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College Highlights
Dr. Sue Kirkpatrick Announces Retirement
Katherine Baker
Senior News Writer
Dr. Sue Kirkpatrick, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, recently announced her retirement after 35 years at UAH. As of September 30, she will leave the world of academia to pursue personal hobbies. There are plans to travel, garden, play the piano, and ride her horses. It is her personal conviction that ten years as dean is long enough, and that it is time to give someone else the opportunity to help mold the college.

Kirkpatrick began as an assistant professor of psychology, the first woman in her department. She worked her way up and eleven years ago was appointed dean. Since that time it has been her mission to expand and better the college.

Kirkpatrick explains that her favorite aspect of teaching was watching her students grow. "In teaching, the development of the students in my favorite part, from relatively naive to becoming much more knowledgeable, truthful, and sophisticated about the discipline they are studying." She finds it rewarding to keep in touch with students from years ago, to watch them grow up and make their own contributions to society. Her connection with people extends beyond the student body to the faculty and staff as well. She believes that the ability to reach people on another level is very special.

"I think she has been an excellent dean, we will miss her," said Dr. David Neff, professor of English.

"She has been extremely good and helpful," added Dr. Rose Norman, chair of the English department. Norman went on to explain how wonderful the dean's guidance, advice and tutoring have been.

One of Kirkpatrick's favorite aspects of her position as dean was the ability to make numerous contributions to the growth of the liberal arts programs. This includes the addition of the theatre department, the global studies/study abroad programs, and many workshops. She has no plans to put any last programs or ideas into effect before her departure, though there are things she hopes to see in the future such as a performing arts center.

For those who have come to rely on Kirkpatrick's guidance in the past she offers advice about who to seek out for issues or questions that arise after she is gone. "Frank Bell is a good place to start, or even my staff assistant Amy Mack." It is not certain what is in store for the liberal arts department, or who will replace Kirkpatrick, but she assures us that they will do a good job.

College of Engineering
The College of Engineering is also offering new courses this school year. For the fall semester they include Analog & Digital Filters (EE 514), Laser Systems (EE 553), Tactical Missile Design I (MAE 631) and Transport Phenomena (CHE 342).

On Wednesday, September 26 at 11:30 a.m., the college will host a picnic for both high school and college students interested in engineering.

College of Nursing
The College of Nursing is pleased to announce record enrollment this year. "This is actually very good news because the nation is at the beginning of the most serious nursing shortage [it] has ever experienced. More than one million new and replacement nurses will be needed in the next ten years. The College of Nursing continues to accommodate as many students as possible, but since 1993 there have been more qualified applicants than can be accommodated each year," said Dean Fay Raines.

Facility additions include a simulation laboratory which will give nursing students the interactive learning experience so critical for healthcare workers. Also, the new Faculty and Staff Clinic, which opened this summer, will be directed by Ms. Louise O'Keefe, clinical assistant professor of nursing.

This November the college will conduct the fifth annual University Health Fair organized by graduate students.

In other news Dean Raines has been chosen as president-elect of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing for March 2008 through 2010, while student Laura Chapman will serve on the board of directors of the National Student Nurses Association.

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New UAH President David Williams Says: 
“Be prepared for change.”

Katherine Baker 
Senior News Writer

President David B. Williams addressed the faculty with a hopeful speech at the 2007 Fall Convocation. In his plan for change, enrollment and endowment are amongst the top priorities on his agenda for the university. He states that by raising enrollment, we can increase our school’s funds, thus producing more investments in staff, faculty, and infrastructure. An evaluation of the departments that handle such issues is underway. After a conclusion of these assessments, a creative plan for change will be in the works. Williams asserts that, in these changes, a surplus of quality and quantity is a desirable result.

In consideration of the fact that the president’s employment only began a month ago, there are no fine details as to how enrollment and endowment will be raised. However, in his address to the university he gave some good examples of how to go about this. One idea was that if each teacher sent out five emails to prospective students, then it would increase the amount of communication. This in return would draw more students to the UAH. Also, the fact that teachers would be reaching out, would show conviction and a quality university.

