As the summer quarter draws to an end, The Exponent bids farewell to its long-time editor, Nancy Parker.

Parker, who recently resigned, was appointed interim editor March 26, 1986, and by July 16, she was unanimously named editor by the UAH Publications Board.

After 18 months of hard, dedicated work, Parker has decided to call it quits. "I want to move on to other things," Parker explained. "Parker defined "other things" as starting her own newspaper in Priceville where she resides, writing a novel, researching her work on her degree at UAH, and attending UAH in pursuit of a double major in history and English with a minor in communications. Parker has a full-time job with the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command.

Since becoming involved with The Exponent in 1982, she has served the paper in numerous capacities including reporter, news editor, managing editor, and typesetter.

"I asked whether or not she had achieved her goals for The Exponent, Parker replied, "I think the paper has improved since her death, the Linder family has received national academic honors and has been named a Collegiate Community College, nominated for both awards.""}

**SPC picks a winner of 'Battle of the Bands'**

*by G. Jashke news reporter*

"Summerfest 1987" at UAH lived up to its name in terms of last lingering of summer; a laid back, lazy spree from afternoon until 9 p.m. Most of the bands were from the Huntsville area, except for one which was from Athens. Various students brought a hammock to sling under the trees and spread in the grass. There was constant music that counts, and indeed many hats are off to Mrs. Parker.

**Grimwood receives national academic honors**

Beverly Lori Grimwood, a junior majoring in Communication Arts at UAH has been named a Collegiate Community College, nominated for both awards.

**Linder Peace Tour comes to University Center**

John Linder, brother of slain U.S. engineer Benjamin Linder, will be speaking three days in Alabama: one here in Huntsville, Linder will be speaking at the University Center August 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Benjamin Linder was a volunteer in Nicaragua working on a hydroelectric project to bring electrification to a rural area when he was shot by Contra forces in the area. In the four months since his death, the Linder family has undertaken a "Benjamin Linder Peace Tour." Their aim is to gain sufficient money and support to complete the project that Benjamin Linder started.

Huntsville Interfaith Peace Group and Campus Ministry is sponsoring John Linder. The Birmingham Committee for Peace and Justice in Central America is coordinating John Linder's tour in Alabama.

For additional information, call 881-4784, or 881-6540.

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Eminent Scholars Trust Fund endowed

A $1 million endowed chair to create the Eminent Scholar in Management within the UAH College of Administrative Science was announced recently by UAH president Dr. John Wright. The Eminent Scholar in Management establishes UAH’s first funded $1 million endowment for a specific purpose. The chair was established under the state’s Eminent Scholars Trust Fund Act. The act enables qualifying state universities to endow academic chairs for $1 million each by offering $400,000 in state money to match $600,000 in private donations.

Last year, the university announced a pledge toward an endowed chair—an Eminent Scholar in Electrical and Computer Engineering—which was made possible by an anonymous Huntsville gift. However, that agreement stated the university would receive the $600,000 contribution when it raised a comparable amount from another source to fund a second chair.

Wright said the endowments will allow the university to recruit an outstanding expert and researcher in both areas. "The holder of the chair will have a high level of research and professional accomplishments," said Wright. "The endowments put our students at the cutting edge of instruction and exploration in management and electrical and computer engineering." More than 40 individuals and business and financial representatives donated to the Eminent Scholar in Management.

Mark Smith, founder of UDS and Adtran Inc., and UAH Foundation trustees, led the UAH fund-raising efforts. Smith lauded the Huntsville community for its support of the program. "It's quite gratifying to know the Huntsville community understands the need for this type of expertise at UAH," said Smith. "The entire Huntsville area, though, will receive a return on this investment because of increased research and finer graduates."

Dr. David Billings, Dean of the UAH College of Administrative Science, said the holder of the chair will assist UAH and the community in developing strategies designed to advance Huntsville in broad areas of management and technology and productivity enhancement. "The candidate will have experience in two or more of the areas of national and international levels. He has held his current position as executive secretary for the British Interplanetary Society, an organisation that has led the world in pioneering space educational publications and activities, since 1962.

