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"Connections," UAH's new student involvement fair, will be held on the University Center (UC) front lawn Thursday, August 30 from 3 until 6 p.m. The purpose is to allow students to get more information about the clubs, organizations and extracurricular activities available on campus.

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## Yes, The Water Is Safe, But Would You Drink It?

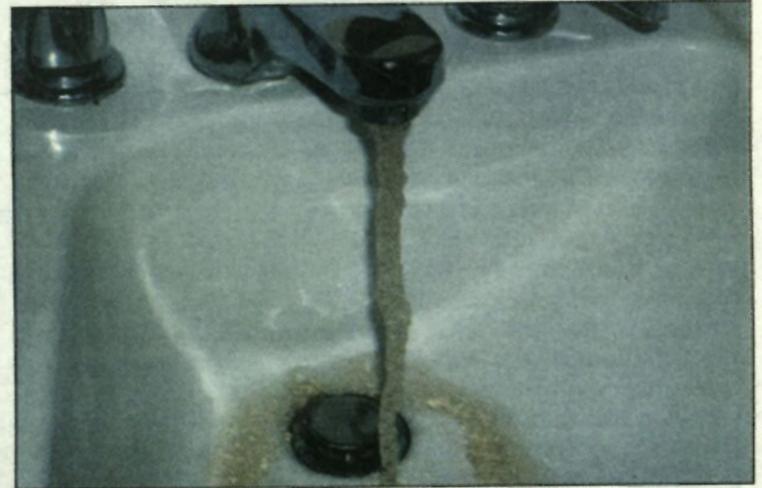
BY SARAH PERRIN In recent years students and teachers in Wilson Hall have grown accustomed to the sight of coffee-colored water streaming from faucets in restrooms and labs, and to the distinct "sock-like" aftertaste of the fountain water. The condition was generally shrugged off as a result of age and a sign of the general dilapidation of the building.

However, signs taped above water fountains in Wilson Hall this summer announced their closure pending test results. According to Marcia Green, director of the UAH Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS), this was the direct result of a complaint by a building occupant. The longevity of the problem illustrates a lack of good communication between departments. "Until the report was made to the OEHS we had no knowledge of the discolored water," she said.

The campus receives water from Huntsville Utilities which

regularly checks and publishes water quality reports that are distributed to customers and available online. After receiving the complaint the OEHS contacted Huntsville Utilities who came and flushed the main water line to Wilson Hall in an attempt to remedy the problem. The university's Facilities and Operations Management/Plumbing Division also flushed all of the internal lines.

The OEHS then contacted Enersolve, a company certified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to do a water analysis of the fountains in Wilson Hall. Test results showed a slightly elevated lead concentration in one fountain with 21 parts per billion. The EPA action limit in K-12 schools is 20 parts per billion. However, pointed out Green, "Children are at much higher risk from the effects of lead exposure." Regardless, the fountain has been removed from service. It has been determined that the discoloration, taste and odor of both the faucet and fountain water



This August 9 photo shows water running from a second floor restroom. Photo By: Sarah Perrin

is due to an elevated iron concentration. Although all of the facilities in Wilson Hall run off of one main waterline the fountain water was found to be more contaminated than the tap water, likely due to infrequent use.

"The slightly elevated lead levels may have been due to repairs conducted over the years in which

brass fittings or solder with lead was used. The iron is most likely due to the infrequent use of the fountains and the oxidation of the pipes leading to the spigot. Iron is not a health hazard but is a secondary drinking water standard meaning that it affects the water taste, odor, and or color," said Green.

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## John Wright Drive Re-Opens Amidst Continuing Construction



Top: Construction continues on Lakeside Drive entrance. Bottom: New UC entryway nears completion Photos By: Greg Skibinski



BY SARAH PERRIN Members of the university community will find navigating back-to-school traffic

a bit easier August 20, as the inner traffic loop will be completely accessible for the first time in a year. The gateway, accessible from Sparkman Drive, is scheduled to open in approximately two weeks after a final paving, lighting installation, and landscaping to include Willow Oaks and numerous bedding plants. Closed portions of John Wright Drive have complicated access to many vital university buildings during the \$60 million dollar construction project that includes the new campus gateway, pond expansion, roundabout, and most notably the Shelby Center for Science and Technology (SCST).

The lake expansion, fed from an underground spring near Holmes Avenue, is complete and will spill in two locations: under Bradford Drive and Lakeside Drive. Because the lake also collects storm runoff from the higher elevated University Drive, the collection of silt in the lake is an issue, so the expansion features a silt pond that filters the water and makes for easier cleaning. The older portion

of the lake which used to be approximately 12 feet deep is now 7 feet deep due to buildup and will eventually have to be dredged.

Fall classes will not be held in the SCST as originally anticipated, but "We're down to the finishes," said Mike Finnegan, assistant vice-president of facilities and operations, citing extensive use of limestone and hardwood flooring as well as roofing delays as the cause. Much of the lab equipment is already installed and functioning and the environmental rooms are cycling.

