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Student Pens Recycling Legislation

Ganiere introduces a temporary fix to a long-standing problem

By Michael Cummings

Last month, the Student Government Association (SGA) passed resolution H.R.05-06.01, entitled "A Resolution for the Advancement of the University Recycling Program."

The resolution was penned by SGA Legislator, Donald C. Ganiere. He is a College of Engineering Representative in the SGA and a member of the House Rules Committee.

Thirteen years ago, Grounds Management abandoned its Residence Hall recycling program, leaving various problems around campus. The recycling program that was left in place provided for the recycling of aluminum cans in several non-residential buildings as well as

for paper recycling at various locations.

Ganiere's resolution addressed the problems of this setup. First, that, "Recycling plastic or paper products on campus is difficult as receptacles remain sporadic and difficult to find," and second, that, "recycling receptacles are not easily accessible to residents in University housing complexes." The legislation, therefore, resolved the following things. First, "The University Recycling Program [shall] extend to include all housing complexes. Recycling receptacles should be placed in convenient locations, such as the designated trash rooms...of North and Central Campus Residence

Halls and similar locations in South East Campus Housing." Second, "[the SGA] shall form a special committee to review the placement of recycling receptacles on campus."

There are also hopes for establishing a permanent recycling program for on-campus housing, something Ganiere feels the school is ready for. "I've seen many environmentally savvy rooms begin placing aluminum cans on their window sills—definitely a sign we need a recycling program." And while he originally pushed for a permanent program, he was forced to settle for this temporary fix. He commented, "Sadly, there was not enough



interest from one year to the next to keep this effort alive — a sign that we need a permanent solution provided by the University."

Though Ganiere was the sole author of the resolution, he credited many others: "I received input from various

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University Offers Free Flu Shots

Many on-campus locations will be providing vaccinations to students

By Michael Cummings

Last month, the University announced this year's flu vaccination schedule in a mailer sent to all students. The vaccine clinic is being held as part of the annual Health Fair co-sponsored by the Wellness Center and the College of Nursing.

The University's Wellness Center is offering the flu vaccine to faculty, staff and students. The cost for employees is \$15 while the vaccine is offered free of charge to students with a valid student ID card. Vaccinations will be given by the Wellness Center staff.

High risk individuals were able to receive vaccination October 17th. This group consists of people 65 or older, as well as individuals with long-term health problems like heart disease, diabetes, or anemia.

Vaccinations for the remainder of UAH faculty, staff, and

students began October 26th in the Wellness Center. The final date to receive the flu shot from UAH is November 18th from 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. On this date, the vaccinations are open to all students and faculty.

The vaccination process is estimated to take about 45 minutes. The Wellness Center advises wearing short sleeves to allow for easy access for the vaccination.

This year's flu vaccine contains three inactive influenza viruses. According to the Wellness Center, if the strains are a match for the circulating virus strains, the vaccine should prevent illness in seventy to ninety percent of healthy persons younger than 65.

"I absolutely recommend that everyone get the flu shot," said Wellness Center Nurse Practitioner, Julia

Boehme. "If you get the flu, it may be a few weeks before you are well again, and you can't afford to miss that amount of time."

Boehme advised students already infected with the flu to take individual measures to get well. "Stay home, and get plenty of rest," she said. "Drink fluids, take medications, and wash your hands frequently." Boehme also reminded students that since the flu is a virus, antibiotics will be ineffective against it.

Unlike last season, there is no shortage of flu vaccine around the country. "This year, we have everything I ordered," Boehme said. "This is supposed to be a mild season, but there is no way to predict it. That's why you have to prepare."

Boehme pointed out the inaccuracy of one misconception about the flu vaccine.

"You cannot get the flu from your flu shot," she explained. "The vaccine is inactivated. Some people might feel bad after a few days, but that is your immune system working — not the flu."

For those that have a general aversion to the doctor's office, Boehme had a special message. "I'm not the doctor, I'm a nurse practitioner."

Tips for Dealing with the Flu

1. Get a flu shot
2. Cover your cough, but not with your hands. Your hands only spread the virus. Instead, use a tissue.
3. Stay home and get plenty of rest.
4. Do not take antibiotics — they will not work. Take antiviral medications instead.
5. Drink plenty of fluids.

Alabama A&M Fire Raises Concerns

Fire brings questions about fire preparedness at UAH

By Julie Roberts

Earlier this year, on April 18th, the Decatur Daily reported that a fire had broken out in an Alabama A&M University dorm building. The fire in Terry Hall caused two students to jump from their fourth-floor windows. The forty-foot fall injured both, one with a compound fracture to the ankle and the other with an injury to the face. The article reports A&M Police Chief, Dale Baxter, as having said that, "the

blaze was limited to a single room and the entrance of the room immediately across the hall." A few weeks later, arson was discovered to be the cause of the fire. Now, only six months later, A&M is dealing with another fire. On October 16th, the WAFF news station's website reported that, "a dorm fire sent students scrambling from their rooms just before 10 p.m. Saturday night at Alabama A&M University." While no one

was injured in the second fire, the fact that there have been two fires in less than a year's time have many people concerned and not just about A&M.

What happens when the fire alarm goes off at UAH? According to Officer Albino, when any alarm on campus is activated, it emits out an audible signal along with a printout. These are monitored twenty four hours a day, seven days a week, by

dispatch personnel. And while there have been no fires on campus in the last twelve months, it certainly does not mean we are immune. And if it were to happen, are the residence halls prepared? Officer Albino says that UAH is, "installing more sprinklers in the near future" at Central Campus Residence Hall. Because both of the North Campus Residence Halls are newer than CCRH, they are already

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Greek Speak

By Barbie Czura

Delta Chi Fraternity

The members of the Delta Chi Fraternity would like to thank everyone who came out to the party at the Warehouse last Saturday night. Everyone had a great time, and Delta Chi hopes to do it again in the future. Lobsterfest at St. Thomas Episcopal Church is coming up on November 12th. Each year the brothers help setup and run the event. See a brother about information on how to get tickets for a lobster meal, or email Tom Branson at tom.branson@gmail.com. For information about rush or just general happenings around the Fraternity, go to our website: www.deltachi-hsv.com.

Alpha Tau Omega

This Saturday, November 5th is the 6th annual ATO Auto Emporium! The show will take place at Joe Davis Stadium, and cars start rolling in at 9 a.m. For more information, visit www.uah.edu/ATO/carshow.

Panhellenic

As some of you might already know, Panhellenic has been stirring around some ideas about what awesome things they can do this year. Drum roll please...the Mr. Greek competition will be held on November 11th. Look for advertisements all over campus for more details about the event. There will also be a Penny War for Mr. Greek, Nov. 7-11th from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the UC lobby. Prizes for Mr. Greek are being collected, but we've already received donations from Greek Etc. and Movie Gallery. And the bigger, better ones have yet to come. Courtney Kelleher and I will be the MC's for Mr. Greek, and the escorts will be Jade Ingram, Leigh Linsky, Emily Fitz, Emily S., and Kimberly W. Remember Mr. Greek applications are due November 2nd!

The UAH Choir Program Wants You

By Dr. Michael Conran

Have you had any day go by in which you were not exposed to some variety of music? Cultures throughout history have relied on music to enrich their lives, expressing joy as well as sadness. Think about your average day. How many forms of music do you enjoy? It might be at a game to show support for a team, it might be to add emotional meaning to a movie, or it might simply be to help you pass time while you exercise. So why not create your own music by joining one of the many vocal ensembles at UAH? You don't play, sing, or read music? Do you let that stop you

from taking a course that might enrich your life? At the University of Alabama in Huntsville there are choirs for all levels of ability, and they are not restricted to music majors only. Not only do these groups help fulfill our need for personal expression, they also reach out to our community to share the gift of music. If you have always wanted to be part of a performing organization, now is the time in your life to pursue this dream. Don't waste the chance to express your creativity. There are choirs waiting for your involvement, with varying schedules to meet your course demands. You are welcome and urged to contact the choir director, Dr. Michael Conran (824-



Dr. Conran conducts the UAH Concert Choir

2581), or the music department (824-6436) to find a group that will meet your interest and level. Join a choir and take advantage of the chance to express yourself musically with your peers while working towards a common goal.

If you'd like to see and hear us in action, we will be performing "A Christmas Card to Huntsville" on Sunday, November 20, 2005 at 3:00 in the afternoon at the Church of the Nativity in downtown Huntsville. Bring a friend!

Student's Vision Nets Large Grant

By John Michael Hampton

Robyn Sweitzer, a graduate student at UAH, recently received a \$400,000 grant from the National Institute of Health (NIH). Sweitzer, who is working on her doctorate in materials science, will be studying, "the development

of retinal prostheses for patients who have lost their vision due to macular degeneration or retinitis pigmentosa," according to Dr. Carmen Scholz, Associate Professor in the Department of Chemistry. Scholz is collaborating with Sweitzer on this study.

The study is part of the

Boston Retinal Implant Project in which several schools and various educational disciplines are participating. UAH is the materials group in the project. Other groups include electrical engineers, surgeons, biologists, and neurophysiologists. Most assembly and synthesis of the supplies will

take place here at UAH, although some experiments will be performed at UAB. Other schools participating in this venture include Harvard University and MIT.

Age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD) affects roughly 25 to 30 million people worldwide with 10 million here in the U.S., according to Dr. Scholz. "[AMD] is the leading cause of blindness in the developed world."

Retinitis pigmentosa is a group of disorders. These disorders are hereditary and develop in people between 10 and 30 years of age. The disease affects "the retina's ability to respond to light" and "causes advancing degradation of photoreceptors."

