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UNA WOMAN
Homecoming 2021

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HOMECOMING COURT

NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS



The following rules are taken directly from the SGA Elections Manual. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the SGA Elections and Recruitment Chair or the Office of Student Engagement.



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COURT INFORMATION

The Homecoming Court Selection is sponsored by the Student Government Association. Homecoming Court will be presented at the pregame show on October 16th at Braly Stadium.

NOMINATION OF THE COURT

Homecoming Court Nominations open September 13 at <https://una.presence.io/forms> or una.edu/sga.

IMPORTANT! The Nominee must complete a FERPA release form before the deadline (Sept 27) in order to be included on the ballot. An email of the form will be automatically sent. (See p. 7 for form)

SELECTION OF THE COURT

Homecoming Court Elections begin October 4 at 9:00am and conclude October 7 at 6:00pm. The ballot can be found at <https://una.presence.io/forms> (login required).

SELECTION OF THE KING & QUEEN

The 5 women with the most votes and 5 men with the most votes will be included on the homecoming court and King and Queen ballot. The King and Queen election begins October 11 at 9:00 am and concludes October 14 at 6:00pm. The ballot can be found at <https://una.presence.io/forms>. (Login required)

HOMECOMING COURT MEETING

The court must meet with Ms. Becca Bush in the Student Engagement Conference Room on October 11 at 1:30pm to discuss logistics for the week.

HOMECOMING COURT REHEARSAL

The rehearsal is Friday, October 15 at 3:00pm. The location will be announced at the Court Meeting on October 11.

HOMECOMING COURT RULES

The Homecoming Election rules and regulations are listed on the following pages and have been taken directly from the Student Government Association's Election Manual.

TITLE I – HOMECOMING ELECTIONS

CHAPTER 1 - Eligibility

- 1.1 Students who are enrolled full-time , who are currently enrolled at the University of North Alabama, and are considered a Junior or Senior, may be eligible for nomination.
- 1.2 To be nominated for Homecoming Court, a nominee must have a cumulative institutional GPA of 2.5.
- 1.3 No previously elected queen or king, or the current Homecoming Chair shall be eligible.

CHAPTER 2 - Nominations

- 2.1 All organizations recognized by Student Engagement shall be eligible to nominate one candidate for Homecoming Queen and/or one candidate for Homecoming King.
- 2.2 Students that are not nominated by an organization may qualify as a nominee by submitting a petition of fifty (50) signatures and Student ID number of currently enrolled University students to the Office of Student Engagement. The deadline for Petitioned nominees to be submitted shall be the same as the deadline for Organizations Nominees to be submitted.
- 2.3 If a student is nominated by more than one organization, the student will be able to select which nomination they would accept. An organization has the option to submit another nomination.
- 2.4 The nomination form shall be filled out online on Presence. In extenuating circumstances, paper nomination forms shall be present in the Student Engagement office (GUC 163).

CHAPTER 3 - Election Process

- 3.1 Elections for Homecoming King and Queen will be a two-vote process. All nominees will be on the first ballot to determine who shall make it on Homecoming Court. After the first round of voting, the top five (5) in each category will make it on the Homecoming Court for the next ballot. The second round of voting will determine who on the homecoming court will be the Homecoming King and Queen. The person receiving the highest number of votes in each category will become the Homecoming King/Queen.
- 3.2 The first round of voting will take place one week before homecoming. The second vote will be during the week of Homecoming and the polls will be open for a (4) day span for each round of voting.
- 3.3 The Elections and Recruitment Chairperson shall be responsible for publishing the ballot. Should he/she be nominated for the Homecoming Court, then a member of the Elections and Recruitment Committee, appointed by the chair, is responsible for publishing the ballot.
- 3.4 Students who are enrolled full-time , who are currently enrolled at the University of North Alabama, and are considered a Junior or Senior, may be eligible for nomination.

TITLE II – RULES OF THE HOMECOMING ELECTIONS

CHAPTER 4 - Campaigning

- 4.1 The selected Homecoming Court shall be allowed to campaign starting the day that the initial court is announced.
- 4.2 Candidates are expected to run a fair, truthful, and respectable campaign.
- 4.3 Untruthful or misleading statements, and offensive or obscene images are not permitted during campaigning.

Note: SGA is not liable or responsible for any untruthful or offensive statements made about candidates by other candidates, students, or employees of the University.

- 4.4 Candidates are not allowed to remove, cover, or deface other candidates' campaign materials.
- 4.5 Campaigning may not occur in any way that disrupts classes.
- 4.6 No campaigning of any type will be allowed in the Student Government Association office.

