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Keller Williams returns to UAH

By J. Caleb Clanton

News Editor

Renowned singer-songwriter Keller Williams is slated to perform at UAH on Tuesday, February 20. The concert will begin at 9 p.m. and will take place in Men's located within the University Center (UC). The performance is being funded and sponsored by the Association for Campus Entertainment (ACE) and will be free and open to the public.

Williams' upcoming performance will mark the second consecutive year that he has played here at UAH. Also an ACE sponsored event, Williams performed on campus during the spring semester of 2000. According to many in attendance during his last visit, Williams' concert was one of the most successful campus entertainment events ever held at UAH.

"Keller Williams' was the best performance I have ever seen at UAH," said Paul Lindgren, Entertainment Editor for the Exponent. "Bringing Keller Williams back this year has the potential to put UAH on the college music map," said Lindgren.

Williams' music is a unique blend of hippy-jam, rhythmic-grooves, and thoughtfully bizzar lyrics. Truly a "one-man-band," Williams usually plays several instruments on stage during his live performances, including 10-string guitar, bass, and percussion, while electronically looping them together into a cohesive self-competing and self-completing jam session.

Incorporating elements of jazz, funk, blues, bluegrass, and folk into his music, Williams yields an eclectic overall sound. In addition, Williams mixes in the sounds of brass instruments that he masterfully utilizes using only the buzz of his lips.

Williams has released several albums that have earned him recognition as a musician among the mostly-underground progressive hippy-rock scene. Having made musical appearances with the likes of Phil Lesh and Friends, Galactic, Moe., Govt. Mule, David Grisman, and Colonel Bruce Hampton, Williams' most recent album entitled Breathless was recorded in collaboration with String Cheese Incident.

Due to the success of last year performance and due to the rising popularity of Williams, ACE decided to sponsor this year's performance.

By Carter Gaiza

News Writer

President Bush finally unveiled his new tax plan, a 1.6 trillion dollar ten year plan that is aimed at benefitting rich and poor Americans alike. In his announcement, Bush spoke about the uncertain economic future that America is facing. In a number of sound bytes, the new President played to the fears of the country to try and bolster support for his plan.

"Our economic growth has been in doubt, and now it may be in danger," Bush said. "Americans are hearing, and some are feeling, the economic slowdown. Consumer confidence has slumped," he added. "Many business leaders are worried. A warning light is flashing on the dashboard of our economy, and we can't just drive on and hope for the best."

Economists disagree with the President's statement that his new tax plan is needed to stimulate the economy. Most of the changes in the plan do not take effect until the 2001-02 fiscal year. Bush would phase in his tax cuts, so the full impact would not be felt for several years, they add.

Barry Bosworth, an economist at the Brookings Institution, said Bush's argument that a tax cut would boost the economy "is like taking a sledgehammer to kill a little gnat." Rather than revive the economy, Bosworth said, a tax cut would slice the surplus and force the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates. "Their chutzpah is unbelievable," Bosworth said.

Bush's chief economic adviser Lawrence Lindsey refused to explain exactly how the tax cut would stimulate the economy. "I might refer you to your economics textbook from freshman year," Lindsey said sarcastically.

The particulars of Bush's tax plan were a centerpiece of debate during last year's race for President. The proposal was finally sent to Congress on February 8. The President Bush and Vice President Cheney discuss Bush's tax plan with Alan Greenspan at the White House February 5. (Photo from news.yahoo.com)
Tech talk

By Greg Bacon
Technology Writer

Phil Greenspun—author of the now famous “How To Be a Web Hobbit Like Me”, creator of the “Bill Gates Personal Wealth Clock” (http://www.webho.com/WealthClock), and generally brilliant guy—wrote an essay about managing software engineers that contains this jewel: “One of the paradoxes of software engineering is that people with bad ideas and low productivity often think of themselves as supremely capable. They are the last people whom one can expect to fall in line with a good strategy developed by someone else. As for the good programmers who are in fact supremely capable, there is no reason to expect them to form among them. Each programmer thinks his or her idea about what to build and how to build it is the best.”

If you’ve ever worked in software development or worked with software developers, then it’s extremely likely that you’ve worked with some goob who seems to bang randomly at the keyboard until a product vaguely resembling the desired result emerges. A computer scientist named Jutta Degen calls this compliant: not necessarily compliant, but at least it complies.

If you’ve ever done any digital logic design, then you’ve dealt with circuits called comparators. Given two numbers, encoded in the ones and zeros of binary, a comparator indicates which number is greater. The aforementioned souls believe (and happily believe; that their approach is good). But Greenspun’s lamentation is that there is no good comparator for software development approaches.

I sing an even sadder song: there is no good comparator for ideas in general. At a previous job, there was an extraordinarily stupid (almost punitively so) policy relating to the access people had to their workstations. (That reminds me of a computer science joke if a train Stops at a train station, then what does that say about a workstation?) When I asked about the benefits of the policy, the answer was “Well, security, of course.”

After a little more probing, I learned that the Powers That Be were concerned that someone might sniff the network (record all data that crossed the network) and capture passwords. Beware of buzzwords. When someone throws one up as if to cast a spell of protection, you know that he’s blowing smoke or that he doesn’t know what he’s talking about. If you’ve seen “The Princess Bride”, then you know this bit of knowledge as “I don’t think that word means what you think it means.” “Object oriented” is a buzzword (buzzphrase). “Security” is another. I pointed out that everyone had access to the network ports in their offices and that anyone could bring in a laptop running Linux and capture passwords. The policy was just as toothless as the Brady Bill but, nonetheless, was holding me at gunpoint, and I couldn’t appeal to some perfectly objective comparator that would have ruled in favor of my idea. It was like the Brady Bill in another way: it hindered the Good Guys (the ones who weren’t going to create mischief anyway) from doing their work but was no obstacle at all to the Bad Guys.

As an educated person, I find it maddening when people refuse to consider a reasonable position. The problem is that there’s no polite way to say “You usually seem intelligent, but you’re being a complete idiot right now.” I want to believe that someday people will stop voting for bigger and better government, foretake Microsoft for quality software, and respect each other’s privacy; but I’ll be dead and recycled way before any one of these ever takes place.

Senate approves Bibby as the new director of Frosh Mosh ‘01

By J. Caleb Clanton
News Editor

Both chambers of the SGA met on Monday night, February 12 in hopes of gaining ground on the impending controversy surrounding the planning of next year’s Frosh Mosh. The Senate appointed Frankie Bibby to the become the new director of the Frosh Mosh Planning Committee after much debate and compromise.

Prior to Monday night’s session, there was no official leadership by way of a director for the Frosh Mosh planning committee.

