New UAB basketball coach Mike Davis comes to the Blazers with a 115-79 career record in six seasons at Indiana, as well as national championship game experience.

**Mike Davis takes reins of UAB’s basketball program**

After leaving a high-profile head-coaching position at the University of Indiana on nothing other than what he calls faith, Mike Davis has found his way back home.

The 45-year-old Fayette native was hired April 7 as the fourth basketball coach in UAB’s 29-year history, bringing with him six years of head coaching experience at one of the preeminent basketball university’s in the country, NCAA championship game experience and a history of graduating players.

“I stepped out [at Indiana] on faith and...”

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**New dining facility is now setting the table for business**

After years of planning and almost one year of construction, UAB’s newest on-campus dining facility is setting the table for summer business.

While the formal grand opening of The Commons on the Green won’t take place until September, diners can whet their appetites for the full smorgasbord when the facility begins limited operations in June, says Mike Raczynski, assistant vice president of student affairs.

Commons on the Green will offer a variety of food options and extended hours to serve faculty, staff and students in an inviting and fun atmosphere,” says Raczynski. “In the interim, our current plans are to begin using The Commons for limited student programs and retail.

**UAB School of Medicine is ranked among nation’s best**

The UAB School of Medicine continues to rank among the nation’s best, according to the latest graduate school rankings by *U.S. News & World Report*.

The School of Medicine is ranked 22nd in the research category – its highest ranking in UAB history — tied with Mayo Medical School and Case Western Reserve University. It ranked 28th in the primary-care category, up from 34th this past year and ahead of Johns Hopkins and Emory.

Six medical specialties within the School of Medicine are ranked in the Top 20 nationally by the magazine in its March 31 issue, including two in the Top 10: AIDS, No. 5; women’s health, No. 8; geriatrics, No. 14; internal medicine, No. 17; pediatrics, No. 20; and rural medicine, No. 20.

Each year, *U.S. News & World Report* ranks professional school programs in business, education, engineering, law and medicine. The rankings are based on expert opinion about program quality and statistical indicators that measure the quality of a school’s faculty, research and students.

For the rankings in all five areas, indicator and opinion data come from surveys of more than 1,200 programs and some 9,600 academics and professionals.

The magazine also ranks programs in the sciences, social sciences and humanities on a rotating basis, usually every three years. These rankings are based solely on the ratings of academic experts (as are the health specialties).

**ASC celebrates 10 years**

New season shows ‘We love it live!’

Ticket packages now are on sale for the Alys Stephens Center’s 2006-2007 season, set to begin Friday, Aug. 4, with the first-ever Magic City Chamber Music Festival – a weekend-long event featuring the incomparable Borealis String Quartet and the Alys Stephens Center Chamber Players, including UAB’s own Yakov Kasman.

The season promises to offer audiences the thrill of extraordinary classical musicians, playful and passionate chamber music, mind-tingling circus and avant-garde dance, irreverent humor, insightful theater, creative children’s shows, jazz that spans the genre and special events both glorious and uplifting.

And the line-up proves that nothing can compare to the joy of live performance, with artists as diverse as Itzhak Perlman, Chick Corea and Béla Fleck – and so many more!

A new addition is the ASC Social Club for arts enthusiasts ages 21-40. The ASC Social Club will host four great events and offer membership perks such as discounts, invitations to special events, meet-the-artist opportunities, first opportunities to purchase tickets and more!

Marcia Ball headlines the ASC Birthday Bash Saturday, Sept. 23.

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**BRIEFS**

**Employment Office implements online feedback process**

When the UAB Employment Office helps departments fill job openings, everyone wants to make sure the selected candidate does a good job.

Now, the Employment Office wants to make it easier for clients to say whether it’s doing a good job with the recruitment and hiring processes.

Beginning this month, the group – a part of UAB Human Resource Management – has started sending out online “Employment Effort” surveys, replacing their previously used print surveys.

“It’s important for us to know if we’re providing strong candidates for openings, and whether our processes are meeting client needs in a timely fashion,” says UAB Employment Manager Mike Mathews. “This new, online survey makes gathering that feedback and compiling our performance ranking data by category much easier and more efficient for all involved.”

Questions on the survey include, “Was the time frame to fill your vacancy satisfactory?”; “How would you rate the service by the Employment Office as it relates to sources used to identify candidates?”; and more. The survey form also gives respondents a way to provide overall ideas and comments about the recruitment process.

Hiring managers will receive the survey as a clickable link in an e-mail; they will then be directed to a Web site titled “Zoomerang,” the name of the survey vendor. To submit the survey and exit the site, they will click on the submit arrow at the bottom of the screen.

“We think people will find this quick and easy to do, and it will help us monitor our progress,” says Mathews. Visit UAB Human Resources Management online at www.uab.edu.

**Discussion Book essay winners announced; essays on Web**

The four winners of the 2005 UAB Discussion Book Essay Contest have been announced.

Harry Hamilton, instructor of sociology; Betty Farley, administrative associate in Diagnostic and Therapeutic Science; freshman student Christina Ho; and student Valerie Gribben have been selected as the winners of the inaugural contest for their essays on The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down.

Essays had to be between 500 and 1,200 words in length. Writers were asked to explore two questions: In what ways and for whom is cultural assimilation desirable or possible? And, why might assimilation be resisted or difficult?

Awards were given to a faculty member, staff member, a freshman student and a student other than a freshman. Each winner will receive a certificate, $100 and a copy of the 2006 Discussion Book.

Plans for next year’s Discussion Book are currently in the early stages – be sure to watch the UAB Reporter for future announcements. In the meantime, read this year’s winning essays online at the Discussion Book Web site, www.uab.edu/discussionbook.

**Humanities forum to examine ‘key’ to mysteries of Chaucer**

The UAB Haddin Humanities Forum will present “The Mystery in the Manuscripts: Chaucer’s ‘Golden Key’ (Mary Eliza Haweis, 1852-1898),” Friday, April 21, at 11:45 a.m. in the Mervyn H. Sterne Library Henley Room.

UAB English Professor Flowers Braswell will examine the life of Mary Eliza Haweis, a Victorian restorer of historic English houses and connoisseur of beauty and elegance. Though unknown in the modern world, certain unpublished Canadian documents, including Haweis’ diary and a unique book from a London junk shop, have revealed Haweis to have been a Chaucer scholar of considerable magnitude whose work reveals answers to questions about the poet that continue to plague medievalists today.

The Haddin Humanities Forum provides an informal setting for dialogue between students, faculty and the public. Attendees are encouraged to participate in the discussion.

**Business, engineering set to host onsite Spring Fling**

UAB’s schools of Business and Engineering invite all faculty, staff, students and alumni to the 2006 Spring Fling on the front lawn of the BEC building at 1150 10th Ave. S., Tuesday, April 18, from 1-4 p.m.

