Crime Wave Hits Campus: Computers Go Missing

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Staff Writer

There has been an increase in computer thefts at UAH over the last several months. Several weeks ago, two computers were stolen out of the Exponent Office. Last semester, the Audiovisual Department had several laptops stolen.

The computers taken from the Exponent Office include a Macintosh Mini, which was less than two years old and valued at about $700. The other computer was about 5 or 6 years old. Records show that the computers have not been connected to the network as of January 18th. When the Exponent went toprint, no serial numbers for these computers had been provided by the University.

"We attempted to contact the University several times in order to give the police the information that they needed and have received no reply," said Editor Karen Pallins.

"(The stolen Exponent computers) is the last reported theft from the 'old' UAH campus area," said Chief of UAH Police Charles Hall. "One, my students don't have key access to the Shelby Center. Two, in order to get into the University Center, there would be a record where they came in the door. Third, why would my students steal a computer that they also profusely begged me to buy so that we could use it? It's an integral part of what we do; it makes their lives easier. They bought the computer with what they wanted on it to accomplish the tasks that they wanted to try and accomplish, and to try and take this department to where they wanted to take it. And for them to steal that computer and limit their capability was just beyond me. I just didn't think that was the case."

The computer was signed onto a network system somewhere on campus using Hall's password. He believes that the password was saved on the computer when the computer was set up on the wireless network. "I told police that I didn't even know what my password was," he said. "So I don't see how any of my students could have gotten it."

If you know anything or have any information about these thefts, please contact the UAH Police Department as soon as possible.

Construction on North Side of Campus Continues with Library Upgrades

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Staff Writer

The Salmon Library is receiving a facelift. Construction started on January 26th with a 90-day contract with Lee Builders Inc. The Project Superintendent, Paul Bergmann, is not only giving the outside a more modern look with an extended concrete wall lined with hedge plants and shrubs; but the company has also been contracted to ensure the longevity of the building. The price of this preservation project is around $165,000.

Originally, Salmon Library was built in three phases—the first phase in 1969, phase two in 1978, and the last phase in 2001. Now, the maintenance workers are replacing the foundation from the initial phase built in 1969. "We had no choice," said Mike Finnegan, "there was cracking in the foundation and the support of the building needed to be modified and updated along with having e-glass put into the doors. The exits were not meeting code for the safety in case of an emergency; however, as a by-product the 'old entrance' was torn down." People who are unfamiliar with the library felt that the appearance of the steps on the west wall was a false entrance and would have to continue the search for the allusive front door.

There are no plans to make any of the four new exits into entrances to the building. "We would have to double the man power to those doors for security purposes and it would cost almost double to do so; its best we keep the front entrance the only entrance," remarked Dr. Luquire, Dean of the Library. Some students are frustrated that none of these doors will be accessible for an entrance; while others are more hurt that the original entrance was taken away. "It is disappointing to see that we cannot preserve our history," commented former President of Student Government Association, Samuel N. Parks.

SGA Road Trip to Niagara

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Senior News Writer

The 2009 road trip to Niagara, New York to see the Charger hockey team take on the Niagara University Purple Eagles is set for March 5th through March 8th. The annual trip is sponsored by the SGA.

The trip will commence on March 5th at 7:00 pm when the buses leave UAH. The planned arrival time in Niagara is 2:00 pm on March 6th. The Chargers will play at 6:00 pm on the evenings of the 6th and the 7th. The buses will arrive back at UAH at 3:00 pm on March 8th.

Tickets can be purchased at the University Center information desk for $100. A minimum payment of $40 is required when the ticket is purchased and the rest of the payment must be made before March 3rd. A copy of your class schedule and a photo I.D. are required to buy a ticket. 120 tickets are available on a first come first serve basis.
**Oak Ridge Research Labs Coming to UAH**

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Recently, President Dr. David Williams revealed that UAH is going to be partnering with Oak Ridge National Laboratory to do research here in Huntsville. The president intends for the collaboration between UAH and Oak Ridge to be beneficial for both the laboratory and UAH. Oak Ridge is going to be using UAH as a base for operations in Huntsville, working with the university and the surrounding technological agencies in the area, such as Marshall Space Flight Center and Redstone Arsenal.

