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Circle of prayer unites UAH

By Grindl Weldon
News Writer

In response to the horrific tragedy that resulted from terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center Twin Towers and the Pentagon the day before, UAH students, faculty and staff united together in prayer in front of the Tom Bevill Center at 12:30 p.m. on September 12.

Participants joined hands to encircle the American Flag flying at half-mast while supporting one another in their time of shock, grief, and disbelief.

Kelli Bright, 7th floor RA for CCRH, opened the gathering with the American Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed those who attended. The UAH choir performed the National Anthem.

Dale Jobes, SGA President, addressed the crowd and stated “I am proud to be an American. We must all stand together.”

Following Jones, Dr. Frank Franz, UAH President, urged everyone in attendance “to be supportive of the UAH community.”

“NASA will be the last,” Bright said. “My window faces the World Trade Center. That’s all you were able to see...it was really hard to watch TV and everything.”

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First-hand account of NY terrorist attacks

By Chris Brown
News Writer

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Offensive test drive brings in OT

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WZYP fund-raiser comes to UAH

By Heather Byland
News Editor

UAH students united at the Central Campus Residence Hall (CCRH) and participated in a WZYP World Trade Center Relief Efforts fund-raiser for the American Red Cross on September 13.

Approximately 10 students stood outside CCRH and collected money from fellow students.

The fund-raiser began at 7 p.m. By 9 p.m., the group raised approximately $200.00.

Erica from WZYP’s Ace and T.J. Show initiated the fund-raiser.

Erica said she instigated the fund-raisers because “I want to help...but there’s only so much we can do,” said Erica.

Raising money for the Red Cross is an excellent way for individuals nationwide to help those in New York and Washington, D.C.

Erica added, “It’s great how even though we’re so far away, everybody is pulling together.”

Throughout these tragic times, UAH students have pulled together, just as the entire nation has united.

Anthony Holden Student Government Association (SGA) Rules and Revisions Chair said, “I hate that it took something so tragic to bring us all together.”

Some students volunteered or donated to fund-raisers at least once since the attack.

Andrew Fulton, a UAH student, said this was his “second time to donate money...because it’s a great cause.”

Fulton added, “Why wouldn’t you want to donate?”

Another student volunteer at the fund-raiser, Todd Watts from the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) said, “I’m the son of a Vietnam
Across the Campus

Would you be willing to participate in a UAH blood drive?

Photos by Jennifer Hill

Tiffany Spence
Computer Engineering Freshman

"Yes, I would like to help the people up-state. By giving blood I can give back to them."

Kristian Kleminsky
Biological Sciences Freshman

"Yes, I wish we could give more."

Paula Holcomb
Music Senior

"Yes, I wish there were other things that could be made known for us to do to help."

Christi Hubbard
Psychology Senior

"Yes, I've been wanting to do more, Matthew 10:28."

SCI donates computers to UAH

By Gwynn Schneider
News Writer

SCI Systems, Inc., a Huntsville-based diversified electronics manufacturing services provider, donated 84 computer systems to UAH's Computer Science Department and M. Goldman Library recently.

The PCs will allow the Computer Science Department to provide a new teaching laboratory for the students, and it will expand the research and the teaching opportunities for the library.

The Insight, a campus newsletter, states as a result of the donation, students, faculty, and industrial affiliates will now have faster access to the Internet and to various resources.

The new computer systems in the library are available for use in the Math Lab and Information Arcade.

The System Librarian Jack Drost says the PCs in the Information Arcade are for student and public use, however, the computers in the Math Lab are reserved for UAH student use only.

The Computer Science Department Chair, Dr. Phil Richards, notes, "The installation of the new computers into our teaching lab, has brought many benefits to our students."

In listing some of those benefits, Dr. Richards first says the old lab "no longer looks like a computer repair store. Students can now expect "a predictable response when they type a command." The new keyboards have letters on the tabs that you can "actually see," as opposed to the "worn out characters resembling ancient Egyptian."

The most important thing the computers provide is more disk space.

According to Richards, they are "more than fast enough to run the latest software."

He noted that the Computer Science graduate student population has "ballooned in recent years, and has put a huge strain on our facilities." With the addition of the computers, the Computer Science Department can now offer more sections of the most popular courses.

This fall, for example, Richards stated the department was able to offer "two sections of our graduate class that teaches the very popular topic of client/server computing, which has very heavy computational requirements."

SCI Systems EMS facilities are located in 19 countries and employ more than 54,000 people.
**Exponent Online**

**goes high-tech with new site**

Evan Belanger  
**News Writer**

The UAH Exponent dove into the future last Thursday with the first publication of the 2001-2002 **Exponent Online**. Powered by College Publisher and under the command of Scott Westfall, Online Editor, the new **Exponent Online** can now be seen at www.uahexponent.com.

This giant step affords new opportunities for students along with the added convenience of the Internet.

**UAH jazz ensemble goes on European tour**

By Matt Tanton  
**News Writer**

The UAH jazz ensemble surprised Sweden and Finland throughout this past summer, June 27 to July 4.

According to Don Bowyer, Music technology and Jazz director at UAH, "The students have not been out of this area. For quite a few of them, it was their first time out of the country. It was really exciting to see them experience another culture and see another side of the world."

However, the ensemble that toured did not include only students. Dr. Jim Bowyer, former head of the psychology department at UAH: Dr. David Bowyer, band director for Huntsville High School; Jim Cavender, UAH jazz music technician; Uri Spina, staff assistant to the Music Department; and, of course, Bowyer also attended the trip.

For the first week, the band was hosted in a Swedish county called Olof's Manor, which has a music week every July, called Muskvecka (Music Week).