Primarily, the controversy stems from the re-peated disapproval of SGA President James Kodrowski’s original nomination for the director position, freshman Spencer Thomason. Many Senate members – the body responsible for approving any such nominations – have voiced their concern about the apparent lack of qualifications that Thomason may hold for the position.

Thomason was not present at Monday night’s meeting and was unavailable for interview.

In the House, there was a parallel discussion about whether the position should be paid. It was hoped that, if the position were a paid one, then qualified candidates for director could be obtained. However, the House voted Monday night to keep the position as a volunteer position.

“Spent every penny last year on Frosh Mosh, and there were concerns that making the director a paid position would weaken the actual Frosh Mosh events,” said Speaker of the House Jennifer Fox. “Also, some felt that paying the director of Frosh Mosh would set a bad precedent for other important volunteer positions within the SGA, like Chief of Staff.”

Upon learning that the position for Frosh Mosh director would remain unpaid, the Senate again denied approval for Spencer Thomason’s nomination. This move by the Senate sparked much heated debate, especially given the fact that the urgency of filling the position was well understood.

Steve Bruce, SGA faculty advisor, was present at the Senate meeting and reminded the members of the need to initiate planning for the event. Bruce remarked that “there have been major concerns on the part of the administration” with regards to the lack of leadership for Frosh Mosh. According to Bruce, if there was no substantial activity by the SGA concerning Frosh Mosh, that it was highly likely that the administration would directly assume the responsibility.

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Across the Campus

How do you feel about the Senate passing a bill to dissolve the Chief of Staff position and about the subsequent vetoing of that bill by the SGA President?

Chris
Robison
Freshman
Political Science

“If the Chief of Staff is doing what they are supposed to be doing, then he (SGA President) had every right to veto it.”

Aaron
Swarengin
Sophomore
Liberal Arts

“I think it’s a good idea for the position to exist if the President’s responsibilities are too overwhelming, but if not then it should be dissolved.”

Ragne
Digre
Graduate Student
Masters of Technology

“I don’t see any problem with the position as long as the Senate can approve the nominee.”

Seth
Downs
Senior
Civil Engineering

“If that many people think that the position should have been dissolved, then there must have been something to it, and the President must not have been doing his job.”

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Black history month events scheduled at UAH

By Jennifer Hill
News Writer

The Office of Multicultural Affairs is sponsoring a series of events commemorating the incidence of Black History Month in order to promote cultural integration and understanding. Dr. Lee Williams, Director of the Multicultural Department stated, "These events will highlight the significant contributions of African-Americans to the American culture to promote the idea to students that what you learn is not always in the textbooks, it's in your own.

These events will include an art exhibit by respected local artist, James Claybrooks, jazz performances, and conversations with prominent experts of jazz and African American composers. In addition to these respected lecturers and artists, a performance by baritone, Lester Lynch, will be given sponsored by the Marilyn Home Foundation, The Gloria Naranroo Moody Foundation and The Alabama State Council on the Arts. February 1 marked the first day for national-celebrated Black History Month. The holiday officially began in 1976, but has been advocated by Harvard educated Dr. Carter G. Woodson since 1926 when the first "Negro History Week" was established. Woodson, the son of former slaves and the African-American often named as the Father of Black History, founded the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History (ASALH) in Washington, D.C. In 1915. This foundation is yearly responsible for creating the driving theme that motivates national initiatives promoting attention to the contributions of African-Americans to American culture and society.

The 2001 established theme for Black History Month is "Creating and Defining, the African-American Community: Family Church, Politics and Culture." The Office of Multicultural Affairs hopes to strengthen this theme by sponsoring these events in collaboration with the Art Department, Music Department, Honor Programs, the Symphony Guild and The Tennessee Valley Jazz Society. "The national media, PBS, the issue of jazz and the performance and contributions of African-Americans will be emphasized," said Williams. For more information about Black History Month activities, call the Office of Multicultural Affairs at 824-6082.

UAH Schedule of Events:
• Friday, February 16, 8 p.m., recital by Mr. Lester Lynch, baritone, Roberts Recital Hall (Tickets available in the University Center Lobby).
• Tuesday, February 20, 11 a.m., lecture "Milestones in Jazz," by Mr. Douglas Turner, Alabama A&M University assistant professor of political science and WJAD-FM radio host, University Center, Room 126. Free admission.

UAH offering course in space station engineering

By J. Caleb Clanton
News Editor

UAH's College of Engineering is offering a course specifically aimed at understanding the engineering issues concerned with the International Space Station. A Space-Grant institution renowned for its leading research that cannot be executed on Earth, NASA is currently the only university known to offer such a class. The course, "Fundamentals of Space Station Engineering," will be two-fold in purpose instructing students in engineering matters on board the space station as well as the political elements concerning the space station's existence. It is expected that the lectures and other course materials will be made available on the Internet in order to foster a new distance learning program.

"The Huntsville community encouraged us to offer this course because of the area's involvement in designing, and constructing critical elements of the space station," said Bob Frederick, an associate professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering at UAH. "A key role in our future will be focused on managing and operating parts of the station."

Incorporating lectures from professors, NASA engineers, former astronauts, as well as leading aerospace contracting experts, the course, according to Frederick, will be "an invaluable experience for students who attend UAH.

"We feel many of our students at UAH will be primary users of the space station, so we are going to try to provide the engineering foundation to the users of the space station," Frederick said. Currently enrolling twelve UAH graduate and undergraduate students for this spring term's offering, the space station engineering class will cover such topics as project management, environments, systems engineering, vehicle configuration, distributed systems, operations, and payloads. UAH is hoping that the course will become an integral part of the university's engineering curriculum.

The International Space Station is planned to be an orbiting laboratory that is hoped to facilitate certain scientific research that cannot be executed on earth due to gravitational constraints. Additionally, the laboratory will allow for high tech research in the fields of biology, chemistry, physics, ecology, and medicine.

The Huntsville research community - of which UAH is a chief participant - has played a vital role in the International Space Station's existence, as the habitation and laboratory modules of the station were designed and constructed at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center. With Huntsville's Boeing Company as the primary contractor on those projects, the space station was initially sent into space back in 1998. At present, NASA is expected to launch the Destiny space station module sometime this month. Completion of the station is expected in 2005. For more information regarding the course in space station engineering, contact the Instructor Randy Humphries at 881-6618 or at whrum@aol.com.

UAH Schedule of Events

• Tuesday, February 27, 11:10 a.m., lecture, "Black Composers" by Mr. David Persons, writer and member of The Huntsville Times Editorial Board, co-sponsored by the UAH Honor's Program. Free admission.

Alpha Tau Omega to conduct 11th Annual Basketball Dribble

By Matt Stokes
News Writer

On February 17, the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity (ATO) of UAH and the University of North Alabama (UNA) will conduct the 11th Annual Basketball Dribble, where members of each university will join in a 7-mile stretch to dribble a basketball from one campus to the other.

