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President-elect Frank Franz was in town Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27. During his visit he took time to sit and talk with and listen to UAH students.

Wilson speaks on Race, Poverty and Social Isolation in the Inner-City Ghetto

by Marian Delaney Sampson

Noted Sociologist Dr. William Julius Wilson lectured to a large audience in the ASB Auditorium on Monday, April 22. His topic was Race, Poverty and Social Isolation in the Inner-City Ghetto. His lecture was sponsored by the Social Issues Symposium.

Wilson began by describing the conditions found in the ghettoes in a 1968 report. He said, "Today we find the same conditions, only in more aggravated form. Nobody in the late sixties imagined the massive break-down of institutions that has occurred." He discussed joblessness, crime and the weak attachment to the labor force that has created a "ghetto underclass." Wilson said it was important to investigate the social organization in the neighborhoods. He said, "The crisis of the ghetto cannot be explained in simplistic terms. But if I had to choose one major factor since 1970, it is the major economic transformations that have undermined the manufacturing base."

"The manufacturing jobs that have served as conduits have melted away," Wilson said. He talked about the adverse effects on poor urban minorities of the changes to a non-union service economy and the problems caused by industrial flight from the inner city and to the sun belt and overseas.

Wilson described the economic and social dislocation of the neighborhood of North Lawndale. He said that after a quarter of a century nearly half of its housing has disappeared and what was left was delapidated. He talked about the industries that have left. According to Wilson, from 1960 to 1970 this community lost 75 percent of its businesses. Today, he said, this community of 60,000 has one bank, 38 state lotteries and 99 bars and liquor establishments.

Wilson said that of people who were 1960 to 1970 this community lost 75 percent of the people who live in the ghetto according to a random sample of 2500 people taken in Chicago ghettos. "33-year-old black male—"Chicago is losing jobs by the thousands." 29-year-old black male—"Now you can't find anything." 41-year-old hospital employee—"There are no jobs here." He said that the problem of joblessness is exacerbated by the fact that while there are jobs opening in the suburbs, only 18 percent of the people who live in the ghetto have automobiles. He said the problem is not solely one of transportation but also the expense and time involved in commuting.

Wilson said, "In addition to getting to where the jobs are, there is a lack of education and training." Wilson talked about employer attitudes. He said that in a sample of 185 employers black males were described as unstable, uneducated, uncooperative and dishonest.

Wilson's remarks drew applause from a large audience. After the vote, several of the students in the audience applauded and got up to leave. Pamela Jackson, Legislator, said that she was disappointed that the only time students came out to see what the SGA was doing was when something like this was up. The rest of the SGA applauded.

SGA Meeting:
Funding For Gays and Friends Falls Again

by Doug Brewster

The UAH SGA, meeting Thursday night, April 25, again brought up the question of funding for Gays and Friends. And again, the motion failed to gain the two-thirds majority needed to pass.

The vote was seven in favor, three against, and three abstentions.

Before the vote, Cheryl Williams, Appropriations Chair, warned that the SGA was "opening ourselves up to a giant lawsuit.

Joey Ceci, Finance Officer, responded with, "Let's come on."

There was discussion of the stipulations allowing denial of funding. Ben Masters, SGA, President, said that the three allowable reasons were that the organization was actively seeking support for an individual for elected office, the organization was advocating a religious point of view, or the organization advocated the immediate overthrow of the U.S. government.

Ceci, dismissing advice from the University Office of Counsel to fund the group, argued that the SGA is not a rubber stamp. He said, "That's not what we're elected to do, that if the SGA is not allowed to deny funding, there is, "no reason for us to exist." He concluded that the whole thing was, "absolutely ridiculous."

Ceci's remarks drew applause from a group of students who had come in to observe.

Legislator Stephanie Gilmore stated that, "we are not here to legislate morality."

After the vote, several of the students in the audience applauded and got up to leave. Pamela Jackson, Legislator, said that she was disappointed that the only time students came out to see what the SGA was doing was when something like this was up. The rest of the SGA applauded.

Ron Byrd, ACE president and candidate for SGA President, was one of the students present. He was there with Daryl Bailey, another announced candidate for SGA, and Ted Frankenberg, an interested student.

After Jackson's remarks, Byrd, Bailey and Frankenberg left the room, chanting, "No money for the gays! Vote for Ron Byrd for the SGA!

Byrd then told the exponent, "They're [Gays and Friends] not going to get away with the crap. They're trying to do something unethical."

Patrick Haden, President of Gays and Friends, said, "Our next step is to take this next step up to the arbitration board and talk to Dr. B. Jeanine Fisher [Vice President for Student Affairs]."

For Pictures of this meeting see Page A-5.

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Information for Launch Watchers

The Joust-1 Launch is scheduled to lift off from Launch Complex 20 at Cape Canaveral on Monday, May 6, at 6:00 am CST. The commentary on the launch will begin at 5:30 am.

The launch will be telecast locally on Cable Alabama Channel 47, and Comcast Channel 38. For owners of Satellite dishes, Satcom F2R Transponder 13, 72° West Longitude.

This mission is sponsored by UAH's Consortium for Materials in Space (UAH CMDIS), a NASA Center for the Commercial Development of Space.
Title VI Lawsuit Update

by Attorney Robert Rieder
Office of Counsel

After six long months, the trial of the "Title VI" lawsuit (Knight v. Alabama) has finally been concluded. The University of Alabama System, the last defendant to present its case, completed the offering of its witnesses earlier this month. The plaintiffs then presented some rebuttal evidence, and on April 16 all parties rested and the trial came to an end.

The bulk of the UAH case was presented during the Koger period of March 20 through April 2. UAH offered over 500 documents and a number of institutional and external witnesses. There has been, of course, some newspaper reporting of the testimony. In order to give a more complete picture of the substance of our case, however, the following summary of areas covered by the witnesses is provided:

Mr. Joe Moquin: Institutional mission and general profile; UAH's special relationship with the North Alabama industrial and governmental high technology community; early equal opportunity efforts in Huntsville.

Dr. Cameron Fincher (Regents Professor and Director of Institute of Higher Education, University of Georgia): Extension movement as nationwide educational phenomenon; review of origins of Huntsville Center (predecessor to UAH) in context of such movement in Alabama.

Mr. John Hinkle (retired Chief of Training, MICO): Development of UAH during 1960's and a role of federal government in stimulating and supporting institution's growth.

Mr. Jerry Quick: Facilities development and UAH initiatives to generate funding from other than state sources for capital purposes; patterns of state support at UAH; affirmative action in staff employment.

Dr. Jeanne Fisher: Nondiscriminatory administration of student services programs and activities; participation by black students in all phases of campus life; programs specifically intended to focus on issues and personalities of interest to the black community.

Mr. Everett Brooks (former UAH student) and Miss Sonja Cutts (current UAH student): Their respective positive experiences and achievements as black students at UAH.

Dr. Lynn Russell: Special efforts in the College of Engineering to recruit and retain black students in Engineering disciplines.

Dr. Lee Cook: Successful efforts by the College of Science to hire black faculty in recent years; cooperative programs currently being carried out with AAMU.

Dr. Ron Koger: Recruiting, admissions, and enrollment activities, especially those which relate to facilitating the access of black students to UAH; Office of Multicultural Services programs and objectives.

Dr. Bob Owens (Dean and Professor of Management, College of Administration and Business, Louisiana Tech University): Differentiation of graduate management/business programs at UAH and AAMU; history of business/management programs at UAH, including enrollment trends; essentiality of such programs in curriculum of comprehensive university today.

Dr. Robert Egbert (George W. Holmes Professor of Education, University of Nebraska-Lincoln): History of UAH teacher education programs; explanation of differences in comparison with AAMU program; need for teachers and teacher education programs in Alabama and nationwide for present and future.

Dr. Jack Gaskill (Associate Director, Optical Sciences Center, University of Arizona): Review of UAH research and academic efforts (beginning in the 1960's) in the areas of optics and reputation of program; review of more recent AAMU applied physics graduate degree programs.

Dr. James Wharton (Chancellor Emeritus, Louisiana State University): General institutional comparison of UAH and AAMU (mission, student body, level of research, academic program thrusts, etc.).

In addition, there were several expert witnesses who appeared on behalf of all UAS campuses. Dr. Linda Bunnell Jones (Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of California, San Diego) testified that for each campus there was a match between the expected black enrollment (derived from a statistical study of the pool from which the institution draws its students) and the actual black enrollment at such institution.

Dr. Bernard Shinkin (Senior Vice President, National Economic Research Associates, Inc.) made the same general kind of determination regarding the expected and actual employment of black faculty at each campus.

Finally, there were expert witnesses appearing for other defendants whose testimony buttressed UAH's case in areas such as student choice, the non-racial allocation of financial resources to Alabama's public universities, the non-racial character of state support for such universities' physical facilities, etc.

