UAH Basketball season has begun

By Taylor Reed

The long wait is over and the highly anticipated UAH Men's Basketball season is once again upon us. Last year both the men's and women's teams have high hopes for the season as they are looking forward to making a run for not only the GSC Conference title, but for the National Title as well.

The women's team had a tough regular season last year as they finished 10-17 mainly due to a record of 4-10 away from Springhill. Unfortunately, none of those losses came from one streak of easy games. The Lady Chargers knew their potential, but that was hidden from the rest of the conference until this year. The women from Huntsville, Ala., revolutionized an explosive offense and pressure defense that caught every team off-guard. UAH won the GSC regular season and the NCAA tournament when they defeated their second round of the tournament.

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UA sorority scandal: Moving forward or falling behind

By Ashley Colin

Following a tumultuous Fall rush season, there is much in the Greek system at the University of Alabama that many alumni and students are looking forward to a fresh start. This semester the UA Greek system is expected to be faced with a new era of scrutinizing and critiquing from students, faculty, fans, national chapter headquarters and major media outlets following allegations of discrimination during the Fall 2013 rush week. The denial of two African-American female students into any traditionally Caucasian sororities sparked by the entire country and caused the protest of hundreds of UA students against the system in the Greek system. However, as the University of Alabama sorority scandal edges out of the headlines, many are wondering what changes will be made to prevent further discrimination.

The University of Alabama President Judy Bonner, in a series of statements critiquing the practice of discrimination in the sorority admission process, (Bonner) confirmed the presence of discriminatory practices in a video recorded Fall and emphasized that the University of Alabama is working with the Greek system to eliminate any discriminatory practices. Despite the University of Alabama President mandating that Bonner, the outlined practices for these previous years have to be changed, (Bonner) has claimed that the process can be "systemic change" and will not be solely a "Band-aid" on the issue. So far Bonner has mandated the practice of continuous open bidding at the University of Alabama, a practice which allows sororities and fraternity to extend invitations for membership throughout the year rather than the traditional rush periods. Additionally, the University of Alabama Panhel­lenic Council held a vote to approve open bidding at the sizes of Greek chapters on campus, leading to an increased number of 360 members per chapter.

With increased numbers for chapter membership and the presence of university-conducted open bidding to help the University of Alabama in its integration process of its Greek system. But one concern remains as to what role will Greek Alumnae and Chapter advisors play in the membership selec­tion process? When the discrimination allegations first arose, the Crimson, White, UA student-run newspaper, reported allegations of Greek alumni and Chapter advisors trying to dissuade the admission of African-American recruits with threats that they would withdraw funding for chapters, as well as the absence of conference of chapter advisors in the member­ship selection process. The University of Alabama and President Bonner have not released a statement comment­ing on what role advi­sors and alumni would play in the bid process.

Despite what looks to be promising, afirm­ative action toward the integration of the University of Alabama’s Greek sys­tem, many are left with questions about the details of the integration process. University of Alabama President Judy Bonner and members of the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama continue to provide the public with vague responses regarding what consequences the University of Alabama will face. Additionally, the University of Alabama President has released a statement com­mitting to prevent further discrimi­nation of the University of Alabama continuing to provide the public with vague responses regarding what consequences the University of Alabama will face.

To ramp up the voltage, O’Neal has a long time celebrity and beautiful woman as his inspiration. (O’Neal) described by The New York Times as being able to ride horses in 2008. Fawcett died of cancer at age 52, the last time she left her artwork in the Warhol hanging in the University of Texas at Austin (MCT)?

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Parrish Fawcett, incan­slaughter, Ryan O’Neal, leading man. Andy Warhol, a statement on the O’Neal’s in the warhol hanging in the University of Texas at Austin (MCT)?

This Andy Warhol portrait of Fawcett is missing from the University of Texas. Blanton Museum of Art, The University of Texas at Austin (MCT)?
Alabama surges past LSU

By Derek Williamson
Staff Writer

The latest obstacle in No. 1 Alabama’s road to the national championship came in Week 11 against No. 13 LSU. The two titans of the SEC exchanged punches early, but the Crimson Tide struck the final crushing blow that pushed Bama to victory. With the game tied at 17 early in the third quarter, Bama scored the final 21 points in the game to secure the 38-17 win.

LSU was held to less than 200 yards. The main difference in the game was on the ground, where the Tide outsprinted the Tigers 193-43. The Tide played a physical second half, gaining more yards after contact than LSU had total rushing yards on designed runs. It was the first time this season LSU was held to less than 100 yards on designed runs.

Alabama quarterback McCarron finished the night with 14 of 30 passes completed for 179 yards and three touchdowns. With the performance, McCarron passed John Parker Wilson for the most career passing yards in Alabama history. Running back T.J. Yeldon led the Tide’s rushing attack with 25 carries for 183 yards and two touchdowns.