The Basketball Dribble is an effort to raise money for local charities. This year the money will go to the Special Olympics of North Alabama, and the projected amount likely to be raised should be in the thousands.

ATO members will begin the Basketball Dribble just outside Flowers Hall on the UNA campus. According to Clay Durrett, a representative of ATO, the dribble will take approximately 11 hours to complete.

Dribbling will be held the following morning at 9 a.m., inside Spragins Hall where Special Olympics Director, Doris McHugh will make a small presentation. Durrett has announced that they "will be taking monetary pledges and donations from individuals and businesses," that might be interested in becoming a sponsor for this event.

Any questions can be answered by contacting Clay Durrett at (256)-426-7535 or by emailing clay@taualpha.com. Or by contacting Doris McHugh at (256)-837-7916 or by fax at (256)-837-2641.

UAH Office of Multicultural Affairs to celebrate Black History Month

The Office of Multicultural Affairs is celebrating Black History Month with a series of events from February 1 to 28.

• Monday, February 5, 4:30 p.m., recital by a 10-piece band at Montgomery Catholic High School, sponsored by the UAH Men's Glee Club.

• Tuesday, February 6, 11:30 a.m., performance by Claybrooks at the University Center Lobby.

• Thursday, February 8, 11:30 a.m., performance by Mr. Doug Turner, Alabama A&M University assistant professor of political science and WJAD-FM radio host, University Center, Room 126. Free admission.

UAH Offset: Career Services Office

The Office of Career Services will host a Career Fair on February 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the University Center Exhibit Hall.

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Williams' return to UAH this year. "After several students asked me, I decided to consider bringing Keller Williams back to UAH," said Frankie Bibby, Special Events coordinator for ACE and chief organizer for the Williams concert event.

"The response to Keller Williams was positive and I felt that it would be a good opportunity to use students' opinions in order to bring what they want," said Bibby. "It's their money, why not bring what they want."

Also slated for February, ACE will be hosting a campus premiere of the movie "Kings of Comedy" on February 21 in the UC Exhibit Hall at 9 p.m. On February 27, comedian Chris Johnson will be performing in Mom's at 9 p.m., and on February 28, ACE will be showing the movie "Remember the Titans" in the UC Exhibit Hall at 9 p.m.

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The 31 and 28 percent brackets would remain, but a new 10 percent bracket would be created to ease the burden on low-income workers. In addition, Bush would double the child tax credit from $500 to $1,000, reduce the so-called marriage penalty by allowing a 10 percent deduction for two-earner families, and eliminate the estate tax, which the other conservatives call the "death tax."

"There is always an enmity in this town to deny tax relief to people because they accuse some people of being rich and successful and therefore they're not entitled to tax relief," said White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said. "That's just not a view that President Bush holds."

GOP leaders emphasized that the plan would allow Americans to keep more of their earnings. "It's their money. It's not the Washington government's money," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott (R-Miss.).

Opposition to the proposed tax plan is strong on Capitol Hill. Sen. Kent Conrad of North Dakota warned the tax cut would jeopardize the growth of the economy and make money from crucial government programs.

Conrad said it was based on uncertain projections that predict anything from a $50 billion deficit to a $1 trillion surplus, adding, "that all these words about billions of dollars of surpluses for years and years to come may be just that - words. We shouldn't bet the farm, or the future financial security of our nation, on projected surpluses that could vanish as fast as they appeared."

Conrad said a tax cut shouldn't come at the expense of programs such as Social Security or Medicare, or take funds from education, prescription drug coverage or national defense. Doing so would jeopardize the nation's economic progress, he said.

Still there are supporters of the President's plan who feel just as strongly about the issue. Georgia's Democratic Senator Zell Miller, another tax cut proponent, added, "Under the current rate, a single mother begins paying taxes when she earns $21,200," Miller said. "Under the Bush plan, she would not begin paying income taxes until her earnings reach $31,300. That's a little extra money in her pocket for school clothes or the heating bill."

White House officials also say the tax cut would double the child tax credit to $1,000, reduce the tax penalty on married couples, and eliminate the "death tax." An average family of four, earning $40,000 a year, would save $1,600 in taxes under the president's plan, White House officials have said.

Whatever the savings for the citizens of the United States, the ideals behind the President's plan seem to be focused on the betterment of all.

Miller concluded that, "American taxpayers - rich and poor - are much better judges of how to spend their money than we are."

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Remember the Titans in the UC Exhibit Hall at 9 p.m. Additional information concerning Keller Williams can be obtained at his website at www.kellerwilliams.net.

More information on Williams' February 20 performance or information on other ACE-sponsored events, contact the ACE office at 824-6428.

Democratic Senator Zell Miller took another tax cut proponent, "next year, it's a much bigger problem. Putting that $2.3 million in context, it's like 75 jobs."

"If we wait another year," he said, "it would be close to 15 percent. We can't do that. That's the magnitude of the issue."

It remains to be seen how successful Bush will be in navigating his tax cut through the murky waters of Congress. The President remains optimistic.
Losing streak continues for men

By Keith Conrad
Sports Writer

As has been the trend throughout this streak of bad luck for UAH, the Chargers seemed to have a handle on the game very late, only to see their opponents snatch their way back. For the second time in only a week, UAH was unable to hold a second half lead. On Saturday it was the Gulf South Conference Eastern Division leading West Georgia Braves who would be the beneficiary of the Chargers late game futility. 

The Braves would rally back from nine points down to give UAH a 62-60 loss in a game that did not see much offense from either side.

The loss was the fourth straight for the Chargers after going the entire season without losing consecutive games. UAH was once ranked 8th in the nation and second in the region but now has stumbled to a 15-7 record overall with a 6-5 record in GSC play.

The Lady Chargers go up for a shot in a recent game. Carpenter and the rest of the team hope to earn a key GSC win against Valdosta State on Saturday night in Spragins Hall. (Photo by Danny Parker)

Lady Chargers continue to slip

By Renea Harrison
Sports Writer

It seems that disappointment would have to be a good word to describe the way the Lady Charger Basketball team must be feeling at this point in the season. After a slow start, the Lady Chargers managed to put themselves in a nice position. They had an overall winning record, and at one point, it even looked as if they had a good chance at winning the east side of the Gulf South Conference. Unfortunately, after their win against Montevallo on January 27, things have definitely taken a turn for the worst.

The last five games for the Lady Chargers have been losses. To make matters even worse, all five of the losses have been to GSC teams.

The most recent loss, which was a heartbreaker, came at the hands of the Lady Braves from the University of West Georgia. UAH was defeated in overtime, 74-72.