Food will be provided by local restaurant favorite Jim N Nick’s. The band Another Known Tomorrow will perform, and visitors can participate in volleyball and horseshoes. For more information, call Katye Pinkerton at 934-6048 or katyep10@uab.edu.

**Ready to give up smoking? UAB’s Resource Center can help**

The UAB Resource Center – the university’s employee assistance and counseling service – is offering several new services designed to help promote employee health and wellness, the latest of which targets faculty and staff who are ready to kick the smoking habit.

The Smoking Cessation Program will begin Wednesday, April 19, at 5:15 p.m.

All smokers are invited to attend the sessions, which will be held at The Resource Center, Suite 330, 21 Office Plaza South at Magnolia Office Park, 2112 11th Ave. S. Anyone wishing to attend must register with the Resource Center by calling 934-2281.

Then, next up on the calendar will be a Stress Management Through Meditation class, which will start Tuesday, May 9.

Free parking is available for all classes. For more information or to register for a class, call The Resource Center at 934-2281. To learn more about UAB’s employee assistance and counseling service, visit The Resource Center online at www.uab.edu/eap.

**Blazers will battle Bama on UAB Alumni Baseball Night**

UAB’s Alumni Affairs Office invites all faculty, staff and alumni to take their families out to the ballpark Wednesday, April 26, when the Blazers will square off with the No. 8-ranked Alabama Crimson Tide at the Hoover Met.

The event – UAB Alumni Baseball Night – will begin at 5 p.m. with a pre-game barbecue and rally under the tent near the entrance to the Hoover Met.

Dinner will be served from 5 p.m. until first pitch at 6:30 p.m., when you are invited to watch the game from your seats or the Michael Jordan Skybox.

Tickets for UAB Alumni Baseball Night are $12 for adults and $10 for children under 12. There is no charge for children under 2.

To order tickets, call UAB Alumni Affairs at 934-3555 or 1-800-898-ALUM.

**K-12 enrichment opportunities available for high-schoolers**

UAB offers a variety of K-12 enrichment opportunities for high-school students, and what better time to look into them than as the summer draws near?
Jazz lovers will delight in “An Evening of UAB Jazz”

Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame pianist Victor Atkins is a special guest artist during “An Evening of UAB Jazz at WorkPlay,” Tuesday, May 2, at 8 p.m. at WorkPlay, 500 23rd St. South.

Performing are the UAB Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo, directed by Mark Lanter, along with Atkins. The program includes big band and jazz standards and contemporary pieces, including an original jazz suite composed by Atkins. The piece, Katrina Suite, was written especially for his performances with the UAB ensembles last fall. Atkins, originally from Birmingham, returned with his family after they lost their home in the storm and took inspiration for the composition from the harrowing events.

Atkins earned his bachelor’s and master’s of music at Berklee College of Music and Manhattan School of Music, respectively.

Atkins was formerly jazz piano instructor at Loyola University College of Music and adjunct professor at the University of New Orleans for Ellis Marsalis. He now teaches at the Alabama School of Fine Arts.

Proceeds of the event, sponsored by the UAB Department of Music, will fund jazz scholarships at UAB. General admission ticket prices are $10. Special VIP tickets with reserved balcony seats also are available. Call 380-4082 or visit www.workplay.com for tickets.

Learn to develop scientific manuscripts at writing seminar

Scientific manuscript development will be the focus of a two-session course set for Wednesday, May 24, and Wednesday, May 31, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day in Bevill Building Room 170.

The Scientific Writing Seminar Series exists to provide practical assistance in three areas: the development of grants, scientific manuscripts and presentations.

The goal of these sessions is to assist participants in developing practical skills for writing a scientific, peer-reviewed article. Information will include introductory material on types of scientific writing, where to submit articles, the elements of a journal article and how to respond to critiques and correspond with editors.

This series, sponsored by the UAB K30 Program, will be led by Dale Benos, who has extensive experience as an editor for scientific journals. To register, please contact Jamye Hicks at jamhicks@uab.edu by Friday, May 12.

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Extending the learning environment beyond classrooms

Two blended learning workshops scheduled

Faculty preparing for summer courses can take advantage of two-hour blended learning technology workshops set for Friday, April 28, and Monday, May 15. These and other scheduled training opportunities come as a prelude to the university’s planned migration this summer to WebCT Vista – and on the heels of a three-fold increase in the use of course-management technologies Blackboard and WebCT to support instruction at UAB between fall 2004 and 2005.

New courses using the blended approach already have been announced for the summer session, and university administration expects that all courses will employ at least the basic level by fall.

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2007. Rose Scripa, associate provost for Faculty Development and Faculty Affairs, said the provost and deans have embraced this transformation in learning management, and faculty and students are reaping the benefits.

“Experience at UAB and elsewhere has demonstrated that technologies, when used well, can promote learning and retention among today’s students, who often come to us ready to use them.” Scripa says. “Likewise, faculty who are using these aids say they spend far more class time covering relevant material and exploring its implications.”

During the introductory April 28 workshop, several UAB faculty will share the experiences of their own blended courses and discuss the benefits of adding online and electronic components to their instructional portfolios. Among the presenters will be Becky Trigg, assistant professor of sociology; Donna Slovensky, professor of health sciences; and pathology Professor Pete Anderson.

The May 15 Web conference will then explore more advanced strategies and models for campus, online and blended courses. To register for these workshops, sponsored in conjunction with the university-wide faculty-development program, call 934-0513.

More information about all ongoing training opportunities is available at www.uab.edu/it/instructional/technology/calendar.html.

Using all resources

For those unfamiliar with the concept, blended learning is the means by which face-to-face classroom instruction is augmented — not replaced — with technological resources, explained Instructional Technology’s Karen Shader. An evolving, hybrid form of education, it combines the best of traditional methods with distance learning.

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To prepare for summer courses, faculty preparing for summer courses can take advantage of two-hour blend learning workshops on the next two months for faculty and professionals responsible for course design and development. Call 934-0513 to register.

Introduction to Blended Learning

A session to introduce faculty to design options for blended learning and provide resources for creating a blended learning course. Friday, April 28 from 9-11 a.m. in LRC Room 215.

Outcomes-Based Design for Online & Blended Programs

A Web conference that will offer strategies and models that have been successful on campus, online and in blended learning courses. Call 934-0513 to register.

These are sponsored by the Office of the Associate Provost for Faculty Development and Faculty Affairs and the Office of Instructional Technology. These workshops will provide UAB faculty and staff members with the tools to design and develop blended learning courses using WebCT Vista.

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“Over time, we’ve come to value the technology for much more — the ease of communicating with students, the efficiency of managing course materials, the online testing capability – and many other benefits for classroom delivery and for distant students,” Slovensky said.

