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Campus Update:

Sunday

Recital - Music department, 2:30 p.m.
Sunday in Old Chapel Hall

Monday

Christmas party - 7 p.m.
Pruett Banquet Hall

Saturday

Lady Lions play North Alabama here at 7 p.m.



Michael Puryear, who works with Lorenz Music in Nashville, answers a question during a session on Communication Day, Nov. 17. From left are Director of F-HC Admissions Paul Plinckley, Karen Williams, owner of On-Hold Advertising in Nashville, Puryear and Greg Weldon, art director with Eric Ericson & Associates Advertising Agency in Nashville.

Food drive, holiday lighting and party top SGA events

by Todd Fulkerson
staff reporter

The Student Government Association is staying active despite the winding down of the fall semester. During its Nov. 30 meeting, SGA planned activities to keep students involved during the final three weeks.

The first program SGA is sponsoring is the collection of food for needy families. For each can of food a student donates, he or she will receive 15 minutes of late time, up to a maximum of 30 minutes.

SGA dorm representatives will collect food in the lobbies of each dorm from 10 p.m. to midnight.

SGA representatives will be busy

tonight helping with the annual benefit dinner featuring Paul Harvey. Students will assist by serving at the dinner and ushering guests before Harvey's speech in Loyd Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. This is an annual service the SGA provides.

On Monday, F-HC's campus will take on the holiday spirit with the lighting of the Commons at 6:30 p.m. President E. Claude Gardner will officially kick off the Christmas season on campus by lighting the Christmas tree.

After the tree lighting, students, faculty and staff are invited to attend the annual Christmas party in Pruett Banquet Hall, beginning at 7 p.m.

Zeta wins honors

by Kristi Barker
staff reporter

The spotlight burned brightly on Tri Zeta social club Nov. 18 and 19 when the Zeta clan won the one-act play festival, and several students garnered accolades for their thespian pursuits.

Individual awards were presented for performances by students. Debbie Johns, who represented Tri Zeta, was named best actress. John McLaughlin, also of Tri Zeta, was recognized as best actor. Philo's Kristi Barker gathered honors as best supporting actress, and Neal Robertson, representing Tri Zeta, earned the title of best supporting actor. Awards for the best non-featured roles went to Kay Kay Kennedy of Philo social club and Shane Gilliam of Alpha Tau.

New digital audio tape sounds like a good deal, but is it

by Randy Lane
staff reporter

Technology -- where will it all end? That's what a lot of people are saying these days. It even affects the music we listen to. Now there are compact discs, digital tape recorders and all sorts of technical mumbo-jumbo that the average consumer must go through to make a sensible purchase in today's music market.

To make matters worse, now companies are about to start selling what is known as DAT or digital audio tape. Okay, so what in the world is that? In other words, instead of using a magnet to record sound, the DAT recorder converts sounds into numbers. This way sounds are

recorded with no loss in quality. That means the tune sounds as good the first time it is recorded as it does the 30th time it is recorded.

So what's the problem with such a good idea you may ask. This system does not work as well as its engineers had hoped; it has some technical flaws, and it is very expensive to operate.

In addition, to record and play a song with a digital tape recorder you need very expensive equipment to enjoy this new system, which takes some of the pleasure out of your music.

Another negative factor for DATs is that this new technology will not be available for several months.

Over the past few weeks a few students on the campus of F-HC have said they were not going to buy any more cassettes or albums because this "new" system was so much better and less expensive. Unfortunately, this is not true, and if you are a music enthusiast, then your best bet is still those oldies but goodies -- cassettes, albums and those funny new things called compact discs.

The next time you hear someone talk about a new and better way to listen to music and they mention it starts with a "D" and ends with a "T" it is your duty to inform him or her about the good and bad points of this new system. Isn't that what friends are for?

After all, if it sounds too good to be true, chances are it is.

Movie looks at TV news comically

If you want to know what's happening in the world ... ask Jane.

If you want to know what's wrong with the world ... ask Aaron.

