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## New SGA president goes to work

By Megan Garcia  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Michelle Wilk was just getting settled into her position as the Student Government Association's attorney general when the president's job came open.

Wilk, 22, is now heading the SGA since the withdrawal of Stephen Lucke from the University of the Incarnate Word following his Oct. 26 detention by campus police.

Lucke wrote a letter to UIW students but never went into details why he was detained. And Wilk, who was born and raised in San Antonio, prefers to leave any speculation alone and gives a biblical answer.

"He among you who is without sin, let him first cast a stone," Wilk said. "All we can do now is learn from the bad and take the good and move forward stronger than ever. We need to move on from this scandal and maintain the message of the student body."

All the energy put into gossip can instead be used towards toward changes in the SGA, she said. "(It is) very juvenile to continue this gossip," she said. "We are adults and it's unnecessary."

Wilk, who is double majoring in government and history with a career interest

in environmental law, said she decided to attend UIW because she loves the beautiful campus, interaction with students and faculty, and wanted to remain home.

And when the president's job came open, Wilk said she decided a fresh face, a continuance of new goals, and new perspectives was needed.

Although it's been several years since the SGA had a female president, Wilk said, that fact does not add nor take away from her position; as long as she is passionate about what she does, it will work out.

However, if anyone were to underestimate her role as president, the advice she would give to that person is "use that energy to focus and



Michelle Wilk is the SGA's new president.

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## Band seeks funds for first uniform

The University of the Incarnate Word's marching band -- established in 2009 when UIW kicked off its first football season -- is seeking help with raising funds for the unit's first uniform.

The band performs at every home game, "Light the Way" and a number of other special events on and off campus.

Donations may be made online at <http://www.gofundme.com/cardinalband>



## Student Center plan set for 2015

Ground for the new Student Engagement Center, which will replace Marian Hall Student Center, is expected to be broken in May 2015 with the project expected to take 18 months.

That's the plan, according to University of the Incarnate Word administrators who shared plans for the construction at an open forum sponsored by the Student Government Association.

Other construction-related news that was shared was the projection for the Fine Arts Building construction to be done by spring break and the second elevator going up in the Administration Building around the same time.

Also, talks are going on about a project that would add 400 new parking spaces across the campus from Hildebrand that would serve mostly UIW students during the week and San Antonio Zoo patrons on weekends.

## Program targets retention, graduation rates

By Jenn Adams  
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The University of the Incarnate Word is evaluating the effects of a new "AIM for Success" initiative focused on getting students in class, keeping them enrolled and graduating.

Sandy McMakin, dean of the Division of Student Success, said AIM is an acronym for "Attendance is a Must." The goal of the "AIM for Success" campaign is for 100 percent of all first-generation students to attend 95 percent of all class periods in all classes in the first six weeks.

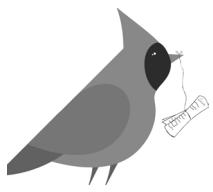
"The main issues at hand are that students don't see the value of attending class and many students believe that in college you don't have to go to class," McMakin said. "UIW incorporates collaborative learning that requires class



Jenn Adams/LOGOS STAFF  
Alex Shipley, left, Leia Hill and Stefan Garcia promote AIM.

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Compiled by Features Editor Valerie Bustamante

## Mom charged in baby's near-death

A 30-year-old woman who left her baby boy in a drain in Sydney, Australia, has been charged with attempted murder. She has also been denied bail and is expected to appear in court. The baby was found by a group of cyclists passing by who had to remove several concrete slabs. The baby was malnourished and dehydrated. The police believe the baby to be at least a week old and he was in serious, but stable condition at Sydney's Westmead Children's Hospital.

## Police kill boy holding BB gun

A 12-year-old Cleveland, Ohio, boy was shot and killed by police who thought a black BB gun he had was a real semiautomatic pistol. Tamir Rice was in the playground at a local recreation center when he was shot twice in the torso by police responding to a call about a juvenile pointing what they believed was a gun at people. Police said they ordered Rice to stop and show his hands, but instead he pulled out what they believed was a gun from his waistband.

## Ex-police chief charged in massacre

A former Mexican police chief, Cesar Nava Gonzalez, has been arrested in connection with the disappearance and possible massacre of 43 college students. Gonzalez had been on the run since Sept. 26 when the students had originally gone missing after traveling to Iguala, Mexico, to protest a speech the mayor's wife was giving. The students who were captured by Iguala police were given to a gang in the cartel area who reportedly burned them and killed them in Cocula. Gonzalez is the former chief of police for Cocula. He is also a suspected member of the drug cartel, "Guerreros Unidos." Gonzalez is imprisoned in high security in the State of Jalisco.

## Earthquake victims rescued

Police officers in central Japan rescued nearly two dozen people after they were stuck under their collapsed homes after a magnitude 6.7 earthquake struck near Nagano. There were 40 people injured, but no deaths were reported. Hundreds of residents were forced to find shelter in their nearby schools and evacuation centers. The Japan Kyodo News Agency said the aftershock resulted in landslides that cut off roads to many residents.