The ribbon cutting for the SCST is scheduled for October 14. The move in to the new facility is anticipated to take six weeks and will likely begin in early November with the math department from Madison Hall and some of the research labs from Wilson Hall. The biology department, also located in Wilson Hall, will move over the winter break. The first classes will be held in the facility spring semester.

Renovations totaling \$18-20 million have also been approved for Wilson and Madison Halls. Tentatively scheduled to go first, Wilson Hall's renovations will in-

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## Academic Resource Center Offers Programs For Freshman

BY EMMA DEAN  
The university's new Academic Resource Center will offer two programs this fall targeted at easing the transition for incoming freshman—Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) and Peer Mentoring.

As director Dr. Diana Bell explains the wisdom behind PASS is that it identifies lower-level classes that are "historically difficult" at UAH including courses in science, math, engineering, business and the liberal arts. Simply by enrolling in a designated PASS class, students spend additional time reviewing material with a junior or senior that has previously performed well in that class. Bell emphasizes that rather than re-teaching these classes the older students devise hands-on learning activities that help the freshmen become "actively involved."

The Peer Mentoring program divides freshman students into major-specific groups which are then assigned a UAH junior or senior as a Peer Mentor. According to Bell, what differentiates the two programs is that peer mentors do more than assist freshman with their studies—they also offer life skills advice including time management, note taking and becoming familiar with personal learning styles. Peer mentors also help freshmen to become more



ARC Director Dr. Diana Bell  
Photo By: Emma Dean

comfortable with college life by accompanying them to UAH-sponsored activities.

For students of any level the Academic Resource Center's website offers an Online Resource Center, which includes information on study strategies, time management, writing formats, and other helpful information to which students might not otherwise have access. They also encourage all UAH students to participate in the free Campus Tutoring program, which offers department-specific assistance through the Math, Physics, English, Engineering, and Chemistry departments as well as Student Affairs.

The Academic Resource Center endeavors to enrich the learning process for all UAH students and is located in Madison Hall, room 136. For more information including the list of PASS classes, visit them online at <http://arc.uah.edu/>.



Construction equipment in the foreground of the new Applied Sciences Building as work on the new roundabout nears completion  
Photo By: Greg Skibinski

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clude an overhaul of the mechanical, plumbing, and ventilation systems, as well as some modifications to the electrical system. Bathrooms and elevators will be renovated, and appropriate handicapped access will be added to the front entrance. Similar renovations are expected for Madison Hall, which will also likely have its exterior modified to better match the SCST and provide a cohesive and attractive appearance from the main Sparkman Drive entrance.

Dr. Frank Franz had envisioned opening up the space by replacing some of the solid walls with extensive glasswork.

As math and science complete their moves into the SCST, continuing education which is based out of Wilson Hall will likely move to Madison Hall, thereby totally vacating the building. Once renovations to Wilson Hall are complete the occupants of Madison Hall, home to many administrative offices, will likely move there during renovations to that building.

Once both buildings have been completed, the art department will likely move from Roberts Hall to Wilson Hall thereby giving the music program room to expand. The Nursing Building, which is already operating at maximum capacity, will likely also be granted some space in Wilson Hall. Continuing education, now spread across five different buildings, will be consolidated into the one location and testing services will likely move as well.

Construction on the University Center is also behind schedule due to problems in both the design and the receipt of the steel required for the endeavor. The \$2 million project includes modifications and renovations to the front entrance, lobby, and kitchen areas. The kitchen modifications are completed and the cafeteria, not including the expansion, is open. The lobby, restrooms, and bookstore will be open this week, and the entire project is expected to be completed in the next thirty days. The

final step will be the removal of the temporary wall separating the old dining area and the new glass-enclosed expansion, adding an additional 5,000 square feet. A new outdoor patio seating arrangement will be established at the exterior Jazzman's entrance.

The intermodal parking facility, to be located across the street from the University Fitness Center currently has no set start date. The three story facility will provide ample parking for students, bicycle racks, and a base-point for a campus shuttle system. The UAH Campus Police will be relocated to the facility, thereby allowing the Office of Environment Health and Safety to move from their location in the Johnson Research Center to be closer to the Facilities and Operations.

The university is moving closer towards creating the campus greenway in what is now the Sanderson subdivision. Of the 35 homes in the area, 30 have been purchased and ten have been moved. The sale of the thirty-first home is being negotiated. The university will maintain the many beautiful hardwoods in the neighborhood, including the Pink Dogwoods, as part of the future greenway.

Other smaller projects on the horizon include new and improved landscape between Frank Franz Hall and North Campus Residence Hall Two, a parking lot at the recently completed baseball and softball fields, and the repaving of the parking lot at the Material Science Building and Madison Hall.

