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SPORTS BRIEFS

While most UAH students will be enjoying the few days of Fall Break at various beaches or on family vacations, the Chargers Hockey Team will be heading out to Colorado Springs, Colorado this weekend to suit up for their season opener against Colorado College.

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UAH Campus Scheduled for a Facelift

by Lisa Barbella
Senior News Writer

Portions of UAH's campus have been converted to construction zones in an attempt to update the university's worn features and even add a few fresh faces to the UAH facilities.



Gutting of Wilson Hall Continues (Photo by: Amber Rauschkolb)

Wilson Hall is currently being stripped down to its skeleton which will serve as the frame for a new continuing education building. The visual arts and nursing programs will also utilize the extra space in the new Wilson Hall.

An intermodal facility is being constructed across from the University Fitness Center. Its central location will allow students to park their cars and walk to their classes, reducing the traffic congestion on campus. City buses will make the facility a stop on their routes to Madison Square Mall, Research Park, Bridge Street Towne Center, and Wal-Mart. The campus police will also find their new home in the intermodal facility.

With the successful completion of the Shelby Center last year and the two new construction projects

underway, UAH is looking at other potential developments to beautify and functionalize the campus. Among the plans being considered is a restoration or rebuilding of Madison Hall. The design of the new Madison Hall would add to the contemporary look that the Shelby Center established on campus. This building would house the administration just as the old Madison Hall did but would also accommodate enrollment services and student affairs. The outdated Von Braun center may also be restructured or replaced to reflect the up-to-the-minute research that is conducted inside. Performing Arts

students could get the proper facilities they need to practice and perform at a professional level. Also, the track team may finally get to run in a true home meet with the addition of an outdoor track.

UAH students can look forward to the continued growth of a more modern and practical campus in the future. However, students must lobby for the changes they feel are the most important and against those they view as frivolous to ensure that the campus reflects the true needs of the students. E-mail your comments on campus construction to President Williams at dave@uah.edu.



UAH's Intermodal Facility nears completion. (Photo by: Amber Rauschkolb)

What About the "Other" Elections?

Trisha Hancock
Freelance Writer

It's that time of year again, time for SGA elections. A few weeks ago, the lack of participation and overall halt in productivity of the Student Government was brought to light. The question was asked, "What is it going to take in order to see some progress?" Well that question has been answered with 30 hopeful candidates promising change and guaranteeing improvements to the Student Government's current state. It is broken into two groups, with each position possessing a different set of authoritative power. The senate, which has 24 candidates running, votes on bills and amendments. The President and Vice President are the overall governing authority and makes sure that job is taken care of.

The way in which a candidate can run for a senatorial office is somewhat self-explanatory. A student can apply under multiple tickets. This means, for example, a student named John Johnson who is a freshman majoring in Mechanical Engineering, could apply for fresh-

man class senator as well as the senator of College of Science. This could greatly benefit the student in that depending on the number of applicants, a student could potentially run uncontested if one of the positions has multiple candidates in it, while the other has none. The UAH Student Government Associate Senate Candidates for 2008 are as follows.

Freshman Class: Lauren Terry, Tequila Taylor, Shala Lacy, Sarah Camel.

Sophomore Class: Peter Scherff, Kurt Miers, Jonna Greer.

Junior Class: Justin Roler.

Senior Class: Rachael Hyles.

College of Liberal Arts: Jacob Caleb, Haley Seimbushale

College of Science: Blake Brewer, Chase Hyde, Morgan Manly.

College of Business: Liz Barton, Valerie Turget, Jessica Cochran, Zach Bandy

College of Engineering: Jeffery Woodward, Taylor Bryan, Stephanie Rodriguez, George Katchore, Sabina Runa, Blake Hancock

The Office of President and

Vice President carry the obvious merit. The Vice President presides over the Senate meetings, where as the President runs the SGA as whole. The Presidential and Vice Presidential roster this year is promising to be a close race. There are three tickets running this year each with a good chance of winning.

First there is Anthony Bowling (P) and Andrew Hazen (VP). Both men, like the other candidates, have been part of SGA in the past. Hazen delivered a speech that called for UAH to reprioritize. He believes that the University needs raise new funds for campus safety in order raise awareness. Bowling echoed his running mates call for reprioritizing, suggesting like some of the other candidates that in light of the recent accident of Sarah Chapman a bridge be built over Sparkman Drive. This would enable students to cross safely and not fear the on-coming traffic. Bowling also wants to promote growth of the student population, and increase the awareness of the

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Politics With a Wink?