“Be prepared for change,” Williams stated truthfully, “I don’t have the answers. I don’t have the money, but I can help by questioning the status quo by encouraging and supporting new ideas from faculty, from staff, and from students.” He is open to suggestions, opinions, and questions. An encouraging challenge was given to the faculty at the convocation when he asked them to come up with answers to the following questions: “What’s working well and how can we do it better? What’s not working well and how can we correct it?”

What are the three things that we should focus on to improve UAH? This challenge is not only open to the staff, but to students and their families as well. In an interview with the president, he said that the full conversation should extend its invitation to the student body. It is after all, an address of the state of the university. The students are the top priorities, and he wants them to be involved in any opportunity in which it will enable them to learn.

Unity is a dominant characteristic in the William’s agenda. As demonstrated in his speech, he believes community is one of the keys to success. We all serve each other. He implies that as a team, we should explore as many opportunities as possible, especially those that concern our strengths and weaknesses. One possibility he mentions is the university’s capacity for research. “UAH’s research
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REU Program Gives Students the Opportunity to Explore Their Fields

Emma Dean 
Freelance News Writer

The ten-week research experience for undergraduates (REU) program held every summer gives students from a variety of fields the chance to engage in a one-on-one educational experience with a professor from their college. The Summer 2007 Research Experience for Undergraduates Poster Session, held on August 15 at the Optics Building, allowed students to present the projects that they had been working on. Participants are given a research project chosen by their faculty mentor, and over the course of the program they learn more about what research opportunities and techniques are involved in that field. Although in the past most of the students have been from the science and engineering departments, there has been a recent increase in the number of liberal arts students participating in the program. Dr. Bernhard Vogler, REU program coordinator and UAH chemistry professor, would personally like to see that number grow even more. “Liberal arts should not be pushed to the side,” Vogler stated. There is value in what other fields have to offer science.

One student exemplified the value of liberal arts students participating in the program with her presentation on exploring non-toxic methods in print making. As a studio art major, Rachel Lackey brought a singular set of knowledge to a science-oriented program. The program, in turn, allowed Lackey to become comfortable with the scientific aspect of her art. Lithography, the printmaking technique she utilized, is actually highly scientific in nature and is described by Webster’s New World College Dictionary as, “the process of printing from a flat stone or metal plate by a method based on the repulsion between grease and water.” It relies upon a fine chemical balance in which, “the design is put on the surface with a greasy material, and then water and printing ink are successively applied; the greasy parts, which repel water, absorb the ink, but the wet parts do not.”

Lackey and her mentor Brandon Gardner, an assistant professor of art, were personally invested in the project idea, which confronted the toxic nature of most printmaking techniques. Throughout the summer, they investigated the viability of different non-toxic, water based inks, in a process called waterless lithography. Through trial and error, Lackey successfully discovered an ink that produced a print.

The benefits to Lackey were enormous. Besides getting “real-life studio experience” and priceless “one-on-one” interaction with her professor, she was also able to attend a two-week national printmaking conference in South Dakota, funded by her grant from the UAH President’s Office. At the workshop, she was able to present her project to Jeff Sipple, the inventor of the waterless lithography method.

Although she achieved a great deal within the program’s ten-week period, the outcomes of Lackey’s project are ongoing, and the REU
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Lady Chargers Seek Revenge in Home Opener

Rain may have cancelled the Lady Chargers' season opener against Clayton State, but the team is hoping for a little sunshine this Friday as they take on Florida Southern in their home opener.

The match will be an important one for the Lady Chargers, not only because it is their first home game of the season, but because they are seeking revenge against a team that beat them in overtime last year, 2-1.

Senior midfielder, Erin Noser, played in the last two matches against Florida Southern and is anxious for the match against the Moccasins. "This [game] is going to be a good test," Noser said of the imminent showdown. "Florida Southern has given us a lot of trouble in the past and they're a really good team. We need to come out strong and show how hard we worked in preseason."