## 2007 STARS Conference Calls For Textbook Tax Reform

BY JASON VARNEDOE  
August 8th through 10th saw a gathering of university students and staff for the 2007 STARS (Student Teams Advocating Realistic Solutions) Leadership and University Advocates' Conference in Destin, Florida. One

of the many things accomplished at this conference was the formation of a SGA Presidents Council and the push for granting school textbooks a tax exempt status.

The formation of a SGA Presidents Council was reflected by the change in the title of the confer-

ence from the "STARS Retreat" to the "STARS Leadership and University Advocates' Conference". First on the agenda for the SGA Presidents Council of STARS is to lobby the Alabama legislature to make school textbooks tax exempt. Coming on the heels of the recent tuition rate hike, this could prove to provide some relief to the ever-increasing financial burden on Alabama students.

The STARS Conference is an annual event held by the Higher Education Partnership Foundation, a group committed to advocating the needs of higher education in Alabama. The Higher Education Partnership Foundation was formed ten years ago in response to then Governor Fob James' push to cut state monies allocated to universities in Alabama by 15 percent.

When asked about his stance on the Higher Education Partnership Foundation and STARS, SGA President Sam Parks stated that the lasting legacy will be to bring state leadership together with students and administration to a better future for higher education in Alabama. UAH sent eight delegates, its largest group ever, and one of the largest groups participating in this year's conference.

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## Senior Sports Profile: Kristin Bramlett



BY RAYMOND GILSTRAP  
 Full Name: Kristin Rose Bramlett  
 Sport: Volleyball  
 Position: Outside hitter  
 Number: 35  
 Major/Minor: Art/Spanish and Web Design Cognate

What Kristin likes most about UAH: "Since I've been here for three full years now, [UAH] is where all of my friends are."

Why Kristin enjoys playing volleyball: "If there is any better feeling than making a perfect play on the absolute best that another team can give you, and honestly beating them on your skill rather than their errors; if there is any better feeling than leaving all that you have on a court, knowing you did an amazing job and having no

regrets other than you wished you had more of you to give when all of your 120 percent ran out—let me know and I will [find] a new sport."

Kristin's hobbies: "I love to read. My favorites are Harry Potter and anything by Chuck Palahniuk. I enjoy cooking. Paula Deen is amazing on the Food Network—I trust no cook who is too skinny to eat their own cooking. Also, I play computer games. I'm really a closet geek. Other than that, I am a people person. Give me good people and I'm happy."

Kristin's plans after graduation: "I want to go into graphic design, and if that means grad school, then so be it. I would also like to do some traveling. The places I have been gave me great experiences and why should I stop having those when college is over?"

Want more Kristin? Come out and support the volleyball team this season.

If you are a senior sports player and would like to be considered for a future Senior Sports Profile in The Exponent, then e-mail Raymond Gilstrap at [gilstr@uah.edu](mailto:gilstr@uah.edu).

## Preseason Coach Talk

Coach Taube (volleyball): "Last year, we had a terrible season due to injuries and other factors. This season, we have a deeper bench and I already see improvement over where we were last season. My seniors are Ann Ledford and Kristin Bramlett. I expect my seniors to provide positive leadership to the new players and help them get comfortable here at UAH."

Coach Ziyenge (women's soccer): "We are trying to better our game fitness, while at the same time working on blending in the new players with the return [players]. Despite being somewhat slowed down by the soaring temperatures, we are quite happy with the ground that we have covered thus far."

Coach Petersen (men's soccer): "Our new players are finding the understanding that is needed to be successful through hard work, commitment to our playing style, and the leadership of our veterans. We play a schedule of teams that have more resources than ourselves, so many of our matches will be a David and Goliath struggle. We are out to slay some dragons!"

## Back to School Sports

BY RAYMOND GILSTRAP  
 The fall sports teams have worked hard over the summer in preparation for the upcoming season with hopes of bringing glory to UAH in their sport. The volleyball girls are looking to stick it to the teams in the Arkansas Tech Tournament on August 24-25. Led by head coach Laura Taube and seniors Ann Ledford and Kristin Bramlett, the Lady Chargers have endured two-a-day practices in the gym for up to six hours at a time.

The men's soccer season opens with a match against Georgia Southwestern on August 23. The Chargers, led by coach Carlos Petersen and senior captain Travis Morris, hope to improve on their 2006 record of 4-12-2.

The women's soccer team finished with a 9-6-1 record last year. They plan to improve on that when they begin their season in a match against Clayton State on August 24. With a lot of returning players including last year's goal scoring leader, sophomore Ina Wam Bjorklid and a handful of seniors, the Lady Chargers have been enduring the recent 100 plus degree temperatures to bring fans excellent UAH football this season.

Lastly, the Cross Country team will open their season at the Fleet Feet Sports/Earl Jacoby Memorial on September 8. Head coach David Cain, sophomores Erin Zellers and Will Rodgers, and the rest of the squad will be vying for a spot in the nationals after having narrowly missed it last year.