Sarah Fisher
Freelance Writer

During of the vice presidential debate my astute sibling commented that "people only wink at you when they are trying to trick you." We noted how strange it would be to have Palin say, "I think that humans contribute to climate change" and then give a sly little wink to the American people. After watching Sarah Palin wink into the camera and wriggle her nose, I realized how tiresome this fluff-filled battle between the two campaigns has become. Unfortunately, the far-too-long campaign season is just beginning in earnest.

According to the all-powerful polls, as of October 3, Obama is 6 points ahead (plus or minus the margin of error of course) in the popular vote, which really has nothing do with the actual election - it's the Electoral College votes that will matter.

According to the Pew Research Center, 72% of presidential debate

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Need Some Help in a Class?

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The Academic Resource Center (ARC) is located in Madison Hall, the old building that shares a parking lot with the Shelby Center, and offers free tutoring for over 150 different subjects. The knowledgeable staff consists of helpful fellow students available for 30-minute appointments or drop in visits. The tutors can assist with anything from calculus to psychology. It is always best to make an appointment with the tutor to ensure that the subject you need assistance with is available. To make an appointment with a tutor, visit www.uah.edu/ARC/ and go to "Make and Appointment."

Another great service on campus is the Writing Center. The Writing Center is located in Morton Hall 228 and offers free writing consultations. The Writing Center staff focuses on "global issues of planning, organization, focus, structure, explanation, support, and mechanics" to assist students at all levels. To make an appointment, go to www.uah.edu/writing and click on "Appointment Information."

The Math Tutoring Center provides tutoring throughout the semester for 100 level math classes. Students need not make an appointment for the Math Tutoring Center, but do check the hours available at www.math.uah.edu/tutoring.html before visiting room 008 in the Shelby Center. If physics is giving you trouble, the Physics Success Center is located in room 253 of the Optics Building. The Physics Success Center offers drop in tutoring for all physics classes. Be sure to check the web site, <http://success-center.uah.edu/>, for hours. The Engineering and Chemistry departments also offer some tutoring services; it is best to consult the department web site for these opportunities.

So, do not fear the calculus problems and literature papers. Just take advantage of the excellent services around campus designed to help you succeed.

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viewers rated Obama's performance as excellent or good, compared with 59% for McCain. In addition, voters have become warier of Sarah Palin's qualifications. As of September 29, before the VP debate, only 37% of voters thought that Palin was qualified to be president.

After three hours debating, Obama-Biden and McCain-Palin have not committed any major blunders. Sure, candidates construed facts and exchanged smarmy comments, but the substance of the debate is inevitably boiled down into shallow sound bites, like this article. The consensus among candidates is that the "American people want change" (does anyone know what that means?). With all parties grappling after "change," Tuesday November 4 will certainly represent a change in the face of American politics, or perhaps the Palin wink reflects a broader political hoodwink. Though the administration will change, it is still unclear whether or not a deeper, more lasting shift will occur in the populace or in American politics.

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Help Keep Our Campus Safe

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Traffic safety has become a serious issue here at UAH. With so many pedestrians and bicyclists around campus, accidents can happen very quickly especially if you are not paying attention.

Earth System Sciences student Jason Kaufman recalls seeing a student get hit by a car in a UAH parking lot several years ago. "She was very disoriented and scraped up," he said. Luckily the student was okay, but this is not always the case. Recently, UAH student Sarah Chapman was bicycling near campus when she was struck from behind by an SUV. She later died in the hospital from her resulting injuries.

While there are always accidents that cannot be prevented, the many preventable ones that do oc-

cur show that some major changes need to be made when it comes to traffic safety on campus.

The UAH police are working very hard to keep our campus safe. Speed radars have been put in place to remind students to slow down. UAH police officers are also involved in the new student orientation every year. However, achieving campus safety involves the voluntary compliance of everyone on campus, not just the work of the police officers. Charles Gailes, UAH Chief of Police, encourages drivers to follow the speed limit, because "you will have more time to perceive and react to what's around you." By simply paying attention, you could prevent

a serious accident. Also, stopping at stop signs and yielding for pedestrians is extremely important. A yield sign signals that a car should wait for other vehicles and