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The world according to Stephen

by Stephen A. Awoniyi
staff reporter

I have memories of a great many individuals who at some time or another made a decision that they had arrived at the end of a situation and therewith decided to quit. "That's the end if it," they usually say, "that was the last time." We hear them, and seem to understand this to mean that they have made their last active contribution and are walking off the scene for good and all.

Well, hold your reins, for before you can mouth a sad, and farewell, they are turned right around and are back again as present as ever. So what was that "last time," you wonder, that they were talking about. I am not thrusting daggers at any group of people in particular; certainly not at boxers and politicians.

There is another group of persons who are guilty of abradng the meaning of the word "last." Do you recall that last time when you were entranced under the silky canopy of a ceaseless stream of words cascading out of the being of a "renowned" speaker, and all the while felt like yawning (and by Jove, everyone else was yawning). Suddenly "Superfluous" announced his "last point." Then he launched into an orbit. Take my advice, next time everyone else was yawning). Suddenly

as if the word "last" has not been ill-treated enough to listen to this extract: "...she was strapped unmovably in the chair. Any moment now the bomb would rip the entire building into shreds. Just at the last minute he flew in through the door and yanked the timer switch, then he spun around and slashed the cords that fastened her to the chair. Together they fled from the room to the car, taking the steps three at a time. He shoved her in, slammed the door and gave a hard chase. Twenty miles later he overtook the getaway car and pulled them over, stepped out and said, "You forgot the poor girl in the chair."

Is it not just amazing how much can happen since reference to the last minute.

So help, will someone tell me where "last" starts, or whatever does the word mean? As a young student in a literature class we were once reading and cross-referencing. The teacher asked the class to turn to the last page and we all flurried to the end of the book. Reading down that page we came to the second paragraph where the author called attention to the "last page," and the teacher explained that the author was referring to the preceding page. One kid who had instinctively flipped the cover of the book mumbled something about how the teacher and the author were in disagreement. She did not last the class.

As our language developed someone got carried away with the versatility apparent in the word and created it into a proper verb, which can now be interpreted to possess a meaning perfectly opposite to the word as an adjective. The "last bite of the apple" meant that the apple came to an end, but "the apple lasted" means that the apple almost never came to an end. A distant friend once remarked that a dual personality often leads to a loss of identity.

Finally the Christian's Bible came out with the ultimate classic, "The first shall be the last, and the last shall be first."

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All of this must have its consequences, surely it must. I am beginning to wonder if people even understand anymore what the word "last" means. Every night I walk past the front of a door that has a sign posted beside it, which reads: "Last person in this room please turn off the lights." So, of course, nobody does. How is anyone supposed to know that they are last?

(P.S. I seem to remember faintly that "last one's a nissy anyway.)
Point-by-Point by Parker

Thanks for the memories

Kim Glasgow, production manager, delivering the paper, extraordinary. What times we’ve had. My second week as editor, Kim went into the office for the first time and this is about layout but by Tuesday night of that same week, we were on the street in front of Kim and I have been at The Exponent office from 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. We have delivered the newspaper to the stands once, in a runaway van, in and around lanes, on a snowplow and with a snow blower and we had a fish that was too small. Kim has seen it all. He is not an ice cream addict, he is just a little bit of a crazy fisherman. We often sit in the parking lot while watching love birds smooching, while rain or shine, Cindy, is a present staff reporter who has handled numerous jobs at The Exponent in a serious and truly professional manner. I’ll never forget the infamous issue that got everyone’s attention.

The opposite of quiet is loud. The notion that selfishness is a virtue. We would all be much the better for it.

I will always remember the new kids on the newspaper block: Morgan Anderson and his Beamly and unassuming editor, Parker Kephart! Contrary to what I said in the beginning of this editorial, I guess I didn’t say this guy last for but certainly not least, I will never forget Jack. How could I? After all, we’ve had a love/hate relationship for the last year and a half; an agreement to disagree. Jack made some good arguments, especially the situations that I went along with to a point, that we would always be in a big group, but oceans begin to break apart.

As a group, I will always remember the staff as hard working, dedicated, polite, team work, thanks, team, for a job well done.

I have been writing this column for over a year now—and none of the things I have complained about has changed a lot.

The first person I ever wrote about, Father Edward J. Hanley is now out of jail. He was Huntsville’s nutty right’s favorite low-cost martyr for abortion.

