A fond farewell

By Amy Duggar
News Writer

Yesterday afternoon a reception was held in the University Center Exhibit Hall in honor of Dr. Jeanne Fisher's 20-year service at UAH as vice president for student affairs. Fisher, who came to UAH in 1979, is retiring in order to spend time with her husband, Stanley Prevost, hiking and taking some trips that she has always wanted to take.

Fisher came to UAH after serving as vice president of student affairs at Texas Women's University in Denton, Texas, and since, her name has become synonymous with the success of UAH student affairs. Among her accomplishments, Fisher was overseer of the addition to the old Student Union Building, now known as the University Center. She has also served over athletics, Career Services, Judicial Affairs, Student Development Services, Counseling Center, New Student Orientation, wellness Center, and operations of the University Center. Soon, Fisher will receive national recognition for her writing as well, when the 40th anniversary issue of The Journal of College Student Development includes one of her previously published articles, "The Bakke Case: Part II - An Analysis an Implications" as one of the 17 best that have previously appeared in The Journal.

"Jeanne Fisher has been a caring, creative, and highly effective advocate of students throughout her tenure at UAH. She has given all of us important and insightful counsel at times when we needed it. She has been an extremely important part of our team—we'll miss her and her many contributions greatly," said President Frank Franz.

Dr. Fisher will definitely be missed on campus, but we all wish her well and hope that she will enjoy her newfound time to spend with family and friends.

Seek career services early for employment

By Petrina Wilson
News Writer

Will procrastination limit your employment opportunities? Rather than waiting until the last moment, UAH students who register with Career Services 6 to 9 months prior to graduation increase their chances of employment opportunities.

The 1998-99 Employment and Graduate Education Survey, taken by the UAH Office of Career Services at the time of graduation, shows that a high percentage of students seeking employment wait until three months or less before graduation to begin the search for opportunities. Rick Shrout, Director of Career Services says, "If students register with our office at least 6 to 9 months before graduation, the chances of them having a job at graduation increases."

Based on students surveyed, even in Nursing, which had the low 5 percent of students seeking employment, 67 percent of those students did not begin seeking employment until three months or less before graduation. Liberal Arts had the highest percentage of graduates seeking employment at 42 percent with only 15 percent of that number searching four months or more.

Administrative Science, Engineering and Science all show the same trend, ranging from 28 percent to 38 percent of graduating students seeking employment and 70 percent to 89 percent.

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Don't forget to buckle up!

By Dauphne Rogers
Editor-in-Chief

Alabama State Troopers were distributing flyers during driver license and safety checkpoints over the Thanksgiving holiday period. The flyers that were handed out were to remind motorists of the primary safety belt law that will begin being enforced on December 10.

The new law permits police officers to ticket drivers for failure to buckle up without first citing them for another traffic offense. In other words, the police can stop you and give you a ticket if they notice that you don't have on a seat belt.

The fine for front seat occupants not wearing a seat belt can be up to $25. Alabama has a child restraint law that requires a child safety seat for children in front and back seats through the age of three.

Once a child turns four, he or she must be secured in either a child safety seat or a regular seat belt.

Last year during the Thanksgiving holiday eight people died in traffic accidents between 6pm Wednesday, Nov. 24 and midnight Sunday, Nov. 28.

At least three of these deaths were known to be alcohol related. Out of all the crash victims, only three were wearing safety belts.

"If Alabamians buckled up every time they got in their vehicles, many lives could be saved and serious injuries prevented," said Col. James H. Alexander, Public Safety director.

"I urge all motorists to use safety belts and child restraints during every trip, every day of the year."
Winters in Alabama can prove to be deadly

By Dauphne Rogers
Editor-in-Chief

Since Alabama is a southern state, winters here may not be thought of as a potential threat. At least not until all of the facts are considered.

In March of 1993, the state suffered a snowstorm of record proportion. There was more than a foot of snow that covered a wide section of Central Alabama. A large portion of the state was paralyzed when strong winds accompanying the heavy, wet snow downed trees and power lines. Many people were left with no electricity for days. Property damage exceeded 50 million dollars. Every square inch of the state had seen snow.

The American Red Cross sheltered over 12,000 people in 108 facilities in Alabama. An unknown number of injuries were sustained, and 14 people died that winter. In 1989, five people were killed when extreme cold weather occurred in late December. Temperatures dropped to the 0 to -5 degree-range over the northern third of the state and into single digits near the Gulf Coast. Wind chills were as low as -15 to -35 degrees below zero over North Alabama and 0 to -15 for the southern portion of the state.

At least five people perished due to severe cold in January of 1985. Bridges were coated with ice well into Central Alabama because of a storm that brought ice accumulations of up to one foot as reported in Lauderdale County. Four people were killed in traffic accidents due to the icy roads.

One of the worst outbreaks of cold weather came in January of 1982. Storm damage cost $78 million that winter, and 16,000 people were forced to seek emergency shelter. A total of 20 people died, while 300 more were injured.

Governor Don Siegelman has proclaimed December 6 through 10 as Winter Weather Awareness Week in Alabama. By following proper winter safety measures, injuries and deaths due to winter weather can be prevented. The American Red Cross suggests having a disaster supplies kit in every home. The kit should include the following items: a three-day supply of water (one gallon per person per day); non-perishable food items (canned, dried); blankets or sleeping bags; change of clothing for each family member; hats, gloves, scarves; battery-powered radio; flashlight with lots of extra batteries; prescription medications; an extra set of car keys; credit card, cash, or traveler’s checks; sanitation supplies; special items for infants, elderly, or disabled family members; fire extinguisher; important phone numbers.

People are also encouraged to keep a smaller version of the kit in their vehicles. However, there are extra items necessary that pertain to road safety: sturdy shoes or work boots; rain gear; signal flare or bright colored cloth; paper and pencil; shovel; bag of sand; tire chains; jumper cables; antifreeze; water for the car.

