revenues of $58,172,001 and expenditures of $56,672,383. He has also indicated that the auxiliaries had lost $1.5 million last year. The financial report to the Board indicates that Auxiliary Enterprises had revenues of $8,498,692 and expenditures of $3,139,291.

In addition, Padulo said that UAH housing has been losing money. In reality, UAH housing lost $738 in 1986. The following year, housing showed a profit of $24,492. In 1988, housing had a deficit of $10,659.59. Storm damage accounted for most of the 1988 deficit ($9950.40) and $5000 of the storm damage was covered by insurance. Instead of the university subsidizing housing, UAH housing has paid into the general fund budget.

Padulo has also stated on several occasions that traditional dormitories will pay for themselves. But several high-level sources stated that the contractors making presentations to the president's advisory council have informed him, the vice presidents, and the deans that a 400-bed dormitory will cost UAH $200,000 per year for the next 20 years. This figure is contingent on 100 percent occupancy.

According to Padulo, UAH did not receive an adequate bid for off-campus housing. This is not backed up by the records available. At least one bid was received for $1.5 million, which was equal to one of the appraised values of off-campus housing. This offer would have ensured the apartments' upkeep and insured their availability at minimal costs for UAH students.

"Cosmetic facelifts" are all that are necessary for the units. The architect's estimate for this facelift is $1.2 million, he said.

Padulo has also stated that he must raise tuition and fees to fund the Administrative Science and Materials Science Buildings. However, a report given to the Budget Advisory Council indicates that building fees designated for those two buildings are being used for a number of other purposes, including furniture for the president's home, miscellaneous repairs and alterations, and miscellaneous projects. This account had a deficit of $218,573.19 as of March 31, 1989.

Job Fair

by James E. Spain
news reporter

The twelfth annual Spring Job Fair will be held today, April 12, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the University Center.

Interviews will be conducted by 22 companies and several of those will have display booths. This event will be conducted by the Career Planning and Placement Office.

Each of the companies which is interviewing will conduct 12 interviews. Those interviews are offered to seniors graduating in the spring or summer quarter, as well as UAH alumni.

The Career Planning and Placement Office suggests that those students who are unable to schedule interviews bring their resumes to the display booths. Many students have been able to find jobs this way.

In addition to interview and displays, the Job Fair will feature a series of 45-minute workshops by Sgt. Glenn Grady from the Alabama National Guard.

Another seminar, How To Get A Government Job, will be conducted by the Office of Personnel Management, with the time to be announced.

For more information contact the Career Planning and Placement Office at 895-6612.

Students

See next week's issue of The Exponent for the student questionnaire on Student Instructorial Evaluations.
**Search committees looking for new deans**

by Marian Delaney Sampson

news reporter

On Thursday, April 6, Dr. Tommy Williams convened three search committees by the Faculty Senate to look for new deans by May 17 for Student Development Services, Room 113 of the University Center. Deadline for completed application is May 17, 1989.

Spitz announced that after three and one-half years, the faculty handbook is at the printers. He also announced the second in a series of Budget Advisory Council meetings prior to the institutional meeting of the UA Board of Trustees on May 3. All three UA campuses will present their proposed budgets for 1989-90 at the May 5 meeting at UAH.

The Board of Trustees had approved two of UAH’s nominees for honorary degrees, according to Spitz. Since one candidate will be unable to attend the commencement on June 11, his degree will be awarded at a special convocation at Spragins Hall on June 5 at 2 p.m.

Spitz also announced that the Honors Convocation will be May 12. After Spitz finished the various Senate business, he gave short reports. After the committee reports the Senate heard a report from “the UAH president’s committee to study a change to the traditional semester system.”

Committee Chair Spitz gave a brief report on the investigation of the impact of the change to semesters to date. He said that he had received many letters objecting to the change and a few in support of it. Some students had expressed concerns which were “marginally academic,” he said, such as the chance that an on-going problem would impede progress toward graduation. Concerns about co-operating, tuition, and the packaging of courses were “an overriding concern about not being consulted.

However, the faculty/staff concerns were “more complex.” He said that in meetings with the faculty and administration, a few major concerns were “focused on flawed processes.”

Spitz said, “To be sure, the faculty was not consulted...”

“Spitz said, ‘in meeting with the president the university to try stress the complexity and asked him to be aware of process issues.’” Although UAH President Louis Padulo reported that the semester system at the earliest possible date, he agreed to delay until the fall of 1990. No decision has been made to delay beyond that date.

Members of the Title VI committee took questions from the members of the Senate. Answering a question about the financial impact of the change, Dr. Roy Meek, dean of Liberal Arts, said that the committee’s best estimate of the cost of the change was $21.2 million for student fees and tuition. Dr. Roy Koger, vice president for Enrollment Management, said that after making assumptions about credit hour production, the committee has estimated a $1.2 million loss. Meek added that this was a “conservative estimate of tuition and fees reductions and translates into a loss of state entitlements of an additional amount that it double the loss of student funds.”

