Dudley named Exponent editor

by Kim Glasgow

Less than a year ago, Jane Dudley came to UAH for the first time. Now, she's about to become editor of the campus newspaper, The Exponent. Dudley, a 25-year-old working on her second degree, joined The Exponent staff last year after attending the first-ever Freshman Convocation held at UAH. A variety of campus organizations were present, and she stopped by the booth of the campus newspaper.

"I wanted to get involved in campus life," said Dudley. Joining The Exponent was a way to give her a chance to look at a wide variety of activities. When she joined the staff, Dudley began as an intern reporter and quickly moved up to features editor. She recently became associate editor and will assume the position of editor in September.

A native of Norfolk, VA, Dudley received her first bachelor of arts degree in Classics - classical Greek and Latin languages - from the University of Virginia. After she earned her degree in 1984, she knew she wanted to eventually work for NASA. However, she said she also knew she needed to go back to school, so she began looking for universities located near major NASA installations.

"I wanted a good engineering school, but not one that was extremely expensive," she said. "I narrowed the universities to those in the South because I grew up here and liked it."

MSFC, Huntsville celebrate lunar landing

Jane M. Dudley

While the nation had cause to celebrate its accomplishments in space on the twentieth anniversary of Apollo 11, Huntsville had more cause, and the city went all out for a full week of activities to celebrate the first lunar landing and Huntsville's part in making it possible.

Saturday, July 15, Marshall Space Flight Center held an open house with bus tours of the center. An estimated 7,000 people took the tour, and about 4,000 watched a successful two-minute test firing of a Space Shuttle Main Engine.

Meanwhile, at the Space and Rocket Center, rocket scientists and other officials involved in the Apollo program spoke at press conferences. They recalled where they were twenty years ago, when Neil Armstrong walked on the moon. John B. Winch, currently Boeing's deputy program manager for the space station, recalled that he was doing the same thing twenty years ago, answering questions from the press, when they stopped to watch the moonwalk.

Saturday night the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra played on the grounds of the Space and Rocket Center before "Footprints on the Moon," a spectacular show recreating the moon walk. The show included lasers, fireworks, and a dramatic entrance by Apollo 11 astronaut, Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins. The astronauts spoke briefly, thanking Huntsvillians for their contributions to their mission. The crowd of thousands, watching the show in the "rocket garden," cheered freely for a long time their own accomplishments, the astronauts and the show.

The show was repeated Sunday with guest astronaut Alan Bean of Apollo 12 and Monday with Alan Shepard of Apollo 14. Tuesday evening UAH's Division of Continuing Education, along with the Space and Rocket Center and Marshall Space Flight Center presented the Second Biannual Dr. Wernher von Braun Forum. The show included Dr. Charles R. Chappell, Marshall's Director for Science, spoke of rehaping his own career goals toward space after hearing Kennedy's challenge to the nation.

Von Braun was remembered by Konrad Dannenberg, who had been on von Braun's rocket team since the early days in Peenemunde. Some famous and some rare photographs and footage shown on a large screen illustrated Dannenberg's recounting of von Braun's rocket team since the early days in Peenemunde.

Charles "Pete" Conrad, Jr., on his third flight into space, was spacecraft commander of Apollo 12, and he spent almost 8 hours on the lunar surface. He spoke briefly of his experiences, then was joined by former NBC News correspondent Roy Neal, who covered all of the Gemini and Apollo flights and is now a consultant to the NBC new department on aerospace developments.

Conrad and Neal swapped stories about the Apollo years, and all the forum participants took questions from the audience. All seemed to agree that the space program has been like "a ship without a rudder" for much of the last twenty-year period (the rudder to be provided by strong presidential leadership). Asked if happy with our progress in space over this period, Conrad said, "We're behind." Neal added, "Now we've seen five presidents in a row who have not made further exploration a priority." (This was Tuesday, Bush's speech on America's next space goals was Thursday). Finally, Neal contrasted the growth years of Apollo with the ambivalence since. "We can now look at the results of both." He believes "we can have the America of the Apollo years back again," with its active space exploration and its growth in technical expertise and education.

