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Senator Albert Gore and Congressman Morris Udall have introduced resolutions before the Senate and House of Representativesthat officially recognize April 22, 1990 as Earth Day and call for "a decade of the environment."

The Earth Day movement can be traced back to 1970, when Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin proclaimed April 22 to be "Earth Day." Twenty years of environmental action will culminate on the twentieth anniversary of Earth Day on April 22, 1990.

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compiled by Lawrence F. Specker
associate editor

Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd and Senator Robert Stafford were among those who announced May 15, 1990 that Congress and the President will discuss global environmental issues and potential worldwide challenges. Senator Richard Lugar, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that environmental protection will be a major theme of his committee's overseas tour this fall.

The first national Earth Day, celebrated 20 years ago in April of 1970, was a massive demonstration in the nation's history. More than 20 million people participated in the event that gave birth to the modern environmental movement.

Today millions of Americans are searching for an effective and dramatic vehicle to demonstrate their concern for the environment. Earth Day 1990 will be encouraging individuals to commit "for the record" by signing a "pledge" challenging citizens to honor the environment when they vote, purchase, consume, and invest. The Green Pledge appears on page 9 of the Exponent.

Earth Day 1990 organizers will be orchestrating mass distribution of the pledges through direct mail and telephone outreach and by way of mass media coverage of Earth Day 1990 events and activities. The signed pledges will be distributed by Dennis Wingo and Day Umstead to elected officials and tabulated for national and international media release.

Earth Day 1990 pledges will demonstrate the sheet numbers of Americans who are willing to commit to a better environment and, more importantly, who expect their lawmakers and fellow citizens to do the same.

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IEEE chapter makes strong showing at conference

Kelly Lynn Penneck
intern reporter

On December 4, 1989 IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) began its long journey to victory. On this date fifteen students commenced work on a self-guided vehicle which was entered in the 1990 IEEE Annual Student Conference, Southeastcon, held in New Orleans on April 1-3, 1990. This entry marked the third time in the last ten years that the UAH Student Branch of IEEE had participated in Southeastcon. UAH was one of 74 schools to participate in this event; the hard-work, dedication and commitment of the UAH participants made our school one of the few to shine.

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Astronaut Davis to speak at annual nursing convention

NASA astronaut and Huntsville native Dr. Jan Davis, an alumna of UAH, will be one of the keynote speakers and participants at the UAH College of Nursing's second annual Nursing in Space Conference to be held April 19-21 at the Sheraton Inn in Huntsville. The conference is co-sponsored by NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, the Beta Phi chapter of Sigma Theta Tau and the UAH Division of Continuing Education.

The Nursing in Space Conference is intended to educate nurses and other health professionals on the challenges to be faced in preparing to live and work in space environments and on the social, political, economic and educational issues impacting the role of nurses in the Space Life Science program. Special topics to be addressed include Dealing with Death and Dying in the non-Traditional Setting of Space, Organizing Health Care Delivery for Space Colonists, and United States Space Station Personal Hygiene Requirements.

Dr. Davis is a graduate of Huntsville High School and received bachelor's degrees from both Georgia Tech and Auburn University. In 1983, she was awarded a master of science degree from UAH and two years later received a doctorate in mechanical engineering from UAH. Dr. Davis joined NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in 1979 as an aerospace engineer. She became an astronaut in August 1988 and currently is assigned as a mission specialist on STS-47, Spacelab-J. This cooperative venture between the United States and Japan, to conduct experiments in life sciences and materials processing, is scheduled for launch in June 1991.

Other special participants at the conference include Dr. Martha E. Rogers, internationally known nursing theorist and former head of nursing at New York University; Dr. Sara T. Fry, an associate professor of nursing in the doctoral program at the Maryland School on Nursing, former Kennedy Fellow in Medical Ethics at Georgetown University, and past chairman of the Forum on Bioethics for the American Public Health Association and the Committee on Ethics of the Virginia State Nurses' Association; Konrad K. Dannenberg, a local space consultant and original member of the Wernher von Braun rocket team; and Charles R. Chappell, director for science at Marshall Space Flight Center.

Johnson Research Center shows photovoltaic education kits

Two photovoltaic education packages have been developed at the Johnson Research Center here at UAH. Photovoltaics (PV) is a method of converting sunlight to electricity.

Package number one is suitable for grades 6 through 12. It has a three foot by one foot solar panel, a demonstrator with voltmeter and ammeter and an instruction manual. The manual includes classroom activities. This package is available to Alabama schools for $100. This price includes delivery.

Package number two contains a three foot by one foot solar panel and a demonstrator construction guide. Also included are experiments for students. Package number two is available to Alabama schools at a cost of $50.

The packages have been extensively field-tested by students and teachers and have been called "ONE TERRIFIC BUY" by the Alabama Science Teachers Association.

The price of the packages includes delivery inside of Alabama. They may be ordered from Mr. Bernard M. Levine, Kenneth E. Johnson Research Center, UAH, AL 35899, 1-205-895-6361 or 1-800-228-5897.

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coalition of leading environmental organizations and social investment firms that has drafter "The Valdez Principles," a set of ten guidelines for corporate conduct of the environment.

The Valdez Principles address corporate conduct with regard to the release of pollutants, sustainable use of natural resources, reduction and disposal of waste, energy efficiency, conservation and risk reduction to employees and surrounding communities, marketing of safe products and services, damage compensation, disclosure of potential hazards, the need for environmental representatives on corporate boards of directors and the value of a corporate environmental audits.

In conjunction with the coalition, Earth Day 1990 will be working with corporations, state treasurers, portfolio managers and cities to urge the adoption of the Valdez Principles as an effective gauge for corporate performance and a guideline for socially responsible investing.
Science & Technology Week to be marked by busy days

More than 200 students from a dozen high schools competing for a full science scholarship will kick off a week of activities at UAH during National Science and Technology Week, April 22 through April 28.

The students will take part in team and individual competitions on April 21 during the 13th Annual UAH Science Contest, with the winning five-member team's school receiving a full-tuition scholarship from the UAH College of Science. The winning school will designate the scholarship recipient. The scholarship competition will take written exams on biology, chemistry, and physics.

Four-member teams will also compete for school honors in oral exams.

Public activities during the week include a College of Science open house on Saturday, April 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visitors will tour research laboratories, and see demonstrations in physics, chemistry, and biology. A chemistry laser lab will be open, as will a microgravity display in the Biology Department. The open house and all Science and Technology Week events are open free to the public.

A photo-and-music "photsympphony" of the aurora borealis will be presented Monday, April 23, at 8 p.m. at the UAH University Center Exhibit Hall. "The Crown of Light" was photographed by Leroy A. Zimmerman, who lived in Alaska near the Arctic Circle. This presentation is underwritten by the UAH Foundation.

Dr. Bruce J. Turner, an ichthyologist from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, will present "My Adventures with Kinky Fishes" on Thursday, April 26, at 7:45 p.m. at the Madison Square Holiday Inn, as a public lecture for Sigma Xi scientific research society.

Dr. Ray Williamson from the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment will present "Implications of Declining Defense Budgets for University Research" is scheduled for Wednesday, April 25, at 2 p.m., in the University Center Exhibit Hall. Panels will include Dr. William McCorkle from the U.S. Army Missile Command; Roy J. Nichols, founder of Nichols Research; and Dr. William Davies from the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command.

The differences taking place are probably not evident, for the employees are doing the same job. The move was made with the belief that a more streamlined management service would be created. Now, Marriott employees report to Marriott managers.

Dr. Fouracre to lecture

Dr. Paul Fouracre will lecture at UAH on Monday, April 23. His presentation is titled "The Ludwigslied: The Oldest Complete Poem in the German Language: What Should We Make of It?" The lecture will be held in the University Center Exhibit Hall A from 12:15-1:30 p.m. All students are invited to attend.