Abortion still goes on and the people most loudly against it are still most loudly about birth control information and sex education—the only logical way to prevent a woman’s need for abortion.

They cannot, it seems, stand to see a human person who is not threatened with a view of morality—and their peculiar view precludes the ability to see in the other person any dignity.

Ronald Reagan’s presidency is over, though he doesn’t seem to know it yet, and history will give him his due—I can hear comparisons to Washington already.

This has never been a U.S. President with more image and less substance than Reagan—and when the image began to rot away there was nothing left but hollow words to regurgitate.

Jimmy Carter gave us the hard solutions to difficult problems just about the time he would have started seeing the fruits of that hard work we dumped him for a solution to the Reagan malaise which has been tied to the idea that patriotism is somehow tied to how much money you can grab, that charity is a weakness.

We need more public service draft. And not because my generation had to put up with a military draft and we think the younger generation needs to suffer as much as we. No—military draft was unfair. The wealthy could get out of it and if you were not quite right physically you were completely out of it, even though your sacrifices could have been put to good use somewhere else.

No—we need something more universal than that.

We speak a lot of yuppies now, meaning those young amongst us are getting ahead at all costs and for whom Ronald Reagan has granted them the notion that selfishness is virtuous.

A public service draft—which could not be avoided except for the military draft and not drafted by them if they wished to volunteer—would give each generation a chance to see how lucky they are, a chance to see what they’re missing; and lifelong memories of real patriotism—the kind that asks for specific sacrifice for the rest of their lives.

A public service draft would let the U.S. temporarily put to use the talents of all their citizens present and future.

The whole nation would get from those who gave bureaucratic form to it. It would be a hardship for some and an inconvenience for others, but the idea of a nation that would have given up or limb so they could make that first million just because some whining future stockbroker or plastic surgeon would miss the date of his first million by a few months.

Heart-to-Heart with Kephart

The final Kephart

by Jack Kephart

for The Exponent

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by Morgan Andriulli
staff reporter

Patrina Andriulli, my grandmother, died last week. She had lived and looked every bit of her 78 years. It was not until her fifth bout with cancer did she consent to leave this world. She had clung to life a tenaciously as she did the brandy in her coffee and the cigarettes that killed her.

The greatest tragedy of her death was that she could not die as she had lived: tough, alert and independent. A mass of pain killers robbed her of her complete mental capacity in the last few weeks. That was probably her of her complete mental capacity in the last few weeks. That was probably the only instance in her life where she showed weakness, and that was a matter beyond her control. As recently as this Christmas, I visited her in a New Jersey hospital room and even then, she had the grip of a longshoreman.

Describing Virginia, that is what most of us called her, simply "tough" would be an understatement similar to describing the Grand Canyon as a ditch. She was resilient:

Two winters ago, a typically impatient smoker, Virginia instilled him with a habit. When my older brother showed up one day as a recently started smoker, Virginia instilled him with a habit. She would place an illustration revealing some characteristic trait. A notorious cigar-smoking uncle received an ashtray with a butt next to his name. The genes has turned up more recently in a great-nephew who is actually scratching out a living painting Patterson, New Jersey landscapes. The Garden State is not known for its scenic wonders. It must take some kind of unfathomable dedication to extract what beauty there is and put it on canvas. He fits every cliche of the starving artist, except he looks more like a dock worker than a cliche of the starving artist, except he

Virginia did not age gracefully. She lived: tough, alert and independent. She succumbed, she maintained every bit of her integrity. Because of that, I feel confident she will rest in peace.

Grandma Virginia spent most of her life in Patterson. Though she was only 20 minutes outside of New York, she had only been there once, during the forties, I believe. She never resented not returning. Virginia said she would have loved to move to Alabama, but there is something about New Jersey that keeps many of her people at home.

Many southerners, myself included, wonder how anyone could live and thrive in a place like New Jersey. What we may fail to see is that, like the artist, the greatest tragedy of her death was that she could not die as she had lived: tough, alert and independent. Andriulli pays tribute to 'Grandma Virginia' who battled life's hardest knocks.
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Parenting seminar slated for August 18 at UAH School of Primary Medical Care

The Emergency Medicine Program of the UAH School of Primary Medical Care is now reviewing applications for all levels of emergency medical technician training during the 1987 Fall Term. The application deadline for the Fall Term is August 21. Since time, food has been collected from national food manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers and food bank directors. More than 85 percent of the food collected by the Food Bank of North Alabama comes from sources outside of the state. The surplus products would have been distributed its one millionth pound food this year than it distributed last year. The new officers are: James R. Bullington, president; Mark E. Fitts, vice president; Rhonda Wales, secretary; and Kevin Mills, treasurer, RAC. Thank you for your help.