Kim Young said, "We played harder and better in the second half." This is not the first time that the Lady Chargers have lagged behind in the first half only to come to

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Zach Carpenter goes up for a shot while fellow Lady Charger Katy Dunn looks on. (Photo by Danny Parker)

Charger Sportsline

A QUICK UPDATE FROM UAH ATHLETICS

Ice Hockey
Record: 17-10-1, 12-3-1 in CHA
UAH 8, Wayne State 5
UAH 6, Wayne State 3
Upcoming games
02/17 at Air Force at 8:05 p.m. in Colorado Springs, CO
02/17 at Air Force at 6:05 p.m. in Colorado Springs, CO

Men's Basketball
Record: 15-7, 6-5 in GSC
West Georgia 62, UAH 60
Upcoming games
02/17 vs. Valdosta St. at 7:00 p.m. at Spragins Hall
02/19 at West Georgia at 7:30 p.m. in Livingston, AL

Women's Basketball
Record: 10-12, 6-7 in GSC
UAH 64, West Georgia 74, UAH 64
Upcoming games
02/17 vs. Valdosta St. at 7:00 p.m. at Spragins Hall
02/19 at West Georgia at 7:30 p.m. in Livingston, AL

Baseball
Record: 4-1
UAH 13, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 1
UAH 2, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 1
UAH 12, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 7
Upcoming home games
02/16 vs. Kentucky Wesleyan at 6:00 p.m.
02/17 vs. Wisconsin-Parkside (DH) at 1:00 p.m.
02/18 vs. St. Joseph's (DH) at 1:00 p.m.

Softball
Record: 2-0
UAH 4, Martin Methodist 1
UAH 14, Martin Methodist 0
Upcoming games
GSC Crossover Classic in Tunica, MS
02/16 vs. Henderson State at 2:00 p.m.
02/16 vs. Central Arkansas at 6:00 p.m.
02/16 vs. Arkansas-Monticello at 8:00 p.m.
02/17 vs. Southern Arkansas at 2:00 p.m.
02/17 vs. Delta State at 6:00 p.m. in Tunica, MS
02/20 at West Florida at 12:00 p.m. in Pensacola, FL

Intramurals
Floor Hockey - Feb. 11
Taus 7, Llamas of Virtue 0
Pi Kappa Alpha 6, Norfolk 'N' Way 2
Sigma Nu 5, Spragins Heroes 2

Signups are now taking place for basketball, six-pack soccer and softball. Registration runs through Friday, February 16, so please hurry if you want to either join or create a team. Registration sheets are available in Spragins Hall and the University Center here on campus.

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Seniors lead UAH to top of CHA

By Ronak Patel
Sports Writer

To win on homecoming weekend is something unique, but to win on homecoming weekend against Wayne State is something special. That was what the red hot UAH Chargers set out to accomplish this past weekend in their regular-season finale at the Von Braun Center. The Chargers also had a chance to take over the Conference Hockey America team. To say they accomplished their goals for the weekend would be an understatement; UAH defeated Wayne State 8-5, and 6-3 to complete the season sweep of the Warriors. To make things even better for UAH, Bemidji State spoiled Niagra, which enabled UAH to grab the conference lead at a mark of 12-3-1.

"We set a goal to win the last six conference games of the season," UAH head coach Doug Ross said of the conference race. "And to sweep both Bemidji St. and Wayne St. four out of four for the season helped us to take advantage of our home ice against these teams."

On Friday night, the first period between the Chargers and Warriors resembled the NHL All-Star Game from a couple of weeks back. Both teams combined for seven goals in the first stanza, which ended in UAH taking a 4-3 lead.

UAH's Ryan McCormick opened the scoring barrage just two minutes in with a power-play goal. The Warriors countered with a power play goal of their own just a minute later to knot the game at one. UAH regained the lead on Karlis Zirmis's twelfth goal of the season at the 7:34 mark of the first period. The Warriors were not to be outdone, they responded with two goals.

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Inaugural Women's Track season begins March 3 in Sewanee, TN

UAH Sports Information

The inaugural track season is bringing a lot of excitement to the squad of over twenty members, as they prepare themselves for the team's first competition on March 3.

The team has a solid base of distance runners from the cross-country team who will spread themselves from the 400m to the 10,000m races. In addition to the cross-country runners, the Lady Chargers have eleven athletes that will compete in a variety of events including pole vault, high jump, shot put, discus, javelin, long jump, and hurdles.

The meet schedule will take the Lady Chargers up against a wide range of competition. The Lady Chargers will see some top Division I teams at Auburn, Alabama, and Vanderbilt where Coach David Cain hopes for individual improvements against top competitors. The track meets at Sewanee, Rhodes, and Samford are ones Coach Cain will focus closely on team scoring and hope to bring home some team awards.

Although this is the first season for UAH track, Coach Cain believes there are several team members with good chances to run a qualifying time that would take them to the NCAA National Championships.

Some of the top performers to look for would be Aytrey Blalock in the 5000 meter and 10,000 meter run; Lesley Davis in the 800 and 1500; Melinda Phillips in the jumps, and Bristol Hartlage in the throws.

The team is very optimistic entering the first season. The Lady Chargers hope to build a solid foundation on which to build the program for years to come.

The Lady Chargers' first meet will be on March 3, at the Sewanee Indoor Invitational in Sewanee, TN.

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Bobby’s Boys bust out the brooms on opening homestead

By Danny Parker

Two years ago, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville came to Huntsville to play a four-game series against the Chargers at Joe Davis Stadium with the wind chill frozen at 17 degrees. The series was built up as one of the premier non-conference match-ups in UAH Baseball history. The SIUE Cougars came in as the sixth-ranked team in the country while UAH was ranked at No. 4.

This time, the opponent will be Air Force. The series will take place in Colorado Springs, CO, on February 16-17.

By Danny Parker

UAH at the 6:40 mark. The first goal of the season for Gerald Overton scored his longed to UAH as they goal to tie the game at five all going into the third period. The power-play was unassisted goal later on in the third period. McCormack, Curry, and Baker played good not only this weekend, but throughout the season,” coach Ross said of his seniors.

Wayne St.’s Brent Retrow would help the offense close the margin to 3-1 at the end of the first period.

Funk knotted his third goal of the season at the onset of the second period to make the count 4-1 in favor of UAH. Blais and Zimris assisted on Funk’s goal.

The offense kept pouring it on in the third period as Kevin Ridgeway’s one-timer shot, which ended up in the top left corner of the net, gave UAH a 5-1 lead early in the third period. Wayne St.’s Marc St. Jean scored to make the score 5-0 on an unassisted goal later on in the third period.

But, UAH’s Jensi Otis shut the nail on the coffin moments later. He scored on an empty net during the final stages of the third period to close the high-scoring weekend series against Wayne St.