Koger said that when the University of Tennessee made the change they lost $2.5 million and 1000 students. However, he added, “They wanted to protect their enrollment and did from 25,000 to 24,000 students.”

Meek said, “One thing that drives estimates is that we have a larger proportion of part-time students, who will be the ones most affected by the change.” He said that UAH had about 3000 full-time students out of approximately 7500 enrolled students. Both Meek and Koger stated that the “quieter we [change to semesters] the more money we lose.”

Asked where the final decision resides, Spitz responded, “I am assuming that the decision to make the change has already occurred.” To the system at the earliest possible date, he agreed to delay until the fall of 1990. No decision has been made to delay beyond that date.

Among the faculty concerns presented by Spitz were teaching loads, nursing accreditation, research schedules, salary schedules, course load, etc. Some members of the faculty objected to UAH’s board not being involved in the decision which directly impacts the faculty, and the Senate deplores this decision-making process which disregarded the faculty.” Two recommendations are given — the UAH administration should consult with the Senate it was not to seek advice on whether or not we should change to semesters and it is still not.

UAH, BellSouth at front of fiber-optic technology

by Rick Mould

for The Exponent

A UAH researcher has designed a lens which will allow telecommunications companies to run many different signals on a single mode optical fiber. The design would allow up to 50 different communication signals to be combined into 50 different lines. Today’s technology generally uses a single line for each signal. A new result may be cheaper telecommunications services through reduced labor and material costs. Chipman, UAH assistant professor of physics, stated that the packaging of curriculum and an imaging transport.

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The multiplexer would be used to combine all laser signals into a single optical fiber. At the far end of the fiber, a wavelength demultiplexer would separate the signals into their original laser wavelength into a different fiber. For instance, using the UAH lens and a multiplexer to put 50 signals into a single optical fiber. One fiber would run from a telephone switching station to a 50 home subdivision five miles away, said Chipman. From a demultiplexer located at the subdivision the individual lines would be run to the 50 homes.

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"There were a number of questionable statements in Padulo’s speech"

by Kim Glasgow
editor

Politics—it’s all politics, I guess. In listening to the UAH president lately, I’ve run across some interesting food for thought. I was reading a copy of the March 23, 1989 speech given by our president to the UA Board of Trustees, and I was struck by how words can be used for one’s own purposes.

I’ve heard from many people that statistics can be used to prove or disprove anything. I’m finding out that same can be said for words. There were a number of questionable statements in Dr. Padulo’s speech. For example, in discussing the decision not to sell off-campus housing, he said that three separate appraisals were done, and the property was appraised at $1.5 million, $1.6 million, and $2 million. These figures, he said, were “all much higher than any of the offers we received to buy the apartments.” However, according to records, a businessman offered to buy the off-campus (Phase I) housing for $1.5 million. Padulo said that the Board of Trustees “will not permit the disposal of any UA System assets at below their appraised value.” But this offer is not below appraised value, so I don’t understand his statement about the appraisals being “much higher than any of the offers.”

Also, occupancy rates in campus housing were not correct. According to Padulo, off-campus housing has “long enjoyed full occupancy.” The words he used to describe the off-campus housing could be taken to mean that we really need more housing because we don’t have room for any extra students. However, occupancy rates are not as high as he states. Records indicate that Phase I housing ran close to—but still under—100 percent occupancy for fall terms 1985, 1986, and 1987. Traditionally, full terms are when there is the greatest demand for housing. More recently—last term—Phase I was full. But this term, again the overall occupancy rate is still under 100 percent.

In talking about one-bedroom apartments on-campus, Padulo also wrote that these 46 apartments “are also always at full occupancy.” Again, the published occupancy rates do not bear this out. While they have been at 100 percent occupancy most of the time, this term they are a little under this mark. “So he missed it by a few points, so what’s the big deal,” you may say. Well, if the president manipulates his numbers just right, it sounds as if potential UAH students cannot expect to find adequate housing, which is not true. If he can manipulate numbers, he may be manipulating words so it sounds as if the only solution is to build a place to house more students.

It’s been pointed out to me in a letter to the editor that I am a UAH student and I will be until they put up “Huntsville Institute of Technology” signs. I tried to figure out what that meant, and I guess I should accept the expected changes regardless of how I feel about them. I will admit that perhaps our president has some interesting ideas that many people are reluctant to listen to. However, I’ve listened, and I’ve read the Board of Trustees speech, and I’m still not sure if I heard him speaking the truth.