According to Bowyer, "It was a festival, but not the kind of music festival we think of. For one week there are two or three concerts a day in each town, with all different kinds of music. The one in Finland really was a festival, in that, there were four days of jazz, all day long.

All of the concerts, except one, were held outdoors. Bowyer comments on the outdoor conditions, "In that part of the world, they have such a short summer, they really like the outdoors."

Jeremy "Bud" Tamburo, a UAH senior and member of the band says, "You don’t think of Europe as being a very thriving jazz community, but it really was."

The jazz band ended their concert series on a sentimental note. They played, in Stockholm, their biggest concert for about three hundred people on July 4.

"Ready for this? As well as playing concerts, the UAH entourage did incredible sightseeing. As well as the counties of Sweden, the group traveled to Uppsala (the fourth largest city in Sweden), which is a college town that surrounds a sizeable campus."

The group also spent three days in Stockholm, where according to Bowyer was "one of the most beautiful cities there in Sweden."

While in Stockholm, the group spent their nights in a jail. That’s right, a jail. But don’t worry, the group wasn’t in bad for behavior. This jail was converted into a rather nice hotel/youth hostel. The accommodations, according to Spina were "beautiful."

The group then went on to spend two days on one of the four islands in the Baltic Sea. Spencer said, "I loved it, and the people were really friendly, and they really appreciated the music."

Apparently, Spencer liked it so much, that he wants to take his band (Huntsville High School) back across the seas to places like Copenhagen and Stockholm.

When questioned about the audience response, Bowyer said, "The audiences were great, they were very polite, We had good crowds."

Tamburo added, "They were really receptive towards us, it was wonderful. Everyone we met was very warm and hospitable."

Bowyer chose to take the UAH jazz group to Sweden because "I lived up there for two years, about two years ago. My former boss, [a] real good friend, arranged everything for us. He was wonderful, he was so polite, his name. He took care of everything, and it was fabulous," said Bowyer. Apparently, Berg’s band (from Sweden) came to UAH in 1999.

For a day by day account (which includes photographs) of their trip, you can go to www.uah.edu/music/jazz/diary.html

**Alpha Tau Omega wins national awards**

By Patrick Bobo  
**News Writer**

Alpha Tau Omega (ATO) is one of the most prestigious award-winning fraternities in the nation.

This year, ATO member Steve Cross stated, "To give you a perspective, each year ATO raises $100,000 for charity each year, yet we still beat them."

ATO recently received a True Merit Bowl, which goes to the top fifteen chapters in the nation.

Out of the general fraternity’s 125 chapters, ATO won its fourth straight straight bowl and has been in the top five for the last two years. UAH’s chapter has won twelve True Merit Bowls’s in their 22 years here.

Devine stated, "True Merit is more than a silver bowl. It represents the ideals and principles our founders set forth when creating Alpha Tau Omega. True Merit means huge demonstration of the ideals and principles as a part of chapter operations. Being a True Merit chapter means success, integrity, strong leadership, and excellence."

The Alpha Tau Omega chapter was awarded the ATO Excellence in Scholarship Award, as well.

This award is given to chapters that achieve a 3.0 GPA or above during the year. This year, ATO was the only IFC chapter to do this for the entire year. Their board also received honorable mention for their work with the chapter and with the national fraternity.

On October 6, many of the Theta Pis will be making a trip to Indianapolis, Indiana, the home of Alpha Tau Omega’s headquarters. There they will compete for the distinction of number one chapter in the nation. The Cross is hopeful. "Right now, we are the favorites for it."

 Theta Pi does a great deal of community service work at UAH and in the Huntsville community.

UAH is lucky to have such a prestigious chapter on campus not only to themselves but also to the University.
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Veteran, and everything that happened in New York is an attack on everything my dad fought for.

Feelings of unity, patriotism, and freedom are abundant at UAH.

Jackie Whitaker, also from ASCE, said, “Live America and love America…”

Watts added, “The only real way to show the people who did this that they didn’t accomplish anything is to bond together and work like a team.”

According to Whitaker, “They’re only making us stronger.”

Steve Whitlock, Residence Director at Southeast, said, “We’re trying to organize a campus blood drive.”

However, the Red Cross is swamped at the present.

Whitlock said, the blood drive is “the first big event to [unite] the three largest [organizations] on campus: SCA, ACE, and Housing.”

CCRH RA Kelli Bright played a major role in bringing the WZYP fundraiser to UAH.

Bright revealed that the WZYP fundraiser started from a Wednesday evening “nintendo-nacho party” for CCRH residents.

Bright set up a stress reliever in the CCRH lobby to help students cope with the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks.

Bright said, “Residents could pay $1 and play nintendo and eat nachos all night.”

Originally, the “nintendo-nacho party” was a fundraiser for future CCRH activities, said Bright.

According to Bright, “Half way through [the activity] I decided to donate the money raised to the Red Cross.”

“According to Bright, ‘I had RA’s take containers to class’ on Thursday morning to collect donations from classmates. They raised ‘close to $200.’”

Greek Speak

By Patrick Bobo Columnist

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Interest in Nostradamus resurrected after attack

By Barbara Rose

Chicago Tribune

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"It really made me feel supported instead of sitting back and going on with life as normal," added Verzyl.

Rick Shout, Director of Career Services, "attended out of respect for the people of New York City, Washington D.C., and the rest of the country.

"I wanted to show my support instead of sitting back and going on with life as normal. I was very pleased that the students of UAH wanted to do this and I was showing my support for their efforts as well," added Shout.

