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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 HLR-U-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 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 said he is "very interested in." Ganiere said he is "very interested in the next to keep this effort alive and well given 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 students, faculty, and staff, and was also inspired by the University.”

University Offers Free Flu Shots
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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 (824-2581), 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.

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 at a local biology graduate student, recently received the grant for her research on retinal diseases. Sweitzer, who is working on her doctorate at a local biology graduate student, recently received the grant for her research on retinal diseases.

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, the current event, is coming up on November 12th. Each year the brotherhood hosts a party 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 will roll in at 9 a.m. For more information, visit www.uah.edu/ATO/caremp.

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 Life 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.

By Barbrie Czura

DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION ABOUT THIS WEEK’S ACROSS THE CAMPUS?

Vote online www.uahexponent.com
By Natalie Katsikas

Meghan Smith found her car vandalized on October 13th after her 7:45 a.m. class. A rock had been thrown through the sun roof of her car, and the passenger side window was broken. Smith's purse, along with her credit card, ATM card, mother's credit card, personal data as-
stistant, license, and Social Security card were stolen. Fellow cheerleader, JerriKa 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 fingerprint records were found, Smith added. "We re-
ally need cameras in the park-
ing lots to ensure that no one else's cars get broken into." said Smith. The incident was the second theft at Spragins Hall this year. During the time of the incident, officers were, in the words of spokesperson, Officer Albino, stated, "Twelve officers can only be in 12 places at once." And while they say that Spragins Hall is under control, many students are still un-
easy. "I don't know how long the break-ins will continue," said one student, Kyle, Jenny Ruzell. "If I can't trust my car to be parked safely during prac-
tice hours, then why should I feel safe leav-
ing my car anywhere on campus?" Head cheerleading coach, Terri Courtney Graben, stated, "the campus police are doing the best to their abil-
ity, but they could do more by locking the doors. There are "framing the area and keeping the cameras in the parking lots." Earlier this year, the men's soccer team came back from a loss against Spragins Hall by 6-1 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 up until 6 p.m., according to Spragins Hall, Kyle Fraser. Even after the break-
lins, Fraser is not completely sold that the UAH campus is "unfair. The campus police are more worried about speeding tickets than any-
thing else," said senior, Jenny Ruzell. Fraser said. These crimes are still under investigation.

Options for Student Life and Available Resources

By Alberto Fernandez-Barral

On the website for UAH Student Affairs, there are ex-
cerpts from this anonymous statement. "Students are the most important people on our campus; without stu-
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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 dedication to students as Student Affairs does, "The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) is an au-
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services for students atno with dozens of Graduate Tu-
Flexible Time Program, which helps improve the per-
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Lumina Foundation Targets College Costs

By Clay Johnson

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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 leadership skills. 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 he has taken stonework classes and has "learned useful skills that can help students in many ways." ROTC pays for my tuition, books, fees, 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) it makes you realize how fast you are going down."

At Mountain Warfare School in Jericho, Vermont, Dane says he was "humbled by Vermont's steep terrain." They spent two weeks there learning the 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 and learned some real hardcore stuff, and now I know how to be a ridiculous amount of knots."

If reading this article has piqued anyone's interests, one should find out what opportunities the ROTC may hold. Regrettably, 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.aanu.edu/rotc or call Major Kelley at (256) 372-5773.

Athlete Quick Take

By Heather Evans

AJ. Larivee

UAH Hockey Athlete
AJ. 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? Carrot Cake
What is your favorite class? Hockey Scholarship
Who is your favorite instructor? J. Alexander. Teacher one heck of a stats class and is very approachable.
What is your favorite movie of all-time? One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
What is your favorite TV Show? Late night with Conan O'Brien
What is your favorite dessert? Carrot Cake
Who are your role models? My mother and father
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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 declined. As they became accustomed 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. Efforts are being made to keep the area sanitary.

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 decoys 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 curb 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 using the pond and the chance to meet "lots of intelligent and hard-working people," it is not hard to see why some students choose this route.

Record Tropical Season, Continuing Stormy Weather

By John Michael Hampton

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 fed off of 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 indicated that this year may be a couple more named storms before the tropical season ends on November 30.

Residents in the area, including college students, need to be prepared for what nature has in store. Troutman said that "if the Tennessee Valley is expected to see the effects from the remnants of a tropical system, please be prepared for strong wind gusts. In most cases, damaging winds, flooding rains and isolated tornadoes from the system. You should have news, radio, and NOAA Weather Radio for the latest updates involving the system; and be prepared for severe outages. In the event that higher winds knock down trees and electricty." Troutman also sends the reminder that we are beginning 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 Al- pha and Beta out there over the U.S.

The hurricane season should be ending soon. However, it is up to us to re- main attentive to the weather during the rest of the season, as well as for any other severe weather events.
Lady Chargers Look Ahead to 05-06

By Ramon Rodriguez

The Lady Chargers can still taste last season’s bitter sweet. After finishing the regular season with a dismal 8-28 record overall and 0-8 in GSC play, the squad managed to sneak into the GSC tournament 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 walking 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 else, 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 spending 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 just 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 should propel the Lady Chargers to a winning year. And with the loss of only one senior, Doni Winberly, UAH should have no problem making any serious adjustments.