Also, I’m sure some people would say that if we give our president a chance, we’d see that he speaks the truth. Well, the “truth” is coming from the same UAH president who told me in January that there had been no reports of UAH staff members complaining about him converting a handicapped parking space for one himself. He has also consistently said that he was assigned the parking space. A week after this meeting with him, I received a copy of a memo that former Vice President for Finance Ken Thompson sent him in October. The memo states that Thompson has been notified that Padulo has “instructed a member of [the Physical Plant] to convert a handicapped parking space in the Madison Hall lot... into a reserved space for ‘UAH President.’” Thompson also notes that “there are times when all our [handicapped parking] spaces are in use.” Thompson has verified that he wrote the memo.

For the record, I tried to clarify this matter with the president’s office but he did not return my call.

What I’m trying to say is that I did not form any opinions about the president when he first took office. I wanted time to see what would happen and I didn’t want anyone pushing their opinions on me. But in the past three months, all I have seen and heard from the president does not indicate that he is willing to be honest with the UAH community. Or maybe it’s just politics...
Nationalism: taking love for country too far

"...he [Hitler] was simply a devoted...nationalist."

by Gregory Casteel columnist

Last week I introduced the topic of nationalism. I described the harm nationalism causes society, and the evils that come from nationalism. I also warned that nationalism is a strong force in the United States today. This week, I would like to continue with this topic.

Perhaps many of you are still not convinced that nationalism is an evil, dangerous force. It isn’t nice, sure, but what real harm can come from it? To answer this, we should take a look at the classic example of a country controlled by nationalism—Nazi Germany. Adolph Hitler was a nationalist, pure and simple. Many people thought that Hitler was insane, or that he was evil incarnate, but the fact is that he was simply a devoted German nationalist. He believed that the German nation was superior to all others. He believed that the Aryan race was the chosen race, and all other races (particularly Jews and Slavs) were inferior. Hitler loved the German people, and he would do anything to help them and promote their interests. In fact, Hitler did do a lot of good things for Germany (although we’d like to study the history). He rebuilt the German economy. He built low cost housing for the German people. He built new roadways. He designed a new type of car, one that every German family would be able to afford, and had it produced. (It was aptly named the “people’s car”—or, in German, Volkswagen.) Hitler restored German national pride and resurrected the dying country. It is little wonder that the German people loved and revered Hitler.

Hitler loved Germany. He was obsessed with Germany. Hitler was willing to do anything to defend Germany. He didn’t want to give up the German people everything they needed, and demanded nothing in return except total loyalty and obedience without question. In order to hold his country, he became the greatest power on Earth, it was necessary to send the German army into sovereign countries (to protect German interests there, of course). And it was necessary to kill off the Jews, and Slavs, and communists, and all other undesirable “inferior minorities” to keep the Aryan race pure and the German nation strong. And war, if it was necessary to increase Germany’s power, was perfectly fine. Such was the price of being the greatest nation on Earth.

Yes, Hitler was a nationalist. But it isn’t Hitler that I criticize so much. Hitler was only one man. My criticism is directed towards the German people. Not only did they allow this to happen, they caused it to happen. If it weren’t for the support of the German people, Hitler would have never gained power. Hitler was elected to power. Why? Because the German people liked and approved of the nationalistic garbage that Hitler was spouting. They agreed that German interests should be pursued, no matter what the consequences were for the rest of the world. The fact is that the German people were just as nationalistic as Hitler. They didn’t turn against Hitler until things started looking bad for Germany near the end of the war. As long as Germany was stable and prosperous, they cared that the war they were fighting was immoral.

Take a good look around you. Doesn’t America in the late 1980s look a little bit like Germany in the late 1930s? It is true that our social, economic, and political conditions aren’t the same as those of Nazi Germany, but what about our attitudes about the position of our country in relation to the rest of the world? Aren’t we at least a bit cocky about the status of the United States? Aren’t we just a bit too eager in the pursuit of our own national interest, even when we know that it is to the detriment of the rest of the world? Perhaps we aren’t quite yet on the same level with Nazi Germany, as far as nationalism is concerned. But we seem to be heading in that direction. We are finding it easier and easier to intervene in the sovereign affairs of other countries (and that includes military intervention), simply because our “national interest” is somehow involved. Other nations are starting to think of us as the “big bully on the block.” It’s not that we are evil, it’s simply that we are far too self-interested. This can cause problems.

The world is much too small to support nationalism. If every country went about pursuing its national interest with no concern for the rest of the world, we would quickly destroy ourselves. We must start being concerned with the “world interest,” independent of the selfish interests of any particular country or countries. Nationalism will only cause more problems for everyone. Do you want a new Hitler elected to the White House, who will lead us all into World War III, or do you want to live in a world where people of all nations work together to make things better for us all?