## New SGA President cont.

improve yourself."

Wilk moderated the SGA's open forum earlier in November and kept the questions students asked of administrators on track in J.E. and L.E. Mabee Library Auditorium.

Whenever the university may face sporadic problems, Wilk said she isn't afraid of facing these challenges.

"You don't have to be the smartest or richest person to accomplish things," she said. "As long as you work hard and have the best work ethic, you can be just as good or better than others. I work very hard. I know how to handle stress, how to prioritize my time, and how to be organized. You can't fall and crumble. It's all about work ethic."

As SGA president, she said she wants everyone from SGA staff, to faculty, and to students, to be involved.

"I want a more united and participatory SGA. I also want our students to know our motives and know us. I want to motivate the students and have them know that their money is being used effectively and positively. I want SGA to be the example of UIW."

Wilk said she enjoys being with the SGA and loves the involvement she has on campus, such as being able to speak with everyone from faculty to staff. She enjoys having the knowledge of what goes on around campus, and is more than happy to help with any concerns and questions the school community may have.

"This position is very rewarding and I believe in the voice of the student body," Wilk said. "I am very passionate about what I do."

## Graduation rates cont.

attendance."

Students habitually missing class are not the only ones being affected, McMakin said. Professors noticed when there are a few students routinely absent from class, the grade point average of the whole class tends to lower, she said.

To make AIM a success, the faculty was asked to target not only first-generation students, but all students under a three-tiered program. First, faculty were asked to take advantage of GradesFirst (an attendance program found in the MyWord portal) and keep track of any absences in their classes. Once a student missed class, the first action would be for the faculty member to contact the student through e-mail or a phone call. The second action would be for a Student

Success adviser to attempt to contact the student, a hardcopy letter was sent to the student's permanent address and the faculty member would discuss the classwork missed. The third action would be for a Student Success adviser to attempt to contact the student and the student must attend an ALPHA/ Student Success workshop on classroom success.

"All of these actions are positive," McMakin said. "None of this was intended to be punitive. (AIM) was meant to show students the value of their education because class costs a lot, and when you've missed a class, you're just wasting your money. It's the same as buying your groceries and leaving them on the conveyor belt. You're not using them."

# UIW observes Veterans Day

By Amanda Moreno  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Veterans Day, originally known as Armistice Day, was celebrated Tuesday, Nov. 11, in a program on Dubuis Lawn at the University of the Incarnate Word.

Some members of the UIW marching band, ROTC program and Incarnate Word High School's Madrigal Singers had significant roles in the program dedicated to honoring those who have served or are still serving in the military.

The ceremony is also an opportunity for the many UIW student veterans to come with their families and share past experiences, bringing a blur of camouflage and

winter coats that covered the audience as both veterans and civilians came to honor those who have sacrificed so much for our country.

"It's amazing, seeing all these people come together and celebrate these brave men and women who risk their lives every day so that we can be safe," said Mayelisa Gasca, a junior in the ROTC program. "The University always does a great job with this ceremony, I've come since my freshman year. Hearing all these people's stories, it makes me proud to be in such a great program."



Valerie Bustamante/LOGOS STAFF  
Army Staff Sgt. Jen Lee, who is studying athletic training at the University of the Incarnate Word, speaks at the Nov. 11 Veterans Day ceremony on Dubuis Lawn. Lee, a member of the Army World Class Athletic Program, won a gold medal in hockey as a backup goaltender at the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia. A wreath honoring those who have served is part of the ceremony which also featured ROTC members from UIW and St. Mary's University. The Madrigals from Incarnate Word High School also sang the national anthem.





## Rome adventure, lessons coming to an end

By Darlene Jasso  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?  
I'm sure all of you have been asked this question at least once in your life. I know I have, and every time, I said the same thing: Vatican City.

When my dream came true on Aug. 27, 2014, my smile permanently grew, and it is still growing. Since that day I have gone to the Vatican more than 15 times -- it is my all-time favorite place in Rome! And I've been lucky enough to see Pope Francis six times total; five at his Angelus Prayer on Sunday and once at the Papal Audience on Wednesday. If I didn't have a 10 a.m. class on Wednesdays, I would totally be there every week! It is such a magical place.

When we last left off, I was on my way to the Netherlands to visit my international friends I met at the University of the Incarnate Word -- Brian and Weis. There, we saw the Anne Frank House, Van Gogh Museum, rode bikes around town and ate a lot of Gouda cheese (Brian is from a town called Gouda). Again, it was so great seeing old friends!