Scholz continued to state that, "There is no known cure for either disease. Current treatments, such as administering vitamin A, can only slow progression of the disease."

This study, though not a cure, will benefit patients. She explains that, "Our goal is to provide blind patients with some degree of vision, [where they will] be able to navigate in an unfamiliar environment...but also recognize faces...also, they will be provided with an artificial vision, which most likely, will not be comparable to our way of seeing."

As mentioned by the UAH press release, Sweitzer sees the benefits of this study just by looking at her family. "My mother had so little vision left that she was really getting discouraged, and my sister had just lost her driver's license." Through her efforts to bring the research to UAH, her mom was the first person in the experiment and provided the data necessary for researchers to know how much of an electrical current is needed to

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Across the Campus

Photos by Sarah Perrin

How did you spend your Halloween?



Matt Wilson

Senior, History

"I dressed as Aquaman and grilled hotdogs for residents of North Campus Le Deux at the Halloweenie Roast."



Sophia Hightower

Sophomore, Biology/French

"I spent my Halloween studying for my genetics test."



Marisa Ikstrums

Sophomore, French and International Trade

"I went to Tennessee all Halloween weekend and tried to get into as much trouble as possible."



Rebecca Herren

Junior, Spanish/French

"I finished moving, finished a PowerPoint project, studied for a test, finished a French paper and wrote a Spanish paper."

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THE CAMPUS?
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Campus Crime: Are We Safe on Campus?

By Natalie Katsikas

Megan Smith found her car vandalized on October 13th after her 7:45 a.m. cheerleading practice. The sun roof of her car was torn, and the passenger side window was broken. Smith's purse, along with her credit card, ATM card, mother's credit card, personal data assistant, license, and Social Security card were stolen. Fellow cheerleader, Jerikka Aaron's car, which was next to Smith's, was also broken into. The sunroof to Aaron's car was pried open, and her purse, wallet, and cell phone were all taken. A police officer was nearby and took the report. No finger prints were found, Smith added. "We really need cameras in the parking lots to ensure that no one

else's cars get broken into" said Smith. This is the second theft at Spragins Hall this year. During the time of the incident, officers were, in fact, on duty. In the officers' defense, Officer Albino said, "Twelve officers can only be in twelve places at once."

And while they say campus crime is under control, many students are still uneasy. "I don't know how long the thefts took, but considering no one saw it during the early day, really bothers me," said junior cheerleader, Jenny Russel. "If I can't trust my car to be parked safely during practice hours, [than] why should I feel safe leaving my car anywhere on campus?" Head cheerleading coach, Teri Courtney Graben, said, "the campus police are doing the best to their abil-

ity, but they could do more patrolling of the area and have cameras in the parking lots."

Earlier this year, the men's soccer team came back from practice to Spragins Hall at 6 p.m. to find that seven of the teammates' wallets were stolen from the locker room. The locker room was left unlocked during practice, and Spragins Hall is not officially locked until 6 p.m., according to men's soccer player, Kyle Fraser. Even after the break-ins, Fraser is not completely sold that the UAH campus is unsafe. "The campus police are more worried about speeding tickets than anything else, but the campus is a fairly safe place anyways," Fraser said. These crimes are still under investigation.

Officer Albino stated that crimes are products of motive

and opportunity. The cop cars are used as physical deterrents, which can prevent the opportunity for someone who may have the motivation to commit a crime. "You cannot prevent motive, but you can eliminate opportunity," he said.

Albino wants students to take precautions so that they will not be victims of theft. He advises that students should keep windows rolled up when the cars are parked. "It would be better to come back to a hot car than to come back to a car that was broken into," he noted. Albino also said that students should put all valuables in the trunk of the car before driving so that nobody sees them putting anything into their trunks while parked. "It's about common sense."

Albino said that the Campus Police Department offers safety sessions called C.R.A.P.-Crime Reduction through Active Partnership. He said it gives students a way to trust the campus police officers and to discuss things that can be done to be safe.

Some students argue that UAH campus police should be working harder to prevent campus crime. "The UAH Police Department is obviously not doing their jobs if cars are being broken into like, every other day," said senior, Marcus Milam, who had both his and his roommate's car broken into last year at Southeast Housing. "I have seen the campus police sitting in their cars and talking to other cops while supposedly on duty," said

junior, Allison Dailey.

A typical day of a police officer at UAH is sitting, waiting and then responding to what happens. "My day is 95% boredom," said Officer Albino. "It's about what if." There is no usual routine for an officer at UAH because different things can happen at anytime, he noted.

Senior, Jeff Graham said, "It's a nice sentiment to believe that a college campus is safe, but it's not realistic. You can't put 7,000 people together and expect everyone to be honest."

If you would like to learn more about C.R.A.P., contact Officer Albino at albinom@email.uah.edu or call the campus police station at (256) 824-6596.

Lumina Foundation Targets College Costs

By Clay Johnson
Entertainment Editor

The Lumina Foundation is concerned about rising college costs-so much so, in fact, that they have taken the issue to task, shepherding an initiative that the group hopes will help offer solutions to the rise in college expense.

The Lumina Foundation for Education is a private, independent foundation. Their stated focus is to help people achieve their potential by expanding access and success in education beyond high school. Lumina is one of the nation's fifty largest private foundations, with assets approaching \$1 billion, and they are nearing an annual grant

total of \$45 to \$50 million.

Originally a modest corporate giving program under the auspices of USA Group, the USA Group Foundation evolved on July 31, 2000, into a private foundation once USA Group sold its assets in guarantee servicing, student loan servicing, and secondary market operations. The proceeds of that sale endowed what was then christened the Lumina Foundation for Education.

Lumina's focus on access to higher education centers on those in underserved student groups such as low income, minority, first-generation, and adult students. The group has focused millions of dollars and hundreds of projects on college access,

and a top concern in this area is affordability.

Believing that quickly rising college costs are significantly affecting the economy, unemployment, welfare and public assistance, civic, and intellectual life, Lumina has taken a lead in attempting to enact a positive change.

College Costs: Making Opportunity Affordable, is an initiative created by Lumina Foundation to spotlight and foster solutions to the alarming rise in the cost of college. Working in partnership with decision-makers in higher education, state government, federal government, secondary schools, the private sector, families and students, Lumina is creating

a forum for dialogue and action to replicate effective solutions to the many problems that contribute to higher costs.

The problems that are targeted for address by this initiative are many and varied. For instance, Lumina cites state budget pressures which have helped to ratchet the price of tuition due to less state funding for schools. Loans are becoming more prevalent and accounting for a growing percentage of student aid in comparison to grants. In fact, while grants and loans initially were side-by-side with each other in terms of cost coverage percentage, since about 1993 loans have become about 100 percent more responsible for

tuition costs than grants, according to Lumina.

Part of the reason that grants are covering less tuition cost lies in the eroding power of Pell, Lumina says. Despite federal Pell Grant funding increases of seventeen percent between 1999 and 2004, these grants only covered about twenty three percent of the total charges at the average four-year public university during the 2003-04 school year. Pell Grants covered thirty five percent of those costs in 1980-81.

The many problems Lumina hopes to confront will be tackled according to four key principles:

- No single party bears responsibility for the solution
- No simple solution will

suffice

- Solutions based on evidence and experience offer greater promise for success

- Cost-effective solutions are more likely to secure approval in tight fiscal times

On November 2, 2005, an invitational summit will function as the next step in the College Costs initiative. Taking place in Washington, D.C., the summit will spotlight a variety of proposed solutions in hopes of enacting a change.

For more information on the Lumina Foundation, their College Costs initiative, or the upcoming Washington summit, visit them on the web at www.collegecosts.info.

Options for Student Life and Available Resources

By Alberto
Hernandez-Barral

On the website for UAH Student Affairs, there are excerpts from this anonymous statement: "Students are the most important people on our campus; without students there would be no need for the institution; [they are] not cold enrollment statistics but flesh and blood human beings with feelings and emotions like our own; [they are] not simply to be tolerated so that we can do our thing. They are our thing; [they are] not dependent on us [but] we are dependent on them; [they are] not an interruption of our work, but the purpose of it. We are not doing them a favor by serving them. They are doing us a favor by giving us the opportunity to do so."

Although, based on the school mission statement submitted to the online USA News College Directory, the

University does not seem to show as much importance and appreciation to students as Student Affairs does, "The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) is an autonomous campus of The University of Alabama System dedicated to excellence in teaching, research and service. UAH is a key participant in one of the nation's major international centers for advanced technological research and utilizes its position in this environment to provide unique opportunities and creative undergraduate and graduate programs for students in multiple fields in business, engineering, liberal arts, nursing and science. UAH is committed to maintaining a diverse academic community of the highest quality and to providing an environment that facilitates intellectual, cultural, personal, and professional growth."

However, there are so many student associations and other groups creating and participating in various activities that this collective seems to actually form the core of the university.

Students have access to a wide variety of resources, most of them, very valuable. For instance, some departments provide special tutoring services for students akin with dozens of Graduate Teaching Assistantships which helps improve the performance of undergraduates. Some departments also organize special groups to help students face certain subjects, such as the Physics Success Center or the Mathematics Learning Center. Student Development, a part of Student Affairs, additionally provides a free tutoring program. The Writing Center, located at Morton Hall, is told to be a useful facility for undergraduate and graduate students offering help on

properly writing a theses, dissertations, resumes, cover letters, projects, reports, etc. For foreign graduate students, officers and staff at the Immigration and Graduate Offices are experts on everything students need to know about how to complete degrees properly and request periods of employment within the United State. And finally, all students have access to facilities useful for group or individual studies, such as study rooms or computer rooms. For example, even though the Von Braun Research Center computer room is small, it is open almost twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Students can find out about books they need for each specific class in the bookstore, and the library has exceptional archives of materials as well as an outstanding interlibrary system (ILL) that allows for checking out books from libraries in other

states.