The next von Braun Exploration Forum in October, will include the scholarship and awards dinner, to be held October 25. Guests for the forum will be JPL planetary scientist, manager and author Gentry Lee, and singer-songwriter Lee Greenwood, who is a member of the Challenger Center Board of Directors.

Saturday, July 22 Apollo 17 astronaut and geologist Dr. Harrison "Jack" Schmitt spoke at the Space and Rocket Center. He took questions from audience members, many of whom continued to page 9
Holcombe named new Housing director

Jane M. Holcombe, who helped secure and manage the first housing units at The University of Alabama in Huntsville back in the early 1970's, has been named the institution's new Director of University Housing by UAH President Louis Padulo. She succeeds Millie F. Anglin, who has resigned from the post to pursue completion of her Master's degree full time at the university.

Holcombe served as Coordinator of University Housing at UAH in 1972-73 during the time the university acquired its first housing units, a complex of apartments across University Drive from the main campus that is now known as the University Circle Housing area. She has also served at Pitzer College in Claremont, CA as director of Housing, Dean of Students, and vice president of University Housing at UAH in 1972-79 and has also served at the University of Pennsylvania and has been named to a new position in the school's administration.

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Caulfield featured in Business Week magazine

A computer that mimics the brain and processes information 1,000 times faster than today's computer? It's a dream that soon may come true, according to UAH researcher Dr. John Caulfield. The answer will be an optical computer which uses light to transmit information instead of today's electronic technology.

Caulfield, who is director of the UAH Center for Applied Optics, discussed his work in the recent special June edition of Business Week magazine. Caulfield envisions creating optical neural networks that will be faster and more powerful than today's computers.

Anderson, White appointed to Office of Academic Affairs on interim basis

Dr. Elmer Anderson, former Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of Alabama in Huntsville, has been asked to return to that post and to also serve as the university's Provost on an interim basis by UAH President Louis Padulo. The president has also appointed Dr. Carolyn White as interim Associate Vice President for Student Affairs.

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The future isn't far off, according to Caulfield. The researcher intends to begin constructing the first optical computer through his own company within three years. "We aren't in competition with electronics," said Caulfield. "There are just things optics can do that electronics will never be able to accomplish."
Barnett to attend university in France

Brian Barnett, a 1988 master's graduate of UAH, has been selected to attend the prestigious International Space University (ISU) this month. Barnett will join two other UAH students, Joel Williamson and Cynthia Pye, and approximately 25 other American students at the nine-week program of in-depth space-related studies at the campus of the ISU in Strasbourg, France. Students are selected according to excellence in academic studies and leadership ability.

Founded in 1987, ISU brings together an international faculty of space experts from industry, academia, and government to present a range of space studies not available anywhere else. These studies include space architecture, space business and management, and space law and policy.

The mission of the university is to offer a broad curriculum that will lead to a thorough understanding in all areas vital to space development and to educate leaders from around the world.

The ISU summer session is conducted each year at a prominent academic institution in a different nation. In 1992, in conjunction with the International Space Year, the ISU will expand to a full-year format with degree-granting status and a full-time faculty.

China series presented

by Marian Delaney Sampson

The University of Alabama in Huntsville has been holding a series of briefings to help acquaint people with the ongoing changes in United States policy and laws concerning students and research scholars from the People's Republic of China (PRC).

According to Gladys Jones, UAH immigration specialist, there have been three seminars held so far. The last one was held on July 20. She said that although President George Bush had issued a mandate stating that all mainland China, legislation introduced in both houses of Congress, has yet to be finalized. Therefore, there is uncertainty among students about exactly what the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) policies are and will be.

There is also uncertainty about conditions in the PRC. The students and scholars report difficulty with communications to and from mainland China.

Jones said that we are fortunate at UAH because all of the PRC students and scholars are on "legal status." According to Jones, the briefings will continue and "we will continue to keep [students and scholars] abreast on all of the problems."

If anyone has problems or concerns about this issue they may call Jones at (205) 533-6095.

New editor

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the editor's job. She added that she "wanted to continue working for The Exponent, and the editor's position was open, so I decided to apply."