Dr. Fouracre is a lecturer in early medieval history at the University of London. His lecture will be a combination of literature and history; his particular forte is in close textual study with an eye and the historical surroundings.

Dr. Fouracre's lecture is sponsored jointly by the UAH Honors Program, the Daedalus XXI Humanities Project, and the College of Liberal Arts.
The UAH Women's Club held a luncheon on April 12 to honor Dr. Philip Austin, Chancellor of the University of Alabama. The luncheon was held in the Student Center of Tuscaloosa, Birmingham, and Huntsville: The University of Alabama (UAH). The University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB), and The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH). The three-campus system has a student enrollment of over 41,000 students with a budget of $335 million. Dr. Austin serves as Chief Executive Officer with authority and responsibility for coordinating and directing the system on behalf of the governing board.

Dr. Austin forecast that UAH could "take off and become the greatest technological University in the Southeast." But this forecast was conditional to needed changes being accomplished. He stressed the importance of a strong core curriculum for all colleges within the University and suggested a system exchanging noted professors within the colleges to improve quality and build UA viability. Tax reform was also addressed by Dr. Austin, Alabama as a whole must demand tax reforms in order to provide quality education for all levels.

Cantey, Spilman of Alabama core group to speak

Judy Cantey and Lavinia Spilman are part of a 15 member Alabama core group that attended the "Leadership Moving into the 21st Century" conference in Atlanta, GA. Cantey and Spilman, lecturers in the department of mathematical science here at UAH will speak at a colloquium on April 20 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 310 of Madison Hall on the UAH campus. They are available to speak to educators, community groups, legislators, policy makers, business and industry.

Burritt Museum & Park holding annual Earth Day fest

Burritt Museum & Park is going "fun-in-the-sun". There is limited parking at the Museum, so consider carpooling, which is also a very environmentally sound alternative.

Alabama First Lady Helen Hunt announces job program

Alabama's First Lady, Helen Hunt joined officials of Key West Inns Inc. in Tuscumbia Thursday, April 12, to announce the company's creation of eight jobs for people with mental disabilities.

Mrs. Hunt said Key West Inns, which opened its Tuscumbia inn in March, has created the housekeeping jobs to show other business executives that the special people of Alabama are hard-working dedicated employees.

Key West Inns recently entered into a pioneer program with Right Track Enterprises of Sheffield, where Key West Inns-Shoals housekeeping staff give people with mental disabilities a chance to work.

The project may be expanded to other Key West Inns that are scheduled to be opened.

"This initiative by Key West is new for north Alabama, and it's the beginning of something good for people everywhere who have a disability," Mrs. Hunt said.

Key West Inns is an Alabama corporation which was organized in February of 1989. The company has two inns in Alabama, with each representing an investment of about $1.2 million. Key West Inns is considering the expansion of its operation to 12 inns during the next five years in Mississippi, Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama.

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OVER 500 of the environmental community's leaders who will inform people of necessary changes. — The Atlanta conference, one of five nationwide, was funded by the National Science Foundation through a grant to the Association of State Supervisors of Mathematics. For further information contact the UAH department of mathematical sciences at 855-6470.
Earth Day tips can help efforts to protect environment

The following are provided for everyone’s careful perusal. Even if everyone or two things are done by every individual it will make a tremendous difference.

Earth Day Solutions

Energy Solutions:

- Reduce your transportation: carpool; bike; walk.
- Invest in ample insulation, weatherstripping and caulking. Use electric and hot water efficiently.
- In winter, turn down your thermostat a few degrees, especially at night and when house is empty; wear warmer clothes. In summer, if air conditioning, turn thermostat up a few degrees.
- Close off and do not heat or cool unused rooms; use insulating shades and curtains on cold winter nights and hot summer days.

Food Solutions:

- Consider how production of your food affects the environment. Eat produce from the food chain - vegetables, fruits, and grains; decrease consumption of meat and animal products.

Weather Solutions:

- Install sink faucet aerators and water-efficient showerheads; these use two to five times less water with no noticeable decrease in performance.
- Take showers, not baths, to cut water consumption.
- Do not let water run when it’s not actively in use while showering, shaving, brushing teeth or hand washing clothes.
- Use ultra-low-flow or air-assisted toilets, saving 60-90% water; composting toilets use no water and recycle organic waste.
- Buy phosphate-free, biodegradable soaps and detergents; ask your supermarket to carry them if it doesn’t already.

Toxins & Pollutants Solutions:

- Read labels: buy the least toxic products available; find out the best disposal methods for toxic products; use nonharmful substitutes.
- Avoid purchasing clothes that require dry cleaning, for it uses toxic chlorinated solvents; dry clean only when necessary.
- Ask your service station to use CFC recovery equipment when repairing auto air conditioners.
- Test your home for radon, especially if on the east coast.
- Support legislative initiatives that encourage industry to modify manufacturing processes to eliminate the production of hazardous wastes, and reduce, reuse, recycle what is produced.

Waste Reduction/Recycling Solutions:

- Reduce consumption wherever possible. Buy products in bulk or with the least amount of packaging.
- Buy products that are recycled; recyclable, reliable, repairable, refillable, reusable; avoid disposables.

In winter, turn down your thermostat a few degrees, especially if on the east coast. Support legislative initiatives that encourage industry to modify manufacturing processes to eliminate the production of hazardous wastes, and reduce, reuse, recycle what is produced.

Carpooling: Bike; walk.

Weatherstripping and caulking:

- Reduce consumption wherever possible. Buy products in bulk or with the least amount of packaging.
- Buy products that are recycled; recyclable, reliable, repairable, refillable, reusable; avoid disposables.

The winning team. Front row, l-r: Sue Kosten, Susan Neale, Kathy Whinenant, Libby Kemp, Sandra Taylor, Shirley Hunt; Back row, l-r: Pete Romine, Phil Umstead, Gary Culp, Kenny Swinehart, Robert Covey, Steve Vest, Darryl Waters. Photo by Rudy Setalvian.

Sub-Orbital Academic Research launch set for April 21

The Sub-Orbital Academic Research (SOAR) 1 launch will be from the Redstone Arsenal Test Area on April 21 at 10 a.m. Visitors will be allowed to view the launch from

Bradford Mt., but must assemble at Building 4610 west parking lot. Access badges are not required. A caravan will leave the parking lot at 8:45 a.m. for the Bradford Mt. area. Vehicles will not be allowed to leave the Bradford area until after the competition of the SOAR-1 launch. Cameras, camcorders and binoculars are allowed; however, picture taking will be controlled by the Firing Range Escorts. Pictures of the SOAR-1 rocket, the launcher and the launch pad area only will be allowed.


Editorials

"...perhaps pathetic is more the term..."
by Cynthia R. Green

Oh well. I was told not to expect too much. I was told to be patient—
I am not a patient person. Any new editor wants to feel he/she will make a
difference—I want to feel that now! I was told that UAH is apathetic—
perhaps pathetic is more the term needed. But of course I’m
overreacting! It’s my job. I’m supposed to have something to say about almost anything, so I’m going to
say something about nothing. Why nothing? Because no-one cares
about nothing (shouldn’t that be anything?). No, nothing!

April I issue of the exponent I ran an editorial poll. So far I haven’t figured out why. I guess I
had the misconception that a minority of UAH students would take an interest and at least voice their
views towards Pro-Life or Pro-Choice. Even I, the eternal optimist, could not expect a majority of students to
respond. But what I did not expect (and can not understand) was the lack of response. Again, I was
fearfully surprised; they told me. But they have never influenced me much because I am a stubborn person as
well as an impatient one. I choose to make my decisions not on what they say, but on information gathered
from various sources supporting assorted views. But as I said in last
week’s editorial, opinions are always influenced by circumstances as well as unproven information gathering
(and unintentional information absorption).

