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## Upcoming Events

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• **New Student Barbecue**, Thursday, Aug. 14, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Dubuis Lawn. New students and their families are invited to enjoy a free lunch. This event will also serve as a great opportunity to meet other fellow Cardinals.

• **Cardinal Camp**, Friday, Aug. 15, and Saturday, Aug. 16. Location: John Newcombe Tennis Ranch. Campus Life is host for the two-day Cardinal Camp that will serve as an opportunity for incoming students to meet other fellow Cardinals, have fun and learn about life at UIW. Additional activities include high and low ropes, small-group times with returning UIW students and team-building exercises.

• **New Graduate Student and Family Orientation** Saturday, Aug. 16 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Marian Hall Ballroom. Fall 2014 orientation for new graduate students and their families provides them both with a sense of belonging to the UIW community. The orientation has three tracks: student track, family track, and the Little Cardinals track.

• **Welcome Mass and Barbecue**, Sunday, Aug. 17, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Locations: Our Lady's Chapel for Mass and Dubuis Lawn for the barbecue. Students and their families are invited to attend the first Mass of the academic school year.

• **UIW River Jam** Monday, Aug. 18, 4-7 p.m., river bank behind Barshop Natatorium). Students are invited to take a break from the first day of classes and enjoy free food and live music featuring country music singer Kyle Park.

• **Hynoptist-Mentalist Show**, Thursday, Aug. 21, Marian Hall Ballroom. Features a Las Vegas act -- Rich Ames and his wife, Marielle.



Marielle and Rich Ames

## Agnese hits 30 years serving as president

By Valerie Bustamante  
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Dr. Louis J. Agnese Jr.

Dr. Louis J. Agnese Jr. celebrated the beginning of his 30th anniversary as the University of the Incarnate Word's president in a special Mass and reception Aug. 4.

The Rev. Dr. Tom Dymowski, chaplain for University Mission and Ministry, led the Mass in Our Lady's Chapel. A reception followed in Marian Hall Student Center.

"Decades ago (Agnese) accepted (as president) to continue the message the original Sisters of the Charity of the Incarnate Word had set off to do," keeping with their mission of faith, service, innovation, and education, Dymowski said at the Mass.

Agnese and his wife, Mickey, brought in the Eucharist for the Mass. The couple -- celebrating their 40th anniversary -- were together this spring as the president took his second sabbatical since coming to UIW in 1985. He took his first -- a two-month stint -- in 1990.

When Agnese first came to what was then known as Incarnate

Word College, he was one of the youngest presidents in the country for a four-year institution. Now he's among a few who've served as long as he has and he's in charge of a faith-based, Hispanic-serving institution that's No. 1 nationally in terms of the number of graduating Hispanics.

During his remarks at the Mass, Agnese recalled when he first became president how stunned he was about the flooding that use to occur in the basement of the fine arts building. Now a major construction project is almost done for that facility. UIW has experienced unprecedented growth and professional schools have been started in pharmacy, optometry and physical therapy. Next on the agenda is the opening of an osteopathic medicine school in 2016.

Agnese's second sabbatical -- sailing around the world from January to June -- was taken in regards to their marriage anniversary and to attend to his wife's health.

"I'm a good doctor," Agnese quipped as he asked Mickey Agnese to stand in the chapel. "I am very thankful. My wife and I we started a journey in January. We [took] to celebrate our 40th anniversary of marriage [and so] we could focus on Mickey's health. We have accomplished that."

## Welcome Week boasts concert, hypnotic show

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Come one, come all. The University of the Incarnate Word is preparing the biggest event of the fall -- Welcome Week 2014.

Welcome Week, which will include country music and hynoptic shows, is one of the most interactive series of events that the Office of Campus Life hosts in an effort to welcome new and returning students from summer vacation.

Freshmen will receive a special welcome Thursday, Aug. 14, as they're assisted by Campus Life volunteers from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A free barbecue hosted by Campus Life and the Office of Residence Life takes place 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Dubuis Lawn. At 6 in the evening, the traditional

freshman pinning ceremony will take place in Alice McDermott Convocation Center.

Several new students are expected to participate Friday, Aug. 15, and Saturday, Aug. 16, in Cardinal Camp at John Newcombe Tennis Ranch. For \$50, students will learn about UIW traditions while meeting new people during a variety of activities including high and low ropes as well as time by the pool.

If you like to party, Residence Life's Cardinal Crawl will be taking place at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, beginning on Dubuis Lawn for students who are looking for various parties where they will be provided with live music, free food and free T-shirts.

A Welcome Mass is scheduled at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at Our Lady's Chapel in the Administration Building. After the Mass sponsored by University Mission and Ministry, a free barbecue will fire up on Dubuis Lawn.

After students attend their first day of class Monday, Aug. 18, they can hear country singer

Kyle Park from 4 to 7 p.m. during the UIW River Jam -- hosted by University Events and Student Programs -- near Barshop Natatorium. Several faculty and staff from different UIW schools also will be in booths set up near the San Antonio River.

From 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, students can take photographs with friends and have it made into a personalized phone cover at Marian Hall Student Center, thanks to the cosponsorship of University Events, Student Programs and the Student Center. From 4:30 to 6:30 that evening, students interested in Greek Life can "Meet



Country music singer Kyle Park will headline the second annual UIW River Jam on Aug. 18.

the Greeks" on Dubuis Lawn.

On Wednesday, Aug. 20, University Events, Student Programs and the Student Center will sponsor a Beverage Wrap event at Marian Hall where they can have a picture taken 11 a.m.-2 p.m. that will be printed on a koozie -- for free. From 4:30 to 6:30 that evening, Sorority Info Night will be held in Marian Hall Ballroom. And the night won't be over as the Campus Activities Board presents a free "Paint Party" from 9 p.m. to midnight in Ancira Parking Garage. Students are asked to come dressed in white clothes as they count down to the paint drop.

On Thursday, Aug. 21, the Student Government Association will hold its Student Activities Fair from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Westgate Circle area. That evening from 6 to 8 in Marian Hall Ballroom, students can take in a Las Vegas act -- hypnotist-mentalists Rich Ames and his wife, Marielle -- sponsored by university events and student programs.

On Aug. 27, University Mission and Ministry has scheduled the traditional Mass of the Holy Spirit at noon in Our Lady's Chapel.

Last year, an estimated 6,500 attended Welcome Week events. This year is also expected to draw a crowd of Cardinals flocking together to start the new academic year right.

## UIW hires security firm to help out police

The University of the Incarnate Word is contracting a security firm which staffs some off-campus properties to temporarily help out on the main campus until more police officers are hired.

"The UIW Police Department is experiencing some challenging times, from staffing to construction," according to an Aug. 8 statement issued by Doug Endsley, vice president of business and finance. Endsley oversees campus security.

"We are in the process of reviewing potential police officer candidates to increase our staffing census," the statement read. "Until then, we have contracted with Allied Barton Security to provide support staff for the UIW main campus."

UIW has used Allied Barton for several years. Their armed personnel are stationed during business hours at the Bowden Eye Care and Health Center, Pecan Valley Center, Saidoff Center (also known

as the School of Physical Therapy), and the Rosenberg School of Optometry (also known as Datapoint).

Allied Barton will reportedly provide armed personnel that will help staff two positions per shift until the shifts are appropriately staffed.

"The primary responsibility of Allied Barton is to observe and report," the statement read. "During business hours, they will assist with campus patrols, on-campus traffic control, at key locations on campus and general public assistance. The Allied Barton staff will be patrolling on foot or in their appropriately marked golf cart. In the evening and overnight hours, they will be tasked with manning two entry checkpoints, while the UIW Police staff focus on providing services to our community."





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## Cease-fire returns in Gaza

A cease-fire has been issued for three days in Gaza for people to return to inspect if any damage has been done to their belongings. The Israeli-Gaza conflict has been occurring for more than a month. An estimated 1,875 Palestinians have died, and 64 Israeli soldiers and three civilians have been killed during the conflict.

## Ebola causes worry

The recent outbreak of Ebola that has been spreading well across West Africa and has become an international health crisis in the last month is believed to have originated from a village in Guinea. Patient Zero is believed to have been a 2-year-old boy who died Dec. 6, 2013. Thereafter, the child's mother, 3-year-old sister, and grandmother died of similar complications that same month. This outbreak has become an international crisis for the reason there is no vaccine, and the mortality rate is very high.



## Comic Robin Williams dies

Comedic icon Robin Williams, 63, was found dead on Aug. 11 – reportedly hanging himself. His death has had a great impact on many due to his varied film roles which seemed to have served as life lessons. President Barack Obama issued a statement following the actor's death.

## Two-headed dolphin found

A two-headed dolphin carcass washed ashore on a Turkish beach in Izmir on the west coast. The dead dolphin that washed ashore was believed to be of a year-old calf. Associate Professor Mehmet Gokoglu, from the Department of Marine-Biology at Ak Deniz University, said the occurrence of conjoined twins in dolphins is as rare as conjoined twins in humans, which indicates further research will be done regarding this case.



Valeria Gomez



Vanessa Nunez



Nicole Garcia



Monica Conlee



Steven Puente



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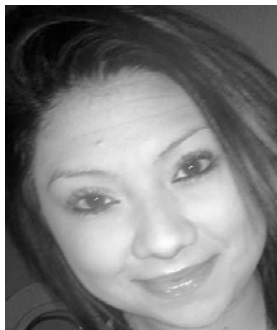
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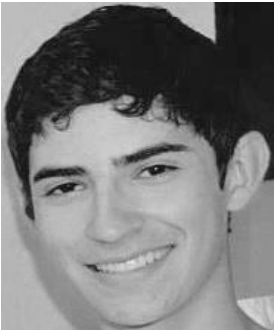
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Mercedes Luna



Mariah Johnson



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Elizabeth Vela



Robert Almendariz

# Thirty peer mentors to advise new students

Thirty University of the Incarnate Word students will earn a \$1,000 scholarship each semester they serve as peer mentors to freshmen this academic year in the First Year Engagement program.

Incoming freshmen are assigned peer mentors who help their mentees keep up-to-date with campus activities and registration deadlines, said Rochelle Ramirez, an adviser for First Year who manages the peer mentors.

The peer mentors, who were selected last spring, represent a variety of majors.

Peer mentors – including their majors and hometowns – are:

- Robert Aramendiz, a junior international business major from Presidio, Texas.
- Isaac Banda, a sophomore double majoring in rehabilitation science and athletic training from San Antonio.
- Jacob Bloodworth, a second-semester freshmen vision science major from The Woodlands, Texas.
- Laura Caballero, a sophomore psychology major from San Antonio.
- Jorge Compean, a senior business administration major from San Antonio.
- Monica Conlee, a sophomore psychology major from San Antonio.
- Nicole Garcia, a sophomore environmental science major from San Antonio.
- Amanda Gamez, a sophomore nursing major from San Antonio.
- Valeria Gomez, a junior political science major from Brownsville, Texas.
- Desiree Guardiola, a junior criminal justice and psychology major from San Antonio.

- Bella Herbsleb, a senior business administration major from New Braunfels.
- Mariah Johnson, a senior mathematics major from Llano, Texas.
- Antoinette King, a sophomore psychology major from Dallas.
- Mercedes Luna, a senior communication arts major from San Antonio.
- Alex Martinez, a senior vision science major from San Antonio.
- Marcos Mora, a senior business management major from Lubbock.
- Mario Mora, a junior business management major from Lubbock.
- Dominique Moss, a biology major from San Jose, Calif.
- Vanessa Nunez, a senior international business major from Alpine, Texas.
- Alix Pena, a junior financial economics major from Floresville.
- Bianca Peralta, a senior business administration major from El Paso.
- Justin Puente, a senior marketing major from San Antonio.
- Steven Puente, a senior business management major from San Antonio.
- Alexis Reynolds, a senior business administration major from Mexico.
- Oscar Salazar, a senior communication arts major from Cotulla, Texas.
- Alex Shipley, a senior communication arts major from San Antonio.
- Miriam Thomas, a senior communication arts major from San Antonio.
- Cyntya Uriegas, a junior kinesiology major from Uvalde.
- Elizabeth Vela, a senior psychology major from San Antonio.
- Miguel Velez, a junior marketing major from San Antonio.





## Study Abroad: Preparing for a semester in Rome

By Darlene Jasso  
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Have you ever wondered what life is about?