Both Slovensky and Shader agree that blended learning is not a one-size-fits-all approach to teaching. As with many tools, it can be used at both the basic and enhanced levels, depending on the course and complexity of materials and the skill requisites for students in any given discipline. And, the manner and extent to which technology is employed is defined operationally and contextually at each institution, depending on its resources and capacities.

At UAB, for example, faculty using a basic approach may post the syllabi, create course problems. It is a win win for students and faculty.

But the whole — the blend — is greater than the sum of its parts.

Slovensky said the School of Health Related Professions began using WebCT for courses in 1999 to reach working students, who were elated to discover it would enable them to complete their degree in lesser time, she said. And faculty learning modules with course materials and assignments, use assignment submission tools such as turnitin, post grades in the gradebook and communicate with students.

At a more enhanced level, faculty build upon the basic blended learning approach, employing UAB’s official learning management system and other instructional technologies. The instruction delivered to students is objective-based and uses discussion boards, chat and whiteboard, multimedia technologies, on-line group assignments, assessment and surveys.

Sociology’s Trigg, who has been using a blended learning approach for more than 10 years, said she benefits as much or more than the students she teaches.

“I began using classroom technology as an organizing tool and discovered that it was actually very time-efficient,” she said. “No more time spent getting handouts copied for students and handing them out.
**In demand**

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"Net Generation" students that their colleagues and universities employ the same sorts of technology-based instruction increasingly used prior to their arrival at UAB. The National Survey of Student Engagement reported in 2003 that 75 percent of students said their experience with blended learning has been positive, and 82 percent said technology use improves learning.

At UAB, students in focus groups have expressed their desire to have all their course material in one place, which uses the basic approach, said Shader. "Today's students are coming here prepared by their K-12 schools to use these tools," she said. "They expect and want them."

One example of UAB's response to that need can be found in SHRP, where every course in the professional curriculum is available in an online format, and all in-class sections are blended, Slovensky said, noting that the school also offers traditional classroom sections for the majority of its class sections.

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**A UAB primer**

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Students enjoy the convenience of having all course materials and resources available electronically from one Internet-accessible location," she said. "The discussion boards and private e-mail allow us to manage communication with students effectively. The chat rooms allow virtual workgroups to interact at convenient times, and the site provides storage for working documents."
Family Support Project makes a difference for families of premies

The impact the March of Dimes is having in the UAB community and Alabama is being seen on a daily basis at UAB Hospital.

The March of Dimes has more than $927,000 invested in community programs and research projects in Alabama, of which UAB is a major recipient. One of those is the Family Support Project, an endeavor aimed at helping parents and their children navigate through the confusing and always harrowing preterm birth.

“Events like Walk America let people know what the March of Dimes does,” Oswalt says. “Programs like the Family Support Project are a big part of what it funds.”

Among the events already under way at UAB Hospital through the Family Support Project is Parent Night on Thursday. That’s when a professional, such as a speech pathologist, comes to educate parents in the Regional Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (RNICU) and the Continuing Care Nursery (CCN) on important patterns to watch for in their child’s development.

There is a lunch on Fridays for the moms on the antepartum unit, during which a speaker will discuss topics such as high blood pressure, diabetes, pre-term labor or any other common problems related to preterm birth.

Another benefit of the program has been the formation of the Family Support Project Committee, a group consisting of graduate parents and professionals related to the RNICU and CCN units.

This group helps decide how to give parents the resources they need to understand what is happening during their hospital stay. These graduate parents didn’t have the benefit of classes or the parent-care kits currently available to UAB patients.

Oswalt says the new kits have been particularly helpful to parents. They contain books and materials that detail milestone for babies in NICU, a glossary of terms frequently used in NICU, and tips on parenting for NICU along with other key information.

“All of the parents on this committee have said they wish something like this was around when they were here,” Oswalt said. “The main thing that kept coming up that was needed was education.

“That’s what we’re really trying to do, to address those needs, be able to answer questions and give parents the resources they need once they leave the hospital.”

For more information on Walk America, or to make a donation, call 1-800-525-WALK, or visit walkamerica.org.

Commons on the Green expects to offer certain services this summer

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operations during the summer months.

“We’ll be communicating regularly with the campus community about what all is available, including meal plan and CampusCard declining balance options,” Raczynski says. “We want to make sure faculty and staff realize the options they have for reasonably priced, high-quality dining in an atmosphere that promotes interaction with students and colleagues.”

Raczynski notes that The Commons is a new addition to the Campus Restaurants program; retail operations will continue at Blazer Café in the Hill University Center, as will Café a la Cart in the Business and Engineering Complex and the Juice Bar in the Recreation Center. Among the tastes that will be available at The Commons on the Green:

• En Vogue: Healthy, trendy fare.
• International: Authentic cuisines from around the world.
• Soup and Salad: To start a meal with, or just as satisfying on their own.
• Deli: The best cold cuts and accompaniments.
• Desserts: A delectable selection.
• Beverages: Sodas, water, fruit juice... thirst-quenchers galore.
• Weekend brunch: Sleep in before enjoying stalwart brunch favorites.
• Catering services: With an expanded kitchen and state-of-the-art equipment, on-campus catering will hit the spot every time.

In addition, The Commons will have a variety of vegetarian foods to choose from – in fact, each of the stations will feature at least one vegetarian item. The Soup and Salad Bar will also feature a vegan section and a wide array of Mediterranean offerings such as fresh hummus, baba ghanoush and taramosalata. And, for those watching their weight, En Vogue will specialize in providing foods that meet the requirements of some of today’s hottest food programs, including the South Beach Diet.

Upstairs, the two-story facility will have a different feel. Two stores — The Diner and the Quick Zone conven-ience store — will have late-night hours. The Diner will feature grab-and-go and grill items made to order, while the Quick Zone will stock items found in most convenience stores, from food and drinks to cough drops and lip balm.

Can’t wait for opening day? Check out sample menus, artist renderings and more at www.uabdining.com. Bon appetite!

UAB Highlands is newest Health System member

The ink on the paperwork is dry, the signs have been changed, and the celebratory employee ice cream social held, so now it’s official – UAB Highlands is the newest member of the UAB Health System.

UAB finalized its purchase of the facility (formerly HealthSouth Medical Center) on the south side of Birmingham Friday, March 31, culminating a transaction first announced in July 2005. During the interim, UAB provided management services for the facility.

“Adding this facility to the UAB Health System allows us to expand our physical plant so that we can meet the growing demand for patient services we provide,” said David Hoidal, chief executive officer of the UAB Health System. “At the same time, we are excited for the Birmingham community because a major health-care resource continues to be available.”

Clinical services to be available at UAB Highlands include orthopedic surgery, ophthalmology and plastic surgery. The emergency room at UAB Highlands is also open.
UAB dedicated the new Richard C. and Annette N. Shelby Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Building in ceremonies held Friday, April 3.

