CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS

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CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

✦ Faculty and staff can win one of two $20 gift certificates to SouthPointe Pavilions by filling out a Campus Conversations survey by May 9. Simply go to News and Publications>Campus Conversations>Survey at www.ucollege.edu or request a print version (call ext. 2538). Thanks for helping us make Campus Conversations better for you! —BECKY DEWEY, Student Editor

✦ Union received a Silver Well Workplace Award on Apr. 12 in recognition of the programs and healthy activities Union’s Employee Wellness program has sponsored. The award is part of a national program promoting healthy workplaces. In Lincoln, 18 companies hold silver award distinction.

✦ Every 34 seconds it claims a life. Help combat America’s No. 1 killer since 1919—cardiovascular disease—by being part of the American Heart Walk on May 18 at noon. Faculty can contribute to their team’s Walk to Athens. One mile will be added for every dollar raised and every employee participant. See your department office manager to make a donation.

✦ Students who pre-register before May 13 in the Records office are eligible for a daily drawing.

✦ Tom Shepherd and Malcolm Gaskin, along with students Jessica Blood, Jason Bohl, Robert Christensen, John Miller II, Lawren Morrison, Christy Parfet, Aaron Purkeypile, Elique Semaboey, Kerri Tory, and Jared and Tonya Wright will hold 19 sermons in 16 days in Rwanda, July 15-30. You can share a tax deductible donation for the “Rwanda Evangelism” trip in the Advancement office.

McCLELLAND ART GALLERY

✦ Jesse Roehl’s senior art work, “Some Interpretive Cliche,” is on display May 1-8.

✦ Kristin Elder’s senior art exhibit, “Wonderings,” will be on display May 8-15. The artwork includes watercolors, drawings and large oil paintings. Elder’s reception will be May 8, 7-8:30 p.m.

SPRING PERFORMANCES

✦ The Guitar Ensemble and guitar students under director Man Kin Tsui, will perform in Engel’s recital hall on May 5 at 7:30 p.m. Students include: Salvador Armendariz, Alan Capino, Obed Corrales, Becky Dewey, Jamie Herra, Herman Kang, Joey Leung, Spencer Lin, Eniola Olomiye (Johnson), Eric Robison, Trenton Russell, Emily Yancer and Rick Yang.

✦ Eric Robison’s junior guitar recital will be Wed., May 11 at 7 p.m. in the Engel Recital Hall.

✦ The Unionaires and Union College Octet concert at the capitol will be Thursday, May 12 at 4:30 p.m. Please note the change in time; this annual concert is usually held on a Friday.

KUDOS

✦ Three individuals from Union were recognized during Lincoln’s annual International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) Bronze Quill Awards Banquet on Apr. 21. Chris Webb received an Award of Excellence in the Newspaper Division for the Clocktower. Two Bronze Quill Awards were awarded to Laura Poblete and Jacque Smith in the Internet Site Division for “Union College Web Site”; and Jacque Smith in the Campaigns Division for “Celebrating the Ortner Center.” The Bronze Quill Award is the highest local level of recognition from the IABC.

✦ Union’s Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) team was named first runner up at the SIFE Regional Exposition in Minneapolis on Apr. 5. Marcia Ashcroft, Martha Bath, Othnel Belford, Amy Castle, Jan Heinrich and Jesse Proctor presented before 14 corporate judges. Lori Gibbs created the annual report layout. Lisa and Barry Forbes attended as sponsors.

✦ Ten Union students were inducted into the International Honor Society of Nursing on Mar. 28: Amy Brown, Allison Carpenter, Ashleigh Fishell, Lisa Gatz, Amber Heinrich, Katrina Hollenbeck, Jessica Lewis, Ryan Pharr and Joelle Trumble.

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Larry Ray and two students from Methods of Teaching Mathematics class, Alison Christensen and Michelle Weikum, put on a workshop for the Mid-America Union academy mathematics teachers Apr. 6 in Anaheim, Calif. They also attended there the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Apr. 7-8.

Eugene Clausen, Stan Hardt, Gina Jacob, DeForest Nesmith, Klaralyn Gatz, and Kristin Elder, Ashleigh Fishell, Carissa Hawronsky, Darby James, Mulenga Mundende, and Angela Olson were part of the 3,698 runners who participated in the Lincoln Marathon on May 1. As reported by Chris Blake, Hawronsky was the 666th person to complete the half marathon, and Jacob was the 666th person to complete the full marathon.

Tatiana Ryckman was surprised to discover she won an online Seventeen magazine Best Dressed Girls in America contest, which features one young lady from each state for an upcoming fall issue.

Betheth Rodacker-Borgens, Laura Camacho and the Advanced ESL Reading class toured a slaughterhouse in Schuyler Apr. 26. The class was reading Fast Food Nation, by E. Schlosser which discusses Nebraska’s beef industry. According to Rodacker-Borgens, 5,000 head of cattle are killed per day at a typical slaughterhouse, and it only takes 45 minutes for a breathing cow to become steaks/hamburger. None of the group ate meat for dinner.

Union Scholar Projects

Kristin Elder—“The Creation and Development of a Children’s Book: Nebraska Ark”

Jared Gibson—“Like Fathers, Like Sons: Political Comparisons Between John Adams and George Bush, and Between John Quincy Adams and George W. Bush”

Jonathan Hillard—“eBay Pricing Strategies for Optimal Profits”

Tim Jordan—“Perspectives of College Students and Graduates on Mentoring Relationships and Career Satisfaction”

Heather Kampf—“Public Perceptions of Television News Journalism”

Israel Knight—“Genetic Algorithms Implemented with Self-learning Artificial Intelligence”

Melinda McKenney—“Separation and Mass Spectrometric Analysis of the Chemical Constituents of the Chinese Herbal Tea Scutellaria barbata”

Justin Okimi—“Strategies for Success: Changing Lives through Effective Campus Ministry”

Alan Otiene—“Correlation of Government Intervention and Stock Price Changes in the Case of Merrill Lynch”

Christy Parfet—“Narrative Analysis and Its Application in 2 Samuel 12:15b-23”

Austin Purkeypile—“Salary Versus Cost of Living: a Study of the Most Profitable U.S. Cities to Live”

Kerwin Reiswig—“Quantum Cryptanalysis of Number Theoretic Ciphers”

Matthew Roque—“A Comparative Analysis of Major Management Theories”

Jami Simpson—“Comparison of Math Computation Scores on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills at Helen Hyatt in order to Determine if Daily Math Drills Enhance the Math Scores on the Test”

Matt Wagner—“Alternate Methods of Finding the Speed of Light”

Tonya Wright—“Cooperative Learning in Secondary Mathematics Education: Effective Implementation and Assessment”

Web Tip

Not sure about a co-workers e-mail? Can’t remember the phone number for the Ortner Center? You can find all campus contact information at www.ucollege.edu under Human Resources>Personnel Directory. Information is displayed individually or by department.

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Thank you for providing so much information this year! I look forward to catching up in August with all the news submitted this summer. May you have an exciting and peace-filled season.

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