If you have seen the “Lizzie McGuire Movie,” then you might have sang that first line rather than read it. And I’m sure you’ve wanted to be like Lizzie and go to Rome to find out what life is about. I know I have, and this semester I get the privilege of following that dream because... this is what dreams are made of!

Now, going abroad has a lot more preparation than just getting a passport and buying a plane ticket. For me it’s been noting but dedication and determination. Determination to save up enough money for me to survive in Europe for four months, and dedication to achieve my academic goals to enable me to study abroad.

My study-abroad preparation has been ongoing for the past three years. From my very first day of class as a freshman at the University of the Incarnate Word, I knew I wanted to study abroad at John Cabot University in Rome, Italy. Just three short, fast, amazing years later I get to go to class just blocks away from the Vatican on the first day of my senior year -- and I couldn’t be more excited.

Although, dreaming of going and “actually” going are two totally different things. Therefore, I have no clue what to expect exactly. I’ve heard so many stories from some of my friends who have gone in the past, but those are just stories from their experience. I am a different person; therefore, my experience will be different from theirs.

The only thing I know is it is going to be “amazing.” But even something so amazing has its fears and anxieties. I think the word to describe my feelings the most about the soon-to-come experience is that I am very anxious. Of course, I’m excited to be living in ROME for the next four months, but I’m also nervous because of what I stated before -- I have no clue what to expect.

What if this happens? Or that? Or what if this doesn’t happen? There’s all these random questions that run through my head as I prepare for the experience of a lifetime. I’ve been abroad before, but just below Texas to Belize. And that was only for one week, not four months; I was with a group from my church, not alone; and the time difference was zero, not seven hours ahead.

As my time to depart the United States nears close, I begin my final preparations such as obtaining my visa, purchasing last-minute necessities, applying for graduation (because when I come back in the spring I will be in my final semester at UIW), and going to the bank to let them know I will be fleeing the country!

Some of the items that needed to be done far in advance include purchasing my plane ticket, registering for the proper classes, and applying for scholarships to help me out financially.

As I said in the beginning, I’ve been preparing for this journey since the beginning of college, and it has definitely paid off because my last year consists mostly of electives. Therefore, my semester abroad I will be taking Photojournalism, Drawing-Rome sketchbook, Introductory Italian (that way I will hopefully be able to understand some words Pope Francis says during his homily), and History of Rome and Italy (OK, that one is for my history credit, but it’s about Rome in Rome, so that’s pretty cool).

All my planning and preparation for my abroad experience will be very rewarding, and all my determination and dedication will soon pay off. It seems nearly impossible that I will be boarding my plane to Europe very soon. It feels so unreal. This is what dreams are made of right?! I can’t wait to eat gelato every day, become Pope Francis’ favorite altar boy, and live life like the Romans do! Until next time, arrivederci!

E-mail Jasso, who will be sharing her Rome experiences in future issues of the Logos this fall, at [dajasso@student.uiwtx.edu](mailto:dajasso@student.uiwtx.edu)



Darlene Jasso is packing her suitcase for a Rome trip.

## Fashion: Comfort, confidence highlight back-to-school trends



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The summer has come to an end and it is time to start getting ready for the new school year.

There is a new of batch of freshmen coming in worried and scared about everything. While they are worried about tests and making sure they have everything they need for their classes, they are also thinking about their new outfits.

There are so many things to be worried about, even when it comes to shopping for back-to-school outfits. It has become such a worry that there have been events put in to place to get people excited and make them more willing to go out and spend money on back-to-school clothing. One event known all over the city is tax-free weekend. People fill the stores trying to save that little bit on the perfect outfit to start the year.

Shopping for the new school year can be different than regular shopping; the goal is about trying to establish identity through the perfect outfit. That’s the main focus

when picking back-to-school fashions -- getting something that expresses charm. This is something I do when I shop for the new school year. I look for clothes that make me feel comfortable and that I like. Getting that perfect piece that will help me make it through the day without having to worry. The piece in my back-to-school wardrobe that does this for me is my jacket. There are so many jackets in my closet I can’t count them but it is the piece that makes me think my outfit is complete. I feel comfortable and it gives me the confidence that helps me let my worries go. If there are any worries about that perfect first-day-of-school outfit, that is the key to finding it.

Look for the pieces of the outfit that make it comfortable, but that still gives the confidence needed to make it through the first day. Whether it is that favorite pair of jeans that has made it through the years and has every rip to prove it or it is that new pair of boots that could not have stayed in the store, pick out things that will make this new transition easier to bear.

Do not spend time worrying about back-to-school shopping. Have fun and get the things that are comfortable and fun.

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## UIW continues to promote sustainability

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The University of the Incarnate Word has been hard at work over the last few years trying to create an environmentally sustainable campus.

Interest in sustainability isn’t something new to UIW. Since 2008, when the university first started participating in a recycling program, proponents have been working on many different ways to make the campus more environmentally friendly. With help from faculty, staff and students, sustainability awareness is growing rapidly.

The university’s recycling program is a single-stream program, which includes blue-colored containers inside and outside of buildings on campus that are used to recycle paper, plastic bottles, aluminum cans and small cardboard. The Aramark housekeeping staff empties these blue containers into larger green containers that are then towed to the back of campus and picked up by Waste Management.

“We have a large container to collect paper in back by the baseball field. This is picked up by Abitibi Recycling,” said Dr. Bob Connelly, co-chair of the UIW Sustainability Committee, a group of faculty, staff, students and alumni who promote recycling and other sustainability efforts at the university. “We also have a big machine behind the football/soccer field for compressing and recycling cardboard boxes.”

In 2008, the UIW Engineering Department also built the solar HOUSE of CARDS, a model sustainability living lab that received Platinum Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design Certification, the highest rating possible a new building to be awarded.

In 2013, the lab received the Green Building Award Honorable Mention from the San Antonio Office of Environmental Policy.

Student Government Association President Stephen Lucke and volunteers have created and been maintaining a garden behind the Gorman Building, and have also been sharing its produce with the university. Although there are plans to find another location for the Holy Land Garden on campus, it still serves as an important interfaith opportunity to the school. The garden has been used in the past by religious studies classes of Sister Martha Ann Kirk and biology classes of Dr. Ric Peigler.

The UIW Interfaith Council is also taking a lead in sustainability efforts. The council has become partners with CIELO Gardens – Community, Interfaith Interaction, Education, Literacy, and Opportunity. It offers off-campus learning, socializing, and service opportunities that provide gardening activities to refugees recently resettled in San Antonio.

UIW also has teamed up with Ella Austin Community Center and Carroll Early Childhood Education Center, and have become involved in other outreach services that assist in building and maintaining gardens in San Antonio. Working

together on the effort are Dr. Jeff Crane, a member of the Sustainability Committee and associate dean of the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, and the UIW Center for Civic Leadership.

On Earth Day this year, the late Dr. Patricia Lieveld, a UIW pharmacy professor, was awarded the Bill Mulcahy Award for Ecological Stewardship. Lieveld became involved with the Sisters’ ministry, Women’s Global Connection, and did research in Bukoba, Tanzania, where she trained women to build rainwater harvesters and educated them about safe water methods. To date, 12 harvesters have been built that benefit 500 villagers.

An Earth Day panel included presentations by Dr. Javier Arjona-Baez, an engineering professor, on his windmill and future placement of a windmill(s) on campus; Lucke on community garden(s) and the SGA Legacy Fund; Daniel Potter, project manager, on the solar house; and Dr. Kevin Salfen, an assistant professor of music, on the activities of the Green Education Committee, a subcommittee of the UIW Sustainability Committee.

Soon after on May 23, the Green Education Committee, a subcommittee of the UIW Sustainability Committee, with support from the Provost’s Office, hosted a workshop titled “Sustainability and Student Learning: What’s Happening at Local Universities/Colleges.” Joining UIW were other universities such as Trinity, University of Texas at San Antonio, St. Edward’s University from Austin and the Alamo Colleges.

“Presenters focused on (1) classroom teaching efforts, (2) out-of-classroom teaching efforts, (3) efforts at increasing student participation in activities focusing on environmental sustainability on each campus, and (4) faculty efforts at receiving institutional support for sustainability activities,” said Connelly, one of the presenters at the workshop.

Other presenters included UIW’s Salfen and Dr. Helen Smith, a pharmacy professor.

The university has also purchased a golf cart this year from Aramark, which provides housekeeping, that has been converted to run on solar power.

To add to the university’s recent climbing sustainability efforts, Aramark has been using two innovative electrically activated water system called Hydris, that leaves less residue on floors and reduces the emission of chemical aerosol odors, making

it ultimately safer for people.

“No other cleaning company in San Antonio will be able to match our sustainability efforts, because UIW was the first location in San Antonio to receive this new technology,” said Aramark’s Julian Gonzalez, a UIW graduate who serves as the company’s director of custodial services.





## SGA expects active year using new Legacy Fund

The eight-member Executive Council of the Student Government Association still has two paid positions open for what's anticipated to be a busy year, the president said.

Stephen Lucke is returning to lead the SGA after serving as year as vice president to Jonathan Guajardo. Guajardo, who is in his last semester working on a master's degree in communication arts with a concentration in convergent media, originally served as an SGA intern during Lucke's first term, but went on to oust Lucke and serve three years in a row.

Lucke, a native of St. Anthony, Texas, who is working on his master's in multidisciplinary studies with a concentration in exercise nutrition, already has an ambitious agenda including the administration of the Legacy Fund approved by students last year.

"As president my overall goal is to increase the comradery of our community while simultaneously progressing the activism of our student body," he said.

He first wants to fill council openings for a new attorney general position and the other for director of public relations.

The SGA Activities Fair, which allows student organizations to make pitches to new and returning students, is set 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21. He's also changing the SGA General Assembly meetings from the traditional noon Wednesday meetings to Tuesday evenings beginning 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26, with a new SGA Social Hour to follow that first assembly meeting. And he's starting a "Fab Freshmen" group for "all freshmen interested in getting involved with (the) SGA."

As soon as possible, Lucke said he wants to see all Senate positions filled with three slots for freshmen, four for residents, four for commuters, one for an international student, one for athletics, and seven for academic schools. Also, he's looking for five "student stewards" to become a part of the SGA Environmental Sustainability movement.

As an incentive, the senators and stewards "will be compensated," he said.

Other Executive Council members on board include Vice President Brayan

Quintela, a San Antonio native majoring in chemistry who has been charged with getting the Senate positions filled. Quintela said his goal is, "To improve the Senate as a branch of the student government and to increase high-quality leadership at the student level."

Treasurer Alyssa Martin, an accounting major from San Antonio, has this goal: "My goal is to make sure the new Legacy Fund is appropriated within budget in the best way possible to positively impact both current students and those of the future."

Chief of Staff Desmond Ndikum, who is double majoring in philosophy and pastoral Ministry, wants "to leave UIW a better place for students than when I enrolled." He also has been charged with being the contact for the Fab Freshmen movement.

Political science major Jackie Cacayeron, a native of Brownsville, Texas, is returning as secretary. "I want to improve the student experience, and gain knowledge to continue moving up in SGA," she said.

New Parliamentarian Mariah Johnson, a mathematics major from Llano, Texas, said, "one of my goals as a SGA officer is to get more involvement from the student organizations. I also would like to impact all UIW students with the new Legacy Fund."

Lucke said the director of public relations would create fliers to promote SGA activities, manage social media and sit on administrative committees. The new attorney general would "investigate spending of Legacy Fund appropriations," represent student concerns and sit on administrative committees.

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Stephen Lucke



Alyssa Martin



Desmond Ndikum



Jackie Cacayeron



Mariah Johnson



Brayan Quintela

## CAB kicks off year with Paint Party

The Campus Activities Board already has a Paint Party scheduled 9 p.m.-midnight Aug. 20, and the six students – minus one vacancy – on the board are planning more special events.

The students are paid for their work.

Claudia Zepeda, a senior fashion merchandising major from San Antonio, is returning as CAB president and she's looking for someone to fill a vacant director of external affairs position.

"Every year I want the Campus Activities Board to improve on all aspects," Zepeda said. "This year I really want to focus on brand awareness. I want all of UIW to know who we are and what we stand for as an organization."

"CAB is an organization that promotes student unity in a fun and enjoyable way. With the help of the students we can achieve our goal and spread the word across campus. I am very excited about what we have to offer for this 2014-2015 school year."

Business marketing major Victoria Escamilla of San Antonio is serving as vice president.

"I hope to make our events bigger and better for our students to enjoy," Escamilla said.