If you are a newcomer in Huntsville, residence halls at UAH are generally the best option. Some, such as Southeast Housing are close to another outstanding facility-the UAH Fitness Center. The Counseling Center and the Wellness Center are useful services that the school provides for students to help them keep up with health matters. *Mens sana in corpore sano*, the ancient Romans said.

The number of student organizations is almost innumerable. The Association for Campus Entertainment (ACE), the Student Government Association (SGA) and *The Exponent* (newspaper) are all well-known and active, as well as fraternities and sororities, engineering associations, and dozens of other groups that fulfill almost every single interest a student may have. Last month, for instance, certain students

celebrated a week discussing topics relating to hazing in college organizations.

Regarding career issues, Cooperative Education and Career Services try their best and are extremely helpful. They recently held two great programs, the Co-op Employment Day and the Job Fair and Interview Days, respectively. Both of them have proven to substantially help out students finding jobs. Last week, the traditional October Job Fair was held at the Exhibit Hall at the UC. Since employers at the fair do have to pay, "to cover items such as food services, additional advertising and printing, and to off-set recruiting technology costs," according to Rick Shroust, Director of Career Services, it is likely the attending companies are actually willing to hire students.

In the midst of so many valuable student resources, **LIFE on page 11**

Athlete Quick Take

By Heather Evans

A.J. Larivee



UAH Hockey Athlete
A.J. Larivee

What is your middle name?

Justin

When is your birthday?

December 19, 1983

What is one character trait you like in other people?

Humor

What is one character trait you despise in other people?

Dishonesty

What is your dream vehicle?

Brown 1983 Buick LaSabre with bench seating

Who is your dream dinner guest?

Shannon Polkowski

What is your favorite restaurant?

Olive Garden

What is your favorite movie of all-time?

One Flew Over the Cuckoos Nest

What is your favorite T.V. Show?

Late night with Conan O'Brien

What is your favorite dessert?

Carrot Cake

Who are your role models?

My mother and father

What do you like most about UAH?

Butts and Guts class

What made you decide to attend UAH?

Hockey Scholarship

What is your favorite class?

Body Sculpting. Because it's OKAY to wear spandex

Who is your favorite instructor?

J. Alexander. Teaches one heck of a stats class and is very approachable.

How the ROTC Can Help You

By Julie Roberts

For those who do not know what it means, ROTC stands for Reserve Officer Training Corps. The ROTC can help students in many different ways. Aside from potentially paying for tuition and other college related expenses, it is a great activity to put on a resume. According to Major Kelley, the ROTC representative for UAH, if there are two students up for a job and one has ROTC on his or her resume, there is a very good chance that he or she will be the one who is hired. When one participates in the ROTC program, the person learns valuable communication skills as well as lessons in leadership. One will also receive security clearance which is a plus if applying for a job with the government after graduation, because it will not have to be repeated.

Generally speaking, the ROTC prepares individuals for leadership in the U.S. Army as either an active duty officer or a member of the

Army Reserves or National Guard. When one completes his or her degree and ROTC requirements, the individual is commissioned as a second lieutenant at graduation. However, even students who are not interested in military careers can take and benefit from the courses and experiences. Overall, Kelley says the program gives students "more marketable skills."

Within the program, students can try all sorts of things. For example, Dane Schoonover commented that while in the ROTC he has, "had many crazy experiences like jumping from planes," and because he plans to have a, "lifelong career in the military," the program is perfect. It gives him quality training in the field and teaches him self-discipline, which he says is, "crucial to have...no matter what the circumstances are." He has been in the ROTC for about two years now and says it is not for everyone. It takes discipline and resolve before joining. However, he says that, "for those who have the poten-

tial," he would recommend the program. Students will have experiences there like nowhere else. And for many students, the chance to be worry free about college expenses would be nice, as well. "I have no worries at the beginning of each semester," Dane says, "because I know ROTC pays for my tuition, books, fees, food, and helps pay nearly all of my bills." With unique opportunities and the chance to meet "lots of intelligent and hard-working people," it is not hard to see why some students choose this route.

Over the summer, Dane was able to participate in both Airborne School and Mountain Warfare School. He attended Airborne School for three weeks, spending two of those weeks training under Army officials. Then, during the last week, he jumped from a plane five times. "When you first jump, you are moving at 250 miles per hour. By the time the shoot deploys (about four seconds) the only direction you are going is down."

At Mountain Warfare School in Jericho, Vermont, Dane says he was "humbled by Vermont's steep terrain." They spent two weeks there learning rock climbing techniques, rappelling, and "overall, just how to get through the mountains alive." But has all this military training robbed Dane of a fun loving spirit? "I had a blast doing some real hardcore stuff, and now I know how to tie a ridiculous amount of knots."

If reading this article has piqued anyone's interests, one should find out what opportunities the ROTC may hold. Regretfully, UAH does not have an ROTC website connected with the school. Major Kelley is also affiliated with Alabama A&M University so he is not based on the UAH campus. However, students who are interested can visit the A&M website at <http://www.aamu.edu/rotc/> or call Major Kelley at (256) 372-5773.

Gator Program to Continue in 2006

By John Michael Hampton

During the spring 2005 semester, alligator head decoys were installed in the duck pond at UAH in an attempt to reduce the bird population. As we near the end of the year, we decided to check on the status of these decoys, and their effects on the pond.

Marcia Green of the Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) stated, "Initially the number of waterfowl decreased. As they have acclimated to the 'Gator Guards' they have returned in small groups." Catherine Bryan, a student at UAH, agrees. "Often I run or drive by there and the birds don't seem to be affected by the gator heads at all."

Green noted that, "the waterfowl still come to the area in part because of people feeding them. Without an

abundance of easy food they may be more inclined to leave." Bryan replied, "I don't really see why we need to get rid of the birds." Green noted that the reason for attempting to control the population is simply the amount waste left behind by large groups of the birds which could make the area unsanitary.

Land predator decoys could also work but were not used due to the fact that they would disappear, according to Green. In fact, the first two gator guards suffered such a fate and "were replaced with guards that are equipped with reinforced security." She also mentioned that the guards are made of Styrofoam and move naturally in the water, eliminating the need for maintenance.

Green stated that other alternatives were considered such as capturing and releasing birds, using cattle dogs to patrol the area, or using



sonic boom devices. However, the "gator guards seemed like an easy way to deter some of the bird population without completely removing them."

Other than the decoys, OEHS is working on ways of keeping the pond clean like treating the pond for aquatic vegetation, picking up the trash, and cleaning sidewalks on a regular basis with pressure washers. Bryan also commented that, "no drastic measures" were necessary.

The gator heads will be removed in November, according to Green, "to keep the waterfowl from becoming acclimated and to allow for natural migration patterns of Canadian Geese. They will be returned in March of 2006."

The gator heads have achieved their purpose-to maintain the level of wildlife at the pond at a manageable level while protecting the environment around them. Be sure to look for them the next time you drive by the pond.

Record Tropical Season, Continuing Stormy Weather

By John Michael Hampton

Tropical Storm Beta broke records this week, becoming the twenty-second named tropical system in the Atlantic for the 2005 year. With all that has happened this season, those living in the South must know how to prepare for even more tropical weather as we head into autumn.

Tim Troutman, Warning

Coordination Meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Huntsville, states that the "tropical season...has been unusually intense due to the fact that the waters in the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico have been unusually warm. Tropical systems feed off of the warm waters in these areas and has led to the explosive development that has occurred this year." When asked how much

longer the season will last, Troutman noted that "there may be a couple more named storms before the tropical season ends on November 15th."

Residents in the area, including college students, need to be prepared for what nature sends this way. Troutman suggested that "if the Tennessee Valley is expected to see the effects from the remnants of a tropical

system, please be prepared for strong and potentially damaging winds, flooding rains and isolated tornadoes from the system. You should listen to local news, radio, and NOAA Weather Radio for the latest updates involving the system; and be prepared for power outages, in the event that higher winds knock down trees and electricity."

Troutman also sends the

reminder that we are beginning our secondary severe weather season here in Alabama. One or two severe weather outbreaks are a norm this time of year, and it is important for us to be weather watchful.

According to data from the National Hurricane Center website (www.nhc.noaa.gov), after the 21st named storm in the season, the rest of the storms

for the year will be named using the Greek alphabet. Therefore, we now have Alpha and Beta out there over the ocean.

The hurricane season should be ending soon. However, it is up to us to remain attentive to the weather during the rest of the season, as well as for any other severe weather events.

Sports

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A BRIEF UPDATE ON UAH ATHLETICS

Lady Chargers Look Ahead to 05-06

By Ramon Rodriguez

The Lady Chargers can still taste last season's bitter-sweet ending. After finishing the regular season with a dismal 8-20 record overall and 6-8 in GSC play, the squad managed to sneak into the GSC tourney to become only the third women's team in school history to do so. Unfortunately, Arkansas-Monticello topped UAH 63-60 in the first-round of the post-season tournament, sending off the Lady Chargers to prepare for next season.

The time has come, but don't expect the Lady Chargers to still be sulking with memories from last season. According to third year coach, Jeff Keller, the girls are more than ready to pick up from last season's strong finish.

"We've beaten every team in this league at least once, so we know that we can do this," said Keller. "If we play harder and smarter than anyone on our schedule, we feel we can control the outcome. We think we can contend for the league title."