If you want to know how it feels to be on top of the world ... ask Tom.

The only thing in the world they don't know yet is what they mean to each other.

William Hurt, Albert Brooks and Holly Hunter star in **Broadcast News**, a romantic comedy set in the world of network television news correspondents, the first film from writer/director/producer/ James L. Brooks since his Academy Award-winning "Terms of Endearment."

William Hurt is Tom Grunick, a handsome guy and a natural salesman -- the perfect modern anchorman. Hurt won the Academy Award for Best Actor for his performance in **Kiss of the Spider Woman** and was nominated again the following year for **Children of a Lesser God**. He will be seen this fall in Gregory Nava's **Destiny**, which also stars Timothy Hutton.

Albert Brooks is Aaron Altman, a brilliant, dedicated, Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter utterly devoid of on-camera charisma. **Broadcast News** marks Brooks' first starring role in a film he has not directed. The films he has directed to date are the comedies **Lost in America**, **Modern Romance** and **Real Life**.

Holly Hunter is Jane Craig, the network's most talented young news producer, lost in her work and loving it to distraction. Hunter won praise earlier this year for her performance as the feisty "Ed" McDonough in Joe and Ethan Coen's sleeper smash **Raising Arizona**. She has been hailed for her work on the New York stage in Beth Henley's **Crimes of the Heart**.

The supporting cast of **Broadcast News** includes Lois Chiles as Capitol correspondent Jennifer Mack, Joan Cusack ("Saturday Night Live," **Sixteen Candles**) as assistant news director Blair Litton and Robert Prosky (**Outrageous Fortune**) as the



Holly Hunter, William Hurt and Albert Brooks star in "Broadcast News," a romantic comedy about the lives of tv reporters in Washington, D.C.

network's Washington Bureau chief. Locations in and around Washington, D.C. **Broadcast News** was shot on D.C.

Forget me not

by Roger Lee Hazelwood

How much are your parents really worth? When was the last time you told your parents how much you love them and care for them? When was the last time you showed your love for your parents? Besides God and his son, our parents are the most valuable things in our lives.

I once read a story that went like this: There was an old, gray-headed lady staring outside the window where she now abides. She is not sick; she is not an ugly sight to look upon; she is not an unlovable character; she is just an old lady that lives in a nursing home with no one to come and see her.

Although she does have children, they are so busy that they do not have any time to spend with her. They only come to visit her on Christmas and other special holidays.

So many times we do not realize when we have abandoned our parents. Just because they are getting older does not mean that they need our love any less. How sad it is to visit a nursing home and to hear some of the people say, "My kids do not love me anymore."

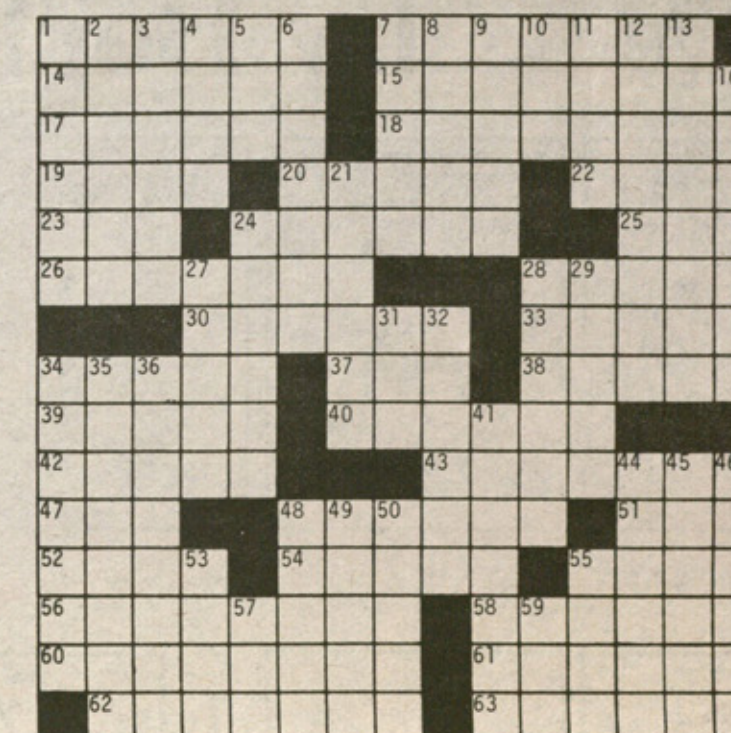
Have we forgotten the price that our parents have paid for us to have