Jennifer Gonzales, who served as finance director last year, is taking on a new role: director of marketing.

"As director of marketing I plan to make our events look exciting and fun to the UIW students," said Gonzales, a marketing major from Rockport, Texas. "I plan on doing this by designing creative fliers for each event that will catch people's eyes. With our events that we will be giving T-shirts away at, I hope to create designs that will attract people to keep coming to our events. I also hope to grow our social

medias and get our name out to more students here at UIW. My main goal overall though, is to get more people out to our events and give them the good time they are expecting."

Celina Aur, who is double majoring in English and biology with a pre-med concentration, is serving as director of administration. The Memphis, Tenn., native said she wants "to guarantee a variety of well-planned-out events that combine positive energy and eclectic activities to form a greater bond within the student body."

Criminal justice major Matthew Guerrero of San Antonio said as CAB's director of finance and operations he wants "to get a full understanding of my position and improve on what others have done in the past."

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# Honors Program students serve in border community

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Ten University of the Incarnate Word Honors Program students and two faculty members spent a week volunteering on the South Texas-Mexico border in June with a non-profit group.

The UIW volunteers took part in a summer volunteer program called Un Verano con ARISE, translated as “A Summer with ARISE.”

ARISE is a non-profit organization in Alamo, Texas, that works with people living in colonias. A colonia, as defined by the Office of the Secretary of State, is “a residential area along the Texas-Mexico border that may lack some of the most basic living necessities, such as potable water and sewer systems, electricity, paved roads, and safe and sanitary housing.”

These colonias are home to a growing number of immigrants from Mexico and Central America who come to America looking for better living situations than what they have in their home countries.

ARISE’s summer volunteer program allows volunteers to visit and stay at the organization’s centers for a week while spending most of their days doing activities and playing games with the children ages 3-12 of the colonias. The UIW volunteers planned a week full of fun, exciting, and interactive activities for the kids to take part in including making pinwheels, playing soccer, and even having a water-balloon fight.

The volunteers said they enjoyed spending time with the children and found it to be a very rewarding experience. The week with the children took their minds off of just volunteering for service hours and made the experience more focused towards social justice, they said.

“The children were loving, therefore I don’t believe we deserved the service hours due to the fact that we were paid with love,” UIW sophomore Alan Amaya said.

This ARISE experience was not only created to supply the children and volunteers with a fun-filled week, but it was meant to inform the volunteers on the physical, economic, and social conditions the immigrants living in the colonias deal with on a daily basis. The UIW group learned some of the immigrants face struggles such as working long hours and not receiving full pay, living in homes that are run-down or were never finished being built, and going to schools where they are guaranteed little to no opportunities to further their education.

However, the citizens of the colonias are slowly overcoming these obstacles thanks to ARISE. ARISE works to help the community members become legal American citizens and also provides them with several classes to help them live better lives in American society. ARISE helps community members learn English, look for jobs, seek medical treatment, and even improve their relationships with friends and family members.

The UIW volunteers were able to learn more about the organization and its goals through many different educational activities. One of these activities was being granted the opportunity to listen to community members’ personal testimonies about crossing the Texas-Mexico border and starting their lives in America.

One woman, Andrea Landeros, told the group how she found out about ARISE and how they helped her. Landeros said ARISE representatives would continuously knock on her door, but she wouldn’t answer because she was too afraid. Landeros later found out they were just trying to help. She ended up visiting ARISE, volunteering with them, and was eventually offered a job with an organization.

Another activity the volunteers were able to do was having lunch with a family in their homes in the colonias. This gave volunteers a chance to really see life through the community members’ perspectives. A portion of the volunteers visited a family where the mother, “Sandy,” cooked a delicious meal. Sandy, whose last



Several University of the Incarnate Word students take a breather at one of their border community stops. name is being withheld, also shared her experience of crossing the border.

“This was one of the most valuable experiences in my life because it opened my eyes to one of the most prevalent and complex issues around me: immigration,” said UIW sophomore Cailyn Crossland.

A few of the other educational experiences included taking a tour of the colonias, visiting the Texas-Mexico border wall, and visiting La Posada Providencia, a shelter for immigrants fleeing from oppression in their home countries.

Altogether, the week of working with children and learning more about immigration and immigrants’ lives opened the volunteers’ eyes to wider perspectives on the state of South Texas and its residents.

“Although I was only there for a week, I believe it truly made a difference, not only to the children I met, but also for the person I am,” said UIW sophomore Megan Pho. “Overall, I am beyond blessed to have made such an impact on a community and all it took was dedication and care.”



Students played games with the children in the border community during their weeklong mission in South Texas. ARISE is a non-profit organization in Alamo, Texas, that works with people living in colonias. A colonia, as defined by the Office of the Secretary of State, is ‘a residential area along the Texas-Mexico border that may lack some of the most basic living necessities, such as potable water and sewer systems, electricity, paved roads, and safe and sanitary housing.’



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## From the Editor's Desk:

By Jenifer Jaffe



# Ready to go to work

Welcome back, Cardinals!

I trust everyone had a fun and eventful summer. I want to begin by saying I am delighted to be the new editor-in-chief of the Logos and I look forward to regrouping with a mix of old and new faces in order to produce an informative and entertaining newspaper for the UIW family.

As the new editor, I want to give everyone a little bit of background information about myself. I am originally from San Antonio and was new to UIW in the spring of 2010 after hopping around between a few schools and cities. I entered UIW unknowing what I wanted to study and without any specific career aspirations. I remember I was taken aback by the kindness and level of involvement of the counselors and teachers at Incarnate Word. With their help, I eventually made the decision to work towards an Accelerated Bachelor's to Master's degree in bilingual communications.

In 2013, I realized I had a passion for journalism. It was then that I aspired to become a part of the Logos family. I had only taken a few core journalism courses and aside from that I did not have any experience in the production of a university newspaper but I so badly wished to learn. I decided to formally apply and after an interview I was given one of the assistant editor positions. I felt tremendously grateful to have been given the opportunity to help produce the Logos.

When I first began working, it became apparent I was completely unaware of the dedication and hard work that goes into creating the paper. I did not know anything about Adobe InDesign and very little about Photoshop. I was fortunate to have had (former Assistant Editor) Paola Cardenas and (last year's editor) Katie Bosworth by my side, not only as my more experienced co-workers, but also as my new friends. I eventually learned the ropes and discovered I truly love working for the paper, which is why I applied to be editor-in-chief this past May.

I can confidently say that joining the Logos team has been one of the best and most rewarding parts of my college career. I have learned so much that can be applied to the working world related and unrelated to journalism. I had only made a few friends throughout my first few years of school prior to joining the Logos family. I am elated and overwhelmingly humbled to be able to continue doing what I love to do and to be surrounded by such wonderful, creative and intelligent people. I welcome anyone who has any comments or suggestions on improving our paper to send me an e-mail. Thank you and I hope everyone has a fantastic fall semester.

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## Overcoming first-day jitters



By Angela Hernandez  
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"The-thunk, the-thunk, the-thunk, the-thunk."

My heartbeat feels as if it is beating a million times a minute as I toss and turn in my bed, and when I finally do fall asleep it's only for a short amount of time until a nightmare jolts me awake again.

My mind starts thinking of all the infinite possibilities of things that could go wrong on the first day of class.

Sunlight starts to peek through my bedroom window; I am still awake from a restless night. I usually spring right out of bed, eager to start the day, but all the anxiety of the night before looms over me as a gray cloud while I start my morning routine.

It used to be that as a little girl the only thing keeping me up the night before school was my excitement rather than fear. I used to be the first one awake, even before my parents. I would have to eagerly shake my mom awake in hopes to get this wondrous day stated sooner. I loved the feeling of gathering all my material and supplies needed for another successful year. I would try on a plethora of outfits trying to find the perfect outfit, whereas now I put on the simplest thing, not worried about impressing anyone in particular.

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, especially on the first day of school. Before, my mom would prepare my sisters and I a huge feast of all our favorite breakfast treats to fuel our bodies and minds. Now I grab a cup of coffee and I am out the door.

The trip to school was full of giddy giggling as a young girl; I was always there earlier than usual being the eager pupil I was. Now I'm on the bus with my music blasting through my headphones trying to make it to class by the skin of my teeth.

Then it's time to go to my first class. The panic hits me again. A bright-red

brick wall in the way of my happiness. I flashback to my first day of kindergarten and I see my younger self breathe in and exhale. I let go of my mom's hand and take the first step to the long journey that is my education. As I see my former pigtailed self waving my mom away, I wave away my anxiety too. A huge weight is lifted off my shoulders.

Animatingly, I understand it does seem silly to be so fearful of something that has been happening to, not only me, but every other student in America. The first day of school is not something new to me. I have been doing this for almost 15 years now.

My feelings about the first day of school don't feel the same way a fear would. To me, the first day of school gives me anxiety that later turns into a panic attack. I have never been diagnosed with anxiety by a physician, only because I feel the problem isn't severe enough to bring up to anyone and as I have gotten older it has become easier.

If it was more serious and I felt the anxiety interfered with my life in larger ways, I would make a point to do something about it. More often than not, I feel if I control my breathing I can calm myself down and find the little girl deep inside me that is still the eager pupil I once was.

The only thing I can compare it to is riding a roller coaster. The slow-rising motion to the top of the first drop is my restless night. Then the panic attacks set in. That's the part where the roller coaster plunges downward, into what you think is your death. From there the craziest thing happens. The roller coaster keeps going. After that first drop the fun begins. That's the best part of the coaster. My anxiety and fear is gone and I can enjoy the rest of the ride. That is exactly how the first day is for me. It's the rest of the roller coaster, the fun part.

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### letters to the editor



## Accepting autism key to non-discriminatory treatment

Autism is a growing issue among families across the United States.

According to the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, the prevalence of autism in children has grown from 1 in 88 in 2008, to 1 in 50 in 2013. This statistic is primarily attributed to advances in autism detection.

The increasing number of children diagnosed with autism brings along the issue of

accepting autism in the community. In each stage of life, people with autism face challenges outside their individual disorders. People with autism develop social difficulties at a young age, and suffer job discrimination as an adult. The first step to

tackling these challenges is encouraging acceptance in the community.

Autistic people pursuing jobs may face discrimination when joining the workforce. Employers can make the decision to choose a similar job applicant just on the preconception an autistic employee would be more complicated to train. ASAN, the Autistic Self Advocacy Network, reported in 2012 the federal government took a step in hiring the disabled indiscriminately when creating "Executive Order 13548, instructing the federal government to work to increase

the representation of people with disabilities within the federal workforce."

Programs such as Executive Order 13548 are examples of progressive movements that deliver people with autism opportunities to join the workforce. The long-lasting benefits of Order 13548 are the acceptance in the job culture of those with autism and other disabilities.

Autistic children often face difficulty socializing with peers. Chelsea Budde, president of Good Friend Inc., states an effective way to guide children into autism acceptance is by "engaging those without autism with awareness and inclusion," similarly to how the federal government is implementing the hiring of the disabled. By having autistic and non-autistic children work side-by-side, non-autistic children have the opportunity to learn and understand the differences in their autistic classmates.

Learning about, and engaging those with autism at every stage in life builds acceptance among the community. Acceptance, and understanding, may prove to better the autism community by helping individuals overcome the challenges of discrimination.

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## Human Augmentation – You Too Can Have Superpowers!



By Phil Youngblood

In the fall semester in Computer Information Systems (CIS), we explore emerging technologies.

We talk about the device, but also about the science (and sometimes the art) behind it, the problem that someone imagined it would help solve, who might use it and how, who is expected to make money from it, who might welcome it and who might fear it, how it might be used for social good, how it might be abused, and how it might change people's lives. Technology is all that.

One class of technology aids human senses and abilities. We may not have inherent superpowers, but we can use technology to give us powers that might appear to be superhuman. We can see better, bypass our nerves, add fingers and appendages, replace body parts, lift and carry heavy objects, and detect things only superhumans can.

Technologies of earlier days such as glasses, binoculars and telescopes helped us to see long distances and/or to see things invisible to our unaided eyes. More recently we have been able to see wavelengths our eyes cannot see and to see in the dark. A new goggle technology for surgeons developed at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis help doctors to see a wavelength outside our range of vision that is emitted by cancer cells bound by a peptide in a special dye. Only the cancer cells glow and the surgeon can see exactly where the margin is between cancerous and healthy tissue.