The building – which will increase research space on campus by 25 percent and is an integral part of UAB’s efforts to continue to grow its research infrastructure – brings together investigators from a wide variety of fields to study important health issues such as diabetes and autoimmune diseases, and conduct bone, bioengineering and brain research.

“This state-of-the-art facility represents those qualities that have propelled UAB — in just over three decades — from a small extension center to a world renowned research university and academic medical center,” said UAB President Carol Garrison. “UAB scientists are pushing the envelope in our understanding of the most devastating human diseases and investigating novel treatments and cures. This building is tangible evidence of the vital partnership between UAB, Birmingham and the state of Alabama in the pursuit of better health, a stronger economy and higher quality of life for our community and state.”

— President Carol Garrison

Research space increases as new Shelby building opens

Facility expands UAB’s capacity for success, ability to change lives

The Richard C. and Annette N. Shelby Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Building will increase research space on campus by 25 percent, continuing to grow the UAB campus research infrastructure. The 12-story, $100 million building features 323,000 square feet of research and office space. The first phase of construction of the building’s interior is complete. Phases II and III are scheduled for completion in 2007.
BODYLOVE is a radio soap opera with a secret mission. While our talented cast entertains the audience with an intriguing story, we also teach about common health problems, especially those threatening African-Americans. Visit us at www.soph.uab.edu/ bodylove.

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- Anniston: WANA 1490am 4pm Monday
- Tuscaloosa: WTKS 790am 6pm Monday
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EXHIBITS
UAB Archives Exhibit, University Hospital: The Origin and Development of a Health Care Institution, Historical images from the UAB Archives in two locations: Second floor of Russell and Part II, in the main entrance lobby of Jefferson Tower.
Mervyn H. Sterne Library. African-American art and artists. 7:30 am-10 pm Mon-Thurs; 7:30 am-7 pm Fri; 9 am-5 pm Sat; 1-10 pm Sun.
The Samuel Ullman Museum. Home of prominent Birmingham civic leader and poet. Open by appointment only. 4-3328. Admission is free. LHL 3rd floor.
UAB Archives Exhibit. The Bachelor of Fine Arts students in the Bachelor of Fine Arts Program. Call 934-4941 for info. LHL 3rd floor.

SPECIAL EVENTS
TUESDAY, APRIL 18
7:30 pm UAB Lecture Series. Evolution vs. Creationism, presented by Dr. Eugene C. Scott (Executive Director, National Center for Science Education). "Evolution vs. Creationism" provides a comprehensive and balanced introduction to the many facets of the current debate: the scientific evidence for evolution, the legal and educational basis for its teaching and the various religious points of view, as well as a concise history of the evolution-creationism controversy. Admission is free. Call 4-8225 for info. HUC Alumni Auditorium.
8 pm Music. UAB Jazz Ensemble Concert, conducted by Instructor Mark Lanter (Music); Jemison Concert Hall. Free admission. Call 3-2787.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19
12:20 pm Music. UAB Department of Music Student Recital, Mary Culp Hulsey Recital Hall. Free admission. Call 4-7376.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19
7:30 pm Theatre UAB. The Doctor in Spite of Himself, a raucous farce comedy by France’s greatest comic playwright, Molière. In 1666, Molière realized how gullible people were in the face of the trappings and tools of the medical profession, buying supposed cures from anybody who looked and sounded like a doctor. In this play he presents Sganarelle, the lascivious, acquisitive and irresponsible charlatan who becomes a "doctor" rather than be beaten up. He proceeds to “cure” a mute girl, arrange her marriage to a handsome, if not awfully bright boy, make a sizable personal profit and entertain himself in the process — at least until he is almost hanged. Directed by Assoc. Dean Ward Haarbauer (Theatre). Tickets for the general public are $10-$12.50; tickets for UAB employees and senior citizens are $5; tickets for UAB and BACHE students are $5. Shows 7:30 p.m. nightly and at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 23. Sirote Theatre. Call 3-2787.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20
8 pm Music. UAB Wind Symphony Concert, conducted by Asst Prof Sue Samuels (Music); Jemison Concert Hall. Free admission. Call 3-2787.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21
1-5 pm UAB’s Division of Otolaryngology. Free oral, head and neck cancer screenings. Oral, head and neck cancers are among the deadliest and most difficult to treat. Its early detection can save lives. The Kirklin Clinic. Call 801-8460 to make an appointment.
8 pm Music. UAB Choirs Spring Concert featuring UAB Concert Choir, Chamber Singers and Shostakovich quartets in major halls around the world. Tickets are $30-$60; student tickets are $10. Call 3-2787 or go to www.AlwaysStephens.org.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22
8 pm Alys Stephens Center. Emerson String Quartet. Join the ASC one hour prior to each performance for a Prelude, designed to enhance enjoyment of the program by providing insight into the music and artists. Formed in 1976, the ensemble has six Grammy awards, including two honors for Best Classical Album for its credit. They have received great acclaim for performing the complete cycles of the Beethoven, Bartok and Shostakovich quartets in major halls around the world. Tickets are $30-$50; student tickets are $10. Call 3-2787 or go to www.AlysStephens.org.

BLAZER SPORTS
April 18: UAB Softball vs Alabama A&M (DH); George Ward Park, 6, 4 pm

Legend of locations
AB Administration Bldg.
BBB Boshell Bldg.
BBRB Bolling Biomedical Research Bldg.
CH Campbell Hall
CHSB Community Health Services Bldg.
CPM Center for Psychiatric Medicine
HUC Hill University Center
JT Jefferson Tower
KHGB Kaul Human Genetics Research Bldg.
LHL Lister Hill Library
LHR Lyons-Harrison Research
MCLM McCallum Building
MCASA Margaret Cameron Spain Aud.
NP North Pavilion
RB Ryals Building
SB Scrubby Building
SHEL Shelby Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Building
SOO School of Dentistry Building
SOE School of Education Building
SON School of Nursing
SOSO School of Optometry Building
SRC Spain Rehabilitation Center
TCHA The Childrens Hospital of Ala.
TKG The Kirklin Clinic
THT Tinsley Harrison Tower
UBOB University Blvd Office Bldg.
VH Volker Hall
WP West Pavilion
WORB Worrell Building
ZRB Zeiger Building