## Fall Sports Rosters

### 2007 Lady Chargers Volleyball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.
1	Allison Cousins	MH	FR
3	Carrie Brown	OH	FR
4	Julie Price	OH	FR
6	Amanda Smith	MH-RS	JR
7	Whitney Corder	LIB	JR
10	Ann Ledford	OH-DS	SR
11	Yuki Kurihara	S	SO
12	Kelly Ingram	MH-RS	JR
14	Sade Oates	OH	JR
15	Jessica Huckabee	OH	JR
17	Shannon Polkowski	OH	SO
35	Kristin Bramlett	OH	SR
RS	Brittany Fann	MH	JR

### 2007 Chargers Soccer Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.
1	Geoffrey Merry	GK	JR
01	Christopher Charles	GK	FR
3	Trevor Thomas	F	FR
4	Jarrold Muggleton	D	FR
5	Devin Schleif	D	SO
6	Rob Eckensweiler	D/M	FR
7	Daniel Wright	M	SO
10	Guilherme Dantas	M	SO
11	Miles Harding	M/F	FR
13	Travis Morris	D	SR
15	Craig Handrich	D	SR
16	Kyle Gonclaves	F/M	FR
18	Sean Kerber	M	FR
19	Ori Ben-Shalom	D	SO
20	Amir Deylami	D	SO

### 2007 Chargers Cross Country Roster

Name	Yr.
Sean Allan	SR
Cody Bellomy	SR
Parris Heilman	FR
Zach Koch	SR
Nathan Miles	FR
Josh Moshier	FR
Will Rodgers	SO
Mark Temple	SO
Laurance Thompson	FR
Brandon York	SR

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## Meet Coach Bradshaw

BY RAYMOND GILSTRAP  
 Andy Bradshaw, recently appointed UAH men's basketball assistant coach, enjoys reading a good book when he is not busy on the court.

"I am an avid reader," said Bradshaw in a recent interview. "I read constantly."

This is one of the many interesting facts about the man who was named assistant coach after Kevin Carroll vacated the post to accept a similar position at the Air Force Academy. This November he will be working with head coach Lennie Acuff to lead a team that posted an 18-11 record last season.

"It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of the university and more specifically, the men's basketball program," said Bradshaw. "I have been a volunteer on the staff since 2001, so I have a great appreciation for the program coach Acuff has built here."

He continued, "Coach Acuff and I have been friends since I was a high school coach just starting out fifteen years ago. I think [that] he is an outstanding coach and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to continue to work for him in a different role than volunteer assistant."

Not only does Coach Bradshaw think highly of Acuff, he also admires the student athletes who are a part of the basketball program. "Coach Acuff has recruited really good kids who are coachable and have a willingness to learn."

Being coachable and willing to learn are important to the men's basketball team as they prepare for the upcoming season this winter. With both new and returning players, Bradshaw has high hopes this year's team.

"Our team was 18-11 last year, but yet we were not as good as we thought we could have been," Bradshaw concluded. "So we just hope to get this year's team to be as good as it is capable of being."



While Bradshaw enjoys college basketball he dislikes professional basketball and does not have a favorite team. "I never watch the NBA. It's not basketball, it's entertainment," he declared. "I don't really follow teams as much as I follow different coaches that I have respect for...I love the college game."

It was this love for the game finally paid off for Bradshaw. In addition to assisting the UAH men's basketball program for the past six seasons, he also has ten years of high school experience. He has served as head coach at Grissom High and assistant coach at Cullman High.

Although Bradshaw coaches basketball, he is not a good player. "[I] played in high school and was terrible," he said of his days at Decatur High.

Bradshaw is Decatur native and received his bachelor's degree in secondary education from Athens State University in 1992.

## Ace Fall 2007 Schedule

August 22—Special Event (ThinkFast)

August 29—Film (300)

September 5—Cabaret (Ryan Hamilton)

September 12—Film (Dive in "Surf's Up")

September 15—Recreation and Leisure (Cedar Point, tentative)

September 19—Cabaret (Tracey Ashley)

September 26—NACA (no event)

October 3—Film (Knocked Up)

October 10—Fall Break

October 17—Recreation and Leisure

October 24—Film (Live Free or Die Hard)

October 29-November 2—Fall Fest

Monday—Daniel Tosh

Tuesday—Harry Potter

Wednesday—Haunted House (tentative)

Thursday—Corn Maze (tentative)

November 7—Cabaret (Louis Ramsey)

November 12-14—Film (the Bourne trilogy)

November 22—Thanksgiving Holiday

November 28—Special Event (Fort Pastor, Kids to Love)

## Frosh Mosh

August 17-19

### Friday, Aug 17

- Helping freshmen move into residence halls, 10 a.m. — 4 p.m.
- Ice Cream Social, University Center, 8:30 — 9 p.m. (door prizes)
- Hypnotist Dale K, University Center, 9 — 10 p.m.

