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by Cindy Rodriguez
sports editor

In a first-time interview with The Exponent, Dr. Louis Padulo took the opportunity to express his hopes and concerns as they relate to the University and his new position as UAH's third president. High tech-this is the image Padulo sees Huntsville reflecting across the nation. He also sees this image as a major concern to those interested in UAH's humanities, and he is anxious to set the record straight. "It's not called 'the Poetry City,' it's called 'the Rocket City,'" Padulo pointed out. Despite this fact, he wanted to assure the faculty of the College of Liberal Arts that the humanities were also important. "I wanted to show them and tell them how interested I was in the Liberal Arts," said Padulo of his Sept. 15 wine and cheese reception for the faculty of the College Liberal Arts, a meeting he also described as "good."

When asked if he felt he had to live down what Dr. John C. Wright did as UAH's former president, Padulo replied, "If I have to live down something, I'm also getting credit for other things because of him.

Padulo went on to describe UAH as "as a place of motion. It's not a sick little backward place; it's a robust, thriving university getting better and better every day. This is basically a good place that doesn't have lot of flaws."

Grinning, Padulo described some of his experiences as president. Usually, he said, anyone who is lucky enough to grab him while he is running across campus tells him how he can make their life better. "Basically, everybody wants more," said Padulo, who also admitted that as president, it was his job to get more. *Where would Louis Padulo be if he had not been hired as UAH's president? More than likely, he said, he would have returned to teaching at Boston University, as well as conducted some joint research with M.I.T.

"So far people have been very accepting. No one is laughing too much about my accent."

"Long time ago, if you hired a preacher for a church, you assumed you got the wife, too. But in America, 10 years ago that stopped."

"You don't assume when you hire a professor or the chairman of the history department that his wife will type papers or host parties for him. The spouse may have a full, rich professional life of her own; she may have a job. My wife does not have a job,...but she has chosen to be mainly still involved with mothering, he said.

"When told of a student describing him as a politically liberal philosopher, Padulo replied that, for now, he hopes no one will attach a label to him. At the moment, Padulo sees students as half of a university, research being the other half, and faculty caught somewhere in between the two.

One example Padulo gave of a future hope is an improved program in propulsion. Even athletics will be reviewed by Padulo. Although he was not yet too familiar with all of UAH's athletic programs, he pointed out that he came from a university "that's always been a national power."

"Though he is not sure of what improvements will be made in the humanities, he is open for suggestions. For now, he will be concentrating on an exchange program with Japan, a nation which is not represented in UAH's international population.

"Looking back over the last five years, I'm also getting credit for other things because of him."

"That's always been a national power."

Dr. Louis Padulo

SGA Legislators, Grievance Officer position open

by Lori Robinson
director, Student Activities

The Student Government Association (SGA) is taking applications for Twelve-Month Legislators and Student Grievance Officer. Applications are available at the University Center Information Desk and the SGA Office, UC Room 106. Applications should be returned to the UC Information Desk by 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20, 1988.

Desk by 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20, 1988.

The Student Grievance Officer will be appointed by the SGA President. This person is responsible for providing an outlet for all students attending UAH to present their complaints concerning unsatisfactory conditions which they have observed or encountered on campus. A minimum of five office hours is required per week.

Legislators pass the rules which determine all SGA procedures, charters all clubs, appoints persons to many university committees, passes resolutions which are considered the "official opinion" of the SGA, and appropriates the SGA budget. The legislators also seek to accomplish changes to improve the student life at UAH. All legislators must keep a minimum of three office hours per week.

If you have any questions, contact the SGA Office at 895-6428.

Fill out an application today.
UAH student, Cronise, attends space university

by Katie Ceci
news reporter

Ray Cronise IV, a chemistry graduate student, attended the 1988 International Space University (ISU) this past summer. The 10-week program was held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

All aspects of having a space program were taught, according to Cronise. Areas studied ranged from the psychological effects to the technical aspects of such a program.

The program, which began in April 1987, is designed to bring together and teach future space professionals. Faculty for the program included Dr. Suzanne Churchill, assistant director for the Institute of Circadian Physiology at Harvard, and Dr. Ronald White, chief scientist of NASA's Life Sciences Program.

All the students lived and studied together during the purely academic program, according to Cronise, who works full-time at NASA. This gave each student a more personalized view of the differing space programs.

Graduate students form participating countries were chosen on the basis of applications that they sent in to the program. An ad for the program in Omni magazine alerted the world of Cronise and he sent for his application.

Countries participating in the program ranged from the Soviet Union and Great Britain to India, Sri Lanka, and Saudia Arabia.

UAH Computer Service offers courses to students, faculty

The following services are available through UAH Computer Services:

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Publications:
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★ Computer Service Library
★ Computer Service Library

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★ Batch Services, M-10
★ Software consultants, M-30, M-30A, M-31A

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CRT LABS — UC 112; PC LABS — SB 220, MD 213, MH 118, EB 205, and UC 112; and PC CLASSROOMS — MH 204 and MH 114.

User services will conduct a short course (Univac 1100 Control Language Course), designed to familiarize the beginning user with procedures for the Sperry 1100/73. Each session will be held 9-10 a.m. and will meet in Room M-25, Research Institute.

Session I will be held Oct. 25 and will cover sign-on procedures, file manipulation, and minimum control language. Session II will be held Oct. 26 and will include extensive Editor orientation and an assigned CAI session. Session III will be held Oct. 27 and will include an Editor work shop.

This course is open to any computer user at UAH, including students, faculty, and staff, and there is no charge for the service. Seats are limited (20), available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Call User Services at 895-6347 for reservations.

User Services will schedule sign-on sessions for classes during their class periods at the request of the instructor. Please call Sherry Hollman at 895-6347 to make a reservation.

There will be a course in DISSPLA (3-D 1100 Graphics) taught Oct. 18, 19, 20, 9-11:30 a.m. The courses will be taught by Joyce Looger in Room M-1 of the Research Institute. Please contact Sherry Hollman at 895-6347 for reservations.