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by Terry Foot columnist

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by Larisa Thomason

In 1988, a comprehensive campaign reform package drew 85 co-sponsors, yet was defeated by a republican-led filibuster. It lost by five votes. This year, chances of passage seem much improved because even former opponents of reform recognize that the process is out of control. In 1988 when the whole House of Representatives was up for re-election, only six incumbents lost. Generally, we only get new blood in Congress when someone dies, retires, or moves to a higher position. This kind of job security leads to stagnation, complacency, and finally, corruption. The culprit is the present campaign financing system. We need strict controls on both PAC's money and the so-called "soft" money.

In January of this year, Majority Leader George Mitchell joined with Senators Byrd and Boren to introduce S. 137, a reform package modeled on the one that failed last year. Major components of reform are included in this bill: establishing limits on campaign spending, putting a cap on the amount of PAC money that a candidate can accept, providing additional resources, especially to challengers, and banning "soft money" practices.

Special interest PACs are busy assembling the best money; a candidate must raise more than $10,000 per week for six years to have the funds necessarily to defend a Senate seat. The system is crying out for reform and, fortunately, our leaders have heard. Besides controlling PAC's, the bill addresses the soft money issue (the New York Times calls it "sewer" money). Of all the components, this has to be the most important. For those not familiar with the methods used by politicians to break laws they write themselves, soft money refers to contributions channeled through state party organizations, and is a form of fund raising strictly forbidden by federal law. Soft money is however hard to trace, and enormous sums can be given with little or no publicity. It is corrupting our political system.

The Republican Party had a group of contributors called the Team 100 who were required to each give $1 million or more to join. Contributors included Leon Hess, chairman and CEO of Amerada Hess. On January 19, then-President Ronald Reagan allowed Amerada Hess, Occidental Petroleum (who also belong to the Team 100) and three other oil companies to return to business as usual in Libya. At the same time, the Administration was charging Libya with promoting terrorism — which is why Reagan pulled the oil companies out in the first place. Coincidence? Perhaps. Or perhaps soft money did its job.

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Dukakis had his own soft money campaign, and Bush deputy campaign manager, Richard Bond, call it "illegal on its face." It certainly was. Soft money is not a party issue. Both parties receive it gladly because it is immune from the usual scrutiny given legal contributions.

Our present system enriches incumbents and locks out challengers. A member of Congress practically has to be caught in the act of committing either a felony, or some bizarre sex act to be voted out. Even then, scandal is no guarantee. The political process MUST be open to all citizens to be effective, and the present system is a joke. A corrupt system does nothing to encourage citizen participation (which we certainly need more of); it only increases citizen cynicism and fuels the belief that individuals are powerless to affect change. Alabama's representatives seem to be comfortable with things as they stand. Last year, Senator Heflin joined with the Republicans to defeat the reform bill. Unless they hear from us, nothing will ever change, and we will indeed have "the best government money can buy."

Enjoying your page on The Exponent...I was amused and offensive. The..."both....wrong, based on the Bible, were.....Margaret....Words and Concepts of Right and Wrong...("values free" sex education in the schools and government-financed abortions). We believe in the law of sowing and reaping (babies, "liberal" society kills the innocent child so the fornicators can go free). A couple who are not prepared to accept the possibility of a child (since no method of birth control is 100 percent effective) have no business having sex. Further evidence of government undermining of morality is distribution of clean needles to addicts, AIDS education, condoms, distribution, and so on and on and on. This is what we christians oppose.

Sincerely,
Malcolm Parsons

"...the purpose of the second amendment:....to deter tyranny...."

To the editor:

Nelson Papucci writes, "prior to the election..." People were genuinely scared of the prospect of getting a president who would enact bans of their right to keep and bear arms...Fortunately that scenario did not happen...."

Wake up and smell the coffee, Mr. Papucci. Look at what the Bush administration is doing. Not only have they stopped permitting importation of 80 percent of imported semiautomatic rifles, they have also revoked previously granted permission for importation of the same kinds of weapons. George Bush's nature was known to all who cared to note his vote, as a congressman, for the Gun Control Act of 1968. In his declarations that the interests of hunters and sportmen would be looked after, he ignores the purpose of the second amendment: to allow citizens to be armed to deter tyranny and to overthrow it if it comes about.

I know from Mr. Papucci's column that he is a Republican partisan so I won't ask him to join the Libertarian party, but I will ask him to consider the thinking of such famous libertarians as Thomas Jefferson and Thomas Paine who had real respect for individual liberty. I ask him then to demand better behavior of government officials. I've written President Bush, Senator Shelby, Senator Heflin and Representative Filippo on this second amendment issue. I suggest that Mr. Papucci open his eyes and do the same.