The GSC title? Absolutely. With one returning senior, six juniors, and three sophomores, the Lady Chargers are perhaps the most talented women's squad

UAH has seen in the past five years. This year's team seems to be far more experienced than others in the past, which makes Keller think the Lady Chargers are quite capable of upending any team in the division as long as the girls are focused for every game, the entire game.

"The girls' individual skills have improved since the end of last year but we need to remember to play smart all the time. You can't play to win for thirty, thirty-five minutes—you have to play for forty. You can't have mental breakdowns, which could be the difference in a game," said Keller. "Most of our games last season were very close and one possession made the difference, so we must play intelligently."

Indeed. Last season, the Lady Chargers often lost focus midway through a game and gave up a double-digit lead, only to stage a last minute comeback that wound up two or three points short. In order for UAH to pose a bigger threat in the GSC this season, the girls must grab more offensive boards, limit opposing teams' second-chance opportunities, and slash down their 21.4 turnovers per game.

But the girls' impressive work ethic in the off-season



Photo by Jeff Keller

2005-2006 Lady Chargers

should propel the Lady Chargers to a winning year. And with the loss of only one senior, Dori Wimberly, UAH should have no problem making any serious adjustments.

Top scoring and rebounding junior forward, Kellye Barr (10.6 ppg, 8.4 rpg), will pose a big threat in the frontcourt alongside junior center, Hillary Luna (9.6 ppg), who led the team with eighteen blocked shots and was the Lady Chargers' second leading scorer. Sophomore, Michelle Snow, who gained valuable experience late last season, and freshmen forwards, Kristen Banes and Melanie Beddingfield, will all look to step in and contribute during the year.

In the backcourt, junior guard, Jessica Russell (9.5 ppg), the squad's sharpshooter and third leading scorer, looks to menace op-

posing teams from the perimeter, where she knocked down fifty-nine treys last season. Junior, Abby Fanning, and sophomore, Julie Richardson, will both command the Charger offense at the point while senior, Lindsey Schlosser, juniors, Jenna Whisenant, Candice Robinson, and sophomore, Mosheda Pettus, hope to have a strong impact at the wings.

The Lady Chargers will play two exhibition games against Lipscomb University on November 7th and Samford University on November 10th before kicking off the regular season on November 15th at Martin-Methodist.

Good-luck Lady Chargers!

Volleyball Team Falls to UNA

By Candice Burch

UAH fought hard in Florence last Tuesday, but was unable accomplish an upset over UNA. The Lady Lions defeated the Lady Chargers, 3-1 in a close (30-18, 27-30, 30-26, 30-28) match at Flowers Hall. After the loss, UAH had a respectable 20-10 overall record going, 8-4 in the Gulf South Conference and ranked 8th in the NCAA South Central Region. Rival UNA is undefeated in the GSC, and

currently sports a 27-1 record, overall.

UAH lost the first game 30-18 but did not get discouraged. They fought back to take the second game, 30-27, and opened game three with a five point lead. The Ladychargers held the lead until the lady lions tied the score at 16, and then UAH pulled ahead to take a 20-18 lead due to freshman hitter, Shannon Polkowski's, three kills. At 25-all, UNA took over, scoring 5 of the final 6 points of game

three. UAH held UNA tight throughout the final game but were not able to hold a substantial lead. The lady lions went on to capture the win 30-28 in game four.

Senior, Emily Miller, paced UAH with 15 kills while Shannon Polkowski chipped in 13 kills and 11 digs. Senior, Bethany Holder, contributed to the action, tallying 10 kills and 9 blocks, and Senior, Molly Healy, produced 12 digs. Samantha Polkowski set up 41 assists to close out the

match. Vanessa Ferretti of UNA led all scoring pulling off 31 kills and 18 digs.

The Lady Chargers will be in Carrolton today to play West Georgia, and on November 4th and 5th, the girls will play their last two home games of the season! Please come out to Spragins Hall and watch our women take on #8 Truman at 7p.m. on the 4th and Lincoln Memorial at 5 p.m. on the 5th.

Ice Hockey

(0-2-0, 0-0-0)
October 21 Maine 3, UAH 1
October 22 Maine 4, UAH 0

Upcoming Games:

November 4 at RIT, 6:05 p.m.
November 5 at RIT, 6:05 p.m.

Volleyball

(20-10, 8-4)
October 25 #6 UNA 3, UAH 1

Upcoming Games:

November 3 at West Georgia, 6 p.m.
November 4 vs. #8 Truman, 7 p.m.
November 5 vs. Lincoln Memorial, 5 p.m.
November 7 at Lee, 6 p.m.

Men's Basketball

(0-0, 0-0)
November 15 vs. Bellarmine, 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball

(0-0, 0-0)
November 7 at Lipscomb (Exhibition), 7 p.m.
November 10 at Samford (Exhibition), 5 p.m.
November 15 at Martin Methodist, 6 p.m.

Men's Soccer

(7-11, 4-4)
October 29 Lincoln Memorial 4, UAH 2

Women's Soccer

(6-10, 3-6)
October 29 Lincoln Memorial 6, UAH 1

Intramural Flag Football Champions



The Fighting Platypi beat the Pikes in the Championship Game by a close score of 12 to 7. The Fighting Platypi remained undefeated all season and throughout the tournament. Platypi defeated the Charger Hasbeens in the semifinals while the Pikes beat Campus Crusade to advance to the finals.

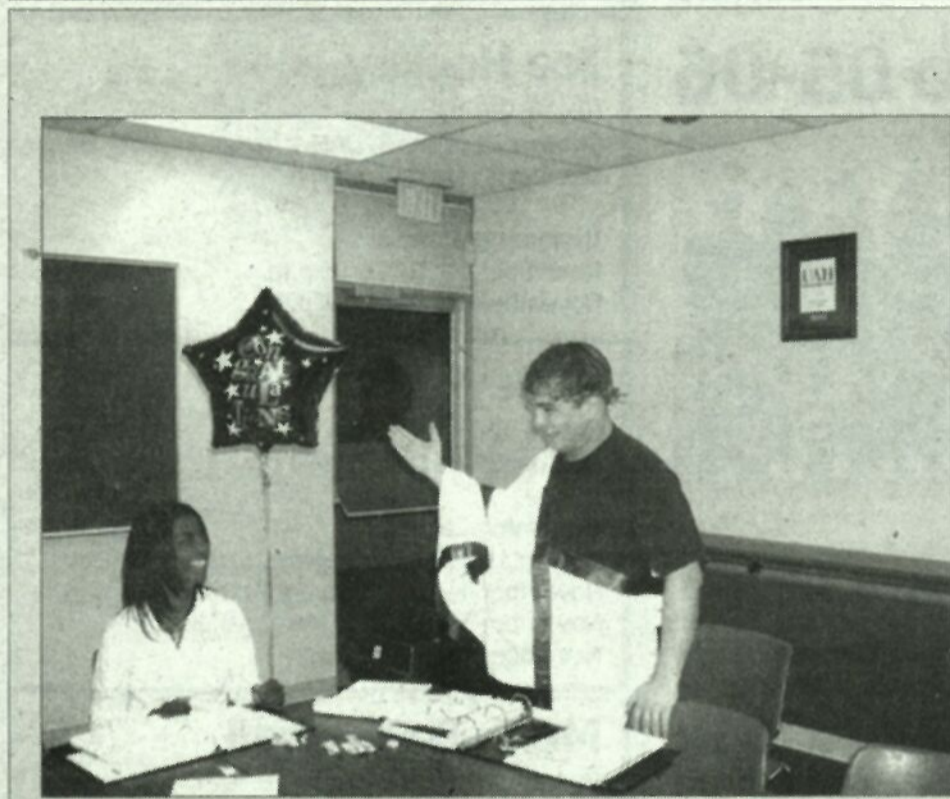
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SGA Review



Senator Samuel Parks dresses appropriately for Halloween as a Roman senator during Monday's SGA meeting.

Halloween, Short Meeting

By Lauren Mobley

Talk of a third Finance Workshop began the SGA House meeting tonight as there is still no definite date. However, it should be announced soon. Nominations for Homecoming King and Queen are due this Friday, November 4th. The statistics for the USA Today Readership program are in, and the results will be announced. The SGA is currently working on new brochures that will far outshine the previous ones from four years ago.

The new brochures will be printed on thicker paper with a lot more color and pictures of actual SGA members. These brochures are a part of the never-ending quest to get more students involved with the organization, letting them know that the senators and representatives are real students. New televisions should be installed in the UC Lobby very soon, so look out for them!

As always, there are still concerns with the Café. Apparently, students are still

expressing numerous negative feelings about the general operations of the Café and the food served. President Franz will be looking into these complaints to see what more could be done to improve the conditions.

There has been talk among SGA about expanding the Co-Op programs. If this happens, students with majors unaffiliated with science or engineering will have a better chance of getting a job.