food on the table, clothing on our backs, medical help and a good education? It is sad to admit that most of us often forget the real cost that our parents have paid. We need to be reminded daily of this great cost.

The Bible tells us that we are to obey and to honor our father and mother (Eph. 6: 1-2). The Bible also tells us that we are to be people of great love. If we do not have this great love, no matter what we do in this life, it will not be worth two cents (1 Cor. 13:1 ff.). In this chapter, we can see how important it is to love. In Ephesians 5:1-2, we are told to "Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." (NIV)

Peter the hermit said, "The young people of today think of nothing but themselves. They have no reverence for parents or old age." Is this true about us? Personally, I do not want people to get the impression that I do not care about my parents or old people. Instead, I want those around me to see how much I really do love them and care for them. What about you?

collegiate crossword



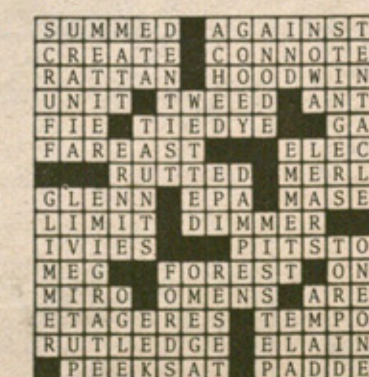
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ACROSS

- 1 Totted up
- 7 Versus
- 14 Make
- 15 Implies
- 17 Wickerwork material
- 18 Con
- 19 Part of BTU
- 20 Suit material
- 22 Part of ABM
- 23 Expression of disapproval
- 24 Textile-coloring method
- 25 Slangy pistol
- 26 Japan, China, etc. (2 wds.)
- 28 Choose
- 30 Like dirt roads
- 33 Miss Oberon
- 34 First American in orbit
- 37 Rater of m.p.g.
- 38 Microwave device
- 39 Calculus concept
- 40 Headlight switch
- 42 Climbing vines
- 43 Pause at Indy (2 wds.)
- 47 Character in "Little Women"
- 48 Bette Davis movie, "The Petrified"
- 51 "Clear Day..."
- 52 Spanish surrealist painter
- 54 Foretokens
- 55 God of war
- 56 Decorative shelves
- 58 Rhythms
- 60 Ann —, Lincoln's
- 61 Girl in "The Graduate"
- 62 Steals a glimpse of (2 wds.)
- 63 Like some cells
- 11 "And — word from our sponsor"
- 12 Creme de menthe cocktails
- 13 Part of an octopus
- 16 Skim along a surface
- 21 Hosed down
- 24 Jeers
- 27 Bert's pal
- 28 Kelly of clown fame
- 29 TV producer Norman, and family
- 31 Prefix for gram or graph
- 32 Deflate, as spirits
- 34 Faint light
- 35 Paint the town red (3 wds.)
- 36 Leave one's homeland
- 41 Dancing faux pas
- 44 Lacking vigor
- 45 Certain tie score
- 46 Did not bid
- 48 Crosses a stream
- 49 Watch brand
- 50 Adjust one's watch
- 53 Make eyes at
- 55 "It's —...world"
- 57 "A mouse!"
- 59 High note

DOWN

- 1 Neck part
- 2 Muse of astronomy
- 3 Field of work
- 4 James Arness
- 5 Greek vowel
- 6 Doc Holiday's occupation
- 7 Hurt
- 8 Thick and sticky
- 9 Battery terminal
- 10 Terre Haute's state (abbr.)



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