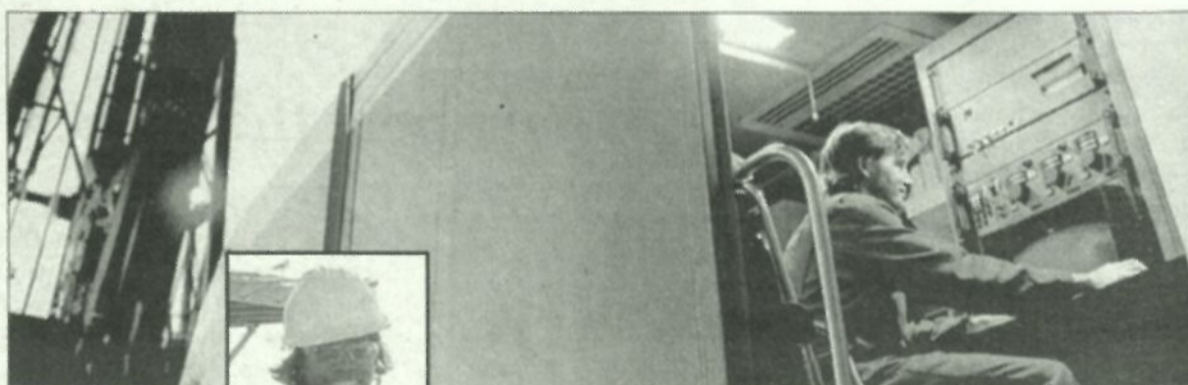
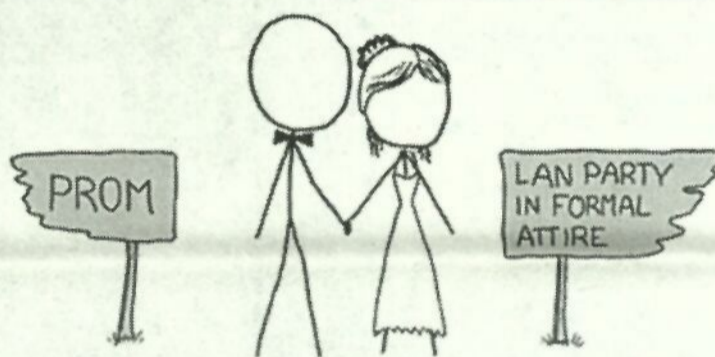
pedestrians who have the right of way.

However, the safety responsibility does not rest solely on drivers; it applies to pedestrians and bicyclists too. Gailes encourages those traveling on foot or by bicycle to follow the basic rules that we learned as children, such as looking both ways when crossing the street.

If we all work together and keep our eyes open for potential situations, we can make our campus a safer place. A pedestrian should not have to fear for their lives when crossing a crosswalk, while a driver should not have to worry about a bicyclist out in front of them. If we all follow these simple rules, our campus will be much more enjoyable and safer, and we can prevent accidents. So think safety!

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"It's *almost* enough to make me want to redo high school."



Taya, Recruiter

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Taya has a Bachelor's degree in Petroleum Engineering. After four years working on clients' platforms delivering technology services to Oil and Gas companies, Taya has moved to the personnel function and is now sharing her experience with young graduates.

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Rocket City Celebrates Local Indie Filmmaking

Abigail Brown
Freelance Writer

Going to the movies on a Saturday night—instead of to a party—might sound like a high school endeavor, but don't let that deter you from attending the Rocket City Short Film Festival (RCSFF). While it's no Cannes, Huntsville has been holding its own as a film-lovers' niche for the past three decades.

On Oct. 18th at 8 p.m., the Alabama Filmmakers Co-op—now in its 31st year—presents the 4th annual Rocket City Short Film Festival at The Flying Monkey. The event will feature about twenty 15-minute-or-less independent films by filmmakers from around Northern Alabama and some surrounding states. Admission is only \$5 a person—a much better deal

than \$9 for one blockbuster movie. The films are up for competition and winners will be chosen by the audience. The adult winner receives \$100 and the youth winner gets \$50.

Though the RCSFF caters to amateur filmmaking, it will feature a film by Chris Silber, a script-writer for German TV and film. Silber, co-author of the award winning film "Goodbye Lenin," recently moved to the Huntsville area with his family. Don Tingle, workshop director of The Co-op, describes Silber's "Ice Wind" as "a short historical drama told from the perspective of two young girls caught up in the tumultuous events surrounding them."

UAH students are getting involved both in acting and filmmaking. Graduate student Allen Berry has screened films at the festival

and in 2006, he and a friend won for their short comedic film "Assassinator."

"The audience seemed to connect with it and enjoyed it a lot," says Berry.

This year, Berry is submitting another film called "Furniture of the Apocalypse" about a "regular guy stalked by a malicious end table who can't take that the relationship is over." For Berry, it's both "a fun little gathering" and "an opportunity to...get [your] stuff out there."

Even the youth films are stirring up interest. In 2006, the youth film winner submitted what Berry calls an "ingenious little piece" shot from "ankle-level."

Berry is optimistic about the festival and its impact on the community.

"A lot of people don't think of Huntsville as an artsy town because it's mostly science and technology, but you've got a lot of [art] out there, too."