Don’t forget to have some kind of emergency heat source available that will keep at least one room in the house warm enough to live in. Know how to use the emergency heating equipment safely to prevent fires or dangerous fumes from becoming a problem.

For more information on winter safety, please contact your state or county Emergency Management Agency, the National Weather Service, or your local American Red Cross Chapter.

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Work by UAH faculty on display in Gallery

By Amy Beth Lloyd
News Editor

Now through December 22, work by UAH faculty is on display in the Union Grove Gallery. Mark Marchlinski, who is not presently teaching is nonetheless represented in the show. Lithographs by department chair, Michael Crouse, are in the gallery. Sculptures by Glenn Dasher and abstract paintings by Andy Winn also make up the exhibit.

Adjunct instructors are a new addition to the faculty show. Warren McClemore has photographs displayed and Everett Cox has sculptures in the show.

In need of some Christmas gifts? The show is being combined with the Annual Holiday Show and Sale which will run through the tenth.

The majority of work in the sale is student and consists mainly of paintings, prints, and photographs. This year several non-students will have work in the sale including Mark Inglis, University Night Manager, who has both paintings and charcoal sketches up for sale.

Local artisans and artists have been invited to participate this year. According to Marylyn Coffey, Gallery Administrator, "I don't know if they've ever had outside artists before. I just asked people I know and they're not real expensive."

Some of the fare offered from local artists includes pottery, cards, stone pendants made from Alabama stone, and etchings. A few of the local artists are Kathy Vaughan, Bettye Jacks, and Daniel Hessler.

Most of the faculty work is for sale as well. Hours for the sale are Monday through Saturday, from 11 to six and Sunday, from 1 to five. After the sale, viewing hours will be from 11 to 6 Monday through Saturday and Sunday, from 1 to 5 until the December 22.

Tuesday, December 14, the Gallery will be home to a party featuring the faculty artwork as well as refreshments and holiday music.

Smart internship opportunity

By Amy Duggar
News Writer

Looking for an internship? Interested in politics? If so, Project Vote Smart (PVS) may be for you. Located in the Montana Rockies, the PVS Great Divide Ranch brings together undergraduate and graduate students of all majors to research all of the candidates for president, congress and state-level offices. Grants and donations to PVS will provide support for UAH students who commit to ten weeks or more. Interns may receive free room and board to $1200 in scholarships. Grants and donations to PVS will provide support for UAH students who commit to ten weeks or more. Interns may receive free room and board to $1200 in scholarships.

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of those graduates waiting a short three months before going into the "real world" to actively seek employment.

Career Services, located in room 117 of the Engineering building, offers services such as career exploration, a directory of employers, interviewing and resume tips and a list of companies interested in hiring UAH graduates that goes as far back as 1995.

All these services and more can be accessed in the Career Resource Center in the same location as Career Services. Mr. Shrout admits that Career Services can only provide access to opportunities and interviews; the students must "land the job."

For information on registration policies and procedures please call 890-6612 or visit EB 117.

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SGA meeting (11-15-99/11-29-99)

The focus of the SGA meeting of Novem­ber 15th was the new SGA Constitu­tion proposed by SGA members. One amendment discussed—which is suppos­edly one of the reasons the last proposed SGA Constitution failed to be passed by administra­tion—is the amendment that would alter quorum. At present, eleven of fourteen SGA legislators must be present in order to have quorum. The new Constitution changes the previous definition of quorum to one that requires that there “shall be no less than a majority of the seats in the legislative body, whether they are filled or empty.” Secondly, the new Constitution provides a shift from a unicameral legislation to one that is bicameral. In short, the SGA wishes to provide thirty legislators instead of the current fourteen.

The SGA passed a motion to allocate $200 to UAH Police Crime Prevention for the purchase of whistles. Also, Nathan Bowen discussed details of his successful meeting with those individuals in charge of food service at UAH. Within a week of their meeting, those responsible for the pricing of food in the Charger Cafeteria made a number of compromises, one of which was changing the pricing of the salad bar from a weighed amount to a set price.

Due to an absence of quorum on November 22nd, the agenda for the SGA meeting of November 29th was rather lengthy. The Constitution was passed by the SGA. Although this is a big step, the document has yet to be reviewed by students or by administration. Students will have two weeks to review the Constitution before the voting deadline. For more information regarding the Constitution, contact legislator Geoffrey Morris at morrisg@email.uah.edu.

Nathan Bowen asked the SGA for help purchasing supplies for the Yearbook Committee. The SGA passed a motion to give the Yearbook Committee $5,000.

The SGA passed a motion to add $800 to the Student Relations budget and to grant $800 for the purchase of 1,000 pom­pons. A representative of the cheerleaders—SGA Member Heath McKinney—re­quested $2,000 from the SGA for airfare to their national competition. The SGA approved a loan of $2,000, which is to be repaid no later than the last day of the UAH hockey season. Next, Nathan

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Sigma Nu takes President's Cup

By Danny Parker

Staff Writer

The Inter-fraternity Council had their annual Greek reception at the Bevill Center on Thursday, November 18.

The IFC awards a UAH fraternity with the President’s Cup every year. The award recognizes the best fraternity based on philanthropy, overall grade point average, campus involvement, improvements and financial status.

IFC President, Tom O’Connell, who is also the Sigma Nu Recorder, wasted no time in recognizing the Sigma Nu Fraternity as the 1998-1999 winner of the President’s Cup.

The men of Sigma Nu participate in many activities within the community. Among those are work with the Big Brothers and Big Sister Organization, the Margarita Ball, canned food drives, clothing drives, Christmas Angels and their Bachelor Auction.

Sigma Nu Commander, Robbie Burrough, summed his fraternity’s success up by saying, “A year’s worth of hard work and good deeds culminated to help make us the best all-around fraternity on campus.”

Burrough, who is also the SGA Vice-President, went on to say, “It is an award we are really proud. This just goes to show that 50 men together can accomplish anything.”

