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"Let us dare to read, think, speak and write."—John Adams

Newmyer concludes History Forum

by Cindy Rodriguez

sports editor

On March 16, the History Forum concluded its five-part series of the bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution with guest speaker Professor R. Kent Newmyer. As UAH was preparing for finals, some students, faculty, and the Huntsville community took time out to listen to Newmyer, a professor of history who is currently teaching at the University of Connecticut.

In his presentation, Newmyer discussed his views on the U.S. Constitution. He also attempted to explain the process of judicial review.

Why has the Constitution survived these many years? According to Newmyer, there are several reasons for the Constitution's longevity, some of which include:

- "Free Security. Three thousand miles of Atlantic have given us a free hand," said Newmyer.
- Political parties and judicial review—two things the founding fathers did not understand. Although they were opposed to political parties, America still managed to form them and within ten years these parties were permanently in place.
- The "genius" of the founding fathers. They were able, through a series of compromises, to establish a framework for American society that has lasted until today.

The next point Newmyer analyzed was the role of the U.S. Supreme Court. Drawing upon Newmyer's address, the History Forum Committee stated that "Unlike Thomas Jefferson, who wanted to restrict the Court's role, John Marshall involved the Court in the political process of the country—John Marshall did not," however, "prepare the process of judicial review, but he elaborated its potential under the Constitution."

Newmyer shed a different light on the role of the Supreme Court from the previous four History Forum speakers. Of course, the Court may be stepping on its boundaries, and perhaps the right to interpret the Constitution should rest with the people—even though most people are laymen where the Constitution is concerned. However, the fact remains that the majority of the American populace looks upon the nine justices presiding over the Court, as the speakers who are fully qualified to interpret the law of the land—known to us as the U.S. Constitution.

As Newmyer said, we, "put up with this undemocratic Court because in the final analysis it has never been undemocratic." People must consider the even the Supreme Court can be limited by amendments, congressional acts, or public discontent.

In fact, stated Newmyer, "If the Republicans win the next presidential election, it will be curtains for judicial liberalism."

In summary, Newmyer defined judicial review as "the ongoing argument about what the Constitution means. In this, the U.S. Supreme Court speaks with an authoritative, but not final, voice. As long as we continue Constitutional debate, we shall remain a free people."

How did the UAH faculty rate the History Forum? Most of them found it to be a success.

UAH's President, Dr. John Wright, who attended the entire History Forum series, agreed that "it was exceedingly stimulating and enlightening."

"As a person who is not a professional scholar," continued Wright, "in the area of the Constitution and the political process, I found it very interesting. This is the first whole series where they took a theme and followed it all the way through."

Dr. Ostap Stromecky, a professor of the Slavic Languages and Literatures at UAH, stated "overall, the History Forum was well organized, and extremely beneficial for UAH and the Huntsville community. The speakers introduced their interpretations of the Supreme Court from their point of view, which gave the audience a broad spectrum of the Supreme Court's behavior and its impact on the interpretations of the U.S. Constitution."

"It has been a very productive group of discussions focusing on a lens that is absolutely crucial to a clear understanding of our place in a democratic polity," according to Dr. Brian Martine, a professor of philosophy here. As a History Forum speaker and as a member of the audience, Dean Roy L. Meek said, "I thought it was a very appropriate celebration of the bicentennial of the Constitution. It had a stronger, more unified theme... The informative speakers and the numerous members of the audience who consistently attended the Forum reflected the great efforts of UAH's History Department. These efforts have undoubtedly improved the respect for the Humanities side of UAH in the eyes of students, faculty, and especially the Huntsville community."

UAH named artificial intelligence learning center

by Mike Simmons

Director University Relations

Officials of Symbolics, Inc. of Cambridge, Massachusetts announced March 20 that they have designated UAH as the site for the company's Southeastern Regional Artificial Intelligence Learning Center. Symbolics is a world leader in the design and manufacture of symbolic processing systems used in artificial intelligence (AI) and other advanced software development applications, and has been called "the IBM of AI computers."

Three-judge panel hears desegregation arguments

by Nancy Parker

editor

A three-judge panel of the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta heard oral arguments from both sides in Alabama's College desegregation lawsuit.

As a result of the hearings held March 11, the judges are now encouraging all parties involved in the lawsuit to get together and negotiate. "Of course, we would like to settle out of court," said Mike Simmons, Director of University Relations.

According to Simmons, it is still unclear whether the negotiations will be with the Justice Department or A&M and Alabama State University since the two schools are no longer plaintiffs in the suit.

Last week, A&M appointed five new trustee members replacing the trustees that were relieved of their duties earlier in the year.

In making the announcement, Russell Noffaker, Symbolics' chairman and chief executive officer, said UAH was chosen because it is "a very productive group of discussions focusing on a lens that is absolutely crucial to a clear understanding of our place in a democratic polity," according to Dr. Brian Martine, a professor of philosophy here. As a History Forum speaker and as a member of the audience, Dean Roy L. Meek said, "I thought it was a very appropriate celebration of the bicentennial of the Constitution. I had a stronger, more unified theme... The informative speakers and the numerous members of the audience who consistently attended the Forum reflected the great efforts of UAH's History Department. These efforts have undoubtedly improved the respect for the Humanities side of UAH in the eyes of students, faculty, and especially the Huntsville community."

