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UAB Athletics to host Football Fan Day 2011 Saturday

<u>UAB Football</u> kicks off their season early with a free event for fans of all ages when the entire Blazer roster heads to the Riverchase Galleria Mall Saturday, Aug. 27 to hold a pep rally, sign autographs and take pictures with fans. The first 500 fans to the event will receive a free lunch from Chick-fil-A. The event will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the mall's food court. Join <u>UAB Men's Soccer</u> later that day for a free Full Moon BBQ dinner at 6 p.m. and kickoff for the UAB vs. Clemson game at 7 p.m. Both events are free for UAB students with a valid ID.

Campus fraternity honored with five awards

UAB's Pi Delta chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity recently won five International Leadership Excellence Awards during its national convention, taking home honors for the second year. The group was recognized in the categories of academic excellence, extracurricular activities, philanthropy, alumni relations and chapter recruitment-chapter size.

Apply to be part of the Freshman Forum

Due to the staggering number of incoming freshman interested in being a part of USGA, the Freshman Forum was created. This is a branch of the Undergraduate Student Government Associated designed to help students become engaged in their university by getting a taste of what USGA is all about. Applications are due at 5p.m. Sept. 2 and can be found at www.uab.edu/usga.

Have dinner with the director

The Campus Restaurants general manager is looking for a group of students who will meet monthly and give constructive feedback about dining options across campus. Enjoy a catered meal created by our chef and talk about your observations in a roundtable setting. Students selected would serve on the director board for one semester. Apply online at www.uab.edu/dining/director.

ESLP designed to help students in need

The Emergency Student Loan Program (ESLP) was established by the USGA in the 2010-2011 academic year. The program, modeled after the UAB Benevolent Fund, provides interest-free loans of up to \$300 for sixty days to students in a demonstrated financial hardship. The goal of this fund is to ensure that no student, regardless of financial status or academic standing, is

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Rolling with UAB's new bowling coach

UAB's newest athletic team doesn't begin practice until October, but it's already on a roll. Michelle Carcagente Crews, coach of the Blazer women's bowling team, has been on the road recruiting athletes who will compete in tournaments against teams from across the country. Crews, herself an accomplished bowler, talks about what she's looking for in promising athletes and how she plans to train them in *UAB Magazine* at www.uab.edu/uabmagazine.

HOW TO GET YOUR NEWS AND INFORMATION REPORTED

Do you have news you want to share with students in GreenMail, The Kaleidoscope or on BlazeRadio? Use the Request Publicity form online. Deadline for submitting information for GreenMail is 10 a.m. every Tuesday.

Information

Blackboard Mobile Learn has launched

Blackboard Mobile Learn enables students and faculty to access teaching and learning — wherever and whenever they want. This free mobile app gives you the ability to check grades, create threaded discussion posts, comment on blogs and journals and manage course tasks wirelessly. Instructors also can post announcements — allowing them to communicate last minute details and changes to students wherever they happen to be. For more information about Blackboard Mobile Learn, visit www.uab.edu/bblearn.

Introducing the International Studies Club

The College of Arts & Sciences' International Studies Club sets the stage for its members to discuss their ideas about world events. With UAB's incredibly diverse population, we are interested in developing an outlet for students with creative ideas — we want your ideas.

Apply to attend the fall Leadership Conference today

The 2011 Fall Leadership Conference will be held from 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sept. 17. The conference this year to include to surrounding schools — Lawson State, BSC, Samford, etc. — and Mayor Walt Maddox of Tuscaloosa, a UAB alum, will provide the keynote address. The theme this year is State of Emergency: Leading Through a Crisis. The conference is free to UAB students but all must fill out an application by Sept. 2. For more info, visit HUC 440 or email uableadership@uab.edu.

Sterne Library boasting longer hours

In response to student feedback, the library will continue to open at 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and now will be open until 2 a.m. Sunday through Thursday. Sterne Library's first floor North Wing will be available all times the library is open. After midnight, the circulation desk will continue to provide services. Group study rooms, individual study areas, computers, WiFi, printers, copiers and browsing periodicals will be available at all hours. The library will continue its current schedule for Friday and Saturday, except during exams. You can always see the week's hours on the Sterne Library home page at www.mhsl.uab.edu.

New student health-coverage options available this fall

Student Health Services is now providing two new student health-coverage options for UAB students under a new rate structure. Tier I provides full SHS coverage plus enhanced online medical clearance services. Tier II covers medical clearance services only. Both options require automatic hospitalization insurance unless proof of insurance is provided by student. Visit www.uab.edu/studenthealth for more details, including which students who are required to purchase Tier I and Tier II.

Free shuttle bus available for home games

Free shuttle buses will be available to transport students and all UAB fans from UAB to Legion Field for all home games for the season. There will be several buses and one handicapped-equipped bus available. Buses will transport from the Blazer-Camp Hall circle to Legion Field beginning two hours prior to each home game. Buses will begin loading for the return trip with five minutes left on the game clock in the fourth quarter. For more info, email dhg@uab.edu or call 975-5376.