CHAPTER 5 - Campaign Material

- 5.1 A candidate's campaign material must comply with Residence Hall and all University policies.
- 5.2 All campaign material must be free of any untruthful, misleading, discriminative, or obscene statements or images.
- 5.3 No campaign material shall be distributed among or placed on, utility poles, statues, monuments, sidewalks, steps, bike racks, trees, chain guards, or bushes.
- 5.4 Any chalking of the campus used in campaigning must be approved through the University.
- 5.5 No adhesive-backed campaign material will be allowed except for the sole purpose of attaching candidate posters to glass windows by using clear tape.
- 5.6 Campaign materials must be removed by the deadlines posted for the current campaign period.

CHAPTER 6 - Electronic Campaigning

- 6.1 Electronic campaigning is defined as any campaigning involving electronic devices such as but not limited to: cell phones, tablets, computers, email, etc.
- 6.2 No candidate should solicit votes by carrying around any phone, tablet or computer that may influence or pressure student voters during the week of voting.
- 6.3 No candidate should be standing near any known polling station or areas of voting.
- 6.4 A campaign may not utilize spam emails to solicit votes.

CHAPTER 7 - Violations of the Election Rules

- 7.1 The candidate's campaign must comply with the rules of the most recent updated Elections Manual.
- 7.2 Violations will be filed with the Rules and Regulation committee on the SGA.
- 7.3 The Rules Committee will not hear a violation if any part of the form is incomplete, marked "anonymous," or contains false information.
- 7.4 An extended investigation into violations may be necessary if the candidate violates local, state, or federal law.
- 7.5 If a violation is filed on a candidate, that candidate will be notified by e-mail.
- 7.6 Any violation may result in (but not limited to):
 - Removal of campaign material
 - Disqualification of the candidate from the election;
 - All actions deemed appropriate by the Rules and Regulation committee and approved by the director of Student Conduct.
- 7.7 Failure to comply with the decisions of the Rules Committee or Student Conduct may result in further penalties and/ or disqualification.

Note: Powers of the Rules and Regulations Committee have moved to the Judicial Branch per Constitutional Referendum.



CONTACT INFORMATION FOR QUESTIONS

SGA Elections & Recruitment Chair

Ms. Audrey Johnson



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Important! The Nominee must complete a FERPA release form before the deadline in order to be included on the ballot. An email of the form will be automatically sent.



University of North Alabama

Student Government Association

FERPA Academic Release

Signing this form signifies that I wish to waive my rights granted to me by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) and permits the University of North Alabama to release academic information to the Student Government Association. Signing this form will authorize access to personal academic information to the following persons: Student Engagement staff, SGA Affiliated advisors, Exec officers, Exec Committee/Exec Council, Judicial Branch members, respective chairpersons, (or equivalent overseer of committee/branch/division).

I hereby permit the Student Engagement Office to access and release my academic information to determine eligibility status for various activities sponsored by SGA, UPC, and/or the Student Engagement Office. The Student Engagement Office will maintain my semester and cumulative grade average information on file for one year. If you have any questions about signing this information release, please contact the Coordinator of Student Activities (Becca Bush) prior to signing the release.

Full Legal Name: _____

UNA L#: _____

Nominating Organization: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____



HOMECOMING SPIRIT CHALLENGE

OCTOBER 11 - OCTOBER 16

The University Program Council would like to welcome students to participate in the annual Homecoming Spirit Challenge! Please review the following rules and guidelines:

1. Each event will be individually judged. Results of each event will be tallied to determine the overall winners.
2. There will be three categories including: Men, Women, and Co-Ed. In each competition there will be a first and second place winner per category and then an overall homecoming winner other than the relay race.
3. All team members must be currently enrolled students (this includes graduate students) at UNA. Teams may be Recognized Student Organizations or Resident Hall Affiliations (ex. Olive 2nd Floor).
4. Teams must be submitted before September 27th at 4:30pm.
5. The Overall Spirit and Float winners will be announced on October 16th and the Window Painting, Skit, and Relay Race will be announced during the Pep Rally on Thursday, October 14th.

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO

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IMPORTANT DATES

SPIRIT CHALLENGE REGISTRATION: Mon, Sept 7 -- Mon, Sept 27 @ 4:30pm on una.presence.io/forms

MADATORY TEAM CAPTAIN MEETING: Mon, Oct 4 @ 5:30pm in the SGA Chambers

WINDOW PAINTING COMPETITION: Mon, Oct 11 from 9:00am -- 4:30pm at the GUC Windows

SKIT COMPETITION: Mon, Oct 11, Tues, Oct 12, and Wed, Oct 13th @ 4pm on the Memorial Amphitheater

PARADE PERMITS: Pick up your permit in Student Engagement (GUC 163) between Thur, Oct 14 at 1pm and Fri, Oct 15th at 4:30pm

PEP RALLY & RELAY: Thur, Oct 14 @ 8:00pm at the Memorial Amphitheater

PARADE FLOAT COMPETITION: Sat, Oct 16 @ 11:30am on Pine Street

The University Program Council challenges each team or organization to coordinate their competition pieces with dignity and UNA SPIRIT in mind. Good Luck & Roar Lions!!

