If you would like to become more involved in different ministries on campus you can visit Campus Ministries or talk to your division's liaison:

Business and Computer Science—Kourtney Shoemaker
Fine Arts—Tommy Kennedy
Human Development—Jayme Anderson
Humanities—Kyle Berg
IRR/HHP—Emily Durichek
Science and Math—Sarah Ventura
Nursing—Kayla Meelhuysen
Religion—Steven Shafer
Physician’s Assistant—Lauren Kelly
Men’s Ministries—Caleb White
Women’s Ministries—Molly Cummings

Campus News

❖ The Union College Board of Trustees elected John Wagner president of Union College during their regular meeting on Feb. 6, 2012. Wagner rejoined Union as interim president in August 2011, and also served as academic dean from 1980-83 and president from 1986-91. For the full story visit www.ucollege.edu/wagner.

❖ Linda Becker will co-present with Dan Wheeler in a one-day workshop for new department chairs at the national Chairs Conference in Orlando, Fla. on Feb. 8. The “New Chairs Alliance” workshop is designed to give new department chairs insights into their personal leadership effectiveness.

❖ Mike Huckabee authored the lead article in the current issue of the Journal of Physician Assistant Education titled, “Physician Assistants as Servant Leaders: Meeting the Needs of the Underserved.” The article featured research results from his dissertation and was co-authored by his UNL dissertation committee chair, Dan Wheeler. Huckabee also had a book review article published in the December issue of PA Professional featuring the popular book, Annoying: The Science of What Bugs Us, by NPR contributors.

❖ The Conflict and Peacemaking Class (CPC) will lead out in four workshops about dialogue, justice, forgiveness and reconciliation at Peace Camp on Feb. 25. The inaugural camp is a community project for inner city children in grades 3-5. The class is also involved in organizing the Peacemaking Workshop at United Methodist Church on March 4, from 1:30-5:30 p.m. The workshop aims to alleviate poverty in Lincoln and the theme this year is “Mind the Gap: Between 99 and 1.” Everyone is invited.

❖ Union College will be recognized at the Nebraska governor’s Points of Light Awards ceremony at the capitol building on Feb. 15. The award is given to honor Nebraska volunteers who give their time and energy to build stronger communities, and will be awarded to Union College for Project Impact. Anna Coridan, senior nursing major and 2011 project director, will receive the award from the governor with Jayme Anderson, senior elementary education major and next year’s director.

Campus Announcements

❖ Winter Break runs Feb. 9-10. Union Market will close at 6 p.m. on Feb. 8, and then open from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. both days.

❖ The Campus Store is having its Sweetheart Sale on Feb. 13-17.

❖ The library will host a book sale during its normal hours from Feb. 13-17. Subjects on sale range from philosophy and religion to young adult books and novels. Paperback will cost $0.50 and hardbacks $1.00. All purchases must be made by cash or check and items will not be held.

❖ Approximately 300 students, coaches and sponsors are expected to attend the Midwest America Union basketball tournament at Union College on Feb. 15-19. Students from Campion, College View, Dakota, Maplewood, Midland, Mile High, Sunnyside and Wisconsin Academies will participate with many family members and friends also coming to watch. The games will be held in the Union College and College View Academy gymnasiums.

❖ The Health and Human Performance (HHP) Program will host a representative from the UNI graduate studies program at 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 23 in the Larson Lifestyle Center’s classroom. They will discuss the process of applying to graduate school and different ways to increase the probability of acceptance. Everyone is welcome.

Nicaragua Update

Dear friends and family,

We have had a busy first week of classes, projects and clinics. So far we have been blessed with health, safety and rain and ask that you please continue praying for all three.

Our first Sabbath was spent at the local Adventist church. John translated for Dr. Caldera for Sabbath school and Aaron provided the sermon with help from local translators. On Sunday we sprayed the upstairs of the Arc building for bugs. Since we all were camped out in the Arc’s classroom and kitchen, our first week of classes was held outside on the mission’s porch.

In Relief Infrastructure class, also known as project days, we spent the early morning identifying needed repairs and projects on the mission and getting to work. It rained almost constantly from 11am on. It made a very muddy workday, but the rain is much needed. By the end of the day, the mission’s water tank platform was repaired, the Arc’s showers were plumbed, two of the backdoor concrete steps poured out and work started on getting wiring put in to the Arc.

In our first clinic in Francia, we saw a suspected case of tuberculosis, performed two surgical procedures, stabilized two kids with broken arms and saw a baby with pneumonia that we had to keep in overnight. On Thursday we drove halfway and then walked 2.25 miles to Santa Clara for our second clinic. We treated more than 30 children and infants, not including the adults.

In both clinics we saw an abundance of common local problems including intestinal parasites, scabies, aches and pains, pneumonia, various infections and the flu.