LSU drops to No. 3 in BCS standings with the loss. Alabama sits squarely atop the rankings with three games remaining in the schedule.

Saints top Cowboys in historic performance

By Derek Williamson
Staff Writer

In the Sunday night NFL action for Week 10, the Saints thrashed the Cowboys by a score of 49-17. The Saints demonstrated just how dangerous their offense can be, and their defense frustrated the Cowboys all night. The Saints victory also involved some historic performances.

The Saints accumulated 40 first downs for the game, setting a new NFL record. The previous record of 39 first downs was set by the Jets in 1988. Saints quarterback Drew Brees completed a career-high 19 straight passes, tying his personal best and franchise record. The consecutive completions were five short of the NFL record. The 125 total yards allowed by the Cowboys set the franchise record. The previous record was the 292 yards given up to the Lions in Week 8 of this season.

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Florida State handles Miami, reclaims No. 2 spot

By Derek Williamson
Staff Writer

The big game for Week 10 of college football had No. 7 Miami against No. 3 Florida State. The ACC rivals both came into the matchup unde­feated, with sights set on championship contention.

The Seminoles came out strong, orchestrating a 13-play, 72-yard drive capped off by a Devonta Freeman 5-yard touchdown run. Miami answered by moving the ball to the FSU 27-yard line, where they attempted a 44-yard field goal that went wide left. James Wilder Jr. took a screen pass from Winston 48 yards for the score to put the Noles up 21-7. After a Miami three-and-out, FSU stood poised to take a 21-point lead, but Winston fumbled the ball to Florida State at midfield. Eight plays later,酆

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GEORGIA at AUBURN 3:30 pm
SOUTH CAROLINA at FLORIDA 3:30 pm
ALABAMA at MISSISSIPPI STATE 7:45 pm
The Charger Gourmande: Viet Huong

By Mimi Brasseur
Staff Writer

Before I try any new restaurant, I like to search the internet for reviews and opinions on various websites. One particular restaurant that sparked my interest was a little place called Viet Huong on Old Mcarivia Road which scored a 96 percent from 441 votes on UrbanSpoon.com. With a recommendation score that high and with many that place votes, I figured this had to be a great place to critique, and ladies and gentlemen, I have found another gem in Huntsville.

As my guest and I arrived at the Vietnamese restaurant around noon on a Tuesday, it was easy to find, nestled snugly between Alexander’s Mar­tial Arts to the left and Sun City to the right. As soon as I entered, the smell of broth, herbs and spices hit me. I wanted to try everything. The dishes were beautifully composed with the white rice on the side, the noodles as the canvas and the vegetables, and herbs as the colors creating simple and seemingly delicious art.

The waitress sat us quickly despite the large number of customers. The restaurant was not very big; perhaps the size of a typical class­room, but it looked as if 75 people could easily dine there at once. There were plants and large windows allowing the natural light to flood in, giving the room a simple, yet elegant, feel.

As soon as I entered, the server seated me and my guest, and the waitress explained a menu full of different Vietnamese dishes. The dishes were organized by category such as soups, noodles, rice or vegetarian. The prices were reasonably low, making my decision very difficult. In the end I ordered a vegetarian noodle soup called pho, which is the Vietnamese spring rolls to come to our ta­ble, and I was pleasantly surprised by how much flavor was packed into the rice paper roll. The mint and cilantro tasted as though they were just plucked from the garden. The noodles and rice wrapping were perfectly prepared, and I enjoyed the blend of flavors be­tween this spring roll and pho. After eating our meal, I felt I had tasted the es­sence of Vietnam.

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The vegetables on both our dishes were raw and crunchy, even though I had never had a single bite of spring roll. My guest found it hard to believe this delicious little spot even existed. Hopefully, now I have raised local consciousness about this highly­recommended, hidden gem of Huntsville.

Review: Sullivan’s Travels (1942)

By Megan Roman
Staff Writer

D: Preston Sturges. Joel McCrea, Veronica Lake, Robert Warwick, Wil­liam Demarest, Merle Oberon, Porter Hall, Eric Blore. 91 min.

New music this week

By Evan Sawdey
PopMatters.com (MCT)

Lady Gaga _ "Artpop"
Inevitably, we all knew this day would come, and it takes the form of a very confused lady. Ga­ga’s intellect would get the best of her, and in­evitably, we all knew this day would come. Inevitably, we all knew this day would come. Inevitably, we all knew this day would come.

Dead Guy Ale: Part 1

By David Voil
Staff Writer

Rogue Ales is a craft brewery founded in 1988 in Ashland, Or­egon and is one of the most popular craft breweries around. They are known for produc­ing many different styles of beer and have histori­cally used many local, or­ganic ingredients in their recipes. Rogue has also been closely linked to lo­cal restaurants and chefs to produce ales that pair well with specific foods. They are true experts of their craft and have won numerous awards over the years. These are a few of their more popular of­ferings.