PHOTO of the WEEK



By Sarah Perrin

Jack-o'-Lanterns from the Charger Cafeteria's pumpkin-carving contest

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Entertainment

A Review of *A History of Violence*

By Nathaniel Pence

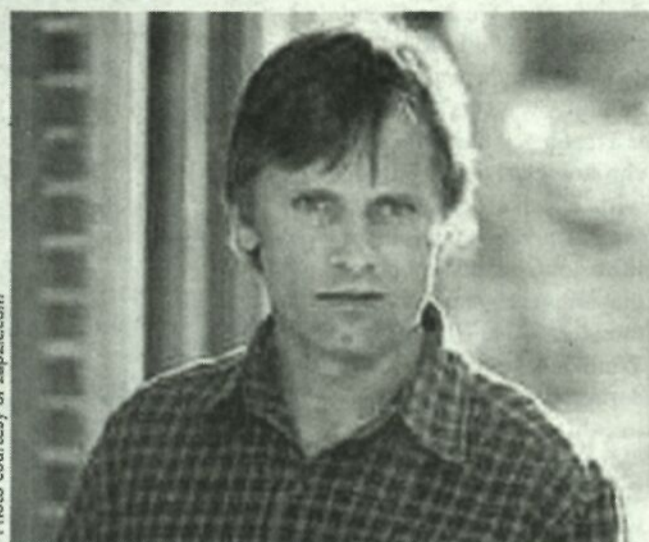
The movie, *A History of Violence*, opens with a rather violent depiction and closes on a very mundane but touching moment. It is Viggo Mortensen portraying a very naïve man that may or may not be hiding a dark past which includes ties to an organized crime syndicate and murder. As a mild-mannered, unassuming diner owner, Tom Stall is played by Mortensen in a fashion that is almost too genuine to be believed.

That thought is held by others from out of town, as well. But during an attempted robbery of Tom's diner, he kills the two men in a swiftly decisive manner, bringing the local news on himself and branding him as a town hero. The killings were justified as self-defense, but they were rather gruesome—especially the close-up of the man who was shot through the back of the head, only to have the bullet exit through and mutilate his jaw. Tom himself seems confused about the killing and is reluctant to an-

swer any questions. The title of "hero" also does not seem welcome.

His apprehension has good cause because as soon as Tom is on TV, Mr. Fogarty (Ed Harris) comes to town, calling Tom by the name of Joey Cusack, and wondering why Tom pretends to live the simple town life. Tom is very adamant to make Mr. Fogarty believe that he is not the man they wish him to be. Tom's wife, Edie, played by Maria Bello, stands behind his claims though she is obviously with doubts. The seemingly happy and loving couple also has two children, Jack and Sarah, and all seem to have lived happily up until the time that Tom became a hero and Mr. Fogarty came looking for Joey Cusack.

The mystery behind Mr. Fogarty's seemingly mistaken identity drives much of the plot, as we are meant to genuinely believe that Tom Stall is who he says he is. The doubt is always present, as evident in the town sheriff, Edie, and even Tom's son, Jack, once he learns what is going on. We are then forced to deal



Mortensen as Tom the reluctant hero

with the different reactions of family members and to see if they fare for better or worse by the end. The young daughter, Sarah, seems wholly indifferent to all that surrounds her but represents the fact that there is still a sense of innocence that can be robbed from the Stall family if Tom does not step up and owns to the fact that he is who he says he is not.

A History of Violence has a few graphic moments of both the grotesque and sexual variety, but it is the human interactions that keep

the story going. We worry about Jack, and how he gets along in school. We wonder how Edie is going to overcome the hurdle that has cropped up in her marriage. And we heavily wonder what the deal is with Tom's history, and why it has come back to haunt him. David Cronenberg has been known to give us equally grotesque films before (ala *The Fly*), but *Violence* is not driven by the disgusting. That is only eye candy for the story at heart.

Xbox 360: Worth the Investment?

By Daniel Horton

Come November 22nd, wallets are definitely going to be much emptier. On that day, many will buy something that they have never actually seen. That, of course, is the Xbox 360, the successor to the original Microsoft Xbox. As with cliché, overblown Hollywood blockbusters, sequels within the video game industry are inevitable, whether they be in the form of hardware or games.

Seemingly unable to wait until the popularity of the original system had waned, Microsoft has hurried the 360 into the market right on time for the subsequent holiday rush, and consumers who are equally impatient will have to shell out the money for their early adoptive nature. The two versions of the system will cost \$299 and \$399. The cheaper version does not include features such as a hard drive, wireless headsets, or controllers. The all-frills version of the system will include these features as well as a test drive of the new Xbox Live internet service.

Followers and frequent purchasers of video games may remember the track record of a system first released in the previous generation, the Sega Dreamcast. It became popular soon after launch but quickly keeled over after the release of the Nintendo Gamecube and Sony Playstation 2. This was partially because developer support went the way of the superior machines from Sony, Nintendo, and, eventually, the original Xbox. Fans also migrated to the newer systems for these reasons. Various arguments have been spurred over whether or not the Xbox 360 will be the Dreamcast of this generation, as the new consoles from Nintendo and Sony are nearly a year away. Supporters of Microsoft claim that this kind of defeat is impossible due to the tech power of the 360, but the fact remains that Sony and Nintendo have the time and resources to improve upon the framework and design of the 360.

Since Microsoft is the first to the market with their new toy, many consumers may

shy away from the previously-mentioned new machines offered by other companies. The Sony Playstation 3 will follow the precedent set by the Playstation 2, attempting to become the all-encompassing entertainment device for the living room. Just as Playstation 2 brought DVD into the home, the Playstation 3 will bring home HD-DVD with Sony's propriety BluRay technology built in.

Nintendo also remains within its previous structure continuing to innovate in the wacky-yet-intriguing way that only Nintendo can. The company recently unveiled plans for the new system which is currently codenamed the "Revolution." Nintendo shoes this nickname because they claim that game play will truly be revolutionary. The controller for the system is one-handed and used in a way akin to that of a three dimensional mouse. For example, in a third person shooter game, the player would point the controller at the screen and fire directly at the enemy. Because the use of the controller is limitlessly

ambiguous, developers will be able to employ it in any way they wish. Both the Revolution and the Playstation 3 are tentatively scheduled for release about a year from now—just in time for the 2006 holiday rush.

As for the Xbox 360, it is undeniably a highly powered machine that runs games that would make even the most obstinate Microsoft-hater drool. However, many of the highly anticipated games, such as "Perfect Dark Zero," will not be available at launch. Also, the choice of two different flavors is sure to cause confusion amongst the less-than-tech-savvy who may buy the system for spoiled children or grandchildren. While Microsoft singles itself out for a tech-worshipping demographic that sees money as no object, Nintendo and Sony will have the chance to jump into the market and capture the rest who do not fit this bill. Before purchasing the 360, one must ask if he or she really fits into the Microsoft realm.

Two-Month Music Preview

By Clay Johnson
Entertainment Editor

Last year the music industry handed us some heavy hitters to stuff our stockings as the year wound down. For instance, Eminem gave an *Encore* performance, U2 dropped an *Atomic Bomb*, and Gwen Stefani delivered the gift that keeps on giving—bananas, anyone?

But why should last year have all the fun? The upcoming holiday season is starting to shape up nicely as some high-profile artists vie for a spot on the coveted shopping lists of capitalist consumers cross-country. Let's have a gander at the prospects, shall we?

November sees several nice 'n' shiny new sets of songs. Santana continues the comeback he began back in 1999 with the Grammy-winning *Supernatural*, offering up *All That I Am*. Speaking of comebacks, Kate Bush will release her first album in about twelve years, titled *Aerial*, while Cyndi Lauper pops up again with *The Body Acoustic* (no word yet on whether she wants to have more than just fun at this point). The power of pop stays alive and kicking with Madonna's *Confessions on a Dance Floor*, and the Britney Spears remix collection, *B In the Mix*. Shakira also elicits a raised eyebrow with her *Oral Fixation, vol. 2*.

Still firmly entrenched in November, prepare for fluttering falsettos and Queen-inspired quests on a *One Way Ticket to Hell...And Back* by the Darkness. System of a Down hopes to effectively *Hypnotize* you into buying their second album this year, while Creed crooner, Scott Stapp, has cobbled together a solo collection called *The Great Divide*.

Other niche artists are dropping discs this month including Floetry, Kenny Chesney, Terri Clark, Third Day, Rammstein, Big & Rich, and Enya. Greatest hits collections from the likes of Reba McEntire, Alanis Morissette, the Eurythmics, blink-182, and John Fogerty will hit shelves as well. Also, expect live sets from Slipknot, Dwight Yoakam, the Mars Volta, Jimmy Buffett, Wilco, Green Day, the Moody Blues, the John Mayer Trio, Michael Buble, and Dave Matthews Band.

Soundtracks to movies such as *Walk the Line* and *Get Rich or Die Tryin'* are probably sure bets. Bruce Springsteen's seminal *Born to Run* gets a 30th anniversary reissue, Ray Davies ekes out a new EP, and the Rolling Stones throw out a disc of rarities.

December is when the holiday rush really sets in. The first week alone will see a slew of super CDs. Korn resumes its love affair with mediocrity on *See You on the Other Side*. Meanwhile, possibly-anorexic Lindsay Lohan offers up the much-anticipated (if you're a 14-year-old TRL-obsessed girl) *Confessions of a Broken Heart*. Lil' Wayne and Styles P unload their latest projects, while much-lauded rap duo, OutKast, will probably cause critical, premature evaluations to explode with *Idlewild*. *Jarhead* star, Jamie Foxx, gets back to his *Ray* days with his CD, aptly titled *Unpredictable*.

Fans of *Metal Gear Solid 2 & 3* may want to pay attention to the impending release of the soundtrack to *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, as it contains a score by Metal Gear composer, Harry Gregson-Williams. Others may find the first full-length from *American Idol*'s top loser, Bo Bice, more enticing. Hip-hop fans should take a peek at Pharrell's latest, christened *In My Mind*, and the posthumous *Duets* collection featuring a guy who has put out more albums since his death than he did during his life: Notorious B.I.G. Don't forget to pick up Eminem's *Curtain Call*, a greatest hits package featuring two new songs that will make you wonder whether Slim Shady is retiring or just lazy.

