

December 7, 2011

Campus Highlights

[UAB welcomes new Football head coach](#)

On Monday, UAB Athletics held a press conference to welcome its fourth head coach in UAB Football program history, Garrick McGee. McGee, the offensive coordinator at the University of Arkansas the past two seasons, is a finalist for the 2011 Broyles Award, presented to the nation's top assistant coach. Watch highlights of the press conference [online](#). Go behind the scenes with McGee on this week's BlazerCast at www.youtube.com/uabnews.

[Steam project construction to affect University Boulevard](#)

The eastbound lanes of University Boulevard between 16th and 18th streets will be affected by installation of the new steam/condensate recovery systems piping through Dec. 21. The original construction schedule was based on 28 working days with a single shift operation to excavate and install the piping system. The UAB Project Management Team worked to compress the construction schedule to seven days to minimize the traffic and safety issues.

[Excess financial aid added to Blazer Bucks](#)

Undergraduate students who have \$50 or more in anticipated financial aid in excess of their student account balance on Jan. 6, 2012, automatically will receive that amount — up to \$500 — as a transfer to their BlazerBucks accounts. Students may use these funds at Barnes & Noble at UAB or any BlazerBucks vendor beginning Saturday, Jan. 7, two days before classes begin Jan. 9. Details, an opt-out form and extended bookstore hours are online at www.uab.edu/bucksforbooks.

[UAB student casts historic vote in Egypt from Alabama](#)

Being a part of history in Egypt was simple. Register online. Download file. Print ballot. Fill out. Mail in. And with that, UAB biology student Mahmoud Mansour Elsayed voted in Egypt's first election since former President Hosni Mubarak was overthrown.

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Information

[Public Health announces new spring undergrad courses](#)

Interested in working on the front lines to combat emerging diseases, to make the workplace safer or to protect the health of the most vulnerable in our society? Check out the three new

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public health undergraduate courses for the spring 2012 semester: Epidemiology Beyond the Outbreak, PUH 302, (CRN 34569); Introductions to Global Health, PUH 303 (CRN 34615); and Nature vs. Nurture, ENH 405 (CRN33536). More information is online at www.soph.uab.edu/publichealthminor.

Interested in starting a chapter of Sigma Pi?

Those who are interested in joining or would like more information, email hba1993@uab.edu. A meeting with the chapter director has been scheduled for 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7.

Toys for Tots campaign under way, library fees waived

Donate a new, unwrapped toy suitable for children, ages infant to 12 years. Bring toys to the UAB Administration Building lobby by noon Dec. 15 or place one in collection boxes located throughout campus, including Campbell, Heritage, Volker and Cudworth halls, FAB, Kaul and Hoehn buildings, Lister Hill Library, schools of Nursing and Public Health and the UAB Police Department. Sterne Library will waive late fees of up to \$25 in exchange for a donated toy. Patrons of Lister Hill Library with overdue fines can have up to \$10 waived with the donation of a toy. For more information, contact Lauren Ritchie at 975-0250 or lritchie@uab.edu.

WBHM collecting items for people in need

This holiday season, WBHM is once again serving as a food-collection site for the Greater Birmingham Ministries. Non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies and toiletries will be distributed to those in need. Donations are accepted at WBHM, 650 11th St. South, during regular business hours. WBHM is a listener-supported service of UAB.

Give the gift of WBHM for the holidays

Need a present for that person who has everything? Give them the gift of global news, knee-slapping entertainment, and enriching arts and culture reporting. A gift of a donation in their name to WBHM, a listener-supported service of UAB, is a great way to recognize loved ones during the holiday season and help sustain award-winning public radio. Consider giving a year's membership for only \$60 on up to \$1000 membership in the Broadcaster's Society! The gift recipient will receive a personalized card acknowledging your generous contribution and commitment to public radio, without reference to the amount of the donation. For more information, go to www.wbhm.org.

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GreenMail is automatically sent to all students with a BlazerID, but anyone who subscribes can receive news and information about UAB in their email box each week. Just send a blank email to greenmail-subscribe-request@listserv.uab.edu, and we'll take care of the rest.

Graduate/Professional Students

New course helps students complete journal articles

Perhaps you know one of them: Brilliant students and professors who do exciting research and have novel ideas, but never get around to publishing their work. Writing coach Jennifer Greer will offer a new course in spring to help graduate students, post-doctoral fellows and other research writers develop "habits of productivity that lead to publication." A

former journalist turned academic writing instructor for the UAB Graduate School's Professional Development Program, Greer created the course for people who have written a first or unfinished draft with potential.

Timelines & Deadlines

Initial payment deadline for spring is Dec. 30

Students must pay 50 percent of their account balance by Dec. 30. Awards for financial aid, scholarships or other forms of aid will be applied to student accounts prior to the Dec. 30 deadline. Failure to make this payment will result in cancellation of the student's class schedule. Students may view an estimate of their initial payment by visiting the Registration Status at a Glance webpage. Students may access their actual initial payment amounts through [BlazerNET](#) beginning Dec. 16. To learn more about the payment policy, visit www.uab.edu/whentopay.

Outstanding Women nominations due Jan. 5, 2012

Have you seen examples of achievement, courage, service and dedication by women at UAB? Nominating them for Outstanding Woman UAB Student, the Becky Trigg Outstanding Woman Faculty Member, the Susan D. Marchase Outstanding Woman Administrator awards, Outstanding Woman UAB Staff Member and Outstanding Woman in the Community. Nominations due Jan. 5, 2012; details and a nomination forms are [online](#). Sponsored by UAB Women's Center, Women's Studies and the UAB Commission on the Status of Women.

Campus Events

Men's Basketball to host Middle Tennessee tonight

UAB Men's Basketball will continue regular season play at Bartow Arena at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7 against Middle Tennessee. Take a study break, and look for free scantrons being handed out around campus. 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 [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

UAB to host NCAA Men's Soccer Championship this weekend

For the first time, the 2011 NCAA Men's Soccer College Cup will be played in Birmingham and hosted by the UAB Blazers. Tickets for the two national semifinal games and the national championship to be played at Regions Park Dec. 9 and Dec. 11 can be purchased online at CollegeCupSoccer.com.

Biostatistics to host Open House Dec. 16

The Department of Biostatistics will host an Open House Informational Session from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 16. Learn more about the master's and doctoral programs, including the admission requirements and the application process, scholarship information and financial aid. Current BST students, faculty and the student program director will be there to answer questions about the program.

Lalah Hathaway to heat up ASC Jazz Caf  with two shows Dec. 15-16

Songstress Lalah Hathaway will heat up UAB's Alys Stephens Center with two performances Dec. 15-16 for the center's ASC Jazz Caf  series. A holiday cocktail hour will begin at 6:30 p.m.

before each show; the performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$42.50, \$34.50, \$25.50; student tickets are \$20. For tickets, call 975-2787 or visit www.AlysStephens.org.

Fa-la-la-la funny: Mo Rocca starring in ASC Holiday Comedy Show

Humorist, actor and writer Mo Rocca will dissect everything holiday — using only his own dry humor and razor-sharp wit — at 8 p.m. Dec. 16 in the UAB's Alys Stephens Center. The event is co-presented by public radio WBHM 90.3 FM, which is a listener-supported service of UAB. Tickets are \$45.50, \$35.50, \$27.50; student tickets are \$20. For tickets or more details, call 975-2787 or visit www.AlysStephens.org.

CHECK ONLINE CALENDAR FOR LATEST EVENTS

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