Oak Ridge’s prestige should be very beneficial for UAH’s national profile. Oak Ridge National Laboratory was originally created in 1943 as part of the Manhattan Project, which was the American attempt at building an atomic bomb. Now, Oak Ridge does research for the Department of Energy as the largest science and energy laboratory for DOE.

No new construction will be necessary to house the personnel from the laboratory. Oak Ridge researchers are already on the UAH campus in the Olin B. King Technology Hall. This is notable for UAH as it is the only university to have Oak Ridge offices on campus, likely helped by Huntsville’s proximity to Oak Ridge, Tennessee where the lab is based. Because of Oak Ridge’s connection to the Department of Energy, it may be useful in bringing in DOE dollars to the Huntsville area.

Oak Ridge’s stay on campus should be directly beneficial to UAH financially. UAH is renting the Tech Hall space to the Oak Ridge personnel, who will also be paid by Oak Ridge National Laboratory rather than by UAH. Although specific research projects were never stated by the president, possible projects include work on nanotechnology, renewable energy sources, astrophysics, and data-mining using the laboratory’s extremely powerful Cray XT Jaguar supercomputer.

**UAH Spring Job Fair**

**SARAH FISHER**  
Staff Writer

The UAH Spring Job Fair is March 10th and 11th from 9am-2pm in the UAH Spring Job Fair. Representatives from more than 50 companies will be in attendance. Companies such as Boeing, Colsa, Intergraph, Huntsville City Schools, and SAI will be present. Whether you want to work at ADTRAN or Walt Disney, the UAH job fair will provide a great opportunity to meet with prospective employers.

So, dress up, polish off your resume, practice a nice firm handshake, and walk over to the Spring Job Fair on March 10th and 11th. UAH Career Services sponsors the job fair, and a full list of companies in attendance as well as more information is available at http://www.uah.edu/careerservices/.

**Professor James Horowitz Passes Away**

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Dr. James Horowitz, a physics professor who dedicated 25 years of his life to UAH, passed away recently at the age of 60.

Dr. Horowitz taught mostly graduate level plasma physics classes, and would occasionally teach intro physics classes. Much of his time was spent helping graduate students with their thesis or dissertation. Dr. Horowitz also helped edit a book titled “Particle Acceleration in Astrophysical Plasmas: Geospace and Beyond,” prominently on display in the Optics Building. He even served as the Associate Director of the Center for Plasma and Aeronautics Research before he left UAH.

At the University of Texas in Arlington had the pleasure of appointing Dr. Horowitz to the Physics Department Chair of their university in 2004.

“This is a sad event for all his friends and colleagues here at UAH,” said Dr. James Miller, the Physics Department Chair. “We miss him greatly, and his passing was way too premature.”

**SGA Hears Provost on Class Changes**

**BETH FAULK**  
Staff Writer

UAH Provost Dr. Vistasp Karbhari attended the SGA meeting on Monday, February 23 to discuss the ending of M/W classes in favor of M/W/F. Many students, concerned about the changes and the impact that these changes would have on the entire campus body, attended as well.

“Monday/Wednesday/Friday seems to have hit a chord amongst a lot of people, and that is wonderful," said Dr. Karbhari. “Not because there is a big uproar about it but because people are really talking about it, and that’s great.”

Dr. Karbhari tried to put the issue at hand in perspective. He explained that a student generally has a certain schedule three days of the week (in this case, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday), while they would be on a different schedule for the other two days of the week.

“The main challenge that we have here is that we have a vriety of different schedules," he said. “We have a schedule that starts at 8 o’clock, we have a schedule that starts at 9 o’clock, we have a schedule that starts at 9 o’clock, we have a schedule that starts at 12 o’clock, and that creates a major problem-a major problem in terms of scheduling classrooms, a major problem in scheduling classes.”

One of the issues raised was whether the changes would adversely affect the work schedules of those students that co-op or must work a full-time job while attending school.

“It’s going to be impossible to come up with a schedule that everyone is happy with," said Dr. Karbhari. “But the purpose of doing something like this [is so that] we have a schedule that everyone can count on. You know when class is going to start, you know when class is going to end.”