Those interested in submitting a film for entry can submit a late entry (deadline was Oct. 1). The submission fee is only \$10 and includes one free ticket to the event. Application forms are available at www.filmcoop.org. Submissions can be left in a drop-box on the second floor of the Artists Market area in the Flying Monkey. Questions about film submission and the event can be addressed to Don Tingle at 837-4359.

Do You Have What It Takes?

The Exponent is hiring an advertising assistant to be trained to take over the advertising manager position at a future date. Must be an energetic self-starter and able to work independently with little oversight. Interested? Email editor@exponent.uah.edu

The Art-Team to Hit UAH for Gallery Show

Kate Blake
Freelance Writer

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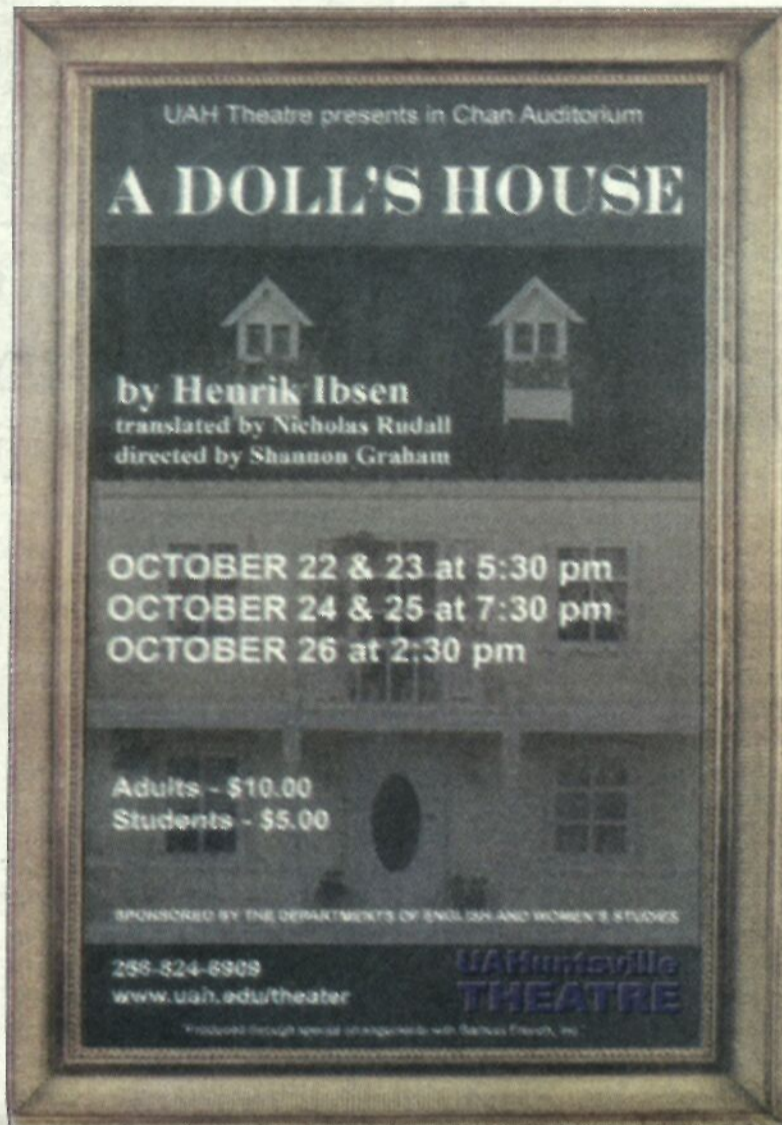
Step inside A Doll's House

Stephanie Kaloi
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The focus of the play is Nora Helmer, a married mother of three. Nora is played by Helena Janssen, a veteran of UAH stages. Her husband is Torvald, played by Clint Merritt. A close friend of Torvald's is Dr. Rank, played by Archie Fields, III. The remaining cast and characters are Kristine Linde, Nora's old school friend, (played by Christin Stanfield), Nils Krogstad, an employee of Torvald's (William Daniels), Anne Marie, the nurse (Megan Craft), Helene, the maid (Elizabeth Baxley), and the children of the Helmers, played by Victoria Finklea, Mackenzie Johnston, and Noah Merritt.

"A Doll's House" begins with a promotion at work for Torvald, which is good news for all members of the household, but especially Nora. Kristine Linde, who is recently widowed, asks Nora to find out if Torvald can get her a job at his bank. During discussions, Nora divulges that she once, when Torvald was very sick, she borrowed money to save his life. In an effort to protect Torvald's ego, Nora never told him about the money, and instead took a secret job and grew to enjoy earning money "as if she were a man." With the advent of Torvald's promotion, she can finally enjoy a break from saving money to repay her debt. Of course, drama very soon thereafter begins to unfold, as it typically



does in matters of money.