SPIRIT CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE RULES, GUIDELINES, AND SCORING



**GUC WINDOW PAINTING POINTS WILL
BE DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:
MEN, WOMEN & COED:**

FIRST PLACE	30 POINTS
SECOND PLACE	25 POINTS
OVERALL	5 POINT

**SKIT POINTS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED
AS FOLLOWS:
MEN, WOMEN & COED:**

FIRST PLACE	30 POINTS
SECOND PLACE	25 POINTS
OVERALL	5 POINTS



**RELAY RACE POINTS WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:**

FIRST PLACE	5 POINTS
SECOND PLACE	3 POINTS
THIRD PLACE	1 POINT



**PARADE FLOAT POINTS WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:
MEN, WOMEN & COED:**

FIRST PLACE	30 POINTS
SECOND PLACE	25 POINTS
OVERALL	5 POINTS



WINDOW PAINTING COMPETITION

Monday, October 11 | 9:00am - 4:30pm

The window painting event is designed as a competition in artistic ability, coupled with school spirit. Teams will paint their assigned window in the front of the GUC using their own design and interpretation of the Homecoming theme. Creativity, use of theme, and artistic appeal are the judging factors and are encouraged. Rules and guidelines are listed below.

1. Each team will be assigned a window panel on the front side of the GUC on which to prepare their entry. Windows will be assigned at the first mandatory meeting.
2. Space is limited to the first 20 teams registering. Windows can only be painted on the outside of the GUC windows.
3. The entry should include the Homecoming theme. It is not required to incorporate the football game opponent.
4. Window entries must be painted between the hours of 9:00am and 4:30pm on Monday, Oct 11th. Any team that begins painting prior to 9:00am or after 4:30pm will be penalized 10 points. In the event of rain, the competition will be postponed until Tuesday, Oct 12th under the same time stipulated above.
5. Groups will be rated on a scale of 1 - 10, with 30 being the highest possible total. The groups will be judged on the following:
 - a) Creativity
 - b) Use of theme
 - c) Artistic Appeal
6. The winners of this event will be announced during the Homecoming Pep-Rally on Oct. 14th.
7. Groups are not responsible for cleaning the windows.
8. Each team must leave a 2 inch margin around its painting. Failure to do so will result in a 15 point deduction from the group's total window painting score.
9. Teams must use the water-based paints provided by UPC for their window painting. Failure to do so will result in a 25 point deduction from the group's total window painting score.
10. The paint colors provided may vary. They include: Pink, White, Red, Blue, Purple, Black, Yellow, Orange, and Gold.
11. All teams participating in this event are prohibited from using University property in preparation and painting of the window. This includes, but is not limited to, standing in chairs outside the GUC, standing on benches outside the GUC, etc. If this occurs, your team will be fined for the replacement of damaged property.
12. All teams are required to **bring** and **use** a DROP CLOTH to protect the concrete outside the GUC. Failure to use a drop cloth will result in a 15 point deduction from the group's total window painting score.
13. All entries must be in good taste. References to alcohol, drugs, and/or negative references about any campus organizations, students, faculty, or staff are strictly prohibited.



SKIT COMPETITION

Mon, Oct 11th, Tues, Oct 12th, and Wed, Oct 13th
4pm to 5pm | Memorial Amphitheater

Teams will be given creative freedom to create and perform a skit which will be performed at the Amphitheatre throughout homecoming week. Each team will be assigned a date and time slot to complete their skit during the first mandatory captains meeting. The teams will be graded by creativity, use of theme, and overall spirit. Rules and guidelines are listed below.