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Chemical spill in the Optics Building

By Chris Brown
News Writer

Campus police officers evacuated the Materials Science and Optics Bldg. due to a chemical spill on the third floor of the Optics Building on September 5 at 3 p.m. Marsha Green of the campus Environmental Health and Safety office told The Exponent that "the chemical spilled was Phosphorous Pentachloride, in a quantity of about half a pound."

As Baird demonstrated in a brief chemistry lesson, this chemical, when it comes in contact with moisture in the air, produces Hydrochloric vapor and phosphoric acid, which are both weak acids. Baird said, "Dr. Andreas Gebauer was the hero of the situation, he was able to identify the compound... at no time was anybody in danger, including me."

Baird was not aware the fire department had been called.

"I had just left the room, and was surprised to see two firemen come out of the elevator," said Baird.

Despite evidence offered by Baird, the fire department treated the spill as an unknown substance, and thus evacuated the entire facility. "They erred on the side of caution," Baird said.

However, this incident has raised some questions about general chemical safety at UAH. Baird stated, "If any labs or storage rooms don't comply [with safety guidelines], they will. I wouldn't have been up there myself if I weren't concerned about safety in our labs."

Although the new administration is bent on safety, some ghosts of the past remain.

Janet Wilks, who has worked for faculty in both the Materials Science Building and Wilson Hall, recalled shocking findings when a group of lab workers took on managerial duties after the sudden departure of an upkeep manager earlier this year. Wilks said, "They found a gallon jar of solidified Picric acid. When this stuff dries, it is ten times more powerful than nitroglycerine, it could've destroyed all of Wilson Hall and part of the Administrative Science building."

Picric acid is stable when properly stored, but when allowed to dry becomes a high explosive that can detonate on contact, according to the Material Safety Data Sheet. Wilks added, "All they had to do was slam the cabinet door too hard, and the whole thing would've gone and killed us all."

In addition Wilks recalled, "They found a five gallon bucket almost completely full of Mercury, with no cover, in the back closet of a biochemistry lab. "They knew something was wrong when they saw several dead rats around the bucket."

Julie Collier, who works with Dr. Ng, reported inoperable fume hoods in Wilson Hall.

"We'd see clouds of chemicals inside the room," Collier said.

Collier said she had never seen anything out of the ordinary with regards to chemical storage. Angela Rea, a new employee in Wilson Hall, echoed this as well. "There is an MSDS available for everything we have, and I haven't seen anything stored improperly yet."

Mary Setzer, who is now in charge of all of the teaching labs in Wilson Hall said, "We select labs where nothing is toxic, we don't even use Mercury thermometers anymore. There are stringent rules to follow regarding disposal and safety."

Setzer took her current position on August 1, but conceded that she heard the stories about the Picric acid and Mercury. She said that all of these materials had been disposed. "Over the last year they've been trying to clean things up where appropriate."

While some problems may remain, the new staff is working toward complete lab safety on campus. In response to these concerns Baird stated, "The teaching labs are designed for safety... If anyone has any safety concerns in these labs, please come see me."
Two GSC wins for Lady Chargers

By Renea Harrison
Sports Writer

The No. 21-ranked UAH Volleyball team certainly made the most out of their first two home matches of the season. The West Florida Argonauts never had a chance to down Martin Methodist, the UAH Women's Soccer team also described the play of the Lady Chargers on Friday, September 20, 2001. Dubbery delivered in OT to down Martin Methodist

By Tiffany Brown
Sports Writer

Will power, determination, perseverance, and intense play are all adjectives that can be used to describe the play of the Lady Chargers on Friday, September 14 against Martin Methodist.

The Lady Chargers were determined to get a win after a tough week for everybody. In an intense game that kept the minds wondering who was going to win, the UAH Women's Soccer team edged out the Lady Argonauts from Pulaski, Tenn., in an overtime by a score of 3-2.

The clock ran out and overtime was then set. Overtime started and at the 96:29 mark Kara Pearson assisted Elizabeth Dubbery as they showed their perseverance in this game.

The Lady Chargers outshot Martin 30-4. The game on Sunday, September 16, was postponed. The game against Cumberland has been rescheduled for Friday, September 21 at 1:30 p.m. at Charger Field. The ladies play September 22, at 2 p.m. in Nashville, Tenn., against Trevecca Nazarene. Then it is off to Pensacola, Fla., to start Gulf South Conference play against West Florida on September 28.

The Lady Chargers never had a chance against Martin Methodist. (Photo courtesy of Brian Mitchell)

The Southeastern Conference plans changed for the cross country teams this weekend as they planned to run at the Crimson Classic in Tuscaloosa. The Southeastern Conference canceled all of its sporting events this past weekend due to the terrorists' attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. Instead, the team traveled to Atlanta Friday afternoon to race in the South Pre-Regional meet hosted by Georgia State.

The Chargers wore small American flag stickers in remembrance of Tuesday's events and some of the girls painted symbols with red, white, and blue on their cheeks. There was a moment of silence before the race began to remember those who lost their lives and those who are still missing.

Both teams placed third among the non-Division I teams in the meet. The men placed behind Cumberland (24 points) and Emory (55 points) with a total of 128 points. The ladies came in behind Emory (59 points) and Florida Southern (66 points) with a total of 83 points.

Andrew Hodges came in first for the Chargers, placing 30th overall with a time of 27:05. James Terwilliger was not far behind Hodges placing 34th at 27:10. Matt Wilson stepped up running third on the team, coming in with a time of 27:14. "Going to Atlanta was a surprise," Wilson said. "But it was a challenging, fun course."

Also on the men's team, Eric Kordycz came in 46th (27:27), and Daniel Friedlne came in 54th (27:32).

Natalie Fahey led the Lady Chargers finishing 15th overall with a time of 19:24.

"It was a big race and I feel that the team did really well," Fahey said. "We had four girls finish under 20 minutes!"