### Saturday, Aug 18

- Inflatable Games, University Center Lawn, 11 a.m. — 4 p.m. (lunch provided)
- Foam Party, University Center Lawn, 8:30 p.m.

### Sunday, Aug 19

- President's Picnic, University Center Lawn, featuring the band "Juice," 5 — 7 p.m.
- Concert: "17th Floor," Slab, 8 p.m.

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## Fall 2007 Semester Calendar

August 20	Classes Begin/Tuition due by 5 PM
August 24	Last Day to Add a Class for Fall Semester
August 25	First Saturday class
August 31	Last day to Drop classes and receive a refund
August 31	Last day to withdraw and not have a "W" grade posted to official transcript
September 3	Holiday - University closed
September 10	Last day to apply for Pass/Fail
September 17	Last day to change from credit to audit
October 1	Application deadline for Bachelor's Degree Spring Semester
October 8	Mid Term
October 11-13	Fall Break
October 31	Last day to Withdraw from Fall Semester Classes
November 5	Registration for Spring 2008 Semester begins
November 21	No classes
November 22 - 24	Holidays - University closed
November 27	Last Tuesday only class/Final Exam
November 28	Last MW class
November 29	Last TR class
November 30	Last MWF class
November 30	Deadline to remedy a grade of "T" (incomplete) grade from previous semester
December 3	Last Monday only class/Final Exam
December 3 - 8	Final Examinations
December 5	Last Wednesday only class/Final Exam
December 6	Last Thursday only class/Final Exam
December 8	Last Saturday class/Final Exam
December 16	Fall Commencement

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

- Monday, Aug 20**
- Fall Semester Classes Begin.
- Wednesday, Aug 22**
- ACE presents: "Think Fast" Game Show, University Center Exhibit Hall, 9 p.m.
  - Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment: "Philanthropy Night," Material Science Building, Room 112, 6 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug 23**
- Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment: "Skit Night," Material Science Building, Room 112, 6 p.m.
- Friday, Aug 24**
- Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment: "Preference Night," Material Science Building, Room 112, 6 p.m.
  - UAH Dance Club presents: Frankie Velvet and the Velvet Tones Band, University Center Exhibit Hall, 7 - 10 p.m.; \$10 for non-members, \$5 for members, and free for students
- Saturday, Aug 25**
- "Loud on the Lawn," UAH Slab, (Time - TBA)
- Sunday, Aug 26**
- Men's Soccer vs. Lynn, UAH Soccer Field, 5 p.m.
- Monday, Aug 27**
- Reservations due for American Association of University Women Lecture. (256)880-8643 for more information.
- Tuesday, Aug 28**
- Honors Forum: "Introduction to the 2007-2008 Huntsville Chamber Music Guild Series," Frank Franz Hall, 11:10 a.m.
  - LifeSouth Blood Drive, University Fitness Center, 2 - 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug 29**
- ACE Movie: "300," University Center Exhibit Hall, 9 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug 30**
- Honors Forum and Multicultural Affairs (OMA): "The Struggle for Civil Rights in Huntsville," Dr. Sonny Hereford, Frank Franz Hall, 11:10 a.m.
  - Club Fair, UC Lawn, 3 - 6 p.m.
- Friday, Aug 31**
- UAH Soccer vs. Florida Southern, UAH Soccer Field: Women's Match, 2:30 p.m.; Men's Match, 5 p.m.

## Fall 2007 Final Exam Schedule

Classes That Meet	Exam Period
<b>Monday, December 3</b>	
TR 9:35 - 10:55am	8:00 - 10:30am
TR 12:45 - 2:05pm	11:30 - 2:00pm
TR 3:55 - 5:15pm	3:00 - 5:30pm
TR 7:05 - 8:25pm	6:30 - 9:00pm
<b>Tuesday, December 4</b>	
MWF 9:10 - 10:05am	8:00 - 10:30am
All MA 112 and MA 113	11:30 - 2:00pm
All CE 271 and MAE 271	11:30 - 2:00pm
MWF 3:00 - 3:55pm	3:00 - 5:30pm
<b>Wednesday, December 5</b>	
MWF 10:20 - 11:15am	8:00 - 10:30am
MWF 12:40 - 1:35pm	11:30 - 2:00pm
MW 12:45 - 2:05pm	11:30 - 2:00pm
MW 3:55 - 5:15pm	3:00 - 5:30pm
MW 7:05 - 8:25pm	6:30 - 9:00pm
MW 8:40 - 10:00pm	6:30 - 9:00pm
<b>Thursday, December 6</b>	
TR 8:00 - 9:20am	8:00 - 10:30am
TR 11:10 - 12:30pm	11:30 - 2:00pm
TR 2:20 - 3:40pm	3:00 - 5:30pm
TR 5:30 - 6:50pm	6:30 - 9:00pm
TR 8:40 - 10:00pm	6:30 - 9:00pm
<b>Friday, December 7</b>	
MWF 8:00 - 8:55am	8:00 - 10:30am
MWF 11:30 - 12:25pm	11:30 - 2:00pm
MWF 1:50 - 2:45pm	3:00 - 5:30pm
MW 2:20 - 3:40pm	3:00 - 5:30pm
MW 5:30 - 6:50pm	6:30 - 9:00pm
MW 8:40 - 10:00pm	6:30 - 9:00pm
<b>Saturday, December 8</b>	
S 9:00 - 11:50am	9:00 - 11:30am