1. The skit competition will begin at 4pm each day at the Amphitheatre. Groups must be in place by 3:45pm.
2. Each group will be given the chance to perform their skit for no more than 5 minutes. Any team who exceeds this time limit will be penalized 10 points.
3. The use of the following is not permitted:
 - a) Any noisemakers must be hand-made. No electronic, speakers, or battery powered equipment may be used. Use of any of this equipment will result in a 25 point deduction.
 - b) Animals and motor vehicles are NOT to be used in the performance. Their use will result in a 25 point deduction.
 - c) FIRE AND PYROTECHNICS (I.E. CANDLES, LIGHTERS, MATCHES, FIREWORKS, ETC.) ARE PROHIBITED. VIOLATION OF THIS RULE RESULTS IN AN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION.
4. Groups will be rated on a scale of 1-10, with 30 being the highest possible total. The areas the groups will be judged on are:
 - a) Creativity/Originality
 - b) Use of Theme
 - c) Overall Spirit
5. Only 20 participants are allowed per group.
6. The winners of this event will be announced during the Homecoming Pep-Rally on Oct. 13th.
7. In order to perform the skit, all groups must submit a video of their completed skit by Monday, October 11th by 12pm to the Student Activities Coordinator, Ms. Becca Bush. This is to eliminate any potential advantages. Failure to do so, will result in a 15 point deduction from the team's overall skit score.
8. Groups are asked to refrain from the following: Using obscene gestures or profanity during the show; Disrespecting other organizations/students/faculty/staff; and props and/or choreography that allude to or imply sexual acts. Any group or individual member of a group engaging in the above-mentioned behavior will lead to the entire group being disqualified.



RELAY RACE

Thursday, October 14 | 8:00pm | Memorial Amphitheater

The relay race event is designed for a competition in high spirited physical activity, creativity, and campus pride. Rules and guidelines are listed below.

1. The Pep Rally will begin at 8:00 p.m. at the UNA Memorial Amphitheater and the Relay Race will occur in the middle of the event. The race is reserved for the first 15 RSOs who sign up. All teams are asked to be there at 7:30 p.m. to review relays and relay rules.
2. Each team will need 10 members to participate. Each member can only participate in one relay race. There will be five (5) relays that are individual or duo races. The final relay in the race will require all 10 members' participation.
3. Six relays will occur in each race heat during the Pep Rally. These include:
 - a) Junk in the Trunk: One player from each team must move around in order to get all eight balls out of a box strapped on their waist without touching it. The first person to successfully accomplish this is the winner.
 - b) Water Balloon Toss: Two players from each team will take turns tossing a water balloon back and forth while increasing the distance between them upon each successful throw. The team that lasts the longest without breaking their water balloon is the winner.
 - c) Hungry Hungry Hippo: Two players from each team will compete in this live competition of this board game classic. One player will continuously push/pull another player on a scooter into the center of the stage to collect an assortment of balls in their assigned basket to bring back to their spot. The game will continue until all the balls are collected. The team with the most balls in their area will be declared the winner.
 - d) Izzy Dizzy: Teams of 2 (one person spinning and one counting) will form lines behind their bat, the person participating will take the bat, while keeping the bat on the ground place their forehead on the bat and spin their body around the bat 10 times. After they have completed the ten spins, they are to pick up a football and try and throw the football into bucket. The first person to complete all of the spins and ring the bucket wins.
 - e) Mummy Leo: Each team of 2 will be given multiple rolls of streamers/toilet paper. Each team will choose one person to be wrapped in streamers and the other on the team will wrap the other with toilet paper, making them look as much like a "lion" as possible. After two minutes, the judges will rank the teams based on their likeness to a lion.
 - f) Surprise Rapid Relay Series: All 10 team members will compete in this classic relay series. The first team to complete the series will be declared the winner.
4. The team to accurately accomplish all six relays with the highest scores will be declared our winners.
5. Any cheating and/or roughhousing will result in immediate disqualification. This includes but is not limited to tripping others, stealing equipment, interfering in another's lane, etc. Cheating and roughhousing will be evaluated by the Student Activities Coordinator and her decision will be final.
6. Groups will be awarded up to five (5) points during each relay. Six (6) relays will occur with the possibility to earn up to thirty (30) points.
 - a) 1st Place = 5 points
 - b) 2nd Place = 3 points
 - c) 3rd Place = 1 point



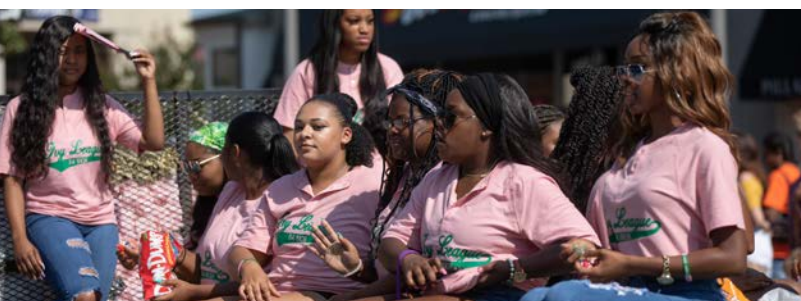
PARADE FLOAT COMPETITION

Saturday, October 16th | 11:30am | Pine Street

Teams will be given creative freedom to create and perform a skit which will be performed at the Amphitheatre throughout homecoming week. Each team will be assigned a date and time slot to complete their skit during the first mandatory captains meeting. The teams will be graded by creativity, use of theme, and overall spirit. Rules and Guidelines are listed below.