Amy Phillips was right behind Fahey finishing 16th in 19:25. Candace Chambers wasn't far behind coming in 19-28, placing 18th. Lesley Davis (1922) came in 29th and Courtney Hurst (20:31) finished strong for the team placing 30th.

"Going to Atlanta may have ended up for the best," coach David Cain said. "We proved to be in the top of the region. Our top five guys went under 27:30 and over half the girls set new personal records this season.

"I was very pleased with everyone being focused and performing well."

The Chargers are off this coming weekend, but will be traveling to Greensboro, N.C., September 29 for the Greensboro Invitational.
Men's Soccer drops another heartbreaker

By Ronak Patel
Sports Writer

The UAH Men's Soccer team faced another tough opponent on the road this past weekend in Memphis, Tenn. This time the opponent was ranked No. 21 in the nation, and again, UAH fought hard and almost prevailed. But two second-half goals by the Truman State Bulldogs bolstered them to a 2-1 win over UAH.

"This was a game we fought hard in and should've won," head coach Carlos Petersen said of his team. "We were down five guys who were not starting for us because of sickness and injuries, and we fought valiantly out there against a nationally-ranked team."

Late in the game, at the onset of the 70th minute of play, the Bulldog's Justin Shaw scored a goal to tie the game at one, Kristo Ceyurov assisted on Shaw's goal.

About eight minutes later, Matt Byers scored what would prove to be the game-winning goal on a controversial penalty kick.

Byers' goal came on the second penalty kick for the team. The first penalty kick - which UAH's goalkeeper Nathan Daniels made - was a call made outside of the penalty box according to Petersen.

"That first call was a mistake," Petersen said. "The penalty occurred outside of the box and the referees called Truman (St.) the shot inside of the box."

Byers' goal on the second penalty shot came after Truman's goal at 70:40.

The Bulldogs' Adam Johnson stopped five shots on goal by UAH. In the first half of the contest, a newcomer to UAH's soccer program got his first career goal.

Trey Polanski, a freshman forward out of the Bayou State (Louisiana), scored his first career goal for the program at the 22nd minute of the first half. Sophomore forward Micah Bell assisted on Polansky's goal.

UAH returns home to face St. Leo University on Sept. 21 after a month long road trip. Kickoff is slated for 4 p.m.

"It will be nice to play at home after a month on the road," Petersen said. "St. Leo is a good team, but could be the weakest team we've played so far this year.

"I'm expecting us to win the game against St. Leo."

On September 23, UAH will travel to Nashville to face Lipscomb University at 3 p.m.

UAH's game against Alabama A&M, which was slated for September 11, was cancelled due to the terrorists attack on New York and Washington, D.C. No official announcement has been made on the rescheduling of that game.

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Ben Folds proves he's king of the suburbs

By Alan Backer

Entertainment

Editor

The first thing that one might think after hearing Ben Folds’ new single “Rockin’ the Suburbs” on the radio is “Man, you know the album probably doesn’t sound like this.” And it’s true: Folds’ debut solo album of the same title is predictably nothing like the “three-chords-and-a-white-boy-rap” novelty that the track suggests.

Maybe Folds thought he had a legitimate reason to rely on a gimmick with Rockin’ Folds for this year’s third incarnation of the Sidewalk Moving Pictures Festival (www.sidewalkfest.com) to cut them loose. He had to, not only get married, start a family, but also to try to reclaim the rich hooks and clever wit that made his mark in the mid-Nineties so special. It’s no surprise that the young piano man returned with “Rockin’ the Suburbs” to let the world know that he’s alive and can still write a good song. Nevertheless, he probably didn’t need to do that. Even though it’s not quite as hit-heavy or relevant as the Fives’ first two albums, his piano on Fire and Whatever and Ever Men, Rockin’ the Suburbs far exceeds at least this writer’s expectations. There are some obvious deviations, like the incorporation of guitars and drum loops into some of Folds’ songs. He also elected to hire Ben Cronje (Filter, Foe) to produce the album, forging long-time Ben Folds Five producer Caleb Southern. Regardless, the backbone of his songs is still, and always will be, the piano. The ballads on Suburbs are much better than the ones on the hook­less Reinhold Messner. Ever the poignant storyteller, instant Folds classics such as “Fred Jones Part 2” (featur­ing Cake’s John McCrea) and “The Aesop of Stein” are four-minute mini­blog­raphies about men who are getting old and losing touch, something Folds worries about himself. In “Still Fighting It,” he laments “Everybody knows it sucks to grow up/ and everybody does.” Yet, with the line “The years go on and we’re still fighting it,” it’s obvious that even though he’s 35, Folds is going to keep on crooning like a 26-year old way out of his time.

The only true snag that Folds hits in Rockin’ the Suburbs is the mournful “Car­

The Five Spot

By Paul Lindgren

Entertainment

Writer

The Last Heart in Houston

“Love is a horrible thing. Don’t ever fall in love. It’s too late, though, for Jerry here. How is Audrey anyway?”

Richard put down his drink. “What are talking about, Wayne?”

“I’m saying it’s terrible. Don’t fall in love I say—unless you’re Jerry here. He’s getting his fill I’m sure.”

“What makes you say that? What the hell are you talking about?” asked Jerry.

“Don’t mind me. I’m drunk.”

“Sure, sure,” said Richard. “Let’s have another drink.”

“Let’s do.” The bartender poured us another round before Wayne had a chance to finish the beer he still had. I was beginning to think I was saying things I shouldn’t have been saying. Jerry kept giving me quizzical, sober looks, the kind that chucked in that I had too much to drink.

“Damn... I think I’m blind,” I said.