The weeks following, I explored a little bit of Italy. I went to Venice and rode a gondola, to Assisi to retreat and spend time in St. Francis' peaceful city, and enjoyed places in Rome that aren't so visible to the tourist's eye. That is the beauty in living in a different country. I get to be a tourist and a local all at the same time. And to me, Rome is really the best place for that. Since there are churches on every corner, I get to go to all 300 of them if I really wanted to! I am not sure I have even hit 100, but it's really amazing being about to try and do so.

Because I had been looking forward to this moment for so long, it is nearly hard to fathom the fact I am actually here living my dream. The experience is really beautiful and I can't stop saying that.

This past weekend I came across two conversations that have showed me how Europe has slightly changed me:

1. When talking to my friend, Gaby, on Skype, I mentioned it was "only a 45-minute walk from my apartment to the Vatican," and immediately after she gave me a face that is nearly unforgettable. In the past, I never would have said "just" a 45-minute walk. Walking 45 minutes was unthinkable to me in America... and now it's nothing. So yes, I walk to the Vatican every time I visit, and it's incredible!

2. When I was talking to Edwin, my boyfriend, he naturally stated, "So tomorrow you are going to Mass and then to see the pope... what else are you doing?" I told him, "Oh nothing, just come back to my apartment and work on my homework." It wasn't until a few minutes after that I noticed how crazy cool this conversation was. Yes, I am so blessed to be able to see the pope every week if



Senior Darlene Jasso is outside the Basilica of St. Francis in Rome where she's studying abroad this semester.

I wanted to! (And as you can all tell, I really love the Vatican and Pope Francis).

Well, three months down, one to go. My semester abroad has literally flown before my eyes and now the memories from the past three months are down in the books. Although I have immersed myself into this new lifestyle, I am more than ready to be home! But, of course, a little sad to leave Rome. Now, before I get all teary-eyed about having to leave in four weeks, I have to ultimately remember I need to fill these weeks with anything and everything that will add the cherry-on-top to my experience.

This last month will consist of a lot of exploring and even more studying. As anyone else studying at a university, I have papers, assignments, projects and finals to worry about before the semester ends. Therefore, I will study extra hard to enable me to enjoy my last bits of travel while I'm here in Europe.

My last two weekends before finals week hit, I am traveling to London and Barcelona, and in between my studies, I will explore more of Rome. Rome is so big and there is so much I want to see before leaving... So exploring I shall go and studying I shall do!

Wishing you all a great end to your semester, and I will (literally) see you soon!

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## UIW plans to improve students' writing

By Steph Urbina  
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Dr. Kathi Light

Faculty at the University of the Incarnate Word are developing a five-year Quality Enhancement Plan to improve student writing.

The QEP will be reviewed by the Southern Association of Colleges to affirm regional accreditation for the university in the spring.

Throughout this semester, a team of faculty and administration will be designing different strategies for this improvement.

"The focus about writing is not an English Department initiative," said Dr. Kathi Light, provost. She said the campus-wide spread to alter writing skills will be a major focus in all departments. The idea of this plan is to help students concentrate and grow in a particular area of study.

UIW's previous QEP in 2005 was to improve academic progress of first-year students. Measures have shown that, since then, progress has improved and grade point averages have increased.

Dr. Tanja Stampfl, an assistant professor in the Department of English, is playing a key leadership role in this implementation as director of the Writing Academy.

She said students are averaging writing only 12 pages a semester. With the average number of pages being so low, attention and detail to the QEP plan is crucial, she said.

"Students don't have to necessarily write reports," said Stampfl. "Even writing journals can help improve writing."

The idea is the plan will include getting students more accustomed to writing and faculty will encourage more writing assignments.

The faculty must come up with a QEP that includes goals, student learning outcomes, plan for implementation, and assessment in order to get positive results. With the implementation of this QEP over the next five years, students are expected to show a major increase in writing skills and techniques.

"We want UIW graduates to be known for their good writing skills, and good thinking skills that come from good writing," said Light. "Employers tell us that this is a very important skill that they look for when hiring."



Dr. Tanja Stampfl

## Quirk seeks works for spring literary journal



Dr. Joshua Robbins

Quirk, the annual spring literary arts journal, is currently seeking submissions from University of the Incarnate Word students, faculty and staff through Jan. 30, 2015, the new coordinator.

Dr. Joshua Robbins, an assistant professor of English, said submission guidelines can be found at <http://www.uiw.edu/quirk>

"As with all previous issues, the 2015 issue will feature poetry, short fiction, creative non-fiction, translations, and visual arts, produced by our UIW community," Robbins said. "The journal is sponsored by the Department of English and will be edited by students enrolled in Edit-

ing and Publishing this spring semester.

This is the first year Robbins will be coordinating the literary journal's production. Since 2010, one of his colleagues, Dr. Tanja Stampfl, has been in charge. Stampfl, also an assistant professor in the Department of English, is now director of UIW's Writing Academy.