As is perhaps evident from the foregoing, the UAH defense involved the following broad themes:

- The origin and early development of UAH was a phenomenon which may be attributed to such non-racial factors as the extension center movement and the urgent demand by federal agencies in Huntsville for accredited programs in science, engineering, management, and related fields.
- UAH does not compete with AAMU because the institutions are, when viewed from the standpoint of any relevant criteria (such as, for example, mission, programmatic thrusts, student constituencies), fundamentally different.

The Student Government Association of the University of Alabama in Huntsville

RECALLING THE SERIES OF EVENTS which, in the fall of 1990 suddenly left UAH without a President,

AND BEING FULLY AWARE of the personal sacrifices made by Mr. Joseph Moquin in accepting the position of Interim President,

AND NOTING WITH GRATITUDE the unifying effects resulting from Mr. Moquin's level-headed leadership,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE UAH SGA:

1) Expresses its appreciation to Mr. Moquin for his contribution to our University;
2) Urges other organizations of the University to likewise thank Mr. Moquin for his contributions to UAH;
3) Supports Mr. Moquin in all of his future endeavors—may they all be as successful as his service to UAH.
The Students and Faculty of the UAH College of Nursing cordially invite you to share coffee with us as we celebrate National Nurses' Week in The Commons Area of the College Monday, May 6, 1991 9:00 am until 10:30 am

"UAH Nurses Care for North Alabama"
UAH Campus Crime Statistics

This reporting represents the 29 incident/offense reports taken by UAH Campus Police between 0730 March 29, 1991 and 0900 April 26, 1991.

Property Crimes
- 9 theft of property
- 4 breaking and entering (vehicle)
- 3 criminal mischief
- 1 possession of burglary tools
- 1 receiving stolen property
- 1 recovered stolen property

Crimes Against Persons
- 1 disorderly conduct
- 1 impersonating an officer
- 1 public intoxication
- 7 miscellaneous incident reports (missing keys, minor property damage, etc.)
- 3 involved alcohol

Arrests
- 1 arrest for DUI
- 1 arrest for disorderly conduct
- 1 arrest for public intoxication

Accidents
- 6 accident reports

Campus Tickets
- 430 decal violations
- 19 moving violations
- 175 parking tickets

State Tickets
- 8 speeding
- 2 driver license violations
- 1 DUI/reckless driving

Definitions
- Burglary: unlawful entrance into or remaining in a building or dwelling with the intent to commit theft or a felony act therein.
- Criminal Mischief: action committed with the intent to damage property.
- Disorderly Conduct: violent or threatening action, unreasonable noise, abusive or obscene action, disruption of assemblies or meetings, obstruction of vehicle or pedestrian traffic or refusal to comply with a lawful order to disperse.

UAH Student Chapter of The Public Relations Council of Alabama

Announces:

A Portfolio Workshop!

Thursday, May 9, 1991
2 to 6 p.m.
Tom Bevill Center, Room 267

Attend this candid workshop and learn the how-to's for developing a high impact portfolio. Speakers and exhibitors from the North Alabama community will display their portfolios and discuss the importance of having a collection of works to show to potential employers. This workshop will especially benefit students in communications, marketing, graphic design, technical writing, political science, and other areas that may require a portfolio.

Speakers include:
- Peri Widener, APR, Division Manager, Public Relations
  The Boeing Company
- Wendell Johnson, Director
  University Relations & Communication, Alabama A&M University
- Jack Robertson, Senior P.R. Representative
  USBI Company
- Dr. Rita Whillock, Assistant Professor, Communication Arts
  and soon to be published author, UAH

REGISTER TODAY!

$5 in advance, $6 at the door; refreshments provided

Pick up a registration form at the Communication Arts Department, MH 319 or the UC Information Desk. For more information call Shelley Tedin, UAH Professional Development at 895-6272 or Rita Graham, PRCA President, at 830-2764.

Computer Science Day
A day for learning and games

High school students playing Othello on checkerboards. Dr. Patrick Ryan commented about the difficulty of finding Othello game boards: "We had to use what we could find," he said.

Last Thursday, April 25, students from several local high schools participated in Computer Science Day. Dr. Patrick Ryan, associate professor of Computer Science at UAH, put together the event, which consisted of lectures and game competitions.

Students arrived at the Administrative Science Building by 8:15 am, where they signed up for the different types of competition. They then proceeded to the auditorium, where they were welcomed by Dr. Lee Cook, associate dean of the College of Science.

Dr. Carl Davis, chair of the Computer Science Department, spoke to the students on computer career opportunities—fields where computers are applicable and fields in need of computer science—from artificial intelligence to architecture. "Nationally," he told them, "computer science is still in demand."

Next, Dr. John Ziebarth, professor of Computer Science, spoke about the Alabama Supercomputer Network and the process of expanding the network into high schools across the state.

Finally, Dr. Terry Reed, assistant professor of Computer Science, showed the students how a computer can, with graphics, display computed fractals.

Wilson speaks on Race...

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system had failed to prepare students for the work place. Wilson said that his research had found socio-economic as well as racial prejudices. He said that where stereotypes were not applicable, personal preferences may be more important.

He said, "In addition to structural barriers, there is a problem of employer attitudes. Many practiced statistical discrimination.

Wilson said that discrimination varies in relationship to the tightness of the job market.

The status of disadvantaged minorities improves in a tight labor market," he said.

Wilson said that employer discrimination reinforces the marginality of the disadvantaged workers.

"What is lacking is a coherent organization of the whole," he said, "Unemployment precludes the planning of a rational life."
UA Board of Trustees to Meet in Tuscaloosa

The University of Alabama Board of Trustees will meet Friday, May 3 in Tuscaloosa.
All meetings of the board will be held at the Bryant Conference Center, which is located at 240 Bryant Drive.
The schedule of events is as follows: Friday, May 3, 1991
9:30 am. Planning and Priorities Committee Meeting, Birmingham Room
10:30 am Finance Committee Meeting, Birmingham Room
11:45 am Luncheon Honoring Dr. V. Lane Rawlins, President-Elect, Memphis State University, Fitz Room, Sheraton Capstone Inn
1:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting, Birmingham Room.

Women's Studies Interest Group to Meet

by Srilakshmi Malladi

Women's Studies Interest Group (WSIG) is an open group of UAH faculty and staff that has organized to promote Women's Studies on the UAH campus.
Dr. Nancy Finley talked to the exponent about the group's aims and features. She said one of its aims is to promote courses that show the contributions of women in various disciplines.
She said, "Women's studies is a legitimate academic field. The studies help stimulate people's interest in feminist scholarship. They help as educational models, thus helping in the field of research too."
Finley continued, "Many theories such as those in Psychology and Sociology were previously viewed in terms of men only. Women's Studies are now discovering that these theories are not always true for women; hence, the theories are being extended and developed."
Dr. Susan Fillippeli said that the group aims at filling what is ordinarily avoided in the curriculum. She said, "The group likes to hear from the students about what they're interested in about Women's Studies."
Fillippeli explained that the group reaches out to the university community through panel discussions and forums which are open to the public. These discussions address topics about the problems unique to students who are women. She said, "The discussions deal with the theoretical, methodological, practical, and professional aspects of the women's issues."
Finley talked about the ideas they have for the future. "Some of the ideas are," she said, "to develop interdisciplinary concerns, to continue the newsletter, and to begin a small resource center."
Finley said, "Representatives from all over the campus are involved in the group. The group is in the process of organization. The next meeting will decide where we will go from here."
The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 3, in room 127 of the UC at 3:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

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Alumni Awards Announced
Dinner Set for May 11

by Kim Ann King
University Relations

The Alumni Association will hold its Annual Awards Celebration Dinner and Dance on Saturday, May 11, in the North Hall of the Von Braun Civic Center. The band Southern Comforts will provide the evening's entertainment.

Five Focus on Excellence awards will be presented. George Harvey, president of the UAH Alumni Association, is this year's master of ceremonies.

The Distinguished Faculty Award will be presented to Dr. Johanna Shields, the UAH history professor who spearheaded the recent Campaign for the Humanities Challenge Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Dave Brown, director of UAH's Physical Plant, will receive the Staff Appreciation Award, which is presented to a full-time staff member who has demonstrated unifying dedication and devotion to UAH. This year's Outstanding Student Scholar is Gayle Franklin, who will receive her bachelor's degree in Business Administration this spring with a 3.8 out of a possible 4.0 grade point average.

The Outstanding Alumnus of the Year Award will go to George Purvis, a UAH graduate who is pioneering the commercial rocket industry. Jack Lee, director of the Marshall Space Flight Center, will introduce Purvis.

The Excellence for Leadership in Government Award will be presented to U.S. Senator Richard Shelby.

Tickets for the dinner/dance are $20 each. If you have not received an invitation and would like to attend, call the UAH Office of Alumni Affairs at (205) 895-6085 for reservations by Friday, May 3. The community is welcome to attend.