Alpha Tau Omega was the 1997-1998 recipient of the President’s Cup. Sigma Nu also earned their 6th straight All-Sports Trophy. They have accomplished this feat in 7 out of 8 years that they have been a chapter. This award is given to the fraternity that finishes the best overall in intramural sports. They were able to take this crown with overall championships in flag-football and softball. They captured fraternity division titles in floor hockey, indoor soccer and volleyball.

Across the Campus

What do you want most for Christmas?

Jason Back
Senior
Chemical and Aerospace Engineering

“Some Pokemon cards.”

Leslie Marsh
Senior
Nursing

“Just to get out of school.”

Emily Gaither
Senior
Communications

“A new car.”

Toanl Nguyen
Sophomore
Mathematics

“A break from school.”

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UAH attempts a yearbook for the spring

By Allison Caputo
News Writer
UAH has not had a yearbook since 1981. Formerly it was called The Charger. Students can expect to pay five or ten dollars for a yearbook. The Charger will most likely be available to students by April 17th. Although it will not feature individual student pictures, it will have pictures of clubs, organizations, athletics, and university events. Nathan Bowen, SGA President, explains, "There will not be individual head shots this year because of time constraints." Bowen also mentioned that if all goes well this year, next year students can expect to see individual student pictures. Another thing about the yearbook, again because of time constraints, it will not be like the hard cover book most remember from high school. "(Students can expect) glossy books," said Bowen, "and next year if it goes over well, hard cover."

Some may wonder after all this time of not having a yearbook, why have one now? Bowen said, "We hope students leave with good memories of UAH, (and that the yearbook will) strengthen ties and create a sense of pride about UAH." Bowen also mentioned the student who got this project started, Ali Owens. According to Owens, "(Bringing back the yearbook is an attempt) to make the university a normal campus." Owens said "I was upset that they did not have a yearbook." So Owens decided to do something about it. After doing the preliminary work of getting business quotes, she went to the Publications Board. Owens explained, "I went in knowing they were scared. In the past the yearbook has lost money because of failure to support (itself) through sales."

The Publications Board allotted $8,000 to the project. Dr. Fisher allotted another $5000 but the project needs more money. Bowen projects a high end estimate of $32,000, he said soon they will approach the Deans for contributions. "If we break even we will be happy," according to Bowen, "There is no question that should happen."

'Tis the season to budget wisely

By Juli Cross
Staff Writer
If the holidays put a strain on you financially, the experts may have some useful tips. Budgeting, comparison-shopping, and cautious on-line spending are three ways to help students save money through the holidays.

An on-line economic web site reported the average American family spent $450 to $550 in the 1998 holiday season. Of the families polled, 11 percent said they plan to spend more in 1999. Noelle Maze, sophomore, said, "I'll probably spend more this year than last, and even more next year. It's a vicious cycle."

For many students, a budget is as important to survival as air and water. Experts recommend creating a holiday budget before shopping this season. David Farrant, consumer reporter for the web based financial magazine The Age, said that people should "stay within their budget before Christmas as there are still other bills to pay after December 25."

Freshman Samantha Wimberly said she makes a holiday budget but "never stick[s] to it." Creating a budget is as simple as making a list of people you wish to buy presents for, setting a maximum allowance for each, and sticking to the numbers. When using credits cards, the experts suggest only charging what can be paid off in 90 days. Another helpful hint from the experts is to comparison shop. If you have the time and the will to deal with the holiday crowds, shop around. Maze said she often shops at discount and antique stores. "Antique stores often have the greatest gifts at decent prices. You can find really unique presents if you look for them."

Finally, shopping on-line is becoming increasingly popular. America On-Line reported its members spent over $1 billion in the 1998 holiday season and projects the numbers will rise this year. Junior K.R. Lackey said she shops the web because it is convenient. Lackey also stated she plans to spend about $50 on-line this holiday season, keeping her within her budget.

The most consistent advice from the experts seems to be budgeting before hitting the malls or logging on to a virtual shopping spree and staying within the limits you have set for yourself.

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A QUICK UPDATE FROM UAH ATHLETICS

Volleyball

NCAA South Central Regional Tournament
North Alabama def. UAH 6-15,11-15,10-15

Hockey

(Nov. 19) UAH 4, Wayne State 3
(Nov. 20) UAH 5, Wayne State 3

Men’s Basketball

UAH 88, Delta State 92
UAH 79, Christian Brothers 74
UAH 94, Averett State 61
UAH 90, Arkansas-Monticello 81

Women’s Basketball

UAH 88, Delta State 64, UAH 57
UAH 62, Christian Brothers 52
Clayton State 81, UAH 72
Austin Peay 76, UAH 66

Reindeer Run at UAH

Want to burn off a few calories from Thanksgiving for a good cause?

The Leukemia Society members would like to invite runners and walkers of all ages to take part in the Reindeer Run 5K road race.

Date: Saturday, December 4
Location: In front of Spragins Hall
Time: 9 a.m.
Cost: $10 (includes T-shirt for first 200 entrants)

Post-race refreshments will be provided. Door prizes will also be given out. Age divisions range from 9 to 70 and older. For more information, please call Race Director, Amy Graham at 533-1895 ext.2495. Remember, this race benefits the Leukemia Society of America and is a great preparation for the upcoming Rocket City Marathon.

Chargers earn second sweep

The UAH Chargers persevered over a scrappy Wayne State team to earn the second series sweep of the 1999-2000 season with a 5-3 win over the Warriors at the Von Braun Center on November 20.

The game looked a lot like the previous Friday’s contest with the Warriors jumping out to a 2-0 lead over the Chargers in the first period. John MacAdam tallied the first goal for Wayne State on a four on four situation.

Nick Schrader scored the second goal on a Warrior power play with 56 minutes remaining in the 1st period.

The Chargers came out shooting in the second period and were able to score 2 power play goals to tie the contest. Dwayne Blais scored the first Charger goal 9 minutes and 7 seconds into the period with assists from Shane Stewart and Jay Woodcroft.

Shane Stewart scored his 30th career goal, giving him the career record for most goals scored by a defender.