"Quirk is yet another reason I am so pleased to be teaching at UIW," said Robbins. "The work in the previous issues I've seen is really top-notch, as is the production. I just want to build on the foundation put down by Dr. Stampfl over the last few years. I've been faculty adviser for similar journals at other colleges and I've served as poetry editor and editor of a national literary magazine. The aesthetic quality of Quirk is really something that all members of the UIW community should be proud of. I want to encourage everyone to submit work. We want to read your work."

## Engineering students work with drones

By Jenn Adams  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

At first glance, Room 319 of Henry Bonilla Science Hall may seem like an ordinary science classroom.

This room is the location of the engineering department's Autonomous Vehicle Systems (AVS) Lab. This lab is where UAV (Uninhabited Aerial Vehicle) research is being done, as well as flying airplanes and experimenting with ground robots. All of these projects are being funded directly by the U.S. Air Force.

The lab includes multiple workstations, lab tables, and most importantly drones and robots. Students are required to master flying the smaller drones (which cost about \$200) before they can work with the larger ones (prices ranging from \$5,000-\$7,000.)

Students in the engineering program are required to have a "Senior Design Project" before they can graduate. Currently two students, seniors Michael Tate and Sarah Johnson, are working on a ground robot known

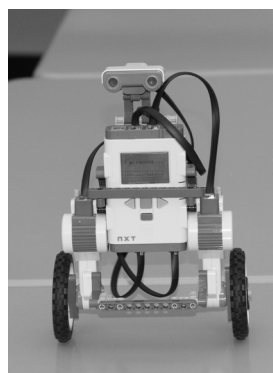
as FESTO Robotino as their senior design project. They work on their project about three times a week and are a few weeks away from completing their project. Their goal is to have the robot move on its own and be able to have functioning arms (having the ability to pick up objects on its own.)

"We do a lot of research with the Air Force," said Dr. Michael T. Frye, an associate professor in the Department of Engineering. "We also do some outreach working with high school students and middle school students talking about (science, technology and engineering) and also getting them interested in robotics."

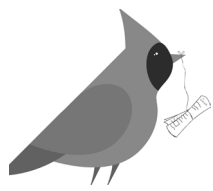
Currently, the department has multiple drones that are able to fly outdoors but since the Federal Aviation Administration has not given permission, the drones are flown in the basketball court in the Wellness Center. One of the drones is in a spherical cage, to protect

the drone, and has reflective balls on the outer parts of the cage. These balls correspond to cameras around the lab, so the cameras can detect where the drone is flying in the room. Another drone the department is working with allows them to do helicopter research without having to actually fly a helicopter.

"(We're) hoping to get some interesting results from future projects and (we're) excited to see what technological advances the years to come bring (in terms of robotics.)"







# First Fall-O-Ween features bands, costumes

By Auris Calvino  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER



Students dress up as Spider-Man and Batwoman for prizes.

KUIW hosted its first “FALL-O-WEEN” party along with the UIW Music Industry Club on the University of the Incarnate Word’s Dubuis Lawn on Thursday, Oct. 30.

Ryan Ibarra, program director at KUIW, invited all UIW students and the San Antonio community to join the event via social media.

“FALL-O-WEEN 2014” started at 5 p.m. with live performances by KUIW’s DJ Chuy and DJ G-Lab, Noah’s Band, Dat Brass, StereoFiend, and Collective Dreams.

Free food, drinks, baked goods and candies were provided for all the attendants.

Booths from the Ila Faye Miller School of Nursing and Health Professions, UIWtv and the Convergent Media Collective were promoting their

associations while collaborating with the event.

Students also had the opportunity to win prizes playing video games in the Madden Tournament and participating in the costume contest at 7:45.

While the contestants were presented, the sprinklers at Dubuis Lawn were activated, causing a small commotion between the attendants and collaborators. The incident was solved very quickly, and the costume contest continued uninterrupted.

The judges -- students Destinee Flores, Christina Malcolm Perez and Amanda



Auris Calvino/LOGOS STAFF

StereoFiends was among the bands performing during the evening hours on Dubuis Lawn for Fall-O-Ween.

Alonzo, communications director at KUIW -- announced the winners of the costume contest at 8:45.

The first place was given to PAC-MAN, who received movie passes and a Buffalo Wild Wings gift card. The second and third places received Sam’s Burger Joint and Fire Bowl Cafe gift cards, respectively.

“Thanks to everyone who joined us and collaborated to make this event possible,” said Ibarra. “We will see you again on ‘FALL-O-WEEN 2015.’”

## Upcoming Events

Compiled by Valerie Bustamante  
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Finals Study Break  
Monday, Dec. 1-2. 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

Location: Library Lobby.  
Library will provide free hot chocolate, coffee and cookies to students while they help them study for final exams.

SACHS Theatre Department presents "Over the River and Through the Woods," Thursday, Dec. 4, 6-7 p.m. Location: SACHS Gymnasium

Theatre Department of St. Anthony Catholic High School invites the community to attend their new production, "Over the River and Through the Woods," a story of an Italian family that uses a "series of schemes to keep" the main character from leaving for his dream job. Admission is \$5 and CCVIs are free.

