Recruiters keep enrolling help in war against AIDS

Billy Tingle says when he first began working at UAB in 1994, there was a sense of urgency among the general public about finding a vaccine to cure Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)—the virus that causes AIDS.

He would know. Tingle was then on the front lines of the fight against HIV in Birmingham, recruiting people to be a part of UAB’s research into a vaccine to prevent the virus.

But these days, says the recruiter, there seems to be a totally different attitude toward HIV in the community.

“Nobody seems to be concerned about HIV,” Tingle says. “When I’m out recruiting people to be a part of our program and tell them what we’re doing and what we want them for, almost without exception the response I get is a blank stare.”

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UAB is currently involved in an HIV vaccine trial called the Step Study, a Phase II study designed to yield information on that particular vaccine’s efficacy. Tingle and his colleagues, Tena Hilario-Hailey and James A. Mapson, are charged with recruiting men at risk of contracting HIV for this study. Other studies taking place at the Alabama Vaccine Research Clinic are recruiting men and women of low risk of contracting HIV to study preventative vaccines at the early stages of development.

The recruiters say that while they’re recruiting, they are also fighting a culture with a changed opinion of the disease and the damage it can still cause.

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Child Development Center has openings

The UAB Child Development Center has openings in its preschool classrooms for children ages 3 and 4 beginning Aug. 1. The tuition rate is $672 per month.

The Child Development Center is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). Only 5 percent of child care centers across the United States are accredited. To enroll in the program or for more information, contact Bridgette Smith at hjordan@uab.edu. Visit the center online at http://main.uab.edu/show.asp?durki=81937.

Part-time jobs fair coming in August

Birmingham area businesses and UAB departments are invited to participate in the UAB Part-Time Jobs Fair set for Monday, Aug. 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Hill University Center Great Hall. The event, sponsored by UAB Career Services, is held for UAB students seeking part-time jobs.

The registration fee is $25 for area businesses and free for UAB departments. For information or registrations, call UAB Career Services at 934-4992 or 934-4470.

TIAA-CREF sessions for employees now being scheduled

Schedule your appointment today with a TIAA-CREF consultant who will be available to answer questions about your financial matters and help you:

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• Select your TIAA-CREF options.
• Understand the basic types of investment choices available.
• Learn about TIAA-CREF retirement income flexibility.

The sessions will be held in the Human Resources Management (HRM) offices in the Administration Building, 701 S. 20th St.; employees should make an appointment then check in at the HRM second floor reception desk.

To schedule an appointment, visit the TIAA-CREF Web site at www.tiaa-cref.org/moc or call Mike Odom toll-free at 1-800-842-2003 ext. 3522. Appointments may be scheduled now for the scheduled session dates listed below:

• July 31
• Sept. 5-8
• Aug. 1-3
• Oct. 16-19

TIAA-CREF is a tax-sheltered annuity program which offers the individual a choice as to the distribution of the total deposit to be placed in TIAA (fixed annuity), CREF (variable annuity), and CREF (mutual funds). UAB matches the individual employee’s contributions up to 5% of gross monthly pay (not to exceed $210,000 annual UAB salary). Eligibility for matching is limited to full-time regular monthly-paid employees.

Training seminar highlights assets, vendors available on Minority Business Affairs Web site

Phil Whatley has always known that the Alys Stephens Center places a priority on meeting the university’s 10 percent goal of spending supply dollars with minority- and women-owned businesses.

Now, thanks to a recent internal training seminar, Whatley knows of additional available resources that will enable the ASC to spend more with minority- and women-owned businesses.

The purpose of the seminar, sponsored by the Office of Minority Business Affairs, was to help connect buyers with suppliers and assist departments who may sometimes experience challenges in achieving the university’s annual targeted goal of 10 percent spending.

Whatley says he was excited to find out about the assets available from the Office of Minority Business Affairs, especially everything available on the group’s Web site at www.minoritydev.uab.edu.

“I didn’t realize there’s a Web site available and that on that Web site are vendors for whatever you need — carpentry, welding, whatever,” Whatley says. “I didn’t know there was a place like that on campus I could go to get that information.

“What we’ve built here on campus is a big plus.”

Did you see?

A Thunder on the Mountain fireworks display was easily viewed from the west end of campus, where many from the community gathered for the annual Independence Day concert on the lawn at Bartow Arena.

The UAB Summer Band presented a free Independence Day concert featuring patriotic pops and traditional band music on the lawn in front of Bartow Arena. A patriotic audience sing-a-long medley included America the Beautiful. You’re a Grand Old Flag and God Bless the U.S.A.