This series (vs. Wayne St.) was very high-scoring and entertaining, but our defense needs to tighten up a little bit when we play Air Force,” Ross said about his team’s performance. “This offense is probably the best I’ve coached here and is one of the best in the country.”

The power-play was also beneficial to UAH once again this past weekend, which went 5-2 on for the weekend. The power-play execution by our team has helped us tremendously the past two weekends and allowed us to get out to early leads,” Ross said.

Next up for the surging Chargers will be a return trip to the Rocky Mountain state. This time, the opponent will be Air Force. The series will take place in Colorado Springs, CO, on February 16-17.

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in the next seven games to regain the lead at 3-2.

UAH’s Mike Funk, who came off a superb series against Bemidji St., scored on a power-play goal to tie the game at three. Ron Baker scored UAH’s third power-play goal of the first period with under 15 seconds remaining to give UAH a 4-3 lead.

In the second period, Gerald Overton scored his first goal of the season for UAH at the 6:40 mark. The power-play goal gave UAH a 5-3 lead. Wayne St. responded with two goals in the period to tie the game at five all going into the third period.

The third period belonged to UAH as they scored three goals to de-

feat Wayne St. 9-5. The first goal came from senior Ron Baker’s second goal of the night. Then, on a two-on-one breakaway, Joel Bresciani’s scored on a missile that the Chargers at Joe Davis 1-0 lead. On the opening sequence, the four departing seniors all touched the puck and the assist was credited to seniors Baker and Blais.

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UAH 6, Wayne St. 3

Coach Ross started his four seniors, Darren Curry (point), Ron Baker (left wing), Dwayne Blais (center), and Ryan McCormack (right wing) alongside sophomores Mark Bryne (goalie), and Ian Fletcher for Saturday’s final home game of the regular season.

Just twelve seconds into the contest, the seniors made their presence felt. McCormack scored to give UAH the quick 1-0 lead. On the opening sequence, the four departing seniors all touched the puck and the assist was credited to seniors Baker and Blais.

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2001 Baseball Schedule

Date Site Opponent Time/Result

February

2 Jacksonville, FL North Florida 1-4-1
3 Jacksonville, FL USC-Aliken W 4-2
4 Jacksonville, FL Kennedy State Rain Out
5 Home So. Ill.-Edwardsville W 13-1
7 Home So. Ill.-Edwardsville W 2-1
8 Home So. Ill.-Edwardsville W 12-7
16 Home Kentucky Wesleyan 6:00 p.m.
17 Home Wisconsin-Parkside (DH) 1:00 p.m.
20 Home St. Joseph’s (DH) 1:00 p.m.
21 Home Missouri-St. Louis (DH) 1:00 p.m.
25 Home Missouri-St. Louis 1:00 p.m.

March

1 Home Oakland City (DH) 4:00 p.m.
5 Home Quincy 5:00 p.m.
6 @Panama City, FL Ohio Dominican 7:30 p.m.
7 #Panama City, FL Marietta (DH) 11:00 a.m.
8 %Home Alabama A&M 2:00 p.m.
9 @Montgomery, AL Tampa 7:00 p.m.
11 @Montgomery, AL Tampa (DH) 1:00 p.m.
14 Home Cumberland (DH) 2:00 p.m.
15 Home *West Florida (DH) 2:00 p.m.
16 Home *West Florida 1:00 p.m.
17 Home Delta State 7:00 p.m.
18 Home Delta State 2:00 p.m.
19 Home *Lincoln Memorial (DH) 12:00 p.m. EST
20 Harrogate, TN *Lincoln Memorial 1:00 p.m.
24 Harrogate, TN Lincoln Memorial 1:00 p.m.
25 Harrogate, TN Cumberland (DH) 1:00 p.m.
27 Florence, AL *North Alabama (DH) 1:00 p.m.

April

1 Florence, AL *North Alabama 1:00 p.m.
4 Away Alabama A&M 2:00 p.m.
7 Home *Valdosta State (DH) 2:00 p.m.
8 Home Valdosta State 1:00 p.m.
13 Home *Montevallo (DH) 1:00 p.m.
14 Home Montevallo 1:00 p.m.
17 Birmingham, AL Birmingham Southern 6:00 p.m.
21 Carrollton, GA *West Georgia 3:00 p.m. EST
22 Carrollton, GA *West Georgia 1:00 p.m.
23 Home Kennesaw State (DH) 3:30 p.m.
24 Home *West Alabama (DH) 4:00 p.m.
29 Home *West Alabama 2:00 p.m.

May

5-8 TBA CSC Tournament TBA
17-19 TBA NCAA South Central Regional TBA
26-31 Montgomery, AL College World Series TBA

# Madison Acad. #\ Patterson Field
# Bay HS #\ Frazier Park

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Softball hits the field in winning fashion

By Renea Harrison
Sports Writer

The 2001 season opener was a success for the UAH Softball team.

Sunday, February 11, head coach Les Stuedeman and her team traveled to Pulaski, Tennessee, to take on Martin Methodist College. Not only was this the series important because it was the first of the season, but it was also a way for returning players to avenge last season's loss to Martin Methodist. They got their revenge in the sweetest way possible, with a pair of wins.

Student coach Jamie Potter said, "The girls got off to a slow start, but by the end of the day they were playing much better. We still have plenty of work to do, but today was a good start."

The first game was less than pretty. The Lady Chargers started things off right in the first inning. Stephanie Berry and Audrey Williams scored on a single from Renea Harrison. No runs were scored by either team for the next few innings. Martin Methodist managed to scrap out a run in the sixth inning, bringing the score to 1-1. Finally, UAH pulled through in the seventh inning. Berry hit a two-out double to score Shannon Sims and Melissa Kyle, making the final score of game one 4-1. Martin Methodist would not score another run the rest of the day. One was all they could handle against the excellent UAH pitching staff.

Senior Lane Davis said, "We were shaky in the first game, but after we got the nervousness of the first game, we played all day." Davis threw the entire first game, giving up only two hits and striking out a whopping 13 batters.

Sophomores Katrina Forrest and Amber Fuller shared the mound in the second game, and Martin Methodist was able to muster only one hit off of their combination. Davis added, "Amber and Katrina's pitching performance in the second game was awesome, our bats finally came around, and the defense was there as well."

In the second game, the UAH offense once again got off to a slow start. Shannon Sims hit a homerun in the third inning to get things started, but the fourth inning was when the hits really started coming. The Chargers scored five more runs in the fourth frame, three of which came from Harrison's three-run homerun. The final score was 14-0 in favor of the Chargers.

Several Chargers made the starting lineup in this game. Davis and Berry were 3 for 4 with three RBI each. Freshman Rachel Hamby finished the game 2 for 4 with two RBI. Martin Methodist's pitcher for the second game, and Martin Methodist was able to muster only one hit off of their combination.

