

CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS

Highlighting news at Union College

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Campus News

❖ The **IRR department is responding to the need in Haiti** after the earthquake. More details to come.

❖ A new political club, the **Conservative Club**, has been approved on campus. The next meets Fridays at 3:00 p.m. in Engel Hall lobby.

❖ Student Health Services still has a few seasonal flu and H1N1 vaccinations left. Come and get a vaccination while supplies last.

❖ Avoiding the cold? The Union College Library is introducing a new feature on its website: **Instant Messaging Reference Service**. Students can use the Meebo widget to chat with a librarian about any topic concerning reference, research, collections, services, hours, or to make an appointment with a Librarian. The hours for this new chatting service are posted on the website.

❖ **Sleds are available** to check out in the student center. Make sure you bring your ID cards for check out.

❖ **Cooper's Corner** now delivers! Call ex. 2085. Have your ID card ready to purchase snacks and drinks.

Kudos

❖ Thanks to **Josie Escamilla** for bringing the Panera Bread for everyone at Union College. The bread is set outside of Student Services each Tuesday and is a great help to many.

❖ The **Leadership Cohort** has qualified for a \$2800 grant from **The National Society of Leadership and Success** which will allow the college to be a member of the society. The organization helps people discover and achieve their goals. They offer lectures from

the nations leading presenters and a community where success oriented individuals come together and help one another succeed.

Campus Ministries

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

Jan. 19 ASB Convocation
 Jan. 26 John Baxter, Adventist Frontier Missions, Mission Emphasis Week

Vespers (Fridays at 7:30 p.m.)

Jan. 15 UFC
 Jan. 22 Mid America Youth Directors and Camp Recruitment
 Jan. 29 Missions

After vespers

Jan. 15 CABL Café
 Jan. 22 Friday Night Live
 Jan. 29 Late Night wih Reece

V2 (Saturdays)

Jan. 23 Lauren Baker (at 5:30 p.m.)
 Jan. 30 Sean Smith (at 5:30 p.m.)

McClelland Art Gallery

❖ **Ashley Spitsnogle** will be displaying her paintings and sketches from Jan. 10-31. She has recently illustrated a children's book, *Josh The Baby Otter*, by Blake Collingsworth.

Keep the talk alive

❖ Campus Conversations has looked the same since its creation several years ago. To kick off the new decade Campus Conversations got a makeover. In an effort to keep the news on campus current and relevant, **you need to get involved**. Submit content for Campus Conversations to kephipps@ucollege.edu.

Feature story:

In her second year in the Physician's Assistant Program, Thuy Ho has become the sixth student in the program's 10-year history to earn a National Health Service Corps Scholarship. This sought after U.S. Department of Health and Human Services program pays the tuition and some living expenses for PA students who agree to serve medically underserved communities.

Ho became a practicing medical internist in her native Vietnam after completing a medical degree in 1994. Soon after she married a high school friend and immigrated with him to Lincoln in 2001.

Unable to get licensed to practice medicine in the Nebraska, Ho sought acceptance into a U.S. medical residency program which proved impossible because it had been more than 10 years since she graduated from medical school.

In order to gain some experience, she served as a volunteer translator at the People's Health Center in Lincoln. One of the doctors suggested she apply to Union's PA program.

The program proved a perfect fit for her family life and her goal to serve those in need. "When I volunteered at People's Health Center, I realized that everywhere there are people who can't afford health care." Ho saw how the clinic worked to serve low-income people. "I decided I wanted to serve the underserved because they need us the most," she explained.

Union College has helped reinforce this goal. "At Union College they teach that the job is not just a job," Ho said. "We have a healing ministry inherited from Jesus."

❖ *Thuy was featured in the Jan. 11 Lincoln Journal Star.*

Enrollment Matters

❖ **January 14-17:** Union College is hosting 57 students visiting from Forest Lake Academy (co-sponsored by the Division of Business and Computer Science). Please show them the warm Union Spirit that we are so proud of!

❖ **Enga Almeida** will be visiting students on the Southern California tour. If you know of prospective students that she can contact email her at enalmeid@ucollege.edu.

❖ **Becky Dewey** has taken on a new role on the enrollment team as the Guest Experience Coordinator. Becky's new duties include oversight of all prospective student campus visits including individual visits, college days, and preview events. Centralizing the visit program will further enhance guests' experience at Union.

❖ **Spring 2010 Preview Days:** January 28-30, March 4-6, March 25-27, April 15-17, April 22-24

Student Financial Matters

❖ **Students** it is time to file your 2010-2011 FAFSA! Remember you have to file it every year. The funds are "first-come, first-serve" so go online to www.fafsa.ed.gov to complete the form ASAP. Any questions? Contact your helpful Financial Aid Advisor.

Teacher knows best

Two college seniors had a week of exams coming up. They decided to party instead. Their biggest exam was on Wednesday and they showed up telling the professor that their car had broken down the night before due to a very flat tire and they needed a bit more time to study.

The professor told them that they could have another day to study. That evening, both of the boys crammed all night until they were sure that they knew just about everything.

Arriving to class the next morning, each boy was told to go to two separate

classrooms to take the exam. Each boy just shrugged and went to two different parts of the building.

As each sat down, they read the first question.

"For 5 points, explain the contents of an atom."

At this point, they both thought that this was going to be a piece of cake, and answered the question with ease.

Then, the test continued.

"For 95 points, tell me which tire it was."

World-wide Adventist News

❖ In Uganda, the **Adventist Church** is taking a stand against punishments, such as jail time and death, for homosexuals. The statement affirmed the church's stand on human dignity in opposition for such laws.

❖ The Adventist Church **President Jan Paulsen** celebrated his 75th birthday on January 5.

❖ **Malawian national and regional leaders and thousands of community members** participated in a 15-day campaign to end gender-based violence in December. The campaign is part of the Seventh-day Adventist Church's global anti-violence campaign, **EndItNow**, coordinated by the Women's Ministries Department and the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA).

❖ *News was taken from the Adventist News Network: <http://news.adventist.org/>*

Keeping connected

Union College is branching out to students, alumni, and staff in more creative ways. Here are some ways to find Union on the web:

On Facebook:

- ❖ Union College-Lincoln, Nebraska
- ❖ Union College ASB
- ❖ Union College Campus Ministries
- ❖ Union College Library
- ❖ Amnesty International (Union College chapter)

On blogs:

- ❖ Rees Hall news flash: <http://rhnews-flash.blogspot.com/>

Brain Teaser

❖ A man was to be sentenced, and the judge told him, "You may make a statement. If it is true, I'll sentence you to four years in prison. If it is false, I'll sentence you to six years in prison." After the man made his statement, the judge decided to let him go free. What did the man say?

Answer: He said, "You'll sentence me to six years in prison." If it was true, then the judge would have to make it false by sentencing him to four years. If it was false, then he would have to give him six years, which would make it true. Rather than contradict his own word, the judge set the man free.

Web Tip

❖ If you're looking for student workers, either for this semester or planning ahead for the summer and next year, contact Wilma Darcy (widarcy@ucollege.edu) to have them included on the Web site (www.ucollege.edu/student-jobs). Wilma needs to know the job title, a brief description of the job, number or hours or times needed and the skills requirements.

Next content deadline Jan. 26

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