When asked why the University was not aiming for a four-day week (many have suggested that this would actually save the University more money than the current plan), the Provost pointed out that it is not realistic to squeeze everything into four days. “If we squeeze all classes into four days, we can’t do it. If we had enough faculty [to teach] multiple classes in the same day (just keep in mind that faculty members get tired as well), if we had enough classrooms that could accommodate all the students who wanted to take them, if we could make sure that we didn’t have clashes between classes, it would be an option. But it’s not an option because of all that.”

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Tempted to skip class? Blame it on your biological make-up. This time of year, daffodils perk up, birds warble outside your bedroom window, flip-flops make a comeback, and your hormones make you want to skip a certain afternoon class in search of some rays and fresh air.

According to an article by the "Los Angeles Times," the shift in melatonin and serotonin levels marks the onset of Spring Fever. Melatonin is the hormone that governs your sleep cycles during winter and decreases as the days grow longer. Serotonin is the chemical which is thought to ante up your energy, alertness, and the likelihood of being love-struck.

Though such symptoms are usually enjoyed, sometimes they are downright agonizing. When the weather threatens us by dipping down to frozen temps and then jumps back up to unseasonable highs, it can take a toll on our mood.

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Though most of the people surveyed did not indicate their major, 13 did. Of the 13, ten are in the Science and Engineering fields. The remaining answers were Business (2) and Nursing (1). No Liberal Arts students or faculty said that they used the facility.

 ':'Intermodal Parking Facility' is a mouthful to say, but that's not much of a problem since most people are not using it, let alone talking about it.

Staff writer Honoka Eguichi surveyed 86 students and faculty in an effort to determine the use of the Intermodal Parking Facility. On most days, the garage is not filled to capacity and to find out why, Eguichi questioned students and faculty across all disciplines.

Of the 86 surveyed, only 13 people, or 15%, said they use the IPP. Those who do use the facility said they use it either because it is "convenient" (69%) or "always open/the regular parking lots are full" (31%).

Those who indicated that they do not use the facility have their reasons. Most people, 67% of them, said that the facility is "inconvenient," "too far," or that they have no classes nearby. The second most popular answer, at 16%, was that other parking lots were available. Seven percent said that they like to walk, ride bikes, or do not drive. The remaining 10 percent gave other reasons for not using the facility.

Though the sample size for this survey reflects a small portion of the UAH community, it suggests that the facility benefits those who work and learn on the south side of Holmes Avenue. Data suggests that the facility may be a poor investment, but future endeavors will most likely verify its construction.

A new residence hall, which is projected to include "a dining facility supported by vendors in a "food court" type setting" will

KATE BLAKE
Staff Writer

Theater at UAH opens this semester with one of the most popular off-Broadway musicals in America, Alan Menken and Howard Ashman's [Little Shop of Horrors]. When the play opens on Feb. 26, attendees will enjoy a pitch-perfect evening of gothic horror—but it's what theatergoers don't see that makes the difference.

What they don't see is the months of preparation that goes into the show. Seven weeks into rehearsals for [Little Shop of Horrors], choral coach Erin Glowitz stands rehearsals with vocal exercises for the eighteen cast members. Volunteer acting coach Patricia Killey—herself a Broadway veteran—advise lead Ryan Pest, who plays Seymour Krelborn, on his pacing. Killey is here to help students with choreography and movement. Meanwhile, director and production designer David Harwell dances around the stage fine-tuning timing and offering motivation. It's all part of creating an unforgettable piece with tenderness.

This musical is a treat for all theater-goers. A group of students, led by Ryan Pest, put on a show that is just as entertaining to watch as it is to listen to. The show features several iconic songs that are sure to get stuck in your head, such as "Funhouse" and "We're Not In Love."

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Balancing College, Kids and Life

SARAH FISHER
Staff Writer

As a Junior at UAH, Veronica Ferreira is double majoring in History and Sociology with a minor in Women's Studies. She is involved in numerous clubs and honor societies on campus including the History Club and Phi Alpha Theta. As if that isn't enough, Ferreira is also the happily married mother of four. So after a long day of classes, Ferreira, like many other college parents, goes home to four kids with which to contend.

Drew McCune Suiter, Secondary Education Social Science major, is back at UAH for her second degree. Suiter is student teaching at Bob Jones this semester, earning up class work, while taking care of two teenagers and a twelve year old.