Please note this is the only time this term that these sessions will be offered. All users are expected to take this course prior to accessing the Sperry 1100.

Conference stresses youth impact on political elections

Students and youth are an untapped force in American politics, largely ignored by politicians.

To activate that potential energy, over 550 student leaders nationwide are convening the National Student Conference on Voter Participation to address the issues of student concern in the 1988 elections.

The conference, which will be held in Washington, D.C., Sept. 30 — Oct. 2, will address two main obstacles to voter participation among 18-24 year olds. Low youth voter participation rates are linked to a lack of information on voter registration procedures and a lack of information on the candidates, their platforms, and the issues.

"While studies show that young people are more likely to express interest in politics and optimism about the effects of their vote," stated Laura Saunders, student government president at Borough of Manhattan Community College, "political parties and candidates spend less time and resources on outreach to young voters than to any other group of the electorate."

It's a Catch-22 situation. Politicians write off the student vote because they continued on page 6

Greg Riley • University of North Carolina • Class of 1989

"I don't want a lot of hype.
I just want something I can count on."
Applications for Who’s Who available at UC

Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges recognizes students who excel in academics, leadership and activities while in college. All juniors and seniors who have at least a 3.5 GPA should apply. All graduate students who have at least a 3.0 GPA should apply.

Applicants are available at the University Center Information Desk. All applications must be returned to the UC Information Desk by 5 p.m., Oct. 31, 1988. Students who have previously received this award are not eligible unless they were undergraduates and are now graduate students. However, if you have previously applied and were not selected, please re-apply.

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Overview

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Even if you already have a partial scholarship, grant, or loan, you can get smart on The Mill College Program, because we’ll pick up the remainder of the cost.

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It’s easy to be eligible for The Mill College Program. You only have to be working an average of 20 hours a week, according to your manager’s schedule. Provided you take leading to a degree from an accredited junior college, 4-year college or university, even if the course is not job-related (unless it’s required by your continuing education course).

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Almost anything. At least any course you take leading to a degree from an accredited junior college, 4-year college or university, even if the course is not job-related (unless it’s required by your continuing education course).

And remember, The Mill will pay successful applicants for any tuition you don’t have to wait until the end of the semester. Tuition, registration, fees and required textbooks will be deducted from your paycheck and any fees and expenses up to a maximum allowed by the program.

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How to apply

Applications for The Mill College Program are due in The Mill Office at least two months before the next available semester begins — July 1 for Fall, November 1 for Winter, March 1 for Summer.

You have to apply for each semester you are eligible and wish to compete. Once the college program committee has reviewed your application, you will be notified of the results. Always within 45 days of the application deadline.

If you’re selected as a Scholarship Employee you need only submit a request for funds by listing the course name and number, the school of your choice, titles and costs of required texts, and any fees. We’ll make checks almost immediately covering all your expenses up to a maximum allowed by the program.

A smart thing to do

Get smart on The Mill College Program. We developed it to make it the best...

So apply for your share of next semester’s fund. It may be the smartest thing you’ve ever done for yourself.
The guarantee [GSL] isn't for the student...

by Kim Glasgow

Editorial

Every year something changes. There were a number of changes that incoming students probably have noticed by now. Several of them deal with money, or paying more. As Cindy Rodriguez reported in the July 27 issue of The Exponent, tuition has been increased this fall by $3 per credit hour for undergraduates, $4 per credit hour for graduate students.

UAH parking decals are another major money change. Last year the decals were $10 for the first car, $5 for the second. This school year, the ante is $12 for the first and $6 for the second. It gets worse. Next year the decals go up another $3 which means your first decal will cost you $15 and your second one will cost you $7.

On the bright side, once the decals reach the $15 mark, they are expected to stay there for awhile. Though he can’t guarantee it, Vice President of Finance and Administration Kenneth W. Thompson said the fee should stay the same after next year.

Although everyone has a reason for raising their rates, I have a little trouble understanding it. In the past several years, it has been harder for students to get financial aid. It wasn’t that long ago that I also felt the education cuts in the federal budget—as recently as last April, in fact. Knowing I wasn’t eligible for a grant, I applied for a guaranteed student loan. The guarantee isn’t for the student, apparently. I couldn’t even qualify for one because my husband makes too much money. I had to settle on a PLUS loan which I was told I should use only as a last resort. I was also told that there would be even more changes for 1988-89 financial aid, and I might even have problems getting a PLUS loan in the fall.

What I don’t understand is why it is getting tougher every year for students to get even PLUS loans, which aren’t the best idea for a loan, yet tuition keeps going up, campus housing keeps going up, and parking decals keep going up.

“The Space Shuttle program people are walking on eggs...nothing goes wrong.”

by Bill Carswell

Columnist

The Space Shuttle should be launching tomorrow if it all goes well. After all the sweat and hard work, after all the worries, fears and accusations, we are finally getting back into space. From here on out every launch will be tenuous. Everybody will watch with getting back into space. From here on out every program people are walking on eggs making sure nothing goes wrong. Space science is being starved of funds. NASA is being accused of turning into a big business contract funnel. And a recent public opinion poll shows that, while supportive of the space program, the public has little confidence in NASA. Because of this situation, all we read about nowadays is problems with the space program.

I would, therefore, like to take a minute to offer a few positive comments made by NASA Administrator James Fletcher during a speech this summer. The view is upbeat, realistic and refreshing.

“Let’s turn to a vision of what our next half century in space could be like if we stick to the program’s promise for the future.”

“Once the base is suitable for human habitation, we will begin to build a base. By then, we could be 10 or 15 years into the next century.”

“Once the base is suitable for human habitation, we would increase the number of people, gradually build it up, and begin productive activities. That could take continued to page 5

Letter Policy

Letters to the editor will no longer be printed without an accompanying name and telephone number where the person can be reached.

Persons submitting letters to the editor will be called to verify the authenticity of the letter before the letter will be printed.

