

CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS

January 21, 2009

Highlighting news at Union College

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

◆ Union participated in the 2008 Lincoln-wide **Healthy Families Play Outside** project, previously called Lincoln Safari. It gave families the opportunity to explore Lincoln by walking, skipping, biking, roller-skating or skateboarding to the 35 partner locations. Union, one of 12 other sites that gave souvenirs to participating families, gave away approximately 255 items. Thank you to the Ortnor Center staff for treating the visiting families so well.

◆ We've all been experiencing change—a new semester, a new President and now a new Web site. Union College's look has been completely revamped. If you haven't stopped by www.ucollege.edu yet, be sure to check out the upgraded design, layout and content. In addition to leadership by **Scott Cushman '03**, the following employees, students and alumni were instrumental in the evolution of Union's Web site:

Ashley Barber '05
B.J. Tallman '08
Ben Barber '05
Brad Woodruff '04
Chris McConnell '07
David Skau '11
Debbie Gibbs Hodges '09
Jacque Smith
Jon Stacey '10
Laura Rumsey Poblete '03
LuAnn Davis
Nathan Salzman '06
Obed Corrales '06
Richard Henriques '83
Rob Weaver
Shane Flowers '02
Steve Nazario
Todd Richardson '08
Tom Becker '69
Zeb Meharry '03

◆ The **ASB events schedule** has been updated:

Feb. 21	Basketball Tournament and Club Night
Feb. 22	Spring Banquet
Feb. 28	Mr. and Ms. World Pageant
March 7	Cardboard Boat Night
March 28	Volleyball Tournament
April 4	Club Night

GOLD STARS

◆ For the past 16 years **Valeree Krueger** has volunteered in the National Nurses Association Continuing Education Approval Committee. The committee reviews applications for peer reviewed nursing contact hours.

◆ **Thank you** to all who generously took part in the **John Kerbs Society** winter collection by donating towels, washcloths, sheets and blankets to the People's City Mission. We managed to collect 52 bath towels, 20 hand towels, 13 washcloths, one set of sheets, six blankets, one sweatshirt, 11 hats, 10 pairs of gloves and 22 scarves. You can be sure that all of your donated items have been put to good use for a good cause.

~Seth Lauterbach

◆ Congratulations to Union's generous employees who surpassed the college's donation goal of \$7,500 during the **2008 United Way of Lincoln and Lancaster County, Community Health Charities and Community Services Fund** campaign. **Stephanie Meyer** reported that \$7,958.12 was raised from 65 employees and that, despite that economy, employees gave the highest amount in the more than 15 years she has coordinated Union's participation.

◆ On Dec. 14, the **women's volleyball team** and **men's basketball team** spent time brightening 14 children's day. Ranging from 5-13 years old, kids from the Friendship Home spent the day hanging out with Union's Warriors. Valentino's delivered food to the Thunderdome and gifts purchased with money from the Athletic department's budget were given to the children. Lead by **Ric Spaulding**, this was the first year that originator **Ron Dodds** did not organize the event.

◆ **Jim McClelland**, along with Lincoln artist Ann Williams, is currently displaying artwork at The Landing in Williamsburg Village. Located in the center of the elegant facility for retirees, the exhibit will be run until April 15. On Jan. 29 at 10:30 a.m., Jim will hold an informal presentation and discussion about his art.

CHECK IT OUT

◆ Interested in sharing the gospel in South America? A team coordinated by the Division of Religion is heading to **Nicaragua** May 13-30 for the annual global **evangelism trip** sponsored by The Quiet Hour and ShareHim. Participating students from any academic area will have

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the opportunity to present sermons provided by The Quiet Hour and gain a blessing while helping local churches. For more information contact **John Kurlinski**.

◆ The new **Research Assistance Program (RAP)** is being offered by Union's librarians to aid students with their research. Appointment forms for the program are at the library's circulation desk and on the library's Web site under "Reference Services." Bring the form to the library or send it via intercampus mail. When you complete the form before the interview, librarians are able to get to the heart of the question more efficiently. Save yourself time and worry by arranging an appointment with **Sabrina Riley, Jeannette Wetmore** or **DeForest Nesmith** through RAP.

◆ Join LIPS (**Lincolniters Interested in Perpetuating Storytelling**) in the Ortner Center's Bollinger Room the fourth Tuesday of every month from 7-8:15 p.m. Everyone is invited—community, students and employees. Come listen to tales or share one with the group. LIPS dates this semester are: Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 24 and April 28.

◆ **Sean Dale, Jonathan Greenberg, Erin Hoffman** and **Derek Timms** are ready to help students with any part of the composition process—from brainstorming to Final Drafts. Located on the ground floor of the library, room 116, **The Studio for Writing and Speaking** is open Monday-Thursday from 6-10 p.m.

Created in 1983 by **Dr. Lilya Wagner**, The Writing Lab, as it was called then, met in the small office area now used by **Jill Morstad**. In 1985, the name changed to The Hagen Writing Center under the leadership of **Bill Fitts**. When **Tanya Cochran**, current director, came to Union College in 2005, the operation went through more development. Now located in a much larger and more convenient space, **The Studio for Writing and Speaking** continues to provide students with free assistance.

◆ **Chapel Calendar** (Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.)

Jan. 27	Michael Kelly for Alcohol Awareness Week
Feb. 3	Division of Human Development
Feb. 10	Jim Brauer , president of the Rocky Mountain Conference
Feb. 17	ASB Elections Convocation
Feb. 24	Division of Fine Arts

MCCLELLAND ART GALLERY

Steve Herrera, a 2004 Union graduate, is a substitute art teacher for Lincoln Public Schools. Through his work, he met students **Bright Tete** and **Gonzalo Rodriguez Casarrubia**. Brought together by their love for cars, their display "**Full Throttle**" will run from Jan. 23-Feb.14.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

New Question

Q: What employee can **ride a unicycle** and **juggle**? In grade school, these skills, along with gymnastics, were learned from an uncle attending Andrews University. It's been a while since the mystery employee was able to ride a unicycle and juggle at the same time and would need practice before doing it again.

TAKE A HOLIDAY

Jan. 21-25	No Name Calling Week
Jan. 24	National Compliment Day
Jan. 25	Macintosh Computer Day
Jan. 26	Bubblewrap Appreciation Day
Jan. 27	National Speak Up and Succeed Day
Jan. 30	Fun at Work Day
Jan. 31	Inspire Your Heart with Art Day
Feb. 2	Sled Dog Day

WEB TIP

◆ Employees can now update their own **biography information** for the personnel directory. In the footer of every page, on the new Web site is the link to log in. Use your Marcie username and password (the same one used to log in to your computer). Once logged in, click on the "Biography" tab. If you think your photo looks a bit too young, it's because they are currently from last year and will eventually be updated. Please reserve the portrait photo field for your official college photo. If you have other photos you would like to add, you can do so by clicking the "Insert/Edit Image" tool in any of the text boxes, such as "Personal Information."

Share in the conversation.

Submit information for *Campus Conversations* or other public relations purposes to **news@ucollege.edu**.

New semester *Campus Conversations* schedule

<i>Info Deadline</i>	<i>Print</i>
Jan. 27	Feb. 3
Feb. 10	Feb. 17
Feb. 24	March 3
March 24	March 31
April 7	April 14
April 21	April 28

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