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Students plan, participate in 'Superbowl'

by G. Leebie
news reporter

The 1987 Strategic Planning "Superbowl" winter competition was held March 3 at UAH. Competing were two teams, one whose members were selected from the day class and the other from the night class of Business Policy taught by Professor Richard A. Kier. It was the sixth "Superbowl" held at UAH and quite an elaborate affair.

The entire program was planned and executed by the students, including the refreshments, choice of music, and the layout of the program. Linen tablecloths, silver platters, candelabra, and fresh flowers gave the "Superbowl" a theme of elegance. Background music consisted of Beethoven and the Olympic Theme music.

Winners of the competition were members of the team from the evening class: Denise Anderson, Chana Hubbard, Kirk Moore, Tina Phillips and Mary Sandlin.

Students competed by presenting strategic analysis for the Madison County area market. This was done using five categories: low tech, mid tech, high tech, retail, and wholesale services.

They assessed twenty-four foreign countries' markets by contacting their embassies and consulates for information. They studied the hundred most profitable companies in these countries, using the five categories, and chose from those which would make the most money by coming to Madison County. Finally, they chose which companies in Huntsville, in the five categories, would do best to expand in Madison County, and which ones would. If you withdraw from the university within the first two weeks of the term, you receive a housing assignment after the first two weeks of class, you are charged rent for the part of the month that you live in the apartment, and you are permitted to pay the rent in installments (one at the beginning of the term and one at midterm). If you withdraw from the university within the first two weeks of the term, you are charged rent on a pro-rated basis until the end of that term.

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A primary source of residents' frustration seems to arise from housing charges. Charges are based on the number of days you have keys (access) to an apartment. If you withdraw from the university within the first two weeks of the term, your deposit will be forfeited. Why is this? Because the housing staff wants to make assignments for the next term and to ensure that the correct charges are made. This prevents us from being flexible.

Foreclosure of the security deposit is a stiff penalty. It can be easily avoided by reading the survey letter which is mailed mid-term and responding to it by the due date.
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Kite flying season is upon us

The kite flying season is here, but the fun can turn into trouble if kites are flown near overhead power lines. Huntsville Utilities spokesman Jack Robertson says there are several safety rules to remember when flying a kite.

Kites should not be made with any metal parts. Strong, dry string should be used to fly a kite and string with a metallic thread or wire of any type should not be used, he said.

The best place to fly a kite is an open area where there are no overhead power lines. Be sure to look for lines before launching the kite and if lines are near the fly kites somewhere else, he said.

If a kite gets caught in any line, leave it alone and don't try to get it down, he emphasized.

"Kite flying can be great fun, but it can be very dangerous if a kite gets too close to or comes in contact with overhead power lines," Robertson said. "There are very high voltages in these lines and electricity is always trying to go to the ground."

"Electricity travels at 186,000 miles a second and if it gets a chance to go to the ground, like through a kite string, it's going to do it and the kite flyer could get burned or electrocuted," he said.

The spokesman emphasized the importance of teaching their children the proper and safe way to build and fly kites. Children should always be closely supervised when flying kites, he added.

Huntsville Utilities has several programs dealing with electric safety for children and adults. The programs are free and presentations can be scheduled by calling 533-1286, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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Solar Center selected state energy office

by Melissa Thornton
for The Exponent

The Alabama Solar Energy Center has just been selected by the State's Energy Office to administer another in a long list of programs to assist industry in solving its energy problems. During the past five years, over two and a quarter of a million dollars for similar alternative energy technologies have been administered through the Center here on campus.

The most recent of these programs provides a total of $500,000 to subsidize the use of " cogeneration " systems in commercial and industrial facilities.

Cogeneration systems produce two forms of energy, usually electricity and heat. High energy efficiency results from this process since heat that would normally be wasted can be used.

According to Dr. Gerald Guinn, senior research scientist in the Alabama Solar Energy Center, these activities began in 1983 when the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) asked him about setting up a program providing technical and financial assistance to owners of commercial and industrial facilities who wish to install solar or biomass energy systems. Through this program, the Center would technically review projects submitted for consideration by industry to ensure their value and feasibility. Projects authorized by the Center then would have all or a part of the interest paid from appropriated TVA funds with the Center serving as administrator.

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Rowing club humble start of formal athletics

by the UAH Athletic Dept. for The Exponent

Editor’s note: The following is the first in a series of articles about the history of the UAH Athletic Department.

Formal athletics were first recognized at UAH in 1965 when a local engineer formed a rowing club. The program was supported by funds raised in the local community. Basket­ball followed as an offspring of the intramural program in 1968 when a number of students expressed a wish to participate at a higher level of competition and formed a club to compete against other area colleges, teams, junior varsity and junior college programs. The formation of a soccer team was first mentioned at a student-faculty leadership workshop in 1969. In January of 1971, the program was organized and competition started in the spring of the same year.