Food Bank of North Alabama distributes one million pound of food to O.C.

Application now open for daytime/nighttime fall term EMT basic courses

New daytime parking for art museum

Daytime visitors to the Huntsville Museum of Art and the Von Braun Civic Center may now park in the City Garage on Monroe Street. The City parking facility, located opposite the Museum and the Civic Center, is now operated on a daily basis, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. through 6 p.m. Parking is $2 per visit.

Publication dates announced for Exponent

This will be the final summer issue of The Exponent. Below are the scheduled dates of publication for the fall 1987 term.

For registration and further information, please phone the UAH Information Office, 536-5511, extension 481.

Office of Admissions and Records now closing one hour earlier

For nearly a year, the Office of Admissions and Records has remained open until 7 p.m. on Monday through Thursday. Student use of our office after 6 p.m. has been variable with heaviest use during the first and last weeks of the term. Starting September 28, the office will close at 5 p.m. each Wednesday.

American Society of Mechanical Engineers elects 1987-88 officers

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) recently elected officers for the 1987-88 school year. The new officers are: James R. Bullington, president; Mark E. Fitts, vice president; Rhonda Wales, secretary; and Kevin Mills, treasurer, RAC.
Playhouse production puts on impressive show

by Andrea Tallery
staff reporter

The simplest thing about this play is the title. Actually, James Dean plays a smaller part in the action here than he ever did in life. His legend is used as a vehicle, a fixation once held in awe by most of the characters and still worshipped by one of their number. The matters of true significance here are such abstract values as truth and the courage to face that truth.

As a group, "Five and Dime's" cast and crew give local theatre a good name. However, as with any group, there are those who definitely stand out. Dorothy Weems demonstrates fine stage presence and acting ability in a film version. As the mother out, she is startlingly believable as she

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Karen Black's portrayal of the role of the transsexual Joanne in the play's film version. As the mother figure/owner Juanita, Tina Rodgers is startlingly believable as she

times, gesticulates and praises the

Lord, Martin Nelson and Lorrie Gill play

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Foster and Lisa Waugh share similar

sub-roles as the "mothah" of James

Dean's love child, Art Ray's first

appearance as Joe (Jenine, before the

Change), struck me as a bit nervous

until I remembered that every small-
town boy I ever met seemed awkward,

and Joe had more than one reason to be

nervous and unsettled.

David Whillock, who worked on both
direction and set design, coordinated
both so that the time-travel sequences
(back and forth between the night of
James Dean's death and its twentieth
anniversary) would progress smoothly
and naturally—and this was aided
considerably by subtle, nicely done
sound and lighting.

This was this reviewer's first
experience with a University
Playhouse production, and I was
favorably impressed—but I would
not have even if I weren't a James
Dean fan.
Triple Play wins Battle of the Bands

by Dave Cook

The flower children of the late sixties had their Woodstock celebrations. Then, less than 20 years later, the headliners of the early eighties had their party at the US Festival. Both of these megaconcerts made history in size, impact and the social statement each made about its respective generation. Whatever power and grandeur Woodstock and US might have had, though, paled in comparison to the event of the century, Saturday, August 1, as your very own UAH SPC sponsored "Battle of the Bands."

As the two o'clock hour rolled around, the air fairly simmered with excitement. The UAH campus was bustling with students and everyone, but especially excited citizens as far as the eye could see—some of whom were even here to witness the afternoon’s spectacle, which was to take place in front of the University Center. Sound technicians bristled about in last-minute preparation, a denim-clad guitarist tuned one last string and "a one and a two..." was heard as Heavy Metal Thunder commenced booming. Maybe it was their unique style or perhaps their energetic sound, but whatever one saw in this first band, their music was a great experience. Many were heard to say, "It's just not the same anyway. Moreover, some—including your rock-solid and heavily obligated reviewer—and a handful of optimists, were prepared to stick around for the entire six hours and bear the bad and the ugly, as in any talent show of this nature, in exchange for those few precious moments of good, solid entertainment.