Each of the characters in the play is unique and crucial to the overall story in their own way. Fields gamely hinted at a bit of the dramatic nature of the play and his character, "an aging doctor who is suffering from a terminal illness. Dr. Rank and Torvald are very good friends, but I would suggest paying close attention to Dr. Rank's interaction with our leading lady, Nora."

The play is also one which speaks across centuries. "'A Doll's House' is a timeless piece—the play handles important current issues and struggles even though it was written in 1879," explains

Craft. "I believe that students will really connect with the premise of this story and these characters we're bringing to life."

Baxley, echoes, "'A Doll's House' is really a great work. The development and depth is just amazing. I love watching the characters grow."

"A Doll's House" will be performed in Chan Auditorium at 5:30 p.m. on October 22 and 23, 7:30 p.m. on October 24 and 25, and 2:30 p.m. on October 26. Adult tickets are \$10 each, and the student rate is \$5. For more information call (256) 824-6909 or visit <http://www.uah.edu/theater>.

The Bold Fist Gathers Gamers for All-Night LAN Party

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CAMPUS CALENDAR

Wednesday, Oct. 8

- Men's Soccer vs. Shorter, Charger Soccer Field, 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 9

- Fall Break, no classes through Oct. 12

Friday, Oct. 10

- Fall Break, no classes through Oct. 12
- Volleyball vs. West Florida, Spragins Hall, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 11

- Volleyball vs. Valdosta State, Spragins Hall, 1 p.m.
- UAH Open House, UC, Registration, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, Oct. 12

- Soccer vs. Harding, Charger Soccer Field: Women's Game - 1 p.m.; Men's Game - 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 14

- Honors Forum: "Advocating Toleration in an Age of Persecution," Angela Balla, English Dept., Franz Hall, 11:10 a.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 15

- ACE Movie, UC Exhibit Hall, 9 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 16

- Music Forum: Don Bowyer and Sarkis Baltaian Recitals Preview, Roberts Recital Hall, 9:35 a.m.
- Employee Benefits Fair (for faculty and staff), UC Exhibit Hall, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 17

- Philosophy Forum: "Deploying Highly Idealized Models," Dr. Michael Weisberg, U. of Pennsylvania, Morton Hall 200, 7 p.m.
- The Classical Studies Program presents "Raising the Dead: Exercise to Invigorate Latin Students," Raymond Congo, Roberts Hall 419, 7:30 p.m.
- Faculty Recital by Don Bowyer, (Original Compositions), Roberts Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 18

- Hogue Sinfonietta, Charles Hogue, conductor, Roberts Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- UAH Dance Club workshop, UC Exhibit Hall, 1 - 4 p.m. (free for students)

Sunday, Oct. 19

- Faculty Recital by Dr. Sarkis Baltaian, piano, Roberts Recital Hall, 3 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 20

- Art Exhibition by Michelle Wilson, Union Grove Gallery through Oct. 31

Tuesday, Oct. 21

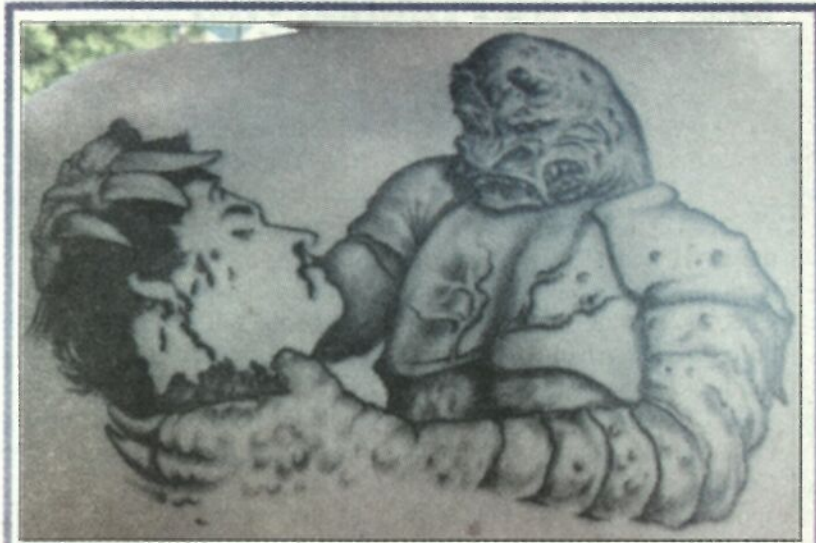
- Honors Forum: "Oral History and the Modern Presidency," Charles Morrissey, Baylor College of Medicine, Franz Hall, 11:10 a.m.
- Volleyball vs. West Georgia, Spragins Hall, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 22