“Having one place to go to find a list of minority- and women-owned vendors that we have used here on campus is a big plus.”

Phil Whatley, ASC buyer at Alys Stephens Center.

“Now, we can really begin to look for even more women- and minority-owned businesses.”

The Procurement office works closely with the Minority Business Affairs office to help departments achieve the 10 percent spending goal. Rosalind Young, Buyer of the Year in the Procurement office for four years in a row, says the seminar enabled the Minority Business Affairs office to inform all of the departments on campus what it can do to help.

“Some departments didn’t know we have a minority business affairs office,” Young says. “The seminar allowed those that attended a chance to express how they think the Minority Business Affairs office can be better utilized on campus.”

Young says the Web site really impressed those in attendance because it enables visitors to find useful tools to help them reach their goals. “The Web site is very user-friendly and full of information,” Young says. “Having one place to go to find a list of minority- and women-owned vendors that we have used here on campus is a big plus.”

For more information on the UAB Office of Minority Affairs, visit its Web site at www.minoritydev.uab.edu or contact Scottie McClancy at 934-2835.

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Have car trouble on campus? Call the men from MARS

If you have a flat tire or run out of gas, call 975-MARS (6277).

UAB's Parking & Transportation Services unlocked 136 cars, started 140 vehicles, aided in fixing 41 flat tires and assisted 14 people who ran out of gas on campus as part of its Motorist Assistance Road Service (MARS).

And that was just in May.

For those who aren't already familiar with it, MARS – which got its start four years ago – is a free service for the UAB campus and hospi
tal community.

"It's a very helpful service," says Karen Moody, business offi
cer in Parking and Transportation and creator of the MARS program, adding that she herself has had to use the service to have air put in a tire. "We've had a lot of individuals thanking our department for providing this ser
vice."

If you've locked your keys in your car, find your car can't start, acquire a flat tire or run out of gas, call 975-MARS (6277) for assistance.

Parking and Transportation unlocked an average of 150 cars a month in 2005. If you average out that amount over an entire year and figure the minimum $35 most companies charge to unlock a vehicle, that was a savings of at least $63,000 for UAB employees.

"If we didn't have it there would be a lot of unhappy people on cam
pus," says Moody. "It's a great asset to the uni
versity. The people who work on the program are professional and always willing to help."

"We're not mechanics, but we will do our best to get you on your way or find someone who can," says Bob Davis.

The UAB Reporter wants you!

We want to talk to you. All of you.

The UAB Reporter, which now publishes in print format every other week, wants to share news of what's going on in your department with others across campus. We also know that UAB employees dedicate themselves to many community efforts, and we'd like to share news and photos of your activities through the UAB Reporter and its companion Web site, www.uab.edu/reporter.

And speaking of the site . . .

It's been revamped to include breaking news and photos – as well as quick links to other key campus news sources – while continuing to provide readers with the option to download a four-color PDF of each printed issue and/or access indi
vidual stories.

Bookmark it today!

To send in your news, e-mail reporter@uab.edu or call any member of the staff (listed on p. 4 of this issue).

Our publication schedule through the summer is:

• July 24  • Aug. 7  • Aug. 21

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The average daytime temperature for Birmingham over the month of June was an immediate sweat-inducing 90 degrees — a full 4 degrees above normal — and we’re not even close to the dog days of August.

And, as the weather continues to heat up, all of us are likely to be outside doing yard work, exercising, going to the beach, sunbathing by the pool, etc.喝水 is essential.  

One thing each of us should remember as we venture outdoors is the human body’s need to stay hydrated, says Kathy Hubbert, a UAB registered dietitian.

Hubbert says just because you may not feel thirsty doesn’t mean you shouldn’t be drinking water, something especially true for children and seniors.

“In children, the thirst mechanism is not fully developed, and in seniors, the sense of thirst has diminished,” Hubbert says. “By the time your brain signals thirst, you may have lost 1 percent of your body weight or about 3 cups of sweat for a 150-pound person.”

Hubbert recommends that everyone drink at least two cups of water before heading outdoors for summer activities. She says it’s also good practice to drink at least eight ounces of water every 30 minutes you are outside, if possible.

It’s OK to incorporate a sports drink, such as Gatorade or POWERRade, along with the water. “Those can be very useful because they contain electrolytes such as sodium and potassium,” Hubbert says. “It’s a bad idea to alternate if you are going to be outside exerting yourself because you will lose sodium and potassium.”