If you do not have a home or work telephone number where you can be contacted, come by The Exponent office, University Center Room 104 and ask to speak to the editor or associate editor. Editors’ office hours for the fall term 1988 are Mondays 11 a.m.-noon, 1-2 p.m., and 5:30-7:30 p.m., Tuesdays 1-5 p.m., Wednesdays 11 a.m.-noon, Thursdays 2-3 p.m. and Fridays 11 a.m.-noon, and 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Letters to the editor must be signed, typed or neatly hand-printed, and double-spaced. All letters must include the writer’s name, address, and telephone number before the letters will be printed.

The deadline for letters to the editors is Friday, 5 p.m., for the following Wednesday’s paper. Names will be withheld upon request.
Dan Quayle's military record to see if he is qualified for the job of veep, and should check to see how many funerals he has attended in the past few years. Well, despite a few quibbles here and there, the system the parties use to select their candidates works well as could be expected. So why are we stuck with a couple of losers like Bush and Dukakis? Maybe this says something about the caliber of people who are running for president nowadays. If George "the Wimp" Bush and Mike "Mr. No Personality" Dukakis are the best of the candidates who ran this year, then perhaps we need someone better to run. According to the Constitution, anyone who is a natural born U.S. citizen and is at least 35 years old can become president. Surely there must be at least a dozen people who meet those qualifications. There must be one or two of them who would make a better president than Bush and Duke. As far as the Constitution is concerned, any Tom, Dick, or TV evangelist can become president. I know that's a scary thought, but could it be any worse than the boxers who generally get into office? Perhaps if we had more people who were bold enough to throw their hat into the ring, we could find at least one among them who was fit to hold office.

I shall further address this issue, as well as other aspects of modern American politics, in next week's installment. I hope that next week will be the last issue in this series about our mixed-up political system. Then, we can get on to something more interesting, such as growing wars in your spare time. But I can guarantee that next week's column will look at this issue from a unique perspective.

**“Dukakis Supporters then tried to write off the Pledge issue as ‘irrelevant.’”**

by Nelson Papucci

In 1977 in Massachusetts, arguably the most liberal state in the nation, a bill was passed by the state legislature requiring daily recital of the Pledge of Allegiance in public schools. Gov. Michael Dukakis vetoed it. In response to Dukakis's action, that same legislature requiring daily recital of the Pledge of America, where people happen to like the Pledge.

They realize it is a part of children's education, just like taking U.S. history classes. They understand that patriotism is essential to our survival, and once that erodes, once we cease teaching our next generations about the Declaration of Independence, for years to come and Reagan Democrats should be made aware of it.

Bush put it best: "My opponent's fervent opposition to the Pledge is symbolic of an entire attitude best summed up in four letters: ACLU." Indeed, as Dukakis is a card-carrying member of the ACLU, his judicial nominees at all levels figure to follow its left-wing agenda.

Why must we, and especially our children, study, nurture and defend our nation and the West? Former Education Secretary William Bennett a leading critic of Dukakis on the Pledge, cited four reasons: "First, because it is ours... The second reason we study the West is because it is good.

"The third reason is what Western civilization's critics seem to have entirely missed: The West is a source of incomparable intellectual complexity and diversity and depth... The fourth reason for studying the West is that it is uniquely thrilling and dynamic..."

"The President and I were very sorry to learn of the untimely death of [insert name and official title of deceased]. Please accept the sincere condolences of every man, woman, and child in the United States. We sent the red, white, and blue wreath. I hope it is appropriate.

Of course Dukakis broke with tradition by naming his running mate before the convention. I guess he figured that he wouldn't have time to make the announcement at the convention since everyone in the world whose last name was Jackson was invited to speak. It is amazing that there has actually been a controversy involving a vice presidential candidate. Some of you probably argue that it is not even necessary to have a vice presidential candidate. Nowadays, you can have a ticket of one person who is not running for anything. He can run for the House, Senate, governor, mayor, whatever. It could really be the future of the presidency."

"...Mars, the most hospitable of the planets surrounding us."

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The nice thing about the scenario painted by Fletcher is that it is realistic. He leaves a decade for each major step and proposes a steady, evolutionary program where each step builds on the previous one.
Conference shows youth as political clout

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think students don’t care, and students are less inclined to vote because politicians ignore them” explained Catherine Crane, director of the National Student Campaign for Voter Registration.

The student event will combat voter participation obstacles through a combination of activities over the conference weekend:

— keynote speeches will provide the political parties an opportunity to articulate their platforms;

— issue sessions on higher education, economic opportunity, foreign policy, AIDS, the environment, civil rights and arms control will allow students to gain substantive information on issues facing the country;

— workshops on voter participation strategies and leadership skills led by the League of Women Voters, Project VOTE!; NAACP and others will prepare students to carry out effective voter participation drives;

— campus delegations from Florida to California and Massachusetts to Texas will meet to share their experiences from the conference and one another.

The 1988 conference is based on the highly successful 1984 National Student Conference on Voter Registration (NSCVR) held at Harvard University. The 1984 conference was called to help stem the rapid drop in youth voter participation rates. Between 1972 and 1980, voting among 18-24 year olds declined from about 50 percent to 39 percent, the lowest percentage of any democracy. The NSCVR conference resulted in the registration of 500,000 new voters and helped to bring about the first increase in youth voter participation rates in over a decade.

“One registered, 80 percent of all 18-24 year olds vote on election day” said Fred Azcarrate, president of the United States Student Association.
Medical Careers Club and Alpha Epsilon Delta

by Maureen Linehan, president, Medical Careers'Club

Two student organizations, the Medical Careers Club and Alpha Epsilon Delta, provide pre-professional study groups and opportunities throughout the year. The Medical Careers Club (M.C.C.) gives students a forum to share information and skills, provides mutual support, and an opportunity to socialize with other students who have common interests through the long arduous path to professional school. The club is open to all students on campus.

Alpha Epsilon Delta is a national pre-med honor society which recognizes the superior scholarship of selected students. Its membership is open to juniors and seniors whose GPA exceeds 3.0.

Students Over the Traditional Age

SOTA (Students Over Traditional Age) was organized a few years ago to give first aid to those of you who are returning to the college environment after a short or extended leave of absence from the classroom. Most returning students have great trepidation concerning, among other things, "Where is the memory?" "How can I keep up with the kids?," and similar questions.