During the 1972-73 academic year, UAH held its first intramural season and a commitment to make athletics available to the intercollegiate level. Once the commitment was made the University sought affiliation with and was accepted for membership in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and Southern States Conference. Intercollegiate athletic competition in soccer and basketball commenced the following year while crew remained a club sport.

Based on regulations established by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the University provided seed money during the 1974-76 academic year which would be utilized for the development of a women’s athletic program and would satisfy the necessary requirements of Title IX. Based on recommendations of the Intercollegiate Athletic Committee, varsity programs for women in basketball and tennis were implemented during the 1977-78 academic year and these programs affiliated with the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW). During the 1977-78 academic year, the crew program was elevated to intercollegiate status. After study by the University the requested intercollegiate status was approved beginning with the 1978-79 academic year.

Hockey became UAH’s newest sport during the 1978-80 academic year. Participating as a club sport the hockey program affiliated itself with the Southern Collegiate Hockey Association (SCHA) and played its home matches at the Von Braun Civic Center. At the end of the 1980-81 academic year the status of the crew program was reexamined and an institutional decision was made to return crew from intercollegiate status back to a club sport.

During the 1981-82 academic years, the women’s basketball program withdrew from membership in the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW) and Missouri Valley Intercollegiate Athletic Association (NAIA). The school year 1981-82 also saw the hockey program make a move to upgrade the level of competition they competed against by withdrawing from the Southern Collegiate Hockey League for the 1982-83 season. In committing to the future of Hockey at UAH a decision was also made to hire a full-time head coach for the program.

Stay tuned for next week’s installment, which will explore the original goals and outcomes of the Athletic Department.

UAH hosts north region sports festival

by Bill Pittman for The Exponent

Close to 1500 athletes are expected in Huntsville, May 9 and 10 when UAH hosts north regional competition for the 5th annual Alabama Sports Festival. The Sports Festival is designed to encourage participation in UAH intramural and varsity sports and thereby identify potential Olympic athletes throughout Alabama.

Competition will be held in Huntsville for basketball, youth soccer, swimming, track and field, volleyball, racquetball and tennis. This year, participation is expected to reach its highest point to date, according to Bill Pittman, UAH Athletic Director and North Region Games Coordinator.

“We had just under 1000 athletes competing in 1986 and anticipate considerable growth in soccer, track and field, and volleyball this year,” said Brand, who also serves as chairman of the Sports Festival State Steering Committee. The committee, which organizes and directs the regional competition and enter the state finals. The state finals for all sports will be held in Birmingham June 19 through 22.

Entry forms for the Sports Festival are available at the UAH athletic department, area schools, recreation centers, and sponsor locations: Winn Dixie, AmSouth, and AT&T retail stores. Other sponsors for this event include Russell Athletics, the musical group Alabama, Coca-Cola Bottlers of Alabama, Sertoma Clubs of Alabama, and Morrison's Cafeteria. Applications should be mailed by April 15 to Paul Brand, Director of Athletics, UAH, Huntsville, Alabama 35899. For more information call 894-6144.

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Only three sessions are offered in 1987. The first session begins June 21, the second July 5 and the final session July 19. We are accepting applications for all three sessions. Contact your local Little League President or write: Mr. Paul Brand, Director of Athletics, UAH, Huntsville, Alabama 35899.

Intramural Weightlifting Competition results

On March 13, the Intramural Directors held the second annual Intramural Weightlifting Competition for UAH students, faculty, staff, and alumni. There were 14 male and 10 female participants competing for prizes which were provided by T.G.I. Friday’s, Chevy’s, The Olive Garden, The Cheesecake Factory, Chi-Chi’s, Bennigan’s, Steak and Ale, Huntsville Marriott, Moffatt’s, and the Huntsville Stars.

Here are the results from the competition:

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When we last saw our heroes, Binkley was meeting his Older Self. . . .
IT'S A TRASHIN', VA KNOW.

That great-looking gal's always mean to me with guss-looking boys.

I'm going to the store a bit. Bring out the can... lower the menu... anything would we have?

Actually, upon closer examination, my features aren't behind all hope.

Here's something! "The Broccoli Diets" and bear-bash diet!

Now, too weak. I need something basic.

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PEOPLE, BEFORE WE START TODAY, I WANT YOU ALL TO KNOW I'VE LOST ANOTHER SIX POUNDS!

IT'S WORKING, AND I'M LOOSING MY APPETITE. I'M LOSING MY DESIRE TO EAT. I'M LOSING CONSCIOUSNESS.

ARE YOU READY TO GET SKINNY?

HEW, THAT SKEINS UP THERE, OLIVER?

NO, KNOW WHAT IT IS, ELI?

IT'S BEEN GETTING HIS HAIR OUTLINED, THAT'S WHAT IT IS, REALLY.