The best self-test a person can give themselves to test their hydration is to monitor the color of their urine. Hubbert says. Those who are well-hydrated will have urine that is almost clear “or at least a very, very light color,” she says.

What Hubbert says is most important to remember, however, is to keep drinking those fluids, even if you don’t think you are all that thirsty.

“You might not sense feeling thirsty, but it’s still important you drink more fluids, especially in the outdoors and in the heat,” she says.

Hubbert says people often don’t drink enough fluids throughout the day — a bad idea as we head into what is traditionally the hottest time of the year for our area. Here are some tips she has for making sure you stay well-hydrated and equipped to better handle the heat:

• Any time you pass a water fountain stop and get four or five big gulps.
• If you’re taking medication or a vitamin, instead of taking a few sips to take the medicine, drink the whole glass of water.
• Even if you’re having another beverage with a meal, have a glass of water as well.
• Keep a bottle of water in your car with you. As you’re driving, don’t forget to take some swallows out of it.
• If you don’t like the taste of water, try flavoring it with lemon or lime slices, or pick up the new-popular flavor packets (most of which are low in calories) in your grocery store.
• Prepare a water bottle daily. “In the summer I fill up a bottle half way and lay it in my freezer and then fill it up with tap water the next morning,” Hubbert says. “It will cool down the tap water more quickly than it would if you sat the bottle straight up in your freezer to freeze.”

More at-risk men who just accept as a reality that they will one day get HIV.

Goepfert points out how experts boldly predicted there would be a vaccine for HIV “in a few years” after the disease was discovered. “They were completely naïve,” he says of the forecasts. “The virus is extremely diverse.”

How diverse? There are at least 10,000 different strains of HIV in the Birmingham area alone, Goepfert says. So if a person has a strain of Virus A HIV and Vaccine A works on that strain, it doesn’t mean that it will work on Virus B.

The current efficacy study is showing some promise, however. Goepfert says a killer T-cell vaccine has been developed that, when administered, attacks only the HIV-infected cells.

“The hope is it will prevent infection, but if not infection, maybe it will prevent AIDS (the disease that is associated with HIV),” Goepfert says.

A five-year, $6 million grant from the pharmaceutical company Merck & Co., Inc. and the HIV Vaccine Trials Network is covering 20 different ongoing studies at UAB. Goepfert says it will be known within four years whether or not the current Step Study vaccine being tested to prevent HIV is working.

In the meantime, Tingle, Hilario-Hailey and Mapson will continue their tireless work in recruiting volunteers from the community and spreading the word about the hopeful work currently taking place on campus.

“The people who work here at UAB and live in our community should know about this study and what we’re doing,” Tingle says. “I’m sure there are people working here who know someone who might be interested in helping find a cure for HIV, or maybe somebody working here is interested in volunteering.

“We just want people to know about this and talk to their family and friends about it.”
Use new forms for inventions or to ship research materials

The Office of Grants and Contracts Administration received the follow-
ing awards for UAB faculty and staff.
Listing includes the principal invest-
igator along with any co-investigators and funding agencies as well as PI’s department, project title, awarded amount, sponsor name and project dates. NOTE: Grants and contracts released between the bi-
weekly publication dates are listed on the following page at the website of the Office of Research. uab.edu/show.asp?durki=89738.

New/Competing Continuation

Joe Acker (Trauma Communications) North Alabama Trauma System $380,300.00, 6/1/2006-12/31/2007


Raymond Benza (Medicine/Cardiology) Registry to Evaluate Early and Long-Term Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Disease Management (REVEAL Registry) CoTherax, Inc. $450,000,6/20/2006 - 6/19/2014

Leon Dure (Pediatrics) A Multi-Center, Double-Blind, Pilot Study of Monocycline in Huntington’s disease (DMNQ) FDA / Massachusetts General Hospital $32,000, 8/15/2006-8/14/2006

Margaret Fritsma (Diagnostic & Therapeutic Sciences) Transplant Health Care Fellowship / Clemon University $9,308, 12/16/2005- 6/30/2006


Craig Hoelsly / Sharma Makhija/ Jane Schneider / Halford Avarae / Hala Fawal (Medicine/Infectious Diseases) Phase II Expanded Safety and Acceptability Study of the Vaginal Microbicide 1% Tenofovir Gel A Study of the HIV Prevention Trials Network (959) Subagreement Number 695-04 for Bridging Funding Family Health International $100,000, 1/1/2006 - 6/30/2006


David Littlefield / Jeremy Harvey (Mechanical Engineering) CSM KY6 001 - Enhancements to ZAPOTEC DOD / Mississippi State University $47,498, 6/1/2006 - 5/31/2007