Dead Guy Ale: This might be Rogue’s most popular beer. It’s a malty style ale. It pours a clear amber color and has an alcohol by vol­ume rating of 6.5 percent. Dead Guy has a good bit of maltiness and a little brightness in the nose. It feels balanced and has a good bite. Over­all, Dead Guy is a fairly smooth and definitely worth a try. Luckily it’s also fairly easy to find. Headhunt Brown Nectar: This one is an American brown ale, has an ABV of 6.2 percent, and of course is a rich brown color. The aroma is sweet, malty, nutty and even a little chocolaty. The taste also pretty strongly reflects the title. It’s definitely nutty, and the malty sweetness is almost like some kind of synthesized nectar, complete with chocolate, caramel, coffee, vanilla, and an earthy, dry bite that cleans up nicely. I said Dead Guy was a little rich, but this doesn’t sound like an exception.

Photo: Charger Times Staff

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Redbox’s Top 10 DVD rentals (MCT) These were the Top 10 DVD rentals at Redbox kiosks from Oct. 28-Nov. 3:

1. The Croods _ DreamWorks
2. After Earth _ Sony
3. Monsters University _ BVIHE
4. This Is The End _ Sony
5. World War Z _ Paramount
6. Now You See Me _ Summit
7. Iron Man 3 _ BVIHE
8. Kevin Hart: Let Me Explain _ Summit
9. The Great Gatsby _ Warner
10. The Frozen Ground _ Lionsgate
Marvel's "Thor: The Dark World"

By Paul Sorrells
Staff Writer

Thor: The Dark World is the latest installment in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, an up and down series of movies that has oscillated between the near brilliant (The Avengers) to the abysmal (Iron Man 3). Thor: The Dark World is one of the better entries in Marvel's canon, challenging the status quo with a massive cast and outstanding special effects into arguably the most engrossing solo Marvel film since the original Iron Man.

In an opening scene, a brief dustup occurs between Asgard and a race known as the Dark Elves. In short, Malekith, a villain from another planet, has returned to take what he started. The father of Odin and the grandfather of Thor, manages to lead a victorious battle against the Dark Elves, although unable to destroy the Asgard, hides in a distant part of the Galaxy. Malekith redoubles his efforts to resume the destruction of his army with a single ship. Malekith vows vengeance on Asgard and goes into hiding.

The plot of The Dark World picks up about a year after The Avengers, as Thor is finishing up a long campaign in Earth, as much of the movie takes place on Earth, as much of the movie is set on Earth lasts for only a few minutes.

Malekith plans sends Asgard reeling to the extent that Thor has to break Loki out of prison in order save the nine realms. The Dark World fixes many of the flaws that have plagued Marvel's standalone films so far. While plot holes are still an issue with this film, the pacing, characters, and story development are of much higher quality in The Dark World than in most of Marvel's films so far. Thor and Loki remain much more enjoyable to watch, even without the comedic relief of Loki. The movie wisely keeps its focus on the liminally watchable slobbering rivalry, giving us more development while wisely leaving things unresolved for the inevitable sequel.

The Dark World really ups the ante in terms of scale, nearly rivaling The Avengers in those categories, size, humor, and action scenes to make it one of the better Marvel standalone films, and a very watchable piece of entertainment. The one disappointing part of The Dark World is the lack of development and originality on the part of the central villains, Malekith and The Dark Elves. After the brief introduction, Malekith is rarely seen on screen, his motivations are murky and although Christopher Eccleston portrays him with "he doesn't have enough of a mark on the film to be a memorable villain. Despite a preponderance of plot holes, the screenplay does a good job of keeping the film moving at a brisk pace and ensuring just about every character has a few good moments.

In short, Thor: The Dark World is far from a perfect movie, but it has the character, action, humor, and action scenes to make it one of the better Marvel standalone films, and a very watchable piece of entertainment.

Chris Hemsworth in "Thor: The Dark World." (Courtesy Marvel Studios/MCT)

U.S. releases emergency funds to aid typhoon victims

A resident sits on debris in typhoon-hit Leyte Province, Nov. 12, 2013. The United Nations said it had released $25 million in emergency funds to pay for emergency shelter materials and household items, and for assistance with the provision of emergency health services, safe water supplies and sanitation facilities. It's launching an appeal for more aid. (Loi/Su/Wang/Xinhua/Zuma Press/MCT)
Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle
Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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FRIDAY'S PUZZLE SOLVED

10/12/13

By Barry C. Silk

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Having a tough time seeing the silver lining?

If you are feeling sad, anxious, or overwhelmed, take an anonymous mental health self-assessment

http://www.mentalhealthscreening.org/screening/uah