Our brains are able to send signals to our muscles to move, and our nervous system informs our brains of what we are feeling physically... unless that connection is broken. New technology from Ohio State University's Wexner Medical Center enables people to move paralyzed limbs via a chip implanted in the brain. 3D printers have also been used recently to replace body parts such as the outer part of the ear, half of the skeleton of the face, and a replacement hip. Researchers do not think it will be long before 3D printers can use stem cells to create some types of replacement organs.

Technologies can also be used to enhance our abilities. Workers at a German BMW plant are using enhanced thumbs created on 3D printers to press rubber plugs into engines again and again with far less stress. MIT scientists have created additional "fingers" that can be controlled by hand sensors which can be used to perform functions more difficult with only five fingers. The same technology may be used to give us extra "arms" to manipulate objects in new ways. Powered exoskeletons that can help humans to pick up heavy objects or to carry a lot of weight or hours are close to the production phase.

Telecommunications can enable some aspect of us to be "present" elsewhere. Now we can be physically "present" as well. Remote presence robots, such as those available from Dignity Health, can enable physicians to visit and talk with patients anywhere. At least 50 students across the United States who are unable to attend school physically are also using robots that they control, such as the VGo, to attend classes and to interact with the teacher and classmates. Now a Korean baseball team has enabled fans who cannot attend games to be represented by robots which can chant, cheer, and perform a "wave."

Artificial intelligence can also aid humans. Autonomous vehicles (driverless cars) will be allowed on United Kingdom roads starting January 2015, and are allowed for test purposes in some U.S. states. A tablet computer will soon be available that will use software to correct the display so users do not need to wear glasses using them. Ducere Technologies in India has developed a shoe that, when paired with Google Maps, a Bluetooth connection, and a mobile app, will vibrate to tell you when to turn to get to a location. Dell is developing software that can read your mood and adjust activities or responses accordingly. And a court-ordered ankle bracelet can now detect whether a person with alcohol-related crimes has had a drink.

In 2014 I am writing about potentially "game-changing" computer technologies that are also surrounded by controversy. As always I invite your feedback, dialogue, and differing opinions on this topic.

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## How to succeed in college mathematics



By Dr. Craig S. McCarron

Welcome back to another exciting school year. As one of your faculty members, let me tell you we look forward to another exciting opportunity to guide you as you grow in knowledge and understanding.

College science and mathematics courses can be very challenging for students, sometimes more challenging than any academic challenge a student has faced before. You may have taken courses in the past in which grades might be “curved” downward when a large number of students perform poorly on a test.

That sort of “curving” almost never happens in college science and mathematics courses. Why? When we (your professors) retire, we will be driving across bridges your generation designs. We will be taking medications your generation patents. We will be wearing eyeglasses prescribed by your generation. We will rely on your newspaper articles to inform us about what’s going on in the world. We do not want the bridge to collapse, the medicine to poison, the eyeglasses to blur, or the news to blind us to the outside world. You must be able to get the numbers and the science right. Absolutely. Period. We won’t be there to check your work after we retire. So the bar in our courses is set high, and it will remain high.

Let ye think this column pertains only to science, engineering, and math majors, let me tell you a story about the San Francisco Chronicle. About a decade ago, there were a series of protests organized in the San Francisco Bay Area. The protest organizers and police could not agree on estimates of the number of protesters who participated; there was a large discrepancy. Finally, a reporter on the staff of the Chronicle must have recalled something from her mathematics Core Curriculum course, because the Chronicle hired an aerial photographer to take photos over the next protest. Using a mathematical sampling technique, the Chronicle was able to provide an independent, objective estimate of the number of protesters. (The police and protest organizers were way off.) So you just never know. If you’re a journalist assigned to report on a fertilizer plant explosion or an oil spill, knowing your college science and math could be the difference between a Pulitzer Prize and publishing a story that has to be retracted. (Retractions do not help a journalist’s career.)

Let’s talk about success. Many of you have been successful in music, sports, dance, and/or other endeavors outside the classroom. The same sorts of habits that brought success in those activities will generally bring

success in college science and mathematics courses. You may have been able to succeed in high school courses with less than your best effort. You have moved up to the pros now education-wise, and less than your best will not cut it. In a one-semester course that meets less than 50 hours, we will cover as much content as you did in a high school class that met all year over 150 hours. You’re going to be doing some homework. Serious homework.

**Attendance:** You know if you miss practices, you won’t be on the starting team. If you miss rehearsals, you won’t be in the performance. In college, no truant officer is coming to knock down your door if you miss class. With freedom comes responsibility. The vast majority of students who fail a college mathematics or science course have attendance below 80 percent. We want you to succeed. In class we will show you examples like what’s going to be on the examinations. The notes you take in class are your study guide for examinations. If you miss a class, you can just subtract about 10 points from your next exam score.

**Homework:** The more we study the brain, the more we find its similarities to the rest of the body. You know you can’t go out and run a four-minute mile if you just started working out the day before. You can’t pass a science or math exam on one night’s cramming, either. For training your body, you need exercise and rest. They work together. Training your brain is very similar. Start your homework the day it is assigned. Split it up into 15-to-30-minute sessions with rest, recreation, or sleep in between. Whether or not your homework is graded, it is not optional. Those are your practice questions for exams. If there is any homework problem you don’t know how to do, get help. There are free tutoring services on campus and your professor has office hours. We design homework with easy exercises and more challenging problems. The challenging problems are the type you’ll see on the exams. Kind of like building a bridge that won’t collapse.

**Reading:** Would you like to turn a “C” into an “A”? Read. Pretty much everything is in the book. College mathematics and science generally includes material that takes work to understand. You may need to hear it more than once. Make the professor’s lecture your second time “hearing” it. Read through the section the night before. You probably won’t understand every word. But you’ll have a good start. And you’ll probably have better questions for your professor when s/he talks about it in class. Ask that question and get your money’s worth. We love students who get their money’s worth. You are going to replace us some day. And we will drive over your bridges with no worries.

Get used to a life of reading. Chances are, you will be in the working world for four decades. You will probably work in different job positions for different employers. You will have to constantly teach yourself new things, which means you will need to read to learn those new things. If you graduated from college 40

years ago, these words and phrases were not in your vocabulary: desktop, laptop, Microsoft, cell phone, Internet, Google, cordless, cable TV, Kindle, Amazon, GPS, Bluetooth, just to name a few. Every specialized field has their own lexical additions, such as statins, a medicine that treats high cholesterol, or Kevlar, a synthetic fiber now used in everything from tires to body armor. Every new invention or innovation means you have reading to do. (Kudos to you for reading this column this far!) **Basic Skills:** I loved watching the NBA finals this year. Not only did the Spurs win, they beat the Heat in the process. Around Game 3, the Heat realized they needed to pass the ball to compete with the Spurs. It was hilarious to watch. They didn’t seem to know how to pass the ball or catch the ball; they were so used to being ball hogs and just shooting. They looked clumsy throwing as well as catching. It was like a surprise when the ball arrived near their hands. On the other hand, the Spurs put on a show of no-look passes and clean ballhandling. The Spurs were masters of the basic skills. The pros can execute the basics without even thinking about it; it frees their minds to think about the bigger picture.

If you are having trouble keeping up with your professor, it may be the basic skills. There are certain things you have to be able to do without conscious thought. You shouldn’t need a calculator to compute  $3 \times 5$ , you shouldn’t need a periodic table to know F is a halogen, you shouldn’t need Google to help you figure out the difference between mitosis and meiosis, and you shouldn’t need a cheat sheet to remember Newton’s Second Law is  $F=ma$ . If you struggle with basic skills, make yourself some index cards to drill, the same way Pop drills Duncan and Parker on passing all season. If the basics are automatic, so much more brain power is free to follow the new stuff.

There’s another lesson the Spurs taught us this year. Who was MVP of the NBA finals? There were plenty of big-name talents to choose from. It was Kawhi Leonard, the young guy who worked hard all year and listened to his coach. I have seen this sort of thing in mathematics classes over the course of my career. You can’t predict a student’s final exam score based on their first quiz score. But the students who consistently turn in good homework almost always do well on the final exam. What you see on the field or on the stage or in the classroom as “talent” is almost always the result of a lot of hard work behind the scenes. We want you to succeed in your mathematics and science courses. We are rooting for you. You make our day when you do well. It is up to you to get over that bar. Please make the effort to get over that bar so we can someday retire in peace (and drive over bridges without fear).

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## Book Review: ‘When You Are Engulfed in Flames’



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or deep reflection, sometimes even both. He reveals these insights by detailing the strangest adventures, such as having a lozenge fall from your mouth and into the lap of a frustrated passenger on a plane, protecting your house from neurotic songbirds by covering the windows with album covers, testing the boundaries of true love by having your partner lance a boil from your back, and taking a \$23,000 trip to Japan to stop smoking.

Sedaris manages to create a unique bond with his audience as he captures the very thoughts we’ve all thought before but never had the nerve to admit, and the thoughts that have yet to pass through our mind, as he writes about his fond recollections of a spider named April, using water from a flower vase to make coffee, and the fear of his own death, in the midst of a midlife crisis, while still maintaining an odd fascination with the science of death. Which explains why “Sedaris’s sometimes affectionate, usually dark insights might be troubling if they weren’t so damn funny,” as stated by the Village Voice.

“When You Are Engulfed in Flames” is a great book and perfect for those reading Sedaris’s work for the first time, making a beautiful transition onto his other wildly entertaining works.

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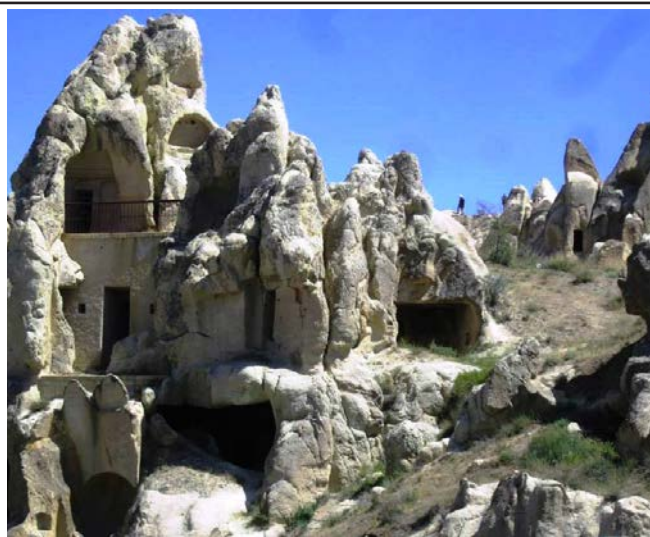
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Several University of the Incarnate Word students and two religious studies professors took part in a Turkey Study Tour class after school let out in May. They visited many historical sites with their San Antonio-based host.

## UIW study travelers experience ‘unmatched Turkish hospitality’

University of the Incarnate Word student Denisse Ibarra, a religious studies major, was among those who took the Turkey Study Tour class last spring, May 12-24.

“I felt very welcomed everywhere we went,” Ibarra said. “The hospitality at the restaurants and the homes we visited is unmatched anywhere I have ever been. I also found the history of Turkey to be a fascinating story filled with war, religion and progress.”

Turkey is a country where Abraham -- a founding father of Judaism, Christianity and Islam -- lived. And it’s a place where Ibarra, Jessica Glover, Troy Steen and two UIW religious studies professors -- Sister Martha Ann Kirk and Dr. Julie Miller -- visited in conjunction with the host, the San Antonio branch of the Dialogue Institute of the Southwest, led by Mehmet Oguz, the San Antonio director.

The tour of ancient sites and modern cities included Istanbul, Kayresi, Konya, Çatalhöyük, Izmir, Ephesus and Bursa. We were hosted for dinner with families, visited three universities, and saw sites from 9,000 years ago as well as very modern things such as fields of windmills to generate electricity.

Istanbul is the only city on two continents, Europe and Asia. The first full day in Istanbul was spent in the Sultanahmet area with architecture from the Roman period with Hippodrome and cistern, Byzantine period with Santa Sophia Church (Hagia Sophia or Aya Sophia), Ottoman period Topkapi Palace and Blue Mosque (Sultan Amhet Camii) and thousands of tourists. Santa Sophia Church was built in the 560s by the Byzantine Emperor Justinian and the Empress Theodora. When most of the population was Muslim, it was used as a mosque and now is a museum for all.

At the Jewish Museum of Turkey, we learned of the country as a haven for Jews expelled by Spain in the 1490s and for Jews fleeing Nazis in the 1920s and 1940s. Through the ages, there have always been Jewish communities in what is now Turkey.

