

CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS

October 22, 2008

Highlighting news at Union College

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHT

- ◆ On Nov. 2-4, seniors from academies in the Mid-America Union will be arriving on campus for the annual **College Days**. As you see unfamiliar student faces, please welcome them warmly to our campus.
- ◆ **Thank you** to everyone who donated items for the **LaVida Mission Indian School**. The education diversity class, accompanied by Joe Allison, brought 64 pounds of rice, 58 pounds of beans, 46 cans of food, 91 t-shirts, two raincoats, one poncho, three pounds of pasta, school supplies, and \$246.82 to the school in New Mexico. During midterm break, 24 education students led by Joe Allison were able to help in classes and do maintenance projects for the school.
- ◆ Belated thanks to **Lori Brasuell** and her **custodial staff**, who do an amazing job ensuring that garbage and the many messes created on campus are taken care of. Housekeeping Week passed by last month, but not the opportunity to express appreciation for the work they do.

GOLD STARS

- ◆ Friday, Oct 10, the following students attended the **Plum Creek Literacy Festival** at Concordia in Seward where they worked with children's literature authors and illustrators:
 - Sarah Bartzatt**
 - Andy Carlson**
 - Emily Carlson**
 - Nicole Christensen**
 - Christy Firestone**
 - Katie King**
 - Brianna Nieto**
 - Meagan Osvoid**
 - Katie Pearson**
 - Starla Powell**
 - Grace Rodhouse**
 - Heather Stein**
 - Jessi Whitson**
- ◆ **Kathy Bollinger** was featured in the third quarter 2008 issue of *Maranatha* volunteers international magazine. The publication highlights a trip Kathy took to Chile, where she learned the Chilean government did not provide books for school libraries. Kathy was inspired to collect money for educational literature.
- ◆ The **education department** at Union College hosted the **Phi Delta Kappa** UNL Chapter 15 meeting on

Oct. 8. After a meal was served in the Atrium, a panel discussion was conducted in Woods Auditorium by 20 teachers/administrators from seven countries. They shared information about the educational system in their countries. Nearly 110 elementary and secondary education majors from Concordia University, Nebraska Wesleyan University and Union College attended the event. Jessi Whitson, an elementary education major from Union, won the raffle for one-year membership in PDK.

- ◆ From Oct. 5-8, **Larry Ray** and **Joseph Allison** were two of the 300 educators and policymakers from across the U.S. who participated in the National Math Panel (NMP) Forum in Washington, D.C. Larry and Joe's trips were funded by the National Science Foundation. While in the D.C. area, they served on a North American Division Ad Hoc Committee whose purposes are similar to those of the NMP Forum.

- ◆ Fourteen communication students, listed below, were granted partial scholarships to attend the **Society of Adventist Communicators** convention Oct. 9-12 with **Michelle Velázquez Mesnard** and **Chris Blake**. **Jacque Smith** and **Scott Cushman** also traveled to Denver, Colo. for the convention. For the second year, Jacque has served as the chair of the SAC awards process. **George Gibson** joined the group on Sabbath, and the Golden Cords string quartet, featuring **Frank Restesan** and **Ed Allen**, provided special music for Sabbath school and church.

Erin Hofmann
Sean Dale
Kelly Knaubert
Cassie Scott
Antonio Martinez
Marci Scott
Angela Washington
Hannah Adams
Michael Steingas
Deidra Howard
Brittany Harwood
Jameson Hilliard
Renee Simmons
Jon Stacey

- ◆ The **Humanities Advisory Board** met on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 5 focusing mostly on division student recruitment and retention endeavors. **Kelli Akioka**, **Nicole Meharry**, and **Jill Morstad** joined the group as the newest advisory members.

CHECK IT OUT

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◆ Wednesday, Oct. 29, the **Healthcare and Business Career Fair** will be held from 3-5:30 p.m. in the Atrium. Twenty-six organizations will be present, with representatives from a variety of businesses and graduate programs.

◆ **Tom Smith** from La Sierra University will be on campus beginning Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 28-30 to speak to students concerning admissions and scholarship information about **graduate programs** in business, education, English, psychology and religion.

Know of interested students? Contact Smith Tuesday afternoon after 3 p.m., Wednesday, and Thursday before 3 p.m. in the Career Center or at the Career Fair Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Students wishing individual appointments may contact the Career Center at ext. 2450.

◆ **EBSCOhost** has a new look! To access EBSCOhost on the **library webpage**, click Find Articles, then choose it from the table. EBSCOhost allows searching for a large number of different criteria. It also customizes your search by offering various search limits in the different databases. EBSCOhost temporarily records your searches in a search history as you look for articles and other materials during a session. You may set up a MyEBSCOhost account to permanently save your searches. You may also set up an RSS feed in order to efficiently find out about new articles relevant to your search.

◆ At 10:30 a.m., Oct. 23, Elena Dodd will perform an impersonation in the amphitheater of **Eleanor Roosevelt**, the most influential member of the United Nation's Commission on Human Rights. The community has been invited to join in celebrating the anniversary of the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**. The Academic Convocation program will be in the amphitheater.

◆ **Chapel Calendar** (Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.)
Oct. 28 **Missions**
Nov. 4 **TBA**
Nov. 11 **Mike Lowe** from Wilderness Way

MCCLELLAND ART GALLERY

◆ Bruce Forbes' landscape photography is on display until Nov. 8. The exhibit includes seven black and white silver prints, fourteen color prints from Central America, three digital color panoramas.

CAMPUS TRIVIA

◆ **Q:** How many secrets were submitted by students, faculty and staff between Oct. 7-19 for the "and I am part of Union" McClelland Art Gallery exhibit?

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Last Issue

◆ **Q:** What faculty or staff member had official press credentials (as a freelance/campus newspaper reporter) at the Democratic National Convention of 2004 in Boston, Mass.?

A: While the Democrats were busy nominating John Kerry as their standard bearer for the 2004 presidential election, **Tom Dunion** was in attendance at the nominating convention as a college newspaper reporter.

Do you have a **random fact or story** to share?
E-mail your idea to haadams@ucollege.edu

TAKE A HOLIDAY

Oct. 25 **Mother-in-Law Day**
Oct. 27 **Cranky Co-workers Day**
Oct. 31 National **Knock-Knock Jokes Day**
Nov. 1 **National Family Literacy Day**

WEB TIP

◆ The majority of the **library collection** at Union College isn't available in the stacks; it's online. While accessing these databases on campus is seamless, off-campus access is password-restricted to honor license agreements. To find the usernames and passwords, visit Moodle (bill.ucollege.edu) and under Course Categories, go to Library > Information Literacy and Library Research > Handouts and Guides > User IDs and Passwords for Library Databases. Please do not share these passwords with anyone who is not a Union College student or employee.

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Campus Conversations Schedule

Info deadline	Printing Schedule
Oct. 28	Nov. 4
Nov. 11	Nov. 18
Dec. 2	Dec. 9

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