The loyalty of those who touched it out was rewarded by the likes of Jimmy and the Jawbreakers, Side Order, Five to Seven, and Street Rockers. Jimmy and the Jawbreakers were the first of the lot who actually, on occasion, looked up from their shoes and guitars to acknowledge the presence of an audience—who in turn responded with approval to the five piece, flipping rock band backed by a semi-soulful horn section. While simplicity was the key element of Jimmy's band, complex but easy-to-listen-to rhythms and melodies were in order as Side Order took the stage. The tune, a jazz-fusion band offered tunes by Sypro Gyra as well as their own compositions, which were well played and harmonically tight. One thing was for sure, escape from the "ohh, baby-baby" monotony. Then, for a twist, they ended with an old favorite, a song about a frog named Jeremiah, "Joy To The World..." Soon afterward a fortunate few witnessed the spectacular performance of the Jawbreakers. The diversity of musicianship didn't stop there. Centuries of music were added to the mix, from the silence of the audience, to the sound of a band that included the Jawbreakers, Side Order, Five to Seven, and Street Rockers. Among the bright yellow and white suited musicians were famed studio artist Darrell Tilles (on percussion) and Kelly O'Neal (blowing' dat sax).

Hours later, after the Five to Seven excitement had settled and the emotional roller coaster of the crowd was on a downward slope, Triple Play restored all hope with a wide variety of tunes. There was something to tickle the ears of almost every rock fan as the band cranked out songs by Bryan Adams, the Beatles, Steppenwolf and many more.

Soon (after what seemed like days, actually) the six-hour festival wound down to one last song, Tension mounted among the players because, in the tradition of Woodstock and US, where bands played for gain of one sort or another (the former for peace and love and the latter for huge piles of cash), there were stakes in this contest. The crowd hushed as the judges—a panel of local professionals in every area except music—made last minute tabulations. Opie and the Pontiacs were named as the winners of the third-place prize, which left only two obvious possibilities for second and first place. Again there was silence and then the cry of delight, rose from the throng, leaving Triple Play to celebrate a well-deserved win.

Lost Boys compares with anchovies on a pizza

by Andrea Tillery

I knew when I saw the first component of the Boys that I'd have to see it. How could a film with Kiefer Sutherland, Diane Lane and an all-star cast and a great soundtrack go wrong? Well, it did go wrong somewhere along the way, and I was disappointed. "Boys" is a good movie, but along with every ninth-grader who has trouble in algebra, it seems to have failed to reach my heart.

The characters in this movie are well-drawn. Each is unique and the acting is superb. Kiefer Sutherland (yes, Donald's little boy) does as well as he can, considering the fact that all he's allowed to do is slither in the background. Everyone else is breathing, but his character, without much to do, can't really shine. Stanley Kubrick's film, "Full Metal Jacket," is a masterpiece of cinema. The characters and the acting are superb. The movie is well done, but it's not quite the same without the Vietnam War. "Boys" was almost the same, but without the war. The overall effect was that of a movie that's been slashed; it has loads of beauty, but it's not the same without the war. The movie consists of two parts. The first concerns the training of the soldiers at a base, and the second concerns their efforts and experiences in the Vietnam War. Kubrick shot this movie in 1978, but it didn't come out until 1987.

Full Metal Jacket: thought-provoking masterpiece

by Jim Reynolds

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Dragnet is entertaining piece of fluff, says Tillery

by Andrea Tillery

Two p.m., Sunday, July 26. My partner and I arrived at the local theater, ready to be entertained by a two-hour comedy-adventure extravaganza starring Dan Ackroyd and Tom Hanks. Publicity and popular opinion had this as the best art film of the summer, and if you can't trust thousands of boorish-pinkaled philanthropists, what's the world coming to? I didn't expect to like such an overhyped, extra-push parcel of commercial fluff, but on this day I learned something the philanthropists already knew: fluff can be entertaining, and fluff definitely pays. (Witness Whitney Houston, Miami Vice, and the rest of American pop music.)