- Career Fair (sponsored by Career Services), UC Exhibit Hall, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- UAH Theatre Presents: "A Doll's House," by Henrik Ibsen, Chan Auditorium, 5:30 p.m.; Oct. 23, 5:30 p.m.; Oct. 24 & 25, 7:30 p.m.; Oct. 26, 2:30 p.m.
- History Lecture: "Life and Memory in America: Oral History in an Age of Public Amnesia," Charles Morrissey, Baylor College of Medicine, Roberts Recital Hall, 7 p.m.

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Sea Monsters to Hummingbirds -- All in Indelible Ink



Chris Matthys -- "It's a sea monster holding a severed human head. It's from the cover of my favorite record by the Angry Samoans." (Photo by: Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)



Andrew Nacilla -- "For me it's a symbol of peace, honor, and the code of the warrior." (Photo by: Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)



Sean Kaloi -- "God save the Queen." (Photo by: Amber Rauschkolb)



Thomas Watts -- "My mom raised me Native American. The AIM stands for American Indian Movement." (Photo by: Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)

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"I have a sea monster holding a severed human head tattooed on my back."
"Really! Can we take a picture?"
Lisa Barbella and Sarah Fisher spent a few hours this past week asking random people a rather abrupt question: "Do you have any tattoos?"
According to Pew Research center, 36 percent of 18-24 year olds have tattoos and 40 percent of 26 to 40 year olds have tattoos. In other words, tons of people and their mother, quite literally, have tattoos. Thanks to all of you who willingly obliged, telling us about your tattoos and awkwardly smiling at us as we snapped your picture.



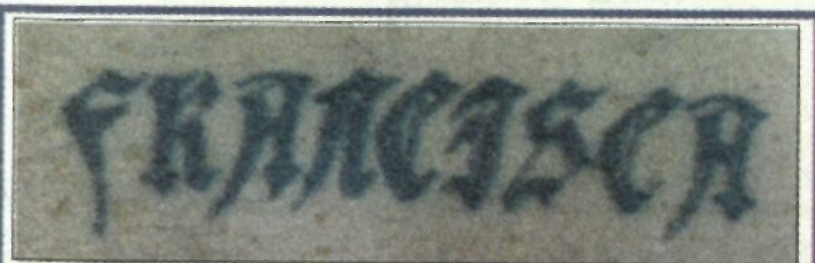
Amber Rauschkolb -- "The day I was cured of Ulcerative colitis, I got this tattoo. It reminds me to laugh at myself everyday and of how much I've had to endure." (Photo by: Amber Rauschkolb)



Veronica Ferreira. "I got this butterfly at a comic book convention. There happened to be a tattoo guy right next to the booth I was in. It was an impulse buy." (Photo by: Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)



Monica Skinner -- "I got it on a mission trip in Miami, to remember everything that happened there." (Photo by: Jason Varnedoe)



Antonio Mazza -- "Francisca and I broke up 3 and half years ago. I have got to find a girl with the same name!" (Photo by: Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)



Monica Gilstrap -- "Half my family is Japanese. The symbol is my family name." (Photo by Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)



Rebecca Purcell -- "I got into a car wreck in March. The hummingbird symbolizes love and the glass symbolizes survival. Survival through love." (Photo by Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)



Will Boyd -- "My mom died. It's a memorial to her." (Photo by: Sarah Fisher and Lisa Barbella)

Hockey Season Begins During Fall Break

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Senior Sports Writer

While most UAH students will be enjoying the few days of Fall Break at various beaches or on family vacations, the Chargers Hockey Team will be heading out to Colorado Springs, Colorado this weekend to suit up for their season opener against Colorado College.

The Tigers of Colorado College is an early season favorite to win the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) title and is the team to beat this season, so the Chargers will get to see some good competition in their season opener.

It will be a two-day visit to the Centennial State for the Chargers, who will take on the Tigers in two games on Friday and Saturday night. And senior forward Derek Conter can't wait for the start of the season.

"Now that our freshmen from last year—our sophomores—have got a bit of maturity and we're starting to work under Coach Cole's system, I'm really excited about this year because the next step in our process will be getting back to being a great hockey team."

Coach Danton Cole is entering his second season at head coach of the UAH hockey program and his first step to returning UAH hockey to greatness was the addition of assistant coach Chris Luongo, who coached the last two seasons at Wayne State. Luongo and Cole have a long history as the two of them played collegiate hockey together at Michigan State for four

years. Luongo replaces Dennis Williams, who left to take an assistant coaching job at Bowling Green State.