The Lady Chargers first faced off against the Lady Moccasins in 2005. It was a home game, and despite a lot of offensive rushes they made no goals. The final score was 2-0. Last year, the Lady Chargers ventured to Moccasin territory to take on Florida Southern in one of their final matches of the season. Despite a goal from former defender Brittany Walker, the Lady Chargers were unable to pull off a win.

Coach Tafa dziwa Zzymenge, a Zimbabwe native and former UAH men's soccer star, is intent on not letting history repeat itself. "What happened last year is in the past," he said. "They [Florida Southern] won the game fair and square; it's up to us to not let them win again."

Last year, the team was 3-2-1 at Charger Field and this season they are looking to improve. "This year, we want to come out hard and show that we are a strong team," said senior midfielder Tina Nicolas of the upcoming match. "[A] win at home will let other teams know that we are a good team and we can dominate on our home field."

A win this Friday against the Florida Southern Lady Moccasins would get the Lady Chargers off to a good start at "dominating" their home field this season. The battle begins at 2:30 p.m. and the Lady Chargers are hoping to bring a little sunshine despite a forecast for rain. But the team is not worried at all, because for the entire ninety minutes of the match they plan to bring the heat.

Intramurals Seeking Student Participants

This fall, UAH students will be attending soccer matches and volleyball games; but for those wanting to see or participate in other sports such as football, basketball, or even ping pong, then intramurals is the place to be. Program director Matthew Holmes is hoping to see an increase in the number of students involved.

"I always have a good time playing intramural sports," said graduate student Carter Johnson of his experiences. "It's a great way to get some exercise, have fun, and meet new people."

Intramurals offers competition in a stress-free environment for those of any skill level. Events are also open to UAH students, faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the University Fitness Center.

Fall sports include flag football, soccer, sand volleyball, 3 on 3 basketball, racquetball, ping pong, and badminton; while spring sports include 5 on 5 basketball, golf, ultimate Frisbee, indoor volleyball, softball, kickball, and dodgeball.

"My personal favorite sport is probably dodgeball because of the wide variety of teams that play," said Johnson. "Some dodgeball teams have great athletes who are serious about winning, and other teams do things like wear funny matching shirts and goof around the whole time."

Students interested in participating are encouraged to sign-up as soon as possible. Registration for flag football, soccer, and sand volleyball is open through September 5, while registration for the remaining fall sports will be October 3-17. Forms are available in the University Center (UC) lobby or can be downloaded from the intramural website.

To students curious about the rules for participating in intramurals Holmes offers some advice. "[Rules are] specific to each sport. [Students] need to refer to the website for the rules of the sports in session and additionally, the Intramural Handbook is also online."

The sports' season may have already started at UAH, but the intramural season kicks off in September. For more information on intramural sports or for instructions on emailing or faxing registration forms, visit their website at http://www.uah.edu/intramural.
thing we all should be thinking about. He will work with everyone to help formulate new ideas. "There must be new programs always on the table," he said.

Williams plans to set up an internet blog so that he may be able to listen and respond to your ideas more readily. "I believe that a university is the intellectual soul of its community," he concluded.

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The program has opened many doors for her. Lackey hopes to come up with a "ready-made solution" and have her technique patented. She also hopes to see schools use her method, so that students can safely enjoy the printmaking process in their art programs.

Another student increased her scientific knowledge to complete a project on nitric oxide stress in oligodendrocytes and motor neurons. Working alongside Dr. Amy Bishop, Cedona Pennie, a biology major, investigated the role of hemeoxygenase-1 (HO-1) in response to nitric oxide stress in motor neurons and oligodendrocytes. Although nitric oxide functions normally in certain biochemical processes in mammalian cells, higher levels of the gas are lethal and can impair motor neuron function, leading to multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's, or Alzheimer's. She discovered, however, that oligodendrocytes, which functions in myelination of the cells in the central nervous system, are not resistant. Her research has possible implications for augmenting "current research for treatments for multiple sclerosis, spinal cord injuries, and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis."