I think that I have busy days.

Ferreira, Suiter, and I talked about the challenges and rewards of being both a parent and a college student.

Why did you come back to school?

"I wanted to come back to school for two reasons - 1) I love academic work, 2) I wanted to do something for me - the kids will only be young a few more years, and I wanted to do something that was mine."

Can you give me an idea of a typical day?

Suiter: "On Monday, for instance, I'll be at Bob Jones from 7:10-4:00 or so, then I get home about 4:15, make something for dinner, then take my daughter to her flute tutor at 5:30. Tuesday it's Bob Jones from 7:00-3:25, UAH education seminar from 4-5, then I take her to her Girl Scout meeting at 6. I'm spending my weekend putting together lesson plans and trying to be a wife and mom. This semester is sort of easier than the previous ones since I don't have mass quantities of reading and writing to do, but it's stressful trying to keep everyone happy."

What is the hardest part of being a parent and a college student?

Ferreira: "Busy weeks at school are the hardest for me. Children don't understand, "Mommy needs to get this paper done" or "Mommy has a killer exam tomorrow." My first semester here, I was studying for Dr. Booch's final, and my youngest had the flu. I had to hold her in my lap and try to comfort her and study the Reformation at the same time."

How do you do it? Really, how to you juggle family responsibility, class work, not to mention the extracurricular activities in which you are involved?

Ferreira: "I run the family like a corporation...everyone has their own job and they bring in their share of the bills over the place that tell each family member what their respective responsibilities are. I rarely ever grant now. When I got my first
degree from UAH back in '93, I didn't really appreciate it the way I do now. I love learning, I feel confident in my knowledge, and I have concrete goals. When you're in college, you really have to be focused on what it is you're doing."

Despite the challenges, these women and other parents on the UAH campus succeed both academically and personally. Though both of these women could teach a time management course, they also exude a sense of pride in what they have accomplished. The middle child's school for the following seven weeks so I can spend a little extra time with her. I'm busy, but I really only that thing that I do very well is school-related, at least in my mind. Housework has to go on the back burner when I get busy, and I don't have time to cook anything elaborate. Family dinner? As if."

Do you think that being a parent and a college student gives you a different perspective?

Ferreira: "Without insulting anyone's character, I think I take college more seriously now. I went to school right out of high school and dropped out. Now, I know what's at stake on a level I couldn't comprehend before. I am a role model, and I'm on student loans, so I'm borrowing from our future (financially speaking). If I don't give it all my love, there are the things I risk, and that's too precious to gamble with. This is not to say that my kids don't get the fair share, just that this is why I am motivated."

What is the best thing about being a parent and a college student?

Ferreira: "The best thing about being a parent and a college student for me is that I can show my kids what goes into a college degree and how and why all of that work is worth it. Plus, it feels fabulous to have your five-year-old say Mommy I am so proud of you!"

~ Veronica Ferreira, a UAH Junior

Is Financing Your Education Giving You Grief? There is Help

BETH FAULK
Staff Writer

With the recent hikes in the cost of tuition, and more looming on the horizon, many students are left wondering how they will be able to continue paying for their education. If you feel like you have nowhere left to turn, then don't worry: there is help available.

"For a student who has a maximum need - they've applied for financial aid and their expected contribution is zero (meaning that they were not expected to pay any of their expenses based on their financial circumstances) depending on their grade level and dependency status, it is possible to cover all your expenses with a combination of grants and loans," said Andy Weaver, the Director of Financial Services.

For some students, however, a student loan may simply not be enough. Perhaps the student is a single parent who is working a full-time job and raising a child while going to school, or the student receives no monetary assistance from parents, and must support themselves while paying for college at the same time. In this case, the Office of Student and Financial Services will work individually with students.

For example, if you are a dependent student (basically, you still exist on your parent's payroll) then one option is that the parents, as well as the student, can borrow. If, for whatever reason, the parents cannot borrow, the student loan can be increased to make up the difference, or the student can be treated as an independent, for which the limits are higher. Naturally, this will increase the amount that has to be paid back in the future-so think carefully about whether this is the right option for you or not.