“No, Wayne,” said Richard, bursting out in an uncomfortable laugh.

“I think I’m going back to my boat.”

“Sure, sure... I think I am too.”

“Fish in the morning?”

“What the hell. Just whenever.” I pulled out a crumpled wad of bills and left a tip for the bartender.

The moon shot a silver spike from across the bay, and I paused to watch it. There really wasn’t anything to see there, so I walked back to my slip, tripped over the gunwale and nearly fell into the water.

The next morning, I woke up in my V-berth. The gangway hatch was open, and I was wearing one shoe. There were mosquito bites all over my arms, and I woke with the thickened eyes of someone who had been crying over the night, or in his sleep. The clock read ten-forty. The sun was already high, and I was drenched in the usual wash of sweat.

I rapped on Jerry’s hatch. He slid it open. His eyes were still shut, and his portal shades were all drawn. He must have slept well, considering.

“Well?”

“Yeah... I feel pretty hauled over right now,” he said.

We picked up Richard and walked over to the Pavona for breakfast. There wasn’t much said except over the Sunday Chronicle, and the Astros series against the Dodgers, and the dredging off Port Bolivar. Afterwards, we loaded our gear aboard Richard’s Grady White, and cast off into Galveston Bay. We rounded the Texas City breakwater, past the tankers that were stacked from La Porte to the inlet. Aboard the cargo ship Kathy Beeton, there were sailors smoking cigarettes on the deck. They waved at us idly. It was terrible to waste a Sunday aboard a shiping nothing and going nowhere. There were hundreds of people enjoying their Sunday off...
Movie Review: Rock Star brings back the metal

By Serena Baugh
Entertainment Writer

What do you want when you go to a movie? Do you want drugs, sex, and rock 'n' roll? Or perhaps you want orgies, bi-sexuality, and transsexuals? Well, if you want any of these elements in your movie experience, see Rock Star starring Mark Wahlberg and Jennifer Aniston.

If you're looking for Marky Mark, the squeaky-clean pop person of identification with you when applying. Go online, win Big Spring Jam tickets! www.uahexponent.com

The plot is unbelievable, but extremely charming if you ever dreamed about living the lives of the bands that you worship. The main character, Chris Cole (Wahlberg), is the lead singer to a Steel Dragon tribut (not covered) band named Blood Pollution. Steel Dragon is the movie's fictional answer to Black Sabbath. Cole basically needs a life but cannot find one of the pains that he has to endure for being the star are the torture of nipple piercing (because "Bobby Brains" is the "no underwear rule"(i'll let you pursue that one). Wahlberg really does this character justice best when he knows personally about what goes on behind the music industry, even though the pop music he performed and heavy metal are night and day. His performance is also boosted by Aniston's portrayal of Chrissy's girlfriend/manager, Emily.

When asked why he chose comedy as a profession, Smith says "I didn't choose to be a comedian, comedy chose me. I knew I was going to do this ever since I was nine years old." The topic of acting he says "Acting is just a natural progression. It's a part of the process, the best way you can reach more people with your comedy." Most of Smith's inspiration comes from mistics (preferably live) and people living in everyday situations. Conflict, for him, is also a good source for material because he believes this is when people "are the most real." As far as actual comedians, Smith notes Bill Cosby, Dick Gregory, Richard Pryor, Bill Hicks and Woody Allen as a few of the men who have inspired him. Smith says that he also looks to the elderly as well for material. "I talk to old people. Old people are the best because they've seen it all before. Conversations with elders help you put it all in perspective." So how does Owen Smith feel about doing comedy for a living? "I respect all comics who are making a living at it. Soley feeding your family from something you love gets much more respect from me," stated Smith.

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Times valid 9-21 to 9-27

Rat Race (PG-13) 1:15 3:15 5:15 7:05 9:40
Planet of the Apes (PG-13) 1:15 4:00
Jeeper's Creepers (R) 1:05 3:15 5:25 7:35 9:45
Rock Star (R) 1:15 4:30 7:30 9:40
Glass House (PG-13) 1:30 4:10 7:00 9:30
McGiddo (PG-13) 1:30 4:00 7:05 9:40
Captain Corelli's Mandolin (R) 1:15 4:00 7:00
Jurassic Park III (PG-13) 1:15 4:15 7:05 9:20
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Rush Hour 2 (PG-13) 1:15 5:15 7:15 9:15

Comedian Owen Smith to appear at Mom's

Owen Smith, one of comedy's rising stars, is giving UAH students a free performance at 9 p.m. on September 26 in Mom's Cafe. You had better catch him when he comes to town, because he might not be coming around to such a small venue in the future (and certainly not for free).

Let's put it this way: this guy is likely to soon be a household name. Smith has just finished taping his first pilot for NBC, with Paul Reiser (the guy from Mad About You) as the executive producer. Next month he will begin filming two independent films, one of which will be starring rapper Mack 10. On top of all this, free food will be provided at the show! Smith was born in the Bahamas in the town of Nassau. After moving to America as a child, he grew up around the Washington D.C. area, and graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a degree in Finance. Instead of working within the means of his major, though, Smith tried his hand at comedy—his first love. He had formal comedy training at some pretty respectable places, including the distinguished Second City in Chicago, which has trained such comic greats as John Belushi, Dan Aykroyd and Chris Farley.

The comedian has several films to his name, including Rudy (which he was featured in), Sapphire Blackness and College U. Smith has performed in many legendary comedy clubs across the United States. One of these famous clubs is the Improv in Los Angeles, which has featured such superstars as Jim Carrey, Rodney Dangerfield, Pauly Shore, Richard Pryor, Eddie Murphy and Sam Kinison.