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Graduate/Professional Students

<u>Grad students: The Professional Development Program</u> is for you

How can grad students speed time to degree and boost research productivity? By upgrading their research communications skills with carefully chosen elective courses. That's why the Professional Development Program in the UAB Graduate School offers graduate-level, credit courses in everything from grant writing to becoming an effective teaching assistant. This innovative program turns 20 years old this fall. Find out how it was developed, what faculty say about it, and what it offers graduate students and post-doctoral fellows in the way of elective credits to support their academic and career development.

<u>Improve your research with project management techniques</u>

The UAB School of Business' highly successful Project Management course now is open to all graduate students (MBA 618 in <u>BlazerNET</u>). The course offers excellent instruction in project management and is perfect for researchers managing clinical trials as well as health care executives (and future health care executives). This is a hybrid online course with optional face-to-face Saturday sessions starting Aug. 16, after which students are qualified to take an exam for the Project Management Institute's Project Management Professional (PMP) certification. Register now on <u>BlazerNET</u> (MBA 618).

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Timelines & Deadlines

Leadership Foundations apps due Aug. 31

Leadership Foundations is an exceptional opportunity for you to develop your leadership skills, add to your resume, increase your involvement on campus, and make a noticeable difference at UAB and in the surrounding community. Applications can be found online and are due by 5 p.m. Aug. 31. Visit HUC 440 or email uableadership@uab.edu for more info.

Want to join a book club? Deadline is Sept. 1

The Leadership Guild Book Club is looking for members. Join faculty, staff and students in reading Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell. The group meets Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. The first 10 students to sign up will receive a free copy of the book. For more info, call 934-8020 or email uableadership@uab.edu.

Aaron Lamar Jr. Scholarship apps due Sept. 16

Applications for the Aaron Lamar Jr. Scholarship are available now in HUC Rooms 110, 133, 136 or 440 and are due Sept. 16 to HUC Room 133. Applicants must have demonstrated active participation and leadership in extracurricular and community activities.

Campus Events

Windows to the World event set for Aug. 27

The UAB World Student Association along with United Nations Association-USA Greater Birmingham Chapter is organizing an international, cultural fundraising event Aug. 27 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the UAB Bell Theatre. The minimum donation for adults is \$10; students with ID and children under 12 will be admitted for \$5. Proceeds will support student enrichment programs in schools and colleges in Birmingham. Complimentary refreshments will be provided. Direct questions to meghantipre@gmail.com.

<u>Athletics: Women's Soccer kicks off regular at-home season Friday</u>

The <u>UAB Women's Socce</u>r team opens up competitive play against cross-town rival Samford in a match under the lights at West Campus Field Friday, Aug. 26. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. All students are admitted free to all home UAB sporting events with a valid student ID. For more information on Blazer sports, join UAB Gang Green on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>.

USGA to host first Senate meeting Aug. 29

Get involved with USGA and attending the first Senate meeting of the semester at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29 at the Spencer Honors House. This is a great chance to be part of your student government.

<u>Discussion Book Night at the Museum to be held Aug.</u>

Pictured in My Mind: An Experience in Visual Thinking is the topic of the UAB Discussion Book Night at the Birmingham Museum of Art for students, faculty, staff and families to be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Aug. 30. A free bus shuttle will run between Blazer Hall and the Museum beginning at 5 p.m. On site will be free refreshments, presentations, collection tours and activities and free admission for UAB students to the special exhibition, Who Shot Rock and Roll. Faculty and staff may purchase a ticket to the exhibition for \$8 at the door.

New women s bowling team to hold tryouts

The newly formed UAB women's bowling program will hold walk-on tryouts from Sept. 6-9 at Vestavia Bowl. Interested participants should contact UAB bowling coach Michelle Crews by Aug. 30 for more information at mcrews@uab.edu or 975-3290 or 532-8450. The Blazer Bowling team will compete for the first time in the 2011-12 season that begins in October.

First College Colors Day set for Sept. 2

Be a part of the first College Colors Day by wearing your favorite Blazer gear! This is a newly signed state holiday by Alabama Gov. Robert Bentley encouraging all collegians to show support of their schools.

Catch the bus to the UAB v. Troy game

The USGA has arranged for a bus to take students to the Oct. 10 UAB v. Troy game in Troy. The price of \$25 includes your ticket and the bus ride. Space is limited; sign up in HUC 136 now. Cash or money order only! Deadline to sign up is 5 p.m. Sept. 15. For more information email usga@uab.edu.

CHECK ONLINE CALENDAR FOR LATEST EVENTS

The UAB Campus Calendar at www.uab.edu/calendar is updated daily with campus events, activities and deadlines, and the "Calendars" link on the UAB home page takes you straight there. Postings can include detailed information, photos and links to sites or related events. Check out the FAQs for more information.

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