

# The Cow Tale Quarterly



## THIS IS YOUR FINAL PRINTED NEWSLETTER! PLEASE READ!

*The Cow Tale Quarterly is going paperless! The Vintage Purples Alumni Club has offered this and the first issue of the quarterly in print to every Vintage Purple for whom we have an address. In an effort to remain environmentally friendly and to serve those who wish to go paperless, the editorial committee has made the decision to disseminate The Cow Tale Quarterly in its digital format for future issues. We will still provide printed newsletters free of charge to those Vintage Purples who prefer it.*

**You must write to us via email or regular post in order to continue receiving a printed copy of the quarterly.**

*If you are not already receiving digital copies of The Cow Tale Quarterly, we may not have your most current contact information. We look forward to your continued inclusion in our readership!*

**In order to continue to receive your mailed copy or to update your information, write to:**

vintagepurples@gmail.com  
with "Cow Tale Quarterly"  
in the subject line

OR

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Millbrook, AL 36054

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**New  
Website!**

The Vintage Purples Alumni Club has just launched a new website where you can find everything you need to prepare for College Night 2016.

Check it out at:

**www.VintagePurples.com**



Shelley Smith '02 poses with the Vintage Voyage Van.

## VINTAGE PURPLES INITIATIVE: Vintage Voyage

This year marked the second year anniversary for one Vintage Purples initiative and it was met with a positive reception from both the active Purples and Vintage Purples. The Vintage Voyage Designated Driver initiative was started in 2014 by Alisha "Fish" Ranelli '02. On the night of the Purple Victory, Alisha and any volunteers that she can find make themselves available to provide a sober ride home from the victory party for any Purple in need. Through the kindness and donations of Fish and other Vintage Purples, this initiative was a resounding success!

*"I feel very passionate about keeping them [Purples] safe while they have an amazing time. It is a labor of love and I am more than happy to do it."*  
**-Alisha "Fish" Ranelli**

For information on how to donate and/or participate in the Vintage Voyage initiative for the upcoming 2016 College Night, email us at [vintagepurples@gmail.com](mailto:vintagepurples@gmail.com).



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# Member Spotlight

## PASS AND BE FORGOTTEN WITH THE REST

*Reprinted from the College Night 2015 Edition*

I know maybe three kids playing College Night this year, mostly because they dated a friend's younger sibling in high school. Maybe five of them know me. I have not set foot on Palmer stage since February of 2006. The days of my campus presence are gone, and I have passed and been forgotten with the rest. There was a time when this was a really bitter pill for me to swallow, but now? Now it is glorious.

Every year I go down to Montevallo for homecoming, and I see unfamiliar faces. Faces lit up with excitement, anticipation, nerves. I hear the same cheers we used to scream until we were hoarse, but the voices are new. I stand in an imperfect (but complete) circle, and join hands, right over left, with my family of strangers, as we sway to the slowest side song in the history of College Night and a stomp so fast you can't understand a single syllable. I still cry when we win, and my heart still breaks when we lose, but either way I wrap my arms around these kids I don't know and I sincerely love them with my whole heart.

While you're playing this amazing game we call College Night, it's hard to remember that it's not about you. It existed long before you graced UM's hallowed halls, and will continue long after you're gone. My ego did not want to accept that at first, but once it did...all that was left was PV Love. A love that is massive and selfless and nostalgic. A love that, long after graduation, helps you move or buys diapers for your newborn or carries the train on your wedding gown. A love that grows forever, no matter how long it's been since you Poofed that sign. A love for those who played before, and those who will carry on our legacy. We may have been forgotten, but we will never forget.



Sara James '07  
Cow Tale Correspondent

## From the editor...

Greetings and PV! This issue of *The Cow Tale Quarterly* comes to you by way of generous Vintage Purples, whose donations have made this publication a reality. Having now completed three full issues, including the College Night Special Edition, it is clear that without the support of our readership and the collaborative efforts of the editorial committee, this type of project would never have gotten off the ground. I wanted to personally extend a note of thanks to all of you who are reading and supporting this effort!