Las Posadas  
Friday, Dec. 5, 5:20-8:20 p.m. Location: SACHS Campus  
SACHS students will recreate Mary and Joseph’s search for a place to stay in Bethlehem. The procession will go through certain homes (two in Monte Vista), where songs will be sung recreating the scene of the Innkeeper saying there is no room in the inn. The procession will return and finish at St. Anthony’s chapel.

UIW Music Department presents Orchestra of the Incarnate Word Fall Concert Saturday, Dec. 6, 8-9:30 p.m. Location: Our Lady’s Chapel.  
The Orchestra of the Incarnate Word will preform their Fall 2014 concert. Admission is free and open to the public.

Midnight Mass at Chapel of Incarnate Word  
Wednesday, Dec. 24. midnight-1 a.m. Location: Motherhouse Chapel.  
Midnight Mass with live Nativity scene. Music will be provided by Lena and Bill Gokleman. The doors will open at 11:30 p.m.



## Band program under new leader

By Vania Vasquez  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

In middle school, Dr. Brett A. Richardson, originally from Houston, set his sights on becoming a member of his school’s football team.

However, after he attended a team meeting, he decided the sport was not for him. Instead he signed up to join his school’s band. Starting with the trombone, Richardson learned other instruments and continued his involvement in school bands throughout high school and college.

Coming from a family of educators, Richardson keeps the tradition alive as he combined his love for both music and education by becoming a band director – the second one to lead the University of the Incarnate Word’s program.

“The faculty has been extremely welcoming and supportive,” said Richardson, whose full title is coordinator of music education, director of bands and assistant professor of music. “The students are full of potential and are eager to learn. By being at UIW I see the opportunity to grow as a teacher and a leader with new responsibilities.”

Richardson said he has several goals he hopes to achieve with the UIW band such as expanding the number of members in the marching band to 100 or more, having the bands travel with the sports teams to away games and showcasing their talent and representing UIW



Gaby Galindo/LOGOS STAFF

Dr. Brett Richardson, above, is set on taking the University of the Incarnate Word marching band forward.

through performance opportunities at music conventions and at the country’s finest performance halls.

“Each student has as much potential as any other student; we all have potential that needs to be unlocked.”

The importance of supporting the music band/athletic team combination is another area Richardson hopes to work on since each organization is part of the UIW family.

“We’re all on the same team,” Richardson added.

## Campus Activities Board holds fall festival

By Courtland Hall  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The Campus Activities Board held a Fall Festival Thursday, Nov. 6, on Dubuis Lawn that included several pumpkin-themed events such as a pumpkin photo booth and pumpkin bowling.

CAB, which is behind several special events for students, also provided treats such as hot dogs, chips and cake. The Valley band

played live music.

“I really like the campus events CAB puts together – the best so far being the foam party,” history major Lake Hood said. “This one was cool though. I like coming for the food. And they (CAB) always do a good job providing that.”





## First Winter's Eve Gala raises \$40,000+ for Children's Hospital

By Gaby Galindo  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Cardinals for Kids raised more than \$40,000 for Children's Hospital of San Antonio Foundation at the student organization's first Winter's Eve Gala and honored a mission leader as well.

Sister Walter Maher, vice president of Mission and Ministry for the University of the Incarnate Word, received the first-ever Cardinals for Kids Humanitarian of the Year Award during the gala held Thursday, Nov. 20, at McCombs Center Rosenberg Sky Room.

The evening began with a relaxing cocktail reception, in which attendees met with sponsors and friends or glanced at the items displayed along the silent auction table. As attendees settled into their seats, a video was played presenting the variety of ways Cardinals for Kids has raised money, support, and awareness for Children's Hospital of San Antonio, including a dance marathon earlier this year which is returning next year.

Gala director Rita R. Sturgeon opened the event with a few words about the goals and mission of Cardinals for Kids. After dinner was served, the emcee, Randy Escamilla, introduced the Cardinals for Kids Miracle Family --the Villanueva family. Mr. Villanueva, with his wife and young daughter, Mackenzie Rae, at his side, expressed thanks for the love and support Cardinals for Kids and the Children's Hospital of San Antonio Foundation have shown toward his family.

Maher, the award-winner, is a member of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word of San Antonio, and previously served as general councilor for the congregation. Maher worked as the school's librarian and international student adviser

after joining the university -- then Incarnate Word College -- in 1972. She was a member of the CHRISTUS Health System for 10 years before she was appointed to the CHRISTUS Health Board of Directors in 2009. She founded an infant care program in Zambia, Africa, that saves babies from AIDS and helped established Bowden Eye Care Center on San Antonio's east side.

During her acceptance speech, Maher expressed appreciation and praise for Cardinals for Kids.