When asked if she planned to make many changes as editor, Dudley said she would like to include a nationally syndicated columnist, more photographic features, more coverage of faculty, staff, and students. One change she has already made is replacing the comic strip Bloom County, which will cease publication in early August.

"It's a shame," said Dudley. "We all love Bloom County. I'm considering doing something different, but I haven't decided on one yet. I'd like to hear from students about what they would like to see replace Bloom County.

The Exponent has available a non-paid position of columnist. A columnist writes a commentary every issue or alternating issues. For more information, call 885-6090 (leave a message on the answering machine) or come by The Exponent office, University Center, Room 104, and pick up an application.

University Relations director resigns

Simmons giving up post at UAH

by Marian Delaney Sampson news reporter

Mike Simmons, director of University Relations at UAH, has resigned. Simmons will leave Sept. 8, 1989, and begin work at NASA Sept. 14 meeting at the university's Flight Center. He was one of six new appointees to the 25-member board. Padula's appointment is for a five-year term. He will serve on the Educational Affairs and Finance and Budget Committees.

Fairleigh-Dickinson elects Padulo to Board of Trustees

Edward L. Hennessy Jr., Chairman of the Board of the Allied-Signal Corporation and Chairman of the Board of Fairleigh Dickinson University. Board of Trustees has announced that UAH President Louis Padula has been elected to the Fairleigh Dickinson Board of Trustees. Padula was elected during the June 14 meeting at the university's Rutherford, N.J., campus. He was one of six new appointees to the 25-member board. Padula's appointment is for a five-year term. He will serve on the Educational Affairs and Finance and Budget Committees.

"Shadows" now accepting art, literary submissions

"Shadows," the UAH art and literary publication, is now accepting submissions for its 1989-90 edition. All students, faculty, staff, and alumni are invited to participate.

Three categories of fine art will be featured in "Shadows" — poetry, prose, and visual art. Visual art, including sculpture, three-dimensional art, and graphics. In addition, all submissions of art will be considered for the front cover of "Shadows."

To receive an application for submission, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to "Shadows, University of Alabama in Huntsville, Morton Hall Room 100, Huntsville, AL 35899. Applications will also be available on campus in the University Center Lobby and the offices of the art and English Departments. All entries must be received before the Oct. 13, 1989 deadline.

"Shadows" will be edited by editorial staff members Mike Anthony, editor-in-chief; Cynthia Green, editor of poetry; Kevin Lay, editor of visual art; Jessie Emerson, production manager; and Mike Simmons, business and production manager, and Mr. Jack Dempsey, faculty advisor.

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"I held little Jeremy and realized how precious life can be" 

by Kim Glasgow 

editor

Earlier this month, I encountered two extremes in the same day — life and death, a beginning and an end. I became an aunt July 13 when my brother-in-law Tim and his wife, Sandy, had their first child. This was the first time in the family since December.

Last Sunday, I held little Jeremy and realized how precious life can be. My other half was also in awe of his new nephew. I think it was because of the way she talked to the 8-month-old nephew (“the munchies,” she calls them) that when he saw Jeremy’s little fingers and toes, the word “uncle” had a new meaning for him.

The night after Jeremy was born, I said to the new grandmother that my heart goes out to her family. Rita was one of those people who could be nice to anyone, even the ones who were obnoxious. In a normal month, I probably would not have been upset by a four-year-old’s death. But today marks two years since my brother Randal was killed in a car accident. And it’s been a year since I had the worst month I can remember. All of last July, memories of the accident and the events before, during, and after the funeral kept popping up unexpectedly.

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It should also be pointed out that this bond issue of $110 million includes a waste incineration plant, a complete back-up gas-fired steam plant (just in case the waste incinerators are not operating or cannot supply all of the steam needed by Redstone as specified by the contract), steam lines to connect the plant to the Arsenal’s steam lines, a landfill gas recovery system and delivery pipeline to recover from already buried wastes to supplement fossil fuel needs of the plant and road improvements to Tiriana Blvd. and Johnson Rd. The incineration plant will replace the currently operating fossil-fired steam plant at Redstone Arsenal and the incineration plants’ operation from already buried wastes to supplement fossil fuel needs of the plant and road improvements to Tiriana Blvd. and Johnson Rd.