Laboratory Week celebrates those ‘Providing Answers, Guiding Cures’
National Medical Laboratory Week, set for April 23-29, will focus on the people who provide answers and guide cures in health care. More than 265,000 medical laboratory professionals and 15,000 board-certified pathologists across the nation play a vital role in every aspect of health care. Pathologists, laboratory technologists and technicians at UAB are among the many unsung heroes of medicine. This year’s theme is:
Following is a list of scheduled activities:
Monday, April 24:
• Lab Week Mandi Gras Employee Brunch to be held in the North Pavilion AP Conference Room from 8-10 a.m.;
• Vendor’s Fair to be held in the North Pavilion 3rd Floor Atrium from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Employees and visitors are welcome.
Tuesday, April 25:
• Lab Employee seminar, “Tight Glycemic Control,” presented by Roche Laboratories to be held in North Pavilion Conference Room 2554 from 11 a.m.-noon;
• Lab Employee seminar, “Micro-rapid testing,” presented by Remel from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Pathology Conference Room P210.
Wednesday, April 26:
• Hewitt Trussville High School Laboratory Tour beginning in West Pavilion Conference Room A at 8:30 a.m.;
• Seminar “Autopsy Case Studies” pre-sented by Supervisor Thurman Richardson (Hospital Labs) and Pathology residents to be held in the Decedent Affair Suite from 10-11 a.m.
• Lab Employee seminar, “Troponin,” presented by Abbott Laboratories to be held in the West Pavilion Conference Room A from 11 a.m.-noon;
• Pathology Lab Employees Party to be held in the West Pavilion Board-room from 2:30-5 p.m.
Thursday, April 27:
• Hewitt Trussville High School 2nd Laboratory Tour to begin in West Pavilion Conference Room E at 8:30 a.m.;
• Lab Employee seminar, “Forensic Case Studies,” presented by the Office of Pathology to be held in West Pavilion Conference Room E from 10-11 a.m.;
• Therakos Lab Employees Luncheon to be held in North Pavilion Conference Room 3554 from 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Friday, April 28:
• Lab Employees- Ice Cream Day; Lab to be held in the in the Employee Lounge from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
• Administration Luncheon for Lab Employees to be held in The Kirklin Clinic Conference Room on the 4th floor from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

HIGHLIGHTS
The Doctor is ready to see you now
Theatre UAB will present Moliere’s The Doctor in Spite of Himself, directed by Ward Haarbauer, from Wednesday, April 19, through Sunday, April 23, in the Alys Stephens Center Sirote Theater.
Shows will begin at 7:30 p.m. April 19-22 and at 2 p.m. on April 23.
Tickets for the general public are $12.50 and $10. Tickets for UAB employees and senior citizens are $8. Tickets for UAB and BACHE students are $5. Call 975-2787 for more information or visit Theatre UAB online at theatre.hum.uab.edu.
‘It’s not just a calling’
UAB nurse makes fifth, most dangerous, mission to Nigeria

Every time she goes to the airport for one of her missionary trips, Donna Whitlock makes one special phone call. And every time, it’s to her 80 year-old aunt, Kathleen Smith, also known as Aunt Kitty.

“I call her when I get to the airport and tell her: ‘It’s all your fault I’m going again,’” says Whitlock, who can trace each of those phone calls to a childhood spent as part of a strong Christian family that believed in helping others.

“Aunt Kitty would always talk to me about missionary work,” Whitlock says.

Now Whitlock is missionary of a very special sort. A staff nurse in Vascular Interventional Radiology in Jefferson Towers, she recently returned from her fifth trip to the country of Nigeria, where she and two colleagues conducted diabetic screening of 1,800 patients in four states — Bauchi, Gombe, Lafia and Yola — during two weeks.

Whitlock’s team also educated Nigerians on diabetes, conducted diet and nutrition classes and discussed the cause and effect of diabetes — a disease afflicting many in that country today.

“People there buy Coke because it’s cheaper than water, and their Cokes are 10 times sweeter than they are in the United States,” Whitlock says. “College-age girls’ blood sugar levels were 400. They were drinking five Cokes a day.”

By comparison, normal blood-sugar levels are 80-120.

Whitlock, who says she knew by age 14 that she wanted to be a missionary, began traveling with World Health Missions (WHM) in 1995 after contacting Bob Ford, a doctor in Pittsburgh who founded the organization. She had joined UAB three years earlier, working in the heart and lung transplant unit. Ford was impressed with her background and wanted her to be a part of his organization.

“Because of the experience I had at UAB, he knew I could do it,” Whitlock says. “That’s exactly what he told me. And every time, it’s to her 80 year-old aunt, Kathleen Smith, also known as Aunt Kitty.

Positive but perilous

Whitlock, who traveled to Nigeria with Pittsburgh pharmacist Dan Wagner and Canadian pharmacist Harlan Latti, said this WHM trip was more dangerous than previous ones. The group worked in areas where demonstrators were protesting the publication of a controversial cartoon of the prophet Mohammed in a Danish newspaper. The governor of Bauchi housed them in an armed guard compound.

Whitlock and her guide were detained by a man at a market in Yola, just a few days before they were to return home. She had photographed a Muslim man drinking water, and he refused to let her and the guide go until she gave him the film from her camera. “That’s probably the most scared I’ve been,” she says. “I gave him the film, and he stomped it into a million pieces.”

Still, the majority of her experiences were positive.

She celebrated her 50th birthday on the trip. And a patient in a village in Lafia gave her a henna tattoo on her left hand as a gift. Whitlock already is making plans to continue to the mission trips. “There’s a lot of education that needs to be done there.”

Faculty Women’s Club to award annual scholarships

The UAB Faculty Women’s Club is preparing to close the year with its annual scholarship award luncheon Thursday, April 27, at 11 a.m. at the Riverchase County Club.

“Fundraising and the awarding of scholarships are very important parts of our activities,” says Anne Bloomer, the organization’s president. The organization will give two $2,500 scholarships based on academic merit and financial need to women age 25 and older.

“These are dedicated students who often are working and raising a family at the same time,” Bloomer says of the scholarship recipients. “Because of their circumstances, these women may not qualify for other types of aid.”

The UAB Faculty Women’s Club is organized exclusively for charitable and education purposes. Its members are faculty, spouses of faculty and any woman who works or volunteers at UAB or whose husband works here.

“The women of this organization meet to celebrate friendship, to welcome new members of the UAB family and to participate in service projects beneficial to the UAB campus,” Bloomer says. “We are a unique organization in that our members come from all schools and areas of the university.

“This affords us a wider view of and an appreciation for the university as a whole than we might otherwise have.

In addition to awarding scholarships for more than 20 years, the club also gives grants to Sterne and Lister Hill libraries and provides financial aid for the women’s group meeting at the Smolian International House.

Several years ago, the club began giving grants to various departments within the School of Arts & Humanities, and each year one of its meetings is in conjunction with one of the school’s departments.

The cost to attend the annual luncheon is $22. Reservations and luncheon payments are due by April 17. For more information, call Andi Wenger at 987-4722.

How to join the FWC

• Female faculty, spouses of faculty and any woman who works or volunteers at UAB — or whose husband does — is eligible for membership.

• Yearly dues are $25. Mail payment to Laura Read, 3800 Crestside Road, Birmingham AL 32223.