Sincerely,
J. Brooke King
AlphA Kappa AlphA

OmniCron Zeta Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., would like to extend congratulations to our outstanding sorors. The “Notorious Nine” were initiated March 3, 1989. The Notorious Nine has been a success. It was a big success with over 30 people in attendance. Members of the club talked about AKAs meant to them and why they joined.

AKA’s service project was held last Saturday, April 14. Members visited patients at the Lakeshore Rehabilitation Hospital and played games of bingo with them.

Next weekend is the district’s Leadership Development Conference. It will be held at the Hampton Club like last year. Friday, April 14, and end on Sunday, April 16. All members are encouraged to attend.

If you would like to learn more about AKAs, please feel free to come to any regularly scheduled meeting which are on Tuesdays at 8:15 p.m. in the University Center, Room 146. Students need only show interest and a commitment to serve in order to join.

For more information, contact Beth Gonsewski at 855-9645.

Chi Omega

Scholarship has been outstanding among Chi Omegas this past quarter. Those with a 4.0 GPA include Joanne Winston, Muller-Lindemann, Dena Childress, Darla Owens, Lori Simmons, and Amy Smith. In addition, Mueller-Lindemann and Simmons were appointed to SGA positions, the pastor of Hillelboro Heights Baptist Church, will be the speaker at Celebration on Sunday, April 16, at 8:15 p.m.

The BSU is located across from the UAH campus at 450 Sparkman Drive.

Delta Chi

The guys of Delta Chi would like to thank the Delta Zeta chapter of Jacksonville State for an awesome party last Saturday night. The Delta O’s party had a lot of fun. With a successful fundraiser raising project completed last week, the class is on its way to being another outstanding group of young men. We are pledged to support these guys and we are proud, as always, to do so.

If you have never attended the Baptist Student Union’s weekly lunch, we would like to invite you to bring the coupon in this week’s Exponent and join us for a free lunch today or next Wednesday, April 19, at 12:15 p.m.

We will have Bible Study tomorrow night at 8:15 p.m. In addition, Melissa Page, who was appointed to SGA positions, has been assisting with the planning and organization of our annual banquet.

For more information, call the W.I.S. Development of Space (SEDS) will be

Kappa Alpha Psi

Congratulations to Dawn Ezell, Libby Kilgo, Tina Pedigo, and Lee McKinney! Ezell was last week’s recipient of the Active Eye Award. Kilgo has been chosen as the Zeta of the Month; Pedigo has been invited to join the English Honorary Society of America.

The Lambda Kappas are proud of winning “Best Display” during the Phi Sigma Sigma’s “School Daze” event.

The Kappa Delta’s Shannon Sanders and Kelly Baxter had a wonderful trip to Florida State University last weekend! The South East Panhellenic Conference went great and they learned a lot.

Delta Zeta Sorority is trying to finalize its first annual “Men of UAH” calendar. A call has been made to both male students and organizations on campus and we’re eagerly awaiting for each of the nominations to come in. Each organization nominating someone will be recognized in the calendar, even if the nominee isn’t selected. The close date for nominations has been extended to April 21. If you have nominations, please contact your president to insure that your club is included in the calendar. There are special registration forms that can be obtained from the University Center Front Desk, or contact Tia Andoe at 837-0265.

Pi Kappa Alpha

The brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha would like to introduce our new little sisters for the upcoming academic year.

They are Amanda Linville, Angie Stepp, Becky Lovorn, Candice Whitley, Carol Ann Page, Tina Pedigo, Amy Smith, Heather Weaver, Kim Gray, Patricia McIver, Pati Childs, Rupal Patel, Ruth Carr, Rhonda Allen, Sharri Alderson, Grace Frazier, and Teena Steele. Congratulations — you are loved!

For more information, call the W.I.S. Advisor, Dr. Glenn Colclough, at 685-4190.

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“1964,” McLaughlin to entertain students

by Carol Ann Vaughn
features reporter

Do you remember 1964? Perhaps that is a question too revealing of just how quickly time passes. But whether or not you remember or were alive in 1964, mark your calendars for Friday, April 28, for a visit to an era all ages are familiar with — Beatlemania. The group 1964: As the Beatles will take audiences of all ages on a musical journey back to the past.

During their concerts, Mark Benson (John Lennon), Gary Grimes (Paul McCartney), Bob Miller (George Harrison), and Greg George (Ringo Starr) perform Beatles tunes, eight of which they have recently recorded for a motion picture sound track.

The group devoted years to researching and carefully crafting their imitation of the Beatles. From the boots, the vintage suits and ties, the speaking voices, and the musical harmonies, 1964 recreates the Beatles in concert with incredible accuracy both audibly and visibly.

The group has been featured on “Entertainment Tonight,” “FM Magazine,” the USA Network, and the Nashville Network. Many who remember the Beatles are astounded by the look and sound of 1964. Their performances have drawn praise from Pete Best, a former member of the Beatles, and from Louise Harrison, George Harrison’s sister.