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Community Calendar of Events

September 20-October 28
Scarecrow Trail at the Huntsville Botanical Garden—Imaginative scarecrows will be lurking throughout the Garden through October 28. The maze and the weekend hay-rides will also be in the Garden as well. 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Phone: 300-4447. Admission charged.

September 20-24
Journey Into Amazing Caves. Presented by the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, audiences will be able observe scientists venturing into the world's most hidden realms on a quest of a lifetime. The presentation shows during the day on weekdays and at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday nights. For more information, call 677-3800.

September 30
Get Lost! (in the Cornfield Maze)—A labyrinth of twists, turns and dead ends, carved into a 10-foot high cornfield. Come challenge your wits in the Cornfield Maze. Open Wednesday and Thursday 5-10 p.m.; Friday, 5:30-11 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-11 p.m. For more information, visit www.comrnfldmaze.com. Pick up your $1 off coupon at the Convention and Visitor's Bureau downtown located within the Von Braun Center. Admission charged.

September 20-22
Lie, Cheat, and Genuflect. Theatre Huntsville will present the comedy play written by William Van Zandt and Jose Milино, two former Saturday Night Live writers. Rated PG. Tickets are $12 for adults and $10 for senior citizens and students. For more information, call 536-0807 or log on to www.bhsbtheater.org.

September 28-30
"The Civil Rights Movement in Alabama: Early Years of the Movement (Part 2)." J.L. Chestnut, Jr., attorney: Alabama A&M School of Business, Multi-purpose Room, 7 p.m.

September 20-23
"Time Piece." Burritt on the Mountain will present this program set in a mountaintop living history site where actual log cabins, 19th century gardens and majestic trees provide a background for a fictional and outreach at Mom's Cafe on Tuesday's at 9:15. Admission charged.

September 20-November 18

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Vivre Le Livre. Featuring presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize winner Doris Kearns Goodwin. The event will benefit the book fund for the Huntsville Public Library. Located in the Von Braun Center North Hall. 6 p.m. Call 532-9590.

September 21
UAH Jazz Ensemble Big Band Dance, UC Exhibit Hall, 8-10 p.m.

September 22
Gallagher. The prop comic is bringing his "Interactive Sledge-O-Matic" tour to Huntsville. Tickets have been on sale at the Von Braun Center since August 10. For more information, call 551-2345.

September 25
Campus Crusades for Christ. Interdenominational Christian group features live worship, devotional, and outreach at Mom's Café on Tuesday's at 9:15.

September 26
Comedy Show at Mom's featuring Owen Smith. 9 p.m. (free)

September 28
Music Student Recital: Brooke McClaran. Located in Roberts Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

September 28-30
Big Spring Jam. This year’s festival will feature performances by Incubus, Blues Traveler, Lonestar, Wynonna, Better Than Ezra, Lil’ Romeo, Days of the New, Smokey Robinson, and many more. Tickets are $25-$30 for a weekend pass and $15 for one day. For more information, call 551-2345.

September 29
Music Student Recital: Melanie Payne. Located in Roberts Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

September 29
Bonepony. The Nashville band, which will be performing at Crossroads Café at 10 p.m., has a style called "stomp" music, which is an eclectic mix of techno, rave, bluegrass and rockabilly. Tickets are $5. For more information on the performance, call Crossroads at 533-3393 or log on to www.bonepony.com. information, call 536-7993.

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We cannot generalize

By Jennifer Hill
Editor-in-Chief

The acts of terrorism in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington D.C. were a tragedy. Yet what is even more of a tragedy is what is occurring in the towns and campuses across this nation and across the world. Discrimination, racism, and prejudice are rubbing the raw and bleeding wound of loss our country has suffered. Yes, I speak of discrimination against Muslims, followers of Islam and individuals of Middle Eastern origin.

Like many Americans, I have watched almost nothing other than the coverage that CNN, NBC, ABC, and FOX have had to offer. Quickly I have become aware that there is another issue threatening our nation besides terrorism and racism. We as a nation are being torn over whether to accept these individuals who have chosen to embrace freedom or whether to treat them as if they were cold-hearted murderers. This should not be.

However, this nation isn't the only one experiencing backlash against Muslims. Worldwide media generalizations of the word "Muslim" have produced unfounded accusations that have hazed the lines between the words, "terrorist" and "Muslim." In France, one Muslim responded, "I'm really against these terrorist acts because terrorism means innocent victims, and that's not our religion," he said. "Terrorists, with their bombs and all, they do that for themselves, not for Islam." We cannot generalize. It is not right for us as a society to use the words Muslim or Middle Eastern as the label for a terrorist. There may be a small minority of the population that glorified in the American blood that was spilled during these terrorist attacks, but we cannot ignore the fact that there are Muslims that mourn for our country.

Editorial

Dear Editor:

I would like to comment on the terrorist attack on our nation. It was a horrific tragedy to have lost the thousands of American citizens at the hands of these terrorists. As to how we used our own civilians as missiles makes matters even worse. What kind of people would do this to our nation? My heart aches for the Americans who were killed and for the many more who are trapped and dying in the remains of the World Trade Center. But I take hope in the President's promise to hunt these terrorists down and deal with them.

However, this attack on America was here to UAH hard as well. I'm not talking about the threat on Redstone Arsenal. I'm talking about those students who rejoiced and cheered in the parking lot of Southeast Housing on Tuesday. Reportedly, there was a group of foreign students who were publicly rejoicing in the cold and heartless bloodshed of our citizens. Yes, they were cheering; who in their right mind thought this great country would even think of doing such a thing?

