On Jan. 26, **Mike Huckabee** led a five-hour seminar on “Biblical Sexuality: Truth for Parents and Families” with co-presenter Deb Hershberger at Lincoln Berean Church. Over 50 parents from the community attended. The seminar provided parenting information on helping children understand sex including scriptural foundations and practical parenting applications. A similar presentation will be given in two sessions at St. Mark’s United Methodist Church on the last two weekends in February.

**Mike Mennard** is featured in a new community awareness video for Friendship Home that debuted at their donor recognition luncheon on Feb. 14. In the video, Mike shares how similar organizations have helped his family and how domestic violence affects children in our society. In the last year, Mike has shared his love for music and children through a benefit concert and other awareness events for the Home. In the next seven months, Mike is slated for 36 concerts including an appearance at the Nebraska State Fair.

In recognition for their **foot clinic for the homeless**, the physician assistant and nursing programs will receive the Feeding the Soul of the City Award from the Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach. The award will be presented at Matt Talbot’s annual Feed the Need of the City Gala on March 13.

The **winning photos** from the black and white nature photography contest sponsored by the Studio for Writing and Speaking are now on display in the library gallery. Winners:

- 1st Place—**Stephen Albers**
- 2nd Place—**Jennifer Raimondo**
- 3rd Place—**Tori Ziegler**

**Campus Ministries** will be conducting a **week of prayer** from Feb. 25-29. The meetings will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Rees Hall chapel. Speaking schedule:

- Monday—**Jimmy Phillips** (senior class pastor)
- Tuesday—**Stephen Wasemiller** (sophomore class pastor)
- Wednesday—**Owen Hanson** (junior class pastor)
- Thursday and Friday will feature a Power Pac with guest speaker Dennis Page in CVC.

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On March 1, ASB and the International Club will host the annual **Mr. and Ms. World Pageant**. If you are from another country or come from a diverse background, you are invited to enter the pageant. The application deadline is Feb. 25. First, second and third place winners will receive a cash prize. Faculty and staff are encouraged to come and enjoy the event.

**McClelland Art Gallery**

Currently, the gallery is featuring a graphic design showcase by **Claudia Pech**, senior graphic design and communication major.

**Campus Trivia Question**

**Last Issue**

**Q:** In what year was it voted to permit a young man to escort a young lady to her home in Lincoln on Friday and Saturday nights? *(The rule was passed on the grounds that it was not wise for her to walk home through town alone)*.

**A:** 1927

**New Question:**

What profitable trade was a foundation for Union’s emphasis on industrial education in 1897?

**Special Ten-Year Tribute**

On Sunday, Feb. 10, approximately 250 Union College Board of Trustees members, employees and guests gathered to **celebrate David and Cherie Smith** and their 10 years of leadership. This decade of service marks the longest-serving Union College president and first lady in the history of the campus. Thanks to **Lou Ann Fredregill**, **LuAnn Davis** and **Linda Skinner** for pulling together the stylish black-and-white reception.

To commemorate the event with a lighthearted note, Union’s vice presidents sang a tribute to **Dr. Smith** to the tune of the “Battle Hymn of The Republic” with lyrics written by **Todd Mekelburg** and piano accompaniment by **Angie Peach**. Although the passion of the performance cannot be captured in mere print, below are the words just in case you missed the stirring rendition.

**All**

A decade is now finished, since the Smith’s left Tennessee, Now they love it here in Lincoln, where the taxes are obscene,
The reason for their moving is a tale we’ve often heard, We’re grateful for those birds.

Glory, glory hallelujah!
David Smith is here at Union, Glory, glory hallelujah!
We’ll never let him go.

**LuAnn Davis—VP for Advancement**

The money keeps on coming and the donors do increase,
The alumni are all happy when you show up at their feasts,
You used to look for birdies, now you’re trained to never miss,
A Union philanthropist.

**Gary Bollinger—VP for Financial Administration**

The budget has been balanced and the debt has been erased,
Now it’s time to think of buildings and of boilers that give heat.
The bad news is the cash flow but the good news is just great,
Your paycheck won’t be late.

**Rob Weaver—VP for Enrollment**

United is my transport as those students I recruit, I rack up the miles a plenty, my Blackberry close to me,
If the head count only mattered, but my goal is constantly, Those blasted FTEs.

**Linda Becker—VP for Student Services**

My days are filled with students and their lively ASB, I consider how to deal with any swift emergencies, The highlight of my journey here, I list it just as one, I found my husband, Tom.

**Malcolm Russell—VP for Academic Administration**

My eyes have seen the start up of the IRR program, You may think this hair is gray because of Dr. Mike Duehrsden, But no, my angst is caused by a factor you may know, Accreditation woe.

**All**

A glance into the future and we like what we do see, Dave and Cherie by the fire, great grandchildren on their knees, Their home is now on campus, they reside permanently At Kern Courts, Unit B

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