SOTA is here to tell you that help is on the UAH campus. We meet every Thursday at the lunch hour, 12:15 p.m., in the University Center, Room 127. Some of these meetings are devoted to what does-the professor expect- from me conversations and structured meetings based on the requests and needs of the members. In the past, we have toured the UAH library. No, the library is not disorganized. It is based on the Library of Congress system, so you may be lost social event, The Second Annual Picnic, will be held on Sunday, Oct. 2. We will be touring several industries over the year such as PPG and USBL. We will also be hosting several UAH student speakers who will discuss the research they have undertaken while at UAH.

Delta Zeta

Karen Steele, Janelle Hayes, Laura Curtis, Susan Hollman, and Stacy Parker.

We would like to thank all of the big brothers who came out and supported us on squeal day. Delta Zeta loves you.

Alpha Tau Omega

McKenzie, Steve Housie, and Darryl Dunbar.

The brothers of the Theta Pi chapter of Alpha Tau Omega were honored to participate in this year's Cottonball. On the year, the brothers are working hard to benefit this campus. With the help of the Huntsville Hospital Cardiovascular Unit, the brothers are invited to come to the meeting of the 1988-89 school year on the UAH campus. We meet every Thursday at the lunch hour, 12:15 p.m., in the University Center, Room 127. Some of these meetings are devoted to what does-the professor expect- from me conversations and structured meetings based on the requests and needs of the members. In the past, we have toured the UAH library. No, the library is not disorganized. It is based on the Library of Congress system, so you may be lost social event, The Second Annual Picnic, will be held on Sunday, Oct. 2. We will be touring several industries over the year such as PPG and USBL. We will also be hosting several UAH student speakers who will discuss the research they have undertaken while at UAH.

We are planning for a great year, and we are looking forward to meeting you.

We hope you will come. Bring your friends and enthusiasm and join us! Come to the meeting on Sept. 28 for more details.

Delta Zeta would also like to thank all the fraternities for the great squeal night parties. We look forward to the fall mixers guys!!

Kappa Delta

Council, for her advice and inspiration during her visit to our campus last week. Her wisdom is appreciated and her guidance will be a great help in setting up our chapter the best it can possibly be.

Kappa Delta would also like to congratulate Surinder Mangot, who has joined our fall pledge class. We are very welcome as you begin your life in KD.

We wish continued success to the fraternities throughout their rush periods and congratulations to the men who choose to go Greek.

For signs of life, check for pulse

Medical events and happenings

We would like to thank Gail Fuller, a member of the Kappa Delta National for her assistance.

The Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIE) would like to welcome all new, and returning students to UAH. We are having our first meeting of the quarter Oct. 4, 1988. This is an informal meeting that will begin at 1 p.m. The meeting is not restricted only to IIE students. Anyone interested in industrial engineering is invited to meet with us in the Engineering Building, Room 232. Refreshments will be available after the meeting.

Fellowship of Christian Students

The UAH Fellowship of Christian Students has set the meeting dates for the fall quarter. The meetings/devotions will be each Thursday from Sept. 29 to Nov. 17 at 8:15 p.m. All meetings except Oct. 13 and Oct. 27 will be in the University Center Deli. On Oct. 13, the meeting will be in Madison Hall, Room 318. It will be in the University Center Deli. On Oct. 13, the meeting will be in Madison Hall, Room 318. It will be in Madison Hall, Room 318. It will be in Madison Hall, Room 318.
Entertainment

Signs of road-weariness show in Lynyrd Skynyrd concert

by Morgan Andriulli
features editor

The night was right, a Saturday. The crowd was right; large, inebriated, reasonably good-humored and as totally backwoods redneck as they come. The band was definitely redneck: Lynyrd Skynyrd, a virtual icon of modern, Southern middle-class culture. But all was not quite right. How could Witness, a generic sounding bar band from Atlanta, come off sounding better than arguably one of the best concert bands in the history of ever? Not that Witness was bad, in fact, they were quite good, sporting a spandex-covered, slightly hard-edged top-40 rock sound. It is just bad form to out-perform the legends of the trade that never woreiness. Last Saturday, Lynyrd Skynyrd, a virtual icon of modern, Southern middle-class culture, was as if they were trying hard, but just not getting it right. Their sound seemed ponderous, weighted towards percussion and bass. Speed and timing was slow and forced, as if they were trying hard, but just not clicking. Artimus Pyle, one of the lightweight touches in drumming, played as if he were using ax handles. The famous additional tenors, bassists, and guitarist to complement the fine student talent available. Some scholarships are available. Solution puzzle on page 6. 

Skynyrd performed the ninetieth sentimentality every third day for a year. In comparison, last year in quite good, sporting a spandex-to the night after the infamous plane crash on the way back from Atlanta, come off sounding better than arguably one of the best concert bands in the history of ever? Not that Witness was bad, in fact, they were quite good, sporting a spandex-covered, slightly hard-edged top-40 rock sound. It is just bad form to out-perform the legends of the trade that never woreiness. Last Saturday, Lynyrd Skynyrd, a virtual icon of modern, Southern middle-class culture, was as if they were trying hard, but just not getting it right. Their sound seemed ponderous, weighted towards percussion and bass. Speed and timing was slow and forced, as if they were trying hard, but just not clicking. Artimus Pyle, one of the lightweight touches in drumming, played as if he were using ax handles. The famous additional tenors, bassists, and guitarist to complement the fine student talent available. Some scholarships are available. Solution puzzle on page 6.

RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS

James Holobaugh
Civil Engineering
University of Missouri
Co-op with Dr. Susan
Corps of Engineers

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The Department of Army Scientific and Engineering (DASE) Co-op Program provides ROTC students the opportunity to work in a Department of the Army facility while still in college. Each is paid while getting practical work experience in a high-tech facility. Selected students also receive up to $5,000 in tuition assistance per year and the opportunity for continued employment after graduation.