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life in the second half. In fact, it has been mentioned by several UAH players and coaches that this year's team seems to thrive in the second half. This has not been the case in the last few losses, but it looked like the Lady Chargers were ready to change things Saturday night.

After a slow first half, UAH trailed 31-25. The second half was much more productive for the ladies, however, and at the end of regulation, the score was 64-64. Even in overtime, things were looking up for the Lady Chargers. They led by as much as four and were still up with less than two minutes left to play. Sadly, UAH was not able to hold on to this small lead for the remainder of the game.

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shut down SIUE over the final three frames. D.R. Berry was the losing pitcher for the Cougars.

UAH, SIUE 1
Adam Bass and Philip Donaldson put the Cougar bats to sleep in the second half of Saturday's doubleheader at Joe Parker, continued from page 6
Joe Davis Stadium - also where the Huntsville Stars play - which is just off of the second Davis Avenue exit off of South Memorial Parkway. You can also get to the stadium from Leonard Ferry Road. Schedule the storms for these teams as well as many others are published in The Exponent. Also schedule cards are available all around the campus as well as online at www.uah.edu/athletics.
I hope to see you there. I will be the goofy-looking guy with the camera bag that looks like a purse.

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Barenaked Ladies coming to Von Braun Center March 16

By Alan Backer

Entertainment Writer

After selling over four million copies of their 1996 album, Stunt, and the release of their fifth studio album Maroon, the Barenaked Ladies are coming to Huntsville.

Released on September 12, 2000, Maroon has successfully followed the trail of its quadruple-platinum predecessor, "Pinch Me," which was the first single released for the album. Features a gratuitously catchy mix of folky acoustic guitars, hip-hop beats, and tongue twisting vocals. And now with the irresistible "Too Little, Too Late" on the radio airwaves, things look great for the band. Also, Tyler Stewart on "One Week," "Brian Wilson," and "If I Had A Million Dollars." And now, North Alabama gets the chance to see the Barenaked Ladies play at the Von Braun Civic Center on March 16.

The Five Spot

By Paul Lindgren

Editor

Towards no ending

There are many times when I saw the opportunity to sit and rest myself, but instead passed them by to do what was needed.

Once, on a fishing trip to the Outer Banks of North Carolina, me and my friends woke in the predawn hours to fish north of Avon where the Spanish Macks would run the banks. I remember climbing breathing into a dune with all my tackle, and just over the crest where the sea oats were thick, I saw this old chair.

It was of a weather-beaten canvas and the legs were warped and rusted. Lord knew how long it had been sitting there, for it looked that old. The image was something out of a painting with the dawn peaking through with the sun and the fishing boat. It left me curious, but I really never paid it too much mind. Instead, we moved some down the beach to fish and drink beer in the early dawn.

But thinking about that mysterious old chair, I would digress into this such moment that stirs deep reflection:

That indeed there are so many things we could hope to be, and things that we wish for. It isn't so wrong to work towards those ends, but I cannot help but wonder what it will all be worth in the end.

Sometimes doing all that is needed is doing just enough. And when we will know this, everything else may seem fleeting. And where it may have been disappointing to fall short of those things for which we wish, be it wealth, or places and people we dream for, we may come to accept just the few moments of need that will have mattered to us.

Like when you had taken the time off to watch your daughter's first play when your wife could not make it. Where you might have been too busy to help raise her, you knew this was your chance to change. So you cancelled a meeting and snuck into a theatre seat feeling so awkward and out of place. But there was an even more awkward moment for everyone when your daughter forgot her lines. And the director was hissing from behind the curtain. At that moment, the uneasy lifted when you knew you needed to be there for her.

And though she cried after the play, you met her backstage and hugged her. You took her to Baskin & Robbins to find out what her favorite ice cream was, because these things you had never bothered to know. It was thirty-one flavors that had dazzled your eyes since childhood, but you found she was un impressed and that she liked just plain chocolate. And when you understood this, you could understand something.

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The King and I coming to Madison Feb. 22-25
By Angela Frederick

The King and I will be presented by the Madison Community Chorus on February 22-25 in the auditorium of Bob Jones High School in Madison. This Rodgers and Hammerstein musical is the premiere production of the MCC, which was founded in October 2000 by Michael and Gianna Gimenez.

The musical, which is based on a true story, is set in the 1860's in the country of Siam, or present-day Thailand. The plot revolves around the King of Siam, who wishes to modernize his Kingdom and educate his scores of wives and children, and Anna Leonowens, the British tutor he hires for this task.

Some of Rodgers and Hammerstein's most famous songs come from The King and I. "Getting to Know You" and "Shall We Dance?" are probably the most recognizable tunes from the show. They were popularized through the 1956 film starring Yul Brynner, who also starred as the King in the Broadway production.

In the MCC production, Gabriel Jaime, a recent performance at the UAH Concert Choir. Tina Wassell and Tammy Johnson will play Anna alternately. Nancy Parker, Kim Thresher, Jessica Betsayed and Maria Freeman are featured in the other lead parts.

The play will have five performances. On February 22-24, there will be an evening show at 7:30 p.m., and matinees on Saturday, February 24 at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday, February 25 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are $15 each and you must reserve seats in advance. For ordering information, contact Brenda Parker, the ticket sales coordinator at 316-0521 or 461-0189. Tickets can be purchased through BG Parker at gparker01@msn.com. A website showing all available seating and providing information about the MCC can be found at https://www.anjelfire.com/music/schools/mecclaurin/.

Burritt on the Mountain plans for a big Spring

Paul Lindgren

Entertainment Editor

Burritt on the Mountain is making plans for a variety of Springtime events to welcome everyone back from a cold winter. These events include Wildflower weekend, Earth Day events, Spring Break day camps, and Environmental Education workshops for teachers.

The Burritt Museum begins its busy Spring season immediately after opening the 2001 year as it hosts the Environmental Education Conference, a state-wide education workshop for teachers, youth group leaders, and school administrators alike. The two-day conference brings together more than 120 educators and environmentalists from Alabama and neighboring states to share ideas, activities, resources, and help increase awareness of environmental concerns in education. The conference, held March 1-3, will include special activities including dinner at Burritt as well as field trips to the Conasauga, Marshall Space Flight Center, trails on Monte Sano Mountain, and the Huntsville Botanical Garden.

In addition to the Environmental Education Conference, Burritt will also host the "Howdy for Herps" educators workshop on reptiles and amphibians. The workshop will be held on Saturday, April 28 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and is conducted by the Burritt education staff, local school teachers, and the Education Department of Birmingham Zoo. Pre-registration for both workshops is required and can be obtained by calling Burritt's office.

