

The Auburn Plainsman

UPC schedules Citizen Cope, Tim and Eric

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April is apparently the month of big acts on the Plains.

Citizen Cope will be opening for Ben Harper and the Relentless Seven at the upcoming spring concert, said Chappel McCollister, director of major entertainment for UPC.

Citizen Cope, also known as Clarence Greenwood, is described as

having multi-genre roots and has performed at numerous music festivals, such as the Rothbury Festival and Bonnaroo.

McCollister announced Monday Citizen Cope's act will start at approximately 7:30 p.m.



CITIZEN COPE

Wednesday, April 29, the day before "Dead Day."

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. at the Beard-Eaves Memorial Coliseum. Tickets for the spring concert will be available for distribution to current students beginning Monday, April 20. Tickets can be obtained at UPC tables to the left of the Student Center entrance facing the Haley Center.

Seth Hill, director of the Speak-

ers and Comedians Committee for UPC, also announced Monday Tim and Eric, of Tim and Eric Awesome Show, Great Job!, will perform a free comedy act for students Monday, April 20 at 7 p.m. in the Student Act Auditorium. The Tim and Eric Awesome Show, Great Job! can be seen on Cartoon Network's Adult Swim.

Hill said UPC is still working to finalize an opening act for Tim and Eric, but the act should be an-

nounced shortly.

Tickets for this event will be available for distribution Wednesday, April 15 through Monday, April 20 on the Haley Concourse.

Seating is has been capped at 2,200 students who arrive on a first-come-first-serve basis.

"We've been working since August to get (Tim and Eric) here," Hill said. "We really wanted to bring someone bigger and well-known."

NCAA CHAMPIONS



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“It was a memorable senior year. This year was a total team effort. Last year we had a few superstars — this year we have an entire team of stars.”

Matt Targett, senior

By ALLISON THOMPSON
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The men's swimming and diving team traveled to Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas, last weekend ready to win.

And win they did. The Tigers came away from

the 2009 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championship with their eighth national title.

"To win a national championship is an incredible feeling that I can't begin to describe," said senior Logan Madson. "I have a strong feeling of relief and happiness that we accomplished what we did."

Though Auburn entered Saturday's finals trailing Texas by six points, they came from behind to win the meet with 526 points, followed by the Longhorns with 487.

The Auburn swimmers came out swimming strong during Saturday morning's prelims.

Jared White led the Tigers in

the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:40.21, dropping five seconds off his personal best time.

"When the team saw that, they were fired up," said co-head

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Board reviews construction projects, sites

By BRITTNEY WILLIFORD
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The Board of Trustees reviewed plans for several new campus facilities at its Friday meeting, which marked the first meeting since new trustee Raymond Harbert was approved by the Alabama Senate March 24.

One project the Board reviewed was the South Quad Multimodal Transportation Facility, a parking deck that will provide 400 spaces.

The Board approved the selection of Evan Terry Associates of Birmingham to design the facility.

The firm also designed the parking deck near Plainsman Park baseball stadium.

Board members approved the initiation of the construction manager selection process, which will help establish the cost of the project.

Spina, a member of the Property and Facilities Committee, said he thinks the project is overdue.

"It will be at a reduced cost because (the firm) already has all the details," Spina said.

The Board also addressed the temporary relocation of Tiger Transit bus routes because of construction.

University architect Greg Parsons said the relocation places students approximately 100-to-150 yards farther from campus.

He said the current phase of construction should be complete by the end of the summer.

"We'll suspend work until after football season," Parsons said.

Another project in the South Quad the Board discussed was the new Information Technology Building.

The Board approved the site, schematic design, budget and funding plan.

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Auburn-Opelika metro area continues expansion, records 1.9 percent growth

By LOREN WILLIS
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Despite the national economic turmoil, the Auburn-Opelika metro area has remained relatively stable and has even experienced a notable growth in population.

In a list put out by the Census Bureau, the Auburn-Opelika area ranked 54th in the 2007-2008 top 100 fastest-growing metro areas with a 1.9 percent growth.

Three local businesses

in particular — Behind the Glass, Niffer's Place and Marble Slab Creamery — have all reported little-to-no decrease in sales.

Chloe Popwell, general manager of the Auburn boutique Behind the Glass, said the economy has slightly affected sales in her store.

"It's not great or the best year we've ever had, but some months are good, some months are bad," Popwell said. "We're not nose-diving by any means like

some retail stores."

Popwell said advertising and ordering more inexpensive clothing of the same quality as the more expensive lines of clothing are two things the store is doing to try and bring in even more sales. She also said she believes the store's location in a college town has helped.

"I don't think people's parents are giving them less money," Popwell said. "I feel

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MADE BY HAND



Amy Bradley / PHOTO STAFF

The Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art hosted its second annual Juried Decorative Arts Sale Saturday, featuring handmade jewelry, pottery and glassware.

WEATHER



FRIDAY
MOSTLY SUNNY
HIGH 70
LOW 46



SATURDAY
MOSTLY SUNNY
HIGH 74
LOW 56



SUNDAY
THUNDERSTORMS
HIGH 72
LOW 54

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What should I (not) eat??

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