David Littelfield / Jeremy Harvey (Mechanical Engineering) CSM KY6 003 - Enhancements to ARES DOD / Mississippi State University $47,832, 6/1/2006 - 5/31/2007


Alfred Paige (Neurology) Responsive Neurostimulator (RNS) System Protival Clinical Investigation NeuroPace, Inc. $49,236, 6/21/2006 - 6/20/2009

Continuation


Stephen Barnes (Pathology) Mitrosative and Oxidative Signaling in Endothelial Cells NHELI $347,788, 7/1/2006 - 6/30/2007


John Rogers (Special Studies) Jefferson County Youth Transportation Program Alabama Department of Transportation $190,000, 3/1/2006 - 9/30/2006


Edward Partridge is acting director for Cancer Center

Dr. Ed Partridge has been named acting director of the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center effective July 5. Partridge’s appointment comes as Dr. Peter Emanuel steps down from the position after serving as center director for two years. Emanuel has requested the change in order to focus his efforts in his research laboratory and patient care duties in the Division of Hematology-Oncology.

“Dr. Partridge has agreed to serve in this temporary leadership capacity as we proceed to very carefully and thoroughly search for the strongest candidate that we can recruit for the Cancer Center director position,” said Dr. Robert Rich, dean of the UAB School of Medicine.

“The Center will be in excellent hands,” Dr. Partridge is well known as a very intelligent and caring physician, an able administrator and community servant. He has a great reserve of institutional memory here, and he will do a splendid job.”

Rich said the university is very grateful to Emanuel for direction of the center.

“Dr. Emanuel saw us through the renewal of the National Cancer Institute Core Support Grant— at almost $11 million, the largest grant the Center has ever received,” Rich said. “Plans were laid and fundraising is significantly underway for a new radiology oncology facility.

“In addition, Cancer Center Supporters had the two most successful fundrais-
ing years in that group over 20-year history,” Rich noted, pointing out that also during Emanuel’s tenure, the Cancer Center continued to make strides in top quality patient care and innovative research.

More information can be found at uab.edu/cib.
Tuesday, July 11
Noon UAB Resource Center Wellness Program. Stress management through meditation; The Resource Center. Call 4-2281 for more info or visit www.uab.edu/eap. 7 pm Conversational English, levels 1-4; Smolian Int’l House. For more info, 4-1205/sovowens@uab.edu.

Wednesday, July 12
Noon French conversation table: HUC Cafeteria (look for the French flag). Come to speak French and make new friends! For more info, Catherine danielou@uab.edu.

Noon UAB Resource Center Employee Assistance Program. The Joy of Stress brown bag lunch. A three part series guaranteed to make you laugh while also providing information about managing stress. Participants are encouraged to bring their lunch while the Resource Center will provide drinks and dessert. The Resource Center. Call 4-2281 for more info or visit www.uab.edu/eap.

5:25 pm Power Yoga; UAB Arts Annex. For more info, call Bonnie 823-6622.

6:30 pm Power Yoga; UAB Arts Annex. For more info, call Bonnie 823-6622.

7 pm Society for Intuitive Research meeting. Discuss the three levels of mind, and how to use them to your benefit. Students and faculty welcome. Spencer Honors House.

Thursday, July 13
12:10 pm UAB Resource Center. Tai Chi-Stress management through movement; The Resource Center. Call 4-2281 for more info or visit www.uab.edu/eap.

6:30 pm SMART recovery group meetings; not a 12-step or religious program. Any addiction or habit can be helped. Southside Baptist Church. Call WL Fulcher 975-7755 for details.

8 pm Stamnitsch conversational table, for anyone who speaks German; Giuseppe’s Cafe, 925 8th Street South. For info, agresti@uab.edu.

Friday, July 14
7 am Falun Dafa exercises, an ancient Chinese exercise that brings harmony & health. UAB Mini Park, 4-8285.

Religion
Tuesday, July 11
Noon Medical Center Christian Fellowship Meeting, WP-B, All welcome. Mark 647-5177 or Blair 951-3826.

Wednesday, July 12
Noon Employee-led Bible study; Interfaith Chapel-West Pavilion. 12:15 pm Latter-day Saints Student Association, Scripture study and discussion; HUC-413. All welcome. For more info, Andrew 822-9338.

7 pm Catholic mass; St Stephen Church, 1515 S 12th Ave. 933-2520.

Sunday, July 16
5 pm Hindu Student Council. We will have a session on singing and feasting the Hare Krishna way where everyone is welcome to join. For more info, Varadraj Prabhu 383-9805. 1501 15th Ave S, Apt 20, Bham.