So for all of those who would like more than just a nostalgic tribute to a part of history, whether you are old enough to remember the actual Beatles or not, 1964 will be a rare opportunity to experience the Beatlemania that attracted so many millions of people.

And, as if that were not enough, the Association for Campus Entertainment, who is responsible for bringing 1964 to UAH here in 1989, has also provided audiences with more variety and styles in music with the engaging performer Janet McLaughlin. A native of Guntersville, McLaughlin is not new to Huntsville listeners. Her smooth blend of pop, blues, country, and folk tunes are popular with all ages and tastes almost anywhere.

Working in Nashville as a vocalist, guitarist, and songwriter, McLaughlin has appeared on stage with Juice Newton, Rosanne Cash, Dan Seals, Emmylou Harris, and has just recently recorded her original single “Walk on Water.”

The concert promises to be entertainment you will not want to miss. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the University Center Information Desk or AB Stephens ($3 per UAH student, faculty, or staff member; $7 per ticket for the general public).

Janet McLaughlin is scheduled to perform at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 28, in Spragins Hall with 1964: As the Beatles taking the stage at 8:15 p.m.

“Alumni House” dedication scheduled for this Friday

Alumni for UAH will always have a “home” to return to — literally. It’s a flat-topped, one-story structure within duck-calling distance from the duck pond. Heretofore known as the University Advancement Center, the building will, as of April 14, be known as “Alumni House.”

Huntsville Mayor Steve Hettinger, UAH President Louis Pauldo, UAH Trustee Martha Simms, and UAH Alumni Association representative George Harvey will all be on hand to formally dedicate the building and new name on April 14 during ceremonies from 3 to 5 p.m.

Harvey, who is vice president for the Alumni’s Membership Services, said, “The association is proud to call this our home and invite all our UAH alumni to participate in our programs in support of the university.”

Renee Mooney, director for Alumni Affairs at UAH, added, “I hope this new name conveys how we feel about our alumni. This represents an important milestone for the alumni of this university. This dedication will honor the role the alumni have played in the past and remind them of the challenges in the future.”

UAH alumni, faculty, staff, and the university community are invited to attend the dedication.

This weekend is the perfect time for a raft trip and the Ocoee River is only a short drive away. Call us now for reservations.
**Cabaret Series to present Philips at VBCC**

by Penelope Holmes
features reporter

Comedian Emo Philips will perform at the Von Braun Civic Center Exhibit Hall May 12 as part of the ACE Cabaret Series at UAH. Why the VBCC, though?

Don Watson, director of the Cabaret Series and the man who had originally recruited Philips for UAH, said it is because Philips comes with "a big price tag."

Enigmatic “1969” looks at conflicts of Vietnam era

by Lawrence F. Specker
featured reporter

There is a movie now playing in Huntsville that I don't know much about, except that it is very good. The name of the movie is "1969." All the newspaper ads say is that Robert Downey, Jr. ("Less Than Zero") is in it.

There is an amazing lack of publicity for "1969." I have never heard a commercial for it, and, for the theatre where I saw it didn't even have a promotional poster in the lobby, is as strange, especially since the film is so good; you'd think it was an embarrassment, the way it is being promoted.

The list of stars does not end with Downey. As a matter of fact, an even bigger role is played by his co-star, Kiefer Sutherland, who you may have seen in "Young Guns" and "The Lost Boys." Two or three other main roles are played superbly by familiar faces and even the supporting cast does a flawless job.

"1969" was here some time back, but only played a short time. Apparently the same non-existent publicity campaign was underway then, if what I'm told is true. Perhaps the film's backers want word-of-mouth advertising to turn the film into a sleeper. That is a distinct possibility, since the film has all the right stuff.

Young or old, if you haven't seen "1969" and are even slightly intrigued by the '60s, you need to see this movie. It is a very bittersweet look at a time when America was changing, for better and for worse, and everything seemed possible - everything from the American Dream to the end of the world.

Specifically, the story of "1969" deals with two close friends and their families, and the ways in which they are affected by the war in Vietnam and the peace movement of the time. And be warned, this movie is no rosy romp through the "Summer of Love." It's about the fragmentation of the great American family; a reflection of the national fragmentation caused by that tragic, even useless war.

"1969" is a very real, honest, and poignant look at a very special era in America's history. It is about a time that many young people of the present are fascinated by, though it is often hard to separate the legend from the reality. "1969" is the good stuff and I don't think it will disappoint anyone.

**Film Series director has big plans for spring series**

by Ardis Morton
features reporter

The Association for Campus Entertainment is divided into several different areas, each headed by a director. The director for the Film Series for the 1988-89 school year is Davis Goolsby.