When there was a terrible earthquake in Turkey, people shouted, “Is there anybody there?” in Turkish: “Kimse yok mu?” From that developed Kimse Yok Mu, an organization which sends relief to people in many parts of the world.

“We went to the KimSe Yok Mu office, and they explained how the organization does relief efforts for natural disasters,” Steen said. “They have a neat system that monitors disasters all over the world and categorizes each disaster and how serious it is. Kimse Yok Mu not only donates money to people; they give food, blankets and other supplies. They have a team of doctors and counselors who go on site of the disaster and counsel and treat victims of disaster. The day we arrived they sent a team of volunteers out to help the families affected by the mining disaster which killed over 275 miners [in Soma, Turkey]. Helping the poor and those in need is one of the pillars of Islam so it is without surprise that Hizmet [the Service movement inspired by Islamic author Fethullah Gülen] would be involved with nonprofit relief organizations. We explored the warehouse of Kimse Yok Mu and saw the loads of supplies they ship out in large quantities during the event of a disaster. It brought things into perspective for me as to what it takes to help a community out during a hard time.”

Dialogue Institute trips give opportunities for dinners with families. We were with the Es family in which both parents are physicians, the daughter was finishing high school and the son is preparing for graduate school.

“I loved being in Dr. Figen’s home,” Ibarra said. “The way their house was adorned was so humble yet elegant, everything in its place and with a purpose. And her cooking!”

“Our hostess, Dr. Figen Es, has her own television show and she is very supportive of charities and helping the poor because that is what is expected of Muslims,” Steen said. “She calls for everyone to get more involved and do what they can for their community and the poor. Her other guest, Dr. Gülşah (Rose) Güllal, is a doctor and she explained how doctors, lawyers and teachers have to serve two years in low-income areas before the government gives them their licenses to practice privately. I thought this was a good way to ensure care for people in the lower-income areas because most professionals would more than likely stay away from those regions if they were given a choice and it would leave those areas in bad conditions.”

We went to Kayseri, a central city in Turkey formerly called Caesarea -- one of the many cities named in honor of the Roman emperor Caesar. We visited the newly opened Museum of Selçuk Culture. The map there showed the routes of the Silk Road and we could see that we were in an important city for the caravans. The museum was in a hospital and medical school complex build in honor of a young woman who wanted the sick to be helped without charge. Sufi doctors compassionately tried to help the sick, especially the mentally ill. Islam is respected for medical knowledge and scientific knowledge. We learned of the music therapy which was used and we enjoyed the interactive exhibits of the recently completed museum.

We had an afternoon visit to Meliksah University with a very modern campus generously built by business people inspired by the Hizmet movement to give young people more opportunity.

The central area of Turkey called Cappadocia has been declared a World Heritage site by UNESCO. (UNESCO is an acronym for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, a specialized agency of the United Nations whose purpose is to contribute to peace and security by promoting international collaboration through education, science, and culture in order to further universal respect for justice, the rule of law, and human rights along with fundamental freedom proclaimed in the U.N. Charter. UNESCO has 195 member states[ and nine associate members. Most of the field offices are "cluster" offices covering three or

more countries; there are also national and regional offices. UNESCO pursues its objectives through five major programs: education, natural sciences, social and human sciences, culture, and communication and information.)

In Cappadocia, “our first stop was a small shopping stop at the edge of a cliff overlooking the weathered rock formations that looked like large conical spikes coming out of the ground,” Steen said. “These rocky formations may look manmade but in fact they are not. Over time, acidic rain dissolved the softer rock and left the harder stuff behind. Wind in this dry area also must have played a part in smoothing out the edges.”

Ibarra said, “It was interesting to imagine St. Macrina walking with her brothers, St. Basil and St. Gregory, in Cappadocia guiding them in their monastic lifestyle or baking bread with her mother and her slaves. She influenced greatly the works of her brothers who in turn influenced the religion that is Christianity through their writings. Yet she is not mentioned much by other church leaders given the fact that for them she was only a woman, but for her brothers she was full of wisdom and fervor.”

We visited the Göreme Open Air Museum with some of the best examples of the 400 churches and chapels that have been carved into the rock. We visited one of the underground cities which was used to house people in case of emergencies such as enemy invasion.

“Later that day we visited the Turkish rug co-op,” Steen said. “This was my favorite part of the whole trip. The host gave us a basic tour and explained how the local women benefited from weaving rugs for the co-op, they got a fair pay, and it kept them in their local towns and away from the larger cities where they might struggle to stay above the poverty line. This cuts back on crime in the metropolitan cities such as Istanbul and Izmir as well.

“The system makes sense, and seems fair. We got to see how silk is strung from moth cocoons which I thought was really neat to see up close. The host took us to a large room and they showcased the various types and styles of rugs as we drank our complimentary tea. It was quite a spectacle, almost like a performance to really sell the products. Then they took us all to separate rooms so we could shop for a rug of our own tastes. There were 25 showrooms total and some of us shopped and bought the rugs. I purchased a rug for my mother because she raved about Turkish rugs for months prior to my trip. The rug had no dye in it. The various colors were the natural white, beige, gray and brown colors of the wool.”

We arrived late in the evening in famous Konya and rushed to a performance of the Whirling Dervishes. Jalaladin Rumi, who lived in the 1200s, was a best-selling poet in the United States a few years ago. We were among thousands visiting his tomb and the museum remembering him. Also, Konya was the city of Iconium which St. Paul visited.

About an hour’s drive from Konya is Catalhoyuk. The area was settled between 7400 and 6000 BCE, that is, about 9,000 years ago. It is one of the first examples of people living together in a city and developing agriculture.

We stayed in Izmir on the Aegean Sea. In ancient times this active seaport was called Smyrna and it was one of the seven cities mentioned in the Book of Revelation. We visited the capital of the Roman province of Asia -- the city of Ephesus -- and imagined what it would have been when St. Paul lived there about two years. Paul, who wrote Christian Scriptures than any other author, was born in Turkey, visited, and taught in many places, then wrote letters to people there which in the Bible are called Ephesians, Colossians and Galatians.

Miller was especially interested in the “House of Mary” on a hillside overlooking Ephesus. In John’s gospel when Jesus is dying, he urges his disciple, John, and his mother, Mary, to take care of each other. Traditional stories say John took Mary to Ephesus and cared for her there.

“Our tour guide told us that Mary and Jesus are both very important figures in Islam,” Steen said. “I think Christians might forget that Muslims have many beliefs in common with them.”

Ibarra noted the idea of Thomas Michel in the introduction of “Toward a Global Civilization of Love and Tolerance” by M. Fethullah Gulen: “There is no doubt that the world today is in need of dialogue between cultures and civilizations more than at any other time; this is of the utmost urgency.”

Ibarra said she loved the experience of Turkey, a bridge between Europe and Asia, between Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

“In regards to the other culture outside of our reality, we can only assume what it may be like based on biased information or unfinished stories,” she said.

She encourages travel to help one move beyond misunderstanding and bias.

“I have been fortunate enough to travel abroad over the years,” Ibarra said. “I have experienced many different cultures from Western Europe to South America, even just beyond the Rio Grande to various places in Mexico. Being able to witness other lifestyles has opened my eyes to the reality that is culture.”

“It is not about being better than someone or having more money. I believe it is about being in community with others and sharing kind words that will help us progress as a human race. Otherwise, greed, intolerance and hate will be the death of the human race.”

Contributors to this article included Jessica Glover, Denisse Ibarra, Sister Martha Ann Kirk and Troy Steen.





## Team looks to repeat winning ways

By Stephen Sanchez  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The football team, coming off its first (6-5) winning season year, appears to not only be hopeful but determined to have an even better campaign in 2014.

“Anything less than that is unacceptable here,” senior outside linebacker Nick Ginn said before cameras filming him Saturday, Aug. 9, in the fieldhouse at Gayle and Tom Benson Stadium “We know we have a pretty tough schedule, but that doesn’t mean anything to us.”

Ginn, a 21-year-old accounting major from Calallen High School in Corpus Christi, and his teammates took pictures before taking the field Saturday afternoon for the Cardinals’ annual Media Day.

The Cardinals will play a full Southland Conference schedule this fall beginning with an Aug. 30 home game against Sacramento State while transitioning to becoming eligible for NCAA championship events in years to come. In a vote, conference coaches and sports information directors believe the Cardinals will finish 10th – next to last – among 11 teams.



Head Coach Larry Kennan answers questions about the team's season prospects.

“If I were one of those other coaches I would have done that too,” Cardinals Head Coach Larry Kennan said in regards to the voting. “Nobody really knows who’s

good and who’s not.”

The red-and-white will have some familiar faces on offense, with the 2014 Football Media Guide highlighting sophomore quarterback Trent Brittain, sophomore running back Broderick Reeves, sophomore running back Junior Sessions and

senior receiver Casey Jennings.

Brittain, an Eastland High School standout, completed 54.8 percent of his passes last season racking up 1,893 yards and 11 touchdowns in the air while adding another 392 yards and two touchdowns on the ground. He tied or broke seven single-season school passing marks. The 20-year-old criminal justice major was also named to the College Football Performance Awards Quarterback Watch List for 2014.

Reeves, who rushed for 1,875 yards at Mexia High School, had a phenomenal freshman season. He led the Cardinals with 616 yards and 11 touchdowns on the ground. Reeves, 19, set school records for most yards rushing in a game (244) and the most touchdowns (six) in a 47-43 win at McMurry. He was named to the College Football Performance Awards Running Back Preseason Watch List in 2014.

Sessions, a 20-year-old business major from Mesquite High School, was the team’s starting running back for most of the year, making nine starts in 10 games. He scored a touchdown in four consecutive games and ran a record 89-yard one.

Jennings, a senior wide receiver, transferred to UIW last year after playing two years at Chabot College in Hayward, Calif. Jennings, a 21-year-old business major, had a stellar season recording 738 yards on 54 catches – both school records -- earning him College Sports Madness All-Independent Second Team honors.

Kennan said he’s looking forward to the season.

“We’re really a whole lot better than we were last year, and it’s gonna be fun to work with these guys,” Kennan said. “At the end of the year, when we look at our body of work we’re gonna say, ‘Yeah, we’re proud of that.’”



Senior outside linebacker Nick Ginn speaks at the football team's Media Day.

## Academic advisers work with student-athletes

By Victoria Cortinas

Student-athletes at the University of the Incarnate Word have two more advocates to help them stay on track toward graduation – athletics academic advisers Haley Ayres and Ashleigh Smith.

The transition to Division I last year brought in additional rules and regulations for student-athletes regarding academics.

“NCAA Division 1 regulations required for us to bring on an additional academic adviser with the purpose to improve and maintain our academic standing in the division,” Assistant Director of Athletics Angela Lawson said.

“Our job is to make sure that the new regulations are met per student-athlete,” said Ayres, who advises student-athletes participating in baseball, golf, swimming and diving, women’s basketball, softball, volleyball, and men’s soccer.

Ayres holds a bachelor’s degree in English from Washburn University in Topeka, Kan., and a master’s of education with a concentration in workforce development education from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. She began her academic advising career in Fayetteville working with the School of Arts and Sciences but had limited experience with student-athletes.

Nevertheless, Ayres said she didn’t hesitate at the opportunity to join UIW.

“I knew that I wanted to continue advising, because that’s what I really enjoy doing,” she said. The transition into athletic academic advising this year has been smooth, Ayres said. “I’ve found it to very collaborative, which has definitely made it easier.”

Smith, who was a solo act a few months before Ayres came, advises student-athletes participating in football, women’s soccer, tennis, cross country, track and field, and men’s basketball.

Smith, who played softball at the University of the Arkansas-Pine Bluff, holds a bachelor’s degree in mathematics from that institution and a master’s degree in education with an emphasis in higher education from Iowa State University in Ames.

Her background as a student-athlete helps her relate, Smith said.

“I too spent my years in college as a student-athlete so I remember all of those hardships really well,” said Smith. “My job now is to work with the student’s primary adviser to make sure that those obstacles don’t kick them off their track to graduation, and that they stay eligible to play.”

Each student-athlete has their primary adviser within their individual major that they still go to for their academic advising, the athletic advisers emphasized.

“We step in and work with their advisers to check on their progress toward



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Academic advisers Ashleigh Smith, left, and Haley Ayres work specifically with UIW’s many —student-athletes.

degree’ and make sure that they graduate within the five-year Division 1 requirement,” Smith said.