Dwayne Blais assisted on the Stewart power-play goal 1 minute and 35 seconds into the third period.

Karlis Zirnis added the eventual game winning goal one minute and 5 seconds later with assists from Marc Lalande and Ian Fletcher.

WSU’s Dustin Kingston started a Warrior comeback, scoring a goal 4 minutes and 43 seconds into the period. Stewart overpowered the USM defense man and was able to score the game winner 7 minutes later.

The UAH Lady Charger’s volleyball team and coaches. (Photo courtesy of UAH Sports Information, www.uah.edu/athletics/volleyball/index.html)

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Sports

Lady Charger’s volleyball ends season with 29-6

By Cybil Watkins

Sports Writer

After a disappointing loss to Arkansas Tech in the semi-final game of the Conference Tournament, the Lady Chargers had hopes of redeeming themselves at the Regional Tournament, hosted by Rockhurst College.

Unfortunately, UAH could not get it together and lost to UNA in three games, 15-6, 15-11, 15-10. Ellen LaFiore had 12 kills for the match, the only UAH hitter in double figures.

Setter Lisa Spencer recorded 24 assists. LaFiore also had 3 service aces, followed by Spencer with 2 service aces. Tiffanie Williams and Lisa LaFiore were chosen as All-Regional.

During the season, UAH defeated two nationally ranked teams, UNA and Central Missouri State. Senior setter Lisa Spencer earned national recognition placing seventh in the country for assists at one point during the season.

She was also named NCAA National Player of the Week, an honor no other UAH student athlete has achieved thus far.

Sophomore middle hitter Ellen LaFiore was ranked number one in Division II for hitting percentage and fifth in the country for kills per game, at one point in the season.

Both Spencer and LaFiore were chosen for the All-Regional Team.

With the loss of only two seniors, Lisa Spencer and Tiffanie Williams, the Lady Chargers should be one of the top teams in the GSC and region once again next fall.
Men’s Charger basketball passes road test

Courtesy
UAH Sports
Information

The Chargers continued their torrid start, rolling past Arkansas-Monticello 90-81 on the road. The win improved the Chargers’ record to 4-0 on the season.

Jamil Gilleylen led the Chargers with 21 points, including 4 of 7 from three-point range. Aaron Burdette had another strong outing with 17 points and 6 rebounds. He was also perfect from the field finishing 6 for 6. Joe Smith continued to provide the go power for the Charger offense, scoring 16 points and dishing out 13 assists. Antoine Rogers rounded out the double figure scorers with 15 points. He also had 7 rebounds.

The Chargers have had at least 4 players in double-digits in each of its games this season.

The Boll Weevils had five players in double-figures, led by Adam Patrick with 16 points. Steve Green and Torrey West finished with 15 points each, while Rodney Traylor added 14 and Alex Shelton 12.

For the game, UAH shot 42 percent from the field, but the difference in the contest was poor free throw shooting. The Lady Chargers made 25-of-32 free throws, while UAM made only 8-of-15. UA-Monticello also outrebounded the Chargers 33-30.

Throughout the first half, the game was very tight. The Chargers led for most of the half, however not by much. There were 6 ties in the half, the last came when Patrick tied the game at 33-33 with a three-pointer for the Boll Weevils with 3:29 left. The Chargers responded with an 11-0 run to take their biggest lead of the game. A jumper by Smith gave UAH a 44-33 lead with less than a minute left in the half.

In the second half, the Chargers increased their lead to as much as 16 points. A pair of free throws by Gilleylen put UAH up 59-43 with 13:56 left in the game. The Boll Weevils cut the lead to six twice down the stretch.

Patrick nailed a three-pointer with 6:21 left to cut the lead to 68-62, but that would be as close as UAM would come.

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two Wayne State players to score an unassisted goal at the 10:21 point of the period to shutdown the Warrior uprising.

Mark Byrne (1-1-1) picked up his first UAH career win after turning away 21 Wayne State shots. Warrior goalkeeper Marc Carlson (1-1-0) was tagged with his first loss of the season after allowing 5 of UAH’s 45 shots into the goal.

The Chargers were 3-5 on the power play while Wayne State was 1-6. UAH had a total of 15 penalties for 38 minutes while the Warriors had 13 penalties for 34 minutes.

Shane Stewart was the 1st Star of the Game with two goals and an assist. Dwayne Blais was the 2nd Star of the Game with a goal and two assists. Karlis Zirnis, Friday’s 1st Star, earned 3rd Star of the Game with his third career goal for the Chargers.

The Chargers improved to 5-3-2 for the 99-00 season with the sweep.

Wayne State falls to 2-4-1 with the losses. UAH will take a week off before heading up to Bemidji State to face the Beavers this coming weekend.

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Fantasy basketball owners who did not draft or acquire a top-notch center have been hit hard so far this season with the lack of depth at that position due to the influx of injuries.

Centers who had high expectations going into this season that have been nonproductive for one reason or another are Patrick Ewing, Matt Geiger, Derrick Coleman, Arvydas Sabonis, Jayson Williams and Michael Olowokandi. Now, you can add Hakeem Olajuwon to that list as he went on the Houston Rockets' injured reserve with a groin injury a few nights ago. Olajuwon is expected to be out for 3-4 weeks.

Fear not basketball fans as help is on the way. Ewing and Geiger, who have missed the entire season thus far with Achilles and knee injuries respectively, are set to make their return any day now.

Ewing will likely put up his usual good numbers. Geiger, however, is not as likely to be helpful due to the emergence of Theo Ratliff, Todd MacCullouch and other front-line players of the 76ers.

Kelvin Cato will take over for Olajuwon at center for the Rockets. Cato played very well in the pre-season while Olajuwon was resting.

Another star looking to get back into the mix of things is LA Lakers' guard, Kobe Bryant. He has missed the entire season as well with a broken hand sustained in an October 14th exhibition game against Washington. The L.A. Times quoted Bryant back on November 15, as saying, "I feel as if I could go out there and play right now." His latest return date has been set for this week.