Phi Alpha Theta Takes Three of Four Awards

by Doug Brewer
associate editor

The UAH chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, the international history honor society, won three of the four awards given at a regional conference on Saturday, April 20.

The conference, held at UAH, had representatives from six schools. They included Montevallo, Athens State, UAH, UAB, Auburn and Samford.

The four awards were Best Undergraduate Paper, Best Graduate Paper, and Runner-Up Paper in both categories.

Dr. T.C. Hall, also of UAH, won the Best Graduate Paper award for Winston Churchill and Prison Reform: Old Lags, Young Lads, and Votes for Women.

Runner-Up in the Graduate Paper category, Susan Funaro, of UAH, won with her entry, "Samuel Langhorne Clemens's Defense of Mark Twain's Copyrights.

In the Runner-Up Undergraduate Paper category, Susan Funaro, of UAH, won with her entry, "The Investigation of Cumulative Damage to Equal Protection: The Repeal of the Dower in Alabama.

Sigma Tau Delta Initiates New Members

by Kim Ann King
University Relations

Sigma Tau Delta held its annual induction ceremony at the Noojin House on Friday, April 26.

Sigma Tau Delta is a national honorary English society which promotes the study and reading of the English language and literature.

New members present at the ceremony were Fredrick Neumann, Kelly Simmons, Mary Wallace, and Andrea Woods. Members initiated in absentia were Amy Allen and Lauri Arston.

The ceremony, conducted by President Larry W. Adams, was followed by dinner and readings of works by Watt Whitman, William Wordsworth, and Larry Adams.

Porter to Teach at UNC-Chapel Hill

by Kim Ann King
University Relations

Dr. Grover Porter, professor of accounting, has been awarded a visiting professorship of accounting this summer at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Dr. Porter will teach an advanced management accounting course at UNC and "will work on the research project titled "Information for Strategic Planning," funded by the National Association of Accountants.

Sigma Tau Delta Takes First Place

by Shane Ellenburg
reporter

Joseph Carden, a senior in the Engineering program, recently won first place at the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Conference. The Conference was held April 10-13 in Orlando, Fl.

Carden won the award in the division of Technical Writing. His paper was entitled, "The Investigation of Cumulative Damage Theory for Solid Rocket Propellants."

Carden judged in two parts of the competition. His written paper was judged by a committee of six, while his oral presentation was judged by three.

"Although I did write the paper and won the award, it was a team effort. We all helped each other in some way, be it research or proofreading or whatever else needed to be done," said Carden.

"We really worked as a team. Dennis Bangham, Peter McCoy, and Jennifer Peters all gave me advice and helped with my presentation, which was half of the scoring. Each of them presented papers of their own as well. Also, I would like to thank our advisor, Dr. Tom Cost," said Carden.

Carden will represent the AIAA at the National Competition in Reno, NV, in January, 1992.

In the April 24 exponent, Joey Ceci was incorrectly identified as a SGA legislator. In fact, Ceci is SGA finance officer. The exponent regrets any inconvenience this may have caused.

Make your time at UAH a lasting memory
help create the next

UAH YEARBOOK

It is time to revive PEGASUS, the UAH yearbook. If you would like to join this effort as:

EDITOR
PHOTOGRAPHER
ARTIST
or ASSISTANT in any of these categories,

contact Susan Herring, yearbook advisor, at 895-6432.

Special Notice

Free Ice-skating at the Ice Palace

UAH Students are invited to ice skate at no charge at the Ice Palace on Governor's Drive.

From 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. on the following dates: May 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23

Kudos to all UAH winners!
**Teacher of The Month**

by Monica Simmonds
assistant news editor

Drum roll please. UAH’s first teacher of the month is......

Dr. Walter Peacock!!!

Dr. Peacock has been a professor in the Sociology department since fall of 1986. He was awarded tenure recently. Peacock did his graduate work at the University of Georgia in Athens.

Peacock did his graduate work in Honduras. He has traveled extensively throughout the world and considers himself to be from nowhere in particular.

One of Peacock’s students said of him, "Anyone that can make statistics fun, has to be a great teacher. I don't know of another teacher that refers to the axes on a graph as the upsy-downsy line and the backsy-fortery line, but I will never think of them as the abscissa and the ordinate again...."

In an interview with the exponent Peacock said, "I believe teaching is an important job and I really enjoy it. I just try to make whatever I teach enjoyable so that people will learn it."

We would all like to congratulate you on becoming teacher of the month. Keep up the good work. We notice.

Reptersense notes: Congratulations on the birth of your new son, Benjamin, this last Thursday. Your students are looking forward to hearing tales of Benjamin and Walt Junior.

**Blount Honoured with Distinguished Service Award**

Winton M. Blount, a long-time trustee of The University of Alabama System, has received the 1991 Distinguished Service Award in Trusteeship from the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB). Blount was honored April 22 at a luncheon in Miami Beach during the AGB’s annual meeting.

The first Alabamian to receive the AGB commendation, Blount joins a roster of eminent figures who have worked for leading education institutions across the country. The prestigious annual award is sponsored by the UPS Foundation, the charitable arm of United Parcel Service, and recognizes two board members, one each from a public and a private institution.

"American higher education is lucky to have leaders like Winton Blount and Sydney Lewis," said AGB President Robert Gale in announcing the 1991 honorees. "They show us the spirit of American volunteerism at its best."

"Blount, chairman of Blount, Inc., in Montgomery, Alabama, has been a trustee of The University of Alabama since 1959. In the volatile early years of the civil rights movement, he stepped forward to help prevent violence when The University of Alabama was integrated. Working behind the scenes with Attorney General Robert Kennedy and his staff, Winton Blount helped achieve the peaceful registration of two black students on the Tuscaloosa campus in 1963."

"Throughout Red Blount's distinguished tenure on the board, he has maintained a relentless preoccupation with achieving quality," said UA System Chancellor Philip Austin. "His pursuit of excellence has challenged and inspired students, faculty, and professional colleagues over the years."

"During Blount’s years of trusteeship, Systemwide enrollment has increased from 8,000 students in 1959 to 42,000 students in 1991. Many joint degree programs have been instituted, and UAS campuses now expend more than 70 percent of all federal research and development funds spend in Alabama. "Red’s efforts on behalf of the state, and indeed, the entire state are legendary," Austin said.

Yetta Samford, president pro tempore of the 17-member board of trustees, described Blount as both an anchor for stability and a catalyst for beneficial change. "Through three decades of extraordinary service, Red has embodied the tradition of Alabama's trusteeship," Samford said of his colleague. "He is a deserving recipient of this signal honor from the AGB."

"Blount and his wife, Carolyn, are directors of philanthropy and his involvement with the arts, Blount and his wife, Carolyn, are director and major patrons of the Alabama Shakespeare Festival, one of the country’s leading repertory companies. They have designated the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama System as the eventual owners of the Carolyn Blount Theatre, a multi-million dollar facility that is home for the Alabama Shakespeare Festival."

"Red's enthusiasm in creating community involvement results in immeasurable response, and he brings together community action groups to solve community problems."

**Julie Early**

Department of English

Friday, May 3, 1991
Room 127 University Center
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome.

For further information, call 895-6190.
**Satellite Records Global Temperatures**

**by Vandana Sharma**

Dr. John Christy, a researcher at Johnson Research Center, lectured on the effectiveness of his program to use satellites to record global temperatures. Christy spoke in the Administrative Science Building on Tuesday, April 26.

Christy explained that most thermometers in the past were located in areas where people could easily measure them. Before his program, temperatures of oceans could not easily be measured. The satellite that Christy developed with Roy Spencer, a research scientist at Marshall Space Flight Center, was able to get accurate temperatures all over the globe.

Christy and Spencer have been trying for the last decade to decide if global warming is occurring. From the data received from the satellite, Christy deduced that a warming trend has not affected the globe in the last ten years.

Christy began the lecture by explaining the dates. "Glaciers reached as far as small Illinois, as few as a hundred years ago," stated Christy.

In the last hundred years, the temperature of the earth has steadily risen. This may be due to an increase in the gas water vapor, which is the main greenhouse gas. Though many may believe carbon dioxide to be the cause of the greenhouse effect, Christy stated that it is insignificant compared to the effects caused by water vapor.

Christy went on to explain the findings of the satellite. One was that the Sahara desert once had a river flowing through it. The satellite discovered the river bed.

According to Christy, the satellite uses satellite sounds to determine the temperature of the earth. Because it is only one thermometer, it does not have to be calibrated to other thermometers when it measures the temperatures at different parts of the globe.

The satellite performs by measuring eleven footprints per scan. It performs fourteen scans per day, and 1500 in an orbit. It measures the temperature by measuring the spectrum of emissions.

Christy's and Spencer's findings on global warming have appeared in recent issues of Science and The Wall Street Journal.

**X-ray Microscopy and Projection Lithography: A Bright Future**

**by Napoleon Oza**

On April 24, Dr. David Shealy, professor of Physics at UAB, gave a lecture on X-ray Microscopy and Projection Lithography. The lecture took place in the Administrative Science Building and was organized by Sigma XI.