To prepare for the upcoming season, Coach Cole had the team begin workouts earlier this year and the team is in better shape because of the earlier workouts. Also, the team has been practicing at the Benton H. Wilcoxon Municipal Ice Complex in south Huntsville, where they have been working



Joseph Federoff (Photo by UAH Hockey)

hard on different drills and plays that they plan to implement and execute during the 2008-09 hockey campaign.

"We're working mostly the new systems that we have under Coach Cole from last year," Senior forward Joe Federoff commented on what the team is working on during practice. "We're building on what we've learned, getting better so that we can score more goals. We didn't score a lot of goals last year and so we're working on finishing off plays and making sure that everyone is on the same page."

As a junior last year, Federoff was second on the team in to-

tal points, scoring seven goals and leading nine assists, on a Chargers team that didn't score many goals. The Chargers ended last season with a 6-21-4 record, a year after they claimed the College Hockey America (CHA) title and advanced to the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Division I Ice Hockey Tournament. This year, the team is planning to improve upon last year's performance. Scoring more goals will be key as well as building upon how well the team played at the conclusion of last season.

"We want to improve upon what we did well during the second half of last year," Sophomore goalie Wyatt Russell stated while taking a break from practice last Sunday evening. "The second half of last year, we played a lot better because we knew what coach wanted of us. For the goalies, we pretty much know what to expect and I think that the goaltending should come through for us more this year as well."

This year will mark the 30th season of hockey here at UAH. As part of the festivities this season, the home opener on October 24th will be an exhibition game against the club team from the University of Tennessee. The exhibition game will be a special one because the first home game ever in UAH hockey history was against Tennessee.

The Chargers are looking forward to the exhibition match against Tennessee, but this weekend they will focus on defeating Colorado College.

Softball Team Prepare For Season By Playing Fall Games

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Like in major league baseball, the UAH Lady Chargers softball team has a "spring training" of sorts by playing softball games during the fall to help them prepare for the actual season in the spring.

"The purpose of fall softball is much like 'spring training,'" Coach Les Stuedeman commented about the team having a fall schedule. "We are working on our fundamentals—hitting, bunting, catching, and throwing. Also, we are working on getting the new people on the same page and comfortable with our team and our philosophy. Improvement in all of those areas helps us improve for the spring season."

The Lady Chargers are undefeated so far this fall season. They opened their fall schedule back in September with the "Houn" Invitational in Decatur, Alabama on September 19th and 20th. The Lady Chargers defeated six opponents in as many games, crushing teams such as Central Alabama, Columbia State, and Calhoun Community College.

On September 27th, the Lady Chargers beat Calhoun again as well as Motlow State. The final score of both games was 7-0. Those two games were played at the UAH softball complex.

Last Saturday, the Lady Char-

gers played three games at Bob Jones High School out in Madison as a part of the UAH Fall Challenge and they defeated Northwest Shoals 4-0, Martin Methodist 9-0, and Birmingham Southern 9-1.

"This fall, we have mostly played against Junior College opponents," Coach Stuedeman said about the level of competition during the fall season. "It is not quite the same level, especially pitching that we will see in the spring; however, we have had some good challenges and every game we play gets us closer to [being] the team we will need to be to compete in the Gulf South Conference (GSC)."

The GSC champs of the 2008 season for the third straight year in a row, the Lady Chargers ended last year's campaign with a 52-9 record overall. The team qualified for the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Division II South Region tournament and fought hard to earn a third trip to the NCAA Division II Softball World Series. After an opening loss to West Florida, the Lady Chargers won two straight games in the loser's bracket against Rollins College and Valdosta State, before their amazing season came to a close with a 1-0 loss to Tampa University.

This upcoming season, the Lady Chargers will be out for revenge. They will be seeking to claim their fourth straight GSC title, their ninth title overall, and they will be seeking to claim a spot in the NCAA Division II Softball World Series. By playing fall softball, hopefully the Lady Chargers will be well prepared in 2009.



Up next this fall for the Lady Chargers is Knockin' Cancer Out of the Ballpark tournament on Saturday, October 18th at Samford University Softball Field.