1. The parade will begin on Irvine Street at 11:30am. Groups must be lined up by 11:00am on Pine Street.
2. Floats may not be taller than 13 feet from the ground to the highest point.
3. Floats may not be pulled by semi-tractor-trailers.
4. Teams will not be allowed to pair up for this event.
5. Floats may be hand carried or pulled by a motor vehicle.
6. Floats are not necessary but highly recommended. Participating teams may wish to walk, ride in a car (such as a convertible), or participate in any other way provided that participating teams follow all the same guidelines. Points will still be awarded.
7. If the parade gets cancelled on Saturday due to weather, all groups will be informed via email.
8. Groups will be rated on a scale of 1-10, with 30 being the highest possible total. The areas the groups will be judged on are:
 - a) Creativity
 - b) Use of Theme
 - c) Artistic Appeal
9. The winners of this event will be announced during the Homecoming Pep-Rally on Oct. 13th.
10. Each entry is required to have a parade permit. **These permits will be available from Student Engagement on the afternoon of October 14th and must be picked up no later than 4:30pm Friday, October 15th.** (University closes at 4:30pm). It is the organizations responsibility to display the permit on their entry. NO PERMIT = NO ENTRY IN THE PARADE.
11. Organizations may begin working on floats when they choose.

Any organization that does not meet the deadline to sign-up for the Parade Float competition, but wants to be represented in the parade must register their float through Alumni relations.





THE UNIVERSITY PROGRAM COUNCIL PRESENTS

HOMECOMING

PEP RALLY AND RELAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021

8 PM - 9 PM

MEMORIAL AMPHITHEATER

EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO COME OUT TO OUR ANNUAL HOMECOMING PEP RALLY ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14. THIS YEAR'S RALLY WILL FEATURE OUR CHEERLEADERS, RSOS, AWARD WINNERS AND FREE FRIOS POPCICLES WILL BE SERVED. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



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DOOR DECORATING CONTEST

UNA Residential students are eligible to compete in the Homecoming Door Decorating Contest. The overall winner will be announced at the half-time presentation.

CONTEST JUDGING

Doors will be judged on three categories:

- * Theme - "Year of the UNA Woman"
 - * Creativity
 - * Aesthetics
- Doors must be completed by Tuesday, 10/12 at 12 noon.
 - Doors must display a completed registration card on the door found stuffed in this booklet or online.
 - Resident Advisors will nominate one winner per floor and photograph the door to advance to the next round.
 - Area Coordinators will nominate a winner for each building to advance to the final round on Wednesday, 10/13.
 - Students will vote in the final round starting on Thursday, 10/14 and end at 4pm Friday.
 - Photos of doors will be posted in a Presence form for final voting.
 - HRL, SGA and UPC will promote the vote on social media.



RULES/RESTRICTIONS

- Decorations are limited to the door (not the frame or surrounding wall)
- No nails or holes of any kind.
- Damaging the door will result in disqualification and may incur charges to your student account.
- Obscene or vulgar themes will not be considered.
- Residents are responsible for removing their decorations.
- No glitter.
- Doors that do not properly display registration information at the time of judging will not be eligible.



If you have questions, contact Student Engagement at studentengagement@una.edu or 256-765-4248.

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FOOTBALL TAILGATE

OCTOBER 16 | 3PM TO 6PM | SPIRIT HILL

ALL UNA STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME OUT TO THE HOMECOMING TAILGATE WHERE THE UNIVERSITY PROGRAM COUNCIL WILL BE SERVING FREE RICATONI'S PLATES AND GIVING AWAY EXCLUSIVE HOMECOMING SWEATSHIRTS TO THE FIRST 75 STUDENT ATTENDEES.

Individuals requiring accommodations for participation in this event or to obtain print materials in an alternative format, please contact the University Program Council at (256) 765-4792 or at studentprograms@una.edu.





**Go, Fight for U-N-A
We are behind you all the way
Go! Fight! Win Old U-N-A
The Purple and Gold is here to stay
We'll roar on to victory
We'll send that team back on their
way**

**Go! Fight! U-N-A
We are behind you all the way
(Chant)**

**Go! Fight! U-N-A
Go! Fight! U-N-A
Go! Fight! U-N-A
Go! Fight! Lions!**



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