To be eligible, you must be a freshman in a baccalaureate program leading to a degree in science or engineering. For more information on application procedures, contact the Chairman of the Co-op Department, or the Professor of Military Science.

Students are selected on a competitive basis.

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Children's Hour: parents spending time with their kids
by Pat Newcomb  
features reporter  

UAH students who have children may sometimes feel as though they might be missing out on some of the activities that go on around campus. One thing that is designed specifically for this student is Children's Hour. Children's Hour is a "time for parents and children to have together," according to Karen Fish, director of Student Activities. A turnout of about 50 children and their parents usually participate in the activities that are offered free-of-charge most Saturdays during the term.

This fall, a wide variety of activities has been planned ranging from movies to Japan Day, as well as celebrations of traditional days such as Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

"The hour-long activity offers the parent, who is often busy with schoolwork, jobs, and other responsibilities, an opportunity to spend time with their children," said Weaver.

The activities that are offered include a short talk about the idea behind the spirit of the event and then a craft time where children get to make something to take home. The ages range from 3 to 11, so the crafts have to be something that can appeal to a variety of children.

"We want parents to know that it's the child's creation and though parents should help when needed, they should give the child the opportunity to do something for themselves," Weaver said.

The Children's Hour is coordinated by Penny Cato, an elementary education major.

"Penny is just fabulous with the kids and the parents," said Weaver. Cato brings enthusiasm to the program and is very attentive to the children, she added.

One thing that the Children's hour is not, however, is a babysitting service.

"We want to stress that the parents need to be there," said Weaver. "This is time to share with your child, a time to be together."

New Jersey band, The Smithereens, rock UAH into fall
by James Smith  
features reporter  

Wednesday, Sept. 14, the Smithereens from New Jersey played a half-packed Spragins Hall.

The band got started around 8:30 p.m. with House of Freaks opening for the Smithereens. House of Freaks is a two-man band, a guitarist and a drummer. They played for about an hour and they really warmed up the crowd. With only two men, they had to be good.

House of Freaks was very impressive. The drummer had made some of his own instruments to achieve some special sounds. He had a steel can drum, and he attached shakers and rattlers to his drum sticks.

The band played rock'n'roll with a new edge; mostly originals, and a few remakes with their own fair added.

There was talent all over that stage. After a brief intermission, the Smithereens came out. The lead singer screamed at the audience and encouraged them to scream back! After everyone was hoarse, they began their set.

There was a distinct sound difference from House of Freaks; the difference was the acoustics. The gym was barely suitable for two people playing, and just could not handle four. After just a few songs, the band began to sound out of place.

The Exhibit Hall in the University Center would have been better, or perhaps the amphitheater, but you cannot charge for tickets there.

The Smithereens are part of a new class of bands that do not fit into the usual categories: pop, heavy metal, punk, blues, jazz, country, or soul. They have a sound reminiscent of R.E.M. and U2; sort of a mix of blues, rock, and folk music themes, with the use of some minor chords.

The Smithereens are not all that trendy, but are not entirely unknown. Their music is progressive and fairly good, but they probably will not get an invitation to play at the Baptist revival/reunion prayer meeting this year either.

Adam's House Cat knows what music is about: having fun
by James Smith  
features reporter  

There is a new band touring the Alabama clubs: Adam's House Cat. This four-man band out of Muscle Shoals has been together for almost two years now, and they are still having a lot of fun. They play a few of their own tunes as well as some of their favorite classic rock and rock'n'roll songs.

Chuck Tremley plays drums for the band. He said their biggest influences have been jazz, B.B. King, Springsteen, U2, Elvis, and Lou Reed. The rest of the band (Pat Hood, lead vocals and guitar; Mike Cooley, guitar and vocals; Chris Howard, bass and vocals) all seem to agree, and you can hear it in their music.

Adam's House Cat has played twice in Huntsville to a packed crowd at the Tip Top Cafe. They have played in Nashville, Birmingham, Oxford, and Muscle Shoals, and are fairly popular on campus in Tuscaloosa.

Their music is good, their sound is crisp, their show is very entertaining, the band plays good rock'n'roll and they do it well. These four guys know their music, and what it's all about: having fun. They just get up on the stage to have fun, and as long as it stays that way, that is the key to their music.

UAH Alumni Picnic events include dunking booth
by Rick Mould  
for The Exponent  

Fun, food and music are the main ingredients of the UAH Alumni Picnic set for Oct. 1.

The festivities will be held at UAH near the campus lake off Sparkman Drive. The picnic is sponsored by the UAH Alumni Affiliates.

"This is the first time for the annual picnic to be held on the campus," said Ray Smith, UAH alumni director. "This will give alumni the opportunity to reacquaint themselves with old friends and make new ones as well."

The events include:
- 9:30 a.m. — One-mile fun run (Spragins Hall)
- 10:30 a.m. — Tennis scramble (Spragins Courts)
- 11:00 a.m. — WATA remote and craft fair
- 11:30 a.m. — Barbecue lunch, crew team demonstration, carnival games
- Noon — Sky divers, Neat Pete.
- 12:30 p.m. — karate demonstration.
- 1:00 p.m. — Fishing rodeo
- 1:30 p.m. — Music by Retrospect karate demonstration
- 2:00 p.m. — Children's game frisbee golf, volleyball, softball.
- 3:30 p.m. — Pizza-eating contest
- 4:00 p.m. — Tug-of-war
- 5:00 p.m. — Turn in your recipe to the University Center Information Desk by October 6, 1988.

Pre-registration must be made by Sept. 26 for the one-mile fun run and the tennis scramble. The cost is $5 and UAH t-shirts will be provided to participants.

For further information contact the UAH Alumni Affairs office at 895-6085.

Sixteen people have graciously volunteered to sit in the dunking booth between 11:15 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. They are: John Ortiz, SGA President; Gary Biller, Director of Student Development Services; Clyde Riley, Professor of Chemistry; Jerry Karr, Department Chairman of Mechanical Engineering; Mike Oliver, Director of Division of Continuing Education; Tommy Williams, President of Faculty Affairs; Robert Redmon, UAH Director of Landscape Design; Jeanne Fisher, Vice President of Student Affairs; Tom Tenbrunsel, Vice President of University Advancement;

The winner will be announced at 2:30 pm at the conclusion of the Alcohol Awareness Day on October 13th in the University Center.  