Players coming back from long-sustaining injuries bring back a re-occurring fantasy tip.

Proposing a trade for a player such as Bryant or Ewing right now would be a great idea. Some weaker teams do not always have the depth to wait for a star player to come back from injured reserve. Thus, owners are likely to take a player of slightly less caliber in exchange for their injured star.

Fantasy Football team owners should see an old name popping up as a wide receiver this weekend. After completing 5 of 11 passes for only 36 yards and two interceptions, Kordell "Slash" Stewart has been benched as the starting quarterback for the Pittsburgh Steelers. Mike Tomczak will start in his place on Thursday against Jacksonville.

However, Stewart will see action at wide receiver for the first time in two seasons. He was constantly a threat to score while playing the "Slash" position.

Keep your eye on the Steelers, Jaguars game if you need help at receiver.

With a decent quarterback finally playing, the Pittsburgh offense could see some life. Look for increased numbers for Jerome Bettis, Troy Edwards, and Hines Ward.

Another quarterback moving into a starting role is Tampa Bay's rookie, Shaun King. King has been pushed into action after Trent Dilfer went down with a broken clavicle.

I expect Warrick Dunn and Mike Alstott to see an increased load with a rookie running the offense.
The holidays are coming, and Grinch is better. I read special, other than A Wonderful Life, actually I think the is my favorite holiday Christmas. Yay!! This on again around so are the cheesy TV movies know that it's coming mainly there is TV!! The other night, and I Grinch Stole Christmas are supposed to be for compassion, together­ ness, family, and all other crap, though the holidays though the holidays fountain scene and mates displays in­ cluding a cascading garden. New displays are for Warm Coats for Warm Hearts, a non-­perishable food item, or a new toy for Tots.

The holidays are coming, and so are the cheesy TV movies

By Amy Beth Lloyd
Staff Editor

Now through New Year's Eve you can explore a whole new galaxy: The Botanical Garden's Annual Gala­ xy of Lights is up and running to brighten another holi­ day season. The gal­ axy, which has been named one of the top 20 tourist attractions in the southeast features a mile long drive of over 300,000 lights in one hundred and fifty displays.

The garden features several anim­ ated displays including a cascading fountain scene and Farmer McGregor's garden. New displays this year including the Galaxy logo tree, animated rainbow arch, birds, and a vil­ lage scene. Some old favorites returning to dazzle once again include the ice castle, jumping fish, as well as Santa and his rein­deer. Once again, candy cane lane, icicle forest, and animated nursery rhymes will light up the night.

Another sight that is sure to delight are the oversized greeting cards painted by local school children.

The event is sponsored by Jerry Dam­son Honda-Acura, The Huntsville Times, and WAFF-TV. Proceeds benefit the Huntsville-Madison County Botanical Gardens which is a non-profit organization. Planning and implementation is all done by volunteers. Last year almost six hundred volunteers put in sixteen thousand hours of work.

The display runs nightly from 5:30 until nine through New Year's Eve. Admission is ten dollars a car. However, you can receive a dollar off admission by bringing a gently used coat for Warm Coats for Warm Hearts, a non-­perishable food item, or a new toy for Tots.

Entertainment

The Botanical Gardens will dazzle again with light show

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This black and white photo can barely do justice to the thousands of multi­colored lights which make up the image in the picture. Scenes such as this can be viewed at the Huntsville Botanical Garden's Galaxy of Lights show the cheesiest cheese that is the 80's growing up.

Staff Editor

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Humor Me

Censorship in the slammer

By Emily Gaither
Entertainment Editor

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The holiday movie selections offer something for everyone

By Juli Cross
Entertainment Writer

Wondering what to do after finals? Check out what is coming to the silver screen this month.

On December 10, Wes Craven once again brings another 'Scream' into the theaters. Yes horror fans, 'Scream 3' promises to have everything the first two offered and more. Courteney Cox-Arquette, David Arquette, and Neve Campbell return to their 'Scream' roles - only this time, the plot revolves around murders taking place on the set of a movie based on the events of 'Scream 2'. Sounds exciting.

Craven has said that 3 is the last. "That's it. No more whatsoever." One can only hope.

The next big movie of December opens on the 17th. Stephen King's 1996 best-selling six-part novel 'The Green Mile' has been adapted for the screen. 'The Green Mile', directed by Frank Darabont ('Shawshank Redemption'), stars Tom Hanks as a 1930's death-row prison guard and Michael Clarke Duncan as the seven-foot inmate convicted of murdering two young girls. "Castle Rock Entertainment is hoping the top-billing and two time Oscar-winner Hanks will help pull in the season's crowd, according to an Entertainment Weekly report.

Opening December 21 is 'Girl, Interrupted'. The film is based on Susanna Kaysen's 1993 memoir of her two year stay in a mental institution and features Angelina Jolie as Kaysen. Other top names include Angelina Jolie as Kaysen's roommate and Whoopi Goldberg as a nurse. "That's it. No more whatsoever." One can only hope.

Sports fans will be happy to hear that Christmas not only offers a football film, but one starring Al Pacino. "Man on the Moon" directed by Oliver Stone, features Pacino as a former cast member who is re-living his days as the famous football comedian Andy Kaufman in the film 'Man on the Moon', opening Dec. 22. (Photo courtesy of Universal Pictures)

 imaginable football faces that appear in this pic include Dick Butkus and Johnny Unitas.

Finally, the long-awaited 'Man on the Moon' will finally open just in time for Christmas.

Jim Carrey will play the crazy comedian Andy Kaufman and the flick boasts an all-star cast including Danny DeVito, Judd Hirsch, Christopher Lloyd, and Courtney Love. "Man will trace Kaufman's career and battle against cancer. The biopic is expected to be one of the top grossing movies of the holiday season as well as one of the best laughs of the year.

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I saw him talking to his waiter friends. I walked up to him and told him I was in a hurry and needed my check. I also would like to have a to-go box.