• For more information, contact Julie Prince at 978-2940 or jprince1638@charter.net.

• Visit the UAB Faculty Women’s Club Web site, www.uab.edu/fwc.
UAB grad returns to chair anesthesiology

Keith A. “Tony” Jones will become chair of the UAB Department of Anesthesiology effective July 1. He will be the first African-American to receive a permanent appointment as department chair in the UAB School of Medicine. Jones, 45, now with the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota, has strong ties to Alabama. Born in Anniston, he received his undergraduate from the University of Alabama before earning his M.D. from the UAB School of Medicine in 1986.

A widely published expert on smooth-cell physiology, Jones joined the Mayo Clinic faculty in 1991 after completing residency and postgraduate work there, including a postdoctoral National Institutes of Health research fellowship. He has been program director of Mayo’s Smooth Muscle Physiology Laboratory since 2001 and was promoted to the rank of professor in 2004. “We are very pleased to be able to welcome Dr. Jones back to his native Alabama,” said Robert Rich, dean of the UAB School of Medicine. “His many talents and accomplishments as a clinician, teacher and researcher, coupled with a strong track record of leadership within academic medicine, are certain to well-serve the people of his home state and region.

“We are confident that under his leadership, the UAB department will be recognized as one of foremost departments of anesthesiology in the country,” Rich said.

Tim Garvey named to professorship

With 20 years of leadership in encouraging and inspiring faculty excellence in nutrition research, teaching and service, the UAB School of Medicine’s professorship in Nutrition Sciences has received a new leader. Timothy Garvey has been named as department chair effective April 7.

Garvey is from the Department of Nutrition Sciences and the Graduate Program in Nutritional Sciences. The endowed chair is the first in the UAB School of Medicine.

His ability to recruit, play demanding schedule and his style of play have proven to be a winning formula that I know our fans will appreciate and support.” —Richard Margison

Davis brings winning experience, strong academic requirements to Blazer team

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couple of months ago,” Davis says. “And I can’t explain to you how excited I am to be back in Alabama leading a basketball program like this one.”

This is a great fit for me,” Richard Margison, UAB’s vice president of Financial Affairs and Administration and the interim Athletics director, led the search that culminated in Davis being named successor to Mike Anderson, who recently was named head coach at the University of Missouri after four seasons directing the UAB program.

Margison said he and other athletic department representatives who interviewed Davis came away tremendously impressed — and convinced he can continue to move the program forward.

“He is a coach that has successfully competed on the national stage in college basketball,” Margison says. “Mike brings a tremendous amount of energy and success to our program.

“His ability to recruit, play a demanding schedule and his style of play have proven to be a winning formula that I know our fans will appreciate and support.”

UAB President Carol Garrison praised both Davis’ hiring and Margison’s work in finding the new coach.

“I couldn’t be more pleased with the result of this search,” Garrison says. “I am confident he will take our program to unprecedented heights.”

Davis compiled a 115-79 record in his six years at Indiana. The former Alabama prep Mr. Basketball also guided his teams to a 7-4 mark in the NCAA Tournament, including a run to the national championship game in 2002.

Davis brings more than wins and losses to UAB. He says he wants to do all he can to help all Blazer athletic teams have success.

“Baseball, softball, women’s volleyball, track . . . I want to be involved in supporting all of it,” he says. “I want UAB athletics to operate as one heartbeat.”

Davis also brings a track record of graduating basketball players.

Of the 15 players to play four full seasons under him, Davis has seen 13 graduate. The other two players are 15 combined hours from completing their degrees as well.

“Having graduated 10 years after my playing career, I don’t want these guys to go through that,” he says of his players. “It’s tough out there. My motto is relentless effort, both on and off the basketball court.”

Sipski named to new, unique endowed chair

Marca L. Sipski, president of the American Spinal Injury Association, has been appointed the inaugural holder of the Women’s Committee of Spain Rehabilitation Center Endowed Chair in Rehabilitation Neuroscience Research. The endowed chair is the first in the country in a department of physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Sipski, a professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at UAB who specializes in women’s issues in spinal cord injury, joined the faculty this past year as director of neuroscience rehabilitation research. Her most recent position was at the University of Miami, where she was project director for a federal grant to establish a regional spinal cord injury system, one of only 16 in the nation. Spain Rehabilitation Center has been part of the federally funded system for 34 years.

The SRC Women’s Committee, whose members volunteer their time and resources, began fundraising efforts for the endowed position in 1996; Sipski’s appointment was approved by the UA Board of Trustees April 7.

Eight faculty receive emeriti appointments

The University of Alabama System Board of Trustees approved emeriti appointments for eight UAB faculty at its April 7 meeting in Huntsville. They are: Herbert C. Cheung, a UAB faculty member since 1969, professor emeritus of biochemistry and molecular genetics, schools of Medicine and Dentistry.

William E. Dismukes, who joined the UAB faculty in 1971, professor emeritus of medicine, School of Medicine.

James E. Fiege, a UAB faculty member since 1982, professor emeritus, School of Health Related Professions.

Juanette S. Flowers, who joined the UAB faculty in 1978, associate professor emerita, School of Nursing.

Janice D. Hall, a UAB faculty member since 1990, associate professor emerita of diagnostic and therapeutic sciences, School of Health Related Professions.

Myung-Hi Kim Oh, who joined the UAB faculty in 1985, professor emeritus of pediatrics in the School of Medicine.

Susan L. Perkins, a UAB faculty member since 1981, associate professor emerita of critical care, School of Health Related Professions.

Jay A. Smith, Jr., who joined the UAB faculty in 1991, professor emeritus, School of Business.

Mike Davis

Born: Sept. 15, 1960

Family: Wife, Tamila; children Lateesha, Mike Jr., Antoine

Hometown: Fayette, Alabama

Education: Thomas Edison State College, 1995, telecommunications degree. Also attended University of Alabama.


Assistant coaching experience: Miles College (1989-90); Wichita Falls Texans (1990-95); Alabama (1995-97); Indiana (1997-2000).

Head coaching experience: Indiana (115-79 record).

Honors:

• 1979 Alabama Mr. Basketball.

• Third all-time at University of Alabama with 165 steals.

• Won Alabama’s Hustle Award all four of his seasons in Tuscaloosa.

• SEC All-Defensive Team selection in 1983.

• Second-round selection of the Milwaukee Bucks in 1983 NBA Draft.

• Averaged 8.3 points, 3.3 rebounds and 2.6 assists per game for the Chicago Rockers in 1994-95 as a player-assistant coach at the age of 35.

• Coached Indiana to the national championship game in 2002.

Residents diagnosed with MRSA

More than 200 cases of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) have been diagnosed by UAB’s skin and sore throat clinic in just over a month, including five cases of the MRSA strain that is resistant to vancomycin. The MRSA strain resistant to vancomycin is known as VISA, or vancomycin intermediate Staphylococcus aureus. VISA is particularly virulent and has the potential to kill patients if left untreated.