ARE YOU SURE THIS IS HOW LIZ TAYLOR DID IT?
Goodloe wins Honeywell competition

Melissa Thornton
for The Exponent

Intelligent robots running complex manufacturing processes, design activities, from engineering to architecture to clothing fashions, using flexible computer-aided design systems, and public libraries that are on-line and accessible via personal computers represent just a few of the major changes foreseen in the area of computing within the next 25 years. These predictions were not made with a "crystal ball," but rather with the keen insight of John Michael Goodloe, a graduate computer science student attending UAH.

His thought-provoking essay recently won a national futurist competition sponsored by Honeywell Corp., earning Mike a cash award of $3,000 and an opportunity to work for the company this summer. Mike's essay was one of only ten winners out of 757 entries from 47 states, the largest number in the competition's history. All entries were judged by a panel of Honeywell scientists and engineers on the basis of such factors as feasibility and creativity.

Many of the advances in computing will be in the area of artificial intelligence and will impact heavily on education, according to Mike.

"Artificial intelligence is where the most dramatic innovations in computer science will occur and where the innovations will be most visible," he said.

The interdisciplinary trend in education he foresees may reflect his own approach to education. Mike's academic accomplishments include: a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Auburn University, a study of mathematics at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and two master's degrees, one in mathematics and one in economics. Both masters are from the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa. Mike is currently pursuing a master's degree in computer science at UAH.

"I attach a lot of significance to the university environment, and I am dedicated to the education process," he stated.

Currently, Mike is working as a graduate research assistant in the cognitive systems lab at UAH's Johnson Research Center.

"I've always liked combinations of things. I hope I can continue my research into artificial intelligence and still remain in an academic environment, both learning and teaching," he said.

"It's extremely gratifying to see our students enter competitions of this nature," said Dr. Nadeem Audeh, Dean of Graduate Studies at UAH. "Mike's work is especially interesting since many people can't think beyond what they will be doing today. He was thinking in detailed terms of what may be happening 25 years from now," Audeh said.

Honeywell competition fact sheet

Honeywell's fifth annual Futurist Awards Competition was launched Sept. 15 and closed midnight, Jan. 31, 1987. The contest is held to discover how college students think technologies will advance in the next 25 years, and how these advancements will affect society. The competition is an excellent way of tapping the ideas of college students about the future, while letting them know that Honeywell is particularly involved in six areas of technology.

Competition rules: Students were asked to look ahead 25 years and write an essay on one of the following technological areas: electronic communications, energy, aerospace, computer science, manufacturing automation or office automation. A second essay addressed the social, economic and environmental impact of the technological progress. Each of the essays was no longer than 1500 words.

Judging: Essays were judged by a panel of Honeywell scientists and engineers on the basis of feasibility, clarity, creativity and legibility.

Qualifications: Any person enrolled as a regular full-time graduate or undergraduate student at an accredited U.S. college or university was eligible to enter the contest. Honeywell employees and their families were excluded.

Awards: 10 winners each received $3,000 and the opportunity for a paid summer internship with Honeywell.

Number of entries: 757, the largest number in Futurist Competition history.

Number of colleges represented: 324 colleges.

Number of states represented: 47 states.

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Student Programming Council
Rabun helps develop aids for Africa

by James A. Broch, Jr. for The Exponent

Phyllis Rabun is an engineering student at UAH. Dr. Elango Akama-Ngoh is a metallurgist from Cameroon. Working together, they have developed a unique partnership that will aid the entire population of West Africa. Akama-Ngoh's foundry plant in Cameroon, and without Rabun's assistance, the project would still be on the drawing board. Since grain and meals constitute a large portion of the human diet in that underdeveloped country, Akama-Ngoh's foundry is a bright spot in Africa's future.

"The foundry is designed primarily to produce grinding mills and other metal equipment that an agrarian population can utilize for survival," says Rabun, a mechanical engineering major.

She provided the important proposal upon which the completion of the foundry depends. Her comprehensive layout of the plant included size, work environment and equipment usage plans.

"Basically, we took Akama-Ngoh's draft and developed it into a full-blown set of blueprints," she explains.

An associate professor of Industrial and Systems Engineering at UAH, Dr. John Lovett, Jr. agreed to integrate Rabun's study into his Ergonomics and Work Design course. Not only an appropriate project for his class, the study was also of great personal interest to him, as his wife Janie owns and operates Falls Mill, a water-powered mill located near Huntland, Tennessee. Built in 1873, Lovett purchased the historic building a few years ago.

"I found it interesting that the foundry in Cameroon is designed to produce grinding mills, because our mill was originally built to grind grain," he explains.

And deciding on Lovett, Rabun's project is a perfect example of an ergonomic study, which is what he presented to his students.

"Ergonomics is the study of how people interface with their environment, especially how work and working conditions should be designed to best suit the employee," states Lovett.

As research and work on the foundry progressed, Lovett says that his students developed some valuable ideas. For example, they took into account the climate of Cameroon and the type of materials that would come up with a natural ventilation plan. Since energy is at a premium in the country, the students designed a cross-current climate control system to cool the building.