Participating in the program allowed Pennie the opportunity to have an "in depth laboratory experience" and "put in perspective the purpose of all the laboratory experience she gained as an undergraduate." It also gave her a valuable "glimpse into the life of a researcher" which class alone could not have offered.

The REU program presents students with the opportunity to really get in touch with their major. Vogler believes that the REU program gives students the rare opportunity to "look around." Without the chance to really dive deep into a subject, students cannot really know if it is the one they want to pursue in the future. Another benefit of the REU program is that the work that students begin over the summer can be continued into the semester. This gives them both an increasing knowledge of their field and an invaluable relationship with their mentors.

The REU program has a number of sponsors. Although the Alabama Space Consortium was the only sponsor at the program's inception, the program now receives funding from the UAH President's Office and the Department of Chemistry Patent Account as well.

**Fitness Center Shaping Up**

Zak Ray
Freelance Arts & Leisure Writer

The University Fitness Center will be offering two new classes this fall, Zumba and BodyAttack. These classes will be available along with their already popular selections, such as yoga, pilates, Cardio Circuit, and Revcycle.

"We try to stay current with the changing trends of group fitness classes and bring to the UCF anything new on the fitness scene," says Bethel Bradford, UCF general manager. Zumba, a workout inspired by Latin dance, has recently exploded in popularity throughout the country.

While adding these classes may succeed in drawing in clients from the community in addition to presently enrolled UAH students, this was not a primary concern or goal. "We do our best to serve every single person that walks through our doors, and the UAH students are as important to us as anyone," said Bradford.

Additionally, the UCF will be undertaking routine maintenance on its facilities this semester. The swimming pool will be closed September 1-7, and the cardio area may be closed during the winter for 1-2 days to refresh the floor.

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Celebrated Physician and Civil Rights Activist to Speak at UAH

Stephanie Kaloi
Senior Arts & Leisure Writer

On August 30, Dr. Sonny Hereford III, a central figure in the Huntsville Civil Rights movement of the 1950's-1960's will deliver a lecture, "Struggle for Civil Rights in Huntsville," at 11:30 a.m. in Chan Auditorium. Hereford, a Huntsville native, was born January 7, 1931. He was valedictorian of his class at Counce High School, one of only two high schools that African-American students could attend at the time. Hereford went on to graduate magna cum laude from Alabama A&M University and received his doctorate of medicine from Meharry Medical College. He returned to Huntsville and opened his medical practice in 1956. Soon thereafter, he married his wife, Martha Ann Adams. The couple has six children.

Hereford's political activism coincided and interwove with his medical career. He was active with various Civil Rights movements throughout the state, but was particularly concerned for the city of Huntsville. Hereford instituted the desegregation of the city school system, and in 1963, his son became the first black student to integrate an Alabama public school. Throughout this career, Hereford has had to endure repercussions in the medical field as a result of his desire and work towards equality for African-Americans. Despite this, he led a group of Huntsvillians to both the Chicago and New York Stock Exchange, where they stood outside holding placards emblazoned with slogans for desegregation. The goal of this peaceful protest was to capture the nation's attention. As Huntsville is home to both Redstone Arsenal and numerous space programs, the rest of America was forced to take notice. In October of 1964, Hereford spoke on behalf of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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Alternative Viewpoints: Letters to the Editor

My fellow students:

As a member of the student body at this most honorable of publicly funded universities, I like many of you, was shocked and dismayed to return from the leisurely pace of my summer vacation only to discover that during my absence a great travesty had been committed on campus. I speak of course on the matter of murder...the murder of a very dear friend, named UAH.

A few, select members of our university's administration have taken it upon themselves to completely, utterly, and unequivocally murder the idea, concept, and identity that is UAH. Instead of promoting the diverse and interesting heritage of UAH, these individuals have chosen to promote the idea that our university is simply a small, insignificant, satellite campus of the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa. Despite their claims to the contrary, this is the exact image that the new logo and element of nomenclature, "UAHuntsville," creates.