"I recognize that they are truly a gift from God, given to us at the university to recognize and appreciate because of their energy and passion around service," Maher said. "I think, really, this award belongs to the Cardinals for Kids because truly they are the humanitarians. They have risked, they have shared their energy, their passion, they have challenged us, and held each other accountable. I recognize that they've faced many challenges, but they never lost hope. And that, for me, is a gift beyond the imagination."

Elias Neujahr, president of the Children's Hospital, extended his thanks and appreciation to Maher, the Villanueva family, Cardinals for Kids and the Sisters of Charity.

"The leadership, faith, and commitment of the Sisters of Charity and the work that's being done at the university here is inspiring," Neujahr said.

"Everything we do is for the kids," Cardinals for Kids Executive Director William Bailey said. "That's our mission and that's what we believe in."




The first-ever Winter's Eve Gala took place Thursday, Nov. 20, at McCombs Center Rosenberg Sky Room under the sponsorship of Cardinals for Kids, a student-run organization that has become the largest philanthropic group on campus and chosen the Children's Hospital of San Antonio Foundation to be its charity. Participants dance the night away, top, while others are content to sit at the dinner tables. The Villanueva Family takes the microphone to thank the sponsors for their support and recognition as a 'Miracle Family.' Several people check out items during a silent auction while a band plays. Sister Walter Maher, vice president of Mission and Ministry at the University of the Incarnate Word, thanks the sponsors for awarding her the first-ever humanitarian award while Cardinals for Kids Executive Director Will Bailey and Gala Director Rita Sturgeon watch.

Photos by Gaby Galindo



## From the Editor's Desk:

By Jenifer Jaffe





By Angela Hernandez  
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## Books still worth the read

## Two tongues -- one city

Any San Antonian who does not speak both English and Spanish is not fully equipped for the 21st century.

While mastering only a single language in our city has never been a great idea, the change in mathematics is making it an increasingly bad one. Further, the commerce increasing between Mexico and Texas provides rich opportunity for individuals who have a command of both Spanish and English.

With an increase of people who speak Spanish and English in San Antonio, it is more important than ever to achieve bilingualism. A 2012 U.S. census states 45.6 percent of people in San Antonio speak another language besides English in their household and the number is only increasing.

While we cannot be sure if the second language is always Spanish, patterns of migration and ethnic realities make Spanish the most likely alternative to English. This does not mean Spanish is a superior language but it does imply there is a declining utility to speak English alone in San Antonio.

While we may think of Mexican immigration and demographic change as a modern phenomenon, it is in fact a long-established trend. Between the years of 1910 and 1920 more than a quarter of a million Mexicans immigrated to Texas. Ignoring this mix and sticking with one language or the other is akin to keeping one's head in the sand.

There are economic reasons to master both English and Spanish. A free-trade agreement between the United States, Mexico and Canada called NAFTA, has solidified the ties between the United States and Mexico. This treaty is felt most strongly in South Texas, as it is the entry point for much of our trade.

Above and beyond the strong economic ties forged between the United States and our southern neighbor is the growing trend of globalism and global trade. According to the Central Intelligence Agency, it is estimated 4.68 percent of the world's population speaks English and 4.85 percent speak Spanish. In an environment of global trade it would clearly behoove a person to be able to communicate freely with this combined 10 percent of human beings. With the increasing commerce between Mexico, Texas, and indeed all of Latin America, it would be extremely beneficial for a young adult to speak both languages in order to communicate with foreign citizens and their multinational corporations.

Speaking both Spanish and English allows one to immerse him/herself in the vibrant dual culture of San Antonio. Speaking a second language gives one the opportunity to interact with people who they would not have had the pleasure of meeting otherwise. San Antonio has always been a multicultural city and one limits their potential for enjoyment by speaking only one language.

The advantages of speaking both English and Spanish are especially pronounced in our corner of the world. Language and communication are powerful tools, and the bilingual individual reaps their rewards by more than twofold. Demographic change is increasing the practicality of bilingualism, economic opportunities for a bilingual work force are growing, and an increasingly multicultural world awaits those with the linguistic capacity to engage it.

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As lame as it sounds, I still regularly read young adult fiction.

I have always been a fan. I've read almost every popular series there is out there and if it has a blockbuster movie to go along with it I'm in. I was even a huge "Twilight" fan back in the day. But that can stay between us.