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CHARGER SPORTS SCOREBOARD

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September 27	Chargers vs Ouachita Baptist	1-1
September 30	Chargers vs Concordia College	1-1
October 3	Martin Methodist vs Chargers	4-2
Women's Soccer Record 5-4-1		
September 27	Chargers vs Ouachita Baptist	4-0
October 3	Chargers vs North Alabama	2-0
October 5	Chargers vs West Georgia	2-2
Volleyball Record 1-19		
September 26	Rollins vs Chargers	3-1
Lynn vs Chargers		3-0
September 27	Saint Leo vs Chargers	3-1
Florida Tech vs Chargers		3-0
September 30	Montevallo vs Chargers	3-2
October 6	Lee vs Chargers	3-1

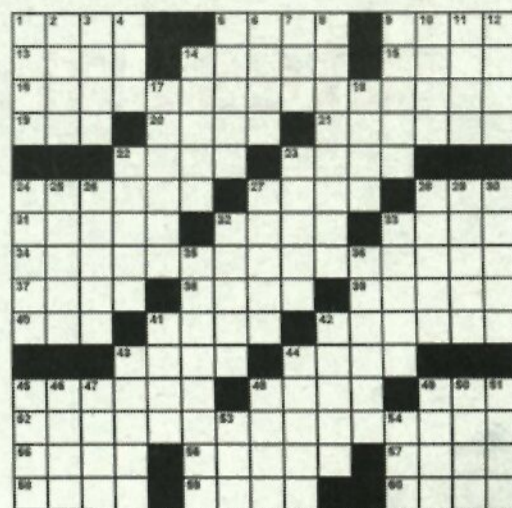
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Crossword

Global Warming

- Across**
- Go-_____
 - Mall event
 - Blood vessel obstruction
 - Mayberry tyke
 - Take out of the package
 - BMW rival
 - Calm and relaxed
 - FDR successor
 - Table parts
 - Current measure
 - Hides in the closet?
 - Star players, briefly
 - Old Testament book
 - Fluffy neckwear
 - "The Hustler" prop
 - Where the buoys are
 - Word after near or far
 - Breathe hard
 - Not playing
 - Great Lakes city
 - Johnson of "Laugh-In"
 - Fluster
 - Bar stock
 - Quarry
 - Assassin
 - Treaty
 - Tattle
 - Tightwad
 - Fork prong
 - Winter bug
 - Bed warmers
 - Shepard in space
 - More aloof
 - Leak slowly
 - Trueheart of "Dick Tracy"
 - Old fool
 - Course guidelines?
- Down**
- One-time Big Apple mayor
 - Mil. addresses
 - Uprising
 - Bus. card abbr.
 - Hose woes
 - Basics
 - CNN's Dobbs
 - Dig up
 - Army facilities
 - Garage job
 - German border river
 - Lose steam
 - Computer operators
 - Fund-raising targets
 - Diamond experts
 - Olympic symbol
 - Israel's Dayan
 - Word with cord or lunch
 - Hair-raising
 - Eagle's home
 - Loco
 - Halloween treats
 - Cry of surrender
 - Old anesthetic
 - Everglades wader
 - Piano part
 - Opium, e.g.
 - Seen at the Lincoln Center
 - Bear of literature
 - Tijuana title
 - King protectors
 - Nepal neighbor
 - Friendly conversation
 - Pocket problem
 - J.F.K. postings
 - Peter, Paul and Mary, e.g.
 - Kind of collar
 - Sinister look
 - Fed-ex competitor
 - Environmental prefix
 - Recipe amt.



SGA From Pg. 1



Candidates for SGA Presidential Ticket. Left to Right: Jeremy Beard(VP), David Webb(P), Megan Bush(VP), Nevin Fowler(P), Andrew Hazen(VP), Anthony Bowling(P). (Photos by: Amber Rauschkolb)

Student Governments overall progress. He believes that this could be done through a SGA newsletter.

Secondly we have Nevin Fowler (P) and Megan Bush (VP).

Bush relayed the point that she wants to bring the University up to its full potential. This, she believes, is not being done under the current administration, due to the lack of

participation. Fowler believes that the future of school lies with the current student body. Through his speech he pointed out that students at the University do not believe that they can make a difference. However by bringing new students into SGA, it will prove to the current student population that new voices can be heard.

Finally there is David Webb (P) and Jeremy Beard (VP). His speech was a bit different than the other candidates. Beard was named as one of the ten senatorial members up for removal from office. This was an issue that he addressed quite pointedly. He promised that issue which was keeping him from attending meetings had been resolved and would not present to be an issue ever again. Webb addressed the senate in saying, "The SGA isn't seen as a credible organization." He, like Bowling, thought that the issue of campus safety needed to be made a high priority.

This election will be one for the books. With the end of an era rapidly coming to a close, what will be SGA's fate? Elections are being held October 15th and 16th.

Quotable Quote

You can't learn in school what the world is going to do next year.

... Henry Ford

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