Teaching sessions cancelled for summer
The following teaching sessions have been cancelled for the summer.
• CNRC/Nutrition Sciences Noon Seminar will resume in August.
• Endocrine Conference will resume in September.
• Friday Noon Conference will resume July 1.
• General Medicine Noon Conference will resume July 18.
• Geographic Medicine QRs will resume in October.
• GI/Hepatology QRs will resume in September.
• Hematology/Oncology QRs will resume in August or September.
• Hematology/Oncology Research Conference will resume Sept. 11.
• Medical QRs will resume July 12.
• Monday Noon Conference will resume July 10.
• Vascular Biology/Hypertension Program will resume July 10.
• UAB Center for Aging/GREEC Seminar Series will resume in September.

NPR’s Simon to speak at benefit for WBHM
Scott Simon, host of NPR’s “Weekend Edition Saturday,” will speak at the Birmingham Museum of Art Tuesday, July 11, at 7 p.m. as part of a benefit for WBHM.

Simon, whose program can be heard locally on 90.3 WBHM-FM or 91.5 WSGN-FM (North Central Alabama’s source for National Public Radio news and classical music) from 7:49 a.m. each Saturday, will be talking about his experiences as a reporter. His presentation will include a question and answer session, and will be followed by a book signing featuring the newly released paperback version of his novel Pretty Birds. Tickets are $35 each and are available at www.wbhm.org or by calling 934-2278.

In addition to hosting “Weekend Edition Saturday,” Simon – who has been the weekly news correspondent – has appeared as an essayist and commentator on NB’s “Weekend Today” and “NOW with Bill Moyers.” He has hosted public television programs, including “Life on the Internet,” “American Pie,” “Search for Common Ground” and specials on privacy in America and democracy in the Middle East. He has written for The New York Times’ Book Review and Opinion sections, the Wall Street Journal opinion page, The Los Angeles Times and Gourmet Magazine.

Legend of locations
AB Administration Blvd.
BDB Boshell Blvd.
BBRB Bevill Biomedical Research Blvd.
CH Campbell Hall
CHSB Community Health Services Blvd.
CPM Center for Psychiatric Medicine
HUC Hill University Center
JT Jefferson Tower
KHBK Kaul Human Genetics Research Blvd.
LHL Lister Hill Library
LHR Lyons-Harrison Research
MCLM McCallum Building
MCSA Margaret Cameron Spain Aud.
Wild ride

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Visiting otherworldly places has encouraged Crunk to write three children’s books, including his latest, Railroad John and the Red Rock Run, just released this spring.

“I wanted to write a Tall Tale with capital T’s,” Crunk says, describing his latest work. “Pecos Bill, Paul Bunyan, Johnny Appleseed — they were great stories and the art. It was an uncomfortable fit at first, but in the context of folklore, myth and sacred texts. The children’s books give Crunk a good “balance,” as he calls it. Plus he adds, there is not that great a difference in writing books for children or adults.

“Children respond to the same things in their literature that adults respond to in theirs — interesting characters, interesting challenges,” Crunk says. “I think it’s the same structure, the same idea, just different levels of maturity.”

When Crunk finished Railroad John and submitted it to publisher Peachtree Publishers in Atlanta, the next big task was creation of the artwork for the story. The author found that he would have no say in the selection of the artist, or in the direction of the art. It was an uncomfortable position. After all, how could any one else “see” what he had envisioned for the characters?

Pretty clearly, as a matter of fact. Michael Austin, the Atlanta-based artist chosen by the publisher, just so happened to have an imagination at least as big as Crunk’s.

“It was not what I expected, it was better,” Crunk says. “I just think the artwork is magnificent.”

Crunk, who has no children, says writing books doesn’t always come easy. In fact, he says it’s the hardest thing for him to do. But don’t count on him slowing down anytime soon — his imagination just won’t let him.

“From my perspective, it’s very much an impossible challenge,” he says. “I see these things I want to do, but I feel I always fall short. I guess that’s going to keep me doing it forever. I want to write the perfect children’s book or poetry book.

“I know it’s never going to happen, but, hey, at least it keeps me up at night.”

Railroad John and the Red Rock Run is available at most bookstores across the state. You can also order online at www.peachtree-online.com.

Theatre UAB announces upcoming season

S hocking turn-of-the-century comedy, a government censorship, social commentary and one of Shakespeare’s last and most lyrical works are on the program for Theatre UAB’s new season.