As in the April 4 issue I promised the results of the abortion poll would be published in the April 18 issue. I
hastily procrastinated to compile the results, believing all the while that I would be bombarded by late
responses and finding forward to the challenge of compiling last-minute data. But the eternal optimist’s fire
was quenched as of 5 p.m. yesterday (Tuesday, April 17, in case you haven’t noticed the date of this issue). And...here is the result:
out of the 6,554 people enrolled in UAH for the spring term, I received
nine replies. Yes, that’s right; nine in favor of Pro-Choice and five in favor of Pro-Life. But, let me wipe up
any disgust I could generate in this cynicism that has
dropped onto my facts—we only printed 5,500 copies of that issue (and all of those were not picked up!) Again, nine responses. Hello, Hello! Is anybody out there? I didn’t even recognize the angry response to the editor as expected. Do UAH students feel strongly about anything? (Or nothing?) I know a few of you do:
there is evidence of concentrated effort in a few areas concerning major issues.

"Birch Society Wary of Earth Day hysteria"
by Lawrence F. Specker
columnist

"Unlike much of the commentary on these topics (environmental concerns), April holds that: (a) Many current claims are based on unproved theories; (b) Numerous recommendations for action to combat unsubstantiated threats to the environment could lead to a loss of both personal freedom and national sovereignty; (c) Government officials are irrationally responding to a radical environmental agenda."

So begins the press packet the John Birch Society sent the Exponent. These three simple statements sound almost reasonable. If there is a threat to personal freedom, we want to
avoid it. If jumping to conclusions based on inaccurate scientific knowledge is a problem, we need to
look before we leap. And government officials are certainly prone to irrational behavior.

This is all well and good, but it left me wondering exactly what the Birchers were getting at. Their press
release explains their position in greater detail: the headline reads "Birch Society Wary of Earth Day Hysteria." I figured I should pass
some of this information along, even if the John Birch Society is running amok here at UAH even as you read this.

The John Birch Society is terribly, terribly afraid that "if our nation accepts and acts on all the unproved
topics of today’s environmentalists, personal freedom could be compromised, even destroyed.

Furthermore the Society declares that "...the earth is not getting warmer, no one knows the cause of
the extent of whatever acid rain problem exists, it is ludicrous to
accept the skimpy data to an insistence that the earth’s protective
ozone layer is threatened, and problems related to over-population and air emissions are isolated phenomena that do not call for national and international controls."

More probably wondering what leads the Birchers to make these bold statements. The answer is fear, or
perhaps more accurately, paranoid delusions of grandeur. The Birch Society insists that there is danger for
American society in such statements at World Resources Institute Vice President Jessica Tuchman Matthews
approvingly stating: "Environmental strains that transcend national borders are already beginning
to break down the sacred boundaries of national sovereignty." Heaven help us, cooperation between countries. An international effort to fight climate change sure sounds great.

As I survey the Birch Society’s information packet, more of their
views become clear to me. The idea of altering the American way of life in order to combat the theoretical
hugge threat of the egg shell atmosphere is a political ploy. The 6,554 students enrolled in Spring term includes
perhaps the majority of students are wise enough to have made decisions based on intelligent information gathering or at least intelligent information absorption and have avoided contact with abortion circumstances. And therefore, you have heard enough about it.

O.K., enough motherly preaching. I feel sure that no-one is going to lose sleep over the facts of glaring pa
thymed compiled from my first editorial poll. (Should it be the last editorial poll? You are welcome to let me know, if you can find the time.) After all, students are very busy people and can be expected to pay attention to much other than studies and dating. Dating? Can’t that lead to sex? Sex? Can’t that lead to pregnancy? Are you prepared! What’s
Nothing!

"Pictures coming back...showed a beautiful blue orb..."

Mariann Delaney Sampson
World Issues Society
Guest Columnist

Earth Day, Earth Week, Green Day—
what is all of this hoopla? Twenty
years ago people began to notice that
we were not taking very good care of the
Earth, our home.

The original of the first Earth Day
came 10 months after Armstrong and Aldrin walked on the moon. For a
decade the young people who had been
embrodied in civil disturbances over civil
civil rights and Vietnam. American
voices seemed to be exploding. Pictures coming back from space showed a beautiful blue orb with white and silver bands — this fragile
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"It is unethical to live in wanton wastefulness..."

Most of us are ethical people. We recognize that it is wrong to steal, cheat, lie or hurt others. The Ten Commandments have served well for at least three thousand years. But it may be time to extend the Golden Rule to regulate not only human to God, and human to human relationships, but also human to planet.

The same person that would be outraged at evicting a family and leaving them homeless, may not give a second thought to treating their lawn with fertilizers and pesticides that kill all insects indiscriminately, pollute our waters, and harm wildlife.

Our standards are such that a nice lawn outweighs any ecological considerations. We can no longer afford such bargains. Money is expendable and replaceable; clean air, healthy water and arable land is not. It is unethical to live in wanton wastefulness at the expense of our children's and grandchildren's ecological heritage.

We need to form moral and ethical ecological standards which we will not compromise. We need to feel outraged at government, corporate and individual practices that harm our ecology. It should be as wrong to waste energy as it is to steal. It should be as virtuous to plant a tree and to recycle as it is to tithe and donate. The earth is our God given trust for which we are morally and ethically responsible. Let's extend the Golden Rule to our earth: Love the Lord you God, and your earth, with all your heart, with all your soul, and all your might, and your neighbor as yourself.

P.S. If you want to know more about helping you planet, come to the UAH Earth Week booth at the University Center April 16th-21st. Remember Earth Day is on April 22nd and remember Earth every day!

by Helga Thompson
World Issues Society

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"There has been much written about the first Earth Day...

Aside from all of their practical value they are esthetically pleasing. There has been educational materials provided on specific issues that individuals can do to protect the environment (remember a brick in the toilet bowl, thermostat settings etc.)

There are tours and information available on solar energy (cheap-Arab oil will not last forever) and on campus recycling. There is an environmental fair at the U/C to give more information.

However, two events should go on your personal calendar if you cannot do anything else. First, tonight there is a panel on "Solid Waste Management in the 1990's" at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall. What is the best way to keep from fouling our own nest and getting buried in our own debris? As responsible citizens, how can we make decisions on issues like a solid waste incinerator unless we know something about the facts?

The second "not to be missed" event is the UAH Bagathon on April 21. It is a chance to do something specific to make a difference. If you have never taken a litter walk now is the time. It gives you an appreciation of the environment like nothing else can. It is also a chance to get out of your car and stretch your legs.

The initial meeting for Earth Day had over 38 students present representing a number of organizations on campus. There is an interest at UAH in participating in ecological events. Attending a meeting about solid waste, and bagging some trash may not be as glamorous as chaining yourself to a fence to protest something, but I suggest that these two events could have enormous long-term repercussions for you and for your environment.

If you cannot do either of these then make a conscious decision to be part of the solution and not part of the problem. Try the new shuttle yams for a trip instead of your car one day. I know the routes aren't helpful but remember future expansion depends on current usage. Or maybe ride your bike or walk for one trip rather than drive.

Also keep in mind that the gas runs out in our lifetime. How are we ever going to explain to our children and our grandchildren that we used something as precious and irreplaceable as petroleum to fuel our private cars?

Twenty years ago I was not sure there would be an Earth to celebrate Earth Day 1990. Seeing the changes in my lifetime, I have become more optimistic. But there are many problems to be solved if we are going to celebrate Earth Day 2010. Let's start now.

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"...our generation must become the conservation generation..."

Does this story have a familiar ring to it?

A giant oil spill hits the coast of a large western state. Millions of gallons of crude oil wash up shore for weeks. The nation watches television pictures of oil-soaked birds and dead fish floating in the ocean and on the shore. Oil company executives deliver excuses and claim it's a one-in-a-million disaster. Cleanup crews are dispatched, and millions of dollars are spent by state, federal and local governments in a cleanup and recovery program.