Classes that meet one evening a week have 15 sessions scheduled. Final exam will be on the last class day.

Note: Absences from a scheduled final examination without previous arrangements with the course instructor (except in extenuating circumstances) will be classified unexcused, and a failing grade in the course will be assigned. For further information refer to the UAH catalog.

No deviation is permitted from the announced final examination schedule. A student with three exams scheduled in one day has the right to have the middle exam rescheduled by mutual agreement between student and instructor and must be agreed upon by the end of the final week of classes.

## Surf's Up! It's Time For Frosh Mosh

BY STEPHANIE KALOI  
After the completion of the final Compass Orientation this week, Frosh Mosh will be upon us yet again. The annual event is held before the start of fall classes and sponsored by the SGA. This year's theme is "Charger Blue's Beach Bash."

The history of Frosh Mosh is long-standing and likely unknown by many in the university community. The event has its roots in the festivities of a former hockey player and SGA member who hailed from Canada and "...brought with him the tradition of week-long partying and celebration prior to the start of the fall semester. Since that time, the SGA has continued and perpetuated these traditions," stated SGA President Samuel Parks.

Frosh Mosh also serves to "...unite the freshmen class around the concept of colle-

gial life and remind them that while they are here to further their academic career they can also enjoy the relationships and bonds formed with their fellow students," explained Parks.

Organizing this year's Frosh Mosh proved challenging, as coordinating the schedules of students volunteering their time for the event is nearly impossible over summer break. "Simply calling a meeting at which more than 25 percent of the volunteers attends can be problematic at best," said Parks.

However, the SGA and volunteers have succeeded in their efforts and this year's Frosh Mosh is anticipated to be one of the best in recent history. The event is open to all freshmen, and with the exception of the ice-cream social, all other UAH students.

## Student Involvement Fair Kicks Off New School Year

BY "Connections,"  
KAREN PULLINS  
UAH's new student involvement fair, will be held on the University Center (UC) front lawn Thursday, August 30 from 3 until 6 p.m. The purpose is to allow students to get more information about the clubs, organizations and extracurricular activities available on campus.

Those in attendance will also find other items of interest including a showcase stage where clubs can perform a ten minute sketch about their purpose, events and impact on the student body. There will also be carnival games, a climbing wall, a 30 foot tall super slide and free food for all attendees.

Clubs wishing to participate should contact Cathy Curtis, Director of Student Activities and Greek Life in the UC, room 103. All clubs must be a chartered organization with the SGA in order to participate. Monetary awards will be given for best display and for best showcase performance.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK FOR THE EXPONENT?

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*No experience required but high school newspaper experience is a plus.*

If you are interested in applying, go by Career Services (Room 117 of the Engineering Building) and pick up an application. Take completed applications to Phil Gentry (Room 322, Shelby King Hall.) We will then contact you to schedule an interview.

ALL OTHER POSITIONS HAVE BEEN FILLED  
AS OF AUGUST 10, 2007.

## WATER from Pg 1

According to Huntsville Utilities the maximum contaminant level (MCL) set by the EPA for iron in water is 300 parts per billion, with the average for the Huntsville area in 2005 being less than 20 parts per billion, with a range of 0-30 parts per billion.

While generally acceptable, a scientific report by Edstrom Industries discusses the four common types of iron found in drinking water. Dissolved or soluble iron is typically found in ground water. This water is clear until oxidation occurs at which time a reddish precipitate will be seen. Insoluble iron, ferric oxide, is an iron solid found in water that turns it yellow to reddish-brown in color. Insoluble iron in water can combine with naturally occurring acids and particles found to form an organic iron complex that may appear yellow or brown. The previously mentioned types of iron are often associated with a metallic taste. Both insoluble iron and organic iron complexes in water can be a breeding ground to non-disease causing bacteria that metabolize the metal. While not immediately harmful to people this "bacteria iron" can have the appearance of weak tea or coffee and an unpleasant odor and taste due to the bacteria death. It can also cause further corrosion to the pipes, build-up that can be difficult and expensive to clear, and an increased risk of invasion by other bacteria.

