

# CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS

September 23, 2005

Highlighting news at Union College

## CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ On Oct. 2, the volunteer effort to canvass Lincoln to collect quarters and other change for **Friendship Home**, a center for victims of domestic violence, will begin and end at Union College. Last year \$140,000 was collected. To get involved—with a team or individually—ask team leaders **Sharon Russell** (ext. 2545) or **Josh Otis** (405.921.6601); or check out [www.friendshiphome.org/safequarters](http://www.friendshiphome.org/safequarters).
- ◆ On Oct. 4, a **General Student Recital** will be held a 7 p.m. in the Engel Recital Hall.
- ◆ Everyone is invited to join two-person teams to participate in a CABLE sponsored **disc golf tournament** planned for Oct. 7, from 2-5 p.m. The sign up sheet, free discs and score cards are available in Campus Ministries. Money donations for Red Cross will be accepted. For more information contact **Nathan Shields** (617-8489).
- ◆ Described as “classical music with a twist of pop,” **Mac Frampton and the Three Penny Symphony** will perform “Pop! Go the Classics” on Oct. 8 in the Thunderdome 8:30 p.m. The event is free to faculty and students; \$8 for community.
- ◆ Donations for **Nate Bollinger**, a former student involved in a car accident on Sept. 5, are being collected at Papa John’s and Wells Fargo Bank. Bollinger received major head trauma and has stayed in intensive care at Bryan Hospital since the accident.
- ◆ On Sept. 11, 31 individuals and 13 teams participated in Union’s second annual CABL Triathlon at Branched Oak Recreation Area. Employee participants included **Rich Carlson**, an individual entree finishing at 76:18; **Linda Becker, Stan Hardt**, and **Sharon Russell**, a team finishing at 68:34; **Malcolm, Ferdie** and **Seth Gaskin**, a team finishing at 72:12. For information on the first place finishers, check out “Current News” at [www.ucollege.edu](http://www.ucollege.edu).
- ◆ There are **new phone numbers** for Student Financial Services: **Eldina Blue** (ext. 2072) and **Linda Harral** (ext. 2071).

## ACCREDITATION NOTICE

- ◆ The Union College **Nursing Program** will participate in a **CCNE accreditation** site visit Nov. 7-9. The CCNE requires that the Nursing Program provide an opportunity for affected parties, including the college community and alumni, to provide written input into the deliberations of the evaluation team. Therefore, written and signed third party comments will be accepted by the CCNE until 30 days prior to the visit (Oct. 8). Comments may be sent to:

Attn: Ms. Sarah Jameson, Accreditation Assistant  
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education  
One DuPont Circle, NW  
Suite 530  
Washington, DC 20036  
Fax: 202-887-8476  
email: [wwwsjameson@aacn.nche.edu](mailto:wwwsjameson@aacn.nche.edu)

## EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- ◆ **Linda Becker** attended the **Oxford Roundtable** in England from July 10-15. Becker presented her paper entitled, “Collaborating to Create a Leadership Development Program at Union College.” Twenty-two people from the United States and United Kingdom were present. According to Becker, “It was an academic Disneyland experience!”
- ◆ On Sept. 18, **Chris and Yolanda Blake, Ashley Bohlender, Tanya Cochran, Rebecca Johnson, Ben Barber, Nate Johnson, Becka Noble, Justin Okimi, Nathan Shields, Adam Shipowick, Elizabeth Quispe** and **Julian Nelson** heard Arun Gandhi (Gandhi’s grandson)’s on “Lessons I Learned from My Grandfather” at the Omaha Civic Auditorium.
- ◆ **Sylvester Case** was a guest speaker at the Ohio Conference mini campmeeting from Sept. 1-4.
- ◆ **Tanya Cochran** passed her second comprehensive exam in her doctoral studies. Cochran took the test Sept. 1 in Atlanta, Ga.
- ◆ **Janya Mekelburg** won an 1,000-page gourmet cookbook for her humorous story to be published in the Fall 2005 ESL/ELT Academic Success Newsletter issued by Houghton Mifflin Publishers.