Tom Mankiewicz's direction, at any rate, was fairly invisible. What was obvious was the apparent fact that he'd apparently been taught "Dragnet" by his father, a famous pop singer. Some people were gotten pouters down for months. Dalney Coleman's decadelisp was also interesting, but I have one question: Does everyone in Hollywood have an English accent? Everyone from Kentucky southward as slinky dirt-peddlers? If not, then why are the Brits, the Irish, the British or Backwoods? All things considered, "Dragnet" accomplished what it was supposed to. It made a lot of people laugh and it made a lot of people happy. In case you want to "just the facts," Marktender, here they are: The performances were turned in by Dalney Coleman and Dan Ackroyd, the worst by Alexander Paul as The Virginia Country Swing. If you need laughs, it's for you—beaver knows it's more entertaining than the real "Dragnet." On a scale of one to ten, I (generous soul that I am) give it a five. By the way, if you had to look up the meaning of "philanthropist," you aveno...
BLOOM COUNTY
by Berke Breathed

ALIENS ON A DEATH SPAN ON COME TO EAT THEIR LUNCH ON A SORRY DAY. THE EARTH "GREEN" BEHAVES A CORDIAL MANNER. LOOK AN APPETIZER.

I SUPPOSE YOU EXPECT ME TO SHUT UP AND KEEP "BIOLOGY"-I MEAN GAME- "TO MAKE TWO".

THAT'S CORRECT, EARTH,dON'T. THAT'S HOW WE MET AN "HE'S BEEN "LOOK!" "LOOK!" I SHRIEKED. "THERE! I REAP THEY'VE KIDNAPPED PAT BUCHANAN AND LOCKED HIM IN A ROOM FUL OF..." I MEAN, I MEAN, "IS IT OKAY?"

WHAT'S THE LETTER? "CONGRESSIONAL RETREAT TO PLUTO?"

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Hunt plans seminar to combat infant mortality rate

Governor Guy Hunt recently said that he will create a Governor’s Task Force on Infant Mortality and hold a seminar in February to combat Alabama’s infant mortality rate, the highest in the nation.

The governor announced the plans following a meeting with Dr. Virginia Floyd and Sarah Shurpin of the Southern Governors Association Infant Mortality Program, Medicaid commissioner Mike Horsley and Human Resources commissioner Andy Hornsby.

“We have got to have well thought-out delivery programs that are going to work,” Hunt said. “We have got to have the plan in effect. We will hold a seminar in February that we hope will raise the awareness. We have a problem in the state with people who are eligible for various screening processes not taking advantage of that process.”

Floyd said the infant mortality is a problem in the southeastern portion of the United States and the Southern Governor’s Association is looking for solutions at the state level to stop babies from dying needlessly.

“Last year in Alabama nearly 750 babies died before they reached their first year of life,” Floyd said. “We know we can do something about this problem. We are simply delighted Governor Hunt and his staff have supported this effort and will be hosting this seminar.”

The governor will appoint a task force comprised of people with varied backgrounds so the task force will work efficiently.

“One of the things Governor Hunt has identified is people from the corporate sector, the religious sector and the education sector all to work on this problem, because it cannot be solved by the health sector alone. Well thought-out plans are worth their weight in gold and we are very excited,” Floyd said.

Hunt said the task force will not only be researching ways to drop Alabama’s infant mortality rate but also ways to decrease the number of birth defects.

“For every one newborn baby that dies we have three which have disabilities. We are not just talking about saving the lives of babies which is so important, but we are also talking about people going through life without disabilities that can be received due to the lack of care,” Hunt said.

Regarding state and federal funding, the governor said the changing economic climate and the Management Improvement Program will greatly decrease the high infant mortality rate.

“I think with our economic upturn in the state, the savings that we’re bringing... as a result of our management improvement team, that we’re going to have dollars to put into it and having dollars available to put into it I want a plan so that every dollar will be well spent,” Hunt said.

Floyd said the important issue is working with the money currently available. “There are a lot of resources in the state and when they task force all sit around the table with the governor and talk about the issue, churches will realize that it is important to open up their doors other than Sunday and businesses will realize that they need to invest in healthy babies because it gives them healthy workers ten years from now. Once all these people bring their good ideas to the table what you will find in Alabama is there are immense resources that will not cost you new dollars,” Floyd said.
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Fishing rodeo perfect for lazy summer day

by Spencer Glasgow, Jr.

