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UAH Women's Studies

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Women's History Month Activities

"Beauty, Belles, and Bravery: Alabama's Legendary Heroines"

Tuesday, March 18, 11:00 a.m.
UAH University Center

Rosa Parks



Dr. Alan Brown, professor at the University of West Alabama, will discuss a sampling of Alabama women whose lives achieved legendary status

as a result of their courage in the face of insurmountable odds. The presentation focuses on five types of Alabama heroines: women whose lives were defined by one shining moment of physical courage (Rosa Parks and Emma Sansom), women who dared

Helen Keller



to be the first (Maude McClure Kelly and Hattie Hooker Wilkins), women who had the courage to overcome physical handicaps (Helen Keller), women who fought to preserve the past (Ruby Pickens Tartt and Martha

Young), and women who tried to improve the lives of downtrodden people (Julia Tutwiler, Pattie Ruffner Jacobs, and Maria Fearing).

Dr. Brown will make the stirring tales of these

Julia Tutwiler



women's exploits come alive through the use of slides and video. This event is co-sponsored by the UAH Honors Program, UAH Office of Multicultural Affairs and UAH Women's Studies Program. Dr.

Brown's presentation is part of the Alabama Humanities Foundation 2003-2004 Speaker in the House program. For further information, call Dr. Fran Johnson at 824-6767.

Huntsville Feminist Chorus Spring Concert "Women of the World"

Saturday, March 8, 7:30 p.m.
Roberts Recital Hall

This year's theme for the Huntsville Feminist Chorus Spring Concert is "Women of the World." The Chorus is an a cappella group of 40 women who believe that singing, drumming, and dancing for peace and wholeness can change the world. Their concerts of culturally diverse music are always lively, moving and powerful. Come join them at this free concert. A reception follows the concert, sponsored by the UAH Women's Studies program. Call 539-4903 for information.

Come early - these performances draw a large crowd!

True to Her Nature

Thursday, March 13, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Hilton Inn Downtown

Maxine Margolis, Professor of Anthropology, University of Florida, will discuss her book, *True to Her Nature: Changing Advice to American Women* at the Women's Economic Development Council (WEDC) luncheon meeting at the Hilton Inn downtown. Drawing on sermons, child-rearing manuals, and women's magazines, Margolis explores changing ideologies about middle-class women's roles and asserts they can only be explained within a larger material context. Variables such as household vs. industrial production, the demand or lack of demand for women's labor, and the changing costs and benefits of rearing children have been instrumental in influencing views of women's "true nature" and "proper place." The price to attend is \$20 for non-members and \$15 for students. For more information, call 824-6190.

Gender Equity in the Classroom

Tuesday, April 1, 6:30 p.m.
Bevill Center, UAH Campus

Dr. Dolores (Dee) Grayson will be returning to Huntsville during the first week of April to do a workshop for teachers on gender equity in the classroom. While in Huntsville, Dr. Grayson will also be speaking at the AAUW branch meeting, Tuesday, April 1. Grayson's visit is funded by the American Association of University Women (AAUW). AAUW has been a leader in research and education in gender equity in the classroom, funding some of the first studies of differences in how teachers respond to girls and boys. For further information about AAUW Huntsville events, contact branch president Pam Smith, 882-2422 (Smith73@aol.com). You can learn more about Dr. Grayson at her website <http://www.graymill.com/>.

UAH Women's History Month 2003 Essay Contest

"We Can Do It! Issues Confronting Professional Women"

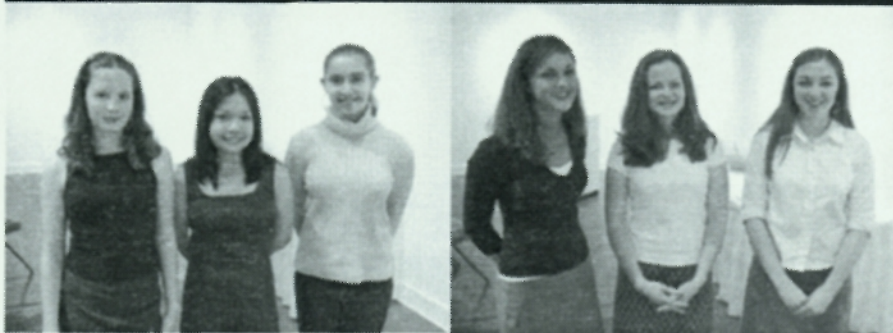
First Prize \$100 Second Prize \$50 Third Prize \$25

Prizes are funded through the generosity of the Ruth Hindman Foundation



For nearly 10 years, the UAH Women's Studies program has sponsored a school essay contest honoring women's history month. The purpose of this contest is to increase the awareness of women's roles in history, to build self-esteem, to foster recognition and respect for women, and to encourage the development of students' research and writing skills. The contest is open to high school (grades 9-12) and middle school (grades 6-8) students in Madison County, Alabama (private, public, or home school).

2002 Contest Winners



Middle School Division

(pictured left to right):

1st place: Alicia Fronefield, a 7th grader from Huntsville Middle School.
2nd Place: Teri Bertulfo, an 8th grader from Ms. Sorensen's class at Discovery Middle School.
3rd Place: Erica Carr, an 8th grader from Ms. Dahlke's class at Discovery Middle School.

High School Division

(pictured left to right):

1st Place: Christine Clouser, an 11th grader from Ms. Greenleaf's class at Madison Academy.
2nd Place: Kristen Trotter, an 11th grader from Ms. Guerin's class at Covenant Christian Academy.
3rd Place: Dorothy Stott, a 12th grader from Ms. Young's class at Butler High.

- Maximum essay length 500 words
- Prizes go to top three winners in each age category.
- Deadline, 4:00 p.m., Monday, March 31.