Shealy acknowledged the NASA Marshall Space Flight Center and the Los Alamos National Lab for providing funds for his research. He said that his lecture would focus basically on three components, namely, Background, X-ray Microscopy, and Projection Lithography.

First, he talked about the background of Grazing Incidence and Multi-Layer Optics. He said, "There have been significant developments in X-Ray optics. Multilayer mirrors, beam splitters, reflection holograms, one can undertake a variety of soft X-ray optical system developments."

He continued, "X-Ray holograms have been made with spatial resolution of 400 Angstrom, and there are also prospects for developing high-f-eta X-ray lasers and X-ray optics."

The telescopes NASA built in the 70's and 80's worked on the principle of Grazing Incidence. Shealy remarked, "There is still a great deal of work to be done. It is an ongoing research."

His next topic was on Multi-Layer Optics. He said, "If you can assemble a collection of layers, such as partial reflection from each layer in phase, then we could get a reflection that we could work with. That's the basis of Multi-Layer optics."

**Soviet Space Lecture**

**by Sean Chenoweth**

Dr. Valery Aksamontov of the Moscow Aviation Institute and Department of Life Support Systems is a visiting lecturer to UAH. The lecture was sponsored by the UAH Consortium for the Space Life Sciences and the Alabama Space Grant Consortium. He spoke about future Soviet Space projects, their planned Mission to Mars, and international cooperation.

Aksamontov began talking about the history of Soviet Space program and their earlier competition with NASA. There were many slides of Soviet space successes and stories from some of America's greatest heroes. The audience was captivated by the Soviet satellite pictures of Earth and the moon.

Next, Aksamontov presented a slide presentation of future Soviet satellites. One of these is being designed to study X-rays and gamma rays in space. NASA recently launched, on STS-37, a satellite that is already studying the X and gamma ray spectrum.

Another Soviet satellite being developed will improve TV communications within the Soviet Republic. Bigger and better boosters are being planned to carry heavier payloads into orbit.

The present economic problems in the Soviet Union have raised questions among many on the expenditure of money on space efforts. Aksamontov said they have to educate the public that they are doing useful research and making progress with tax rubles.

Aksamontov continued his explanation of future Soviet space scenarios. He talked about two new space stations being designed. One is planned for material processing.

A Soviet video was shown. It explained in detail how the Soviets intend to travel to Mars. The video said if life does exist on Mars, the most likely place would be ancient river valleys.

Next, international cooperation was discussed. John Vandergrift joined in a discussion with Aksamontov and Dr. Crump about the International Space University (ISU).

The first ISU was held at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1988. There have been as many as 127 students from 31 countries. ISU would like to establish a one-year space degree at a permanent university.

Vandergrift said when he attended ISU each group of students had a stereotype of each country. For example, American students thought there was a KGB agent among the Soviet students, and Soviets thought there was a CIA agent among the Americans.

Vandergrift said international cooperation is rewarding, and a lot of new ideas can be gathered. The French loved to brainstorm. ISU 1993 is scheduled to be held in Moscow. ISU 1991 is being held at Toulouse in southern France.

Topics for ISU 1991 include space business, space law and policy, space engineering, space resources and manufacturing, space life sciences, space physical sciences, space architecture and satellite applications.

Humanities will be a new topic for ISU 1991. The cost is $10,000 for two and half months of classes.

Aksamontov said if anyone wishes to work with the Soviets in their space program, they should learn as much as they can before doing so.

**From Old South to Sun Belt: Economic Development in Historical Perspective**

Sponsored by the Daedalus XXI Humanities Project

**By Clyde Foster, Niles Schoening, Daniel Dupre,**

The University of Alabama in Huntsville

**Thursday, May 9**

**10:15 a.m.** "Ambivalent Capitalists: Settlement and Development in Antebellum Alabama" - Daniel Dupre, Associate Professor of History at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

**2:15 p.m.** "Space/Race: Civil Rights and Marshall Space Flight Center in the 1960's" - Andrew Dunar, Associate Professor of History The University of Alabama in Huntsville

**3:30 p.m.** "Huntsville's Economy in Transition, 1970-1990" - Niles Schoening, Associate Professor of Economics The University of Alabama in Huntsville

**Friday, May 10**


Author of a novel, Whiskey Man, and an oral history of the civil rights movement, My Soul is Rested

**COMMENTS: The Audience**
Sor symposium coordinator. "Then, in the years following the Civil War, it attempted to diversify and broaden its economic base, with relatively limited success. Since WWII, however, economic growth in Huntsville/Madison County has proceeded at a very rapid pace."

Four forums, free and open to the public, are scheduled for Thursday, May 9. Each will address the symposium's theme, "From Old South to Sun Belt: Economic Development in Historical Perspective" and will be held in the exhibit hall of the University Center on the UAH campus. At 10:15 a.m. on May 9, Dr. Daniel Dupre, assistant history professor at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, will speak on "Ambivalent Capitalist: Settlement and Development in Antebellum Alabama." Dupre has been published in the Journal of Southern History.

The last lecture on May 9 will be at 3:30 p.m., when Dr. Niles Schoening, associate professor of economics, and Gianna Colodough, associate professor of sociology, speak about "Huntsville's Economy in Transition, 1970-1990," and "Winners, Losers, and the Process of Uneven Development in the South," respectively. The symposium wraps up the next day with Dr. Andrew Dunar, assistant history professor, will talk about "Space/Race: Civil Rights and the Marshall Space Flight Center in the 1960s." At 12:15 p.m. that day, Dr. James Cobb, history professor at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, will address "The New South: Why it Never Became the North," with Dr. James Cobb, history professor at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville in the University Center Exhibit Hall at 12:15 pm.

May 16, 21, and 23: A series of lectures concerning space as an area of study for many disciplines.

May 16: Owen Garriott, former Skylab astronaut, now with Teledyne Brown Engineering, will speak about his experiences at 12:15 pm in room 126 of the University Center.

May 21: Drs. Andrew Dunar and Stephen Waring of the UAH history department will speak on their historical research of the Marshall Space Flight Center at 12:15 pm in UC 126.

May 23: Ms. Susan Smith, General Counsel for the MSFC, will speak at 12:15 pm in UC 126.

Lectures on the Middle East
Huntsville Interfaith Peace Group

All in Room 200, Morton Hall, UAH
7:30 p.m.

May 7: "The Israelis and the Palestinians: Historical Conflict and Paths to Peace," Dr. Stuart Mangel, Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology and Physiology, U.A.B.

May 14: "After the Gulf War: The Arab-Israeli Conflict," Dr. Fouad Moughrabi is Professor of Political Science, Univ. of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

May 28: "The Role of the U.S. Military and of the U.N. in the Middle East," Russell Driver, Wendell Garton, and Don Darling, all members of the Military Advisory Council of the Center for Defense Information.


June 11: "Reconciliation and Hopes for the Future." Jim & Shelley Douglas received the Martin Luther King Award from the Fellowship of Reconciliation in 1985. 

Dr. Ron Koger appears bemused at having been made an honorary woman by the Tennessee Valley Women's Conference. Additional picture Page A-2.
UAH Student, Frank Crawford, Returns from the Gulf

by Mary Wallace

Patrick Crawford, a senior Electrical Engineering major, returned from his four month tour in the Gulf on Friday, April 19.

Crawford is a Marine Sergeant in the Artillery and operates a Howitzer named the USMC Hammer. He was notified of his activation the weekend after Thanksgiving and reported for duty on December 4. He was transported to Camp Pendleton in California and then to the Gulf in January. Crawford spoke with the exponent on Tuesday, April 23, about his experiences.

You operated a Howitzer?
Yes, it looks like a big tank, but it fires twelve miles away. We didn't see our targets. So, who says you can't hit what you can't see? The rounds are prepared on the outside and handed in, then, the rounds are fired from the inside.

How are tanks different from Howitzers?
Tanks are direct fire. They track in sight like tanks or other armed infantry, we would go forward and encounter resistance. We were firing artillery support. When they were firing, we would occupy the Iraqis by shooting at them. The reconnaissance weren't trying to punch through; they were just probing and falling back, probing and falling back.

They purpose was — and it worked — to make the Iraqis think that there was ground defensive. So, they formed a huge defensive right there, but that wasn't where the breach was going. They thought that it was a huge invasion, but it was two artillery batteries and an LAI unit.

Once the ground war started, did you continue the same activity?
Yes, we would just shoot and move, and shoot and move.

How did you avoid the mine fields?

Are you happy to be home?
Oh yeah! Oh yeah.

A path was cleared for us and roped off with barbed wire. So, we just followed the path. They would fire a det charge — a line and blow most of the mines. An armored plow which can sustain up to six direct blows would plow a road.

Did it ever get routine?
No, it was broken up. At one position, there were some incoming rounds. But, they were so far off target, we weren't even worried about it. They were about a hundred meters out.