It's not what you think. This disaster happened 20 years ago near Santa Barbara, California. It remains one of the worst oil spills in American history. It also proved to be a catalyst in helping to awaken America's environmental consciousness. Some 16 months later, a much more significant phenomenon occurred on April 22, 1970—the first Earth Day. The main purpose of Earth Day was to organize a nationwide, grassroots demonstration that would get the attention of the politicians and force environmental issues into the mainstream of American political debate. It worked. Earth Day 1970 was a huge success, and an instant American legend, due in large part to the tremendous energy, commitment and grassroots activities of college students across the country.

On this date in the spring of 1970 the modern American environmental movement took off. Twenty million people, 2,000 colleges and universities, 10,000 grammar and high schools, and 2,000 communities mobilized for the first nationwide demonstrations on environmental problems. Congress Looked to the day so many could attend Earth Day events in their districts.

Sometimes it is hard to remember that twenty years ago environmental issues were not part of the political mainstream. In the 1968 Presidential campaign, for example, not a single campaign speech was devoted to environmental concerns. Changes in the past 20 years assure that from now on the environmental will be an issue in every presidential campaign.

Perhaps the most important advance since Earth Day is one of attitude and understanding—the recognition, finally, that human activities have created a global environmental crisis that urgently demands our attention. This is a giant leap forward.

Plans are now being finalized for a worldwide Earth Day celebration on April 22, 1990. Let there be no doubt about the significance of this event: it will be the largest grassroots demonstration in history. The single most important objective of this 20th anniversary celebration is an international public demonstration so overwhelming that it will literally shake the political leadership of the world out of its lethargy and galvanize it into a monumental cooperative effort to stop the destruction and begin the restoration. It is time for political leaders of every nation to recognize that in the long haul the state of our environment is far more important to the condition of man on the planet than the threat of nuclear war, missile gaps, Star Wars, crime in the streets, or communism in Nicaragua.

How much longer are the U.S. and the Soviet Union going to spend $600 billion a year for weapons that only increase our mutual vulnerability and dissipate our resources. It is time for the two superpowers to agree to cut on weapons by 50 percent in the next decade and another 50 percent in the following decade. Half of the savings should be dedicated to programs to reverse global environmental damage. It is a plan with no losers—and the whole world is a winner.

There has been some significant progress on environmental problems since that first Earth Day. Yet, merely maintaining the current programs and policies will fall far short of what is needed to prevent continued steady environmental decline. The responsibility lies with the world's younger generation. My generation does not have the time left to do it, and, unfortunately, came to an appreciation of the monumental significance of the issue too late.

If society is going to develop a conservation ethic to guide its conduct, our generation must become the conservation generation. There is no other choice for the world. Our generation has the power to make a critical difference in the political course of the nation and the world. The first step is to join in the celebration and activities of the 20th anniversary of Earth Day. Beyond that, think of the future, have vision and make a commitment to a conservation ethic in your life. Cherish the air, the water and the land that sustains you and all mankind. Seize the opportunity to make a difference. Persist in your efforts, make the politicians listen—and act. You can prevail and win the fight to save the planet.

by Gaylord Nelson, Counselor to the Wilderness Society and Founder, Earth Day 1970

Send your letters to the editor to The Exponent, UC Room 104
Letter to the Editor:

Last week you left out a scenario which is also very real and very common, perhaps more common than we would like to realize because we choose to believe that unexpected, unplanned pregnancies occur mostly in the poor, uneducated, or socially irresponsible. What about the middle and upper middle class teenager or college student who finds herself pregnant by a guy whom she cares about but is not sure that she wants to marry? She immediately thinks "abortion," so that no one will know. Her closest friends urge an abortion "for her own good." Some even help to finance it for her. Her parents wouldn't want to deal with the embarrassment she might cause to their friends. The guy means well, but is too confused to know exactly what he should do. Yes, she decides that an abortion is "the only way." Yet deep down in her heart she is curious about what her/him is growing inside of her. "Does it look like me?" she wonders. She wishes that she could run off to a desert island and have her baby and raise it herself. She even entertains thoughts about attempting to have it right here. Granted, it would take complete rearrangement of her life to do so. First, she would prefer to have her baby and keep it. Second, she would prefer to give it life and let someone else have the love and joy of caring for it. This is what she truly wished. But, thanks to pressure from her friends and family, she is persuaded not to endure nine months of "humiliation" and disgrace and "inconvenience." She convinces herself that they are all right, and she is wrong to even consider having this baby. She has the abortion by a very kind, considerate doctor who is assisted by even kinder and more considerate nurses. Everyone is so supportive of her at this time. Then why, when she leaves, can she not escape the gnawing feeling that this was not her own "personal choice?" I would prefer not to sign my name because I am a student here, and many people would recognize the name. But I can assure you that the above is indeed very real and also very common among average middle class girls our age. Thank you.

"BACCHUS is not anti-alcohol, it is pro-responsibility..."

Letter to the Editor:

Do you know someone who has a drinking problem or has been adversely affected by someone else's drinking problem? If the answer to this question is no, then you don't need to read any further. However, if the answer is "yes," "sort of," or even "I'm not sure," this may be of interest to you.

There is a new organization on campus called BACCHUS, which stands for Boost Alcohol ConsciousnessRegarding the Health of University Students. Its purpose is to make students more aware of how alcohol affects you mentally, physically, and socially. BACCHUS is not anti-alcohol, it is pro-responsibility. There is nothing wrong with partying and having a good time, unless you have good reason to be intoxicated to the point of irresponsibility and obnoxiousness. We are in college to get an education, and one of the things we should be learning is how to manage ourselves in social situations.

In my opinion people who consistently show up at parties and other social gatherings intoxicated have not properly learned how to conduct themselves in public.

The members of BACCHUS feel that each person should be able to make the decision whether or not to drink according to his/her personal feelings and beliefs, and should not be forced to drink against his/her will. By forced I do not necessarily mean in the physical sense, but also not being badgered by so-called friends (or otherwise alienated) just because there is no drink in his/her hand.

There will be another BACCHUS meeting Wednesday, April 25, at 12:15 p.m. in the U.C. deli. I would like to encourage everyone to attend. There are no dues to be paid or any other obligations to be met. You can even bring your lunch to the meeting. It won't hurt my feelings.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA IN HUNTSVILLE

PREAMBLE: We, the students at the University of Alabama in Huntsville, in order to provide a forum for the free expression of ideas, to assure just, honorable, and equitable treatment for all students, and to develop the opportunities for personal growth in the University community do so ordain and establish this Constitution of the Student Government of the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

ARTICLE I — ORGANIZATION

Section 1 - The name of the official organization of the student body shall be the Student Government Association (S.G.A.).

Section 2 - The governing unit shall be divided into three sections: the Legislative and Executive branches and the Arbitration Board.

Section 3 - The membership of the S.G.A. shall consist of all students currently enrolled in the University of Alabama in Huntsville as determined by the Office of the Registrar.

Section 4 - All members shall have the right to vote in all SGA elections.

Section 5 - The principle administrative officer concerned with student affairs (hereinafter referred to as the Vice-President of Student Affairs) shall serve as the representative of the University Administration and shall be kept advised of all S.G.A. activities.

ARTICLE II — LEGISLATIVE

Section 1 - All legislative powers granted herein shall be vested in a student legislature composed of members representing each college of the university, members at large, and a legislative secretary.

Section 2 - College Representatives to the Legislature: (1) The students who compose each college shall elect their own representatives to the legislature. (2) The students who shall represent a college must be admitted to that college. In the event a student switches majors to another college while serving as a legislator, the legislator will continue to represent the college for which he or she was initially elected. (3) The number of representative positions for each college shall be proportionally determined based on Fall enrollment of the school year in which the election is held. (4) The proportion used to determine the number of representatives to the legislature shall be the same for each college. (5) Each college shall be represented by a minimum of one representative regardless of enrollment.