Sports reporter

Over 100 fishermen of all ages came to the UAH duck pond August 8 to fish in the annual Fishing Rodeo. Sponsored by The Exponent as a part of the Summerfest '87 festivities, this marked the first time The Exponent has held a summer rodeo.

Several fishermen arrived on the scene early enough to make their first cast of the day at 5 a.m. sharp. However, the bass did not cooperate with the fishermen, as very few bass were caught.

By far, more bream were caught than any other fish. Of all the fish caught, none weighed over two pounds.

Gift certificates from the Fisherman's Choice were awarded as prizes for the three largest fish by weight. A drawing was held to determine who won the first place prize of a $25 gift certificate because both Don Messer and Joe Ed Allison weighed in a 2-lb. bass.

Messer won the drawing for first place, and Allison was awarded a $15 gift certificate for second prize. Joe Aritis, a youngster from Gurley, took home a $10 gift certificate as third place with his 1-lb. bass.

Athletic department requests help for Alexander family

Tammy Alexander, Athletic Department Secretary, and her family (husband Willie and 2 year old daughter Amara), recently suffered a personal tragedy while on vacation. Their apartment was vandalized and most of the personal belongings destroyed.

The UAH Athletic Department is asking everyone interested in helping to donate money and non-perishable foods. We will be compiling an extensive list of their needs in the near future.

For more information, please contact Eric or Jacasta at 895-6398.

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National League wins ‘Old Timer’s game

Shew Barnes
Sports Reporter

The night of August 3 was a hot and humid one. Hardly an ideal situation to watch a ballgame, much less play one; but for a group of “Old ball players” were to put on an excellent “Old Timers” Game. This game was to last for three innings, and it pitted the Americans and National League former players against each other. Among the roster for this game were: Hall of Famers (Bob Gibson, Bob Feller and Billy Herman), Jim Hickman, Fergie Jenkins, Don Keating and Bill Wight, Jim O’Toole, Carl Sawatski, Jim Stewart, Chuck Taylor, and manager, Harry "The Hat" Walker.

The American League players were Sam Erskine, Pelly, Billy Hitchcock, Billy Hunter, Don Mincher, Dave Nelson, Bobby Richardson, Eddie Robinson, Bob Veale, Mickey Vernon, and Al Worthington.

Huntville native) came to the plate. After two pitches, Mincher’s hopes of bringing in the tying run faded as he grounded out to second base.

Players for the National League were Ed Bailey, Lew Burdette, Bob Gibbons, Billy Herman, Jim Hickman, Pergio Jenkins, Don Keating and Bill Wight, Jim O’Toole, Carl Sawatski, Jim Stewart, Chuck Taylor, and manager, Harry "The Hat" Walker.

For more information on this and other credit PE courses, call 885-0007. One non-credit course that promises to be different and exciting is tai chi. Tai chi is a form of martial art that is a softening of the earlier book of I Ching. It has three purposes: to improve physical condition, as well as self defense, and as a martial art. However, those who do tai chi should use it for relaxation purposes only and do not wish to use it as a martial art. The meditation involves flowing motions called postures and focus more on inner strength than outer strength.

Professor Chi was a major in Chiang Kai Shek’s Nationalist forces in China during the Chinese revolution. He taught cultural studies in a college in Taiwan, was a chief advisor to the Chinese National Chi Kung Institute, and teaches tai chi.

The class will be offered on Monday and Thursday nights from 7:30 until 9 starting in September and ending November 19.

For more information on this and other Continuing Education PE classes, call 885-0655.

Course in horseback riding offered this fall

by Kelly Baldwin sports editor

The UAH Physical Education Department has much to offer in the physical education classes for the fall semester. The regular PE classes offered include tennis, golf, aerobics, weight-lifting, racquetball, and tennis. These are offered as non-credit courses.

In a sports spotlight on horseback riding, the Exponent (superpaper, mag rag, with extra cool dudettes as editors and one dude) went to Steel Prize Stables, where UAH will be offering a Basic Horseback Riding and an Advanced Horseback Riding class. The classes will be taught by Judith Fiorentino, the co-owner and manager of the stables. Mrs. Fiorentino stables thoroughbreds, quarter horses, a Shetland, and crossbreeds. She even sports a crossbreed Draft horse.

