

CAMPUS CONVERSATIONS

HIGHLIGHTING NEWS AT UNION COLLEGE

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CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ On May 15, **208 associate and baccalaureate degrees** were awarded to **198 students** in College View church. The service recognized 31 graduates from December 2004, 121 May graduates and 46 prospective August graduates. In addition, **14 English as a Second Language students** received recognition for passing the Test of English as a Foreign Language.
 - ◆ In **Prescott Hall**, corrosion in the galvanized pipes has restricted the water flow. Over the summer, plumbing in the men's residence hall is being drastically renovated.
 - ◆ From July 14 to Aug. 5, Union College's ESL department will be holding a **conversational English workshop** for Japanese nurses. This is the **sixth consecutive year** for the three-week session. The students will visit local hospitals and experience a few regional attractions during their stay.
- ## KUDOS
- ◆ At a recent Adventist Enrollment Association conference, Union's recruiting staff were prominent during a light-hearted awards ceremony. **Rebecca Johnson** was named most adorable, **Nathan Shields** was named best dressed, and **Buell Fogg** was named most likely to know a student's name from two years ago, most cheerful morning person and best travel companion.
 - ◆ First-year physician assistant student **Jim Growney** was recognized at Memorial Day services in Orlando, Fla., where he received a **\$1,250 scholarship**. **Christopher Darst**, **Rob Lamberton** and **Misty Roemeling** were recognized at the Academy of Physician Assistants' April meeting in Kearney, Neb., where they **each received \$1,000**.
 - ◆ Thanks to all who participated in the alternate date **American Heart Walk** on campus in May. Union employees met the campus fundraising goal of \$1,000 for the American Heart Association.

COMMUNITY

- ◆ ESL instructor **Beth Rodacker-Borgens** and Union student **Kate Simmons** are assisting with a free conversational English class for **immigrants and refugees**, held Sunday evenings at 5:30 at the community garden at the corner of 46th and Pioneers.

TRAVEL

- ◆ **Osa Berg** organized and sponsored a trip to **Tuscany**, May 17-27, where fellow faculty members **Barry** and **Lisa Forbes**, along with **19 students**, visited **Florence**, **Siena**, and took a night tour of **Rome**.
- ◆ **Jeff Joiner**, **Charlotte Schober** and **Laura Karges** led a group of Frontier Nursing students to the **Tasba Raya Adventist Clinic** in Nicaragua. The group treated **more than 1,500 patients**, May 23-June 6.
- ◆ **Tom Shepherd** and **Malcolm Gaskin**, along with students **Jessica Blood**, **Jason Bohl**, **Robert Christensen**, **John Miller II**, **Lawren Morrison**, **Christy Parfet**, **Aaron Purkeypile**, **Elique Semaboye**, **Kerri Tory**, and **Jared** and **Tonya Wright** will each present 19 sermons in 16 days in Rwanda, July 15-30.

GC SESSION

- ◆ Union will be well represented during the **2005 General Conference session** in St. Louis, June 30-July 9. A team of administrators, faculty and staff will greet General Conference participants at Union's booth. In addition, **37 Union students** will serve as the event ambassadors. Coordinated by **Ashley Bohlender**, these students will assist attendees with directions and general information during the 10-day conference.

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