“We also make sure that if they are struggling, that they receive any additional assistance, whether it’s connecting them with a tutor, or going to their required ‘study hall,’” Ayres added. “One of our primary focuses is to keep them eligible to play. Really we’re just serving as a support system for each student, because they’ve got a lot on their plate.”

“They’ve got a lot of responsibilities to keep up with and we really want to make sure that they know we’re available for them to help them get through to the other side,” Smith said.

“You have to remember, they’re students first, so graduation is still the first priority,” Ayres said.

## Baseball team adds 11 to roster

Special to the Logos

The University of the Incarnate Word baseball team has added 11 more student-athletes to its roster for the 2015 season.

The Cardinals are bringing in eight junior college transfers as well as three high school graduates. Included in the group are six full-time pitchers, one catcher, one infielder, one outfielder, a utility player and one

infielder/pitcher.

- Brandon Anderson is a 6-6, 225-pound right-handed pitcher from Cheyenne, Wyo. He is a transfer from Arizona Western College.

- Eric Eckley is a 5-10, 190-pound right-handed pitcher from San Diego, Calif. He is a transfer from South Mountain Community College.

- Regis Gosda is a 6-3,

215-pound right-handed pitcher from Sugar Land, Texas. He just concluded his career at Strake Jesuit College Prep.

- Trevor Hardee is a 6-7, 200-pound right-handed pitcher from Alvord, Texas. He is a transfer from Weatherford College.

- Austin Hoffman is a 6-6, 200-pound infielder/right-handed pitcher from Goodyear, Ariz. He

is a transfer from Chandler-Gilbert Community College.

- Payton Lobdell is a 6-1, 180-pound right-handed pitcher from Midway City, Calif. He is a transfer from Cypress College.

- Braden Martin is a 5-10, 175-pound infielder/outfielder from Andrews, Texas. He is a transfer from New Mex-

ico Junior College.

- Tyler Miller is a 6-2, 215-pound right-handed pitcher from Conroe, Texas. He played at Oak Ridge High School.

- Matt Morris is a 6-1, 185-pound infielder from Scottsdale, Ariz. He is a transfer from Scottsdale Community College.

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Weston Pitts is a 5-8, 180-pound catcher from Highland Village, Texas. He is a transfer from Grayson College.

- Ryan Ramsey is a 6-1, 190-pound outfielder from Grapevine, Texas. He played at Colleyville Heritage High School.





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CARDINAL COLLAGE

The football team, above, practices at Benson Stadium for the opening Aug. 30 home game. Two women's soccer team players face off against each other in a practice field. Cross-country team members pace themselves on an early-morning run.

Four receive preseason conference team honors

Two offensive linemen and two women soccer players at the University of the Incarnate Word have been named to College Sports Madness 2014 Southland Preseason All-Conference Teams.

Cardinal senior Devin Threat, 21, from Mexia High School and junior Matt McCarthy, 20, from Ronald Reagan High School were each named to the third team.

Each player was a starter along the offensive line in 2013 when the Cardinals set school records for most rushing yards, passing yards and total yards in a 6-5 season.

Threat, a 6-foot-4, 308-pounder, is heading into his fourth season as a starter while McCarthy, 6-foot-2 and 270 pounds, will likely miss the season with an injury. Threat is majoring in sports management while McCarthy is majoring in business.

Sophomore midfielder Abigail Koenigs, 18, a biology major



Devin Threat



Matt McCarthy



Elizabeth Washington



Abigail Koenigs

from San Antonio's Louis D. Brandeis High School, and junior central defender Elizabeth Washington, 20, of Frisco's Centennial High School, were the soccer honorees.

Koenigs is the top returning scorer for UIW after slashing home seven goals as a true freshman in 2013. She finished the year with 15 points while starting 18 of 19 contests.

Washington has started 36 of a possible 37 games in her career and helped lead a back line that registered seven shutouts in 2013. She was a Second Team All-Lone Star Conference choice in 2012 as a true freshman.

Koenigs and Washington helped lead the Cardinals to a 10-6-3 record last year, the first year the program was a member of NCAA Division I and the Southland Conference.

Catch the Cardinals

August games calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Womens Soccer @ University of Texas 7:30 p.m. (AWAY)	16
17 Womens Soccer @ UTSA 7:00 p.m. (Away)	18	19	20	21	22 Womens Soccer @ University of Nebraska at Omaha 7 p.m. (AWAY)	23 Mens Soccer @Southern Methodist University 5:30 p.m. (AWAY)
24 Womens Soccer @ Creighton University 1:00 p.m. (AWAY)	25	26	27	28	29 Mens and Womens Cross Country vs Alamo City Opener 6:30 and 7:15 p.m. Womens Volleyball @ University of Texas at Arlington 7 p.m (AWAY)	30 Football vs Sacramento State 6 p.m.





# Family, friends memorialize minister

By Rachel Cywinski  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

A Uganda minister who earned a doctorate from the University of the Incarnate Word two years ago was remembered at a July 25 memorial service at his adopted Converse church.

The late Rev. Dr. Gerald Sseruwagi, who was conferred the Doctor of Philosophy in organizational leadership in 2012, died June 28 in Rwanda from a heart attack, according to family and friends. He was 45.

After graduating from UIW, he had founded Africa College of Theology. He had been married nearly 12 years to his wife, Robina, who came to his memorial service at Maranatha Bible Church on 1604 in Converse.

"I am mourning the death of my best friend and father of our four children, but I hold fast to the word of God, Isaiah 43:1-2: 'This fire that I walk through now shall not scorch me because he has promised to be with me through it,' his wife said "I can't understand this, but I will not question God. I am called to trust and obey. God will remain God even in this storm. Continue to pray for us. May he rest in eternal peace."

Ivan Chin, a doctoral candidate in higher education, met Sseruwagi in 2010 after coming to UIW from Saiphong City, Taiwan.

"At that time, because of (my) language limitation, I was afraid to talk with classmates in the classroom," Chin said. "Gerald came to me and encouraged me by saying that I was doing very well in the class. He said, 'You can do it!' It's so sad that we lost him. But now he is in heaven. I will miss him and give my best regards to his family and friends."

At Sseruwagi's funeral service in Rwanda, Fred Sekyewa, pastor of Gaba Community Church in Kampala, Uganda, called Sseruwagi "a hero who served with no reservations."

Sseruwagi had been involved with Maranatha Church nearly 25 years and helped lead a Maranatha mission to his native land. The Rev. Dr. Rander Draper, Sseruwagi's adoptive father, is Maranatha's senior pastor.

Draper came to know Sseruwagi when the Ugandan -- a Presbyterian minister -- was a student at Texas Bible College where Draper was a trustee. Sseruwagi wanted to visit an African American church. Draper, pastor of then-Maranatha Baptist Church, invited Sseruwagi to stay with him; his wife, Darlene; and their son.

"When Gerald walked through the door of our house, the Lord told me that he was going to be an important part of our family," Mrs. Draper said.

Maranatha was a "baby church" in existence one year when Sseruwagi arrived. He taught

them about Uganda, and led the group's first overseas trip to that country. Maranatha eventually exchanged the word "Bible" for "Baptist" in its title and began defining its unique mission of sponsoring pastors in Africa.

Draper said, "The church grew with Gerald."

Through the 25 years since then, Sseruwagi sometimes lived in Uganda and sometimes in San Antonio where he found times of rest and renewal to strengthen himself to return to minister in his home country, Draper said. The last time Sseruwagi left San Antonio to go to Rwanda, Maranatha had a formal farewell ceremony for him during Sunday fellowship time.

"He was much-loved by us, and we were much-loved by him," Draper said.

During the memorial service, Rander Draper Jr., the pastor's son, said when he was 8 years old and his parents told him to sleep in the living room, he assumed there was another missionary visiting. The younger Draper recalled when Sseruwagi continued to stay with the family and eventually got his own room, he realized his prayers for a big brother had been answered. He said he wished he had died rather than his big brother because the loss of a pastor in Africa affects the entire community in a much more devastating way.

Sseruwagi's high school classmate, Henry Sekawuwngu, recalled they were between the equivalent of the 13th and 14th (final) grades when Sseruwagi declared his faith in Jesus Christ. As a result, Sseruwagi was shunned by his biological family, requiring him to leave home. Sekawuwngu said he and Sseruwagi planned to travel to the United States and be in ministry together.

"Everything Gerald did was about the Kingdom of God," Sekawuwngu said. "He had an urgency about him. That urgency was being about the Kingdom of God."

Derrick Kayongo, another friend from Uganda, said during the service, "Gerald moved from being accomplished to being exceptional. Exceptional people have networks. They are like trees that feed the birds and they fly far away."

Martha Kelfer Allen said Sseruwagi and two older pastor friends in Uganda had been nicknamed "the three dinosaurs" because the male life expectancy there is 49. Allen said she first met Sseruwagi when her first husband, Russell Kelfer, was a guest instructor at His Hill Bible School in Comfort, Texas.

"We knew Gerald from the time he arrived in the U.S. as a student," Allen said. "One day someone explained that Gerald had come to the Hill because of a small advertisement he had read in a 3-or-4-year-old Christian magazine." Sseruwagi told them he had found the advertisement on a magazine scrap while searching for food in a trash heap in Kampala.

Ironically, the school never ran another advertisement because they had not received a response after several years, Allen said.

"It was a long time between Gerald's reading the ad and his having enough money to come. (The Hill told him he could come free as a student but must provide his own airfare to get here.) The street boy finally had a roof over his head, and next door there lived a lady who was a prostitute earning her money in Amsterdam when she wasn't in Uganda. One day as she was carrying in groceries she saw Gerald and asked what he really wanted to do with his life. When she heard, she whipped out her checkbook and wrote him a check large enough to get him to London.

"The day Gerald applied for his visa there were 100 people present to apply. Gerald, pulling his shirt down to hide a hole in his pants, was the only one who was accepted. When the time came, he went to the airport on faith without the money to pay for a ticket past London, but he was met with his friend bearing money raised by selling a cow. And thus he arrived in the Texas Hill Country."

Charlie McCall, now pastor of Boerne Bible Church, said he met Sseruwagi in 1989 during McCall's first year as administrator at His Hills Bible College when he received a letter from Sseruwagi asking to be admitted on scholarship. McCall said he had never had an applicant from Africa before and decided to give Sseruwagi a full scholarship.

McCall said that in reflection he realized how little he understood the new student's needs. After showing Sseruwagi to his room, he left. Years later when they were chatting as friends, Sseruwagi explained to McCall he had not known whether he had permission to use a chair and had not had his own bed before, and so he stood in the room uncertain what to do until his roommate arrived from Canada and claimed one side of the room.

"Gerald was not a man who was experiencing just the grace of God," McCall



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Pati Cantu, a doctoral student at the University of the Incarnate Word, looks at the display memorializing Dr. Gerald Sseruwagi, who earned a Ph.D. in organizational leadership from UIW in 2012, at a July 25 memorial service for the late Presbyterian minister at Maranatha Bible Church in Converse, Texas. He died June 28.

said. "He experienced the life of God."

During the memorial service eulogy, Bill Busshaus said, "In September of 1989 there arrived at His Hill, where I served on the teaching staff, a student from Uganda. Never before or since have I seen a student in such a physically impoverished condition. He came with one set of clothes, washed them at night in his dorm sink, hung them out to dry in his room, then put them on again the next morning. I learned quickly that what he lacked materially he more than made up for in spiritual maturity even at that early age. This student, as you are well aware, was Gerald Sseruwagi.

"Twenty-three years later, in August of 2012, Gerald sat at the dinner table in my home in Fredericksburg. With him were his lovely wife, Robina, and four of the most adorable, pleasant, and well-behaved children I have ever had the privilege of meeting. In the years between these events I was able to see him prepare for and clarify the vision he had for discipling his countrymen back in Uganda.

"When Gerald was married in 2002 to Robina, we discovered that God had provided for Gerald a kindred spirit of unusual intellect, grace and spiritual depth. Gerald did not seem to mind that on top of it all she was also very pretty. An excellent wife added richly to his life, and as a team with a single purpose and both individually and jointly abiding in Christ, they bore much fruit.

"We see through the life of Gerald not him, but Christ in him. We see that God still delights in taking the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong; And that He still chooses the things that are not, so that He may nullify the things that are, so that no man may boast before God. Gerald was a work of God's grace if I ever saw one."

