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The Temple of Tooth, a famous shrine in Kandy, Sri Lanka.
Courtesy of the New York Times

with the religious traditions of the island.

Media representations allow us only a small window into other cultures and do not always provide accurate portrayals. With this program, AUM Study Abroad encourages students to personally explore and learn about different religions.

"It's something new to AUM," Rockwell says, "I think it's going to be a good experience for students, especially (with) bringing in Islam. You know what we see on TV today: crime, Jihad—but if you really study, students will see the similarities between Islam and Christianity."

There's a satisfying reward for choosing to step out of your comfort zone and further understand the world. It's an adventure that promises unforgettable experiences and could even be a crucial stepping stone in your career.

If you're interested in AUM's Cultural Field Experience in Sri Lanka Program, contact Achala Gunasekara-Rockwell at arockwel@aum.edu

SGA Hosts Great Gatsby-Themed Fashion Show

LaTara Holloway

AUM's SGA hosted its homecoming fashion show on Feb. 20. "The Sheiks and Shebas of Fashion" was inspired by *The Great Gatsby* and held on the 10th floor of the Library Tower. Many guests came clad in shimmering dresses and suits to capture the 1920s theme. The show was broken into different scenes or mini themes—Go Green, AUM Apparel, Campus Organizations, Great Gatsby, and Black and Sexy. It kicked off with a scene called "Go Green" where fashion show participants modeled garments created from recyclable materials such as plastic bags and newspapers. AUM apparel was another noteworthy scene, where the models started their walk off with a 1990s dance before walking down the runway. Halfway through the show, the nominees for homecoming court took the spotlight to express why they should have the students' vote. Besides a few technical difficulties, the show was a joy to watch. The night ended with as the Black and Sexy models did their final walk on the runway.



Guests waiting for the fashion show to begin.
Courtesy of LaTara Holloway



A model walks the runway during the "Go Green" scene.
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Models gather around the runway for the "Great Gatsby" scene.
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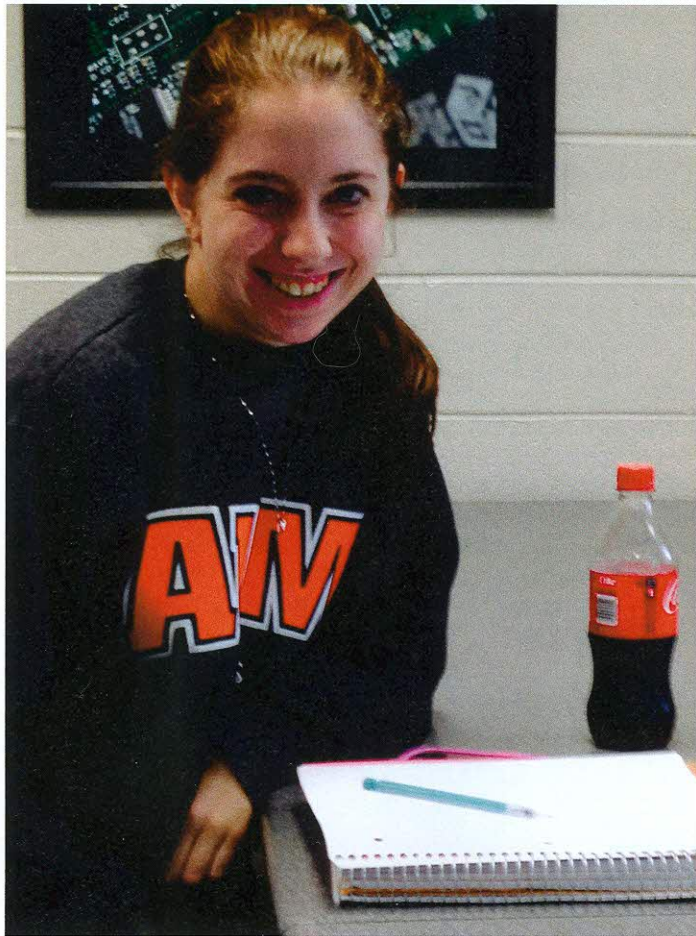
Warhawk Squawk

Nikki Headley

Spring Break is a time of relief for many students. The break comes right after midterms, so you don't have to worry about studying for any major tests. Many use this time to kick back and relax, go on a vacation, get some extra hours in at work, or even catch up on some school work that they may have been putting off. With all of the different ways to spend your time off, we asked AUM students "What are your plans for Spring Break?"

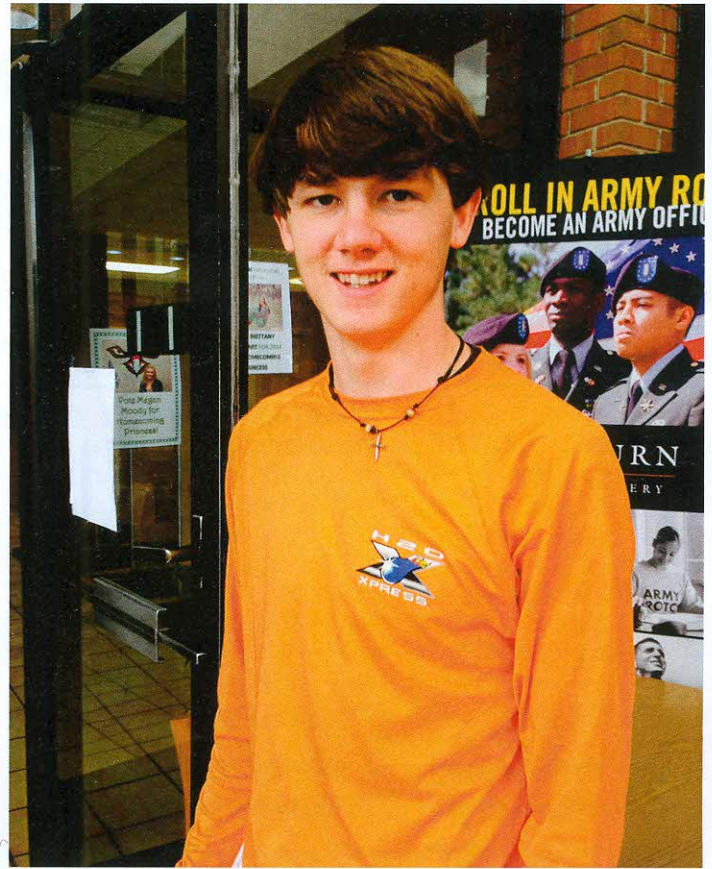
Hannah White
Elementary Education
Freshman

"My boyfriend and I are going to Dothan to visit his family, and then we are going to the beach."



Morgan Atkins
Freshman
Biology

"I'm going deep sea fishing in South Alabama."



Julie Fuller
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"I'm going to visit my grandparents, and I'm going on a mission trip."



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