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Now, this is not saying that these characters are in Final Fantasy IX, but simply their names are. Final Fantasy IX also contains the original translation and editing of FF II and FFVII (remember "café" in place of "pub") rather than errors in the translation of FF IX. However, this is only my theory and is in no way the acknowledged by SquareSoft.

A major complaint I have about Final Fantasy IX's battle system is that the eidolons' fight sequences only show up occasionally. Maybe I'm just hoping to like the seeing the summons in their entirety. That's the whole reason I use them! I spend anywhere from 3-11 months on my RPG's. They must be perfect! You think I need summons? No, but I still use them.

Case in point: Knights of the Round - enough said. Final Fantasy IX is a prime example. Did they fall in love right away? No! Square seems to be of the idea that now we want quick, melodramatic love stories instead of high quality scripts. Well, excuse me if I don't agree. Perhaps the plots are worse because all of the characters keep getting younger. I don't know the plot is not as well done as I would expect from Squaresoft's famous RPG series. The characters are as much of a mystery as Zidane's head, and I don't like it. Trances replace "limit breaks" and are obsolete. The entire concept of Square enforces weapons, like in FF VII (groan). Luckily, you don't have to be new. All in all, Final Fantasy IX can be summarized in this exclamation to Squaresoft: "Square, don't Disneyf my Final Fantasy!"

Spring season continues with the annual "Wildflower Weekend" on Saturday, March 17, and Sunday, March 18. Native wildflowers may be ordered in advanced or purchased during the weekend event. In addition to purchasing wildflowers for your home, you can attend workshops to learn about plant life and caring for wildflowers. Bufford Stitcher, herbalist from Wedowee, Alabama, will discuss the history of native herbal remedies during his program, "Medicine from the Earth" on Saturday, March 17, at 10:30 a.m. Each workshop includes a guided trail hike and requires a $5 registration fee.

"Nature Rangers," Burritt's day camp for 5-10 year olds, will highlight different aspects of the history or environment and our place in it. The camp program lasts dur-

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***Don't forget to see Keller Williams on February 20th

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 27th – March 6th

February 27th
Join comedian Chris Johnson at 9 p.m. in Mom's Café in the University Center

February 28th
ACE hosts the movie Remember the Titans in the UC Exhibit Hall at 9 p.m.

March 6th
Come see comedian Alexandra McHale in the UC Exhibit Hall at 9 p.m
By Lauren Eiter

Entertainment Writer

It you are like me and come to a movie way more excited than fiction, then you will enjoy this movie. New Line Cinema bring the viewers a spin to what could be considered a drab remake of When Harry Met Sally. They are also perhaps the humorous version of Mulholland Drive. Please spare me the adoring goodness of Freddie Prinze Jr. Frankly his charm and his star power could not save this film from its failure to procure yet another iteration of a soppy slice of romance. Do not go see it unless you like cheap British farce or have a vendetta against comedies. This movie was ridiculous in all scenes. The reviews were mixed and 'it will be the fatal flaw to this film. Writing this film brought history to life for me and I highly recommend it to everyone. As far as security, nothing is a guarantee. Nothing illustrates that better than this film.

Freddie Prinze Jr. falls head over heels

By Lauren Eiter

Entertainment Writer

Is Head Over Heels just another chick flick? Hardly! The further into the film I got, the more appalled I became. This romantic comedy was choked to death by pre¬ tense and a score of bad writing. Please spare me the adoring goodness of Freddie Prinze Jr. Frankly his charm and his star power could not save this film from its failure to procure yet another iteration of a soppy slice of romance. Do not go see it unless you like cheap British farce or have a vendetta against comedies. This movie was ridiculous in all scenes. The reviews were mixed and 'it will be the fatal flaw to this film. Writing this film brought history to life for me and I highly recommend it to everyone. As far as security, nothing is a guarantee. Nothing illustrates that better than this film.

Steven Culp (Robert E. Kennedy), Bruce Greenwood (John E. Kennedy), and Kevin Costner (Kevan O’Donnell) star in Thirteen Days. (Photo from New Line Cinema and movielovers.yahoo.com)

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Tax cut proposal: will history repeat itself?

By Dauphne Rogers
Editor-in-Chief

I received the most disturbing piece of mail I have ever gotten in my life yesterday. Heartbroken, I sat and cried openly for several minutes after reading it.

If anyone had ever asked me if a letter from Jerry Falwell could produce such a reaction from me, I would probably have laughed out loud. Nevertheless, that is exactly what happened.

The letter I received explained a "medical procedure" known as partial birth abortion and asked for support to ban it in the United States. People who have read my editorials lately should not have too much sympathy for the pro-life movement. I lean toward liberalism and the Democratic Party on most issues.

Abortion isn’t one of those issues. Particularly partial-birth abortions.

Now don’t get me wrong, I am all about people’s rights. I believe in the mixture of rights, women’s rights (except for the right to "kill" their own children), and gay’s rights. Sadly, most liberals either ignore the rights of the minorities (like women and gay’s rights, and minorities’ rights, women’s rights (except of course for the rights of minorities)), and gay’s rights.

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The age-old art of yard rolling

By J. Caleb Clanton
News Editor/Opinion Writer

Following UAH's weekend of hometown festivities a couple of weeks ago, the yard and trees in front of the University Center were adorned in white. No, not with snow, though. With toilet paper – toilet paper, hanging like Spanish moss in the full moon light.

Yes, the age-old tradition of rolling trees with, no doubt, cheap or otherwise stolen toilet paper hit our campus. Of course, to round off the occasion, the unknown culprits left their signature messages, written in shoe polish. For the Exponent office, they left a smiley face.

Many might view such acts as senseless vandalism. Some might see such activity as childish graffiti. I, on the other hand, see it as so much more. To me, the thrown rolls are a symbol of something much greater, much more profound.

Toilet paper rolling is a dying art. That’s right, art. Consider. The fact of the matter is that rolling is one of the last great forms of communication in our modern society. It’s voice, yet it can still convey a message of disapproval or celebration. Disgust or affirmation. Hatred or jest.

Growing up, I did my fair share of rolling. Admittedly, most of the rolling that I did as a kid portrayed the intention of censure.

I recall this one guy named Jake Duff. Jake was the new kid in town who was instantly popular with the class of proud Cajuns. Needless to say, Jake was arrogant as all get out and had no shame whatsoever. Of course, the girls loved him.

To this day, I stand amazed that so many girls seemed so easily hoodwinked by the pompous routine of Jake. (They hardly ever admitted that until after he had broken their blinded, denying little hearts).

I, along with many of the other local fellows, immediately hated the artistic way painting toilet paper across the canvas of Jake Duff’s lawn.

Few things in life render such a release. I guess that’s why I consider rolling an art. Art affords one the opportunity to speak to the heart’s confused mind.

