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PROGRESS FUND KICKS OFF TODAY . . . This is the third year for the Annual Fund drive, but the name has been changed to the Progress Fund. Chairman Don Blaise, director of Alumni Affairs, says the thrust of the drive has shifted to put it on a more personal basis and to "raise friends as well as money." The $100,000 goal is off to a promising start, with $53,000 already committed in pre-campaign contributions.

An external committee, chaired by Glenn Cope of Berry Cope Inc. has been formed to put the drive over the top. The four divisions of the committee and their chairmen are: Alumni: Ernie Ritch, a partner in the John Gann Realty company; Parents of Alumni: Dr. Charles Butler, president, Pathology Associates; Friends of the University: Richard Lapidus, president, Richards Lighting; and University Community Development: Dr. Margaret Bond, associate professor of economics.

While Blaise hopes to see the campaign essentially finished by June 1, he and Dr. Joe Sparks, assistant to the president, will be responsible for engineering the follow-up operations.

T.G.I.F. CHANGE . . . The April 13 Good Friday holiday falls on the second Friday of the month this year. The T.G.I.F. party, the Alumni Association's monthly gift to the University community, will therefore be postponed until the following week. See you at the Noojin House April 20 from 5 - 7 p.m.

NEW ARTS SERIES A BLOCKBUSTER . . . Tickets go on sale April 16 for the 1979-80 UAH Arts Series -- and it's the best ever. The spectacular lineup includes Andre Kostelanz conducting the Birmingham Symphony; "Coppelia" performed by Ballet West; the Birmingham Symphony again under the baton of Amerigo Marino; professional drama by the famous Acting Company under the artistic direction of John Houseman; and an evening of baroque dance and music by the Concert Royal. Don't forget that faculty and staff receive a handsome discount on tickets, and students can attend any performance for $1.00. Season ticket holders to the Arts Series also receive the added bonus of a discount on a mini-series of delightful events which will feature this season the Howard Hanger Jazz Fantasy; the McLain Family Band of bluegrass musicians from Kentucky; and Ben Franklin Face to Face, reincarnated in the person of John Sneden.

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RETURN OF THE FREE UNIVERSITY . . . A returning element of campus life that is welcome in the spring, fall, and every season, is the Free University. After a hiatus when no Group Singing for Non-Musicians was heard in the land, the Free University is back this spring offering a mixed bag of tempting courses. Check out the posters strategically placed around the campus and decide among Intermediate Fencing, Creative Mixology, Meditation and more.

SPRING ENROLLMENT . . . The figures this spring are up 8.5% over a year ago, according to Registrar Nan Hall. In all, there are 3,960 students enrolled this spring term compared with 3,650 students this time a year ago. Most of the increase is in full-time students, particularly in the School of Science and Engineering which is up 15% and the School of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences which is up 16%. Both the number of part-time and graduate students has remained about the same as a year ago.

The continued increase at UAH is especially encouraging in light of a national decline in total enrollment at colleges and universities last fall of 0.5% and a decline in Alabama of 1.1% last fall. During the same period at UAH enrollment increased by 4.2%. The main reason cited for the increases at UAH is that the University is located in a growing region of the state.

PRORATION . . . Governor James' requests for six percent proration, the ear-marking of taxes going to the Special Education Trust Fund, and a ten percent cut in appropriations for higher education next fiscal year are drawing fire from groups around the state. On April 6 the Alabama State Conference of the American Association of University Professors sent a telegram to the governor stating that the AAUP "deeply deplores and expresses its grave concern over the recent actions and announcements issuing from the Office of the Governor of Alabama involving institutions of higher learning." The resolution passed by the state AAUP asked that alternative ways be found of reducing spending and argued that an across-the-board cut was not satisfactory because it failed to recognize the individual problems and needs of institutions of higher education.

"If implemented, such an approach could effectively negate the growth in quality of higher education so painfully achieved during the last several years," the resolution stated. "Further, it would continue to foster a climate of concern and anxiety among the faculties of affected institutions which is extremely unhealthy and demoralizing." The resolution urged the governor to reconsider his decision to divert money from higher education, and asked that both the governor and the legislature develop alternative ways of meeting the funding needs of the state without "jeopardizing the quality and economic foundation of higher education."

UAH delegates to the Alabama State Conference of the AAUP were Dr. Robert O'Neal, president of the UAH Chapter; Dr. Margaret Bond, chairperson of the Conference Committee W.; and Dr. Carol Roach, secretary-treasurer and newly elected vice president of the state group.
Proration continued . . .