It irks me to the very core, not because I am a student in mourning for our nation, but because I am an American. Where do these students think they go to school? Who issued them a visa? Who admitted them to the University? Who are they? They are in America, dealing with Americans, and I hope that they realize this. It is not the foreign students who need the counseling for a nation in mourning; it is the American students, the United States' citizens, who need the counseling.

As Franklin D. Roosevelt said of the attack on Pearl Harbor, "It is a day that will live in infamy." We can fully relate to that. Tuesday, September 11, 2001 is a day that will live in infamy, and those terrorists shall have their day of reckoning.

Sincerely,
Heather Hanich
Freshman, Chi Omega

Dear Editor:

I have attended this university for some years now. I have seen several unending series of bad decisions on the part of the people in charge. And all the while students have stood by and did nothing. So be it. If we are content aboard a rudderless ship, let us face for ourselves.

But today, September 11, something changed. We watched as the symbol of our nation, the towers recognized world-wide as reflections of our ideals of freedom and liberty for all, crumbled to the ground in smoldering ruins. Military bases across the country were put on alert. The National Guard was called out. The President was hurting quietly through the loss of thousands of people in charge against America.

Redstone Arsenal was evacuated of all nonessential personnel. Businesses and universities were closed in respect for the national tragedy and for fear that our nation, the People of the United States, had not yet seen the worst of it. Meanwhile, everything was business as usual at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. I was stunned to find students rushing to get to class from their homes, where they had been glued to their television sets watching the story unfold of the tenth thousand or so people who won't be breathing anymore.

I decided to do something about what seemed to me to be a no-trainer. I mustered up the courage to walk into president Frank Franz's office and suggest that the university excuse students from classes today. His secretary informed me that they had already received calls to that effect and that they had no intention of canceling classes. I thought of pointing out certain facts that they might have overlooked.

Facts like: the attacks might not be over yet (the Arsenal is not far from the university). And facts like: the people in charge cannot be expected to concentrate on subjects when already stunned by the news that our unsinkable shores have been attacked. But all I saw in the eyes looking back at me was the cool, uncaring demeanor of management, of bureaucratic soma, and I decided instead to write you this missive.

Perhaps Dr. Franz does not realize the students of this university look to the people in charge, the leaders of our nation, to act as a cue for their response in this emergency. If their superiors appear gravely un-concerned, how are the students to respond? Appropriately.

The decision to keep the university on schedule reflects a complete disregard for the massive loss of life and can only be described as appallingly bad judgment on the matter. Furthermore, his actions betray a lack of character and a lack of leadership which, taken together or separately, raise the question as to what effect he and the people he employs may have on the characters of the students that attend his university.

Regrettably,
Kendall Byler

Dear Editor:

I am very upset about quizzes being given during the traumatic events of this week. On Tuesday, during my 11:10 CS class we were given a quiz, even though the class was in shock and many were in tears or close to tears. On Wednesday morning, in my 10th class, we were also given a quiz and were subsequently laughed at when we confessed that we already received calls to that effect and that they had no intention of canceling classes. I thought of pointing out certain facts that they might have overlooked.

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Opinion

The Coming Storm: What’s Your Part?

By Geof F. Morris
Opinion Writer

No, I prefer to consider the fundamental shift in our foreign policy, specifically the military. If you take the Clausewitzian view of war—that is, war is just politics by another name—then nothing will truly change. I do tend to agree with Clausewitz, but strategy and tactics are necessarily going to change for our country as we carry forward.

I liken the United States to a lumbering elephant. We’re the largest beast on the planet, and we assume that we’re big enough to scare everyone else. For the most part, this might be true; however, consider the United States. The apocalyptic stories of mice scaring elephants silly is applicable here, at least to me. Clearly come into our domain, and we’re jumping and howling and generally making a fool of ourselves trying to stamp it out. Our own perspective makes it difficult to step on that irritating mouse, because he can move much faster than we can.

That’s a problem with a free and open society. We have to decide if freedom is really worth the price of eternal vigilance. I argue that it is, but if it is to be that way, the way we wage war is going to change. With a rather monolithic and powerful military, we really have little to worry about in the way of nation-states; a missile defense system, if operable, would finish the shield from the nation-state perspective. But to fight a mouse, you have to get down on his level.

This war on terrorism—and don’t get the rhetoric wrong, it really is a war—won’t be fought like the Gulf War was. You’re not going to see the “luckiest man in Iraq” scooting across a bridge during a briefing run by the hilarious genius, Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf. No, this will be a war fought man-to-man, in bushes and in caves, our guys against their guys.

And that’s what I really want to drive home. I’ve heard a lot about what “we should do.” “We should go over and bomb those (expletives deleted) back to the Stone Age!” Obviously, nuclear warfare really isn’t an agreeable option; our hackles would be raised if we killed too many innocents (and rightly so, I might add). But all this hangs about what “we should do” by those of our general age bracket should be backed up by a willingness to take action ourselves, should it become necessary. Right now, everything looks peachy-keen: Syria and Iran, long sponsors of terrorism, seem to be “behind us” in the effort to eliminate Osama bin Laden (however you define “eliminate”). How long will this last? Will the Pakistani people live with the decision of their government to cooperate with the United States, given the general feelings of goodwill toward the Taliban regime of Afghanistan? Will Iraq become angry when bombs eventually fall and decide to yet again become an aggressor in the Middle East? Will the U.S. conduct its coalition so as to appease the members or to “do the right thing”?

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tinue our education, even in light of these tragic events, but must we be penalized in our grades, even if the teacher feels little, for being too stunned to study or even concentrate? I feel that is showing a lack of respect for the students. The math class is mostly freshmen in their first semester of college. Is this how we introduce them to the adult world?