Section 3 - Membership At-Large: (1) Students shall elect representatives to the Legislature at large. (2) The number of At-Large Legislative positions shall be proportionally determined based on Fall enrollment of the school year in which the election is to be held. (3) Members at large shall include all undecided majors and Special 9 students.

Section 4 - Vacancies within the Legislature: (1) Legislative positions not filled by the normal election process will be filled by the SGA President, appointment subject to the approval of two-thirds of the Legislature. Nominees for appointment must be submitted by the S.G.A. President to the Legislature no later than the second Legislative session. (2) Legislative positions that become vacant due to resignation or impeachment shall be filled by SGA presidential appointment subject to the approval of two-thirds of the Legislature. Nominees for appointment must be submitted by the S.G.A. President to the Legislature no later than three weeks from the date that the vacancy occurs. (3) The candidate for appointment to the legislature must be admitted to the college for which they were elected.

Section 5 - The powers and duties of the Legislature shall be: (1) To oversee all student activities within the scope of the S.G.A., to determine and properly channel student opinion, and to sustain or rectify existing situations or problems. (2) To convene at regular intervals throughout the academic term except during Summer term. (3) To set reasonable and equitable standards of recognition and operation for all student organizations on campus, to charter such organizations according to University guidelines, and to re-charter each eligible organization at an interval deemed appropriate or when requested if the charter has expired. The University retains the authority to grant recognition to social fraternities and sororities. (4) To allocate and appropriate all S.G.A. funds in a reasonable, equitable, and responsible manner by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. (5) To create and dissolve any committees deemed necessary to carry on the business of the S.G.A. by a vote of two-thirds of the Legislature. (6) To approve the establishment of any Executive Departments by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. (7) To choose the President Pro Tempore of the Legislature, the Finance Officer Pro Tempore, and the Legislative Secretary Pro Tempore by a vote of two-thirds of the Legislature. (8) To require a quorum for the conduct of any official business. Quorum is defined as two-thirds of the Legislature present with a minimum of eleven seats present. (9) To override by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature any presidential veto. (10) To propose and pass by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the Legislature any legislation deemed necessary.

ARTICLE III — EXECUTIVE

Section 1 - The Executive of the S.G.A. shall consist of: (1) A President, appointment subject to the approval of two-thirds of the Legislature. Nominees for appointment must be submitted by the S.G.A. President to the Legislature no later than the second Legislative session. (2) A Vice-President, appointment subject to the approval of two-thirds of the Legislature. Nominees for appointment must be submitted by the S.G.A. President to the Legislature no later than the second Legislative session. (3) A Secretary, appointment subject to the approval of two-thirds of the Legislature. Nominees for appointment must be submitted by the S.G.A. President to the Legislature no later than the second Legislative session.

Section 2 - The President shall: (1) Be the head of the S.G.A. (2) Serve as the ex-officio member of the Finance Committee. (3) Serve as the ex-officio member of the Arbitration Board. (4) Call meetings of the Legislature. (5) Be authorized to sign all checks and contracts on behalf of the S.G.A. (6) Be authorized to preside at all official ceremonies of the S.G.A.

Section 3 - The Vice-President shall: (1) Serve as President in the absence of the President. (2) Be authorized to sign all checks and contracts on behalf of the S.G.A. (3) Be authorized to attend all meetings of the Finance Committee.

Section 4 - The Secretary shall: (1) Serve as the ex-officio member of the Finance Committee. (2) Be authorized to attend all meetings of the Finance Committee. (3) Prepare minutes of each meeting of the Legislature. (4) Be responsible for the proper maintenance of all S.G.A. records. (5) Be responsible for the proper maintenance of all S.G.A. correspondence.

Section 5 - The Finance Officer shall: (1) Be responsible for the proper maintenance of all S.G.A. funds. (2) Be responsible for the proper maintenance of all accounts payable and receivable. (3) Be responsible for the proper maintenance of all S.G.A. financial records. (4) Be responsible for the proper maintenance of all S.G.A. budgetary records.

Section 6 - The Secretary Pro Tempore shall: (1) Serve as the ex-officio member of the Finance Committee. (2) Be authorized to sign all checks and contracts on behalf of the S.G.A. (3) Be authorized to attend all meetings of the Finance Committee.

Section 7 - The President Pro Tempore shall: (1) Serve as the ex-officio member of the Finance Committee. (2) Be authorized to attend all meetings of the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE IV — ADMINISTRATION

Section 1 - The Student Government Administration shall have the authority to grant recognition to social fraternities and sororities. (4) To allocate and appropriate all S.G.A. funds in a reasonable, equitable, and responsible manner by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. (5) To create and dissolve any committees deemed necessary to carry on the business of the S.G.A. by a vote of two-thirds of the Legislature. (6) To approve the establishment of any Executive Departments by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature. (7) To choose the President Pro Tempore of the Legislature, the Finance Officer Pro Tempore, and the Legislative Secretary Pro Tempore by a vote of two-thirds of the Legislature. (8) To require a quorum for the conduct of any official business. Quorum is defined as two-thirds of the Legislature present with a minimum of eleven seats present. (9) To override by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature any presidential veto. (10) To propose and pass by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the Legislature any legislation deemed necessary.
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continued from page 10 necessary for the improvement of S.G.A. appointments. (12) To set rules of order for the conduct of Legislative sessions.

Section 6 - The powers and duties of the Individual Legislators: (1) To post and maintain regular office hours. (2) To attend regularly, scheduled sessions of the Legislature and Committee meetings as called by the official in charge. (4) To perform all duties as described in any and all legislation. (5) To exhibit a responsible attitude towards his/her duties and obligations.

Section 7 - The Powers and duties of the Legislative Secretary shall be: (1) To post and maintain regular office hours. (2) To serve as the recording and corresponding secretary to the Legislature. (3) To record and distribute the minutes of each S.G.A. meeting and special session to all legislators, Executive Cabinet members, and SGA Advisors. (4) To post and maintain a complete file of all S.G.A. legislation and official business reports. (5) To prepare under the supervision of the Vice President, personal data sheets of all members of the Legislature; these personal data sheets shall include only addresses, home and office phone numbers, and class and work schedules. (7) To maintain an election and appointment schedule of available positions in the S.G.A.

Section 8 - The Legislative secretary shall not hold voting power in the Legislature.

Section 9 - Standing Committees: (1) There shall be three standing committees within the S.G.A.: the Appropriations Committee, the Student Relations Committee, and the Rules and Revisions Committee. (2) These standing committees shall consist of Legislators one of whom shall be appointed chairman by the President Officer of the Legislature and approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the Legislature. (3) The powers and duties of the APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE shall be divided into external and internal functions. External functions shall be: to maintain files on all clubs and organizations chartered by the S.G.A., to ensure that all clubs and organizations are in compliance with S.G.A. and UAH policy, to implement university standards for the funding of clubs and organizations, to investigate and review all budget proposals of clubs and organizations requesting funding from the SGA, to develop and implement a system of budget controls, to prepare an agenda for each session of the Legislature, and to provide the Legislature with budget information when requested, to submit the proposed budget to the Legislature for two-thirds approval prior to the submission to the Legislature for approval. (4) The STUDENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE shall be responsible for the formation of subcommittees to handle: investigation of student grievances, production of student services, programs for student awareness, public relations of the S.G.A., relations and communications between members of the student body, faculty, staff, and administration, student relations and services with and for international students, provision of information to the Legislature concerning the above activities. (5) The powers and duties of the RULES AND REVISIONS COMMITTEE shall be: to review all proposed and approved legislation on the basis of the S.G.A. Constitution and University policy, to submit approved legislation deemed by the Rules and Revisions Committee to be questionable grounds of the S.G.A Constitution or University policy to the Arbitration Board for final consideration.