On April 4 Dr. Bob Lager, Governor James' liaison for education, was on campus and addressed the UAH Faculty Senate. While he had some good news in that proration may be cut from six to three percent, he added that the governor was adamant about wanting universities to cut ten percent from their next fiscal budget. Members of the Faculty Senate questioned Lager about the effect of the cut on faculty salaries and the quality of education, getting empathy but no commitments.

VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS NAMED . . . Dr. Elmer E. Anderson has been named vice president for academic affairs at UAH effective this coming August. He will be succeeding Dr. Kathryn Crossland who is expected to resume her teaching career. A search committee composed of students, faculty members and administrators reviewed more than 100 candidates during the search process. Dr. Anderson has served as dean of the School of Science and Humanities at Indiana University-Purdue University in Fort Wayne since 1977.

IN SADNESS . . . Dr. Donald Caplenor, former dean of faculty at UAH, died April 7 following a heart attack in Cookeville, Tennessee. He was vice president for research at Tennessee Technological University.

HONORARY COMMITTEE VISITS CAMPUS . . . An on-site evaluation visit was made to UAH in March by members of the national chapter of Tau Beta Phi, national engineering honorary fraternity, following preliminary screening and application for a local chapter. The decision of the national convention, based on the recommendations of the visiting executive committee, will be announced next fall.

HOUSES WANTED . . . UAH has been chosen as the recipient of the 1979 NASA/ASEE Summer Faculty Fellowship Training Grant from NASA Headquarters with Dr. Gerald R. Karr of the Mechanical Engineering Department as University Co-Director. This is a ten-week program whereby professors from other universities are brought to Huntsville for the summer to do research at MSFC. Most of the participants will bring their families for the duration of their fellowship and will be looking for temporary housing for the ten-week period. If there are any University faculty or staff members who plan to be away for the period June through August and who would be interested in renting their home to one of the participants, please let Dr. Karr or Ann White know as soon as possible. The number to call is 5-6330.

LIBRARY TO BE CLOSED . . . The UAH Library will be closed April 13-14-15. It will reopen April 16 for the usual hours of operation, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, and noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.
RUNOFF ELECTION FOR TRS-BOARD OF CONTROL ... A runoff election for the Teachers' Retirement System Board of Control has been scheduled for April 23 from 1 to 4 p.m. in room 135 Madison Hall (Personnel Office). Vying for Principal Place are incumbent Mirian F. Heaton and Catherine A. Whitehead. More information about the candidates will be available to eligible voters at voting time. Vote is by secret written ballot.

VOTER REGISTRATION BOOTH ... A booth will be open in the University Union for voter registration April 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FOSSILS, ROCKS, PLANTS AND INSECTS ... The Biology Department has become the recipient of one of the most extensive amateur collections of minerals and fossils in the United States for what is hoped to be the nucleus of a Natural History Museum representing the North Alabama/South-Central Tennessee region. The gift was made by the Summers Taylor family that built the collection over the past 14 years. While the Smithsonian and other universities sought parts of the collection, it now resides in its entirety in room 210 of the Science Building with Dr. Ken Lewis' impressive herbarium of more than 5,000 pressed and mounted plants of this region and an insect collection.

BOUQUETS AND KUDOS ... There's more than flowers that bloom in the spring to be welcomed, appreciated, and recognized. The Alumni Association will present awards to representatives of the best of the UAH faculty, senior class, alumni, and athletes at the annual alumni dinner, traditionally held the night before commencement. The deadline for nominations in each category is April 30, and all members of the University community are invited to submit names for three of the four awards. Names placed in nomination should be sent to Don Blaise at the Alumni Affairs Office, room 226 Madison Hall.

Faculty Appreciation Award -- Candidates for this award must be professors or instructors who have been involved in classroom instruction and who have several years tenure on campus. They should be teachers who are recognized as outstanding in their field academically, and who display a genuine interest in their students.

Outstanding Student Athlete of the Year Award -- Each candidate for this award must be a graduating senior, with 60 or more credit hours earned at UAH. He or she must be a varsity athlete in a team or individual sport, a full-time student, and have a quality point average of 1.5 or above.

Outstanding Alumnus Award -- Candidates for this award must be alumni of UAH, either graduate or undergraduate, who show leadership or superior accomplishments in his or her profession or business.
Outstanding Senior Scholar Award — To be eligible for this award, candidates must be graduating seniors, with 60 or more credit hours earned at UAH. Full-time students with a grade point average of 2.75 or better, they must also exhibit an active interest in UAH and in community affairs. Mention is made of this award for University notification only. The recipient of the award will be selected from a list of names given to the Alumni Association by the Office of the Dean of Students.

INVESTITURE IN RETROSPECT . . . Now that the two days of investiture events have receded into proud history, on behalf of the University we would like to extend a "thank you" to all who contributed their time, talents and efforts to bring success to the various endeavors. In an attempt to recognize the individuals who were responsible for the diverse components of the investiture activities, it soon became evident that we would do well to issue a sincere, blanket "Thank You" to all who served.