Two miles from the Kuwait border, we saw B-52s bombing inside Kuwait.

Did you ever see any of the Kuwaiti people?
I went into Kuwait once and saw some civilians. They were great. They loved us. One of them asked what we were going to be doing, and we said that we hoped we would be heading home soon. He said, "No, no, we don't want you to go. We love you. You stay." When did you know that you were coming home?

About a week before we left. But before that, we were in Saudi Arabia spending a few weeks cleaning the Howitzer. The Department of Agriculture had to inspect all the equipment for any compacted sand which something could live in. Then, we played a lot of volleyball.

Are you coming back to school?

Are you happy to be home?
Of course! Oh yeah.
Yost addressed Faculty Senate Meeting April 25

by Marian Delaney Sampson

February 25, 1991, Wednesday

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Dr. Tom Cost, president, reported on the status of the review of the senate policy and the revision of the faculty handbook. The Executive Committee meeting was held on President-elect Frank Franz on April 27, and asked for information. Dr. Sandra Neilson, chair of the Curriculum Committee, asked that information on additions and deletions be sent to her in room 3420 Morton Hall.

Dr. Chris Paul, chair of the Finance Committee, said that recommendations of the Internal Overhead Task Force would be given to the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC), although they had not been presented on Wednesday, April 24, as he had expected. (See Below; for these recommendations). He said that he had been given numbers about the budget which he was unable to replicate.

 Provost John K Yost said that he took responsibility for the misunderstanding on when the report of the task force was going to be presented to the BAC. He said that the report had been presented to the vice president on April 23, and would be reported to the Budget Advisory and Strategic Planning committees which are advisory and report directly to the President.

Yost told the senate that UAH needs to seek a middle ground away from both hierarchical and consensus management. Saying that it was important for the president and vice presidents to meet with the deans and bring them more into the decision-making process, he said, "While there have been some philosophical differences in regard to budgets, I was surprised that the base budget presented to the Budget Advisory Committee did not reflect some things upon which we previously agreed," Yost said. "There was no flexibility this year except for academic units." He said he voted to abstain from forwarding these recommendations to the President's office. He said he believed that we can get along better in the legislative halls.

Provost John K Yost said that UAH needs to gear up for an aggressive capital campaign. Dr. O. David Cranmore, president, SPMC, told the Senate that three proposals were being discussed by the faculty for UAH not to exceed its means: 1)Modify old buildings, and 2) eliminating all faculty and staff positions where people were hired without compliance with EEO and the reappraisal of all non-academic units with the idea of netting 25 percent.

There was discussion of the parking memorandum from Dave Brown that appeared in the April 24 exponent. Dr. Croswell Porter asked, "How do you justify a dual system and giving them (students) preferential treatment?"

Senate Bill 214 has its third reading and passage next week. Some discussion was made of amendments. This bill dealt with a retroactive withdrawal policy for students from a whole term.

Recommendations of the Internal Overhead Task Force

To: Budget Advisory Committee

From: B. Jeanne Fisher

Subject: Internal Overhead Task Force

A sub-committee of the Internal Overhead Task Force has studied data of expenses in the student financial aid center for ledger 2 accounts and based on these data, the task force is forwarding a set of recommendations for your consideration. With only a brief review to these data, I voted to abstain from forwarding these recommendations. In an overnight review of these data, I discovered an error of some magnitude in the student affairs data. If there are other errors in these data as they relate to other units, I am concerned that we are making recommendations based on data that may be quite flawed.

Upon closer scrutiny of these data, I have found an error of approximately $800,000 has been charged to the student affairs budgets that should be charged to academic affairs budgets. This error relates to the fact that the financial aid office and the corresponding budgets for operating that office are $800,000. These accounts should have been charged to academic affairs for the FY 90 (or deleted from all years) to be consistent with the operational reports.

The sub-committee of the task force reported that for the last five years the

E. Each of these units will prepare budgets for 1991-92 within these allocation levels. Each executive manager shall have the authority to shift allocations among units under his or her control.

F. Any fixed costs that are absolutely necessary to meet unavoidable commitments, to maintain the level of academic services, or to ensure health and safety of the University community in excess of these allocations must be approved by an executive council composed of the President and the Vice Presidents. A central standard will be that there must be a finding that there is no possible way that these fixed costs can be absorbed within the unit in which they are incurred before additional funds can be allocated to the unit. In such cases, results will be made among the budgets of the non-academic units to cover these absolutely necessary expenditures. The final results will be subject to review and comment of the joint Budget Advisory and Strategic Planning Committee.

G. No new program will be established, during the next year, that has a claim for a new allocation of unrestricted funds without a clear identification of the expenditures that will be reduced within the unit in which the new program is created to cover the costs of this new function, activity, or program.

H. The internal overhead rates shall be modified, for this year only, as it is necessary to achieve the allocation results described above.

I. A permanent committee shall be appointed to work with the Vice President for Finance and Administration to establish a revised internal overhead formula or other stable budget process. These recommendations will reflect the centrality of the academic mission of the University and that will assure financial responsibility in the future.

We believe that these drastic measures are necessary to preserve the academic viability of the University and to create the stable environment necessary for the advance of the institution. We understand that these measures will result in significant reallocations of funds within and between units in the University. The magnitude may well exceed 2 million dollars. We recommend that the institution avail itself of every possible opportunity to make structural and programmatic changes, including possible discontinuance of offices, units, and non-academic functions that are consistent with maintaining the quality of current academic programs within the University that will result in cost savings.

These recommendations will be presented to the Budget Advisory Committee on May 1, 1991 at 2 pm.
Impact of the Proposed Redstone Expansion on the Huntsville/Madison County Economy

by Kim Ann King
University Relations

A special run of the Huntsville Simulation Model, economists working on the UAH/TVA Forecasting Project recently estimated the short-term impact of the proposed restructuring at Redstone Arsenal. The researchers simulated the influx of 2,000 federal employees between 1993 and 1995.

The model projected a total of 5,700 new jobs in Madison County by 1995—2,000 Redstone workers plus 3,700 new jobs generated by increased spending from those new arrivals.

"The Army's recent announcement, if it is fully implemented, will still imply a healthy expansion of Huntsville's economy based on a fast growth track," according to Dr. Niles Schoening, Principle Investigator of the project and Chairman of the UAH Economics Department.

"Like most other areas of the country, Huntsville has been adversely affected by the current recession. The growth rate of new jobs in Madison County averaged nearly four percent a year between 1979 and 1988. This figure slipped to less than one percent last year. The Army's latest proposal should push the growth of new jobs back up to 3.7 percent a year when the plan is fully implemented," Schoening said.

The new jobs will be primarily in the services, retail, and local government sectors, although manufacturing and construction should also be affected. Schoening said that this increase in jobs is measured from a baseline, or "most likely" forecast of future economic activities that do not include any stimulus from the planned expansion at Redstone. Without the expansion, total employment is expected to grow from a figure of 155,080 jobs this year to 171,790 in Madison County by 1995. The Army plan would increase the 1995 total to 177,500 jobs.

Health Check
by D.K. Thompson, MSN, CRNP
for the exponent

1. How would I know if I had a stomach ulcer and what could I do about it?

Peptic ulcers can occur anywhere in the stomach. They result when the lining of the stomach is exposed to acid and pepsin. They are usually chronic and have a pattern of pain, i.e., usually absent when you wake up but appears mid-morning, sometimes the pain will wake you up or at 2 a.m. With a gastric ulcer, you may experience bloating after eating or nausea and vomiting. To diagnosis as ulcer an endoscopy (actually having a physician look into the stomach) or a barium swallow x-ray can be performed. Treatment consists of the following: Mylanta, Maalox, or another antacid after each meal and at bedtime, sometimes a prescription medication is needed to reduce the amount of acid secreted by the stomach. Elimination of foods (known to cause you distress), smoking, caffeine, and alcohol may also decrease the amount of time it takes for you to recover.

2. How can I shave my bikini area without getting a rash?

Always use soap and water or shaving cream - NEVER dry shave. (Dry shaving will increase the chances of you getting an irritation.) Use a new razor every time. And, sometimes it is helpful to trim the area with scissors prior to shaving to minimize skin damage.

3. How can I cut down or quit smoking?

Nicotine is a very addictive drug. So is methanol, if you smoke a cigarette with methanol, you may want to switch to a nonmethanol cigarette. After a few days, you may experience stomach cramps and night sweats. There symptoms usually go away after a week or two. Nicotine is harder to quit. Many people, years after not smoking, still crave a cigarette, especially with certain activities. So, you can reduce or stop smoking by changing you habits, no cigarettes with coffee, after meals, when you first get up or when you are studying. Get rid of the ashtrays and matches. Nicotine gum can also be used, this is a prescribed medication and needs to used with the correct instructions. Quitting smoking is difficult, it can be done, and will be easier with each attempt.