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“Appetite for Destruction” filled with zero star songs

by Kelly Baldwin
features reporter

This album is rated One on Billboard’s album charts, a feat that leaves many wondering why.

The metal-mashers first cut from the album was “Welcome to the Jungle.” It met with praise from hungry metal fans who were excited about the churning guitars and the screeching vocals of W. Axl Rose and, of course, the liberal use of innuendo.

“Welcome to the Jungle” is fast-paced and exciting but very different in many ways from the group’s second cut “Sweet Child O’ Mine.” That song has hit the charts hard and has blazed its way to the top. The words are senseless in many respects and hallucination, but the music is catchy. The opening guitar establishes the theme and holds with that theme fairly well.

Other good cuts from the album are “Paradise City” and “Mr. Brownstone.” Folks, it gets worse from here.

“Paradise City” and “Mr. Brownstone” give rock a bad name. The other songs are really nothing special and the second side is virtually a wasteland, music-wise.

The album as a whole gets two-and-a-half stars. Torn apart, there are four three-and-a-half star songs and too many zero star songs.

Youth to bring Chinese culture to UAH

by Maureen McMyler
for The Exponent

College students from Taiwan will be performing “An Adventure in Chinese Songs and Dances” on Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. at Spragins Hall. The event will be presented by the Chinese Youth Goodwill Mission in an effort to introduce people to the musical and historical aspects of Chinese culture.

The program will be divided into two parts. The first “Mysterious China,” includes Dragon Dance, The Ancient Battle, Wang Chao-chun’s Journey to the Barbarous Land, The Court Dances of Tang Dynasty, and The Golden Pasture.

Following intermission, “Folk Melodies” will be performed. It includes A Jubilant Celebration of Abundant Harvest, Chinese Kung-fu Show, The Cozy Island, The Love Songs of Yunnan Province, and Song of Diversity.

Admission is free. Advance tickets can be obtained at the University Center Information Desk. Those without advance tickets will be admitted at the door based on available seats.

Mary Chapin Carpenter returns to campus on October 4

by Maureen McMyler
for The Exponent

Mary Chapin Carpenter will be performing at 8 p.m., Oct. 4 at the University Center at UAH.

Carpenter has been singing for 10 years on the Washington, D.C., folk and country circuit. Her first album, “Hometown Girl,” was released in 1987, and the songs on her album were written from a personal perspective.

“I draw on my own experience, like the neighborhood, my life story,” she said.

The song “Heroes and Heroines” was written after Carpenter visited the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum. The trip inspired her to meditate on the daring and bravery associated with heroes. Out of that meditation came the song and the feeling that the world is lacking in heroes.

“Perhaps the whole notion of heroism is becoming extinct,” she said.

The albums title track, “Hometown Girl,” deals with the passage from innocence to experience and the uncomplicated nature of love when one is young. “A Lot Like Me” was written at a time when Carpenter was experiencing doubts about continuing in the music field. It reflects her ideas about the necessity of following one’s dreams, even when the prospects are grim.

Carpenter has been the recipient of nine Washington Area Music Awards, including Artist of the Year and Best Songwriter. She has performed with such artists as Jonathan Edwards, Jesse Winchester, Donovan, John Hiatt and Kris Kristofferson.

After Carpenter’s engagement at UAH, she will be the showcase act at the Country Music Association Entertainment Market Place in Nashville.

Advance tickets are $7 and can be purchased at the University Center Information Desk. Tickets will be $8 at the door. Admission is free to students, faculty and staff with current I.D.
Day One: Combating the elements and technical problems

by Morgan Andriulli
features editor

As promised last week, here is the chronology of the crew training ride taken by the Human-Powered Vehicle (HPV) team in preparation for the coast-to-coast run planned for October. Now that this important goal of a two-day training run has been accomplished, the HPV Project faces another, even greater, challenge: fund raising. With less than a month before the trip, the Project is faced with raising $20,000 for vehicle expenses, plane tickets, food, hotels and insurmountable other expenses. Any person or group interested or knowing of interested parties may contact Rhonda Wales, project coordinator, at 837-6618, or Dr. Mark Bower, faculty advisor, at 895-6209. Any contribution would be greatly appreciated because it would go toward promoting UAH and Huntsville from coast to coast. Part 3 will appear in the Oct. 5 issue of The Exponent.

Opus keeps an eye on the watermelons during a crew sleep break in Hurricane Gilbert. drenched Arab, Ala. In the next 24 hours, the HPV team would cover 375 miles.

8:37 p.m., Friday, Sept. 16: Hurricane Gilbert has saturated everything, including everyone and their spirits. Rhonda Wales, Dr. Mark Bower, Jeff Lindner, Paul Dumbacher, John Deep, Alex von Spakovskiy and the rest of the Human-Powered Vehicle team hold a powwow in the recreational vehicle, press (this reporter and Melissa Thornton) not included.

8:56 p.m.: Still raining. The RV disgorges powwow. The decision is to take two or three laps of the campus to test the waters, literally. To this point, Opus has seen a lot of conditions, but never rain and darkness.

"The main concern is for Jeff's safety. We can't afford any injuries or damage to the bike this close to the transcon (transcontinental run)," says Rhonda Wales.

9:30 p.m.: The rain quits suddenly, but no one says anything for fear of the weather hex: mention it and it will happen. From now on it's known as the "R-word." Jeff Lindner laps campus on Opus without drama.

9:43 p.m.: The test lap is over.

"Now it's decide time," explains John Deep, first driver of the Rover, the car that drives ahead to navigate and forewarn of changing conditions. Lindner is seen giving the thumbs-up, always a good sign.

10:39 p.m.: Near Airport Road. Still R-wording. The pace is still quicker than most mid-afternoon traffic, but Lindner depends upon lead car for guidance, due to the poor visibility. Along with strobes, the van has KC Daylighters illuminating the road directly in front of Opus. Advice to motorists: never bright light the van, unless one desires a cornea transplant.