The Film Series is continuing throughout spring term with a few changes. Traditionally, films have been shown in the University Center Exhibit Hall. However, for the remainder of this quarter, the movies will be shown in the UC Deli. Goolsby said that the atmosphere is more relaxed if students just sit around on pillows in the small sized groups that usually attend.

The movies are shown during lunchtime on Tuesdays and Thursdays, around 12:30 p.m., and also on Wednesday nights beginning at 8:30. Although Goolsby doesn't know far in advance exactly which movies will be shown during which week, he usually puts up advertisement posters on a weekly basis.

According to Goolsby, the movies are rented through a standing contract and new releases are sent as soon as they become available. The movies that should be released during spring quarter include "The Accused," "Big," "Coming to America," "Crocodile Dundee II," "Eight Men Out," "A Fish Called Wanda," "Imagine," "The Naked Gun," "Scrooged," and "Tucker."

Goolsby mentioned that the movies that were concert performances usually got the best response. These movies will continue to be displayed in the Exhibit Hall because speakers are placed all around the room for the full stereophonic concert effect.

**Clubs offering scholarship**

Professional advertising clubs in Alabama are offering a $1025 scholarship for full-time junior and senior students enrolled in Alabama four year colleges and universities who are majoring in one of the following academic areas: advertising, commercial art, marketing, or public relations.

Applicants must have at least a B average (at least a 3.0 grade point average) and be used during the show. One associate for "1969" is a very real, honest, and
toons "showing the movies that UAH students will be able to buy tickets for the concert's performance for only $4 per ticket, providing they purchase those tickets at the University Center Information Booth. If purchased at a Fastix location (Parisian stores and at the VBCC Box Office), students will have to pay the same price as the general public, which is $8 per ticket.

Emo Philips performs mainly for television and in live appearances at universities. He was performing at a February convention of the National Association of Campus Activities in Nashville this year when Watson met Philips and recruited him for UAH. "People from the entertainment programming boards [at universities] come to the conventions," said Watson, describing his meeting with Philips in Nashville. "At the conventions we see comedians, bands, lecturers, and novelty acts. Approximately 3000 students will come to the conventions." Watson met Philips after the show and asked him to come to UAH.

Two other comedians will open for Philips at the VBCC, starting 8 p.m. on May 12. Tickets for the show went on sale Monday at the UC Information Booth. There is a limit of two tickets per ID.

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Realtors, he said, “Conventional dormitory-style housing for undergraduates, especially freshmen, is required if UAH is to succeed in recruiting the nation’s most able and most sought-after high school graduates to Huntsville and Alabama.”

In addition, Padulo talked about “community demands” on UAH, ways of financing the new buildings, and the recruitment of 1,000 extra out-of-state students. He informed the board that a $293 increase in student tuition and fees at UAH would “permit a building fee increase of $220, to cover the debt service of $1 million per year corresponding to issuing the $10 million bond issue needed to build and furnish the new Administrative Science and Materials Science Buildings, as well as $73...to afford token raises of one or two percent for underpaid staff and faculty.” According to Padulo, UAH’s students only pay one-fifth “of what we spend on them.”

The $293 increase would bring UAH’s annual tuition and fees to $1,991, a hundred dollars more than Mississippi State’s, and the same or less than Georgia Tech’s and Georgia’s will be,” said Padulo. This added change “amounts to only a few dollars a week, certainly something our student should be able to pay with no greater difficulty than the Mississippi and Georgia’s student do,” Padulo said.

“The reality is that a small increase of around $300 per year for a full-time student in each of our University of Alabama System campuses could be represented (if you felt like it) as a relatively large percentage increase,” he said. However, this “would in fact present a financial hardship to very few, and would offer tremendous benefits to all our students for years to come.”

“The UAH president concluded his presentation to the Board by saying, ‘...a token increase of $300 will help us build our academic buildings, and meet some of the other campus needs I’ve outlined for you today. While the price increases are small, the potential of our three universities is great and our state requires their continued improvement.’

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average on 4.0 point scale) in all academic work. The registrar of the unit attended by the student must certify the GPA.

Applications must be submitted on an official application form. Applications must reach the scholarship coordinator on or before April 17, 1989. The winner will be announced by June 1. The scholarship money will be available for meeting college-related expenses during and after summer 1989.

To receive an official application form, contact:
Kathleen Calligan, President
Greater Huntsville Advertising Federation
Box 889
Huntsville, AL 35804.
Rain puts a damper on UAH Tennis matches

by Jennifer Grace
sports editor

Mother Nature was not very cooperative with outdoor sporting events last week. The UAH tennis team had one match completely cancelled due to rain and another halted in progress due to a few sprinkles. The first rain cancellation was against Jacksonville State last Tuesday, and no plans have been made to reschedule this match for the men or women. The UAH men's team began their match against Marion Military Institute last Thursday under suspicious-looking skies. Before the rain came, two members of the UAH team had claimed wins. They were number two seed Don Cameron with a 7-5, 7-6 victory, and Herbert Burton who won 7-6, 6-4. Tim Phillips of UAH was only two points away from a possible victory at 5-3 (30-15) in the third set as his opponent slipped and fell on the somewhat damp court just as the rain started. The players were then called off the courts and the match was cancelled.