Sseruwagi attended His Hill Bible School one year and then attended Texas Bible College.

Cynthia Beverly of Agape Christian Church sang "Sovereign" at the memorial service before she told of her friendship with Sseruwagi.

"I have known Gerald from the beginning," Beverly said. "What struck me about Gerald is his deep and abiding trust in Jehovah Gireh, the God Who Would Provide. Gerald withheld nothing from God. He had an unfailing belief that the Lord would supply all his needs. Gerald did not limit God. He believed God could do just what he says in Ephesians 3:20. Gerald imagined God could do good things for him, and his faith was rewarded."

Steve Troxel, pastor of Shepherds' Support Ministry, said he met Sseruwagi in 1994. During the memorial service, Troxel recalled, "He was enamored with bowling. He thought that he was going to go back to Africa and open a bowling alley. Instead he opened a washateria."

Richard Lubanga, who knew Sseruwagi as his mentor, said during the memorial service, "He brought us into his fold and encouraged us no matter what church or background we were from."

Rocco Ponce met Sseruwagi when he was a student at San Antonio Christian Schools and Sseruwagi worked there as a janitor. Ponce recalled Sseruwagi sensing he needed encouragement, and giving him words of advice that lifted his spirits.

"He was like a big brother to me," Ponce said. "He was the most influential person in my life."

Sseruwagi continued to encourage Ponce and attend his school events even after leaving employment, and later took him on several trips to Uganda where they hatched a plan to develop infrastructure.

"I never would have thought one day we'd be in business together," Ponce said. "The day that we were supposed to sign the final papers to build roads in Uganda is the day that I learned he had died. He always thought that he would be a martyr for his faith. In the last few years, more and more frequently he would say, 'I'm not going to be here much longer.' I think that's why he had that sense of urgency that everyone talked about."

While an undergraduate student in 1991, Sseruwagi helped found Africa Renewal Ministries. In Uganda, Sseruwagi worked as a Presbyterian minister and, as is common for African pastors, simultaneously performed manual labor to earn a living. Sseruwagi worked for the national government and also as the vice chancellor of a university.

Between periods of work in Uganda, Sseruwagi continued his education. He completed a Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies with a minor in cross-cultural communication in 1993 and a Master of Arts in theological studies with emphasis to reformation, historical, systematic and biblical theology in 1996, both at Reformed Theological Seminary. Sseruwagi completed post-graduate studies at the University of Potchefstroomse in South Africa, and entered the UIW doctoral program in 2009.

After graduation in 2012, Sseruwagi founded Africa College of Theology in 2013 and served as its first director. During its first year, enrollment has grown to more than 1,500 students. A biographical documentary of Sseruwagi's early life and later ministry was produced by 700 Club Turning Point and has been televised in several African countries.

The Rev. Kurt Schimke said, "Gerald and I taught at the African Bible University for a few years. A very informative and well-read person is what you saw (and) heard when he preached. He made you think, sit up straight, and listen carefully. He managed time well, and pushed himself hard.

"The candle that burns brightest seems to burn out the quickest. Gerald was an excellent energetic and charismatic figure. He was a magnet that attracted many to his thinking and preaching. Few men could have an impact on so many at such a deep level. A bright light has gone out in Uganda, and it will be long before we see such an effective influential person again."





## President: ‘Welcome to another exciting year’



Dear Students,

Welcome to another exciting year at the University of the Incarnate Word. I'm happy to be back after being away during the spring and summer on a wonderful sabbatical with my wife, Mickey.

The semester got off to a terrific start with the long-awaited reopening of Hildebrand Avenue to two-way vehicular traffic. The City of San Antonio's expansion of Hildebrand has significantly enhanced access to the campus while also improving the internal traffic flow.

Still, the campus will be crowded during the first few weeks of the semester. If you drive a vehicle, I urge you to show courtesy and exercise restraint toward other drivers and pedestrians.

I'm pleased to announce that the music building, which represents the first phase of the new Fine Arts complex, will be done by the start of classes. The rest of the complex is slated for completion in early January.

We signed an historic agreement during the summer to establish a school of osteopathic medicine at Brooks City Base that will open in 2016. Ours will be the only medical school in Texas located at a faith-based university and just the second private medical school in the state.

The school of medicine will allow us to further the healthcare mission of our founding congregation, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word. Our graduates are going to be in the position to someday help alleviate a continuing shortage of primary care physicians in Texas that's particularly acute along the border and in rural areas of the state.

Let me close by reminding you that you will have many activities to choose from during the year, so I encourage you to regularly check the calendar of events at the UIW website. You can also follow UIW on social media sites such as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.

On behalf of the faculty, staff and administration, I wish you every success with your studies. Go Cardinals!

Sincerely,

Dr. Lou Agnese  
President  
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## SGA leader: Make a difference as you make history

Dear UIW Cardinals,

Welcome to another promising academic year at the beautiful and majestic University of the Incarnate Word!

As we enter the 2014-2015 school year, let us reflect upon our history, envision our bountiful future, and live in the present.

In the fall of 2013 we began competition in Division I NCAA sports, voted on a feasibility study for a School of Osteopathic Medicine, created a Legacy Fund for student government, and were devastated by the tragic death of our brother Cameron Redus. Then came the spring, a true test of our faith in The Lord. Although a challenging one, we ended the semester on a positive note. We graduated a record number of students, continued work on a potential medical school, completed our first season in Division I, and endured ongoing construction. The summer came and went, and now we start the fall semester with high expectations. The music building, auditorium, and fine arts building will be completed by the end of the year. Construction on Broadway and Hildebrand is all but done (whew!). And, UIW continues to produce nurses, pharmacists, optometrists, dietitians, physical therapists, entrepreneurs, politicians, newscasters, and every other profession you can dream of at an astronomical rate.

What I am trying to get at here is that UIW is the place to be, right here, right now. If you are attending UIW, you are making history, you are becoming part of a story, a legend! Do you think Bishop Claude Dubuis could have imagined what he was initiating in 1881 when he requested the service of our three founding nuns? Well, I'm not sure if he did, but I challenge you to envision what your actions can be doing for those 150 years into the future. What type of impact can you have on that freshman, junior, or grad student in 2164? Within your success and dreams lies the future of UIW. Therefore, work hard, study diligently, attend class, and create a culture of excellence around you. Harvard was not always "Harvard" and USC wasn't always "USC"; it took the collective effort of many talented individuals to raise the status of those institutions to their current status. Therefore, you too can raise the prestige of UIW.

Ask not what the Incarnate Word can do for you, but what you can do for the Incarnate Word, in the words of JFK! Support each other, for it is through unity that we shall prosper. Attend theatrical plays, watch our sports teams, and listen to the many guest speakers we have on campus. Whether you're a freshman or doctoral candidate, opportunity for enculturation, education and innovation is riper than an apple from our community garden.

But, let I not ramble on any longer. As president of the Student Government Association, I encourage you to get involved in your community. First and foremost is being a student; I want to see a record number of students on the dean's list this winter. And, after fulfilling your academic duties, ask yourself our earlier question, "How can I make a difference in my community, right here, right now?" Get an internship, do community service in an underserved community, or plan your international trip with our study abroad program! Now is the time for action. The iron is hot. Strike!

I look forward to representing all of you this year! Please feel free to contact me at any point. It is an honor and pleasure to have constituents such as you.



SGA President Stephen Lucke rests from a bicycle ride.

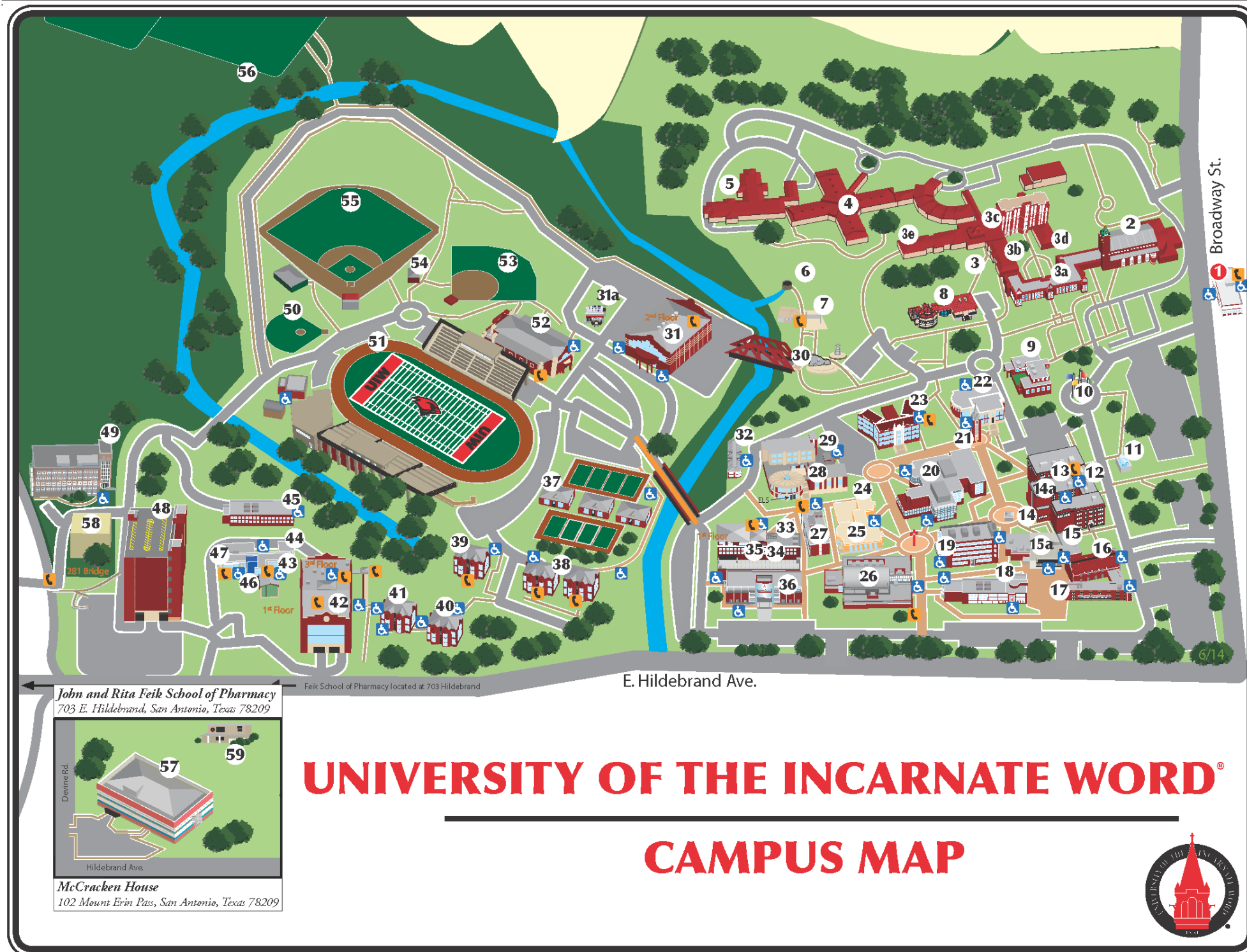
Peace and Blessings,

Stephen H. Lucke II  
Student Government Association president  
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The fine arts-music building complex is closer to completion. The music faculty hoped to be in their offices and classes before school starts on Aug. 18. The fine arts work will continue this fall and end spring.





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Some University of the Incarnate Word upperclassmen will be moving for the first time into the new Watson Lofts, right, the name for the first off-campus residence hall on Burr Street near New Braunfels Avenue. Some resident assistants from the Office of Residence Life will staff the complex. Each apartment can house four residents, two people per room. There is also a kitchen and living-room area to be shared between the two people. The bathroom, shared between all four residents, is located in the middle of the two rooms. Each apartment has a washer-and-dryer unit. There are staircases outside each building for access to the two-building, three-floor complex. There are no elevators. To accommodate handicapped students, there is one handicapped-accessible suite per building on the first floor.

Photos by Gaby Galindo







## Resident assistants help with housing

The assistants, listed by their assignments and major, include:

Agnese-Sosa Living and Learning Center: Dominique Hunter, nursing, and Richard Rodriguez, biology.

Avoca Apartments: Melissa Cavazos, nursing; Nathan Carrizales, communication arts; Christina House, nuclear medicine; Selena Perez, communication arts; and Jennifer Zepeda, accounting.

Clement Hall: Tyler Chapman, liberal studies; Fernando Hernandez, nursing; and Justin Puente, marketing.