Season tickets for all five shows are $55. Season tickets go on sale Aug. 1 and will be available through the UAB Department of Theatre. For season ticket calls 934-3237. Single tickets go on sale Sept. 1; call the Alys Stephens Center Box Office at 975-2787.

Mark your calendars now!

Oct. 18-22: The Play of the Western World by John Whiting Synge, directed by Lisa Channer

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Faculty Senate meeting agenda

July 11, 2006
Penhouse CR 1
7:30 – 9:30 a.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Recognition of Visitors – Non-Members of the Senate – Please Sign Attendance Roster
3. Approval of Minutes – June Meeting
4. Chair Report – Chair Joe March
5. President’s Report – President Carol Garrison
6. Senate Standing Committees
   a. Curriculum and Research – Senator Mark Lockhart
   b. Finance – Senator Michael Humber
   c. Governance and Operations – Senator Pat Higginbottom
   d. Faculty Policies and Procedures – Chair Pete Anderson
   e. Faculty Affairs – Senator Mark Lockhart
7. Periodic Career Developmental Review Committee Proposal (Unrelated to this meeting)
8. Senate Representatives to University-wide Committees
   a. Academic Advising Committee – VACANT
   b. Athletic Advisory Committee/Academic Standards Subcommitte – William Cockerham
   c. Campus Planning Committee – Jonathan Harwell
   d. Commission on the Status of Women – Senator Maria Marquez
   e. Diversity Advisory Council – Madelyn Agar
   f. Fringe Benefits Committee – Linda Reed
   g. Police Advisory Council – Tommie Singleton
9. Open Forum
10. Announcements
   a. Next FPPC Meeting – Penhouse CR 1 – July 21
   b. Next Executive Committee Meeting – July 26
   c. Next Executive Committee Meeting with President – Aug. 1
   d. Next Senate meeting Penhouse C1 – Aug. 8

Theatre UAB announces upcoming season

S hocking turn-of-the-century comedy, a government censorship, social commentary and one of Shakespeare’s last and most lyrical works are on the program for Theatre UAB’s new season.


Season tickets for all five shows are $55. Season tickets go on sale Aug. 1 and will be available through the UAB Department of Theatre. For season ticket calls 934-3237. Single tickets go on sale Sept. 1; call the Alys Stephens Center Box Office at 975-2787.

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Zhang joining Gov. Riley on China leg of worldwide trip

Gov. Bob Riley is traveling around the world, and he’s taking a UAB professor along for part of the ride.

Ruiven Zhang, a professor of pharmacology in the department of clinical pharmacology and toxicology, is accompanying Riley on a trade trip to China that began July 8. It’s an especially exciting opportunity for Zhang, who came to UAB from China in 1989 as a post-doctoral fellow.

Zhang says he is elated to be returning to his home country and representing UAB along the way.

“When I heard about the opportunity of promoting Alabama and UAB in China, I just said, ‘Hey, I’m happy to be a part of that,’” Zhang says.

Riley is scheduled to be the keynote speaker for a biotechnology and pharmaceutical conference in Shanghai. Zhang will also speak at the conference, giving insight into the research efforts at UAB.

“We can use this opportunity to talk about UAB, talk about our research and talk about our strengths here,” Zhang says.

Zhang says that will help the governor and the state of Alabama achieve its mission for the trip. “It will help Alabama develop biotechnology and biopharmaceutical business in China,” he says. “This is the first time I’ve heard about such a high-level delegation going to China with such specific goals and with a purpose — promoting research and development for the state of Alabama.”

Profs Jones, Amling appointed to endowed chairs in Medicine

Two recent additions to the UAB faculty have been appointed to endowed chairs.

Keith Jones, who recently joined the UAB faculty as chair of the department of anesthesiology, has been appointed to the Alfred Habeeb Chair in Anesthesiology, and Christopher Amling has been appointed as the first holder of the Anton J. Bueschen Endowed Chair in Urologic Surgery and Research at UAB.

The action was taken at a recent meeting of UA Board of Trustees.

Jones, 45, is an Anistion native and a UAB graduate who earned his medical degree from the UAB School of Medicine. He came to UAB from the Mayo Clinic, where he was director of the Smooth Muscle Physiology Laboratory. The Habeeb Chair was established in 1992 and named for a co-founder of the Alabama State Society of Anesthesiologists.

Amling is a noted authority in urologic cancer and in advanced minimally invasive management of urologic diseases, including the use of robotic surgery for prostate cancer. He joined the UAB faculty this past year as professor of surgery and director of the division of urology. Recognized nationally as an expert in prostate cancer and in outcomes research, he is the author of many scholarly articles that have improved methods for diagnosing and treating prostate cancer. He also is credited with developing innovative evaluation tools to enhance the education of surgical residents.