RESEARCH GRANTS COMMITTEE AWARDS FOR SPRING TERM . . .

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WHAT FOLKS ARE DOING . . . Dr. Arvin M. Overbach, a volunteer member of the School of Primary Medical Care faculty in pediatrics, testified before a Senate committee in Washington, D.C. in March on behalf of the American Academy of Pediatrics. She was one of two Academy members who gave testimony before the Federal Trade Commission concerning the effects of television advertising directed at children under twelve.

Also attending the Alabama Association of Historians meeting in Mobile, reported in the March BULLETIN BOARD, were Dr. Philip Boucher, Dr. C. Louis Salley and Dr. Lee E. Williams.

A consortium on Revolutionary Europe in Charleston, South Carolina, was attended March 1 - 3 by Dr. John White, Dr. Henry Hull and Dr. C. Louise Salley of the History Department. Dr. White is a member of the Board of Directors of the Consortium.

Dr. Thomas A. Brindley was the only Alabama representative at the conference of the Comparative and International Education Society in Ann Arbor, Mich. March 21 - 24 at which he delivered a paper on "Assumptions Made in Future Studies."

Dr. Reese Kilgo, associate professor of education, will present the paper "Knowledge and Use of Group Dynamics as Teaching Methodologies" at the Fifth International Conference on Improving University Teaching to be held at the University of London July 4 - 7. Dr. Kilgo will also present a paper on "Divorce and on Sexism in Children's Literature" at the annual conference of the Southeastern Council on Family Relations to be held at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro on April 1 - 3. Dr. Kilgo presented the paper "Man's Work/Woman's Work as Shown in Children's Career Goals" at the conference on Women and Work at Indiana University in Bloomington on March 18 - 20.

Dr. John Winking, assistant professor of Music, directed a performance of the Madison County Honor Band March 24.

Sue B. Weir is the Johnson Environmental and Energy Center task team leader on a project to gather and disseminate electrical and natural gas rates and costs for which JEEC was recently awarded a $25,000 contract. The one-year contract is part of the five-year National Solar Heating and Cooling Demonstration Program and is administered by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Conservation and Solar Applications.

The Speakers' Platform -- The UAH faculty is well represented on the Rotary Club's rostrum. Dr. Benjamin B. Graves, professor of business administration, spoke to the noon Rotary in March. In May Dr. Henry Hull, associate professor of history and Dr. John MacDougall, assistant professor of political science will address the group.

Dr. Wright addressed the Huntsville Press Club on the effects of proration in March.
JOB OPENINGS . . . The following staff jobs are open at UAH. More information is available at Personnel Services in Madison Hall. New listings are posted every two weeks on campus bulletin boards. UAH is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. The Personnel Office number is 895-6545.

CURRENT STAFF OPENINGS

Heating and Air Conditioning Technician (2)
Machinist-Instrument Maker
Programmer/Analyst
Nutritionist (Temp. Part-Time)
Utility Workers (6, Temp.)
Expeditor
Electrician's Helper
Sr. Custodial Worker

PART-TIME TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES IN

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Biology: Dr. Harold Wilson, Chairman 895-6260
Chemistry: Dr. Clyde Riley, Chairman 895-6153
Computer Science: Dr. Jim Johannes, Chairman 895-6088
Environmental Science: Dr. Curtis Adams, Chairman 895-6362
Electrical Engineering: Dr. Robert Thurstone, Chairman 895-6316
Industrial & Systems Engineering: Dr. Robert A. Brown, Chairman 895-6256
Mathematics: Dr. F. Lee Cook, Chairman 895-6470
Mechanical Engineering: Dr. T. J. Chung, Chairman 895-6154
Physics: Dr. L. Smalley, Chairman 895-6206

Candidates are urged to call or write for application forms for the above positions by April 30.

PART-TIME TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES IN

HUMANITIES AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Administrative Science - Project Management
Art - Art History, Drawing and Design, Silkscreen
Business Administration - Accounting, Finance, Management, Marketing
Communications - Basic Speech and Communication
Economics - Statistics
Education - Elementary, Secondary, Sources of American Educational Thought, Modern Secondary School Programs
English - Remedial Writing and Freshmen Composition
Modern Foreign Languages - French, German, Russian, Spanish
Political Science - Introductory American Government
Sociology - Marriage and the Family

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Job Openings continued . . .

For further information about requirements, call the School of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences 5-6200. The application deadline is May 6, 1979. Resumes, transcripts and applications should be sent to the School of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences, 256 Morton Hall.

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