If an independent student has maxed out their student loans, and still can't afford to live and pay for school, then they may be directed to private student loans. "That's a last resort, because the interest rates are higher, and more credit contingent. Students [may] have to have a child or an income source, or a co-signer: There's a few more strings attached to those," said Weaver. "But UAH's volume with those alternate loans has increased exponentially in the last few years, because of course tuition has gone up higher than the inflation rate."

Students should also note that when the Financial Aid package is created, more than just tuition is taken into account. "We take all things into account, we don't just look at what your tuition is going to be. We make allowances if you have dependents of your own, medical expenses, things like that," said Weaver.

There are also other private funding sources, such as FirstWeb.com. In this case, you provide the necessary information, and the website will find scholarships that best fit you. While this option may not work for all students, it is definitely worth doing, because it only requires a small amount of time-and could have big results.

However, Weaver cautions against some sites that charge for their services. For example, FAFSA.com provides the same services as FAFSA.gov, except that FAFSA.com charges you a fee. "FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid and is the only government that's the reason that they put the free word on it to remind you that you shouldn't really have to pay for the FAFSA and you shouldn't really have to pay for scholarship searches," notes Weaver.

Scholarships are also available on the UAH Financial Aid Website. You only need to fill out one application-your information will be compiled into a database, and you will be matched with every scholarship that you qualify for. The UAH scholarship application, as well as a need analysis form and a list of all UAH scholarships can be found at http://finaid.uah.edu/scholarships.php.

So no matter what your circumstances are, there are ways to pay for the education that you want and deserve. "My advice for the students is really, just be proactive. Students now have a tremendous advantage over previous generations" with the internet. You can spend an hour at night searching for scholarship stuff, and it's worth 20 years what you can do manually."
Student Suffers Trials and Tribulations of Multiple Jobs and School

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Senior News Writer

The rise in cost to attend UAH combined with the hard economic times that are partially to blame for the tuition spike has effected every segment of the student population. However, for the many UAH students who are self-supporting, higher costs means facing difficult decisions about how to allocate their money. In some cases the education that students once took for granted has become a luxury that they can no longer afford.

Samuel Parks, a senior political science major, was forced to work extra hours to keep up with the recent tuition hikes. "To pay for living expenses and schooling I currently work two part time jobs with a combined total of 55 to 60 hours per week," says Parks. "My dual jobs allow me to work long hours with little time to study. As one might imagine I am also a single parent."

When you are worried about finances you can't concentrate on school, everything done in academics is just to meet the requirements."

"Like Dr. Williams, states see students as numbers surrounding access to education have gone astray. When UAH offered its first classes 1950 it cost 20 dollars to take 12 credit hours. Adjusting for inflation 20 dollars in 1950 has the same buying power as 175.22 dollars in 2009. So why then are many feel that the tuition increase was arbitrarily raised to meet a quota or to arbitrarily influence the fact that UAH's budget deficit for this fiscal year will reach 800 million dollars. Although the magnitude of tuition was below the Southern University Group average is particularly troubling to struggling students. "When tuition is arbitrarily raised to meet a quota or to appear to be a cheap university we have lost site of our social responsibility" states Parks.

Parks feels that taking on student loans is not the quick fix for struggling students. According to the Parks, this school of thought demonstrates a lack of understanding about 21st century college students. Even for students willing to take on the debt, the floundering economy has made it much more difficult to get the money they need. "No one is giving loans to students with no credit to their names" claims Parks. Unfortunately for students in Parks' circumstances, there is appears to be little relief in sight. An August 2008 estimate by the Legislative Budget Office predicts that the state budget deficit for this fiscal year will reach 800 million dollars. Although the magnitude of tuition cuts for education are still being debated, an increased deficit will almost certainly translate into even higher tuition increases next school year.

Higher education is often the first to be put on the chopping block when funds are cut because universities have other forms of income including tuition and endowments. Many feel that despite the budget cuts coming down from the state legislature the tuition spikes have been unnecessarily high. The claim that the tuition increase was budget cuts for education are still being debated, an increased deficit will almost certainly translate into even higher tuition increases next school year.

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In many cases, students have lost their scholarships and funding due to working long hours with little time to study. "As one might imagine with two jobs and a child it impacted my schooling rather negatively and I lost my financial aid," said Jason. "I am currently taking steps to regain loans and grants, but that means I have to pay for school completely out of my pocket and have resorted to only taking one class per semester if I am lucky." According to Mr. Andrew Weaver, the Director of Student Financial Services, students requesting for financial aid has soared up by 11 percent.