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The editorial board of The Exponent has established the following policies concerning letters to the editor for the 1988-89 year.

1. The Exponent welcomes energy letters to the editor from the UAH community. Preference will be given to letters dealing with current events and UAH-related concerns or issues. Address should be typed, double-spaced, and signed; very neatly handwritter letters will be accepted. Letters will not be corrected for spelling, grammar, or punctuation.

2. The deadline for letters to the editor is Friday, 5 p.m., two days before the following issue. All letters will be verified as authentic before they are printed, and authors must present some form of identification upon submission of a letter in person. All letters must contain an address and telephone number where the author can be reached. The event in the case of the author cannot be reached by Monday at 5 p.m., the letter will not be published until the following week. Names of authors will be withheld upon request, anonymous letters will be rejected.

The Exponent will not alter the content or meaning of a letter, the editorial board reserves the right to edit letters to the length of 500 words or less. The editor has final approval of all letters to be published.

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In case you haven't noticed, we journalists really like to talk about the First Amendment. I guess that's because our jobs depend upon the freedom of the press that is guaranteed by the First Amendment. But freedom of the press isn't the only thing guaranteed by the First Amendment. In fact, the First Amendment guarantees freedom of speech and of assembly, as well as freedom of religion. If you are a strict constructionist (one who believes that the Constitution's provisions are interpreted only as they are written, and that the Constitution limits what we can do) you probably believe that freedom of speech, the press, and religion and the freedom of conscience or belief, and the freedom of expression, in more general terms, the freedom of conscience or belief, and the freedom of expression. In other words, the First Amendment is interpreted as meaning more than what it explicitly states. Yet it seems that we have forgotten the great price we have paid for freedom. We take our rights for granted, and we often become shortsighted when we exercise those rights.

I bring up the issue of First Amendment freedoms for a good reason. In the last few months, there have been a number of controversial incidents that have arisen, involving the issues of freedom of conscience and freedom of expression. The first of these incidents is, of course, the crisis in China. A group of present landfill site in Huntsville and will not be mixed with unburned garbage. The monofil will be double plastic lined and operated under the most recent environmental regulations. If a problem develops in the future, the problem can be pinpointed and corrected without disturbing any other waste disposal site. If you are interested in joining the FMA Student Chapter or the FMA National Honor Society, our sign-up sheet is available at Morton Hall, Room 339. If you need more information about FMA, just pick up our newsletter "On the Inside Track" at the Business Center Information Desk or call Genny Uy, president of the FMA Chapter, at 863-3323. FMA will hold its first meeting in the fall term, and more information will be available.

Good luck to all the students who are interested in the mid-terms or for their finals. Hang in there—summer term is almost over!

Minority Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for the WBRC-TV 6 / Great American Broadcasting Company Minority Scholarship Program for the 1989-90 school year. One year, $1000 scholarship is awarded to an outstanding minority student attending a properly accredited college or university. To qualify for a scholarship, the applicant must sustain a GPA of 2.0 or better and must meet the 4-point scale. The purpose of the scholarship must major in telecommunications or broadcast journalism and must be a junior entering their senior year. Interested students must use an official application provided by WBRC-TV 6. In addition, students must submit a transcript and a personal letter.

Deadline for applications is August 15, 1989. The scholarship will be awarded to the students whose applications are available at WBRC-TV 6 and submitted by the deadline.

For more information, call (205) 227-6666. Applications should be returned to WBRC-TV 6, 210 Richard Murphy Hall, P.O. Box 6, Birmingham, AL 35201.

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This then, is what we have to strive for in order to comply.

Mr. Thompson's statements concerning toxic ash disposal are also incorrect. Current law does permit the burning of toxic ash in the equivalent of the Alabama, if as expected, based on data from the Johnson Research Center, the ash is not toxic, then the ash will be deposited in a dedicated ash "monofil" at the University of Alabama. If the ash is toxic, it will be transported to the toxic waste disposal facility in South Alabama. If the ash is not toxic, then the ash will be deposited in a dedicated ash "monofil" at the University of Alabama.