"Beginners start with a horse that will allow them to learn," Fiorentino said. "Generally you pair the green horse with the advanced rider, and the experienced horse with the green rider.

Steel Prize Stables is primarily a teaching institution, teaching both riders and horses. Horsemanship is taught as opposed to riding and all students are given a history of the horse, instruction in grooming, and instruction in cooling the horses after rides, as well as the actual riding of the horse. The courses are well-rounded, the teacher well-qualified, and the hours are flexible.

For more information on the horseback riding classes, call 895-6355.

Stars tumble into second place with poor showing

(Reap of games July 27-August 10)
by Sheree Barnes sports reporter

Despite losing 11 of the last 15 games, the Stars are only one game out of first place, behind the Knoxville Blue Jays. The Stars record for the second half is now 27-25: 14-11 home, 13-12 road. Both the Stars and the Blue Jays need a first place second half finish, before they can advance to the league’s divisional playoff series. The first half winner, Birmingham Barons, are currently in last place and are 12.5 games out.

As with most streaks, there is no one cause of the Stars recent tendency to lose. The pitching has been adequate, but not enough. The Stars bats have been silent in three games, but they have proven more than capable in other games. Two areas that need improvement are fielding and base running, which have at times seemed illogical and may have lost a game or two.

One of the most noticeable differences between the Stars winning baseball of a month ago and the losing play of the last two weeks, is the absence of catcher Jimmy Jones. On August 2, Jones was placed on the disabled list following surgery on his right elbow for the removal of bone chips.

There have been some bright spots in the team during these two disappointing weeks. Tim Brittas, left handed pitcher, was promoted to Tacoma, and several players have become strong hobbies that add that little bit of adventure and excitement to life. They are both great to do with a group while camping during a weekend.

If anyone is interested in these two sports, there are several local organizations that go on monthly outings, the strongest of these would be the High Adventure Post of the Explorers.

If interested in finding out more about the Explorers, call Marvin Jones at the Boy Scouts of America office located at 1023 N. Drake Avenue in Huntsville.
Baldwin pitches her tent (into the river)

by Kelly Baldwin
sports editor

Camping. Everyone has done it. Except for me until this summer. Now I have been initiated into the ranks of campers who got poison oak, mosquito bites, and river water in their hair. (It's a pain to get it clean, isn't it?)

When a group of us decided to go camping, we all needed to get the necessary items. Mark and the other guys got the tents, ice, coolers, and sleeping bags. Aprill, Luci, and I went to get potato chips, cokes, and cinnamon buns. (Those were the REAL necessities!) Then we came to the point where we would have to decide what few luxuries we could take.

The men went for the fishing poles, the portable cassette stereo and millions of tapes, and the hamburger grill. The women grabbed toothbrushes, shampoo, a deck of cards (for rummy), brushes, and plenty of changes of clothes.

Off we go to the boonies and a weekend full of chiggers, spiders, dead fish, and mosquitoes...sleeping with no pillows...playing rummy at 11 p.m. by flashlight...slapping sweat bees...gathering firewood...and listening to Hank (constantly!).

Anyone (let me rephrase that, any female) who has been subjected to a camping trip that has two or more males together in the same camp can sympathize. Conversation pieces we females overheard from the men were: "Wanna' go raid a trout line?"..."Hey, a bee just crawled into my Mountain Dew bottle..."..."Someone ate all the corn chips, who was it?" ("Not me," they all said as they crunched.)..."Someone put Hank back in the stereo..."..."You should have seen this cat. We cut that fish open and it was all meat, no eggs!" (Bunches of Wows.)..."Real good conversation, huh? And they wondered why we kept going to the candy machines?? (The site was in a park or whatever you call it.)

Camping is the only time my husband wakes up before noon on Saturday morning. He actually awakened before I do, slithers out of the tent, quietly, rendezvous with Billy and a couple of other guys, and they go fishing without the women. (They plan this scheme, you see.) When they get back, they plead, "we didn't wanna' wake y'all up!" (I'll just bet they didn't.)

Camping...I'm pitching my tent into the river. But then my husband will just buy another one. They always do.
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