ARTICLE III - EXECUTIVE

Section 1 - All executive powers shall be vested in the Executive Cabinet, which will include the President, the Vice-President, the Finance Officer, the Faculty Advisor, the Chief Arbitrator, the standing committee chairpersons, and the class presidents. (1) The membership of the Executive Cabinet exist in an advisory capacity to the President of the S.G.A. (2) Class Presidents shall be appointed to these meetings to voice the concerns of their representing class to the SGA.

Section 2 - The duties of the Executive Cabinet shall be: to convene upon the request of the President or Vice-President, to deliberate and discuss matters pertinent to the operation of the S.G.A. Executive Branch. These meetings, unless called to discuss a sensitive issue, shall be open to the student body. The minutes of these meetings shall be presented to the Legislature.

Section 3 - The powers and duties of the Executive Cabinet shall be to call and preside over all Executive Cabinet meetings, to oversee and coordinate the activities of the Executive Cabinet, to make recommendations to the Legislature and to provide the Legislature with budget information when requested, to submit his/her proposed budget to the Legislature for two-thirds approval prior to the submission to the Vice-President of Student Affairs, to appoint special advisory committees other than those established by the Constitution of the Vice-President, to request a special session of the Legislature at any time he/she deems it in the best interest of the S.G.A., to approve any legislation or resolution to the Legislature for the execution of the SGA budget, to post and maintain regular office hours, to have co-signature authority over any S.G.A. account. (3) To post and maintain regular office hours.

ARTICLE IV - ARBITRATION BOARD

Section 1 - The Arbitration power of the Student Government Association of the University of Alabama in Huntsville shall be vested in a Board to hear and decide complaints and grievances arising out of the interpretation or application of the Constitution or bylaws of the S.G.A. (2) To serve on the Executive Cabinet.

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in five arbitrators appointed by the President subject to the approval of two-thirds of the Legislature.

Section 2 - Nominees for arbitrator positions must be submitted to the Legislature for consideration no later than the second Legislative session.

Section 3 - The five appointed arbitrators shall elect a Chief Arbitrator from among its members. The Chief Arbitrator shall serve as chairman of the arbitration board and vote only in the case of a tie.

Section 4 - The Arbitration Board shall have original jurisdiction over the following matters: (1) Cases involving alleged violations of SGA regulations of the SGA, or action by the student body.
(2) Cases involving the impeachment of any elected student official, initiated by an SGA representative.
(3) The interpretation of the SGA Constitution or an act of the Student Government which is challenged on Constitutional grounds. (4) The unconstitutionality of any action taken by a student government body.
(5) Alleged violations of election regulations.

Section 5 - The Arbitration Board shall convene on a regular basis throughout the academic year except during the summer term.

Section 6 - The decisions of the Arbitration Board regarding the above matters shall be made public.

ARTICLE VII — ELECTED OFFICERS AND TERMS OF OFFICE

Section 1 - The following Officials of the governing body of the SGA shall be elected each year by the student body at large: (1) The President of the SGA. (2) The Vice-President of the SGA.
(3) The Student Finance Officer of the SGA. (4) The Legislative Secretary.

Section 2 - The terms of office for all elected officers within the Executive Cabinet of the SGA shall be one year.

Section 3 - The term of office for the President, Vice-President, and the Student Finance Officer shall begin on the first Monday two weeks prior to the final examinations of the Spring term and end on the first Monday three weeks prior to the final examinations of the following Spring term.

Section 4 - The term of office for the Chief Arbitrator and the Arbitrators shall be nine months.

Section 5 - The term of office for the President, Vice-President, and the Legislative Secretary shall be nine months.

Section 6 - The term of office for the Chief Arbitrator and the Arbitrators shall be nine months.

ARTICLE VIII — AMENDMENTS

Section 1 - Any member of the SGA (as defined by Article I, Section 3 of this Constitution) may submit proposed amendments to this Constitution to the SGA Legislature for consideration.

Section 2 - A favorable vote by two-thirds of the membership of the Legislature, or a favorable petition of ten percent of the student body and approval by the President of the University on any proposed amendment shall be required before said amendment is proposed for final action by the student body.

Section 3 - A proposed amendment shall be published at least one week prior to a vote by the student body. Said amendment shall be passed by a two-thirds majority of those students voting on the proposal and shall go into effect immediately unless otherwise stated.

ARTICLE IX — SCHEDULE OF RATIFICATION

This Constitution shall go into effect upon approval by two-thirds of the membership of the Legislature, approval by two-thirds of those students voting, the signature of the Vice-President of Student Affairs, and the signature of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

CONSTITUTION FORUMS

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Pi Kappa Alpha

The Brothers of the Theta Pi Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha would like to congratulate our Spring pledge class: Shane Brown, Keith Howard, Shane L. Jones, Morris Medill, Porter, and Robert Williams. We are happy to have these men as pledges and look forward to seeing them become Brothers. We would like to thank all the people who came out to enjoy our Baxter's Night Out on the 7th of April and helped us make a great party! We are looking forward to the social events and sure hope that everyone will have a good time. We also would like to encourage all Greek ladies or friends of Greek ladies to participate in the annual Miss Greek Pageant to be held May 5. The registration deadline has been extended to April 21. For more information contact Joseph Halimar or Andy Mote through Toni Morgan's office in the U.C.

Greek Week

Greek Week is upon us! Everyone had fun at the viewing of "Animal House" and wishing all the teams good luck. Good luck to all of the relay events later this week. Don't forget to vote for Mr. and Miss Greek by putting money in their jar.

Tomorrow is jersey day. Everyone wore wild and colorful. 

The Psychology honor society, Psi Chi, held an initiation ceremony for 13 new members on Sunday afternoon in the University House. The keynote address was presented by Kim Stokes, a former student and a member of Psi Chi. She described her master's degree work in the area of health psychology, and offered suggestions for confronting the job market after graduation. Dr. Sue W Kirkpatrick, Dr. Sandra L. Carpenter and Thomas A. Botvin conducted the ceremony, stressing the values and objectives of the society, maintaining excellence in scholarship in psychology, advancing the field of psychology, and developing tolerance and understanding of others. A reception following the ceremony allowed new members to meet and exchange ideas.

SAEA

S.A.E.A., Student Alabama Education Association, would like to welcome everyone back from Spring Break and invites everyone interested in education as a present/future parent, as a future teacher, or for any other reason to attend our next meeting on Thursday, April 25th, at 12:15 in the Humanities Building Material Center. In order to attend, please go to our university's website and find out what we are all about! Our guest speaker will be Mr. Pat Robison, a teacher from the Alexander County School System. 

The Panhellenic officers and delegates attended the Alabama State Panhellenic Workshop in Huntsville on April 6th. I’m sure all chapters will benefit from their new found knowledge. Greek Week is now underway and I would like to thank everyone who attended the movie on Monday night. Don’t forget jersey day tomorrow and the dance marathon on Friday night. Preparations for the 1990 fall rush are well under way. NPC rush meetings be held on Mondays at 3:00 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend and voice their opinions.

AIAA

The UAH student chapter of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics will hold a "meeting" in the Von Braun Civic Center North Hall. The guest speaker of this meeting is Col. Gerald P. Carr, USAF, Skylab and Apollo Astronaut. The topic will be on Living in Space: Skylab, Space Station and Beyond. A breakfast will be served. Reservations are required. Afternoons, officer elections for the new school year will be held. Also, on April 11 at 10:00 a.m. our student chapter will take part in the satellite rocket launch at Area-1 of the Redstone Arsenal. All interested students please contact Carrie Caris (895-6237) or Tom Cost (895-654).