At the end of the course Lovett presented Rabun with a concise plan for the foundry, including interior design and equipment placement, which she incorporated with her preliminary report. She sent the material to Volunteers In Technical Assistance (VITA), and according to Akama-Ngoh's proposal, construction will begin on the foundry in the near future, pending government official approval.

How did an American student in Alabama team up with a scientist in Africa? A desire to help others and Rabun's aid to Akama-Ngoh is the answer. VITA is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to world-wide development. Rabun contacted them last year and began working on Akama-Ngoh's project shortly after.

"VITA looked at my technical abilities and decided that I could benefit the country, and developed a project and I received all of the project information through the mail," she says.

The following spring VITA sent Akama-Ngoh's request to the organization along with a rough sketch of what the finished foundry should look like. He was just one of the 5000 inquiries VITA handles annually, including everything from agricultural initiatives to health programs.

Crediting the magazine Scientific American for her introduction to VITA, Rabun says that the organization is in the Third World really attracted her.

"I saw an ad in the magazine one day and copied it down, and I am glad I did." Rabun feels it is important to aid others, but she didn't know what to do with the skills she gained from working with Akama-Ngoh has led her to more involvement.

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The fair not only offers all students a valuable glimpse into the world of employment, but presents an opportunity for graduating seniors and alumni to be interviewed by potential employers. Last year about half of the over 400 students attending the fair were interviewed. Twenty-four of those were called back for a second interview, 14 were offered jobs, and 5 were hired.

Chemsak recommends that students come prepared with resumes, dressed well, and remember to ask for the business cards of the people they talk to, so they can be contacted and set up an interview with that person.

In addition to gathering information about job hunting from the business representatives, students may participate in a series of mini-workshops concerning resume writing, interviewing, and filling out job applications.

Those interested in being interviewed by a major employer should stop by the Career Planning and Placement Office to set up an appointment to be interviewed. Those interested in working with UAH Division of Continuing Education will be offering a variety of short-term (shorter than UAH Division of Continuing Education) workshops at the fair. Those interested in working with the University of Alabama in Huntsville should stop by the Career Planning and Placement Office to set up an appointment to be interviewed. Those interested in working with the University of Alabama in Huntsville should stop by the Career Planning and Placement Office to set up an appointment to be interviewed.

The fair will be held April 8 in the University Center from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

With 39 businesses represented, this year's job fair will be the largest to date, according to Maureen Chemsak, director of the Career Planning and Placement Office.
Segregation is not major problem on campus, says Stafford

Dear Editor:

Dr. Edward F. Stafford, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Management
Science

Campus bookstore’s buy-back policy, expensive textbooks are big concern for all students on budget

Dear Editor:

As always, at the beginning of a new term, we are shocked at the expense involved. Many of us believe we are always aware of the costs associated with college education. However, we are often surprised when we see the textbooks that we have to purchase.

UAH have an average ACT score in excess of 20. Those admitted to A&M average less than 15. This is a true statistically significant difference. The process at UAH is ever improving. In nearly every department, campus-wide, faculty research and publishing activities are increasing dramatically. I believe we are developing into the technology-based university envisioned by Dr. von Braun when he approached the Alabama legislature on our behalf.

Now it is true that we have too few minority students at UAH. I am strongly in favor of improving our record in this regard. Unfortunately, those minority students with the academic credentials to be admitted to UAH also have the credentials to be admitted to the likes of Auburn, Georgia Tech, and Tuscaloosa. There is our first real problem. We need a football team and fraternity houses.

The second real problem is that the public schools in the South just don’t provide the coursework and motivation necessary to be challenged by students for the mathematical and scientific courses which could encounter at UAH. This was true at Oklahoma and South Carolina, where I previously taught, and it is true in Alabama. Having had several serious run-ins with local school administrators in Huntsville, I am convinced that they and their aging teacher groups are to blame.

North Alabama students—black and white—are capable of mastering the academic tools necessary to succeed at UAH. They need only to be challenged and provided good training.

Edward F. Stafford, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Management
Science

Fan support for “Rednecks” acknowledged

Dear Editor:

As members of the UAH hockey team, we appreciate the efforts of fans such as “Bob” Russell. Considering we are the only college hockey team south of the Mason-Dixon, his “Redneck Hockey” sign was quite appropriate (Exponent, Mar. 11). Although we are all from the North, we are pleased to have the opportunity to help establish Huntsville as the Hockey Capital of the South!

For the “official hostess,” we agree with Bob in believing that she should receive a check so that she may pursue a full-time career in the law enforcement field.

UAH Hockey Team
Jim Spanier #16
Paul Scott #92
Richard Stoffer
Barry Friedman #85
Jon Jones #88
Mike Balke #45
Mike Finn #6
Pete Monsen #27

Official Stoffer policy tainted with government propaganda

Dear Editor:

Your article about Dr. Howard Stoffer from the State Department (Exponent Mar. 11) says several times “he believes” or “he feels.” We questioned him closely after his evening presentation, and learned that he states only official policy. He is thus not personally to blame for what follows, both items from the evening presentation.

