

February 2026 Newsletter

Student Government Association



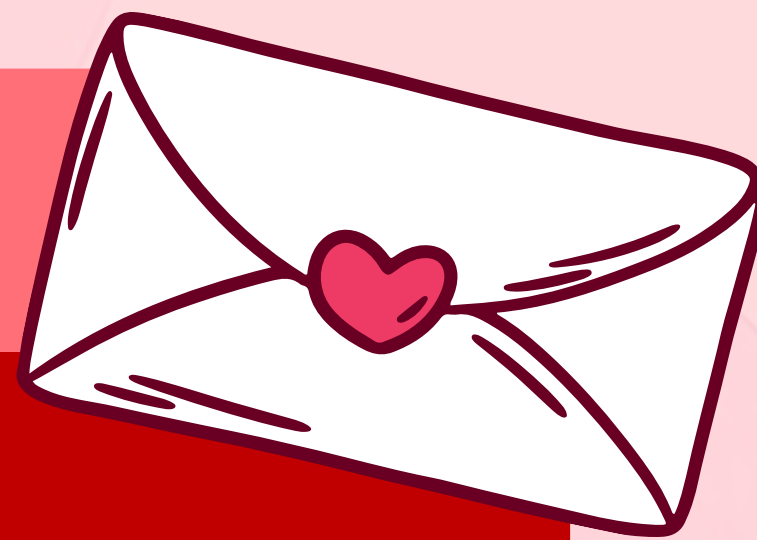
December/January Events

- 12/4 Cocoa and Cram Event
- 1/23 Winter Weather Campus Support

February Events

- 2/4 Future Senators Tabling Event
- 2/4 Campaign Interest Meeting
- 2/5 Take What You Need Event
- 2/19 Higher Education Day

Bills Passed



- Bill 26-01
 - No Contact Act
- Bill 26-02
 - "Valentine's Mixer" Funding Bill
- Bill 26-03
 - Scholarship and Salary Clarification Act
- Bill 26-04
 - No Exec for Exec Act
- Bill 26-05
 - One is a Must Act

Feedback



SGA would love to hear from you about any concerns you have on campus. Thank you and Roar Lions!

Higher Education Day

UNA's SGA will be attending the annual Higher Education Day Event in Montgomery, AL on February 19th, 2026.

Visit higheredpartners.org/higher-education-day to find out more!

SGA 5K

Join us for the Superhero Sprint - 5K & 1M Fun Run! Open to all students, faculty, staff, and community members, this scenic campus run is a great way to stay active and support student initiatives. Enjoy free refreshments, giveaways, and prizes for top finishers.

Register Here or Scan The QR Code:

https://epay.una.edu/C21684_ustores/web/store_main.jsp?STOREID=92&SINGLESTORE=true



Resource of January

Center for Student Engagement

The UNA Center for Student Engagement resides within the Guillot University Center and strives to get students involved on campus while they are at the university. The Student Engagement Center is responsible for Mane Month, Light The Fountain, FSL, RSO Supplies, Lion's Den Game Room and many other events which keeps students engaged and willing to get involved on campus. You can seek out more information on how to get involved at una.edu/students/index.html.

Committee Spotlight



Legislative Affairs

The Legislative Affairs committee is responsible for ensuring passed legislation is updated in the Code of Laws and coordinating events like Higher Education Day and connecting SGA to the Florence City Council. This committee consists of Chairwoman Meadow McDonald, and Senators Grace Anthony(not pictured), Ava Byrd, and Parker Lachowicz.

SGA Member of The Week

- 1/8: Madilyn Hanback
- 1/15: Meadow McDonald
- 1/22: Ian McCuiston
- 1/29: Hannah Call

SGA Favs

Favorite Florence Restaurants

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| • Ricatonis | • Lost Pizza |
| • Yumm Thai | • Rosie's |
| • Newbern's | • River Bottom Grill |
| • Mugshots | • Lil Capones |
| • Ranchos | • Senor Tequila |
| • Bezzito's | • Texas Roadhouse |
| • El Pollito Loco | • Pie Factory |
| • Trowbridge's | |
| • Shoals Shack | |



Student Leader of December



Courtney Dillard

Courtney founded the Exercise Science and Health Promotion Organization, demonstrating her leadership and passion for her field. She consistently seeks opportunities to engage with undergraduate students by organizing research opportunities and professional development events, such as resume workshops and guest speaker sessions. Additionally, Courtney has successfully involved the organization in meaningful community service projects, partnering with local organizations for Christmas toy drives to give back to the community.



RSO of December

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

The Theta Upsilon Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi has made great strides in pioneering new ways to engage students both on campus and within the Shoals community. The Chapter has volunteered locally, attended an out-of-state conference, awarded a scholarship to a student, and launched a fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. In addition, members have hosted several campus events to give back, including Pretty Boy Wednesday and Krimson Garden.



Student Leader of January



Elijah Winston

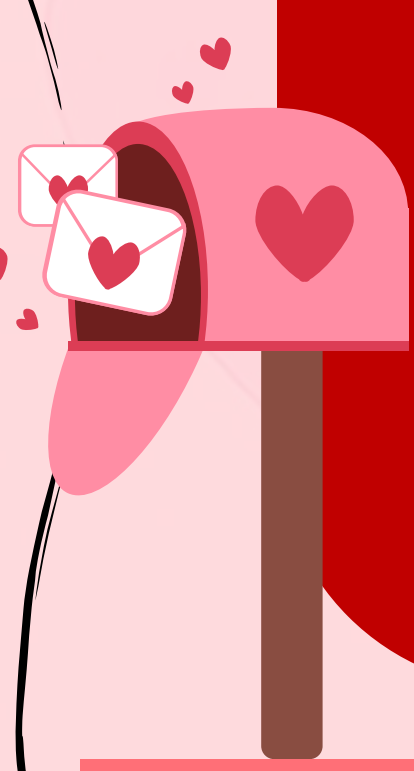
Elijah consistently demonstrates initiatives, responsibility, and commitment to serve our campus community. Through his efforts, he revitalized the Ascending Voices (AV) Gospel Choir. Elijah (President of AV) has gone above and beyond to foster community, lead with integrity, and support his peers. Elijah's passion and purpose are magnetic, and it is evident in the way he inspires others through his actions and positive attitude. Through organizing events and promoting collaboration, Elijah exemplifies what it means to be a student leader.



RSO of January

Legal Studies Club @ UNA

The Legal Studies Club is a brand new RSO at UNA that was founded in Fall 2025 and aims to provide education and resources for students who are interested in law. It has hosted LSAT study nights, movie nights, had the Blount County, AL ADA visit and discuss his career as a prosecutor, and a Cumberland Law School rep shared their journey with us. The club aims to continue growing and providing even more support and resource for UNA students interested in pursuing a career in law.



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