Thank you for the prayers and please continue to pray for us. God bless and Happy Sabbath,

Jamie Troedel and IRR Nicaragua
Bright Lights, a non-profit organization that aims to teach students beyond the classroom setting, is looking for volunteer summer classroom assistants to help instruct students in grades K-8. Assistants receive training in a two-hour session in May, and classes will be held June 4-8, 18-22 and July 9-13. Several Union College students obtained valuable experience as assistants in the program last year. New applications will be accepted from Feb. 13-March 16. For more information or to apply, visit www.brightlights.org or contact Barb Highstreet at bhighstreet@brightlights.org and 402-420-1115 ext. 49.

Words From the Wise

While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart.—St. Francis of Assisi

Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies.—Mother Teresa

Warrior's Basketball Scores

Men’s Team: 11 Wins-11 Losses

Jan. 24 (Home) Grace University L 77-109
Jan. 26 (Away) Calvary Bible College L 84-95
Jan. 31 (Home) Manhattan Christian College L 83-106
Feb. 2 (Away) Grace University L 72-90
Feb. 7 (Home) Nebraksa Christian College W 94-83

Women’s Team: 6 Wins-15 Losses

Jan. 24 (Home) Grace University L 55-70
Jan. 26 (Away) Calvary Bible College W 65-63
Jan. 31 (Home) Manhattan Christian College L 43-57
Feb. 2 (Away) Grace University L 40-84

McClelland Art Exhibition

The nine students enrolled in Drawing II class will display their work in the McClelland Art Gallery from Feb. 12-19. The exhibition will feature three drawings from each student, demonstrating key techniques they have studied.

The class, taught by Julia Noyes, adjunct professor and owner of Noyes Art Gallery, has focused largely on combining different media and using color. “Having an exhibition gives everyone a deadline to finish work and helps them to do their absolute best, most professional work,” said Noyes. “Though it’s still early in the semester, the students have worked very hard on these drawings and they’ve made some beautiful, colorful pieces.”

Noyes’ emphasis on color and her assignments using multiple media is uncommon for a drawing class and she purposefully aims to challenge students’ preconceived ideas about drawing. “The fact that most of these pictures contain paint is very unusual,” said Noyes. “The Drawing II class should be experimental. I want students to be more creative and expand on their work from Drawing I.”

So far the class has covered floral still life, geometric backgrounds and images of birds—all on painted backgrounds. “It’s out of the ordinary,” said Chiyunga Chiyabi, sophomore graphic design major. “We use newspaper and paint instead of just a drawing pencil; not what you expect from a drawing class.”

The students are permitted to use any media they like in their drawings, so long as there is a mixture. “The class is fun because we get to experiment with different media,” said Devi Halim, sophomore graphic design major. “This exhibition really makes us want to work hard and do well.” Halim is currently an associate artist in Noyes’s gallery downtown and does a lot of 3D art. “These students are pretty serious and they have put in a lot of effort to make their work look great,” said Noyes. “Classes like this can open up all kinds of opportunities for them in their future art career.”

Building Update

The Union College Board of Trustees voted on Feb. 6 to move forward with plans to remodel the AdventSource building as a new home for the PA and IRR departments. The move will give both programs access to larger, newer facilities and also allow the nursing program additional room to expand. Union is currently looking for a new location to house AdventSource and keep the business near campus.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, February 11:
7 p.m. George Stone Elementary School will host a Talent and Treat fundraiser in Heartland Hall at CVC featuring music from Mike Mennard, Rose Among Thorns and other local groups and a fancy dessert auction. Everyone is welcome.

Tuesday, February 14:
10:30 a.m. Chapel will feature Dr. John Wagner discussing social responsibility.

Friday, February 17:
7:30 p.m. UFC Vespers will feature a concert by Shawn McDonald, a contemporary Christian artist known for his honest lyrics and peaceful melodies.

Saturday, February 18:
6 p.m. V2 will be hosted by the Division of Human Development

Sunday, February 19:
8-11 a.m. A pancake breakfast fundraiser will be hosted by the Union College Frontier Nursing class to raise money for their mission trip to Nicaragua over spring break. Bake sale items will also be available.

Tuesday, February 21:
10:30 a.m. Chapel will feature Dr. John Van Epp, author of several books on relationships including “How to Avoid Marrying a Jerk: Fool-Proof Ways to Follow your Heart Without Losing your Mind” and “How to Avoid Falling in Love with a Jerk.” He will explain “How Not to Marry a Jerk.”

Wednesday, February 22:
12:30 p.m. A Cup of Conversation will meet in the Studio for Writing and Speaking–library room 116.

Join the conversation by sending stories and updates to news@ucollege.edu.