The Chargers will pay again "Fill in later!"

Little League Summer Camp announced

by Jennifer Grace
sports editor

The Little League Baseball Southern Regional Headquarters announces its 22nd annual Summer Camp in St. Petersburg, Florida. Little Leaguers can enjoy six baseball diamonds, an outdoor pavilion, batting cages, pitching ranges, and a junior dormitory building and a junior pavilion, batting cages, pitching ranges, and other modern facilities to improve baseball skills. A new modern Olympic-size swimming pool are also available. Parents are invited to visit the camp facilities located at 658 Sighth Street South in St. Petersburg. The camp is on 14 acres in the heart of the major league spring training sites.

Sports injuries seminar to be presented

"Most sports and exercise injuries are preventable," Jeffrey Garber, M.D., observes. "Whether you're a weekend athlete, a physical fitness participant, or an adolescent athlete in training, if you think injuries happen only to other people, you're asking for trouble." Garber will discuss prevention and treatment of sports injuries in a free public seminar on Tuesday, April 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the UAH Clinical Science Center Lecture Hall. He has been program director for three sports medicine conferences that the school has presented for physicians and coaches.

"The so-called 'over-use' injuries," Garber notes, "that occur frequently during popular sports like running, swimming, and tennis, aren't usually the result of a acute injury but of pushing the body to reach a ready for reason. Failure to warm up properly for sports or exercising is a frequent factor in injuries."

The seminars are held in the UAH Clinical Science Center Lecture Hall, at Governors Drive and Gallatin Street, across from Huntsville Hospital. The parking lot is entered from Gallatin Street. Please phone the UAH School of Primary Medical Care Communications Office at 551-4424 for more information.

Intramural results in

Spring intramurals got underway as men's, women's, and co-ed teams competed in volleyball. Softball intramurals were rained out.

In men's volleyball action, Court Potatoes defeated Bud Lights 15-5, 15-13; Pikes defeated Delta Chi B 15-2, 15-14; Champs defeated Lagnof 7-15, 15-9; Bombers defeated MCCC 11-15, 15-3, 15-6; and ATO Off the Wall defeated Sigma Chi Gamma by forfeit.

In women's volleyball action, DZs defeated KDs 15-0, 15-3; Spiders defeated Chi Omega 15-1, 15-4; and ATO Gatti's defeated Zecher 5-15, 15-6, 15-12; Scrubs defeated Brothers Johnson 15-3, 15-7; and Kappa Delta defeated Rogues by forfeit.

In co-ed volleyball action, ATO Gatti's defeated Zechter 5-15, 15-6, 15-12; Scrubs defeated Brothers Johnson 15-3, 15-7; and Kappa Delta defeated Rogues by forfeit.
Crew Team does well in Washington Crew Classic

by Denis G. Villere

sports reporter

In what were some hotly contested races, the UAH rowing crew paddled away from the Washington Crew Classic at Cour Courier Park in St. Louis over April Fool's weekend with three fourth-place finishes and one first-place finish.

UAH was up against some big name schools in Nebraska, Tennessee, and Kansas State University, along with Wichita State, Washburn University, Grand Valley, and the host school out of St. Louis, Washington University. UAH's lone first place finish was in the women's pair with Amy Cardno and Theresa Neal besting other schools to the finish line.

All three other UAH boats finished fourth. The Men's Lightweight Four consisted of Dale Field, Kevin Worcester, Glen Yates, and Jeff Persall, coxswained by Theresa Neal. Also, the Novice Men's Four consisted of Brandon Smith, Jeff Sands, Sean Weldon, and John Ceepedes, coxswained by Becky Hawkins.

Hawkins also coxswained the Women's Novice Eight — Abby Spicer, Blanche Clanion, Suzanne and Debbie King, Kelly Goodrich, Caroline Lewis, Tonya Ketner and Cate De Leon.

In the Men's Lightweight however, the fourth place finish was encouraging since only one second separated the first place boat from the fifth place boat.

In other races, the UAH boat was third going into the finish but was overtaken, something the team has not had time to practice on.

UAH's next meet is this weekend in Atlanta at the Atlanta Invitational April 15 and 16. Crews from Tulane, Clemson, Tennessee, Tennessee-Chattanooga, Georgia Tech, Augusta, and the Atlanta Rowing Association will be competing.