At one point he said “The Soviets have the only operational ABM system in the world.” The United States used to have one, but North Dakota, said he, “lost it.” The treaties permit us to build one again tomorrow if we like, there or around the globe.

Jim Spanier, #16
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Colorado, Subject: Planetary, and Atmospheric Sciences, University of Alabama, Dr. John E. Hart, Professor of Astrophysical, Electrical and Computer Engineering, UAH, Dr. Nagendra Singh, Associate Professor of Microgravity Research.

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**Monday, April 6, University Center 128, 1 p.m.—**
Dr. John E. Hart, Professor of Astrophysical, Planetary, and Atmospheric Sciences, University of Colorado, Subject: Microgravity Laboratory Experiment on Planetary and Stellar Convection Performed on Spacelab 3.

**Co-Sponsors: NASA (Marshall Space Flight Center) Center for Microgravity Research.**

**Tuesday, April 7, Science Building 104, 2:10 p.m.—**
Dr. Nagendra Singh, Associate Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, UAH, Subject: Large Platforms in Space: Challenges Posed by Plasma-Body Interactions.

**Wednesday, April 8, Science Building 127, 1 p.m.—**
Dr. Bart Kosko, Manager of Adaptive Systems Group, VERAC Corporation, San Diego, California, Subject: Adaptive Decision Making.

**Thursday, April 9, University Center 127, 10 a.m.—**
Dr. Bart Kosko, Manager of Adaptive Systems Group, VERAC Corporation, San Diego, California, Subject: Adaptive Cognitive Processing.

**Friday, April 10, Madison Hall 108, 10 a.m.—**
Dr. M.K. Wu, Assistant Professor of Physics, UAH, Subject: Superconductivity Above Liquid Nitrogen Temperature.

**Intrafraternity council sponsors new Greek organization**

The UAH Intrafraternity Council is pleased to announce that they are now conducting a search for a new fraternity to join Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Chi, Kappa Alpha Psi, and Pi Kappa Alpha at UAH. We hope to have a group to begin operations by the Fall Quarter, 1987. Criteria for the search shall include strength of the national organization, local alumni support and undergraduate interest. The IFC would like to hear from any alumni of groups not on campus, alumni associations of groups not currently represented on campus, and Center for Applied Optics.

**For signs of life, check the pulse...**

**Huntsville Literary Association sponsors novelist Harry Crews at VBCC**

Southern novelist and columnist Harry Crews will speak in Huntsville on Friday, April 10.

His talk, sponsored by the Huntsville Literary Association, will be at 8:15 p.m. at the Von Braun Civic Center playhouse. Tickets are now on sale at the Civic Center box office and are $8 for the general public and $7 for HLA members.

Crews' appearance, the next in the HLA's annual "Major Author Series," will highlight the organization's 20th anniversary.

Best known as a novelist—most notably for "A Childhood"—Crews also has been a widely-published short story writer and columnist.


He has been honored by the American Academy of Arts and Letters and is a past grant recipient from the National Endowment for the Arts. He has been a contributing editor of Southern magazine since it began publication last fall.

Currently a professor of English at the University of Florida, he also has lectured at the Bread Loaf Writer's Conference and on numerous campuses. Lately, though, he has been living at a backwoods cabin in Louisiana, working on a new novel set in New Orleans.

His previous novels include "A Feast of Snakes"—"Karate Is A Thing of the Spirit," "Car," and "Florida Frenzy." Atheneum Books is planning to reissue "A Feast of Snakes." His latest novel, "All We Need of Hell," was published earlier this year by Harper and Row.

HLA has presented several other acclaimed Southern writers in past years in the "Major Author" series—among them, United States poet laureate Robert Penn Warren, Eudora Welty, Truman Capote, Barry Hannah, Andrew Lytle and Peter Taylor.

Local lecture series celebrates National Science Week April 5-11

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**Spring Term 1986-87 Calendar**

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**A—Application Deadline**
**B—Beginning of Classes**
**C—Commencement**
**E—Examinations**
**N—No Classes**

**Kiwanis scholarship announced**

Applications are available for the Kiwanis Club of Huntsville Scholarship for 1987-88. This $1,500 scholarship is available to students in the Special Education, Social Work, and Speech Therapy areas of study. Residents of Madison County, Alabama and outstanding academic achievement are the requirements for application.

Applications must be filed by deadlines identified in the UAH catalog (9/75, undergraduate, p. 48, graduate). Application forms are available at the Office of Records, UC 118.

**Commencement plans underway**

Students who complete requirements for degrees in the Winter and Spring terms receive degrees at the Winter Commencement exercises.

Students who complete requirements for degrees in the Winter and Spring terms receive degrees at the Spring Commencement exercises. Application for graduation must be filed by deadlines identified in the UAH catalog (9/75, undergraduate, p. 48, graduate). Application forms are available at the Office of Records, UC 118.