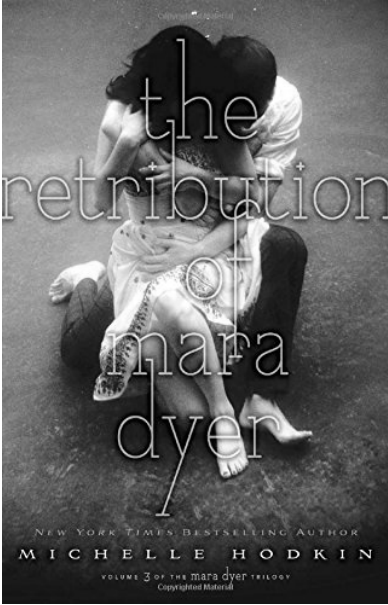
One series that is well-written even for YA novels is the Mara Dyer trilogy by Michelle Hodkin. I read the first novel, "The Unbecoming of Mara Dyer," during spring break of 2012. The novel starts with Mara and her family moving to Miami, Fla., after Mara loses her best friend in an accident. Mara realizes she is at the center of all the strange fatalities and may have even caused the death of her friend. Noah Shaw, an eccentric and intelligent boy who Mara meets in Florida, holds his own secret that might help Mara control her own ability if she makes the right choice. Throughout the series Mara struggles with the trauma she faced that took her best friend's life. She learns sometimes we do things that are dangerous and morally wrong in order to help the ones we love.

The reason the Mara Dyer series is one of my favorites is because the characters -- even the supporting ones -- are well-written and rounded. Although the premise of the novel is fictionalized because of the supernatural element, the books engage in relatable issues of mental health, relationships, dealing with death and other life transitions. Mara is the perfect female character. Her physical attributes are never oversexualized. She is intelligent, sarcastic and determined. Mara's character is always being tested. She has to choose between doing right by her friends and family or the law. She is the perfect antihero.

Finally, after two long years the series has come to a close. Some fans of the series mat feel robbed of an ending because the book ends with a temporary conclusion. There is no knowing how forever will go for Mara and Noah. All the audience receives is solace -- solace in knowing the main characters survived trauma and have come to terms with the good and bad that come with their abilities and are safe from the people in their life who were harming them. Mara talks about her journey of love, loss and redemption. In her reflection she says that.

I think an ending like this not only fits the series, but life. In life there is no happily-ever-after. I like to think there is a happily-for-now. Our lives are constantly changing, so it would only make sense that we have happiness in a moment and in the next we are on the search again for another joyful and content moment. It would only make sense that the characters of our favorite books would get the same endings to their stories.


Sure the endings of books are the best part and are all about resolutions, no one is meant to know everything. Although we will never know the rest of the story for our lives or some of our characters lives, isn't the book still worth the read?



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## Library gate counters show increased visits

By Elijah Gonzales  
LOGOS STAFFWRITER



It has been nearly a year since the current library gates were installed at J.E. and L.E. Mabee Library.

The library gates were meant to make things easier for both library and university staff. The gates were also supposed to provide extra security for the library. Dr. Cheryl Anderson, dean of library services, shared some of her thoughts in regards to the gates.

"We now have three gated entrances whereas before we only had two gates," Anderson said. "The new gates provide a more accurate picture of the number of visitors that we have to the library. For example, the gate count in 2013 prior to the installations of the gates, for the months of June (through) October, the first floor gate counter showed that the library had 104,131 visits. The same time this year, there were 301,634 visits to the library. Those numbers show the demand for the library as a campus facility.

"The gates also allowed the library to open the elevator and stairway to the ground floor, which improved access to the Media Center

from the second and first floor as well as access to the library from the ground floor. Before, visitors had to go around the building to get to the Media Center from the library and vice versa. It makes library access much more convenient for everyone. The gates are part of a RFID security and inventory system, which assists us in keeping track of our materials."

Anderson also compared the current gates to the previous ones.

"The old gates were also alarmed. However, the RFID system lets us keep track of what goes out the door. Because the books are tagged with an RFID tag, they make a sound if someone goes through the gates with an item that has been tagged. If the item hasn't been checked out, then we can remind the patron to check the item out. If the patron walks out of the library with an item, then we can trace what was taken out of the library because the RFID system is integrated with our library management system, giving us information that assists us with replacing stolen or lost items. The RFID system is used in inventorying items as well. We can scan the books on the shelves to determine what we have in inventory."

Anderson said there are also plans to add even more to the library.

"There are plans to install self-checkout kiosks so patrons can avoid lines at the circulation desk," she said.

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## Documentary includes Incarnate Word's Sister Kirk

By Jessica Vazquez  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER



Sister Martha Ann Kirk

An hourlong documentary took center stage at a Nov. 12 screening at the University of the Incarnate Word, but the crowd roared when the film featured a familiar faculty member.

More than 200 people gathered in McCombs Center Rosenberg Sky Room cheered and clapped when Sister Martha Ann Kirk, a longtime religious studies professor, was seen in a segment of "Love is a Verb."

Produced and directed by Terry Spencer Hesser, the film focused on the Gulen movement, also known as the Hizmet movement and its Islamic leader, Fethullah Gulen. Gulen was named one of the world's most influential leaders last year by Time magazine.

Hesser, a published novelist, playwright, biographer, screenwriter and three-time Emmy-award winner from Cicero, Ill., was in the audience as well and participated with Kirk and a co-producer in a question-and-answer session following the screening.