Not being able to attend classes and receive an education is one thing, but being kicked out of school is another. Jonathan Smith, an engineering student at UAH, had his summer classes canceled and was literally kicked out of school due to his lack of payment last year. "I spent most of the evening in the engineering lab catching up on lab homework until it closed, and then I could not find my way home," he stated. He also expressed his feelings toward other students with similar problems, "I will never want any student or person to experience what I went through, but as more and more students begin to experience financial hardship this will be a growing trend among UAH students."

So what do you do when you find yourself in financial trouble? First try visiting the Financial Aid office at the University Center for more help and counseling. "If it gets to the point where you're considering dropping out, come and talk to us to see if we have any options for you," says Mr. Weaver.

-Staff Writer

Economy Choose School or Rent

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Staff Writer

Midterms and papers aren't the only things that college students are worried about these days. Even with financial aid, many are struggling to keep up with the recent tuition hikes. "To pay for living expenses and schooling I currently work two part time jobs with a combined total of approximately 50 hours per week," says Jason Varnedoe, a sophomore double majoring in Physics and Computer Science. He not only works as much or more than the average American - he is also a single parent.

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Hockey Season Coming to a Close

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Senior Sports Writer

After suffering another losing season, with some rough patches along the way as well as some excitement and thrills, the 2008-2009 campaign is coming to end for the UAH hockey season next weekend. On February 16 and 17, the Chargers will travel to Niagara Falls, New York, along with a bulbos of eager fans, students from the university, and alumni who are dedicated to supporting our hockey team, to take on Niagara in a highly anticipated rematch two-game series, a significant set of games for UAH.

"It's obviously important to us with only a few points separating us from Robert Morris (RMU) in the standings," Senior Derek Conter expressed the importance of the Niagara games. "It is necessary that we give ourselves some breathing room.

The Chargers will be entering the last two games of the season with a 5-18-3 record overall and a 3-10-3 record in College Hockey America (CHA) action. This will mark the third two-game set against Niagara this season. The first two series took place at the friendly confines of the Von Braun Center and the Chargers have a 1-2-1 record against the Purple Eagles. Next weekend, they will be looking for two wins to not only end the season on a high note but also exact revenge against a CHA foe on the road.

"We've learned that we can beat anyone in our conference, but only when we play Charger hockey—fast paced and hard nosed," Conter added. "When we see teams as many times in the season, like we do in the CHA, we are able to easily pick up on the tendencies of teams which puts us in a good position to adjust our systems accordingly."

In the last two games against Niagara, the Chargers lost the first game 4-2 before taking the second game with a 3-1 victory. In the loss, the Chargers gave up three unanswered goals to the Purple Eagles in the second period after UAH had jumped ahead early in the game with a power play goal from freshman Cody Campbell, which was his sixth score of the season. Then, UAH made a two-score game when junior Kevin Morrison notched the second first period goal.

In the game that sealed the Chargers' fate came on the holiday that is famous for love. The Chargers traveled down to Pensacola, Florida to take on West Florida in front of a crowd that showed Alabama-Huntsville no love for the entire game. Despite playing before a tough crowd, junior center Cody Jones had 22 points and a career-high 16 rebounds. Luc Graves had 14 points while freshman Josh Magette had 13 points.

After the loss to UNA, the Chargers fell to 0-2 on the season against that school from Florence, as the Lions roared in the second half of action. The game had been close throughout the first half and about midway through the second half until UNA went on a 13-0 run that left the Chargers unable to catch up. UNA's Kenny Johnson had a game-high 22 points as well as seven assists, while Jones led UAH with 13 points, the only Charger who scored in double digits, and grabbed eight rebounds.

After the loss to UNA, the Chargers are no longer a top the GSC East Division and they find themselves in a tie for second place with UNA, Valdosta State has claimed first place with an 8-3 GSC record and the Chargers both have a 7-4 GSC record.

The last game of the season for the Chargers is a non-conference match against Flagler at home on February 28, five days before the start of the GSC tournament on March 4.