FMA

The Financial Management Association (FMA) Student Chapter would like to give a big welcome to our new member, Dan Downey. Welcome aboard, Dan! We are interested in joining the FMA Student Chapter or the FMA National Honor Society, our sign-up sheet is available at Morton Hall, Room 339. If you need more information about FMA, just pick up our newsletter "On the Inside Track" at the Business Center Information Desk or call Genny Uy, president of the FMA Chapter, at 863-3323. FMA will hold its first meeting in the fall term, and more information will be available.

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World Issues

Society

The World Issues Society is planning a field trip to Russell Cave National Monument on July 26, meeting at the west end parking lot of Morton Hall at 9 a.m. Dr. Don Tarter, who has researched the history of the cave's human inhabitants, will be our tour guide. Russell Cave is the oldest known habitation of humans in the southeastern United States, dating back 9000 years. The park contains artifacts, a show, slides, displays of subsistence techniques, as well as hiking trails and picnic areas. Bring an umbrella and raincoat. The drive to the monument is approximately 25 minutes. The closest place to eat is: 30 minutes from the monument, at a gas station in the vicinity of Russell Cave. The cost of the trip is $5.00 per student and $7.50 per adult. The bus load will be filled at 9 a.m. on July 26 if you plan to attend, so please contact the coordinated head of the trip, Ms. Thomson, by telephone or in person. The purpose of the trip is to acquaint students with the historic and cultural significance of the cave and to promote an appreciation of the world's cultural diversity.

Dead or Alive (preferably alive)

Reporters — features or news — who can write and meet deadlines at the same time. If you fit this description, please come by THE EXPONENT and fill out an application or call 895-6090.

Our jobs depend upon freedom of the press...

by Gregory Casteel
colored ink

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Spellbinding Batman tempts questions for sequel

by Lawrence F. Specker
features reporter

One brief survey of the crowd packing the theater lobby was enough to confirm what I already knew: I was in PG-13 territory again, a scene I had vowed never to return to. But that was before I found out that “Batman” was going to be a PG-13 movie.

The only time I had ever seen a lobby packed like this was the time a local theater showed “Heavy Metal” at midnight. Batman was the same way. The lobby was full half an hour before starting time, and the crowd was an amazing mix — Bikers and yuppies, rednecks and skaters.

The attraction was the same in both cases, of course. Both crowds had come to see a legend, a cult film, a picture that packed plenty of weirdness and surprise into a familiar format. Neither audience was disappointed.

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As a matter of fact, I’ve heard that soon there will be no more original movies at all, just sequels. It seems now all the good ideas were used up some time ago. The Star Trek series will return to the “save the whales” theme as another engine is added to the enterprise to push around the collective spare tires of the senior officers. “Bones” will be using a walker on-camera, since he will be 110 years old by next summer — in real life.

“Lethal Weapon 3” will once again show Mel Gibson going insane, this time because there are no more bullets left in the world. And Batman will be back, with Robin, with Two-face, with Catwoman, with the Riddler.

But for now, we’re safe. A cult film is born.
OPUS will compete in international race

by Morgan Andriulli

They're back! Just when you thought it was safe to ride in the streets of Huntsville, "it" returned.

"They" are the UAH Human-Powered Vehicle (HPV) Team, and "it" is the infamous Opus, the high-tech, low-slung human-powered vehicle masquerading as a giant squashed lemon.

Opus grabbed much local and national attention last fall when the HPV team rode Opus from San Diego, CA, to Washington, D.C., in 16 days, becoming the first team ever to complete a transcontinental crossing in a faired, recumbent HPV.

Now, Team Opus (as they call themselves) have their sights on a slightly less epic but still lofty goal — the International Human-Powered Speed Championships to be held September 14-18 in Adrian, MI, and Michigan International Speedway.

The Championships test the mettle of the best HPV builders in the world in a series of head-to-head competitions. Entrants from the United States, Canada, Europe, Japan, and Australia compete in 10- to 50-mile road races, one-hour time trials for distance, and the hotly contested 200-meter top speed trial.