Jefferson County, the home county of Tuscaloosa, is among the top five counties in the state for MRSA cases.

For information on MRSA, visit the Alabama Department of Public Health’s website at www.dph.state.al.us/mrsa.
Mark your calendars, ASC season tickets are on sale now

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chase tickets and more.
And as if that weren’t enough, the Alys Stephens Center’s “It’s Your Choice” subscription package will let the public create a personal mix of shows. Select any five regular performances, add the total ticket cost, and then subtract 10 percent for a special package created just for you.

Some special things

Go ahead and mark your calendars now for Nickel Creek, opening the Patty McDonald Contemporary Vibes Series Friday, Sept. 22. Humorist Lewis Black comes to town Friday, Oct. 27, and the curtain will go up on Forbidden Broadway’s Special Victims Unit Saturday, Jan. 27.

For some extra fun, the ASC will celebrate 10 years Saturday, Sept. 23, with the Theatre with Dane Peterson Saturday, Oct. 21. This fun series for children also includes M.A.D. Skillz Dance Co. Saturday, Nov. 18; “Flying Jenny Plays Music of the Pioneers” Saturday, Jan. 20; Umshabu South African Dance Co.

Eclectic and beyond

Ravi and Anoushka Shankar will begin the Protective Life Corp. Eclectic Palate Series Saturday, Oct. 7, followed by Joan Baez Sunday, Jan. 14. Then enjoy a champagne and chocolate soirée with “A Music Lover’s Valentine with Yakov Kasman” Saturday, Feb. 10, and enjoy the ASC’s 10th anniversary celebration at the Viva Health Starlight Gala with legendary violinist Itzhak Perlman Saturday, March 31.

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Sunday, Feb. 18. All shows in this series feature Preludes, enlightening 30-minute discussions of the program in the intimate Reynolds-Kirschbaum Recital Hall one hour prior to show time. A Classical Pass for those 30 years or under, for any show in this series, is $15.

FYI: Since opening in 1996, the Alys Stephens Center has been the premier place in Birmingham to experience the power and beauty of live performance. During the past nine years, more than 250,000 people have come each year to see more than 300 events.

Allison kick off the Davis Architects Red Hot and Jazz Series Friday, Oct. 13. Preservation Hall Jazz Band brings a taste of New Orleans to the ASC Sunday, Dec. 3, with “Creole Christmas” and Chick Corea and Béla Fleck team up Saturday, Feb. 24, to top off this series.

Chamber, classical tastes

The Beaux Arts Trio will open the exciting new Dr. Chandler and Jane Paris-Smith Birmingham Chamber Music Society Series Saturday, Oct. 14, with the Miami String Quartet for Thursday, Feb. 8, Ying Quartet Sunday, March 4, and Jupiter String Quartet Saturday, April 21.

Diavolo Dance Theatre makes a dramatic entrance Thursday and Friday Nov. 9-10 for the Jemison Investment Co. Movement & Magic Series. River North Chicago Dance Co. steps up Thursday through Saturday Jan. 11-13, and Savior Glover presents “Classical Savion” Sunday, Jan. 28.

Sunday, Nov. 19, the Moscow State Symphony opens the Mt. and Mrs. Wyatt Rushon Haskell Birmingham Music Club Classically Inclined Series. This magnificent series continues Saturday, Dec. 16, with Denyce Graves with the ASO in “A Holiday Celebration,” followed by the astonishing young violinist Hilary Hahn Sunday, Jan. 7. The accomplished pianist Awadagin Pratt completes this series

Ravi Shankar

Saturday, Feb. 17; and a Mad Hatter Tea Party Saturday, April 28.

Ways to enjoy

Special discounts and offers are available for UAB students, faculty and staff and for groups of 10 or more. Gift certificates are always available.

To purchase season tickets or request a season brochure, call 975-2787 or toll-free 1-877-278-8457 (877-ART-TIKS). Single tickets go on sale Monday, Aug. 14, and can be purchased by phone, at the Alys Stephens Center Box Office or online at www.AlysStephens.org.

Stephens Center offers summer drama camp

The Alys Stephens Center is offering a special UAB family rate of $345 for Kids on Stage,” a drama summer camp for children ages 8-14.

The drama camp is a two-week experience, weekdays June 19-30, that shares with children the wonder and detail of theater performance. Campers will be introduced to many aspects of theater with a variety of fun, intense classes.

They will learn theater games, improvisation, warm-ups, concentration exercises, voice and diction, terminology, acting and stage production. Children also get a chance to showcase their newly developed skills when the camp culminates with a production. The camp’s show, The Music Man, will be completely produced by campers and open to all parents and friends.

Alicia Johnson-Reed, the founder, director and producer of Make It Happen Theater Co. in Birmingham, will lead the camp. Camp hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., for a total of 10 sessions. All campers should bring their lunch and snack each day.

For more information, or to register your child for the class, call 934-0862.

Department of Music hosts seven events in April

UAB’s music department is hosting seven events from April 18-30, with admission to most all events free. Call 975-2787 for more information.

Here is a list of concerts taking place during the remainder of the month:

• April 18 — UAB Jazz Ensemble Concert, 8 p.m., Jemison Concert Hall.
• April 19 — UAB Department of Music Student Recital, 12:20 p.m., Mary Culp Hulsey Recital Hall.
• April 20 — UAB Wind Symphony Concert, 8 p.m., Jemison Concert Hall.
• April 21 — UAB Choirs Spring Concert featuring UAB Concert Choir, Chamber Singers and Women’s Chorale, 8 p.m., Jemison Concert Hall.
• April 24 — UAB Gospel Choir Spring Concert, 7 p.m., Jemison Concert Hall. General admission tickets are $5; $3 for UAB employees and students with valid ID and for children 12 years of age or under.
• April 25 — UAB Honors Recital featuring winners from the 2006 Honors Recital Competition, 7 p.m., Reynolds-Kirschbaum Recital Hall.
• April 30 — UAB Community Wind Symphony, 3 p.m., Jemison Concert Hall.
MEN & WOMEN

The School of Dentistry is looking for people who have severe gum disease. If your gums bleed when you brush your teeth or if some of your teeth are loose, you may qualify for a research study that will test an investigational antibiotic treatment for gum disease.4-1503.

Men & women age 57-86 in good physical health may be eligible to participate in a study that evaluates the effects of an anti-inflammation therapy on the healing process in the postop period of patients who have undergone total knee replacement surgery. Consent: Robert B. Hiltz, M.D. 722-6010.