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Hockey
Record 5-18-3
February 13
Niagara/UAH 4/2
February 14
UAH/Niagara 3/1
February 20
Robert Morris/UAH 3/1
February 21
Robert Morris/UAH 6/3

Women's Basketball
Record 7-19
February 12
Valdosta State/UAH 61/47
February 14
UAH-West Florida 76/73
February 21
North Alabama/UAH 90/71

Men's Basketball
Record 16-9
February 12
Valdosta State/UAH 81/63
February 14
UAH-West Florida 67/61
February 21
UAH/North Alabama 74/60

Baseball
Record 8-2
February 14
UAH/KY Wesleyan 3/0
February 15
UAH/KY Wesleyan 14/2
February 15
UAH/KY Wesleyan 8/1
February 15
UAH/KY Wesleyan 5/1

Softball
Record 6-0
February 20
UAH/Alabama State 9/1
February 24
UAH/Indiana 6/1
February 21
UAH/Wayne State 16/20
February 23
UAH/Ivy 5/4
February 24
UAH/Lewis 7/6
February 24
UAH/Georgia 3/1

Tennis
Men's Record 3-0
February 15
UAH/A&H 6/2
February 22
UAH/Christian Bros. 9/0
February 23
UAH/Delta State 3/0
Delta State/UAH 9/0

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Basketball Winds Down

RAYMOND GILSTRAP
Senior Sports Writer

It is official; after a much needed win against Gulf South Conference (GSC) foe West Florida on Valentine's Day, the UAH men's basketball team is post-season bound. With the victory against West Florida, the Chargers clinched a spot in the GSC tournament, which will be held in Saratoga, Mississippi on March 4-8.

The huge win came a week before the Chargers fell out of first place in the GSC East Division with a lost to rival North Alabama (UNA), 74-60.

In the game that sealed the Chargers' fate came on the holiday that is famous for love. The Chargers traveled down to Pensacola, Florida to take on West Florida in front of a crowd that showed Alabama-Huntsville no love for the entire game. Despite playing before a tough crowd, junior center Cody Jones had 22 points and a career-high 16 rebounds. Luc Graves had 14 points while freshman Josh Magette had 13 points.

The last game of the season for the Chargers is a non-conference match against Flagler at home on February 28, five days before the start of the GSC tournament on March 4.

Raymond Gilstrap
GREEK SPEAK

ATQ

Alpha Tau Omega's "Black and White" theme party was a huge success. The sea of well-dressed people packed into the chapter's house, the professional DJ turned the music to eleven, and everyone danced into the night. It was a lot of fun to throw this party for everyone on campus, and we would like to thank everyone for coming out and having a good time!

ATO took part in UAH's 13th Annual Chili Cook-Off, using a recipe perfected by a late brother, Paul Salmon, and his parents. Thanks to that delicious dish, we won "Best Campus Organization Chili." Thanks again to Mr. and Mrs. Salmon for making that possible!

In the coming weeks, ATO has some brotherhood events in the works, as well as plans to show up in force to support our university on Higher Ed Day. Quite a few of us are also going to Niagara to show support for our Chargers hockey team as they face the Purple Eagles!

Crossword

Across
1. Added conditions
5. Fig or fir
9. Give this for that
13. Damage
14. The mating game?
15. Bathroom liner
16. Biblical twin
17. Assists
18. Loads
19. "71 Rod Stewart hit
21. Road map units
22. Inquisitive
23. Certain iPod
24. Instant
27. Directed
29. Accumulate
30. Elegance
32. Folder's challenge
34. Florida
35. Looks for
36. Sugar source
37. Diva's problem
38. Tend to the turkey
39. Dubliners author
40. Chronicles
42. Neigh sayers
43. Grape choice
44. Nest noise
46. Hair twist
48. Washington hotel
52. Floral gifts
53. Military wear
54. Fair sight
55. Choice word
56. Anguish
57. It may be gray
58. Salon supplies
59. Blowout
60. Do banker's work