11 p.m.: Van occupies both lanes on the river bridge to keep speeding rednecks at bay. The pace is good despite catching every traffic light on the south end.

11:09 p.m.: As soon as everyone starts getting dry, Lindner chooses to make a quick stop at the Wavaho station at the base of Brindlee Mountain for a bio-break and an Ultraneutral mix before tackling the mountain. Lindner is in a good mood and is eager to continue; especially after observing two "local lovelies" finish their Baby Buds and start eyeing the bike, but business first.

12:15 a.m.: Problems near Arab. Serious first: battery might be acting up on the wagon. Lindner's headset radio is definitely acting up. Arab's Finest is a human-powered vehicle," replies a patiently damp crew member.

12:45 a.m.: Perceived battery problems on wagon go away, R-word eases some, but continuing communication problems force a stop one mile past Arab. Enterprise went into hyperdrive and ended up at Rainbow Crossing, 10 miles south of Arab. Rover takes off to raise them on the radio and retrieve them. The station attendant looks as if the mother ship from Close Encounters has landed and taken over their watermelon stand. Nearly everyone sleeps. Rumor has it that Spakovskiy is a walking sleep deprivation experiment.

A Wavaho regular with no shirt on asks, "What the hell is that?"

"It's a human-powered vehicle," replies a patiently damp crew member.

"Really? What the hell is it powered by?"

11:29 p.m.: On the road, fortunately. Spakovskiy's Scotty imitation shocks and/or amuses. Lindner averages 6 mph, up the mountain. Aerodynamics are great on the flats, but the extra weight is no help on hills. Lindner added extra cargo to the bike for the purpose of pulling big mountains.

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Tune in next week for Part 3 and see the crew cover 375 miles in 24 hours. Also, Alex von Spakovskiy get locked in a men's room; Auburn drivers; an unexpected tour through the "finer" parts of Eatonton, Ga.; rubbemakers; fear and loathing at Murder Creek ("Look's like y'all done peddled up the wrong creek") a simulated flat; and The Chevron Pompei's Gasoline Drama.
PARTY NOMINEE HANDEL TO DECIDE: How REST Best to Handle The Party Over Their Constitu- nates' Past Infant Infancy.

Okay, Dick. I'll stay, "Sustain the Famine Plan."

AMY MACKERELL TELLS ME SHE'S BEEN WORKING ON MY PROBLEM FOR YEARS.

Yes, all joined the Canadian Federalist, Moore, Helen, in 1981... Are you suggesting this was a hypocritical act for a hawkish right-winger?

Why, there were worse enemies all around--advised, maybe, Commie Moore. It was, uh, you know...

Promissory.

As another great warrior once said, "I may be in deep doodoo...

Bill, listen! Are there more skeletons in your closest?

Bill Quirks?

Is there anything we overlooked that would keep you from being an effective president?

Lucky Quirks?

Little personality faults?

Don't worry, easily confused.

Mike.

Are there more skeletons in your closest?

Ralph knows a better year is ahead. 'Cause I've only been a president like... never.

Peace, harmony, happiness, herring heads.

Don't say it!

Skele-lons in my closest again.

Rosa's a penguin. She's still a penguin.

I believe a revolutionary new procedure can be derived from the extract of a cat. I'll be your defiant benefactor.

All deterrent research, well, as long as society benefits, preferably.

4% of research money is sent to the Great Test Lab. I say each year for similar benefits.

Cat Sweat...
Grizzard wins championship

by Maureen McMyler
for The Exponent

Berry Grizzard, a karate instructor at UAH, recently won the Tennessee State Karate Championship held in Cookeville. Grizzard, who has achieved the rank of fourth degree black belt, won the super heavyweight division. Sonny Mitchell, a student of Grizzard’s, placed second in the orange-yellow belt, light heavyweight division.

Grizzard, who has been participating in martial arts for 26 years, has been the super heavyweight champ of Alabama for the past two years. His rigorous training schedule includes karate six days a week, every week. And his other activities? He teaches karate six days a week, too.

Grizzard’s dedication to his sport is due to the benefits he receives in addition to the laurels: self-discipline, good health, and fun.

“It keeps me looking 25 at age 32,” he said.

Grizzard and his students have a busy schedule. There are karate matches virtually every weekend. In Chattanooga recently, Grizzard placed third in fighting. Doris Almon, a brown belt, placed second. Leigh Pounders placed fourth in forms.

Commentary: champion or runner-up—only we can make the decision

by Darrell Jones
intern sports reporter

It seemed like a normal evening. The head coach blows his whistle which signals the end of a good practice with his team. The players were executing with precision during drills. Dreams were alive with the possibility of a conference championship. With 14 returning starters, the school was looking at its best season ever. After the workout everyone heads for home, or so it seems.

It’s now 2 a.m. The phone rings.

On one end, the head coach; on the other, Sergeant Smith of the municipal police. It was a call he never wanted. It was every coach’s nightmare. The sergeant tells him of the disorderly conduct of four of his premier players in a local club earlier in the evening—all being held for a court hearing the next day.

A formal scrimmage was scheduled the next afternoon for the season opener against the defending conference champion. There would be a dark cloud to distract the practice.

This is a scenario which has all too often plagued head coaches of college teams within the last few years. It brings up the question of whether the athletes are mature enough in living up to the responsibility that comes with being in the public’s eye.

What’s the solution? To give you a definite answer, I cannot.

Maybe part of the solution lies within the minds of the individuals themselves, the first being the realization of the responsibility given them. Second is the devotion to the team concept, which is the building block for champions. Being on a scholarship to a university is a privilege and an honor. Thus, a scholarship recipient is a representative of the university—faculty and student body.

Athletes stand in the spotlight but they don’t stand alone on this matter. You and I also face this pressure. How we deal with it can mean the difference between being champions or just a runner-up, and no one remembers who comes in second place.

