CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

- On Oct. 2, the volunteer effort to canvass Lincoln to collect quarters and other change for Friendship Home, a center for victims of domestic violence, will begin and end at Union College. Last year $140,000 was collected. To get involved—with a team or individually—ask team leaders Sharon Russell (ext. 2545) or Josh Otis (405-921-6601); or check out www.friendshiphome.org/safequarters.

- On Oct. 4, a General Student Recital will be held a 7 p.m. in the Engel Recital Hall.

- Everyone is invited to join two-person teams to participate in a CABLE sponsored disc golf tournament planned for Oct. 7, from 2-5 p.m. The sign up sheet, free discs and score cards are available in Campus Ministries. Money donations for Red Cross will be accepted. For more information contact Nathan Shields (617-8489).

- Described as “classical music with a twist of pop,” Mac Frampton and the Three Penny Symphony will perform “Pop! Go the Classics” on Oct. 8 in the Thunderdome 8:30 p.m. The event is free to faculty and students; $8 for community.

- Donations for Nate Bollinger, a former student involved in a car accident on Sept. 5, are being collected at Papa John’s and Wells Fargo Bank. Bollinger received major head trauma and has stayed in intensive care at Bryan Hospital since the accident.

- On Sept. 11, 31 individuals and 13 teams participated in Union’s second annual CABL Triathlon at Branched Oak Recreation Area. Employee participants included Rich Carlson, an individual entrée finishing at 76:18; Linda Becker, Stan Hardt, and Sharon Russell, a team finishing at 68:34; Malcolm, Ferdelie and Seth Gaskin, a team finishing at 72:12. For information on the first place finishers, check out “Current News” at www.ucollege.edu.

- There are new phone numbers for Student Financial Services: Eldina Blue (ext. 2072) and Linda Harral (ext. 2071).

ACREDITATION NOTICE

- The Union College Nursing Program will participate in a CCNE accreditation site visit Nov. 7-9. The CCNE requires that the Nursing Program provide an opportunity for affected parties, including the college community and alumni, to provide written input into the deliberations of the evaluation team. Therefore, written and signed third party comments will be accepted by the CCNE until 30 days prior to the visit (Oct. 8). Comments may be sent to:

  Attn: Ms. Sarah Jameson, Accreditation Assistant  
  Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education  
  One DuPont Circle, NW  
  Suite 530  
  Washington, DC 20036  
  Fax: 202-887-8476  
  email: wwwsjameson@aacn.nche.edu

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- Linda Becker attended the Oxford Roundtable in England from July 10-15. Becker presented her paper entitled, “Collaborating to Create a Leadership Development Program at Union College.” Twenty-two people from the United States and United Kingdom were present. According to Becker, “It was an academic Disneyland experience!”

- On Sept. 18, Chris and Yolanda Blake, Ashley Bohlender, Tanya Cochran, Rebecca Johnson, Ben Barber, Nate Johnson, Becka Noble, Justin Okimi, Nathan Shields, Adam Shipowick, Elizabeth Quispe and Julian Nelson heard Arun Gandhi (Gandhi’s grandson)’s on “Lessons I Learned from My Grandfather” at the Omaha Civic Auditorium.

- Sylvester Case was a guest speaker at the Ohio Conference mini campmeeting from Sept. 1-4.

- Tanya Cochran passed her second comprehensive exam in her doctoral studies. Cochran took the test Sept. 1 in Atlanta, Ga.

- Janya Mekelburg won an 1,000-page gourmet cookbook for her humorous story to be published in the Fall 2005 ESL/ELT Academic Success Newsletter issued by Houghton Mifflin Publishers.

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NEW OFFICERS

✦ Class officers this year are:

Seniors
President Missy Moutray
Vice-president Mindy Mekelburg
Secretary Becky Barcelow
Treasurer Othnel Belford
Pastor Jared Miller
Parliamentarian Aaron Purkeypile
Sponsors Barry Forbes and Malcolm Gaskin

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President Shelli Johnson
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Treasurer Lisa Kemper
Pastor Antonio Lopez
Parliamentarian Sirak James
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Vice-president Nat Beedle
Secretary Sarah Ricke
Treasurer Tara Taylor
Pastor John Miller
Parliamentarian Tony Pacini
Sponsors Chris Blake and Donene Caster

Freshmen
President Kristi Joiner
Vice-president Joe Okimi
Secretary Katie Hassen
Treasurer Chris Gutierrez
Pastor Mic Henton
Parliamentarian Billy Furr
Sponsors Richard Webb and Kim Steiner

✦ Nursing Club officers:
President James Wilson
Vice-president Mulenga Mundende
Communications Coordinator Christal King
Treasurer Kirsten Bascom

✦ This year’s senators are: Becky Hennlein, Hannah Wiegand, Marci Scott, Shelli Johnson, Shawna Kolbeck, Laura Zumwalt, Sierra Phillips, Ruby Gutierrez, Jason Meyers, Scott Murray, Nat Beedle, Brendan Nito, Phil Stokes, Zak Adams, Juan Carlos Huerta, Charles Marino, Jessica Dorval, Jon Korf and Nathan Krehbiel.

KUDOS

✦ Thank you to Greg Okimi, Evelyn Moen and all of the student library staff who planned and made this year’s library fair a success. Principal members of the team whose creativity inspired the rest of the staff include Kristy Thurber, Malisa McGowan, Chelsea Mcllwain, Todd Richardson, Lori Gibbs and Felina Cordova. ~Sabrina Riley

✦ Enrollment and Student Financial Services is starting a recognition program celebrating the outstanding work and professionalism of two enrollment-related student departments each month. The first awards go to Huda McClelland’s assistant, Wa’el Alfy, and the First Impressions team, Katie Hassen, Katelyn Rabanal, Shamila Simister and Ruby Gutierrez (team leader). Enrollment and Student Financial Services employs 45 students in 15 departments.

✦ Elizabeth K. Rodacker-Borgens and her Advanced Reading ESL students attended a lecture by Dr. Jean Killborne at the Nebraska Wesleyan University. Killborne is an expert on advertising and its influence on addictions to tobacco/alcohol and advertising images of women.

✦ Kate Simmons won a grant from the Nebraskan Sustainable Agricultural Society for her help teaching conversational English to refugees and immigrants at the 46th Street Community Garden.

CAMPUS TRIVIA

✦ How did Forty-niners’ Field receive its name? Funding for updates for the field were presented by the class of 1949 during their 40th reunion in honor of four classmates. A plaque near the field’s entrance states, “The original Forty-niners athletic field was dedicated to the memory of four Union College heroes who lost their lives in World War II: Henry H. Kramer, Dr. Aaron E. Oswald, Homer H. Uglow, Dr. E. Marion Wade.”

✦ What upcoming milestone will George Stone School be celebrating?

WEB TIP

✦ Check out the re-designed Peanut Gallery under “Student Services” on Union’s Web site.

Share in the conversation.
Submit information for Campus Conversations or other public relations purposes to news@ucollege.edu or fill out the Campus News Form under “News and Publications” at www.ucollege.edu. Information needed by Oct. 3 for the next issue. Shout out to Angie Peach for her eager anticipation of Campus Conversations! You are our most supportive fan, and we appreciate you!

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