Down
1. Attention getter
2. Pioneer org.
3. Lung
4. Complacency
5. Motif
6. Meet event
7. Spot
8. Slalom part
9. Walnut and others
10. A giant?
11. It soothes
12. Favorites
14. Treasure holder
20. Charged particles
21. Pageant title
23. Patriots' Randy
24. Earn
25. Greek finale
26. Dell request
27. Make rake
28. High school event
30. Pool start
31. Rent
33. Supply center?
35. Realtor's goal
36. Radar was one
38. Chicago, for one
39. Piano Man singer Billy
41. Squeak and squeal
42. Neigh sayers
43. Sugar source
44. Looks for
45. Lambs' challenge
46. Washington hotel
47. Blowout
50. First place?
51. "... my lips"
52. Floral gifts
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From NIAGRA Pg. 7

served basis. The cost of the ticket covers transportation to and from Niagara, the hotel, and a t-shirt. Students who wish to cross into the Canadian part of Niagara must bring either a passport or a driver's license and an original copy of your birth certificate. For more information contact Samuel Parks at parkss@email.uah.edu.

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goal for the Chargers.
Niagara retaliated with a power play goal on their own by blasting one past sophomore goalie Cameron Talbot late in the first period. Next, came the second period and Niagara secured the win with their three unanswered goals, coming from behind to shock the Chargers and the home crowd.

In the second game, the Chargers’ fortune was reversed as they received their first win against Niagara this year by winning 3-1. The Chargers jumped out to a 3-0 lead and never looked back. Morrison, sophomore forward Andrew Coburn scored the goals, with Coburn striking twice. Sophomore Kyle Goodchild, senior center Joe Fedcroff, freshman defenseman Tom Durm, and junior Brandon Rosko, senior Matt Sweazy, and Campbell all had assist in the contest. Talbot also had 21 saves in the game.

On Friday, March 6, the Chargers will head up to the Canadian border to try and make it two in a row against Niagara. The end of the hockey regular season is near.

From PROVOST Pg. 2

Dr. Karbhari is working hard to keep the communication lines open between students and the administration. "I would love to have a closer relationship with SGA," said Dr. Karbhari. He is meeting with multiple leaders of student organizations in the future to facilitate communication on campus. He encouraged students to talk with him about any concerns that they might have, including those not centered around the changing schedule.

From PARKING Pg. 7

be built next to the IFF. With the completion of this residence hall set for Fall 2010 and the requirement that all freshman and sophomore students living outside a 30-mile radius of UAH must live on campus, IFF usage will most likely increase.

From HORIZONS Pg. 7

plus Harwell's professional attention to every detail, combines for extraordinary results. [Little Shop of Horrors] opens in Chan Auditorium on at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 26, and runs Feb. 27-28 at 7:30 p.m., with a 2:30 p.m. matinee on March 1 and a showing at 5:30 p.m. March 4. It ends its run March 5-7 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is $6 for students and $12 for the general public.

From SKIPPING Pg. 7

nel or El where you'll be whisked away shows such as feature exotic vacations, the largest yachts, most expensive cars, or even Most Beautiful Beaches in the World.

Also, make sure that you let sunlight shining in and warming up the room is definitely a mood booster. Take shelter from tundra-like weather at Parkway Place or Madison Square Mall where shopping for spring clothes or a bathing suit will have you forgetting the frigid temps and planning for flip-flops and tank tops. Leave the trip to Bridge Street until the weather warms up.

When the temps spike back up again, head outdoors and enjoy the break from the cold. Go to the Huntsville Botanical Garden to witness spring in its infancy, have a hand at disc golf, or check into the UAH Cycling Club's on-campus bike rides. You can even stop by the skate park or dog park under the overpass on the Parkway and University to watch others bask in the new season's offerings.

While your chemical composition can give you justice for skipping out on that history lecture, don't depend on it for every urge to forgo class. Just remember that it isn't your fault your mood fluctuates with the weather changes and take advantage of each twist and turn. It can only get warmer as the days go on.

Sudoku

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusive.

Quotable Quote

People ask me what I do in winter when there's no baseball, I'll tell you what I do. I stare out the window and wait for spring.

*** Rogers Hornsby

Solutions to last issue's puzzles:

1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 2
2 4 6 1 9 3 8 7 5
6 2 5 7 1 9 8 3 4
4 5 9 2 3 8 7 6 1
8 1 2 6 9 7 4 5 3
7 6 3 1 4 5 2 8 9
9 7 5 2 3 1 5 6 4
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