Neither the type of iron nor the concentration was available to report on. Mike Finnegan the assistant vice president of facilities and operations was unaware of what

had been found in the water but said that the first tests showed water to be right on par with acceptable levels, and secondary tests showed it being far below acceptable levels.

Ultimately the water is safe to drink, but would you? What can be done to improve the water quality?

The OEHS and the Maintenance and Custodial Departments are discussing flushing the lines on a regular basis to eliminate sediments from forming in lines that are not used regularly. Currently the OEHS flushes the eyewashes, safety showers and drench hoses twice per year...The UAH Laboratory Safety Manual requires that persons responsible for various labs flush the eyewashes weekly. Aside from flushing, a filtration

system would be an effective way to deal with the problem. As Wilson Hall is scheduled to undergo a \$9-10 million renovation in the near future, it could be possible.

After the testing in Wilson Hall other campus fountains were scrutinized against EPA standards for the first time in over ten years. Despite student reports of brown water in Morton Hall, the results were all satisfactory. Only one report on a library fountain has not yet been received.

To view the most recent Huntsville Utilities water report, visit <http://www.hsvutil.org/about/WQR2006.pdf>. For more information on iron in water, causes, and treatments visit <http://www.edstrom.com/DocLib/MI4146.pdf>.



Sign on second floor water fountain in Willson Hall  
Photo By: Greg Skibnski

## ROSTERS from Pg 3

### 2007 Lady Chargers Soccer Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.
1	Annika Mehtens	GK	SR
2	Lauren Burns	F	SO
3	Hanna Schuermann	F	FR
4	Casey Alois	F	SO
5	Amy Coleman	D	JR
6	Laura Holt	D	SR
7	Ina Wam Bjorklid	F	SO
8	Kelly McAlear	M	SR
9	Kimberly Davey	M	SR
11	Kate Campione	F	SO
12	Tina Nicolas	M	SR
13	Brooke Stansberry	M	FR
14	Jenna Waldschmidt	F	FR
15	Erin Noser	M	SR
16	Megan White	D	SO
17	Devin Newman	F	SO
18	Paige Boersma	M	FR
19	Lindsey Lee	D	FR
21	Judy Boatman	M	FR
22	Brittany Marcott	D	FR
RS	Emily Anderson	D	FR

### 2007 Lady Chargers Cross Country Roster

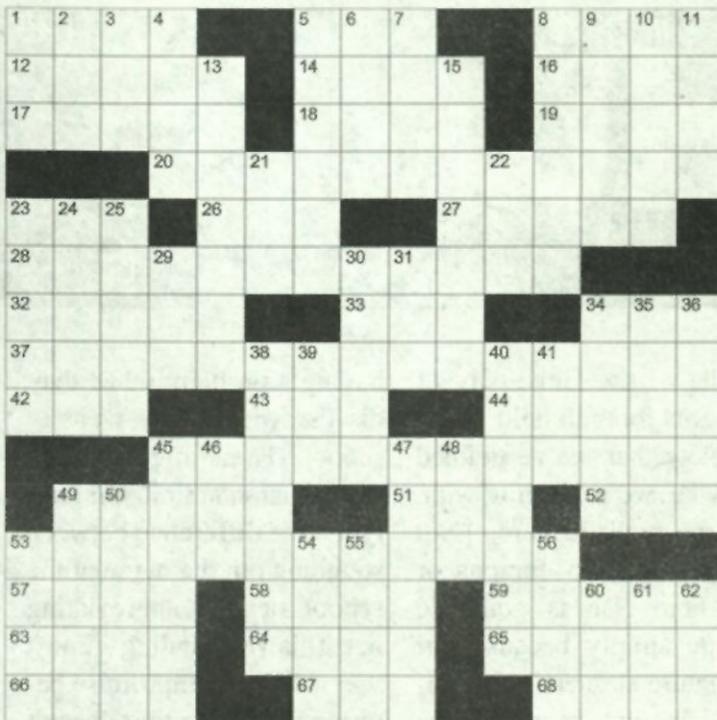
Name	Yr.
Natalie Hamilton	SR
Emily Harden	JR
Caitlin Heider	SR
Jill Koch	SO
Andrea Kruszka	JR
Gwen Kyser	FR
Reah Lee	JR
Anne Rush	JR
Amanda Smith	FR
Amy Smith	SR
Amanda Tucker	FR
Jessica Webb	FR
Erin Zellers	SO

# Crossword

Hickory Dicky

**Across**

- 1 Rights org.
- 5 Showboater
- 8 Crash scene org.
- 12 Unwilling
- 14 *Moby Dick* Captain
- 16 Yes \_\_\_ (answer choices)
- 17 Farmer's coop
- 18 \_\_\_ Colada
- 19 Fridge attack
- 20 He was a good egg?
- 23 Social ending
- 26 Vane letters
- 27 Pics
- 28 Tommy Stout vs Johnny Flynn saga?
- 32 Foil maker
- 33 Expert ending
- 34 Pop the question
- 37 A feline with a bow tale?
- 42 Tolkien creature
- 43 Conclude
- 44 Two points in time
- 45 An infant on an oak?
- 49 Nest sounds
- 51 Row
- 52 "That \_\_\_ a lie"
- 53 Town crier?
- 57 Dismounted
- 58 Fight site
- 59 Hose material
- 63 Fuss over
- 64 The Dixie Chicks, e.g.
- 65 N.H. city
- 66 Gang ending
- 67 UFO crew
- 68 Get up



