Campus News

❖ The Union College Library will stay open until 11 p.m. during exam week, May 2-4.

❖ Unionaires “Concert at the Capitol” is Friday, May 7, from noon -1 p.m. in the rotunda of the Nebraska State Capitol.

❖ Need an on campus summer job? Rob Weaver, vice president for marketing of the Association of Adventist Colleges and Universities is looking for a summer administrative/communication assistant. The primary role is to assist in the development and implementation of business strategies to help enroll non-academy Adventist students at a North American Adventist colleges. This job can be combined with other campus work hours to reach full-time summer employment so you can still receive the summer bonus. Send resume ASAP to rob@adventistcolleges.org.

❖ Don Abbey, professor of biology, was voted by the students at Union College as Teacher of the Year.

Enrollment Matters

❖ Recruiters and college administrators will represent Union at Mid-America academy graduations to hand out the academic scholarships.

❖ UCrew will be visiting camps and campmeetings this summer. If you will be attending any camps, special events or campmeetings and are interested in representing Union please contact Enga Almeida at ex. 2693 so she can equip you with Union supplies.

❖ Become a student ambassador for the 2010-2011 school year. Ambassadors help with prospective student visits. If you are interested please contact Becky Dewey at ex. 2694.

❖ Special congratulations to the graduating enrollment and student financial services workers: Erin Webb, Ambure Siaca, Samantha Lind and Tiffany Beans.

Financial Matters

❖ Please note that some financial information has changed: The award is not for all students, only for those who do not qualify for the Merit Scholarship. Any returning student who fills out a FAFSA by the deadline will qualify for a $1500 award.

❖ Starting this fall, students will not be able to move into the residence hall until they have a signed financial plan in place, first payment made and all financial paperwork completed. Contact a financial aid advisor to make sure everything is up to date.

❖ Beginning this Summer 2010 term Union is changing to the Federal Direct Loan Program. Those planning to take out a Federal Stafford Loan, Graduate Loan or Parent Plus Loan in the 2010-2011 year need to complete a new Direct Loan Master Promissory Note and Direct Loan entrance counseling online. This is part of the financial paperwork that needs to be completed before moving into a residence hall this fall.

Return of the Riddle

❖ What is something someone has to take before you can get it? A photograph

Graduation Schedule

All official programs for the 2010 graduation weekend (May 7-9) will be held in the College View Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Friday, May 7
Consecration Service: 8 p.m.
Dr. Joseph Allison, chair of the Division of Human Development and newly-appointed education superintendent of the Iowa-Missouri Conference. Immediately following the service there will be a reception in Heartland Hall in CVC for all graduates, their families and Union College faculty.

Saturday, May 8
Sabbath School:10:40 a.m.
The class of 2010 is leading Sabbath School in the main sanctuary of the College View Church.
Baccalaureate: 12 p.m.
Michael B. Kelly II, pastor of Mt. Rubidoux Seventh-day Adventist Church in California. Kelly previously pastored Allon Chapel.
Senior Nurses’ Dedication: 4:30 p.m.
The senior nurses receive their pins and the nursing faculty will lead the students as they take the Nightingale Pledge.

Sunday, May 9
Commencement: 10 a.m.
David Williams, president and chief executive officer of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.
Humanities Division

❖ “That’s What Makes Them Pirates!” is a musical comedy by Mike Mennard that premiered this spring by Union Drama. After opening night, the musical sold out every performance, bringing in community members and critics from afar. The crew added an average of 32 seats per night. Performing for packed houses inspired an encore show. **The Division of Humanities is working on a DVD of the play.**

❖ Tanya Cochran attended the Popular and American Culture Association Conference in St. Louis, March 31-April 2. She presented “The Meaning is in the Metaphor: When Whedon Scholar Fans Teach.” She is completing a four year term as area chair of the Science Fiction and Fantasy Area which was vital to her dissertation research and work.

❖ The English faculty took a retreat March 7-8 to Mahoney State Park to work on the English program review.

❖ The Division of Humanities celebrated Karl-Heinz Schroeder’s 33 years at Union during Homecoming weekend with alumni, current students and college employees.

Understanding the Mind

Biology Seminar Series are lectures held **Thursday evenings** from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Jorgenson Hall 300.

April 29 **Savant syndrome** by Brock Reichart.

McClelland Art Gallery

❖ **Justin Gibson’s Senior Exhibit “Just Gibs”** will include print design, fine art and photography, focusing on how typography has shaped his outlook and style as a designer. Opening reception is Sunday, May 2, at 6 p.m. and runs through May 9.

Peace Sculpture Garden

In a world where war and chaos are increasingly the norm, students on Union College’s campus took the week of April 5-9 to focus on peace. The week culminated with the unveiling of the Peace Sculpture Garden in the Ortner Center at Union College to promote the cause of peace.

“Peacemaking is a large and treasured part of what it means to be truly Christian,” said Chris Blake. “The difference between being a peace lover and a peacemaker is the difference between loving money and making money.”

**About the sculptures:**

❖ The “Peace Plow” carries the scars of past weapons in relation to Isaiah 2:4. (Sculpture by Greg Worthan)

❖ “The Wall” is an actual piece of the Berlin Wall. The wire symbolizes walls that stand between people—barriers of prejudice and hatred. These barriers can be broken down and peacefully removed.

❖ “Prince of Peace” is a sculpture of Jesus. (Sculpture by Victor Issa, 1980 graduate of Union College)

❖ “Liberation” depicts the power of education to lift all people above prisons of superstition and ignorance. (Sculpture by Amanda Clark, senior graphic design major at Union College)

❖ A marker accompanying the sculptures says: “While nations and people will often try to defend themselves by responding militarily—which sometimes results in short-term success—violence does not build enduring solutions. From both a Christian and a practical perspective, any lasting peace involves at least four ingredients: dialogue, justice, forgiveness, and reconciliation.”

Have Fun at Work

❖ Give up the notion that professionalism means being serious all the time. Start to promote the benefits of humor at work.

❖ Define what fun is in your workplace and what it is not. (e.g. harmful humor, off-color jokes, sexual humor, humor tarnishing the organization)

❖ Add fun to meetings. Start a meeting with a humorous story or joke.

❖ Create a Joke Board or a Humor Newsletter.

❖ Gather your co-workers for the “Joy of Work” hour. Everyone must talk about something good at work.

❖ Have a fun recognition program. Fun is not a reward for performance, but can be a way to encourage employees to perform. Playful and goal oriented fun is best.

❖ Encourage staff to leave work behind at the end of the day. Employees shouldn’t be so consumed with work that it affects their family life and leisure activities. Find fun ways for employees to “unload” at the end of the day or week. Create a ritual like writing a to-do list and posting it on the board. By doing this, you commit to not thinking about the things on the list until the next day.

Web Tip

❖ If you have photos of Union’s campus or events and a Flickr account, you can add your photos to the Union College pool at http://www.flickr.com/groups/47961172@N00/. Enrollment Services is planning ways to use this and other crowd-sourced social media to recruit students.

Submit news worthy info to ryteller@ucollege.edu