Top scoring and rebounding junior forward, Kellye Barr (10.5 ppg, 8.9 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. Sophomores, Michelle Snow, who gained valuable experience late last season, and freshmen forwards, Kristen Barnes and Melanie Beddington, will all look to step in and contribute during the year.

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Volleyball Team Falls to UNA

By Candice Burch

UAH fought hard in Florence last Tuesday, but was unable to accomplish an upset over UNA. The Lady Lions defeated the Lady Chargers, 3-1 in a close (30-18, 27-30, 30-28, 30-26), match at Flow­rider. According to third-year coach, Jeff Keller, the girls were able to close out the season, but not without a fight. The Lady Chargers were 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 spending any team in the division as long as the girls are focused for every game, the entire game.

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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 4. 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 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 Cafe. Apparently, students are still expressing numerous negative feelings about the general operations of the Cafe 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.

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

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The movie, A History of Violence, opens with a rather violent depiction and closer 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 dinner owner, Tom Stall is played by Mortensen in a fashion that is almost 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 swift and 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 gruesomely—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 answer any questions. The title of “hero” also does not seem welcome.

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**Xbox 360: Worth the Investment?**  
By Daniel Horton

Followers and frequent purchasers of video games will remember that record of a system first released in the previous generation, the Sega Dreamcast. It became so 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 or the Xbox 360 will be the Dreamcast of this generation, which will become 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 to release new games on their own, remaining forever guilty over the fact that they could have spent that money on gifts for others).
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Fall Fest 2005’s Football Theme Proves Successful

By Sarah Perrin

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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 line-up: fan favorite, Jason Pittman. Pittman, an undis­cled freshman, is working alongside Barbie Czura and Jeff Graham for an 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 piggy­back rides to class. This week, it's your turn." When asked if it was awkward interview­ing himself, Graham cooly 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 breath from hopping to his feet. "It's great. They've trusted 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 a hard time, 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 9:00pm. High-fiving Pittman is not mandatory, but it is strongly encouraged.

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 Orthello, Lord of the Rings, and the story of Moses, compliments of Charlton Heston. I described this theory to Jade Ingram, and she agreed, saying, "Jeff, I think you are an idiot." As men­tioned by Mr. John Kiser in last week's ACE in Your Face, Jade has issues ex­cepted in this instance.

The film stars Tom Cruise, best known for Mission: Im­possible and jumping on Oprah's couch, and Dakota Fanning, who is known for every film in the past 5 years that started 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 should start using 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 made a lot of mistakes on, 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 take the shirt and stay outside the event. You three girls know who you are. Of you stingy females even took two shirts—not cool. This week's Hater came out a however, among ev­eryone that did not wish to support 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.

ACE President, Cade McKee
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 Lorraine Belgion 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 served 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, attitudes 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 freshmen 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 NCHR Multi-purpose room. This debate will be between the UAH College Republicans and Democrats. Please be sure to attend, as it will definitely be an exciting event. Also noted, I will not accept directly from the audience; only written questions submitted to a bi-partisan panel will be considered.

Dear Suzy,

I have been wanting to take a foreign language class for quite some time, and I will 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 currently 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
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 RA’s 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.

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stimulate the nerves in a person’s eyes. Schulz adds, “It was Robyn’s inquisitive nature and the right questions that sparked the technological progress, but people expect more from the technological progresses, and that makes the whole thing tougher,” says Devineni. Dr. Katherine Sweitzer’s dedication, contrary, Dr. C. P. Chen, also rendering a false alarm. “That false alarm can be a challenge.”

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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.

Sweitzer’s dedication, 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.” Angela 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.

The society of Ancient Languages will be hosting their public reading on November 3rd at 7:30p.m. in Union Grove gallery. The title of the reading is “Romans Sum” or Being a Roman. Dr. John Potter and 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 McDonough on Monday, Nov. 7 at 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.nsb.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 7-10pm in the UC Exhibit Hall. For more information contact uahcollegeDemocrats@yahoo.com before November 7th.

Registration Begins November 7th!

Students with last name A-L register on November 7th and November 9th
Students with last name M-Z register on November 8th and November 10th

All students may continue to register from November 11th through December 22nd.
JOBS
Wanted: Gynecological Teaching Associates. Women, pre-menopausal, comfortable with their bodies, for teaching the GYN exam to RNs learning the Sexual Assault and Nurse Practitioner courses. E-mail: rituals2real@urisp.net for more info.
SINGER WANTED Looking for a local male lead singer to record original songs. Band influenced by Coldplay and Weezer. Call 694-5226.

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6 baseball cards for sale. 4 Andrew Jones cards with a coin in each one and 2 Jeff Francoeur minor league rookie cards. $3-$5 each, depending on how much the buyer has or wants to pay. Call Keely at 882-7700 and 694-7460.
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Southwestern styled sleeper
Beautiful, spacious two bedroom/two bathroom apartment with personal security system. Apartment is close to campus, and in a very safe community. Rent is $380.50+water and utilities, and October's rent is paid. Apartment community also has a pool and workout facility. If interested please call 256-653-8857, or stop by and see Elaine at the Vintage for a showing. Applicants will be interviewed, and must meet the Vintage's lease criteria.

MISC
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