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## NEW OFFICERS

◆ Class officers this year are:

### Seniors

President **Missy Moutray**

Vice-president **Mindy Mekelburg**

Secretary **Becky Barcelow**

Treasurer **Othnel Belford**

Pastor **Jared Miller**

Parliamentarian **Aaron Purkeypile**

Sponsors **Barry Forbes** and **Malcolm Gaskin**

### Juniors

President **Shelli Johnson**

Vice-president **Jesse Proctor**

Secretary **Claudia Pech**

Treasurer **Lisa Kemper**

Pastor **Antonio Lopez**

Parliamentarian **Sirak James**

Sponsors **Tom Shepherd** and **Jim McClelland**

### Sophomores

President **Beth-Ann Laspe**

Vice-president **Nat Beedle**

Secretary **Sarah Rieke**

Treasurer **Tara Taylor**

Pastor **John Miller**

Parliamentarian **Tony Pacini**

Sponsors **Chris Blake** and **Donene Caster**

### Freshmen

President **Kristi Joiner**

Vice-president **Joe Okimi**

Secretary **Katie Hassen**

Treasurer **Chris Gutierrez**

Pastor **Mic Henton**

Parliamentarian **Billy Furr**

Sponsors **Richard Webb** and **Kim Steiner**

◆ **Nursing Club** officers:

President **James Wilson**

Vice-president **Mulenga Mundende**

Communications Coordinator **Christal King**

Treasurer **Kirsten Bascom**

◆ This year's senators are: **Becky Hennlein, Hannah Wiegand, Marci Scott, Shelli Johnson, Shawna Kolbeck, Laura Zumwalt, Sierra Phillips, Ruby Gutierrez, Jason Meyers, Scott Murray, Nat Beedle, Brendan Nieto, Phil Stokes, Zak Adams, Juan Carlos Huerta, Charles Marino, Jessica Dorval, Jon Korf** and **Nathan Krehbiel**.

## KUDOS

◆ Thank you to **Greg Okimi, Evelyn Moen and all of the student library staff** who planned and made this year's library fair a success. Principal members of the team whose creativity inspired the rest of the staff

include **Kristy Thurber, Malisa McGowan, Chelsea McIlwain, Todd Richardson, Lori Gibbs and Felina Cordova**. ~Sabrina Riley

◆ Enrollment and Student Financial Services is starting a recognition program celebrating the outstanding work and professionalism of two enrollment-related student departments each month. The first awards go to **Huda McClelland's** assistant, **Wa'el Alfy**, and the First Impressions team, **Katie Hassen, Katelyn Rabanal, Shamila Simister** and **Ruby Gutierrez** (team leader). Enrollment and Student Financial Services employs 45 students in 15 departments.

◆ **Elizabeth K. Rodacker-Borgens** and her Advanced Reading ESL students attended a lecture by Dr. Jean Killborne at the Nebraska Wesleyan University. Killborne is an expert on advertising and its influence on addictions to tobacco/alcohol and advertising images of women.

◆ **Kate Simmons** won a grant from the Nebraskan Sustainable Agricultural Society for her help teaching conversational English to refugees and immigrants at the 46th Street Community Garden.

## CAMPUS TRIVIA

◆ How did **Forty-niners' Field** receive its name? Funding for updates for the field were presented by the class of 1949 during their 40th reunion in honor of four classmates. A plaque near the field's entrance states, "The original Forty-niners athletic field was dedicated to the memory of four Union College heroes who lost their lives in World War II: Henry H. Kramer, Dr. Aaron E. Oswald, Homer H. Uglow, Dr. E. Marion Wade."

◆ What upcoming milestone will **George Stone School** be celebrating?

## WEB TIP

◆ Check out the **re-designed Peanut Gallery** under "Student Services" on Union's Web site.

### Share in the conversation.

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*Edited by Becky Dewey*