CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS
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Highlighting news at Union College

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

✦ Friendship Home, a battered women’s shelter in Lincoln, needs help for their annual “Stuff the Bus” fundraiser April 27–29. Volunteers are needed to help with jobs such as filling the busses and handing out lists of items needed for purchase. Sign up or get more information from Chris Johnson in Campus Ministries at ext. 2508.

✦ Two Union College administrators are in leadership roles for the next two years in the Association of Adventist Colleges and Universities (AACU). David Smith is the incoming chair for the association. This month, Rob Weaver assumed the chairmanship role of the joint marketing initiative for the Adventist Enrollment Association, which is made up of enrollment professionals at the 14 AACU institutions in North America.

YOU ARE INVITED

✦ Seven Union Scholars presentations began this week. Here are the remaining four upcoming presentations:
  • April 30, 6 p.m., Engel Recital Hall—Eric Robison, “Love Songs for the Hopeless Romantic” Primary advisor—Rudy Dennis
  • April 30, 6:30 p.m., DB 205—Becky Dewey, “Soldiers’ Views on the Iraq War” Primary advisor—Michelle Mesnard
  • May 3, 5:30 p.m., DB Auditorium—Katrina Emery, “A comparison of Sacred and Profane Love through C.S. Lewis’ Writings” Primary advisor—Mike Mennard
  • May 3, 6 p.m., DB Auditorium—David Carlson, “Sex, Abstinence and Adventist Youth” Primary advisor—Trudy Ann Holmes-Caines

✦ The annual American Heart Walk is planned for Wednesday, May 16 from 11:30–1 p.m. This is the eighth year Union has hosted the alternate date walk for the Lincoln community. The one-mile walk around campus takes 15–20 minutes and raises awareness and funds for the American Heart Association. Points will be added for the Employee Wellness “Prancing with the Stars” teams for participation and fund raising. Students and guests are also welcome to participate in the walk starting under the clock tower. Watch for more information, or contact Jacque Smith at ext. 2538 if you have questions.

GRADUATION SCHEDULE

Consecration Service: 8 p.m., May 11—Speaker, Leonard Westmeyer, long time missionary educator and administrator in South America and father of Rilla Westmeyer.

Sabbath School: 10:40 a.m., May 12—The Class of 2007 will direct Sabbath School in the College View Church.

Baccalaureate: 12 p.m., May 12—Speaker, Mark Robison, associate professor of english, Cather Scholar and father of a student of Eric Robison.

Commencement: 10 a.m., May 13—Speaker, Dr. Douglas D. Christensen, commissioner of education for Nebraska Department of Education.

MCCLELLAND ART GALLERY

✦ Stop by the art gallery through April 29 to follow the development of Rachel Turner as an artist. From April 29–May 6, Troy Hettenbaugh presents, “Psalms of an Artist.” Chris McConnell will present, “Raiders of the Lost Art,” May 6–13. To preview Chris’ art, check out his web site at www.cmconnell.com/show. Josh Blackburn will begin his exhibit May 13.

KUDOS

✦ On April 15, more than 35 students took a break from their busy schedule to Adopt-A-House. This event was good start to National Volunteer Week, April 15–21. The project included chipping paint, insulating the attic, clearing brush, adding flower beds, replacing the front porch and other home repairs for Clinton neighborhood family. The senior class thanks everyone who came out to volunteer. They couldn’t have done it without the help of volunteers.

✦ Congratulations to Melissa Mohr, senior nursing student, who was named the 2007 Student Employee of the Year. Mohr works in the Division of Human Development. Her nomination described how she handles the
Complication of serving three departments with poise and patience. “Her ever present smile and ‘we can do it’ attitude has made her one of the most valuable assets in this division.” said her supervisor.

**Congratulations to the 2007–08 Business Club officers:**
- President—Chase Tikker
- Social VP—Jocelyn Collett
- Financial VP—Brittany Spaulding
- Marketing—Lindsey Frick
- Computer representative—Seth Flemmer

In April, Tanya Cochran and Nichole Scott, student co-director with Mary Christian of Studio for Writing and Speaking, attended the conference of the International Writing Centers Association in Houston, Texas. Cochran co-presented a workshop titled “Turn Left at the Coffee Pot: Navigating the Intersections of Ethical, Methodological and Institutional Space in Writing Center Research” with colleagues Kate Brown (University of Louisville) and Beth Godbee (University of Wisconsin-Madison).

The Social Work Practice II Class had their Project India Banquet April 15. A total of 87 people attended the event. The night began with a silent auction, then three young Indian girls performed two traditional Indian dances. The meal was served Indian style and the night ended with a pie auction performed by an auctioneer from Omaha, Brent McCall. This event raised $2,685.50.

**Congratulations to Dr. Edward Allen,** winner of the 2007 library’s Teacher of the Year award. Allen received a $500 spending credit to purchase library materials. First runner-up was William Fitts. Honorable mentions: Tanya Cochran, Mike Mennard and Elizabeth Anderson. Allen was chosen due to his support of the library through class assignments that promote reading and research, his personal use of library materials, recommending appropriate titles for purchase, and “weeding” the church history collection of outdated and inaccurate books.

**Congratulations to the Union College Golf team:** Phillip Thompson, Jeff Prusia, Lonnie Hetterlie, Travis Kierstead and Aaron Netzel for winning their first ever golf tournament for Union. Prusia was the first medalist and Thompson was the third medalist.

The team has been hard at work to display a new low score for the third time this season. During the season, the team beat last year’s team by 20 strokes. The team played in several tournaments in Beatrice, Hastings, Grand Island and Fremont.

Lisa Hays and Julie Escobar have each been awarded the Nebraska Physician Assistants Foundation Scholarship of $1,000 each. The award was presented to the students at the Nebraska Academy of Physician Assistants Annual Conference in Kearney, Neb, April 11–14.

On April 18–20, Greg Steiner attended the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association’s (NIRSA) Annual Conference and Recreational Sports Exposition in Minneapolis. This event brought together a network of professional and student members to discuss trends and educational practices in recreational sports.

Edwin Allen and Jordan Lang, junior union scholar, attended the Upper Midwest Honors Council Conference at Dickinson State University in Dickinson, N.D. on April 19–20. Lang gave a 30-minute presentation on his paper “On the correlation of fetal cortical blood flow, cortical tissue oxygen tension, and heart rate to electrocortical state cycling.”

**Campus Trivia Question**

**Last Issue**

Q: Who and where was the first student missionary sent from Union College?

A: Jerry Lake, Inca Union in South America

**New Question**

Q: What was the original name for CORD magazine in 1937?

**Web Tip**

The fastest way to find any information on a multi-layered site like Union College’s is to search, but it’s easy to feel overwhelmed by too many results. That’s where the magic of quote marks comes in. Most search engines, including Union’s site search, recognize quotes as a way of making two words into a single search string. For example, the terms course requirements returns over 15 pages of results, but “course requirements” returns only two pages.

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