Well that was my visit to TGIFriday’s. Even though the service was not all that, I have to admit they have wonderful cooks because I do not ever remember thinking that the food was anything less than terrific.

The ever-catchy songs like Walk On the Ocean, All I Want, Something’s Always Wrong, Fall Down, and Good Intentions are indeed by the band who named themselves after a Monty Python skit.

Those who are familiar with the band, fans of the music that the quartet from Santa Barbara pumped out religiously on six albums over ten years, know that the group disbanded a little over a year ago.

Those of us who are die-hard fans might have even cried a bit when that happened.

Still the final chapter of the Toad legacy did not close until Tuesday, November 9th, when PS: A Toad Retrospective was released.

While the idea of a “greatest hits” album for a band that remained continually anonymous despite multi-platinum sales seems strange, the collection of songs on the album is almost solely the radio songs that made their way into top 40 status.

All of the songs listed above are on the album, along with a reworked version of PS, a song that was previously only available on a single distributed to members of the band’s mailing list, a new song called Eyes Open Wide, and the hidden track from the band’s last album Coll, entitled Silo Lullaby.

For those out there who are Toad fans, this album is a must have, the final chapter in the thirteen-year career of Santa Barbara’s most successful band to date.

For those who aren’t big fans, but who liked the occasional hit band the had, but not enough to buy the whole album, this is also a must have - all the hits packed into the convenient package of a retrospective.

For everyone else, you may continue on with your daily life, unaware that there are some of us who will mourn the breakup of Toad the Wet Sprocket for years to come.

Maybe it’s just a band, but they were a damn good band and to the group, we have to say "PS: We’ll miss you."
Editorial

Sour grapes make bitter wine

By Dauphne Rogers
Editor-In-Chief

Steven Hodges claims that many students here at UAH agree with his opinion. I just have one question. Which opinion is he referring to?

In the October 29, 1998 issue of The Exponent, which has been reprinted on page 13, Steven Hodges published a letter to the editor praising the SGA and asking for more student participation on campus. This letter was submitted while Mr. Hodges was a member of the SGA, prior to his failed attempt at becoming SGA President in the spring of 1998.

In the fall of 1999, Mr. Hodges applied for the position of Legislator-at-Large vacated by Sam Collins. However, Cameron Rodgers was selected to fill that position on September 27, 1999.

Steven Hodges came into my office on September 28, 1999 with a letter to the editor slamming not only the SGA, but also the entire UAH campus. Whether UAH has a lousy campus or ranks as one of the best schools in the nation is entirely beside the point. Sour grapes produce a very bitter wine. And that is all I hear when I read Mr. Hodges’ last two letters to the editor—whine, whine, whine!

Editor’s note: The Exponent will not print letters to the editor pertaining to this subject by anyone who has already had his or her opinion published. The purpose of this policy is to keep the student newspaper from becoming a tabloid.

Revised Letter to the Editor

Editor’s note: A request was made that the original letter submitted be revised due to the unprintable nature of some comments made by the author concerning fellow students.

In case you don’t recall, a few months ago, I wrote a letter to the Exponent claiming my love for UAH. It appears some people do not share my opinion. Since they were kind enough to respond to my letter, I think it’s only fitting that I respond to theirs. I also believe the students of UAH have a right to know exactly who wrote the letters (not just average “concerned bystanders”).

First off, we have Mr. Rodgers, current SGA grunt. Students, it is this kind of stagnant thought in our current SGA that gets the college nowhere. Mr. Rodgers questioned my attendance at SGA meetings. I wonder if he has bothered to look at any of the minutes from the previous two years? By the way, these minutes are public record. You can find out everything the SGA is doing (or how little they actually are doing) by reading them. No need to lurk anywhere. Instead of offering solutions to current UAH problems, Mr. Rodgers kept bragging about previously attending other universities. From the sound of things, he may not stick around here much longer. Do we really want someone “leading” the future of UAH if he’s just going to be gone next semester anyway? One thing Mr. Rodgers said that I agree with: “No, I don’t really know.” You’re right, you don’t know. So, why don’t you just “turn tail and go back” to where you come from, whether you believe what I have to say about UAH or not?

Mr. “Class of 75”, personally I think it’s sad that someone is still forced to cling to the past like that. But, if you want to help, how about offering some funding? UAH’s alumni funding is one of the least in the state since we don’t have a football team. It’s obvious hockey just doesn’t bring in the backs.

Is it just a coincidence that both Mr. Slaton and Mr. Bowen are on the hockey team and after slamming the SGA for doing a bad job, Slaton sees fit to respond by writing a completely incoherent letter to the Exponent? If Mr. Slaton was really concerned with the well-being of UAH, he would’ve bothered to have come to a few SGA meetings besides the ones in which Mr. Bowen broke the SGA constitutional rules regarding elections.

There are other students that wrote in who completely missed my point. I’ll just let them live on in their completely deluded little worlds.

“I have talked to several students in the past weeks. All of them, save one, have agreed with me. If I really shouldn’t be listened to and there is really “no merit” in what I am saying, then why do so many students agree with me?”

Steven Hodges

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WHERE DO YOUR ACTIVITY FEES GO?

In the October 22 [1999] edition of the Exponent, a sophomore was quoted saying "$475,000 on SGA. I can't see how they've helped out the student body, as far as I can tell. I haven't seen benefits. If they're out there to help us I would like to see it." Well open your eyes. It truly disheartens me to hear that there is a sophomore at UAH that does and can not see the benefits. Anyone that even comes in the UC for something other than to pay tuition would have no problem finding the SGA helping students. It's not the SGA's job to track down students who come to UAH just to go to their classes and turn around and go right back home and make sure that they are happy.

So, what does the SGA do? Well, this year alone, the SGA has brought over $10,000 worth of cultural awareness (including tickets for the Broadway Theater League and the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra). These tickets are made available to the students at a fraction of the cost. Also, over $11,000 was spent on the Back to School Bash where pizza and drinks were given to the students. The marquee event of the Back to School Bash was the Evinrudes performance. Now, no one can tell me that they didn't see the huge stage that was constructed behind the UC. If nothing else, the sheer sound of the Evinrudes alone was enough to blast any bottle-clinching freshman out of his or her dorm room. After the show, the Evinrudes publicly thanked SGA for having them out and said it was the most professional show that they had ever done. Furthermore, the SGA provides voter registration applications, health insurance information, student directories, and a host of other swell things!