Amling received a bachelor’s degree from the University of Oregon and his M.D. degree from the Oregon Health Sciences University. He completed an internship in general surgery at Oakland, Calif., Naval Hospital, and the Naval Flight Surgery Training Program in Pensacola, Fla. He completed his urology residency at Duke University Medical Center, as well as a fellowship in urologic oncology at the Mayo Clinic. He was a flight surgeon and attained the rank of captain in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps, where he was chair of the department of urology and residency program director at the Naval Medical Center, San Diego, Calif., before being recruited to UAB.

The Bueschen Chair is named for the UAB professor of surgery, who is former director of the urology division and former president of the University of Alabama Health Services Foundation.

Animal Research Advisory Committee is formed at UAB

The Animal Research Advisory Committee (ARAC) has been formed to provide advice to Richard Marchase, vice president for research and the institutional official responsible for research using animals.

The ARAC will focus on promoting synergistic interactions and problem-solving among the institutional official, the faculty, the Animal Resources Program (ARP) and the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). The committee will meet quarterly to identify programmatic needs of UAB investigators who use animal models in research; to review the charges paid by investigators; and to review problems that are outside the specific areas of IACUC or ARP.

Messina among Who’s Who in Birmingham accounting

Frank M. Messina, chair of the UAB Department of Accounting & Information Systems in the School of Business, recently was listed in Birmingham Business Journal among Who’s Who in Law and Accounting.

Editors, reporters and industry experts selected 98 individuals - 61 lawyers and 37 accountants - as the Birmingham area’s “movers and shakers” in these fields. The honorees on the list include presidents of the area’s legal and accounting associations, managing partners of top law and accounting firms, Alabama legislators who are accountants or lawyers and others.

Messina has been chair of ACIS since 2002 and is the school’s Ernst & Young Scholar.

Eight appointed emeriti faculty

The UA Board of Trustees, meeting June 16 in Tuscaloosa, appointed eight persons to the status of emeriti faculty at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). They are:

• William A. Bradley, a UAB faculty member since 1988, professor emeritus of medicine.
• Anton J. Bueschen, who joined the UAB faculty in 1973, professor emeritus of surgery.
• Nancy Washington Clemmons, a UAB faculty member since 1977, professor emerita of the Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences.
• W. Ronald Clemmons, who joined the UAB faculty in 1973, professor emeritus of music theory and composition.
• Gerald M. Fuller, Ph.D., a UAB faculty member since 1986, professor emeritus of cell biology.
• Sandra Hanson Giaurro, who joined the UAB faculty in 1988, professor emerita of medicine.
• Earl R. Kern, a UAB faculty member since 1988, research professor emeritus of pediatrics.
• Dan W. Urry, who joined the UAB faculty in 1970, professor emeritus of biochemistry and molecular genetics.

Obituaries

Retired Storekeeper Mildred Hines (Clinical Dentalistry), Sept. 20, 2005.

Environmental Services Specialist Rufus Stallworth (Building Services), Nov. 27.

Retired Building Services Specialist Mary Evans (Building Services), May 31.

Retired Food Service Aide Geneva Cooper (Dietetics), June 5.

Retired Staff Training Specialist Marjorie Sides (Education & Training), June 25.
Women

Would you like to know your body fat? Bone density? Healthy African-American and Caucasian women age 19-60 may be eligible for a study on ethnic differences in insulin sensitiv-
ity and the effects of being in a Care Team for the hf-ActiON trial.

Men

Inconvenience study compares two treatments for male sexual disorder (erectile dis-
currence). Men may be eligible if they are still experiencing urinary leakage more than a year after prostate surgery. Compensated up to $859.95.

American Heart Association need your help with an important study on diabetes and Bacterium). This bacterium may cause uric, gout, gout attacks, and heart disease, and you may qualify. Age 19-60. You may be able to participate if you have no his-
tories of bacterium, have no history of abuse, and are a non-smoker for 5 or more years. Compensation. 996-496-9398.

Are you at high risk for developing breast cancer? You may be eligible to participate in a study being conducted by the UAB Department of Surgery and UAB Cancer Center. If you have a family history of breast cancer, you may be eligible to participate. The study looks at how long-term exercise affects breast cancer.

Are you a woman living with HIV who has a child age 5-11? Do you have an interest in how to manage stress and diabetes. If you say "yes" to both questions, call Lela, 1-866-996-MOMS.