The poet manipulates words and language to tango with the emotions. The painter uses colors to engage the eye. The sculptor carves stone that last generations.

Ah, but the roller – the roller uses toilet paper in its ironic unfurling. And, although rain soon washes away its white, papery brush strokes, the substance of the message remains loud and clear for quite some time thereafter.

Hopefully, Jake did hear the message after all. And perhaps he can still read the writing on the wall. "The one in his front yard."

Readers can email J. Caleb Clanton at calebclanton@yahoo.com.

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Alumni and Taxpayer

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Letters to the Editor, continued from page 12

Dear Editor,

Now being a simple sports writer, perhaps I am oversimplifying things, but your column brought a few thoughts to mind. First off, you said "the more money you make, the less you'll be able to put in your pocket." To me, that sounds like a given. Doesn't it make sense that if there is a tax cut everyone should benefit from it? Now, I'm just a poor college student trying to get into the broadcasting business, but if I did have some money, I'd try my best to get as much as I could. I like to kid my brother because his solution for every problem in baseball is that the players should "refuse to talk the money because it is too much." There is one obvious problem there: no one in their right mind would tell their employer that they are being paid too much. I know I wouldn't. I under­stand what you are saying about the Reagan tax cut and what the eventual price of that was. Keeping in mind your letter, I'd like to con­
der what the problem is with the "richest 1% getting the biggest tax cut." If they are the richest, they are ob­viously paying the most to the government and would thus get the most back in ANY case. My point is: you can't blame me, it seems like ev­eryone that opposes any tax cut makes the same mistake. People that succeed most in life are penalized for their hard work by having to pay more taxes. That never made sense to me. Alan Greenspan conducted a study for a very long time and doesn't see the proposed tax cut as a drain on the economy. Let's just give ev­eryone a break.

Keith Conrad

Dear Editor:

I would like to express my disagreement at the words of our SGA President in "The President's Corner" last week. In his column, Mr. Kodrowski implied that the SGA Senate and their deci­sion to dissolve the chief-of­staff position. The Senate's decision was reached after his nomination of Steve Cross failed multiple times. Mr. Kodrowski wants the students to believe that Steve Cross was the only interest in the position. He wrote: "This deci­sion came only after my strongly urging them to find interested students on their own that would be amenable to them all." Some of your Senators did just that. They talked to a people and even got a few that were interested. Joe Dutton and myself both set up meetings with Mr. Kodrowski to speak with him of our interest in the position. It's funny that the Senate never got to hear about that. Your President wants you to assume that the Senate is not even willing to cooperate with him in the matter. This is just not true. This letter is not to rally support for another candi­date for chief of staff or even to defend the Senate and their decision to eliminate the executive position. This letter is to open your eyes to the truth and the miscon­ceptions that you may have after reading "The President's Corner" or Ms. Fox's letter to the editor. I believe that the decision was made in self-interest or underlying motives, however, I think the Senate is taking a stand against Mr. Kodrowski's position of refusing to accept the deci­sions of the Senate that were elected.

Patrick Bobo

Dear Editor:

Charles Kernaghan, an anti-sweatshop activist noted for his confrontation with Kathie Lee Gifford, has vividly described condi­tions that are told about the U.S.-based Third World sweatshops. He describes the facto­ries as uniformly austere concrete buildings topped by razor wire and armed guards who search the employees on entering and leaving. Employees are often teenage girls made to work as fast as possible by brutal foremen. These fore­men verbally abuse or beat the girls to enforce compli­ance that says "no one can leave, but leave to the land, either by force or by flooding the country with cheap imported food, un­dercutting the local mar­kets. So people can become beggars, come to the U.S. as illegal immigrants, or sim­ply lay down and die of starvation and disease. That's freedom.

Some countries are called "developing coun­tries" in the U.S. media. Developing what?—miserable conditions; starving children; lack of electricity or running water. Is it any wonder that all tax­payers are receiving a cut, than people who pay to begin with will put on a larger black in the world.

Dear Editor,

Now in response to the editorial titled "tax cut for the rich" I must say that I am sick and tired of reports cit­ing that we are not un­fairly giving "more money on tax cuts for the richest one percent of Americans." Look at the numbers for the proposed plan. Currently rates are 15, 28, 31, 36, and 39 percent. If we raise each to the next higher, the higher percent­age pays an over­age you. Under the new plan, new rates would be 15, 25, and 33 percent—still scaled accord­ing to income. All rates are cut under the plan — not just for the wealthy. The current wealthiest one percent pays an over­whelming proportion of the overall tax. Under the new plan, they will pay an even larger proportio­n. The new plan makes sense that if all tax­payers are receiving a cut, then those who pay more to begin with will put on a larger black in the world.

Dear Editor,

February 15, 2001

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**** MYSIC STARS WEEKLY HOROSCOPE

By Lasha Senik
Tribune Media Services
(Week of February 19)

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

In the attic, a shoe box filled with old love letters

Message: Finding the truth.

Romantic partners will now move rapidly forward; before mid-week expect both lovers and long-term friends to openly declare their intentions. Passionate expression is positive; Aries over the next few weeks may want to slow down and become higher on their list of assignments. Unattached Aries natives can expect several new attractions to watch unfold, their desire to love to soon precipitate relationships. This late week authority figures will challenge your ideas and enter into your daily habits. Don't over react to small criticisms.

Timing: 11-22

TRIOS: Aries, Pisces

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CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19)

Image: "In the attic, a shoe box filled with old love letters"

Message: Power and control.

Financial gains may arrive early this week; Cap before Thursday watch for both long term friends and potential lovers to be strongly focused on bringing greater intimacy into present relationships. For many Capricorns, a period of time of 6-8 months should be more fulfilling, expect loved ones to bring needed items and more permanent place in your life. A highly changed few days, Cap, remain open to passionate changes.

Aquarius (January 20-February 18)

Image: "Huddled in a tiny nest, 4 cavy mice"

Message: Planning a future.

Financial agreements: new contracts may soon require quick revisions: late Wednesday watch for authority figures to introduce new procedures or unexpected time restraints. Working relationships may Capricorn over the next few days. Places: express messages, ideas or instructions to be misleading. After mid-week new friends or social events may compete for your undivided attention. Choose relaxation over hype. Places: energy may be low.

If your birthday is this week...look for romantic security over emotional or artistic affairs. For the next 4 to 5 months many Capricorns will experience a test of emotional values or unique social change to key relationships. Don't be derailed. Places: astrologically this is an actual indication that powerful romantic intimacy and positive life choices will arrive by mid to late July. Later next month watch also for a surprising business alliance or career opportunity. Communications, new technologies or unusual forms of marketing, advertising or publicity will soon be an ongoing theme. This year will bring many new challenges. Expect: Places: don't rely on the past for direction.

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