You Can Still Study in Europe This Summer

The 16th annual UNO-INNSBRUCK INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL program offered by the University of New Orleans in Innsbruck, Austria will go this summer. "Despite a very difficult year for travel/study abroad, there are obviously plenty of students who still want to go to Europe this summer on a travel/study program," said Carl Wagner, Director of the University of New Orleans' International Study Program Office. "Our six week Innsbruck summer school is still going strong and we will accept applications until June."

Over 40 courses in the liberal arts and humanities, social sciences, business, and sciences are still available. Interested students should request a brochure as soon as possible. For more details and a complete catalog, write to:

UNO-INNSBRUCK-1991
P.O. Box 13155-UNO
New Orleans, LA 70148
or call: (504) 286-7318

By Kim Ann King

Yet Another Application Deadline Change

The Miss Teen All American Pageant application deadline has been changed. The new deadline is May 10, 1991. Send applications to National Headquarters - Dept. 44, Miss Teen All American Pageant, 603 Schrader Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003. Phone 1-304-242-4900, FAX 1-304-242-8341.

Paulette Schler
MISS TEEN ALL AMERICAN 1990
Science Week Exhibits at Madison Square Mall

Graduates in Health Administration in Great Demand, Study Shows

Graduates with master's degrees in health administration are in great demand and graduates find jobs in their field quickly, a survey administered by Korn/Ferry International and the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) finds. The average health administration graduate with an MHA, MBA, or other master's-level degree found employment in 3.8 months. 73 percent reporting that the position they accepted was their first choice. Six months after graduation, 90 percent of the graduates reported having obtained employment. The average salary was $35,833 for master's graduates, who are typically around 31 years old and have 4.9 years of prior work experience in a health-related setting.

Students typically take two to three years to earn a master's degree in health administration. Programs are located in schools of business, medicine, public health, and public administration and award degrees such as MBA, MPH, MHA, and MPA. Some programs prefer students to have prior work experience in the health field, while others do not. Health administration graduates work in setting such as hospitals, health maintenance organizations (HMOs), health care consulting firms, insurance companies, long-term care facilities, and government agencies. They may have operating responsibilities in general administration, financial analysis, information systems, health promotion, management of cost containment programs, and other planning functions.

Health administration is an increasingly popular field for women. 59.4 percent of the survey respondents receiving graduate degrees were women, up from 40 percent in 1979. Of those receiving undergraduate degrees, 72.1 percent were women. Increasing numbers of women are expected to be represented among hospitals' senior executive leadership in the future. "Women should take note, health care is a very receptive industry for aspiring women executives," said James N. Heuerman, Managing Vice President of Korn/Ferry International's Health Care Division in San Francisco.

AUPHA President Gary Filerman, Ph.D., said, "The survey proves what health administrators know—health administration is a good career field. The work is demanding, but it is also rewarding and consequential. Administrators make a vital contribution to the quality of health care and well-trained people are a necessity."

Surveys were mailed to 1988 graduates of AUPHA member programs in the U.S. that offer degrees in health administration. The surveys were sent out six months after graduation to allow students time to find employment. Of 1,043 master's-level graduates surveyed, there were 816 respondents, for a response rate of 78.4 percent. Of the 505 baccalaureate graduates surveyed, there were 312 respondents, for a response rate of 61.8 percent. The graduate classes have been surveyed in 1979, 1981, 1983, 1985, and 1988. The undergraduate classes were surveyed in 1983 and 1988.

Free copies of this report are available from the AUPHA offices at 1911 N. Fort Myer Drive, Suite 503, Arlington, VA 22209.

Coming Soon — Hot-air balloon races at the Alabama Jubilee in Point Mallard, Decatur.

Electronic Voting Machines to be Tested

by Billy Joe Camp
Office of the Secretary of State

The Alabama Electronic Voting Committee will test the AVC Advantage (R) and tbr-115 Optical Scanner voting machines on Wednesday May 1, 1991, to determine if the equipment may be used in the Alabama elections.

Under the state's 1983 Election Reform Act (Act No. 83-200), electronic voting equipment must be certified that it complies with Alabama election laws by a five-member Electronic Voting Commission. Commission members are Tallapoosa County Probate Judge Donald Fox, chairman, District 12 State Senator Doug Ghee, District 31 State Representative Jack Venable, Assistant Attorney General Marc Givhan, and Secretary of State Billy Joe Camp. Technical experts appointed to work with the committee are Dr. Robert Montjoy, a specialist in public administration from Auburn University and Dale Heizler, Date Processing Director in the Office of the Secretary of State.

In an April 24, 1991, meeting, the committee designated Chairman Fox, Dr. Montjoy, and Mr. Heizler to actually conduct the May 1 test, which will be held at 10 a.m. in room 44 of the Alabama State House (located at the corner of Union Street and Washington Avenue in Montgomery). The public is invited to attend.

V.O.C.A.L., Victims of Crime and Leniency, is an organization of Victim's Rights Advocates that was chartered as a non-profit organization on November 15, 1982, in Montgomery, Alabama. The first two chapters, the Montgomery Chapter and the Jefferson County Chapter, were both started in April 1983. We are a statewide organization and have one chapter in Columbus, Georgia.

Our support groups have monthly meetings with guest speakers. We have a WATTS line 1-800-239-3219 that is available to victims 24 hours a day. We provide information and referral to community resources and for legal assistance. We attend parole hearings when we are contacted by the victim or a member of the victim's family. Some of our members are on call 24 hours a day by the Montgomery Police Department for homicide victims' families. We send out a quarterly Newsletter to our membership also.

Our membership dues are $25.00 for a family and $15.00 for an individual.
You've got to be taught to be afraid

I spent the first seven years of my life traveling between grandparents in Indiana in West Virginia. In Indiana, I was taught to hate and despise Republicans. FDR was a saint who put food on my family’s plates and shoes on our feet. In West Virginia I was taught to hate and despise Democrats. FDR was a demagogue who had taken food off my family’s plates and shoes from their feet.

Of people whose eyes are oddly made

Although I was baptized Methodist one time by my West Virginia relatives, I received most of my religious training from the Indiana once-upon-a-time-Baptists.

Everything. Fortunately it’s about this time that these poor women begin to realize just how inconvenient their religions are and thus liberate themselves. It’s not that these women possibly expect them to risk their reputations by giving it up for adoption. It just wouldn’t do. A grandmother born in 1887 who was a member of a very fundamental religious group, it does not count as a human life. Fetuses are only parasites that suck the life from their mother. This one thing that I am absolutely sure of — from almost four decades of undoing my careful teaching of my childhood is with a gift that both my parents were most proud of. I was receiving other lessons from my Indiana grandfather. He used to take me for walks along the river bank where people living in shanty house boats. He was a Baptist lay preacher in a different church (one I was never allowed to visit because the congregation was Black). At every stop we made he (not a wealthy man on his factory salary with twelve children) had something for the inhabitants — food, clothes, a bible.

Simmonds Says

by Monica Simmonds
assistant news editor

Eeny, meeny, miny, mo. When life begins nobody seems to know. Come on, people, we know when life begins, don’t we? Well, for those who haven’t figured it out yet, here’s the answer. Life begins when it is convenient for it to begin. It’s just that simple. A fetus does not count as a life. Fetus are only parasites that suck the life from their mother. This is a fact that both my parents were most proud of. A woman has a right to control her own body. She is the owner of herself and should be able to make these choices. If a woman wants to have an abortion, she should be able to. If a woman wants to have a child, she should be able to. It’s her body, her choice. She should be able to make these decisions.

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I have spent a lifetime undoing all of the lessons that I was so carefully taught in the first seven years of my life. Most of these lessons were enforced with some rather severe physical punishments — always for my own good of course. It is ironic that one of the ways that I have overcome the careful teaching of my childhood is with a gift that both my Indiana West Virginia grandparents gave me as a baby — the love of reading. There is always a good excuse for bigotry and prejudice against any group from the bigots. An awful lot of bigotry is taught in the name of Christianity. One wonders who would be castigated as Pharisees if Christ were here today. It is tragic that people will not believe nor accept that the basic message of the gospels (good news) is love. Love for self and each other — not only for those it is natural to love, but also for the stranger for the other in our midst.

In a sexist, racist, homophobic, and often violent society, it is not surprising that the high form of entertainment is pummeling each other (in the ring, on the field) or killing each other on the small and big screens. Does it make any sense to you that we calmly accept murder in our midst and champion killing abroad while at the same time we get wildly indignant at the thought of two men holding hands? However, is all of this as it may, we are a nation of laws. People can be as prejudiced (and certainly are) as they wish to be or are raised to be. But the law states that we cannot discriminate based on those prejudices no matter how valid we believe them to be or how real our convictions. The Student Government Association of the University of Alabama in Huntsville has ceded in refusing to fund a club called Gay and Friends.