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Player of the Week

The UAH/Childers Distributing Company Player of the Week for Sept. 13-19 is soccer goalie David Bortnick. Bortnick was nominated following the Florida weekend series in which the Chargers played Florida Institute of Technology and Barry University. Bortnick had a total of 33 saves in the two games, allowing only two goals.

Bold indicates home games. All home games played on Charger Field unless indicated.

VOLLEYBALL 1988

Sept. 28 Gadsden State 5:30 p.m.
UAH 7 p.m.
Columbus College 7 p.m.
Sept. 30 at Maryville Tournament TBA
Oct. 1 at Maryville Tournament TBA
Kings College, Bryan College, Tennessee Temple, Tusculum, Covenant College, Maryville, UAH
Oct. 4 at Alabama A&M University 7 p.m.
Oct. 6 at East Tennessee State University 7 p.m.
Oct. 7-8 at Univ. of N. Carolina-Asheville Tourn. TBA
UNC-Greensboro, Georgia State, Davidson, St. Augustine, UNC-Asheville, UAH
Oct. 11 University of the South 6 p.m.
Oct. 13 Middle Tennessee State Univ. 7 p.m.
Oct. 14-15 at Univ. of North Alabama Tournament TBA
UNA, Livingston, Jacksonville State, Eckerd, Mississippi College, UAH
Oct. 17 Alabama A&M University 7 p.m.
Oct. 18 at Columbus College 6 p.m. EST
Oct. 20 Jacksonville State 7 p.m.
Oct. 22 Univ. of Tennessee-Chattanooga 3 p.m.
Oct. 25 at Christian Brothers Coll./Austin Peay TBA
at UAH/Mississippi College 5 p.m.
Nov. 2 at Jacksonville State 7 p.m.
Nov. 4-5 at West Georgia Tournament TBA
Jacksonville State, Troy State, UNA, West Georgia, Rollins, MUS, UAH
Nov. 8 UNA 7 p.m.
Bold indicates home games. All home games are played in Spragins Hall.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK

The Sept. 20-26 UAF/C/Childers Distributing Company Player of the Week is Volleyball player, Teresa Clubb.

Clubb, a freshman, played all four Charger matches this past week. During the Mill/UAH Tournament, she had a serve percentage of 96 percent, over 30 digs in the back court, an 86 pass percentage and a 72 attack percentage.
UAH soccer opens twentieth season on road

by Cindy Rodriguez

UAH soccer opened their twentieth season with a trip to Melbourne, Fla., where they faced the Florida Panthers, a team they defeated last season. This year's squad was ready to take on the competition.

UAH took the lead early in the first half, scoring off of an assist from Ahmed Wehbe. The Panthers responded with a goal early in the second half, but the Chargers quickly scored to take back the lead. A third goal by Wehbe secured the victory.

The following weekend saw UAH compete in the Annual Mill/UAH Volleyball Tournament. The Lady Chargers went 1-2 in the tournament, winning their only match against King Tenn., this weekend to compete in the Maryville Tournament. The teams competing in the tournament are King College, Bryan College, Tennessee Temple, Tusculum College, Covenant College, Old Millville and Covenant College.

BASKETBALL

All UAH season basketball ticket holders will be invited to attend the First Annual Basketball Season Ticket Holder Appreciation Dinner on Oct. 26 and hear the renowned NBA basketball Coach Hubie Brown, who will be the keynote speaker for the evening.

That same year he received the CBS/Chevrolet Award. Brown was also the head coach of the Boston Celtics when they won the Mid-West Division title and went to the seventh game of the 1974 NBA Championship Series.

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INTRAMURALS

The 1988 Intramural Fall season will begin Oct. 9. This fall season we will be playing Flag Football (men's and coed) and Floor Hockey (men's only). Registration will be Sept. 21-Oct. 5 and is open to all currently enrolled UAH students, faculty and staff. All registration forms for both sports must be turned in by 10 p.m., Oct. 5.

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Kangaroos killed for leather in Adidas athletic shoes

Your school’s athletic program may be perpetuating the slaughter of nearly 3 million kangaroos in Australia this year.

What do jocks have to do with ‘roos? Kangaroos are hunted mainly for their pelts, which are turned into a high-quality leathers and made into, among other things, sport shoes. Faced with a Greenpeace-organized boycott in Europe, many sport shoes manufacturers, including Nike, Puma and New Balance, have dropped kangaroo leather from their sneakers. However, Adidas continues to use kangaroo leather in its promotional shoes, which it gives to professional athletes and school athletic programs.

After the success in Europe, Greenpeace is turning its attention to the American market. The U.S. is the world’s largest importer of finished kangaroo products and the third largest importer of raw kangaroo products. Targeting both running shoe manufacturers and the U.S. legislation, Greenpeace hopes to pressure the Australians to curtail the kill by drying up the American market for kangaroo goods.

The Australian kangaroo hunt is the largest slaughter of wild mammals in the world. In addition to the commercial hunt of more than 2.9 million ‘roos, an estimated one million ‘roos will be gunned down outside the government quota. Seven species of kangaroos have already become extinct and 12 others are considered endangered under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES).

Labeled an agricultural pest, ‘roos are chased down by “shooters” in four-wheel-drive vehicles and shot with high-powered rifles. The skill of the shooters varies, and live kangaroos often have their legs and tails hacked off by shooters whose first shot wasn’t enough to kill. Shooters make good money selling the pelts and meat which is ground into pet food.

“Calling the Australian kangaroo hunt ‘wildlife management’ is a blatant misnomer,” said Leilani Anderson, Kangaroo Campaign Coordinator for Greenpeace USA. “The Australian government threatens to manage the kangaroos to death.”

The Australian government continues to escalate the kangaroo genocide by sanctioning larger and larger quotas. In 1981, an inflated population estimate of 32 million kangaroos prompted the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to lift a ban on kangaroo imports into the U.S. Two years later, the Australian government revised its estimates showing that a paltry 19 million kangaroos remained. Despite the precipitous decline, elements in the Australian government are encouraging both human consumption of kangaroo meat and farming ‘roos to satiate the growing market for kangaroo products.