So as you can see, there are quite a few big-time releases coming up in the next few months. The titles mentioned here are just the tip of the iceberg, though. Take a trip to the local Best Buy or Circuit City as the Christmas shopping season sidles along, and you'll find a smorgasbord of music for season's giving (or maybe just to snag at a discount and keep for your own, remaining forever guilty over the fact that you could have spent that money on gifts for others).

Sara Evans' Latest Album is Just Fine

By Clay Johnson
Entertainment Editor

Sara Evans grew up in rural Missouri, performing with her family's band when she was a mere four years old. Years later, she was performing with a group as Sara Evans & North Santiam, opening for major country talents such as Willie Nelson and Tim McGraw. Eventually, she broke off and headed to Nashville to put her career into a higher gear. She won an RCA contract in 1996 by delivering a performance of Buck Owens' "I've Got a Tiger by the Tail" that inspired its writer, Harlan Howard, to hook her up.

You might say that's a *Real Fine Place* to start, and you'd be right. Soon Evans was putting out albums with gusto, eventually hitting pay dirt with discs such as 2000's *Born to Fly* and her last effort, *Restless*. While she may sing at times about leaving the "Suds in the Bucket" and sowing wild oats, she doubles as a family woman who holds to traditions in both music and day-to-day life.

Her latest effortlessly

walks the line between traditional and otherwise. The album starts off with the fiddle-flaunting "Coalmine," a fast-paced romp about how a dusty shaft appeals to Evans—bending the coalmine cliché that indisputably belongs to Loretta Lynn to take it to a new realm.

"A Real Fine Place to Start" is the current big single from the album, and one can see why with its soaring vocals and pop-country arrangements ready-made for the airwaves. It's light but enjoyable, while the next offering, "Cheatin'," has a bit more meat—specifically pork and beans as the antagonist of the song is down to a diet of canned meals now that he has to take care of himself. It's a nice take on the conventional country cheating song.

"New Hometown" finds Evans pining to escape the confines of the big city and imagining "Friday football games where everybody knows our names." This is a recurring theme—perhaps not just of this album but of country music in general—with "Missing Missouri" seeing her reminisce about

her youth before the fame and hectic schedules. "Bible Songs" takes a different approach, pointing out the bad side of small town life, and it is quite a good track.

Modern-day pop-country contributions such as "The Secrets That We Keep" and "Tell Me" are likeable love songs with little new to offer. "You'll Always Be My Baby" is a reading of the full-circle, chronological country form, with a verse dedicated to three separate snapshots of life's journey, and a chorus that joins each part to a common theme and a life lesson. While it is nothing new, it is definitely well-done and enjoyable. Meanwhile, "Momma's Night Out" finds Evans painting the town while "Daddy's doin' dishes."

Place is a fine album. Evans shines with her vocal talents pushing the album along nicely. The music is typical of the modern-day fare emanating from Nashville and hovering on the radio waves, often resembling a sort of country wall of sound with no instrument dominating the others. In fact, the vocals are the main focus with



the instrumentation acting as simple adornment. It's a competently-crafted album, produced by Evans herself, alongside Mark Bright.

The themes of the album

are not uncommon ones, but they are often delivered with new twists. The final effect of this disc gives fans of the country-pop songstresses more of the same. If you are

into other similar artists, such as Martina McBride, this one is a no-brainer. Otherwise, it's doubtful that Evans will convert you to her cause.

Fall Fest 2005's Football Theme Proves Successful

By Sarah Perrin
News Editor

What appeared to be the last of the warm summer days held out just long enough for the Association of Campus Entertainment's (ACE) annual Fall Fest. The week long celebration, "Are You Ready for Some Football?" was scheduled for a time just after most midterms, when students definitely need a break from the pressures of school. Best of all, Fall Fest is one hundred percent free and en-

compasses activities and events from a wide range to suit every taste including: make and take crafts, movies, comedians, and music. And let us not forget the highly sought after Fall Fest tee shirts and other giveaways.

Things "kicked off" on Monday with bathtub racing at the University Center during the daytime and the showing of Monday Night Football in the Exhibit Hall. The UAH Cheerleaders and mascot, Charger Blue, were on hand doing routines be-

fore the game. A dinner of Domino's pizza and canned drinks was provided, though due to school regulations the students were prohibited from serving themselves. At no fault of the ACE staff, servers which had already been paid for were available until the pizza had already been delivered for some thirty minutes, meaning that by the time it was consumed it was rather cold. Unable to damper spirits, many stayed for the whole game to see Indianapolis take St. Louis, 45-28.

Tuesday, students enjoyed a trip to the Charger dude ranch...ahem inflatable dude ranch...in the Exhibit Hall where they could ride a real mechanical bull. Unlike past mechanical bulls the school has had, this one could do it all, and the operator certainly enjoyed tossing tough guys off and onto the moon-bounce like surroundings. That evening comedian, Troy Thurgill, presented a show.

The Wednesday daytime activity was arguably the most popular of all. Students literally formed lines for the chance to make a personalized bobble-head doll. There

were, at least in the beginning, many figures to choose from. Once one selected a statue, the student's picture was taken with a Polaroid camera and after it developed, a cutter was used to create the insert. The size of the face in the picture was a bit small relative to what it should have been, and if one arrived sometime after 11:30a.m., there was no choice but to be a cheerleader or softball player though nobody seemed to mind. The fun was not just limited to students either, Vice President of Student Affairs, Delois Smith, chatted with students while waiting for her doll to be made. Wednesday night, previously set aside for the Step Show and cover band, The Breakfast Club, was ultimately home to the Black Student Association's (BSA) Halloween dance. Although only ACE folks came in costume, and it got off to a slow start, things picked up and everyone seemed to have an excellent time. One added bonus was \$400 dollars worth of door prizes provided by ACE, which included a color television, a portable DVD player, a karaoke ma-

chine, a stereo system, movies and CDs.

Thursday provided a bit of a breather with only an evening activity. There was a stupendous turnout for the showing of the newest Adam Sandler movie, *The Longest Yard*. Free drinks and freshly made popcorn were also available. T-shirts, wristbands, and bottle cozies were thrown to the excited crowd.

Friday was truly the opposite of Thursday with a daytime activity but no evening one. From 10 a.m.-3 p.m. cover band, Livewire, performed on the slab while fifty yards away, students rekindled childhood fun on three enormous inflatable games. The most popular of all was the 120 foot long inflatable obstacle course which included tunnels, climbing walls, and other assorted things to dive through and jump on. It was so popular, in fact, that some students literally played for the entire time it was open. There were, however, multiple reports of feet and other exposed skin being burned on the hot vinyl, leading one student to say, "This is awesome man!" Other inflatables included a

70 foot long human football/dodgeball arena that, in reality, could have only been better if it had a moon bounce bottom. That would be some serious dodgeball. There was also a bungee cord run where students were strapped in and allowed to run as far as possible before being snapped back. Lunch was also provided outside by Doug Saunders, Director of the University Center.

Saturday afternoon students once again gathered in the Exhibit Hall to see two of the biggest names in college football battle in what some say was the most anticipated game of the season. Students were equally divided representing the teams. Ultimately, the Crimson Tide defeated the Tennessee Vols, 6-3 in the last fifteen seconds of the game with a 34 yard field goal kicked by sophomore, Jamie Christensen.

If you missed Fall Fest, you can always check out Spring Fest, next semester. ACE also holds events most Wednesday evenings and you can find out more by visiting them at <http://www.uah.edu/ACE>.

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ACE Adds New Member, Pittman

By Jeff Graham

In a desperate attempt to appear hip and with the times, ACE (Association for Campus Entertainment) has added a new face to the lineup: fan favorite, Jason Pittman. Pittman, an undecided freshman, is working alongside Barbie Czura and Jeff Graham as assistant director of publicity.

"I couldn't be more excited," declares Graham. "He does all the jobs that we don't

want to, and we just tell him it's his turn. We're like, yeah, we all give each other piggy-back rides to class. This week, it's your turn." When asked if it was awkward interviewing himself, Graham coolly stated, "Jeff Graham doesn't need to prove himself to you. Jeff Graham is awesome. Plus, I hear *The Exponent* pays more the more people you interview." Graham proceeded to chuckle to himself while everyone else in the room watched nervously.

When asked if he was enjoying his new position on the ACE board, Pittman took a break from mopping to say, "It's great. They've asked me to clean the office three times in two days, but they assured me that everyone does it. I don't really see what cleaning has to do with publicity, but whatever man. I love it here."

Pittman and Graham aren't the only ones that are happy to see Jason on the board. ACE President, Cade McKee

comments, "Who? Is he the new publicity guy? Tell him to clean something. If he gives you any lip, just tell him everyone takes a turn, and it's his turn this week. He falls for that every time."

With support like that, who can argue the importance of such a pivotal cog in the ACE machine? So come and show your support at the next ACE event, Wednesday night at 9:00p.m. High-fiving Pittman is not mandatory, but it is strongly encouraged.