- 7 A whole lot
- 8 Usual
- 9 \_\_\_ Family Singers
- 10 Fits of anger
- 11 Word before count and weight
- 13 Korean carmaker
- 15 1956 movie with The
- 21 L-P go between
- 22 Like some tel. nos.
- 23 Sun Valley locale
- 24 Floor worker
- 25 Ref. work
- 29 George Burns role
- 30 Comic Radner
- 31 Teacher's deg.
- 34 Two-time loser to Dwight
- 35 Unkempt ones
- 36 Uganda neighbor
- 38 Napoleon, at times
- 39 Ltrs. after Gov. John Lynch's name
- 40 Buffalo Sabres workplace
- 41 Vital stat
- 45 \_\_\_-skelter
- 46 AP rival
- 47 Small drums
- 48 Ramble on
- 49 Stove light
- 50 Select few
- 53 Loads of moolah
- 54 Telegram
- 55 Monogram part: Abbr
- 56 Observer
- 60 Hilo hoop?
- 61 Switch positions
- 62 Obituary word

**Quotable Quote**

*If you don't know where you are going, any road will take you there.*

... Lewis Carroll

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By Ed Canty

# Solutions to last issue's puzzles:

## Sudoku

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

## Crossword

H	I	R	E		M	A	I	L		A	L	G	A	
O	R	A	L		A	C	R	E		C	O	A	L	
B	A	C	K	T	O	T	H	E	F	U	T	U	R	E
O	N	E		H	A	Z	E		T	S	E	T	S	E
				H	E	R	O		S	H	E	D		
B	A	G	E	L	S		S	T	A	R		P	E	T
A	L	A	R	M		S	P	I	N		D	I	V	A
S	I	T	B	A	C	K	A	N	D	R	E	L	A	X
T	E	E	S		A	I	N	T		A	N	O	D	E
E	N	D		T	R	E	K		M	I	S	T	E	R
				F	O	R	D		C	O	D	E		
A	P	I	A	R	Y		A	O	N	E		T	I	M
B	A	C	K	T	O	S	Q	U	A	R	E	O	N	E
E	P	E	E		N	O	U	N			W	O	N	T
L	A	S	S		S	T	A	T			E	L	S	E

# Sudoku

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

By GFR Associates

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

## UAH or UAHuntsville, An Editorial

BY  
KAREN PULLINS I had heard rumors about the change in the university's "signature element" before I attended the SGA's emergency meeting on August 16, but I wasn't sure what to think of it. After all, what is the difference between UAH and UA Huntsville? It's all the same, and it's something we're all just debating right now, right? Wrong.

Apparently the new catalogs and a mailer have the changed "signature element" on them, reading UA Huntsville rather than the usual UAH. This unannounced action has the SGA up in arms, citing issues with things like the fact that it sends the message we aren't a full sized campus and instead we are a small satellite school in some way affiliated with the UA system. Others were

concerned about those who had been published under the UAH name before the change. SGA President Sam Parks was aware that the change was to be a gradual transition, and that this was just the first of many. Still, the now infamous "signature element" brings up interesting issues: Just how important is such a change, and how big of a change is it?

For those of you who don't know, a signature element is not the logo or the actual name of the school. A signature element, for example, is the big red A in the

middle of the University of Alabama football field.

Now that we've defined just what we're dealing with, let's be realistic here. Not a great deal on campus or anywhere else is going to change simply because our "signature element" is modified. In fact, most science and technology journals in which many UAH students and professors are published don't even recognize that UAH is actually a part of the UA system. They think it is UA by mistake. I also don't see people graduating from either UAH or UAHuntsville

having a problem when they discuss where they went to school. There might be a bit of confusion at first, but really it's the difference between sounding out the name of the school or just abbreviating it. This re-branding almost seems like a compromise between the two, and it doesn't actually change the name of school in any way.

Yet it is important, not because it's a change, but because it is the first change made under the new president. The SGA believes it is important because no one made us, the students, aware

of the change until we were actually faced with it in an official university printing.

While I think it's really much ado about nothing, there are students on campus who disagree, and that is why I am grateful that the SGA finds it fit to address this issue and give those people a voice. They are going to have petitions circulating during Frosh Mosh and at SGA headquarters in the UC, room 106, for those who feel the signature element change is an issue. I urge you to make your opinion heard.



An example of the new "signature element" sent out to prospective students



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