**Walter Lewis speaks at BSU meeting**

Wednesday, April 8, Walter Lewis, former All-American quarterback from Alabama will be speaking at the BSU meeting. Walter Lewis will speak at 12:15 p.m. Lunch will be provided by Mr. Gatville Fizell and the cost is FREE. Everyone is invited to attend.
The Planetary Society’s Mars Institute offers students chance at cash and travel

Planetary Society’s Mars Institute announces the 1987 Mars student contest. This year there will be prizes in two categories. The prizes are $750 plus all expense paid trip to Boulder CO in the summer of 1987 for the upcoming Mars conference. The two topics for this year are:

**Contest 1.** Consider the technological capabilities of the various space programs of the space faring nations: Design an international Mars mission (any mission from a sample return rover to development of a full Mars base) that uses these capabilities in a synergistic way.

**Contest 2.** What are the social, political, and economic benefits and problems with an international mission to Mars? How might the problems be overcome and the benefits maximized?

Students in any high school or college are eligible. Groups of students may work together, however this will be considered in the judging.

Student must submit their entries by May 1, 1987 to: Mars Institute, The Planetary Society, 65 North Catalina Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91106. Entries must include the name, address, and summer telephone number of the entrant(s) and the name and address of their school. This information should be on the first page of the paper only. All entrants will receive a free copy of the Mars Institute newsletter and membership in The Planetary Society. The winner will be selected by May 30, 1987.

Open house commemorates lab week

National Laboratory Week is being celebrated during the week of April 13—19, 1987. On Wednesday, April 15, Humana Hospital-Huntsville will sponsor an Open House in the Laboratory from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. The public is invited to tour the lab, visit the Exhibit Area where exhibits will be set up demonstrating the various departments in the lab including Chemistry, Bacteriology, Blood Bank, Phlebotomy, Urinalysis, Hematology and Coagulation.

Business Women’s Scholarship offered

Scholarship applications are available for the American Business Women’s Association Scholarship, Twickenham Chapter, for 1987-88. Application materials are available in the Financial Aid Office, 124 University Center. Scholarships are available from this organization in varying amounts.

SPC brings controversial Greenpeace to University Center on April 16

The Student Programming Council Lecture Series of UAH announces that GREENPEACE will be presenting a slide show and lecture on the ecological problems facing the world today. This lecture is sure to increase interest and awareness of those who attend. Students in the Alpha Tau Omega club recently bought the “Evita” movie and showed it for a fund raising ten. Students are asked to bring their cars to the big parking lot on campus, to watch the screening of the film.

Wilson identifies Dunaway as Evita

Vicki Wilson, UA sophomore, answered the Exponent trivia question, “Who played Eva Peron in the musical ‘Evita’?” The correct answer was Faye Dunaway.

Medical students invited to meeting

All students (Freshmen through Seniors) interested in a medical career are invited to attend a joint meeting of Alpha Epsilon Delta and Medical Students Association. This meeting will be held at the Chapala Clubhouse on Wednesday, April 1, at 7 p.m. in room 313 of the Science Building.

BSA meetings open

The BSA will meet Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m., in the University Center. One of the topics to be discussed will be elections for new officers. Everyone is invited to attend.

Cornel recital held

The Huntsville Chamber Music Guild will sponsor the Cornel Group, an English ensemble, Thursday, April 3 at 8:15 p.m. The event will be held in the Exponent Building. One of the topics to be discussed will be elections for new officers. Everyone is invited to attend.

Campus life

Delta Zeta

All of the Delta Zetas were excited to see our past president, Laura Hatchett, married to Greg Thornton on March 21. She was beautiful and the ceremony was lovely. We wish the couple many years of happiness.

The party we had recently with our Big Brothers was a great success. The theme was Coca-Cola and we sent a hearty thanks to the Coca-Cola Company in town for providing all of the favors and decorations. Also, a special thanks to Al and Wendy Campbell for providing their home.

Our chapter is still growing as we welcome our new pledges Beverly Bevel and Susan Glover to our sisterhood. They are as excited to be members as we are to have them. We will pledge them on April 9.

The Big/Little Sister scavenger hunt was held on March 12, at Madison Mall. All of the new pairs are: Carmen Ingram/Cathy Duntiway as Evita, Ella Fitzgerald and Betty Franklin as蒸发, and Kim Wood, Lisa Cameron/Leslie Steele, Keri Franklin/Jan Ross, and Kim Sorenson/Mary Sooy.

Everyone is looking forward to our 3rd annual Crush Party which will be held at the Flagstone Clubhouse. All of our girls are busy turning in the names and addresses of guys they have a crush on. Be looking for your invitation in the mail, guys! As usual, it should prove to be a success. This party also marks the first event of our Big Brother rush. If you are interested in becoming a Delta Zeta Big Brother, let us know so you will be sure to get an invitation; or call Mary Kay Beason at 837-3302.

Greek Day is coming up on April 11, and we are all eagerly awaiting it. We are also proud of Karen Haley and her committee for doing such a wonderful job in organizing the events. If you have not already gotten your name on the sign-up sheet, be sure to do that as soon as possible. There is a one dollar fee for participating.