Certain members of the administration, specifically those employed in the department of University Relations, have also claimed that these changes will allow for the promotion of the university nationally and internationally, by utilizing the successful marketing campaigns of the city of Huntsville and the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa. As a student I was under the impression that we were already attempting to promote the university nationally and internationally...Personally, I feel that if we are obliged to ride the proverbial coattails of other entities in order to market ourselves as an institution, then we as a university are no longer capable of existing, as we no longer produce a marketable product. As we all know, this is certainly not the case. What then could be cause for such a monumental change, why was it made during the summer, and why was it executed without the input from any of the appropriate university entities?

In my personal search for truth and answers, I have revealed only the deepest of conspiracies and betrayal. I have discovered that many members of our university's administration are weary of the seemingly perpetual question "So...where is UAH?" And so to accommodate their large, lazy posterior we are now compelled against our better nature and inclinations to abandon the rich heritage and identity of our university, and to adopt this new, incredibly inflammatory, abomination of a logo. As for the cloud of Orwellian secrecy that has descended over this issue, they (the administration) obviously do not want people, and especially the students, to discuss the matter. To do so would only call attention to the fact that the implementation of this monumental and disastrous change was committed against the better interests of the students, the university, and the community.

I do not feel that our university's Student Government or SGA often covers issues of great importance to the student body...instead they often chose to argue incessantly over the smallest and pettiest of things. However, in light of this recent situation the SGA, under the leadership of President Samuel Parks, has earned my undying support and loyalty. When our professors and instructors were too afraid to speak against this issue, the SGA was there. When this very paper could not comment or report on the matter because they are controlled by the very interests that created the new abomination, the SGA was there. Currently, our Student Government is the only entity on campus having an open, frank discussion on the matter at hand.

If you feel as I do, that this change was committed under the most dubious of conditions and that it is not in the interest of our university, then I strongly recommend you sign the SGA's petition against the "UAHuntsville" logo. Help stop the murder of UAH. Help the SGA reclaim UAH for the students. We are not Tuscaloosa or Auburn, we do not have classic, American, collegiate images around which to rally, instead we have three, blue letters on white background...WE ARE UAH! And this is OUR campus!

As Always Your Faithful Servant in Revolution and Rebellion,

Ken Brannfitt
The Apprentice

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If you would like to send a letter to the editor please email editor@exponent.uah.edu.
GREEK SPEAK
by: Jennifer Howard

Phi Beta Sigma

First of all, the Brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Sigma Alpha Chapter, will like to welcome each and every last one of you back to UAH. We all hope that you have had an exciting summer and are all geared up for the 2007-2008 school year. The brothers of Sigma have an exciting year planned for everyone on campus. We plan to not only bring entertainment, but activities that everyone on campus and use as well. Most of our activities are geared towards professional development. Our first program that we are asking all students to attend will be on September 26, 2007 in the Frank Franz Hall MPR at 7:14PM. The topic of this is "Money Management, Do You Manage Your Dollars Well". This event will be facilitated by Ms. Nakia Wells, financial advisor and motivational speaker. This will be an event that no one should miss. We have a resume and business etiquette workshop coming soon as well as a week of Sigma events in November. Be on the lookout for all of our activities and beware, these are Sigma events; they will be lots of fun and very useful. If you are not too careful, you just may learn something.

Alpha Tau Omega

ATO is excited about the fall. Mostly, because they are all excited about rush! So far, the Theta Pi Chapter has recruited 11 awesome pledges, and know that more are on the way! On top of that, ATO at UAH has been awarded their 17th True Merit, which is awarded only to the top 15% of ATO Chapters in the nation. The brothers are truly honored to be recognized in this way, and the Chapter is very proud of the success they have had over the years. On another note, the brother’s annual Toga Party is scheduled for September 14th, and every one is invited!