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Cade McKee
ACE President



John Kiser
ACE Vice President

I'm sitting here drinking my 3rd coke of the day. And by coke I mean Mello Yello. Did the drink come out before the song, or vice versa? Wait, let me ask Jeff... Jeff says, "It's Cade's world, and I'm just living in it. Whatever suits you suits me." That's loyalty, Kyle. Man, I wish *The Simpsons* were on. Oh well. I just saw a girl walk by in a red devil costume, and she was hot! She was on her way to Morton Hall, and I almost followed her. I'm writing this on Halloween, so if that girl is reading this, she knows who she is. My name is Cade McKee, and I would like to get to know you better (you take that however you like). Please come to our events on Wednesdays and introduce yourself to me. If you come in your outfit, you'll get in for free. What is it about Morton Hall that attracts the ladies? I basically live at Tech Hall, so I knew every girl in the building by my 2nd year of school. Morton is a different story. I had a class in there last year, and every day I saw a new girl in class. It was like renting movies. When you saw one, you could always return it and get another one, with no late fees. Or you could keep it, and rewind or pause whenever you wanted. Why oh why couldn't I be blessed with good writing skills so I could have more classes there? Wait, I forgot. LeAnne likes to show up at Tech Hall in her Eskimo boots every now and then. That's a breath of fresh air. Man, I hope Heath doesn't get pissed that I said that. Seriously, devil girl, just ask around for Cade. They know where to find me.

ACE PLUG: "War of the Worlds" Nov. 9 in Exhibit Hall.

I went to the mall with Jeff the other day. He almost went to the food court entrance, but I told him to go to my favorite entrance instead. You know the one I'm talking about. The one right next to Victoria's Secret. This is the only mall entrance I use. I went to the mall earlier this week with John and Emily, and I took them to this entrance. Emily could not understand my fascination with walking past such an establishment. She said, "Why do you want to walk past a women's underwear store?" I let her ponder it over herself, then I donkey-punched her. John remained truthful to Dena, looking forward the whole time at Parisians hoping just to get past without anything lacy catching his attention. He succeeded. Dena, don't get mad. He stood up for you. Back to me and Jeff. Now, Jeff is also involved with a Dena, except it's not Dena, it's someone else. Or did I just blow your freaking mind? Anyways, as I was expressing my amazement to Jeff about the panties on the manikins, the girl working there looked out the window to see me pointing and staring. Busted. At first I was embarrassed, but then Jeff said, "Hey man, if they didn't want you to look, they shouldn't have put them on display." Jeff, you should be a philosopher. As bad as that was, it was nothing like mine and Jeff's UAH bookstore adventure. We were standing in line waiting to purchase some sweet UAH shorts, when UAH softball player Sage walked by with a purse/bag thing that was only big enough to hold a pocket watch. I pointed at it and said, "That's hot!" And by said, I mean I screamed it. What I didn't expect was for her to hear it and turn around to see me pointing at what appeared to be her "shorts" screaming "That's hot!" Man, Jeff didn't let me live that one down for awhile. But we all had a good time, and Sage didn't beat me up. Pitchers tend to be vicious, but I think she liked it, so I was ok. Sorry Koushik.

This week's fan of the week is that devil girl. You guys have no idea how much I liked that. That girl is a trooper. A hot, hot trooper. Go Halloween!

ACE Presents War of the Worlds

By Jeff Graham

Wednesday night, ACE will be showing *War of the Worlds*, a film based (loosely) on the classic by H.G. Wells. The movie depicts the struggle for Earth between mankind and invading aliens. The picture tells the story from the perspective of an American family just trying to survive.

If you loved the book, perhaps the movie is not for you. If, however, you are like me and enjoy movies for the simple fact that they do not involve reading, this should be right up your alley. I personally plan on watching the movie, joining in on literary discussions of the novel, and pretend to know what I am saying, but that's just one man's take on the situation. Trust me, it works. I have used this strategy for *Othello*, *Lord of the Rings*, and the story of Moses, compliments of Charleton

Heston. I described this theory to Jade Ingram, and she agreed, saying, "Jeff, you're an idiot." As mentioned by Mr. John Kiser in last week's *ACE in Your Face*, Jade has issues expressing her true feelings.

The film stars Tom Cruise, best known for *Mission: Impossible* and jumping on couches, and Dakota Fanning, who is known for every film in the past 5 years that starred a little girl. It was directed by Stephen Spielberg who is credited with more films than I feel necessary to list, but, most notably, *Gremlins 2: The New Batch*.

The movie will be shown Wednesday night at 9:00 p.m. in the U.C. Exhibit Hall. ACE will provide free drinks and popcorn and will throw out shirts and other giveaways.

Now for my favorite part of the article: I want to address two things briefly. The first is the Catch Phrase of the

Week. I will list a phrase that I think should be used more in common conversation, and you sheep will use it. This week's phrase is, "Couldn't be a better player," compliments of Too Short. For example of how this can be used throughout the day, when a friend asks how you did on a test that you know you aced (ACE, get it? Huh? Huh?), coolly say, "Couldn't be a better player," then immediately high five. The Catch Phrase of the Week should always be followed by a high five.

The second thing I want to discuss is something I want to call ACE Hater of the Week. This is like the fan of the week but the total opposite. It is for all of you who made me get up from my seat at Fall Fest to get you a shirt, and then you didn't even stay for the event. You three girls know who you are. One of you stingy females even

took two shirts-not cool.

This week's Hater came out a tie however, among everyone that did not wish Kurt Sansom a happy birthday this weekend. Kurt is a 'volunteer' here at ACE, and by that, I mean he takes a shirt but contributes nothing. We wouldn't have it any other way. He has the soul of a saint and the heart of a lion. When asked about Kurt, Ian Hooley's eyes glazed over as he said dreamily, "Kurt doesn't have a computer." I don't know what that means, but Ian refused to explain. When asked if he was hurt by all of the ingrates who refused to take three minutes out of their day to wish him a happy birthday, Sansom simply replied, "I forgive them. I'm sure they are good people." I, however, am not so forgiving. You are all Haters of the Week.

TOP 10

Top Ten Movies

1. Saw II
2. The Legend of Zorro
3. Prime
4. Dreamer: Inspired by a True Story
5. Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit
6. The Weather Man
7. Doom
8. North Country
9. The Fog
10. Flightplan

Top Ten Albums

1. **I Am Me** Ashlee Simpson
2. **Thanks for the Memory... The Great American Songbook, Vol. IV** Rod Stewart
3. **Timeless** Martina McBride
4. **All the Right Reasons** Nickelback
5. **A Time to Love** Stevie Wonder
6. **Trill** Bun-B
7. **Playing the Angel** Depeche Mode
8. **Monkey Business** The Black Eyed Peas
9. **Unplugged** Alicia Keys
10. **Late Registration** Kanye West

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES

Calendar of Events for the City of Huntsville

Nov 3 - 5 Wings of Freedom Tour @ Madison County Executive Airport, Meridianville, AL

Nov 3 - 5 The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild Dramatic Society Murder Mystery @ Von Braun Center Playhouse, Huntsville, AL

Nov 3 Concert: Holiday Beginnings featuring Freddy Cole @ EarlyWorks Museum, Huntsville, AL

Nov 5 Glaciers Rock Your Ice @ Ice Complex, Huntsville, AL

Nov 5 US Army Brass Quintet @ Grissom High School, Huntsville, AL

Nov 10 Jerry Seinfeld @ Von Braun Center Concert Hall, Huntsville, AL

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Homecoming Nomination Process

By Joseph Terrell
Editor-in-Chief

I should have made this announcement in last week's paper, but now that I'm thinking about it I guess it would be proper to announce the three individuals chosen for the staff writer positions that we have been advertising for all semester long. Congratulations to Michael Cummings, Julie Roberts, and Lorisrose Belton for being selected to serve the Exponent in this function.

This is the first time in a long time that the Exponent has had staff writers. What does this mean? Well, we finally have the flexibility to cover events and topics that we otherwise would not be able to. It is much easier for the news editor to assign topics, whereas before topics were not assigned, but 'pitched' to writers for their consideration. Hopefully, if our initial three news staff writer positions prove to be successful, we will be able to extend staff writer opportunities to the sports and entertainment sections.

The deadline for homecoming nominations is November 4, a Friday. As many clubs and organizations have already nominated candidates to represent their organizations, so has the Exponent. Sports Editor Heather Evans has been elected as the Exponent homecoming queen representative and I have the honor of representing us as the Exponent homecoming king representative. Since some of you may not be familiar with the way the process works for electing a homecoming king and queen, I'll dedicate the next few paragraphs to explaining this.

Think of this as a three-stage process. First, each UAH club, organization, and academic department is granted the opportunity to nominate one King and Queen candidate. Those individuals chosen by their club, organization or academic department must fill out the Nomination form available at the Information Desk in the University Center. The nomination form is where the nominees list all of their activities, honors, elected/appointed offices, and UAH memberships, all of which will later be tallied to be included in the nominee's overall point total. The second step of the homecoming process consists of an interview, where nominees are judged on neatness/appearance, poise, articulation, attitude, and personality. This middle stage eliminates the competition down to five men and five women: the homecoming court. Finally, the student body votes on the Homecoming King and Queen and Mr. and Miss Charger (the latter categories are for freshman and sophomores). If you want to have a chance at competing for any of these titles, here is some advice: get involved, get really involved!

There will be a political debate on Monday, November 7, at 7:00pm in the NCRH Multi-purpose room. This debate will of course be between the UAH College Republicans and Democrats. Please be sure to attend, as it will definitely be an exciting event. Also note that questions will not be accepted directly from the audience; only written questions submitted to a bi-partisan panel will be considered.

If the newspapers did not get delivered to your building last week, I apologize. We have a new distribution manager this week so hopefully any problems of the past were resolved this week. Please notify me via email at editor@exponent.uah.edu if your building does not receive newspapers before Friday, as I can only address the issue if I know it exists.