Alpha Tau Omega

The Theta Pi Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity announces its Spring Rush. All interested UAH students are invited to participate. Our first party will be Friday, April 3 at 8 p.m., and will feature a Spring Training theme — wear your favorite team’s colors.

The second rush party will be a Surf City party — wear Hawaiian shirts and beach clothes on Friday, April 10 at 8 p.m.

If you are interested in ATO, but are unable to attend either rush function, feel free to contact the Rush Chairman and we will arrange to meet with you.}

For more information, call Gina Atkins at UAH-SPC, 866-6428.
Space development topic of Burk lecture

by Cindy Rodriguez
features writer

On April 2, Dr. Richard Burk from the University of Houston will mark the Political Science Department's second annual Public Affairs Forum. Beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Recital Hall, Burk will concentrate his lecture on "The Politics of Space Development."

Dr. John Pottenger, a UAH political science professor, was designated as this year's Forum chairman. Pottenger pointed out that the forum is timely in that it is based on two current national concerns:

1. Money for space-related research, such as SFI and Space Lab.
2. U.S. foreign policy. Does the U.S. have a new foreign policy, and if so, where is it going?

In light of the Contra scandal, these religious, and military affairs. The Public Affairs Forum began in 1986 with a two-speaker series which included Dr. Brett Hulkins ("Metropolitan Government"), and Dr. Mark Whicker ("Changing Sex Roles in America"). According to Williams, this past Forum had a fairly large crowd and was declared a success. Said Williams, the Forum is expected to get "bigger as we get it off the ground."

Reynolds review: Lone Justice releases fine album

by Jim Reynolds
features writer

An artistic album cover, wonderful music and lyrical poetry all combine to make this one fine album. Maria McKee, the main force behind Lone Justice, joined with Steven Van Zandt to make this album, and the combination makes for some beautiful music. The first song is "I Found Love" and from the driving, happy beat one believes her when she says "I didn't know that it was there until you set me free."

"Shelter," the album's title, and its place, but there's always something better. This is touched upon more with some pretty deep lyrics that could be seen as depressing. "Freedom bears no creedence/When the lack of it's still being/justified/(in small minds)." What it's really about is the way one looks at the world and how hypocrisy is an easy trap to fall into. "Reflected" has the theme of the world as a tough place, but there's always something better. It is touched upon more directly in "Beacon:" Where can a faithful heart turn/When we have strayed from our trust/Keep the beacon burning/Cause it's a blind, unintelligible thing.

"Dixie Storms," the last song, is about a woman who receives a letter from her mother in the country complaining about "these awful Dixie Storms." The woman left a long time ago and now lives in a big city and she wonders "why I stay away/From those gentle Dixie Storms." The music is perfect for the mood of the lyrics. That can be said of all the material on this album, which is why this reviewer considers money spent on this album is money well spent.

"Wheels" is a sad song about the breakup between two lovers. The girl wishes she'd "never even loved me/It makes it so hard to live without love now." Her voice is quite impressive in this particular song. There's an intensity of heartfelt emotion put into the recording so that one is almost forced to feel the way she does.

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Daryl Rice

April 9th
8 p.m.
C Cafeteria

Protect Yourself

Sexually Transmitted Diseases

1) Learn about the disease process.
2) Learn about preventive measures.
3) Learn about diagnosis & treatment at the Symposium

More than flowers bud
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN... OUR LAWYERS HAVE INSISTED ON A RETRACT OF YESTERDAY'S STATEMENTS. TO BE HONEST, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT.

THE WHOLE THING STARTED YESTERDAY WHEN I PROCEEDED TO ANNOUNCE THE Morality OF SEA MAMMALS IS IMMORAL. DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD EAT MEAT ANYMORE? TAKING A MORAL STANCE IS AN EXERCISE IN PHILOSOPHICAL PURITY. ABUSING AND CONFINING ANIMALS FOR THEIR MILK AND EGGS IS NO MORE ACCEPTABLE THAN KILLING THEM. RIGHT.

FELLOW BOARDERS! I'M TAKING ABOUT THE DIGNITY OF ALL LIFE. CAN ANY OF YOU TURN TO ANOTHER AND SAY THAT IN OUR DEATHS, WE ARE SUPERIOR BY VIRTUE OF SPECIES? I SAY THAT IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE ISSUE. ONE HAS A RIGHT TO THE COLORS OF ONE'S FEET AS WELL!...
Student Government Elections

will be held May 6 & 7

Applications / Nominations are now being accepted for these positions:

President
Vice President
Legislative Secretary
Finance Officer
6 month Legislature
12 month Legislature

SPC Directors
Special Events
Publicity
Drama Board
Film Series
Cabaret
Lecture Series
SPC - Vice President

Student Affairs Advisory Board Representative - 1 from each school

Publications Board - 3 at large

Undergraduate / Graduate Judicial Board Representative

Applications may be picked up at the University Center Information Desk. Applications must be to UC 100 by April 10, 1987 at 5:00 p.m.

GET INVOLVED!!!