Dubuis Hall: Sidney Adams, nursing; Cristen Gonzalez, vision science; and Raul Pena, vision science.

Hillside: Veronica Garcia, vision science; Amanda Hackett, psychology; Patrick Matulich, pre-medicine; Natalie Nienhaus, biology; Jillian Oropeza, vision science; and Daniel Torres, international business.

Hillside 3: Jacqueline Arnold, rehabilitation science; Marissa Carreon, biology; Jessica Done, kinesiology; Margaret Grayson, computer graphic design; Marcela Natalia Mendoza-Agoitia, international business; April Rodriguez, nursing; and Katlin Trout, international business.

Joeris: Selena Aguilar, communication arts; Miriam Fonseca, nursing; Megan Gaitan, communication arts; Alexis Lindsey, vision science; Karime Martinez, biology; Brianna Mireles, rehabilitation science; Laura Montelongo, psychology; and

Jeffrey Weber, nutrition science.

Madeleine Hall: Jennifer Adams, communication arts; Clarissa Carreon, nursing; Jorge Escarcega, business management; Jesus Carlos Hinojosa, biology; Lauren McDonald, history; Braley Traub, education; and Victoria Turner, biology.

Marian Hall: Amanda Reyes, rehabilitation science, and George Schwanenberg, engineering management.

MCombs Center: Erica Cloti, rehabilitation science; Kari Trout, international business; and Rosa Velasquez, rehabilitation science.

St. Joseph's Hall: Ruben Gonzalez, meteorology, and Jenny Tran, pre-pharmacy.

Watson Lofts: Carl Aponte, finance; Valeria Gomez, government; Marisol Lopez, accounting; and Cyntya Uriegas, kinesiology.



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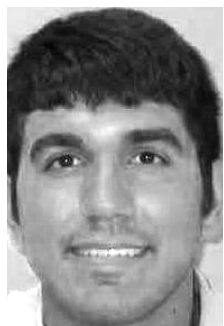
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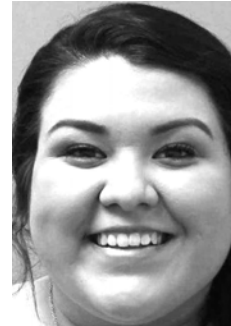
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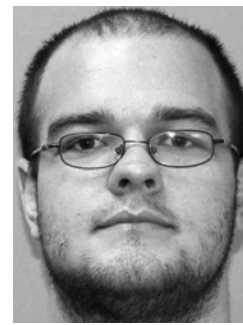
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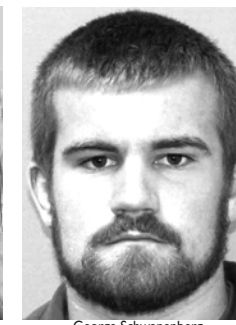
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Cloe Fulton



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## Center selects students for leadership program

The Center for Civic Leadership has selected 16 undergraduate students for its second-ever group to serve as Cardinal Community Leaders who will volunteer with non-profits during the 2014-15 academic year.

The center's leadership program is aimed at providing "an opportunity for undergraduate students to deepen and broaden their leadership capacity through service," said Monica Cruz, associate director for the center.

The center, an initiative guided by the principles of Catholic social teaching, is a collaboration between the University of the Incarnate Word and CHRISTUS Health. The center's mission is "in the spirit of Christian service, to develop leaders who promote social justice in partnership with diverse local and global communities."

(The center) is dedicated to promoting the common good by educating enlightened and concerned leaders committed to learning, research, advocacy and service for those in most need."

The center believes "civically engaged leaders collaborate in partnership with local and global community stakeholders

to achieve individual/social transformation while respecting the dignity of each individual and all creation."

The center's mission draws inspiration from the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word who came to Texas in 1866 and created the ministries of CHRISTUS and UIW, both of which continue to sustain numerous education and health initiatives within the United States and internationally.

Those selected for the community leadership program must be in good academic standing and completed at least two, full-time semesters of course work at the University of the Incarnate Word.

"This program is open to students continuing through three years of undergraduate education and a progressive leadership development program," Cruz said. "The Cardinal Community Leaders serve as a visible sign of UIW's institutional commitment to service in the community."

The first cohort selected last year provided more than 300 volunteer hours to several non-profits in San Antonio, Cruz said. "The center salutes these students for their commitment to service."



Courtney Schmidt



Cassandra Vela



Laura Caballero



Kory Lipscomb



Richard Montelongo



Cailyn Crossland



Robert Cavazos



Yasmine Lainez



Melynda Olguin

## Cardinal Community Leaders for 2014-15

- Laura Caballero, a psychology major from Adkins, Texas.
- Alyssa Carnes, a rehabilitation science major from New Braunfels.
- Robert Cavazos, a government major from Universal City.
- Cailyn Crossland, a rehabilitation science major from Kingston, Wash.
- Cassidy Fritts, who is double majoring in communication arts and fine arts from Schertz.

- Cloe Fulton, a rehabilitation science major from San Antonio.
- Yasmine Lainez, a biology major from San Antonio.
- Kory Lipscomb, an interior design major from Edinburg.
- Richard Montelongo, a business administration major from San Antonio.
- Steven Montelongo, a sports management major from San Antonio.
- Olguin Melynda, a nursing major from El Paso.

- Rachel Rios, an athletic training major from San Antonio.
- Courtney Schmidt, an accounting major from San Antonio.
- Lupe Sotelo, a nursing major from El Paso.
- Jessica Thompson, a biology major from San Antonio.
- Cassandra Jean Vela, a rehabilitation science major from San Antonio

## Auditions planned for two fall plays

The Department of Theatre Arts will hold auditions 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, for its two fall productions – "Gruesome Playground Injuries" and "Twelfth Night" – in Elizabeth Huth Coates Theatre.

Theatre Arts senior Victoria Perez of El Paso will direct "Gruesome Playground Injuries" by Rajiv Joseph, and Associate Professor Mark Stringham will direct "Twelfth Night" by William Shakespeare

Each person auditioning will have no more than four minutes to perform. Theatre arts majors have to audition for both productions if they want a part. Non-theatre arts may choose one or the other or both productions to try out for a part.

Here are the instructions from the department: "Please prepare one contemporary dramatic monologue and one comedic monologue from a play by Shakespeare as well as a short song. The song should be no more than 16 measures or bars and sung without accompaniment. Each monologue should be no more than 90 seconds in length. 'Time' will be called after you exceed 90 seconds for a monologue and you will have to stop performing it."

The audition sign-up sheet will be posted on the call board in the Green Room in the basement of the Halligan-Ibbs Theatre building adjacent to the Coates Theatre during a 6 p.m. meet-and-greet on Monday, Aug. 18. Callbacks will be Wednesday, Aug. 20, for "Gruesome" and Thursday, Aug. 21, for "Twelfth Night" at times to be announced.

"Gruesome Playground Injuries will have six scheduled performances Oct. 3-4 and Oct. 8-11 in Cheever Downstage II Theatre. "Twelfth Night" will be staged six times Nov. 14-16 and 19-21 in Coates Theatre.

In the spring semester, Dr. Robert Ball, chair of the department, will direct "The Beauty Queen of Leenane" by Martin McDonagh scheduled for six performances Feb. 13-15 and

Feb. 19-21 at Coates, while Stringham will direct "The Diviners" by Jim Leonard Jr. for six performances April 18-19 and 22-25 at Coates.



Maria Cantu



Juan Torres

## Aramark lauds housekeepers

Several Aramark housekeeping employees were recognized during a Heritage Week awards presentation on Wednesday, Oct. 11.

The honorees included:

Excellent attendance: Rosa Jandres, St. Anthony's Catholic High School; Herminia Balderas, Office of Admissions; and Adrian Alarcon, Incarnate Word High School.

Cooperation: Esther Jimenez and Mary Ann Vega.

2005-06 Employee of the Year: Ana Heuzo.

Years accident-free: John Don, seven years; Simona Garcia, six years; Mary Helen Patlan, six years; Mary Ann Vega, four years; and Esther Don, Lupe Hernandez, Juana Ornelas and Jesse Garcia, three years.

Service awards: Dionicia Cardenas, 10 years, and Mary Helen Patlan, five years.

## Cheer, dance tryouts set

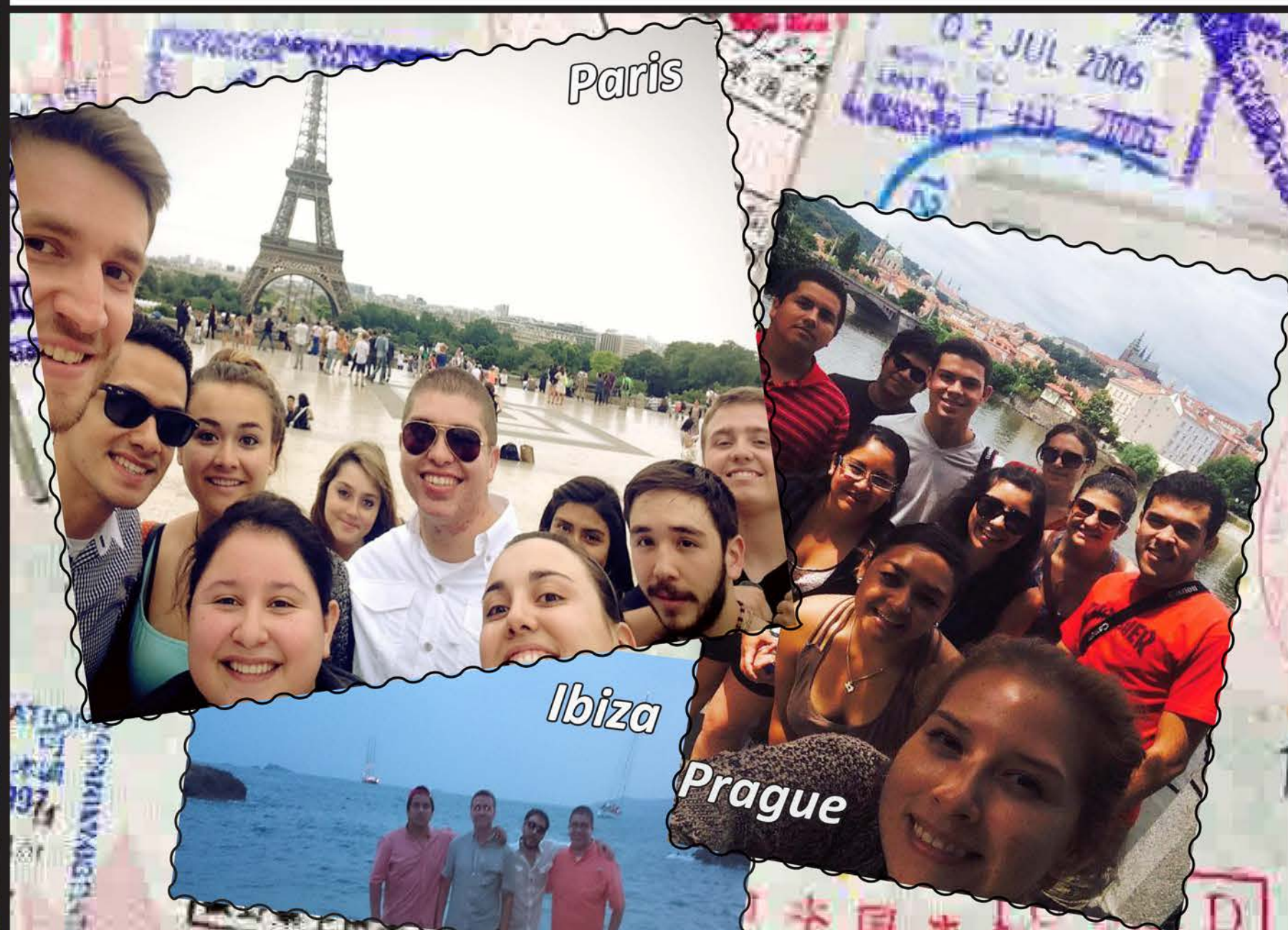
UIW Athletics and UIW Spirit will host Cheer and Dance tryouts from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, in Alice P. McDermott Convocation Center.

The tryout fee is \$15.

For more information, call Coach Melissa Martinez at (210) 283-6406 or e-mail UIW Athletics at [uiwtx.edu](mailto:uiwtx.edu). Visit [www.uiw.edu/spirit](http://www.uiw.edu/spirit) for additional tryout information, including required uniforms.



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