Earth Day

The Huntsville Earth Day Committee's "Human Billboards for the Earth" will be across from First Alabama Bank building on April 21 at 8:30 am. They will help spread the word that you can make a difference to protect the environment.

All clubs and organizations' announcements must be kept to 150 words or less. No announcements of personal or commercial nature will be run. All photos submitted must be in an appropriate news, features, or sports page. If this becomes necessary, an announcement will be made. All announcements must not exceed the 150-word limit. The editor has final approval of all announcements in regards to content and length.

 Clubs and organizations are permitted to submit photos to accompany announcements. However, the photos will be printed on a space-available basis. All photos should contain the following information: name of club submitting photo, name of all individuals in photo, photo credit, if photo can be cropped, if photo needs to be returned, and if the photo can be printed at a later date as soon as space becomes available. We will make every effort to print all submitted photos, but unable photos may not be returned.

At the discretion of the editor, due to space considerations an announcement may be moved to the "Pulse: Campus Events and Happenings" page. Clubs and organizations may not be permitted to submit more than one announcement per week. No announcements will be made.

THERE'S ONLY HUMAN
"Blind Fury" offers plenty of mindless violence, little else

by David House

features editor

Have you ever come out of a good, mindlessly violent movie and wondered to yourself if the writer might just be a bit on the psychotic side? This is the feeling I had after seeing "Blind Fury."

"Blind Fury" is the story of Nick (Rutger Hauer) who is blinded in Vietnam and nurtured by friendly natives who teach him how to quarter a flying melon with the very long and very sharp sword concealed in his cane.

Nick returns to America and becomes a wanderer, knapsack on his back, lethal cane in his hand. Wherever he stops, it seems, the favorite sport of the locals is making fun of his handicap. This is not all nice, and certainly not wise, because Nick leaves the populace at each stop either chastened or deceased. What the heck—if it never bothers any law-enforcement people, what’s the harm?

Actually, Nick is trying to find a former Army buddy whose cowardice under fire was a contributing factor to Nick’s blindness. He finds the man’s family in Florida, but the man himself is in Reno, on the bad side of a mean gambler. Nick finds the family just in time to keep the son from being killed by the gambler’s henchmen, who murder the boy’s mother and try to kill Nick—much to their chagrin. Nick and the boy head to Reno for a showdown.

A lot happens on the way to Reno, and a lot happens after Nick’s arrival in Reno, including a gunfire-filled car chase down the city’s main street in broad daylight with a blind man driving one of the cars. Causes not a stir. Some tough town, Reno.

Nick closes in on the wicked gambler and his thugs, and an amazingly bloody showdown is followed by a tear-jerking happy ending. I can’t wait until this comes out on home video, so I can own my own copy. It’s no "Batman," but if you like good old mindless violence, "Blind Fury" is the movie for you.

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Horror Film Festival draws “intimate” audience

by Eric C. Schlegel
Features reporter

On Friday the 13th a horror film festival was planned by ACE for the UC exhibit hall. Three movies were viewed, I Spit On Your Grave, Carrie and Texas Chainsaw Massacre. The movies ran from 6:00 to about 11:30, with short breaks between each movie.

The disappointing turnout fluctuated between five and ten people. This, however, proved to be a blessing. Within the “crowd” was a feeling of intimacy. Imagine watching a horror movie on a large screen in a darkened room with only a few strangers. Then combine that with sitting in your living room watching a video tape. Now you have the feeling of the evening. The few numbers promoted audience participation, particularly on the last film Texas Chainsaw Massacre. When the sound gave out the audience supplied the purr of the chainsaw and the screaming of the victim. In my opinion the festival was very entertaining and a success (at least for those who showed up).

The worst film shown was I Spit on Your Grave. The movie looked like it was produced by a bunch of people who didn’t know what they were doing, over the course of a weekend. The story is the generic revenge plot; the death action comes much too late in the film to save it. When the killings do come they can’t compare to the shocking and disturbing gang rape which preceded them. Not to say the rape scene was well made—any power it had was taken from the fact of what it was. The characters are flat, dumb and unbelievable. Texas Chainsaw Massacre was not much better. You can guess the story line—people get killed but the action begins much earlier to help salvage the movie. However, I didn’t see the infamous gore I had heard so much about from this film. The movie was made at a time when four people were considered a massacre. The movie tried to throw in a few surprises; however, it was predictable every step of the way. This movie is also populated by flat, dumb and unbelievable characters. This was, however, humorous material (perhaps not intentionally) that was wonderful to heckle at.

Carrie was the best movie shown. And in my opinion, the best horror movie I’ve ever seen. The story is now a classic—girl with psychic power seeks revenge against all her tormentors. When the movie was released it received great reviews (especially for Sissy Spacek) which is rare for movies of this genre. The characters were carefully developed. The movie used symbolism, such as beginning and ending with the curse of blood. The emotion experienced from this movie is hard to achieve in any genre. Although it has been attempted, the story has never been copied successfully. Perhaps contributing to this is the fact that Carrie has no real villains (except for two catalysts for the action). You can’t hate Carrie or her insane mother. Another distinction above the rest is that most of the victims are not deserving, some are loving and caring towards Carrie. This promotes the immense feeling of pity and sorrow.

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by Marshall & Cravens

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Salt-N-Pepa turn out consistently impressive album

by Eric C. Schlegal
features reporter

Salt-N-Pepa turn out consistently impressive album. T-I...

The album, Black's Magic, is an effective mix of rap and singing background vocals for a strong soul feel. The music is rhythmic, rocking and danceable. Six of the thirteen tracks have strong positive messages ranging from sexual awareness to self-reliance. This is refreshing for anyone worried about the controversy surrounding rap music (I, however, am not). Pepa's pregnancy kept her off some of the tracks, however, the album more than makes up for it with guest performances by Sybil, Kid-N-Play and Jaci McSchee. 

"Expression" is my favorite cut off the album. This song is Salt's first attempt at producing. The track has a strong driving dance beat. The message is clear: be an individual. The song repeatedly belts out "Express yourself!" The words are aimed more specifically at girls. However, anyone may benefit from their meaning. The most powerful message is contained in "Let's Talk About Sex." Salt-N-Peppa manage to sing about their subject with a sense of fun but still get the message across. The lyrics go "Let's talk about sex, baby. Let's talk about you and me. Let's talk about the good things and the bad things that may be. In this time there is still ignorance and fear about sex. We cannot allow this subject to stay in the closet. We must talk about it from explaining sex to your children to being open and responsible before engaging in sex. "Black's Magic" and "Negro Wit an Ego" look at black pride. "Black's Magic" is specifically about black awareness. The track is a mellow dance groove. The chorus and the music lend a mystical sound to the cut. Spinderella, Salt-N-Pepa's DJ, produces the track along with the Invincibles. "Negro Wit an Ego" goes a little bit farther to not only talk about black pride but also sex discrimination. The cut says "wrong color, wrong sex." This track has a stronger dance beat. Two songs on the album in particular have a soft, cool feel. The music of "Doper Than Dope" is reminiscent of Soul II Soul's "Jazzy's Groove." The track is a mellow, harmless, fun groove. "You Shoved Me" is unique. The song is a mellow love rap. A haunting chorus is sung by Joyce Martin. She lends a wonderfully beauteous and rich feel to the song.

There is not one loser on this album. Black's Magic is one album that will leave you dancing and feeling fine. This is the best work of these talented rappers thus far. Well done Salt, Pepa and Spinderella.

Master Series continues April 20, 21

The Alabama Symphony Orchestra continues its Master Series on Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21, at the Civic Center Concert Hall. Both concerts, conducted by Maestro Paul Polivnick will begin at 8:00 p.m. The Alabama Symphony Chorus will join William Brown, tenor, in performing Berlioz's Requiem, Opus 5, "Grande Messe des Morts," accompanied by the ASO. Brown, a Mississippi native, has appeared on network television on several occasions. "Sunday Morning," featuring Brown and Musa Sidlin with the New Haven Symphony Orchestra, first aired on CBS, then was later rebroadcast on PBS. Brown appeared on the Canadian CBC network with the Victoria Symphony Orchestra in a salute to Martin Luther King.