We are very excited to announce the launch of our brand new website! We have designed the site to act as an informational hub for our members. You can order your tickets, book your room, contact us, browse past issues of the Cow Tale Quarterly, and link up to our calendar of events. In addition, we have included a social stream and slideshow to display all of your photos so send them in!

Perhaps the most important aspect of this issue is the news of *The Cow Tale Quarterly* going paperless. I strongly recommend that each reader take a moment to let us know if you would like to Opt-In to the printed Quarterly or confirm that we have the appropriate email address for digital copies. Outside of the new website and social media, this is the only way for you to continue to hear from the Vintage Purples Alumni Club. As always, I welcome submissions and comments/suggestions from our readers and do enjoy hearing from and getting to know those who write to me. Keep the communications coming!

Sincerely,

Ashley Kelly '08, Communications Committee Co-Leader and CTQ

## Meet Teresa!



Teresa Hereford Banks '05  
Vintage Purples Committee Secretary  
Pictured with husband, Justin Banks '05,  
and daughter, Aria, age 4.

Teresa has joined the Vintage Purples in the position of secretary. She is going to be keeping the rest of us on the straight and narrow as far as productivity and Vintage Purples business.

Many of you who return to College Night each year already know Teresa. If you do not know her, make sure to introduce yourself when you see her this year. She has been working hard to keep the Vintage Purples organized!



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# Need Tickets to the Shows?

Don't wait to get your tickets! Visit [www.montevallo.edu/alumni/homecoming](http://www.montevallo.edu/alumni/homecoming) and click "Order Tickets Online" to make sure you don't miss a single note!

Have questions? You can contact the UM Foundation and Office of Advancement & Alumni Affairs at (205) 665-6215 or [UMAlumniOffice@montevallo.edu](mailto:UMAlumniOffice@montevallo.edu)



## Need a place to rest your hooves?

A block of rooms have been reserved for February 11, 2016 - February 14, 2016.

The special room rate will be available until January 27th or until the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first.



Call (205) 668-6565  
and ask for a room in the  
**COLLEGE NIGHT ROOM BLOCK!**



Log on to <http://bit.do/CN16>  
to reserve your room in the  
**COLLEGE NIGHT ROOM BLOCK!**

93 Metro Drive, Calera, AL 35040

There will be plenty of Vintage Purples in this room block, so reserve your room today and spend some time catching up with old friends and getting to know some VPs you haven't met before!

# What? When? Where?

**We have you covered! Here's a schedule of major 2016 College Night Events:**

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|-----------|--|
| 1/28/2016 | Sign Raising & Pep Rally: Student Union (Farmer's Hall) / Myrick @ 6PM   |
| 1/27/2016 | Deadline to book discounted hotel rooms in the Hampton Inn CN Room Block |
| 1/30/2016 | Women's Volleyball Game: Myrick @ 2PM                                    |
| 1/30/2016 | Vintage Purples Alumni Dinner: Palmer @ 6PM                              |
| 2/6/2016  | Men's Ultimate Frisbee: Intramural Fields @ 2PM                          |
| 2/7/2016  | Women's Basketball Game: Myrick @ 2PM                                    |
| 2/10/2016 | College Night Productions  |
| 2/11/2016 | College Night Productions  |
| 2/12/2016 | College Night Productions  |
| 2/12/2016 | Vintage Purples Welcome Dinner @ 6PM (Location TBA)                      |
| 2/13/2016 | Vintage Purples Homecoming Brunch : Wills 201 @ 10—11:30AM               |
| 2/13/2016 | Official Vintage Purples Alumni Club 2016 Picture: Wills 201 @ 11:30AM   |
| 2/13/2016 | Men's Basketball Game: Myrick @ 2PM                                      |
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