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## May 2022 Newsletter

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*Congratulations to our new officers!  
Not pictured, Valerie Thomas, Treasurer*

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### ***President's Message***

Hello! I am thrilled to begin serving as the President of the UAB Women's Club. The officers and I are looking forward to a great year and are already quickly at work planning programs for 2022-2023.

We are pleased to announce that we will be back in person for our annual Kick-Off Meeting! This year's program will be at the Woodward House on Wednesday, September 14th at 11:30 AM. Stay tuned for more information over the summer!

Please encourage your friends and colleagues to mark their calendars and attend the Kick-Off! There is so much this organization has to offer to the UAB Community and I'm excited to see where we go from here!

If there is anything I can do for you, or if you have any questions, please reach out to me at [bel78@uab.edu](mailto:bel78@uab.edu).

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### ***Scholarships – Mona Jackson, Chairman***

I would like to express my thanks to the members of the committee for their hard work in selecting the scholarship recipients this year. A total of \$9,700 in scholarships were awarded to these worthy women.

**Keeley Davis**, 24.3, Junior, Psychology major, GPA 3.51. Her ultimate goal is to apply to PhD programs when she completes her Bachelor's degree in Psychology and to become a Psychologist who

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**Save the date! September 14  
Lunch with President and Mrs Ray  
Watts at Woodward House**

### **Community Events:**

Please support our Alabama State Parks by voting for the State Parks Amendment on May 24

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/ALDNR/bulletins/3162a78>

### ***Have you paid your dues?***

**You may pay your DUES NOW  
with Paypal on the website**

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**Mail to Box 530174**

**Mountain Brook, AL 35253**

**\$30 for email \$35 for paper copies  
of newsletters**

**Make checks payable to UABWC**

**Please note: Dues paid now will  
cover you through next year, in  
case you did not pay in the fall.**

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Google search UABWC

We will be adding pictures and new content, so check back often.

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works with children. She also plans to work on research contributing to the role of what effects trauma has on child/adolescent behavior and mental processes. She is a full-time mother and student; volunteers as a “Big Sister” with the Big Brothers Big Sisters of America program, and has a “Little Sister”. She is also training to become a volunteer Crisis Counselor with the Crisis Text Line network.

**Ashante Nelson**, 20.3, Junior, Biology major; 3.48 GPA. Ashante feels that she can inspire others to follow their dreams because of the situations she has faced and lived through. She is described as a high-performing student. She volunteers at an animal shelter and at the Animal Rescue Foundation. Her career goal is to become a Veterinarian.

**Madison Garrett**, 20.1, Sophomore, Healthcare Management major; 3.97 GPA. Her career plans are to obtain a Graduate Degree in Health Care Administration and work as a manager of a healthcare clinic. She is a first generation college student and has been on the Dean’s List for the first three semesters at UAB. She volunteers with many service activities at UAB.

**Rachael Forester**, 20.1, Sophomore, Human Resource Management major, 4.0 GPA. She is a first generation college student. She has been taking college courses since she was in the tenth grade and working hard to make her dream become a reality. She believes she can help create a better, safer environment for women in the workplace and is striving to make it happen.

### **Interest Groups**

**Daytime** book group has chosen books for next year. Please contact Renita Rigney if you are interested in joining us and would like the list. We meet on the second Monday each month at 9:45 am in homes. [Renita16@bellsouth.net](mailto:Renita16@bellsouth.net)

**Evening Book**.is reading The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman. We will meet, in person, on Wednesday, May 25th at 7:30 pm. If you'd like to join us and need more details, please email Naomi at [nbuklad2@gmail.com](mailto:nbuklad2@gmail.com). We welcome new members.

#### **Food and Fun:**

Contact Valerie if you would like to be added to the group mailing list. [valeriet12019@gmail.com](mailto:valeriet12019@gmail.com) or call 210-422-8136

**Walking Group:** If you are interested in walking contact Pam Thompson, 979-8952 [pamrayt@gmail.com](mailto:pamrayt@gmail.com)

**Mahjongg Group:** Would you like to join the UABWC Mahjongg group? Join us on Tuesdays at 1:30 pm. For location or if you have questions contact Trisha Raczynski at [trishraczyn@gmail.com](mailto:trishraczyn@gmail.com) or call 205.873.2417

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**UAB Athletics** Please contact Borden LeSieur at bel78@uab.edu or (205) 532-1771 if you have any questions athletics.

***AEIVA/ASC/Art Play/ AIM***

ABROMS-ENGEL INSTITUTE FOR THE VISUAL ARTS  
The 2022 Alabama Triennial Exhibit will open on June 10 and continue to August 13. Do not miss this inaugural launch of a recurring showcase of some of Alabama's best and brightest artists. Support your UAB Museum and Art students.

***BIRMINGHAM MUSEUM OF ART***

Currently on view is a beautiful and informative exhibit, EXPANDING DARSHAN: TO SEE AND BE SEEN, featuring unique photographic work by Manjari Sharma, which introduces nine of the most significant Hindu deities. A visual treat! May events include a Curator of Decorative Arts ARTBREAK on May 18 at noon; a film screening of Paradise at 6 pm on MAY 19; and a panel discussion on Yoga from 6-8 pm on May 26. ART ON THE ROCKS is back. Join the art party on July 15 from 7-11 pm. Ticketed event. Check out artsbma.org for ongoing events. Support your BMA!

***Department of Music, CAS*** Check out upcoming events.

<https://www.uab.edu/cas/music/upcoming-events>

***Alys Stephens Center:***

<https://www.alysstephens.org/events/?view=card&presenter=asc>

***Concerns and Condolences***

If you know of anyone who is a member who has illness or death in the family, please contact Denise McKenzie [dhmckenzie@uabmc.edu](mailto:dhmckenzie@uabmc.edu), 773-255-0354 so that we may send a card.

***PLEASE LIKE US ON Facebook***

University of Alabama at Birmingham Women's Club (spell it out) or go to <https://www.facebook.com/University-of-Alabama-at-Birmingham-Womens-Club-204963022898661> We post pictures of events there, where we don't have room here.

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Scholarship donations:  
The link to the Giving page is <https://go.uab.edu/UABWC2020>

The first option is the endowment, if you prefer to give to that. The second option, Spendable, is the current year annual fund.

If you prefer to mail a check, make your check payable to UAB Women's Club Scholarship or UAB Women's Club Endowment and mail directly to:

UAB Gift Records  
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Birmingham, AL 35294-0112

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