The club is not religious (though it does contain some Christians). It is not partisanly political. It does not advocate the immediate overthrow of the government of the United States. These are the only valid grounds upon which routine funding should be denied. To refuse to fund a student club because of objectives to the real or fancied lifestyles of some of its members is discrimination.

I do not believe that the members of the student body or of the SGA have complained about being maligned the sexuality of any other group on campus. It is irrelevant that some of the members of this club are ex-employees and some of the people that call themselves Straight. It is not my club. It is not my concern. It is needed and vital not only for the gay community on our campus but also for the straight community.

The one thing that I am absolutely sure of — from almost four decades of undoing my first seven years of very careful teaching — is that hatred harms the hater as much as, if not more than, the hated. Anyone who has one finger pointing at another person or group of people needs to look at where the other four fingers are pointing.

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I am all for the freedom of making our own choices in life. I am proud to live in a country that realizes no one way is the right way. I am proud to be part of a society that respects and loves his neighbor. I am free to make my own choices so long as they do not encroach upon the freedom of another.

I refuse however to accept the right to choose death. I refuse to live my life so movies. Needless to say my horizons began to expand. We moved into an all Catholic-Jewish neighborhood where I was the only Protestant child. I thought that I was the one Grippey. I started to read and as a child and my best friend, Juanita, felt sorry for me because my skin burned so easily in the Missouri summers.

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Notes from the Undergrad

by Doug Brewer
associate editor

The decision handed down from on high was that I would go to the Lewis Grizzard show at the VBCC. I've heard of Lewis Grizzard. Once, when I had informed a friend that I was writing a column, my friend looked despondent for a moment. I asked him what was the matter, so he said he hoped I wouldn't turn into Lewis Grizzard. I assured him that I would do no such thing, and he looked happy again.

I remembered this conversation later, when the decision was handed down from on high. At first I begged off, citing editorial duties. It was going to be on a Friday night, I said. What about writing my column? It was pointed out, after gales of cynical laughter, that I never write my column on time. Well, no argument there.

Then I said something about territories. This was entertainment, wasn't it? Where is the entertainment staff? They handle this stuff. I was desperate. I was also out-ranked. My name was added to the assignment list.

The show was still some weeks away. I still had time to figure out how to get of this thing. I thought I would reveal a bias.

Grizzard graduated from the University of Georgia. Worse still, he appears to be proud of it. I once had the misfortune to drive through the Georgia campus with the window down in my car. I suffered a minor head injury when someone threw a diploma at me.

Okay, so that didn't work. Plus, it was an old joke. This was getting pathetic. I demanded to know my qualifications for reviewing Grizzard.

1.) I write a column.
2.) I have heard of Lewis Grizzard.
3.) I know where Del Rio, Texas, is. I spent a week there one time.

I hung my head. I was hooked. Why did ever say I had been to Del Rio? I imagine the big question right about now. Why was I trying to get out of going to see Grizzard? Was I swayed by this man, who had worked his way up from lowly sports-writer to powerful columnist and wildly popular author? Nah.

The truth is, I was afraid that I would sit down in a seat at the VBCC, talk to my wife until the houselights went down, and look up at the stage to see that the man wandering out from behind the curtain was Me!

I was terrified that despite my friend's warning, I had indeed turned into some redneck Thurber wannabe. So, Friday night arrived. My wife and I went out for pizza, reasonably sure that the good folk who were bringing Grizzard to town had remembered to leave tickets for us at the window.

We parked a couple of miles from the VBCC and made the trek to the ticket window, where we were met with a blank stare from a lady who appeared to have tied her hair too tight.

There were no tickets. Somehow along the line, someone had dropped the ball. The lady behind the window assured me that absolutely no tickets had been provided for the press. The look on her face told me that no tickets would ever be provided for the likes of me.

I tried to appear disappointed. Really. Walking the couple of miles back to the car, I attempted to avoid a spring in my step. Secretly, I was relieved. I had avoided coming face to face with what I was afraid was my destiny. For a while. See you next week.

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Choices

Child Stars' nightmares: Bad TV takes its toll

by David Rogers
reporter

It shouldn't come as a surprise.

There's a flurry of criminal acts being committed by former television child stars.

Adam Rich, one-time "too-cute-for-words" Nicholas Bradford, of "Eight is Enough" fame, was arrested recently for robbery.

All three of the youth who starred in that epic, larger-than-life drama "Different Strokes" have been involved in questionable behavior of some sort or another in the time since the show's cancellation.

And, to top it all off, Danny Bonaduce, former "Partridge Family" star allegedly beat up a transvestite prostitute recently.

It just goes to validate an idea I've advocated for years: bad television can only lead to pure, mind-damaging evil.

You know the usual line. Kids shouldn't watch too much television because what's showing on the tube is usually garbage.

But while you may have realized bad television's affect on the viewer, you MAY NOT have considered its impact on the young actors participating in its creation.

Think about it.

Poor Gary Coleman. Do you think it was easy for him to pretend to like Mr. Drummond's daughter Kimberly? The girl (Dana Plato) managed to be phony AND whiny—at the same time.

Of course, life on the set with young Mr. Coleman was probably not a bed of roses.

"I want my character to grow! I want him to expand as a person! I want him to come into his own as a fully-realized adult!"

The boy had to be on drugs.

How did Coleman NOT realize there's only so much latitude to the role of 'precocious, wise-cracking, black midget son of a rich, white dude.'

You don't think Emanuel Lewis' quick disappearance from the entertainment scene after "Webster" is surprising, do you?

It had to happen. Forced cuteness can only charm only so many people for so long.

The sicky-sweet, fabricated world of the American sitcom will undoubtedly produce more victims.

I see the headline now: 'Ricky "Silver Spoons" Schroeder attempts assassination of President.'

Or, how about: "Scott "Charges-in-Charge" Bao Convicted of Drug Smuggling."

Or even, 'Who's The Ison? Kids Busted for Conning KFC Cashier.'

Those horror stories could come to life; don't doubt my word for a minute.

Before these atrocities occur, the nation must act. Don't waste your time setting up a Big Brothers/Big Sisters agency in Hollywood.

Don't withhold truth from these kids' parents: they will actually DISCIPLINE them.

No, no, don't be that naive. Instead, do the one thing that might prevent the de-linquency of other sit-com child stars:

DEMAND BETTER TELEVISION.

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And, as I stated earlier, the (many) viewers of bad television are not the only ones who suffer.

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Dear Exponent Editor:

Greek life on the universities around this country is in sad shape. They are being attacked by the parents of their "select" membership capability, hazing activities, and also their over-influence on student matters. Many Greeks, however, are doing nothing to improve their overall image. Racism, hazing, and covert dealings really only occur through Greek organizations. For every "true" fraternity that upholds its principles, I would estimate there are five others that do not.

There is no better example of Greek stupidity then at the University of Alabama. Sure, they do good things. All Greeks combined to give $21,000 to the library just the other day. Still, an article was printed in the Crimson White on the same day that stated the Greeks were probably going to be forced to integrate in the next five years. Most, if not all, Greeks are not supposed to discriminate due to race. Alabama-Tuscaloosa, however, upholds the separate-but-equal philosophy in grand style.

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I am not attempting to slam Alabama. Stupid activities like these are done by Greeks throughout the country. Alabama, IAX St., Kentucky, Georgia, Indiana, Ohio St., etc. is what truly scary about all of this is the fact that some of this ignorant activity is showing its face at UAT. There are some minor indications of racial bias on BOTH the fraternity and sorority side; there is even stronger evidence that hazing does, at least, occur in a few fraternities at UAT. Greek corru...
To: SGA Legislators, Officers, and Arbitrators

From: Joey Ceci, SGA Finance Officer

Subject: The Denial of Funding to the organization GAYS and FRIENDS

I would like to take this opportunity to explain my position regarding the recent events surrounding the club GAYS and FRIENDS. As Finance Officer, I speak at meetings only when recognized by Legislator(s) and do not feel that I had the chance to present my case before Thursday night. As Finance Officer I feel I am the final authority over the expenditure of student funds and therefore when an issue regarding the funding of the above organization arose, I am compelled to give my input.

First of all, I would like to explain a few things. I attempted to point out that the SGA Constitution clearly required a two-thirds vote to fund this club minutes after the vote was taken. I had my hand up but was never recognized by a Legislator. It was not an attempt on my part to slag anyone in the face or pull some sort of parliamentary trickery. I simply did not have the chance to point out this error until the meeting had ended.

I support the chartering of the Gays and Friends club. While I do not approve of their sexual preference and admittedly do not understand it, I do recognize their constitution and charter. The only cases that I can recall where a club is not recognized by the Legislature are cases such as Healy v. James (408 US 169) clearly show that the SGA cannot deny the club recognition and access to the university with a compelling reason. I have no problem with the group existing, meeting, posting bulletins, holding events or whatever they wish. However, the simple fact that they are a club and have a charter does not mean that they automatically deserve money from the SGA. It only means that they have completed the necessary administrative steps necessary to be recognized as a student group on the UAH campus and are therefore endowed with the same rights as other chartered groups including the petitioning for funds. The granting of the charter cannot however be used as a justification to give the group money. It is simply an administrative step that must be completed before the group may apply for funds, not an endorsement of purpose by the Legislature or a promise to grant funds.