For the event, Team Opus will be finishing the sleek new Kevlar body for Opus II. The shell was originally intended for the transcontinental, but a design problem forced the use of the heavier, blunter Opus I-A shell.

Space Week

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were children attending Space Camp of Space Academy. When asked if he thought people should be going into space who are not professional astronauts (such as Sen. Jake Gurn), he said, "I wouldn't discriminate against anyone. It's marginal when it comes to politicians, but I wouldn't discriminate against anyone."

Someone asked if Bush's omission of any kind of deadline for going back to the moon or to Mars would hurt or help the attempt to do so. Schmitt's opinion was that Bush knows he does not yet have enough political backing in Congress "to really get this thing started." Unfortunately, he said, despite the precautions of our founding fathers, we now do have a Congress, the main interest of whose members is getting re-elected. Therefore, he said, we should make it our business to let our legislators know that their actions on space will have something to do with their election.

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Lindner said, only half kiddingly. "We're going to see what makes him fast."

As is often the case, HPV's at the Championships are often powered by the Olympic-caliber cyclists who are brought in as "hired guns" to get the maximum speed potential out of other vehicles.

For now, though, Team Opus is looking for a large room to spread out and work on the new shell. Space is tight at the university, and we will need to be occupying a lot of space until September," said Gant.

With their sights set on Michigan, the team has come nearly full circle in two years. It was at a smaller HPV competition in May 1987 in Michigan that Opus first showed its potential by winning the event practically out of the box. "We were still assembling the bike on the way up there," said Lindner.

This time, Team Opus should be more ready for the tougher competition of the Championships. It remains to be seen, though, if the world is ready for "it."

Also Saturday, Marshall Space Flight Center held its annual picnic, with the theme of "Looking to the Future... Remembering the Past."

Current and retired employees and contractors, with their families, enjoyed barbeque, midway games and concerts by various local groups.

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Astronaut Jan Davis at MSFC picnic

photo by Jane Dudley
Lethal Weapon 2 provides fun for viewers

by Lawrence F. Speaker
features reporter

Ever since Mikhail Gorbachev came into power a few years back, his programs have been changing the way Americans look at the U.S.S.R. The day is gone when most of us thought of our fellow superpower as "the evil empire." While this gradual shift in opinion has been a blessing for most, allowing us to sleep a little better, it's been hell for the movie industry. Why? Because they've got to find new bad guys for the movie industry. Why? Because

Just look what happened to Rambo last summer. He got stomped at the box office — because he was chasing the Russians out of Afghanistan when audiences knew they were already leaving with their tails between their legs.


The smart moviemaker is the one who gives us a combination of the above in a movie. For example, greedy, immoral South African diplomats using their status to terrorize the innocent while they import drugs and carry off shillolos of money. Kind of makes your blood boil just thinking about such people, doesn't it?

That reaction is what the makers of "Lethal Weapons 2" were banking on. That and the enormous appeal of Mel Gibson. And the on-screen chemistry between Gibson and Danny Glover. And, of course, the success of "Lethal Weapon." I hate to speak too glowingly of a movie, but... It's loud, shallow entertainment, but it's fun to watch — which is what makes a good movie good, after all is said and done.

To be blunt, the "Lethal Weapon" movies haven't given us anything that Dirty Harry hasn't given us before. It's just that "Lethal Weapon" gives us much more of it. The body count from "The Enforcer" is nothing compared to "Lethal Weapon 2," and Sgt. Martin Riggs' 9mm Beretta is even more impressive than Dirty Harry's .44 Magnum. The Beretta is just as loud and carries more bullets, you see.) As with most sequels, the way to judge the second is by the first: If you liked the first one you'll like the second, and if you hated the first one, stay away from the sequel. Either way, pray there's never a third because everybody's luck runs out sooner or later. Just ask Rambo.

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UAH Director of Athletics Paul Brand announced earlier this month that Joe Baker has been selected as the men’s head basketball coach at UAH.

Baker will make his debut to the Huntsville community when he directs the week-long Charger Basketball Day and the first-ever basketball camp beginning July 31.