People who have chronic insomnia and have difficulty falling asleep and staying asleep, may qualify for a research study to evaluate an investigational combination of two approved drugs in the treatment of insomnia. Qualified participants receive study drug and study evaluations for visits at no cost. Dr. Pegram 599-1020 ext. 116/spegrame@sleepalabama.com.

Do you have rheumatoid arthritis? People age 18-74 may qualify to receive study drug. Visit us online to see if you qualify for a study using marine and botanical oils to study inflammation in rheumatoid arthritis. Consent: Cindy 4-7423.

Healthy men & women age 55-90 with mild or moderate cognitive impairment may qualify to receive study medication as an add-on to standard treatment. Consent: Dr. Pegram 4-4498.

Do you have toenail fungus? You may qualify for a research study at UAB Department of Dermatology. You will be enrolled in a study to evaluate the effectiveness of an investigational, all-natural nutritional supplement for individuals with nail fungus. Consent: Shernine 4-7516.

Are you age 19-75? You may participate in a national 29-week research study evaluating 2 investigational medications for hypertension. Receive study medication, blood pressure checks, physical exams, lab tests, ECG and ambulatory blood pressure monitoring at no cost. Compensation: 4-9281.

Volunteers, age 40 and over with moderate to severe COPD, and not requiring O2 therapy needed to test a new investigational use of an already approved sleep medication. Receive study related exams and medication at no cost. Compensation. 4-1975 ext. 7775.

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- **D-Link DI-524 AirPlus G 802** 11g/2.4 GHz wireless router, new, $40. 410-619-7072.
- **17” color monitor**, new in unopened box, on-screen display control, Plug & Play Energy Star Compliant, 1280 x 1024, 0.25mm DotPitch, max resolution at 60Hz, $1100.00. 218-6897.

**Automotive**

- **’06 Honda Accord LX**, 4-d, 4-cyl, desert mist metallic color, 2200 mi, owner is transferred over, $11,500. 907-1021.
- **’05 BMW 325i**, 26,000 mi, silver, loaded, leather, ask $27,500. 999-699-8222/3633.
- **’04 Volkswagen Beetle**, 10,000 mi, charcoal, good cond, $2800. 437-0846.
- **’02 Toyota Sienna XLE**, 55,000 mi, manual, green, AM/FM/cass, heated power sliding doors, roof rack, rear AC, garage kept, exc cond, ask $18,500. 513-1133. jzhang@uab.edu.
- **’02 Ford Explorer XL**, 50,000 mi, mint cond, $15,900. 864-9905.
- **’01 Honda Accord LX**, silver, V6, 4-d, 112,000 mi, CD, PS, ABS, AW, $8300.00/996-4623/udame@uab.edu.
- **’01 Volkswagen Cabrio GLS**, 2-dr convertible, 55,000 mi, manual, green, AM/FM/cass, heated front seats, alarm, in good cond, ask $11,000. Argo 4-9925/987-1735.
- **’95 Pontiac Grand Prix SE**, 2-dr, runs good, needs some body work, auto, PW, $18,000. Bobby 781-6511.
- **Chery Cheeva**, white, manual, 4-d, run well, must sell, ask $1700. 989-4058.
- **’94 Toyota Camry Le**, black, 4-dr sedan, 4-cyl, clean, $3250. 901-0880.
- **’93 Ford Taurus LX**, engine 3.8L, auto transmission, PW, $3250. 242-1219.
- **’90 Toyota 4Runner**, 681,000 mi, $400. 664-3935/4-6643.

**Miscellaneous**

- **Do you have computer questions or problems? If you are a UAB Hospital or HSF employee, call the IITS Helpdesk at 4-9674. If you are a UAB faculty or staff member, call the IT support services at 4-9700. The Resource Center.**
- **UAB Career Development Services**

**CLASSIFIEDS**

**FOR SALE**

**Appliances & Electronics**

- **98 Chrysler 5th Avenue**
- **93 Ford Taurus LX**
- **94 Toyota Camry Le**
- **02 Toyota Sienna XLE**
- **04 Kia Rio**

Some body work, auto, PW, $1800/obo. Bobby 996-4962/sudame@uab.edu. Email tinarena@uab.edu for pics and full list; some body work, auto, PW, $1800/obo. Bobby 996-4962/sudame@uab.edu. Email tinarena@uab.edu for pics and full list; some body work, auto, PW, $1800/obo. Bobby 996-4962/sudame@uab.edu.

**Miscellaneous**

- **Mowers, $90; push mowers, $35 & up; weedeater, $55, 000 mi, manual, green, AM/FM/cass, heated front seats, alarm, in good cond, ask $11,000. Argo 4-9925/987-1735.**

**Lose**

- **Ladies black leather jacket, lost 4/5/06 in the parking lot area across from the new Hillman Building, 6th Ave and 20th St. Reward. Patty 4-3250.**

**FOR SALE**

**Appliances & Electronics**

- **Panama City Beach—time share; new deed property; 1 BR/1 BA, week 4, 35 minutes from the beach, $1500. Checkmate speed/ski boat, $2500. Randy 365-1294/338-1329.**

**Furnishings**

- **Sofa, $150 plaid w/coordinating floral print toss pillows, must sell. Brandi 706-9423.**

**Miscellaneous**

- **18hp 46” cut riding mower, $400, self-propelled mowers, $250; push mowers, $50; lawn mowers, $10. All computers, desk, corner, good cond, $75; pics available. Erin efcook@uab.edu/ 862-1826.**

**Furnishings**

- **Orange Beach**
- **Logan Martin Lake**
- **Vestavia Hills**
- **Hoover/Bluff Park area**
- **Sudbury**
- **St. Clair**
- **Southside**
- **Homewood**
- **Birmingham**
- **Vestavia Hills**
- **Ronald McDonald House**
- **Springville Schools**

**Services**

- **UAB Personal Health Clinic** specializes in expert care and detailed of STDS and screenings. Vaginal care for genital herpes infection also available. Call for appt. 6-2780.

- **Intercampus Interactive Telecommunication System (ITIS) provides a videoconferencing infrastructure that facilitates teleclasses, T1 Internet connections and videoconferencing options to all UA campuses, and other facilities throughout the nation. For more info, visit www.uasystem.edu/its/02F/2001.htm Jan 5-8.**

- **UAB Career Development Services**

Employee Career Development Services can help you find a satisfying career. All services are confidential, free (except where noted) and designed only for UAB employees. We provide: career counseling, personal and career assessment, job skills training, job identification, spouse/partner relocation, mentoring, career search skills training, job identification, counseling and referral, licensing, professional counselors and licensed marriage and family therapists. 4-2281.

- **Sudbury**
- **St. Clair**
- **Southside**
- **Homewood**
- **Vestavia Hills**
- **Ronald McDonald House**
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**Miscellaneous**

- **House doctor**
- **Moonwalk rental**

**Services**

- **UAB Orthodontic Department**

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