I further believe that their membership list may and should remain confidential. If making all lists confidential is required to be in line with this club's well established principle (such as NAACP, State of Alabama - 357 US 449) where disclosure could and would result in harassment and discrimination.

I do not oppose funding on religious or political grounds. I have no idea what the Bible says about homosexuality and quite frankly I do not care. To me this is not an issue. I do believe or claim that Gays and Friends is a political or religious organization. I clearly stated in the meeting that they could and should be denied funding for the same reason that we do not fund religious or political organizations. As a state funded university, we are prohibited from funding political or religious organizations because that could be seen as an endorsement of their viewpoint. The same logic applies in this case. We as an SGA are elected by the students to guard over their interests on campus and to act as trustee over their student activity fees. As an organization we are obligated to expend student funds in a manner that will benefit the majority to see that their student funds are spent in their best interests.

Several parallels have been drawn to the funding of clubs. Thursday night it was suggested that since Gays and Friends is a group of students who share a common goal and unity, they would make an ideal candidate for a funding. The same can be said of the College Republicans or the Southern Students for Choice. Both groups share a common interest in the political or religious area, yet student funds are not available for them. They cannot be funded. It has been suggested that if these clubs such as the Fribree Club or Chess Club offend some because they are frivolous or meaningless on this I would have to agree but I would also point out that this is really the only types of clubs that the SGA has any right to consider. They are the most important or debated issues that affect people's lives everyday? Politics and religion. Yet the SGA has made a conscious step to shy away from these or issue oriented clubs such as this in the past.

I would hope that the SGA Legislators would consider their responsibility and mission while considering this funding request. We have a captive student audience which is required to pay their student fees. I do not believe or claim that students have the responsibility to see that we spend their money in an area that are constructive to the community yet do not offend large segments of the population. Under no circumstances do we have the right to take money collected by compulsion and spend it in a manner which offends large segments of the student population. If the club is a viable club that is needed on this campus it will easily survive without funding from the SGA.

I am not from North Alabama. Anyone who knows me knows that I have never raised an open mind. It is my right to oppose this and it is my right to speak out on it. I will not be bullied by being told that I am "politically incorrect" or that the views I express are backward. It is my responsibility to insure that student funds are spent in a way to benefit the most students possible. This club is not acting against the interests of others.

As for funding, Joey Ceci states in his memorandum, "You cannot in good faith take money from students that are required and not optional) from UAH students then turn around and use them in a way that a large segment of the students disapprove. We do not have the right to do this. Everyone keeps talking about large numbers of students or "the vast majority"; our question...Where are the polls? Does anyone have the authority to say that they do not offend large segments of the population? According to Kinsey, many believe today's total is 12% are gay, then there are 800 to 1000 students on campus who pay a student fee and are being denied the right to have a say in where their money is going (just as everyone else), and yet the one organization on campus that can benefit these homosexual students that exists is being denied money. Excuse me ladies and gentlemen of the SGA...WEHAVETHATRIGHT as homosexual students, just as anyone else. When we pay the required and not optional student fees, one does not even mark the money. We are sure that there are organizations on this campus that have no value to you at all, but some do. We are able to pay the student fee, do have an interest and it is important that they receive their share no matter what your objection. It seems the only way one can rationalize rejecting the funding organizations, GAYS and FRIENDS, is injustice. What else can separating one interest group from another be called?

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Thank you for reading this and please remember, we represent all the students of UAH. All nationalities, creeds, colors, religious affiliations, sex, and lest we forget, sexual orientations.
"It seems that a piece of paper, not an education, is all you want."

To the Exponent:

I had for many years considered myself a conservative. The past two years have seen my conservative views slowly but surely be showered with liberal overtones. Until this very past week I had still, though, considered myself conservative. Even now I support some conservative views. I support some of the conservative economic policies, civil policies and defense policies. But I do not support them all, as they are left with too many closed doors on some issues (as are all political ideologies).

I often wonder, though, if many of the people who consider themselves conservative realize that they have been brainwashed into following a restrictive thought ideology? I am no longer conservative, and I am not (despite what many people call me) a full hearted liberal. There are also too many closed doors (and maybe some that are too far open). Neo-liberal ideology is perfect. Neither serves to mean very well. Why I am no longer a conservative, though, can easily be seen in last week’s Exponent:

The article concerning Ron Byrd. His statement that anyone opposing the Gays and Friends group is given the label homophobiac or fascist is not the truth. What is true is that it is not a label, it is the truth! Why else would he not want the group to be recognized? If it is concerning student activity fees, I personally do not pay any fees at all until I can direct those as I please. Those fees are simply taken out of our pockets without any real consent from us except that we are willing to pay the price to go to school. But that is not my point.

Mr. Byrd would simply let the situation pass if he were nohomophobic and fascist. Mr. Byrd is simply a microcosm of today’s conservative party. Today’s conservative movement is closer now to a religious fascism than it seems to have ever been in the past. They really do wish to impose Christian theology and morality on this country through government. Even today they support legalizations of prayer in public schools.

I wonder if equal time will be given to them? Will there be equal time given to all religions? Will peyote be re-legalized in our society? Will the Lord call them to the wilderness to receive in themelves the recompense of their ERRORS which was created? Would this be AIDS? Of course, this is known, beyond a shadow of a doubt, to be the conseuence of the AIDS ungodliness. The sad part here is that some innocent good people are sometimes affected by this disease through no fault of their own (bloodtransfusions, etc.).

Would they be affected as it is those immoral people who are spreading the disease...

They say they want the right to walk hand in hand with their “friends” on the University campus. Have they had oppostion to this? Of course not, as they are no different than the Adolterer or Adulterress, murderer or thief who wants to walk in hand in hand. Do we have to finance a club so that homosexuals may have the privileges?

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Where are our rights as good, upstanding people? We are forced, not only to condone such as this, but we have to finance it. Where are our chartered club for “straight”? A student was known to come to me and ask yourselves honestly, “Can I enter into the festivities of “Gay Pride Week” without being a homosexual? And if you can, remember, “Pride goeth before destruction.”

A Concerned Citizen,
Marilyn Caldwell

Name Withheld By Request

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Letter from a student who said that he is a conservative, and that he believes that education is important. He is concerned about the lack of education on this issue. He believes that we should not be funding organizations that promote homosexuality.

The truth is that the majority of the public has as much education on this as we need, or care, to have. They say they want to educate the community about homosexuality. Yes, I agree, we need to educate the public and community with the true facts of this issue. I think that they should not prohibit homosexual practices.

So for those of you who fear a gay rights movement, what would you be willing to do to make it unnecessary? Forget the idea that to tolerate homosexuality is to tolerate a world of sin? Realize that protecting young children from gays is as silly as protecting young girls from straight men? Realize that what someone else does in their bedroom is none of your business?

Why should anyone but gays care about what gays do? What scares people is seeing two consenting adults who choose to show their affection in a sexual nature? Anyway, we are in a multi-cultural country’s history of racism, we should remember that this is the all the facts before standing in judgement of someone else.

Someone once said something about paying attention to the log in your own eye, but he didn’t really matter, did he?

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Discrimination abounds in this country because stereotypes still exist.

This week in the Huntsville Times there have been two letters about the Gays and Friends funding issue. The first letter was filled with hatred. The writer voiced the opinion that homosexuals should remain in the closet where they belong. The second letter followed the same vein as the first but added that homosexuals "abuse each other" and that it is "immoral for them to associate and discuss society and the practice of sodomy in our midst."

I have been, up to now, a silent observer of this controversy. However, I find it impossible to remain silent any longer. The hatred and lack of compassion for our fellow human beings saddens me. I am not gay. I have a happily married mother and a loving father. However, I feel that all of this energy devoted toward persecution could be directed toward something much more positive.

Discrimination abounds in this country because stereotypes still exist. Religion, gender, nationality and sexual preferences are used as discriminatory categories that we still fight to this day.

I believe that "Man" was created equal. However, "Man" has used misdirected power to put categorical names to certain groups. "Man" then justifies mistreatment of others by pulling convenient quotes from the Bible. My life has been fortunate. I have been taught to view people as individuals, not as color of race or any other color. I have always tried to accept a person as equal to me. Others are neither better or worse than I am, only different. If every person had all the same qualities this world would be a boring place.

I accept those with views different than mine. I recognize their right to be different. I believe I will be a better person for listening to and trying to understand my views with those whom I disagree.

Regarding Gays and Friends, I say let's agree to disagree and give them the right to pursue funding. We have as much right as anyone else to support the community we want to be a part of. We want to be part of a University where all students are treated equitably.

Cheri Supnick