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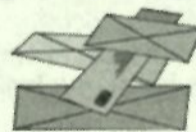
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Dear Suzy



The deadline for Dear Suzy letters is Sunday at midnight. Letters should be sent to uahdearsuzy@yahoo.com. Anonymity will be preserved in Dear Suzy letters. Suzy is a UAH student and is not a licensed psychologist or therapist. Her advice is based on her own experience and should never be taken as the advice of a physician or therapist. Her opinions do not necessarily reflect the opinions of *The Exponent*, staff members, or the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

Dear Suzy,

I have been wanting to take a foreign language class for quite some time, and I'll finally have the opportunity in the spring semester. I know that 101 courses are only offered in the fall, but I am pretty sure I heard somewhere that the department is offering spring semester 101 courses in two new languages this year, Chinese and Italian, is this true?

-Tired of Speaking Only English

Dear 'Tired of Speaking Only English',

The rumors you heard are true. Chinese and Italian will be offered for the spring 2006 semester. This is an anomaly in that 101 foreign language courses are offered solely in the fall semester. There are actually a couple of Global Studies trips going to Italy this summer, so if you were to take Italian next semester and wanted to participate in one of the trips to Italy, you would at least have a basic grounding in the language, greatly contributing to your overall experience. However, if you prefer to take one of the other six languages cur-

rently offered at UAH (Spanish, French, German, Russian, Japanese, Latin), you will have to wait until the Fall 2006 semester. No matter which language you choose to study, it will definitely be worth your time and money.

Dear Suzy,

After class on Monday I found a ticket on my windshield, courtesy of the UAH Police Department. Apparently I was guilty of pulling through a parking spot. I really don't see how this is a problem. I mean yes, the police have to get out of their

cars if they want to verify that I have a parking decal, but couldn't their time be spent doing something more meaningful?

-Not Paying This Ticket

Dear 'Not Paying This Ticket',

I can definitely empathize with you on this one. However, I urge you to pay your ticket. You will not be allowed to graduate if you leave this bill unpaid. There are other ways to protest your ticket; 'not paying your ticket' isn't the best one of them.

RECYCLING from page 1

members of the faculty and students on how the recycling program on campus could be improved...I talked

with people in Grounds Management, who run the recycling program on campus and also with people around

campus who started a volunteer program involving RA's."

Ganiere challenged the

whole of UAH to take recycling more seriously, "I know of a school that is smaller than UAH which provided a

recycling bin to every room on campus... We should take recycling seriously, there are limited amounts of resources

on this planet."

FIRE from page 1

equipped with sprinklers in both the common areas of the suites and in all of the individual bedrooms.

No doubt the sprinklers give some peace of mind, but the best thing to do is prevent fires from occurring in the first place. For instance, smoking is banned in the residence halls. Candles, incense, and any objects with an open heating coil are not allowed by any means. The housing lease also provides students with information on making sure power strips and

other electrical appliances are safe. Every student who lives in the residence halls should know how to use a fire extinguisher. Although the school does not offer training to the students themselves, the RDs and RAs have hands on instruction at the beginning of every school year. There are simple written instructions for everyone else. Each suite is equipped with an extinguisher, and they are inspected periodically to make sure they are fully charged. For safety, the residence halls

also have practice fire drills.

Experts remain steadfast in the advice to remain calm during any emergency. However, some UAH residents have taken that to the extreme. One student who formerly to live in CCRH said the alarms went off so frequently that, eventually, they just stopped running for the door. If the school is having too many false alarms, are the students going to become blasé about the whole situation? Every time the alarm sounds, pushing students outside

into the cold, there is always that moment of wondering if it is real or not. More often than not, it is false, and sometimes legitimately so. Other times, the alarm sounds because someone pulled it, hoping to play a prank on everyone. Those supposed harmless pranks can get the people into a lot of trouble. If someone pulls the alarm and there is no fire, they can be charged with violation of Title 32, chapter 13a-10-8, "rendering a false alarm". That false alarm can be

handled by the University Judicial Board system and if an injury is caused directly or indirectly by their action, the person can be charged with responsibility for that as well. There is also the case of setting off the alarm doing something either prohibited (i.e. smoking, burning candles, incense, using a hot plate, etc.) or just a little careless (i.e. using a hair dryer or letting the microwave stay on a bit too long). For the former, the actions taken are similar to those when the alarm is

pulled for no reason. Officer Albino says the police will examine the circumstances, "in a fair and reasonable manner in order to determine if in fact a crime was committed and to act accordingly."

The simple fact is that all things fire related should be taken seriously all the time. Never pull a fire alarm, the ramifications are very serious. And every drill should be treated as if it were the real thing.

VISION from page 2

stimulate the nerves in a person's eyes. Scholz adds, "It was Robyn's inquisitive-

ness and the right questions that she asked during those experiments that prompted

this very successful collaboration."

Sweitzer's dedication,

along with that of her colleagues in this study, may bring about a brighter day for

those suffering from vision disorders. And for that, even her family will be thankful for

the research being done through the Boston Retinal Implant Project.

LIFE from page 3

one question comes out to mind: is being a college student nowadays harder or easier than years before? For Sunitha Devineni and Matt Frisby, both seniors in Electrical Engineering (EE) and Chemical Engineering (CHE), respectively, the answer is harder. "It is easy because of

the technological progresses, but people expect more from you, and that makes the whole thing tougher," says Devineni. Dr. Katherine Taconi, from CHE department, also thinks it is harder. "Students have to work a little bit harder than I had when I was an undergraduate, five

or ten years ago. They have to work harder to find a place after graduation," she said. She says that computer tools and software make things easier, but she also pointed out that "tuition is more expensive, and that means more responsibility. Also, the number of jobs available has

dropped within the last three or four years, and I know people who were laid off after two years working for a company." Angelia Heulett, staff in EE, also believes student tasks require, "more responsibility" now. On the contrary, Dr. C. P. Chen, also from CHE, believes it is easier,

and he finds technological tools to be a major point of distraction. "30 years ago, all the engineering graduate students shared a small radio, a TV, and a phone at the dorms." The question is complex for some, and many find that being a student today is "a challenge."

For more information on tutoring services please visit Student Affairs at http://www.uah.edu/student_affairs/tutoring/index.php.

CLUBWIRE

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UAH Arab Club: Join the Arab club in "The Arabian Night". Get introduced to Arabic food, Arabic music, Arabic clothes, and have your name written in Arabic. Other surprises, All FOR FREE. Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2005 at 7:00p.m. in the Union Grove Gallery.

UAH Paintball Club: The Paintball Club will be attending a 24-hour scenario game in Fayetteville, TN on November 12 and 13. More information will appear in Club Wire later.

UAH SEDS (Students for the Exploration and Development of Space): If you are interested in joining UAH SEDS, email shimizs@email.uah.edu.

The society of Ancient Languages will be hosting their public reading on November 3rd at 7:30 p.m in Union Grove gallery. The title of the reading is "Romanus Sum" or Being a Roman. Dr. John Pottenger will be the main speaker and five society members will also be speakers. Refreshment will be served after the reading.

UAH National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) Chapter is hosting a Resume Writing Seminar presented by Boeing employee and NSBE Alumni member Pamela McDonald on Monday, Nov. 7 @ 8:00 p.m. in the Engineering Building Rm 207. ... If you need help writing your resume, come to NSBE's next meeting and receive the information that will benefit and meet your needs! So don't miss this opportunity!!! Check out our website at <http://www.nsbe.org>.

The UAH College Democrats are looking for organizations to cosponsor "Open Mic Night" a non-partisan event to support our troops. It will be held on November 14 from 7-10 pm in the UC Exhibit Hall. For more information contact uahcollegedems@yahoo.com before November 7th.

Registration Begins November 7th!

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Classifieds

Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

Cramming

Across

- 1 A Boy Named Sue singer
- 5 Painted the room again
- 10 Dad to some
- 14 Against
- 15 John Rockefeller's company
- 16 Computer symbol
- 17 Saucy
- 18 Tryout
- 20 Barnyard resident
- 21 Pour
- 22 Helpers
- 23 Baseball maneuver
- 25 Bad-mannered
- 27 Looked over
- 29 Muslim republic
- 33 Like an old farm road
- 34 Irrigate
- 35 Ostrich cousin
- 36 Caesar's fatal day
- 37 Male parents
- 38 Former Russian emperor
- 39 Favorite sib
- 40 River deposits
- 41 Sultan of Swat's family
- 42 Like some stoves
- 44 Got up
- 45 Is unwell
- 46 Dead body
- 48 Cooking rods
- 51 Missile type
- 52 Little one
- 55 Merchandiser's strategy
- 58 Bee structure
- 59 Holler
- 60 Trouser material
- 61 Sign
- 62 Olympic event
- 63 Printer need
- 64 Ding

Down

- 1 Ann, for one
- 2 Fresh start
- 3 Cardiologist's evaluation
- 4 Bat successfully
- 5 Tore down
- 6 Toastmaster
- 7 Residence hall
- 8 Ranger's need
- 9 Forest resident
- 10 Feels sorry for
- 11 Passed with flying colors
- 12 Impersonate
- 13 The _____: 1991 movie
- 19 Low-water mark
- 21 Neat
- 24 Tennis blunders
- 25 Grades
- 26 Small guitars
- 27 Tender and brittle
- 28 Sound
- 29 Liberal or conservative
- 30 Long time trial
- 31 Maidservants
- 32 Caregiver
- 34 Legal documents
- 37 Window parts
- 38 Surf tag along
- 40 Geological phenomenon
- 41 Used on pests

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- 43 Fight
- 46 Display of bad temper
- 47 Pupil's aid
- 48 Eye infection
- 49 Chirp
- 50 Man, for one
- 51 Pelt
- 53 Microwave, e.g.
- 54 Shelter
- 56 Perform
- 57 Greek letter
- 58 Mortar holder

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