Winners will read their essays at an Awards Celebration on the UAH campus scheduled for April.

This contest is sponsored by the UAH Women's Studies Program, the UAH Writing Center, and the Ruth Hindman Foundation

For Further Information, call Dr. Diana Bell, UAH, 824-2381,

BelIDC@email.uah.edu or visit the Women's Studies webpage at <http://www.uah.edu/womensstudies/essay.html>.

Third Annual Women's Studies Essay Contest for UAH Students

The Women's Studies program at UAH is sponsoring the third annual prize for essays that have been written for a graduate or undergraduate course at UAH and that deal substantially with women or women's issues. The first prize will be \$100, with second and third prizes of \$50 and \$25, respectively. The three award winners will read their essays at the Women's Studies Colloquium on April 16 in Union Grove. Essays should be submitted to Melodie Drewyor in the English Department in Morton Hall by **Wednesday, March 19, 2003**. For further information, please contact Merrall Llewelyn Price, pricem@email.uah.edu. Submission rules:

- All essays must be written for a UAH course in 2002 or 2003.
- Any field of study is eligible, as long as women's issues are substantially addressed.
- Essays must be no more than 15 pages, typed or word processed.
- All references must be cited appropriately.
- Essays must include a cover page listing the title of the paper, the author's name, and the name of the course and professor assigning the work.
- The author's name should not appear on any page of the essay except the cover page.

Scholarship Information for women:

http://www.uah.edu/womensstudies/scholarship_list.htm

Schedule of Women's Studies Courses

Fall 2003

EH319	Victorian Poetry and Prose	Early	MW	355-515
MGT462/562	Gov. Reg. Of Employment Relations	Spearing	MW	355-515
NUR325	Human Sexuality	TBA	W	500-745
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Wilkerson	MWF	1020-1115
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Martine	MWF	1130-1225
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Mackintosh	TR	1245-205
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Heikes	TR	355-515
PHL303	Contemporary Philosophy	Mackintosh	MW	220-340
SOC200	Introduction to Anthropology	Sitaraman	MW	220-340
SOC306	Sociology of Gender	Finley	W	530-830
WS499	Independent Study	TBA	TBA	

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ARH309	Contemporary Art Issues	Stewart	MW	1245-205
CM330/PY330	Psy. Of Non-verbal Communication	Brown	TR	935-1055
EH331	Amer. Literature Civil War to Present	Bollinger	MWF	11:30-12:25
EH493	The Victorian Novel	Early	MW	355-515
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Mackintosh	MWF	910-1005
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Martine	MWF	1130-1225
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Cling	MWF	1240-135
PHL202	Honors: Introduction to Ethics	Martine	TR	935-1055
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Wilkerson	TR	935-1055
PHL202	Introduction to Ethics	Heikes	TR	1110-1225
PY310	Child Psychology	TBA	MW	1245-205
SOC200	Introduction to Anthropology	Sitaraman	TR	935-1055
SOC106	Marriage and Family	Finley	TR	1245-205
WS200	Introduction to Women's Studies	Norman	TR	1245-205
WS499	Independent Study	TBA	TBA	

Psychology of Women course offered summer 2003

The Psychology of Women course (PY406) will be offered this summer in the first Mini-term MTWR 10:15 – 12:15. Topics covered in the course include women's development across the life-span, personality and behavior, achievement and education, mental and physical health issues, biological influences on women's behavior, women and work, women in relationships, and victimization of women.

This course is taught only once every two years, so don't miss it!

Your Donations at Work: Cataloging Software Upgrade

The Women's Studies Resource Center (WSRC) library of over 1000 books and other materials will become significantly more accessible shortly, with the purchase of upgraded cataloging software. Your cash donations, and a substantial donation from the UAH Salmon Library, made this upgrade possible. The Salmon Library, UAH's main research library, purchased the original cataloging software for the WSRC in 1996, and Salmon librarians have helped Women's Studies students and staff to catalog the Women's Studies book and video collection. With this new software purchase, our student worker and volunteers will be able to bring the cataloging up to date and track checkout far more easily than in the past.

The WSRC's specialized collection makes a very wide variety of Women's Studies books readily available for browsing and checkout in one location. We have back issues of *Ms. Magazine*, reference books such as *Notable American Women* and *Black Women in America*, novels by women writers, a large collection of books on women's spirituality, multiple copies of feminist classics, and much more. Almost all of this collection was donated by Friends of Women's Studies. They make a powerful statement about the range and quality of research by and about women.

The WSRC collection supplements, rather than replaces the Women's Studies Salmon Library collection. In fact, the Women's Studies program has won several thousand dollars in UAH Humanities Center grants to enhance library holdings in Women's

Studies. Having books like this consolidated in the WSRC makes them more accessible to students.

The new cataloging software is called Concourse® and comes from Book Systems, a software company based in Huntsville. Concourse® is a complete, flexible, user-friendly library management software program that provides circulation desk functions, cataloging, inventory, patron entry and reports, statistics, and more. The Salmon Library's Systems Librarian Jack Drost studied the WSRC's needs and concluded that Concourse® would be the best solution.

The WSRC is in Morton Hall room 256. If you would like to volunteer in the WSRC, contact Annie Harris at 824-6190.

Become a Friend of Women's Studies!

Friends of Women's Studies (FWS) is an organization of people who support the UAH Women's Studies program. The goals of FWS include:

- supporting community involvement in Women's Studies events
- sponsoring cultural activities and events that honor and empower women
- supporting women scholars, artists, and performers
- fostering discussion of issues affecting women's lives

Annual Membership Dues (Membership year is October 1 – September 30)

<input type="checkbox"/> \$10-24 Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25-49 Family	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50-99 Matron
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		<input type="checkbox"/> \$1000 Benefactor

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