Brown, cited in Ebony Magazine as one of the "ten new voices of the eighties," is listed in Who's Who in Opera International and Who's Who of Music and Musicians. He performed most recently at Carnegie Hall in January 1989 under the auspices of Today's Artists, Inc., having performed there earlier in the 1981-82 season for the 85th birthday celebration for Virgil Thomson.

Hector Berlioz's Requiem was commissioned by the French government as a memorial to the victims of the 1830 Revolution. The Requiem was performed in 1837 in the Dome des Invalides in memory of General Darmont and the soldiers who died in action. The score called for a "minimum" of 108 string players, 20 woodwinds, and up to 12 horns in the main orchestra. The Requiem consists of 10 movements of varying lengths and dynamics. William Brown displays his fine tenor abilities throughout the piece. The tenor solo in the ninth movement, the "Sanctus," allows Brown to highlight his entire range of musical talent.

Pre-concert entertainment in the Concert Hall lobby will be performed by the Birmingham Community Chorale, Eileen Nunn's Galleries at the Symphony will feature the works of a local artist.

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Deadline for completed application is April 27, 1990.

This is a change from last week's published date.
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"Earth Day Event" to begin week of Earth Day events

The Huntsville Earth Day Committee announces the Huntsville Earth Day Event beginning a week of environmental events. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. in Bragon Spring Park, on Sunday April 22, 1990. Live bands playing a variety of music will be featured. The Swara Chusters Skydiving Team will arrive on the field at 12:30 p.m. There will also be games for children, and refreshments available. Mayor Steve Hettinger will open the festivities and lead the audience in the "Green Pledge".

Many booths representing area environmental groups, businesses, and churches will be presented to provide Earth saving tips for everyone.

Auto maintenance can be environmentally helpful

As Americans become more and more aware of the need to respect the environment, they are constantly looking for ways in which they can make a difference; one obvious place they may not have looked may be right in their driveway or garage. Doing the little things on the family vehicle can have a big impact on improving the environment.

The Environmental Protection Agency has said that if people properly maintain their vehicles and don’t tamper with the emissions control system, tailpipe emissions could be reduced by 25 percent.

The following steps can be observed to assure that every car on the road is environmentally friendly:

Follow the manufacturer’s recommendations for scheduled maintenance including oil and filter change intervals (fresh oil reduces vehicle pollution and contributes to improved fuel economy), type of oil used (high-quality oils reduce engine sludging and improve fuel economy), air filter replacement (promotes fuel economy), spark plug replacement (to maximize engine efficiency), and tire inflation pressure (improves fuel economy and maximizes tire life).

Drive in a responsible manner in order to avoid excess gas consumption, avoiding “jack rabbit” starts, prolonged periods of idling and speeds in excess of posted levels.

For the do-it-yourselfer, dispose of used oil and other vehicle fluids (coolant, transmission and brake fluid) through recycling centers.

Combine trips to save both time and money.

When the air conditioning system requires service, make sure to take the car to a service facility that uses refrigerant recycling equipment to minimize release of CFCs to the environment.

Use gasoline with detergent additives designed to keep fuel injectors clean. Companies that add detergents usually advertise this fact.

If your Owner Guide recommends 5W30 motor oil for your engine and climate, use it on a regular basis — it can provide a small fuel economy benefit over 10W40 and 20W40 motor oils.

Have fluid leaks — power steering, cooling, oil, brake or transmission — repaired immediately to prevent unwanted release to the environment.

Keep all vehicle fluids at recommended levels for efficient operation.

Use the air conditioning system only as required; it can decrease fuel economy up to 1.5 miles per gallon.

Don’t tamper with the emission control system.

These recommendations may seem insignificant, but taken together they can make a difference.

Compared with cars built in the early 1970s, today’s new cars emit 96 percent fewer hydrocarbons, 96 percent less carbon monoxide and 76 percent fewer nitrogen oxides. Pre-1983 vehicles, while accounting for 43 percent of the miles traveled in the U.S., produce about 48 percent of the pollution.

Earth Day will launch the “Decade of the Environment” in Huntsville, and link our city with activities happening throughout the U.S. and in over 100 countries throughout the world.

The corporate sponsor of this special Earth Day event is ADS Environmental Services, a local company working worldwide to solve water pollution problems. Find out how you can make a difference to protect the environment. Please join us for Earth Day 1990.

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Sports

Tennis teams continue winning as season winds down

By Jennifer Grace
Sports Editor

The UAH men’s tennis team gained three wins during last week’s competitions. They first traveled to Livingston University to take an impressive 5-4 win. The singles victories for UAH came from Darren Otten at number one 6-1,6-4, Milo Cameron at number two, 5-7,6-2,6-2, and Kevin Bice at number five, 6-1,6-4. In doubles UAH ruled in first and second doubles.

The men played Kankakee Jr. College last Wednesday and came out with a 9-0 win overall. Otten pulled out a three set match in the first singles position, as did Lloyd Klusendorf at number four. The rest of the singles and doubles matches were won in two sets. Bice won easily at number five, 6-0,6-0. On the same day, the UAH men’s and women’s teams both competed against Jefferson State Junior College. The men won their match 5-4, with singles victories from Darren Otten, Don and Milo Cameron, and Kevin Bice. Otten and M. Cameron won in the first doubles position to clinch the victory for UAH.

The UAH women’s team took a 6-3 victory over Jeff. State. Stacey Condra won in first singles, 6-1,6-1. Sybil Petersen won 6-4,7-6, after coming back from a 2-5 score in the second set. Jennifer Grace won at number three, 6-2,6-1, and Tracy Turberville took a 6-4,6-1 victory at number four. In doubles it was Condra and Turberville at number one, winning it 7-6,6-1. Grace and Petersen came out with a 6-3,6-3 victory.

On Thursday the Lady Chargers were defeated by the University of the South. Condra fought a close battle at number one, barely coming out on the short end of a 4-6,7-6,6-4 victory for Ellen Maybank of Sewanee. Turberville came up with the only singles victory for the Chargers, defeating Laura Middleton 6-3,0-6,6-3. Petersen and Grace

Entry books available for Alabama Sports Festival VIII

Entry books for registering to participate in the 1990 Alabama Sports Festival VIII, featuring 28 events, are currently available.

The Alabama Sports Festival is an annual Olympic-style competition for athletes of all ages and skill levels. Regional competition in college baseball, basketball, girls’ basketball, adult soccer, youth soccer, and youth track and field is June 8-10. Host cities for regionals are Florence, Decatur, Birmingham, Montgomery, Auburn, and Mobile.

Regional qualifiers will advance to the state finals June 21-25, hosted by Huntsville for the first time. Entrants in 22 at-large events automatically compete in the state finals. The at-large events are: archery, high school baseball, bowling, boxing, cycling, diving, fencing, girls’ gymnastics, girls’ gymnastics, horseshoes, sports for the physically challenged, racquetball, roller skating, shooting sports, swimming, taekwondo, tennis, adult track & field, volleyball, water skiing and wrestling. The entry deadline is May 25 for regional sports and June 1 for at-large sports. To obtain a copy of the Alabama Sports Festival entry book, call 1-800-325-0422 or 263-3411. Copies are also available by writing the Alabama Sports Festival, P.O. Box 1110, Montgomery, Al. 36101-1110.

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Spring Intramural Results

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- Jalapeno Eating Contest
- Recording and Video Booth
- Dress-up Pictures
- Tish Hinahosa Sings: Country & Western Western Swing Folk and Pop From a Hispanic Perspective

Saturday
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