Healthy African-American men and women age 40-60 may be eligible for a study of natural hormones and diet to prevent diabetes. (2) overnight visit req. Compensation. Up to $330 for 2 sessions. Adriana 4-9614.

Are you an overweight, white female or male age 30-37? Do you want to have your BMI measured and compensation. Only one-time 40-minutes interview. Compensation. 996-520-5936.

Do you have osteoarthritis knee discomfort? If you have you been in a monogamous rela-
tionship, and self-damaging behavior? Loretta, 1-866-996-MOMS.

Are you a right-handed female age 19-45? Are you a non-diabetic, healthy, willing to fast for 12 hours, and not taking hormone replacement therapy? You may be eligible for the UAB study on ethnic differences in insulin sensitivity. Call Rosalyn Weller 4-8563.

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tionship, and self-damaging behavior? Loretta, 1-866-996-MOMS.

Are you a woman age 60 and older? The UAB Division of Medical/Surgical Gynecology is currently recruiting women for a study on perimenopausal ovarian function. Compensated. Any 996-6777.

Healthy American heart disease? You are interested in participating in a study testing a new medication provided. Lola-Lino 5-1980.

Are you a woman age 45-50 who is over-
weight? If you are interested in participating in a study testing a new medication provided. Lola-Lino 5-1980.

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Healthy African-American men and women age 19-60 are being recruited. Women, diagnosed with FM, may qualify. Age 19-60. Receive a physical exam at no cost. Compensated. Sherer 5-2911.

Are you a woman age 19-45, or over 40, and you are not taking hormone replacement therapy, you may qualify. Penny 4-1668.

Healthy women age 19-65 with mild to moderate

Are you a woman age 65 & older

Attention women age 65 & older

You may be eligible for a UAB study to determine if a chocolate or vanilla shake is preferred by healthy older women. Compensation. 996-2780.

Are you a woman age 19-45? Must have been born in AL, AR, GA, KY, MS or TN. Cannot be on blood pres-
sure medication and compensation. Cathy 4-1329.

Smokers & ex-smokers

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Apparatuses & Electronics

Minolta SLR cameras (2): Maximum 3 body only $106. QSTI Maxi w/ lens $150. 1 extra lens $50. Olympus OM-D6. 1 Nikon N80 bodies (for used one wedding) $350 or all for $550. Tamron 71-247.4

Washing machine, dryer, king mattress, $200. 34 validity monitor $340, TV mirror $20, 104. all white etc. cond: $420-883.

Gey drink/frigater washer $250 eos/br. Laser printer - HP 5MP. Price: clean, but makes tons of toner. $125.50. 52-972-117.

Scanner - EPSON with 200 clicks. $25. Laser printer - HP 5MP. Prints okay, but makes tons of toner. $125.50.

Washing machine, dryer, king mattress, 320$30X29in. 5 drawers); portable air conditioner $250.

For Sale

100K miles. Very unique vehicle in great condi- tion with tan, leather interior. New top. Automatic transmission and power steering. Good condition $6,000 obo. Sculver@uab.edu

4 BR, 1 BR, 1/2 BA up, 1 BR, 1/2 BA in basement; den, LR, DR, full living room with pull-out queen bed. Great light and reliable for all at separate. 904-988.


For Sale


GPS Odyssey G-9600 motorcycle, yellow & white. 800 miles included. Very good condition. $729/ebay. 240-249.

Event: Garage sale Saturday, July 15, 8-2pm, man's clothing, clothes, glassware, linens, furniture, computer systems, misc. 127 Hidden Creek Cove, Pelham.

Table, iron with 46" round glass top and 4 matching chairs w/ arms. New. Like new. Cond: good. $150. 6-24-2007.

Sold. $60. 6-24-2007.

1-20 BR one bedroom, 3000 sq. ft, in Huntsville, AL. 605-624-2163 for complete list and prices.

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Preserving the ocean off the coast of Hawaii is something very near to Thane Wibbels’ heart.

After all, the UAB associate professor of biology has spent many months researching the effects of incubation temperature in determining the sex of the hatchlings of the Hawaiian green sea turtle. And the primary nesting location for the Hawaiian green sea turtle is located in a Montana-sized chunk of ocean off the coast of Hawaii that President Bush recently established as a national monument, establishing the largest ocean wildlife reserve in the world.

“It is an extremely important area and an extremely pristine area,” says Wibbels, a past president of the International Sea Turtle Society.

“If it’s taken care of, you can preserve it for eternity and you can see with a healthy coral reef is like,” Wibbels says.