During the days following the JFK assassination, was it common practice for the universities to give graded tests to the students? Would it not be prudent to suspend any graded quizzes or exams during such a horrific week? Of course, I understand that this is an unprecedented event, and not likely to have an accompanying SOP in any of our rule-books or plans. But I can't believe that it wouldn't be perhaps a pending grind for the week. I would have thought it to be common courtesy for the instructors to do this, as many have. Unfortunately, I have not.

-I do shocked to study-

Dear Editor

Muslims are Not a Monolith

I've been sitting at my desk for hours trying to figure out what to say to you all about this. There are just so many feelings I want to express that my mind is momentarily jumbled. I am writing this letter on behalf of the Muslim Student's Association here at UAH. We want to say that we too are grieved across the board. This horrific and unspeakable tragedy. So many innocent lives lost, all at the hands of a few misguided zealots. I am writing this, no culprit has been found yet. I, like many others, am pointing its collective finger in the direction of one man. However, I do not commit this heinous act, should we, the Muslims in America, pay the price for his negative actions? I hope the answer is resounding "No!" Unfortunately, in the past few days, there have been many reports of violence and harassment aimed at Muslims.

Would it not be true to say here right on this campus. This cannot continue. There are many Muslims students on this campus, all of whom agree that Tuesday's acts were cowardly and against the teachings of Islam. When the Oklahoma City bombing, the culprit turned out to be a Christian American. Did this somehow undermine this mission with the politics of wishful thinking?

I'm tired of America fighting everyone else's wars and we as a free society cannot simply ignore the enormous suffering of those who are innocent and grieving with you. We too lost family and friends in the attack, and we too want justice to prevail. We must commit our energy to doing something positive for those still suffering. We will look for a solution, however, like to send out a special thank you to all of our very considerable professors, colleagues, and friends who have taken upon themselves to come together and make sure that we are not receiving the end of this sort of hatred. The Islam religion is acknowledged, and much appreciated.

I think we all are those with the following thought. The word "Islam", to translated east to west, means state of a religion that promotes harmony and tranquility. So if someone committed this act in the name of Islam, let it be known that senseless acts of terrorist war among the highest of sins, and an act such as this can never be considered Islamic. Any God help the families and friends of the victims, and may He protect us from such acts of injustice.

Sincerely,
Nazia Abbas
MSA Social and Public Affairs Director

Dear Editor

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the levee, fishing or browsing the fish markets. The ferries were suspect, but the one was jollied joyfully under the sun. We rounded Point Bolivar by one-thirty or so, and got started looking for fish to fish for cobia. We were getting started pretty late. "Good Lord, Wayne," Richard said, "Look at your arms and legs." I noticed I had been scratching at myself all morning.

"Yes, well passed out with the hatch open. It happens." "I only got one shoe off."

"That happens too." We fished on with few words. Richard worked with a light boat east along the sandy banks.

"I didn't know you slept with Audrey, Jerry."

"I slept with her for the last time last night. I was in love with her. Do you know that? Even children, adults, anyone can fall in love. Love, Jerry. But I can live with envy, and I can live with a man getting married. I have to live with that. She can give you everything. To hell with me. To hell with me."

"There are reasons why." I said. That couldn't have helped. "She's a good woman," I added. "But I was wrong, Jerry. I didn't have to." He didn't feel like searching for anything more to say without treading on dangerous ground. "Yes, she is," he agreed. We were all very hung up about the wedding. I didn't feel like an ass. I'd have thought I'd have known what I said last night, but I knew I had said enough. The way he called me right then I had said it the wrong way. It must have been eating him up. I felt like an ass.

"I didn't even know you two saw each other," he said. "You hardly say anything about each other."

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Aries (March 21-April 20).
Plan employment and social events carefully. Subtle romantic messages and small workplace duties may evolve into important opportunities. Although group projects may be delayed, individual gains will be strong.

Taurus (April 21-May 20).
Intimate relationships may require special attention. Expect a lover or close friend to express new anxieties concerning recent family changes. Avoid complex emotional dramas.

Gemini (May 21-June 21).
Love affairs and new friendships will bring positive rewards. Optimism, romantic sensitivity and social honesty will soon be the prime focus of loved ones. Find a way to make peace with the past.

Cancer (June 22-July 22).
Vague social promises or unproductive work methods may require delicate intervention. Review past workplace events and key social decisions. The daily attitude or romantic ethics of someone close may need to be addressed.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22).
Social and romantic relationships will enter a new phase of shared goals, group activities and invitations. This is an excellent time to expand your circle of friends or seek for added support from loved ones.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).
Emotional clarity and bold social statements are important. Watch for a romantic triangle or a unique social mistake to become prime topics of conversation. Find a way to avoid offering opinions.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22).
A friend or close colleague may soon be distracted by strong emotions or focused on workplace ethics. Stay well back from all such speculation. At present, others may need to resolve their fears or social insecurities.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21).
Flashes of wisdom or social intuition will captivate your attention. Key issues may involve arguments between friends or emotional debts from the past. Some Scorpios may also experience powerful dream activity or rare glimmers of future events.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).
Financial adjustments or new employment goals may be necessary. Rare money proposals, unique promotions or revised daily roles will bring fast results. Pay close attention to team objectives or assigned duties.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20).
Subtle social politics or hidden disagreements between friends may increase group tensions. Although private information has previously been revealed, don't offer an opinion.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19).
Quiet romantic reflection is accentuated. Expect a wave of inward thought and subtle social doubt to arrive. No serious or long-lasting effects can be expected. Do, however, realize that strongly defined boundaries in love relationships may soon be necessary.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20).
Loved ones may offer unusual opinions of recent social events. Watch for group dynamics, rare social encounters or unexpected romantic changes to be a prime topic of discussion.

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