If you would like your Greek organization to be recognized then please contact Jennifer Howard at howardj2@uah.edu.
across the nation, and scenes were incorporated into another film, "Mighty Times: The Children's March" in 2004. "Mighty Times" was an enormously popular and well-received film for which Her- ford received an Academy Award in February 2005. This program is co-sponsored by the Office of the University President and the Honors Program, in conjunction with the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

PINK from Pg 8 respond to what seems completely insane. Who knows? Maybe some- one will."

Response the author has heard of about the flyers has been at the very least, pretty interest- ing—"I've heard negative responses from many of my friends, such as someone responding by tearing down a flyer and saying 'These damn things are all over campus' only to look a little further away to see another one plainly posted on a light. It's amazing how simply you can effect someone by doing something so simple. I could have ruined his day for asking so many questions that most people may not want to hear." However, to those the author is trying to reach, "It is worth it for the people who like to change and respond to something important."
ACE Kicks Off School Year With “300” and Ryan Hamilton

Stephanie Kaloi
Senior Arts & Leisure Writer

The Association for Campus Entertainment (ACE) kicks off their season Wednesday, August 29, with the summer cinematic adventure “300”. Based on historical events, the film depicts the colossal battle between King Xerxes’ million-man Persian army, and the sparse 300-member Spartan army, led by King Leonidas.

In 480 B.C., the Persian army was intent upon entering Greece and enslaving her citizens, thus making it part of the rapidly growing Persian Empire. The small army of Spartans, determined to protect themselves and their people, succeeded in blocking the only road King Xerxes could take into Greece. A bloody battle ensued during which the Spartans more than proved their strength and valor and unified all of Greece to defeat the incoming invaders.

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The events are free for UAH students and students together so we can see different types of acts and novelties. Ryan was the funniest, so we invited him to come to UAH,” said ACE Cabinet Director Jason Denenny.

As is customary all ACE events take place at 9 p.m. in the University Center Exhibit Hall. The events are free for UAH students and popcorn and sodas will be provided.

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Freelance Photographer: Limited photography hardware will be available but having your own camera is a plus. You will need to be willing to go to UAH events and be able to take photos of people, places and things of interest on campus.

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

If you are interested in applying, go by Career Services (Room 322, Shelby King Hall) We will then contact you to schedule an interview.


Why is This Flyer Pink?

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Observant students may have noticed something peculiar on the doors and benches across campus these past couple of weeks. If you were quick enough to spot them, there were pink flyers taped to the glass or stone. The flyer I noticed was at Morton Hall, and bore the slogan “Why do we buy into the pillage and be afraid?”

It would be easy to dismiss the flyers, or perhaps not to notice them at all. If you did see them, they most likely aroused some sort of curiosity within. At the bottom of the flyers is an email address, and after a series of emails between myself and the author a few answers have been attained.

While the person behind the flyers wishes to remain anonymous, he/she was willing to offer an explanation, via email. “The flyers have random messages on it that I chose at the time. They include things like ‘What am I doing with my life?’, ‘Why are they always pushing things on me?’, ‘Why is this flyer pink?’, ‘Do frats like to play Dungeons and Dragons?, Will burning things make them catch on fire?’”

Some may question why the flyers were even put up to begin with, which is precisely their creator’s intent, as he/she further explained, “I’m not for an organization. I’m promoting absurdity and trying to insert absurdity in every day life. There really is no message behind them, but the hope that someone will question why it’s there. If they can question that, why can’t they question other things that they let slide so easily? They weren’t specifically targeted at Morton Hall; they were put up all over campus. I guess my other hope is that people [will] realize why subjectivity is. It just takes some paper, an idea, and some time to get people to start thinking maybe a little differently.”

Since all hangings inside and outside of UAH buildings have to be pre-approved, it is only a matter of time before anything without an official stamp will be removed. Still, if you feel you are up to challenging your own mind, the author hints at the possibility of the flyers popping up sporadically. “I realize the impact is probably all gone now, with people who don’t like graffiti everywhere, but some will stick around. I did this on a much smaller scale last semester. I added an email address this time in hopes that people would find some way to see Pink Pg 7