I would love to see more student participation and more students taking advantage of what the SGA has to offer. I would even go so far as to make a deal with all the students of UAH: If you become more active and quit complaining, I will do all within my power to make the campus a more enjoyable place and a better community. This is a deal that I would have absolutely no problem in keeping up my end because the SGA is working hard every day to enhance student life at UAH. I have another question. Has anyone ever e-mailed another student at UAH? Well have you ever noticed that their e-mail address is a name-@email.uah.edu? Well, the SGA also provides that. I actually tried to e-mail the student but surprise, surprise, he didn't have an e-mail address. I guess he didn't know that his activity fees pay for the SGA to provide him with a fee.

What does everyone plan on doing for Homecoming? Well, I hope you can all come to the SGA sponsored tailgate party. Also, the SGA will be giving away UAH Homecoming shirts and pucks. For years, the pucks have been a favorite of students. Anyone that has enough school spirit to actually attend the homecoming game and get a puck would clearly see "SGA" printed on it.

There is no excuse for not knowing what SGA does. Every week, there is a SGA corner in The Exponent. My committee is in the process of placing SGA suggestion boxes in every building on campus as you read this letter. I would really appreciate people getting their facts straight before they accuse the SGA of sitting on their hands and doing nothing. If any UAH student ever wants to know what the SGA is doing and where their activity fees are going, they can feel free to ask me personally are attend the meetings every Monday night at 8:45 in room 127 of the UC.

As far as student organizations to better UAH go, give me a break. Take SGA and ACE. Combine them. What do you have? Well, if I had two piles of manure, and shoveled them together, I would only have a bigger pile of manure. The SGA's plans for the upcoming year will not make one difference to the actual student at UAH. Change the constitution. Put up a sign. Do whatever you want. It still doesn't matter. By the way, great job with Flop Mosh. And ACE! PLEASE bring some more no-talent comedians or singers that I have never heard of. Lord knows UAH can never get enough of those. It's funny to me that the members of the organization that is supposed to find out what the students really want for entertainment are not even elected by the students. Instead the aforementioned staff (genius at its best) appoints them.

Oh well, again, it doesn't really matter. UAH is too small to compete anyway. Hell, you could fit more than a few UAH's on the campus of Alabama or Auburn. And don't you just love having instructors whose nontive language is not English? It looks like UAH could cut out some of the wasteful spending on the administrative side of things and spend it on quality instructors and other things that would actually benefit the students.

I would rather have a decent parking lot at Tech Hall than read a huge report telling me exactly how I should put my parking decal on my car.

I throw away 90% of the mail that I get from UAH because it's junk. Come on guys, I get enough junk mail from Ed McMahon.

If you're reading this and thinking of a million ways you could argue with me, that's fine. But save your breath, because deep down you know I'm right. Time has proven that. The only reason most students even come to UAH is because it's a cheap way to get an engineering degree. But rest assured you get what you pay for.

However, fear not freshmen and sophomores, there is still hope: Alabama and Auburn both readily accept transfer students.

Steven Hodges
American Foreign Policy: The Pot and the Kettle

By J. Caleb Clanton
Opinion Writer

The government of the United States of America ceases to amaze me, especially when it comes to the hypocrisy of our foreign policy.

Remember that little Kosovo "incident." Boy, didn’t we take the moral high road. After the media grabbed hold of the "story" in Kosovo and equated Yugoslavian President Slobodan Milosevic to the likes of Adolf Hitler, what else could we do? Anyhow, we needed to flex our muscles and show off. We felt a responsibility to remind the world, moreover the little punk countries, that the U.S. of A. can still enforce justice by means of superior war power.

And, that’s exactly what we did. Yes, we showed that bully, ole’ Slob. And, we showed the world that if you plan on carrying out inhuman public policy, then you will have to contend with the might-that-makes-right of the United States. After all, God’s on our side, right?

Well, perhaps not. If I remember correctly, we had not been bombing Kosovo an entire week before we had opened our loving embrace to China’s President Jiang Zemin in order to re-negotiate trade relations with the world’s most populous country. And, we clutched him to our breasts.

Whereas, we were bombing the living daylight’s out of the Serbs; we were "making friends" with Zemin, the tyrant "president" notorious for oppressing and torturing his own people, especially the Tibetans. I guess we figured we would bomb Milosevic into submission and we would spend-tease Zemin into compliance with our own neo-imperialistic foreign policy. Of course, very little positive change concerning human rights and liberalization has taken place in China since our most bold trade intervention.

Yet, just this past week, the United States once again revived its love affair with the potentiality of the Chinese market. The agreement signed by the two countries, which removes most trade barriers between China and the US, will eventually allow for China’s entrance into the World Trade Organization. Now, we are going to increase our trade with perhaps the most oppressive and inhumane government in the world.

So, we bomb the Serbs and we trade with the Chinese. That is at best and at least inconsistent. But, in reality, it’s not really about a "moral obligation" to protect human rights. It’s all about money, “all about the Benjamins” if you will. And, trade produces the markets. And the markets make the green.

Still, unless the nature of big businesses changes, I’m sure the "trade" encouraged by this new agreement with China will inevitably entail the sweatshop-working environment imposed by most American super-capitalist corporate giants seen throughout much of Southeast Asia. But that’s better than being bound by the chains communism, right? Well, perhaps—that is, if you’d prefer breaking your back working for 14 cents an hour making a shoe you couldn’t afford to buy with a year’s pay.

Here’s how the story is usually told: Swoooosh, the huge American corporations, with freedom and democracy in hand, fly in like a super-hero and toss the chains of the former "commie-pinkies" into the AIR. ‘Look, it’s a bird, it’s a plane — no it’s Swoooosh-man. Thank you, Swoooosh-man, for freeing us from oppression, inhumanity, and corruption.’

