

CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS

October 8, 2008

Highlighting news at Union College

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHT

◆ **PowerCAMPUS SELF-SERVICE** has been launched. Currently, most features are only available to teachers. The new student information system will allow students to check everything from grades to financial information in a convenient single sign-in system. Watch for information about a campus-wide contest to rename the new system.

◆ **Thank you** to the staff and faculty in 24 different homes who hosted students during the annual **Soup Supper** on Oct. 26!

◆ The **education diversity class** will be taking their annual trip to **LaVida Mission Indian School** in New Mexico for an opportunity to help in classes and do maintenance projects. Every year they take items to help with the work at the mission.

This year, the director has asked the class to bring **food items** since they no longer receive free canned and dry foods. They would like canned fruit and vegetables in and bags of rice and beans. Bring your items to the Division of Human Development by Oct. 14.

GOLD STARS

◆ The new **golf team** has been selected:

Alex Acton, FR
Ryan Barnett, SR
Matt Evens, SR
Nick Fowler, SO
Ben Medina, FR
Trevor Pahn, SO
Erich Painter, FR
Jeff Prusia, SR
Phillip Thompson, JR
Chase Tikker, SR
Ryan Veness, JR

◆ **Darla Hornby** and **Terri Lair** attended a seminar on Sept. 29 sponsored by **Connect2One**, which is an alliance of independent college bookstores that connects stores with resources and vendors. They had the opportunity to network with other college bookstore personnel, discuss current trends in apparel and supplies, exchange ideas in marketing and merchandise and learn ways to find great deals to pass along to their customers.

◆ On Sept. 13, **10 international rescue and relief students** and **Dr. Michael Duehrssen**, associate director of the IRR program, traveled to Texas to assist victims during the aftermath of **Hurricane Ike**. Based at a high school in Bridge City, the team connected with the county's emergency operation center (EOC) and FEMA, along with disaster response organizations, Eagles Wings and Adventist Community Team Services (ACTS).

◆ Sept. 23, **Lorri Merchant** teamed up with **Pastor Cherie Smith** to do the first session of a five-week Grief and Healing Seminar at the College View church. The first three sessions are connected consecutively and then, in an attempt to support people during the difficult holiday season, one will be done in November and one in December. Of the 19 people who attended the first presentation, more than half were not CVC members..

◆ From Oct. 5-8, **Larry Ray** and **Joseph Allison** attended a math forum in Washington, D.C.

◆ On Oct. 23 The **TLC department** is hosting a one-day seminar for members of the **Western Iowa and Nebraska Association of Higher Education and Disabilities**. The featured speaker will be Bill Dittmeier, chief attorney of the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR) regional office in Kansas City, Mo. Dittmeier will discuss services for students with disabilities in post-secondary institutions and provide an overview of OCR and the regulations it enforces.

CHECK IT OUT

◆ The **PA Health/Fun Fair** continues on Oct. 9 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Atrium in front of the Campus Store. Receive a free gift for stopping by, as well as entering the chance to win a \$20 gift certificate to the bookstore. Competitions and skills include:

- Pushups/sit ups per minute
- Body Mass Index
- Blood pressure
- Stretch recovery
- Stretch for the gold
- Hula hoop
- Horseshoes
- Operation game

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◆ **Chelsea Stevens**, the ASB academic coordinator, is planning a **debate** about the election for the ASB's Tuesday morning assembly, **Oct. 21**. The debate is part of an effort to encourage students to follow the arguments. She would like a panel of **five judges**, with both faculty and students, to evaluate the debate's arguments.

Are you willing and feel sufficiently removed from the contest to judge matters dispassionately? Contact Malcom Russell at marussel@ucollege.edu or Chelsea Stevens at chsteven@ucollege.edu

◆ Monday, Oct. 13, the education program is sponsoring an **elementary teacher in-service** featuring **Dale Lumpa** who will present the topic of team building. A pizza luncheon will be served after the program. Local Seventh-day Adventist and LPS teachers have been invited.

◆ At 10:30 a.m., Oct. 23, Elena Dodd will perform an impersonation in CVC of **Eleanor Roosevelt**, the most influential member of the United Nation's Commission on Human Rights. The community is welcome to join in celebrating the anniversary of the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**.

◆ 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 businesses ranging from Talent Plus to Bryan LGH Medical Center.

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

Oct. 14 **Les Pollard**, diversity training
 Oct. 21 **ASB** Convocation
 Oct. 28 **Missions**

MCCLELLAND ART GALLERY

◆ Oct. 7-Oct. 18 the Peace and Social Justice Club is sponsoring "**... and I am part of Union.**" The exhibit hopes to unify the campus through transparency, consisting of secrets anonymously shared by students, faculty and staff members on creatively decorated post cards. Share in the secrets of others and come submit your own. 5x7 cards are available in the gallery, as well as a box to anonymously submit them.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Last Issue

◆ **Q:** Which faculty or staff member does not have a twin?

- Linda Skinner, •Doug Tallman,
- Sharon Russel •David Smith

A: Sharon Russell, conference and guest services coordinator, has an older brother and younger sister, but not a twin.

New Question

◆ **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.?

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

TAKE A HOLIDAY

Oct. 10 National **Cake Decorating** Day
 Oct. 11 Universal **Music** Day
 Oct. 16 National **Boss's** Day
 Oct. 17 International Day for the
 Eradication of Poverty

WEB TIP

◆ Looking for lecture inspiration, multimedia homework resources or just want to check up on your peers? Visit the directory of higher education videos and podcasts available at **OpenCulture.com**.

Under "free online courses," "free university videos" and "intelligent life on YouTube," the site provides links and feeds to lectures in nearly every major field of study.

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Campus Conversations Schedule

<i>Info deadline</i>	<i>Printing Schedule</i>
Oct. 14	Oct. 21
Oct. 28	Nov. 4
Nov. 11	Nov. 18
Dec. 2	Dec. 9

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