In addition, Baker said other areas will be stressed, such as ball handling, passing, dribbling, shooting, rebounding, defense, and movement without a ball. Campers will view instructional films and play games to develop individual skills.

Baker has served the past three years as the head basketball coach at Colgate University in Hamilton, New York. His 13 years of NCAA Division I coaching include seven years as an assistant coach at Colgate and three years at Rutgers University.

Baker, a native of Montevallo, is looking for a basketball camp. He is the current head basketball coach at Montevallo.

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State to establish tuition program

Under the direction of State Treasurer George C. Wallace Jr., Alabama will be the fourth state in the nation to implement a guaranteed prepaid college tuition program. This program was established by the legislature during the last session and will undoubtedly serve as a model for other states for similar programs.

A Board of Directors has been established, with State Treasurer Wallace as chairman. During the next several months, the Board will establish policy and with the staff of the State Treasurer's Office, will be working to have the program available by spring 1990. Professional consultants will be employed to provide the information required in their particular field of expertise.

Parents, grandparents, friends, or any other sponsor can choose to make a one-time lump sum payment or periodic payments anytime after the birth of a child to guarantee four years of fully paid undergraduate tuition. An age limit will be determined by the Board of Directors whereby the age of the child is considered too old to benefit from the program. The purchaser will be issued a contract which will guarantee tuition payment for a determined number of credit hours for a baccalaureate degree at any public junior college, college or university in this state.

A trust will be formed and managed by State Treasurer George C. Wallace Jr., to receive payments and invest them. The trust will then pay the respective college tuition for each beneficiary after he or she is accepted and enter the school of choice.

In the event the beneficiary elects to attend a private or out-of-state institution, an amount equal to the average cost of Alabama tuition will be forwarded to that institution. Several refund options will be available for those who cancel the contract. Also, limited transfer-of-contract options will be available.

Once informational brochures are printed, there will be a statewide public education campaign to make people aware of the program.

Law prohibits sale of tobacco products to minors

It is illegal in the state of Alabama to sell cigarettes, cigar products, or cigarette paper to minors.

According to the Code of Alabama 1975, 13A-12-3, "Any person who sells, bargains, exchanges, or gives to any minor any cigarettes, cigar products, or cigarette paper, or any substitute for either of them shall, on conviction, be fined not less than $10 or more than $50 and may also be imprisoned in the county jail or sentenced to hard labor for the county for not more than 30 days.

The American Cancer Society supports this law and urges its enforcement, and is conducting an educational program to help make children aware of the addictive properties of tobacco and the health consequences of its use. Educational materials are being distributed to schools across Alabama.

According to Michael Norgard, president of the Alabama Division of the American Cancer Society, "We believe that part of an effective program to deter smoking is the enforcement of the Alabama law prohibiting the sale of tobacco products to minors."
University and the University of Alabama in Huntsville have provided in-depth technical assistance to 45 apparel firms. The technical assistants made specific recommendations regarding equipment and management changes that would improve the firms' competitiveness.

Dale Manufacturing in Daleville benefitted from the program after a 12-point plan of action was established to increase productivity. Company officials increased employment from five to 18 employees after the recommendations were in place. The entire program has provided 262 new jobs in the 45 companies benefited by the program.

Alabama Research Profiles is a mechanism to provide business with rapid access to Alabama's scientists, engineers, and other specialists. "This program is a computer-based register of our state's research professionals," Hunt said.

The Technology and Product Development Program is designed to provide both technology and financial assistance to businesses. "The Technology and Product Development Fund will provide existing small businesses with technical and financial assistance to support them in developing and marketing new products and technology," Hunt said.

Dr. Munsell McPhillips, ADECA's Science, Technology and Energy Division chief, said: "These programs are based on a single unifying theme, that we must increase the technological infrastructure of our state. This infrastructure does not consist of bridges, highways, and water systems, but of scientific capacity and the mechanism to access that capacity."

"We also are serious about continuing to use our existing resources to their fullest extent. These three programs cost about $830,000 and are being funded by several state and federal agencies, which result in a more efficient and effective use of their resources. This is only the beginning of the kind of work that will determine the future of Alabama businesses a place in the world economy," Hunt said.

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