Ah yes, but that story is wrong, you see.

Don’t be fooled. It should go more like this: Meet the new boss, same as the old boss. We won’t be fooled again.

Response to Abortion Insert in 11-18 paper:

The Supplement “Human Life Alliance of Minnesota” is yet another attack on women’s reproductive freedom by so-called “Right to Life” organization. The Bible (Ex 21:22) considered woman more important than the “fruit of her womb”, as did the Supreme Court in its Roe v. Wade decree that “person” as used in the 14th Amendment does not include the unborn, and a fetus is not a “person”.

The “Semenics Game” (pg 2) and “Behind Closed Doors” (pg 5) is replete with non-sequiturs and half-truths, and uses vicious propaganda expressions such as “kill children in the womb”, “unborn children” and “personhood” to inflame the emotionally unstable to violence and murder of doctors and clinical staff.

Articles on the “killing or maiming” of abortion patients (pg 5), the “abortion related trauma of every woman patient” (pg 7), and the “abortion-breast cancer connection” (pg 6) are merely subjective opinions or storytelling with no empirical data, thus making all the conclusions statistically invalid. With regard to the “abortion-breast cancer connection”, taking all the results into account, independent experts on breast cancer at the National Cancer Institute, the American Cancer Society, and major universities agree that no link between abortion and later development of breast cancer has been established and that fear of such a link should not influence decision-making about abortion.

At Healthcare Center of Huntsville, all patients are treated with tender loving care and counseling by a competent staff of well-trained and knowledgeable doctors, nurses and technical staff.

This response came from the Healthcare Center of Huntsville.
Weekly Horoscope

Aries (March 21-April 19). This is the beginning of a lucky phase for you. Figure out your money on Monday so you can buy educational toys on Tuesday and Wednesday. You'll get more decisive on Thursday, and household matters dominate your life on Friday. It's possible, travel to sporting events over the weekend.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). You'll focus on money for the next few weeks. Let financial worries motivate you to take action on Monday. Sign up for a class on Tuesday or Wednesday or get a good book on the subject. Thursday and Friday are best for putting what you've learned into practice. Watch for opportunities, too. Entertain at home with the family this weekend.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Partnerships are emphasized during the next few weeks. Finish old business on Monday so you can start a new endeavor on Tuesday or Wednesday. On Thursday and Friday, the brakes are off; things start moving quickly. You'll most likely have a lot of fun this weekend, especially if you're with siblings.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Service is your theme for the next few weeks. Take care of others and they'll take care of you. Fuss over others on Monday and finish paperwork on Tuesday and Wednesday. Have a good talk about money with your sweetheart on Thursday or Friday. Watch for a good deal over the weekend.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Romance, games and children are in the spotlight for the next few weeks. Follow orders on Monday to advance in your career. Others look to you for leadership on Tuesday and Wednesday. A work-related problem should clear up by Thursday or Friday, and this weekend is perfect for an outdoor celebration.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Home and family want your attention for the next few weeks. Travel could be complicated on Monday, but make the contact. Tuesday and Wednesday are busy, too. You could make a good connection.

Motivated, continued from page 4 Bowen announced that the SGA posters are in and will be distributed by legislators to students of their respective colleges. If you do not receive a poster and would like one, contact Nathan Bowen at bowenw@email.uah.edu or call the SGA office at 890-6376.

Due to the resignation of Paige Michael, the College of Nursing's representative, Nathan Bowen appointed nursing student Leslie Marsh to the position. Bowen emphasized his concern with the possibility of a bicameral legislation for the SGA in 2000. Legislators are eager to hear from students who are interested in participating in SGA affairs.

If you're interested in becoming involved with SGA, or if you would like more information about the duties of SGA members, please contact either Nathan Bowen or Geoffrey Morris at the above email addresses.

By Linda C. Black Tribune Media Services

If you would like to post your Greek or club announcements, please send your information to The Exponent office. You may bring it to room 104 of the University Center, or you can fax it to our office at 890-6096. All Campus Club Wire announcements should be turned into Amy Duggar no later than noon on Mondays to be considered for the next week's paper. Thank you.

Kappa Delta

Kappa Delta Sorority would like to congratulate the following new initiates: Saba Alavi, Vanessa Aldridge, Amy Blanchard, Charissa Colson, Elizabeth Courtney, Julie Crowder, Deanna Durbin, Patrice Gauldin, Jana Hicks, Melissa Hopper, Shannon Kish, Alison Manning, Whitney Mack, Anne Noble, April Ray, Laurie Williamson, Melissa Wilson.

We look forward to the upcoming year with our new sisterhood. Kappa Delta, "Striving for that which is honorable, beautiful and highest."

UAH Foreign Language Clubs

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the annual Holiday Pot-luck Party, sponsored by the UAH foreign language clubs, on Sunday, December 5 at 6:30pm at the UAH Nookin House (3300 Holmes Avenue, across from Butler High School). Please bring a dish to share. Beverages, utensils and entertainment provided. Free and open to the public. For more information, contact Joe Chisholm (chishoj@email.uah.edu) or Fiorenza Todaro (todaro@italymail.com).

Huntsville Ballet Company

Huntsville Ballet Company invites you to the magical excitement of "The Nutcracker" with the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra, featuring Anthony Parkes. Performances are December 10 thru 12, and tickets are available at the VBC Box Office, or call TicketMaster 1-800-277-1700.

Karate Club

Karate Club is once again active at UAH. Officers for the 1999-2000 term are as follows: President - Jason Benson, Vice President - Dane Messex, Secretary / Treasurer - Jesse Smith. There will be a meeting at 5:30 pm, Sunday, December 5 at Huntsville Martial Arts Academy on Jordan Lane to make plans for upcoming fund raisers, charity events, and the 2000 tournament season. Anyone interested in martial arts is encouraged to attend.
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