Hesser spent more than three years on her latest film, documenting personal stories and interviews, and traveling to various countries including Belgium, Bosnia, Herzegovina, Iraq, Somalia, Turkey, and various cities in the United States as well. The Maryland Film Festival has awarded Hesser with Best Documentary. Golden Globe and Emmy nominee Ashley Judd is the documentary's narrator for the film.

The Gulen movement or Hizmet movement started sometime in the late 1950s to the early 1960s with Fethullah Gulen, a Turkish preacher who emphasized his teachings on social, economic, educational and scientific/religious issues. Gulen focused on social activism and encouraged followers to take on their country's problems head-on through volunteerism instead of waiting for the government to



Fethullah Gulen

fix everything.

The movement created schools that taught various different subjects to the students with their studies focusing on science and human values as a way to implement the message behind the movement. Gulen wants word of the movement to spread throughout the world and this film is one way to help others learn more, to those who do not know about the movement, and to those who don't understand it.

In the film, Gulen said, "Our friends will migrate to the four corners of the world because of the principle that a believer's intention is more benevolent than his action, so with the most sincere intentions, they should scatter around the world."

The film also encourages interfaith dialogue. The Gulen movement hosts small groups of various traditions in Turkey in discussions several times a year. The idea behind this is to show Turkish hospitality on a personal level and to teach about Turkish history.

And while his message spreads, Gulen himself lives as a monk, isolated from the world in a way, currently living in self-imposed exile in a rural Pennsylvania farmhouse. He doesn't like to appear on camera, doesn't go on talk shows, and he would rather host small lectures to preach about the movement and its importance.

Hesser told the Logos she was inspired to create this documentary after hearing about the Hizmet movement and also because of the fact she knew nothing about it beforehand. During production she said she became intrigued at the incredible faith and commitment the people of this movement showed in their interviews. That helped guide her through, Hesser said.

Before the screening, Kirk shared what she believes to be the meaning of the Hizmet movement: "If we want peace, if we want justice, it needs to begin on a grass-roots level, and every time we're willing to make a new friend or learn of another person's culture, country, or religion, we are making the verbal soil for seeds of justice and peace to grow."



Terry Spencer Hesser

## Reflections on a trip to the border



By Maricarmen Barron Esper

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We all suffer and confront issues during our lives. Although these problems may be out of our control, we have the power and the ability to decide whether and how to act in response.

Every person has a purpose and fulfilling our

purpose is how we will truly be happy. The people of the Rio Grande Valley are an excellent example of a community that truly actively seeks progress, and not just for themselves individually, but for their neighbors as well.

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ARISE and Proyecto Azteca are two particular organizations that have been working to improve the quality of life in the colonias for many years. Their efforts have brought excitingly positive results which we could feel during our visit.

The main work of Proyecto Azteca is building houses for people with little money. It is imperative to mention they do this with great consideration for the people that will live there and use measures that protect life, human dignity and human rights. These houses

are built with insulated concrete forms (ICF) and

metal roofs with foam insulation which help block hail and keep the house cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter. They have solar panels, rainwater harvesting, and many other environmentally healthy tools.

Proyecto Azteca requires the people to attend classes on sustainable lifestyles so they can be role models on how to respect and protect the earth. The organization also gathers the people to discover their needs and goals. In this way, the residents build a strong community that will take care of each other in the new neighborhood. This social connection is a key to progress since it motivates the community to work together to get their voices heard for the benefit of the community. To date, Proyecto Azteca has sponsored more than 600 families who now own a house for the first time.

ARISE is run by women of the community, training other women and educating the children to empower the adults and improve the quality of life in the colonia.



Ramona Casas, left, director of ARISE, works closely with Eve Soto, right.



Photos courtesy of UIW Honors Program  
Freshman music major Bianca Diaz looks through the border wall separating the United States from Mexico.

The people at ARISE give classes to children before they go to kindergarten. They teach them good manners, words, numbers and help them build self-confidence and gradually become more independent. ARISE offers English courses which really help because in this way, people for whom English is a second language have another tool to better-understand government policies and their rights. ARISE has taken on a big journey in getting people to vote: ARISE does not want to be the voice of the voiceless; it wants the voiceless to speak their voice.

Former priest Michael Seifert started a local branch of the Equal Voice Network to join the efforts and unite organizations in the Rio Grande Valley. Seifert is the "master weaver" as he integrates the work of organizations such as ARISE and Proyecto Azteca to find solutions to problems in the communities of the area.

In the end, I came away feeling we need to be part of the response. We are all humans and have feelings, desires and have the amazing capacity to love and be loved regardless of color, race or background. In addition, just as the people in the colonias have the obligation to find ways to be heard, they also have the right to be heard. A woman in the community who is very active in the community, expresses peace even as she describes how she continues to fight on behalf of her family and her neighborhood. She has found happiness with her life and satisfaction with each victory for her community.

In the Rio Grande Valley, in the middle of countless problems, hope stays alive.



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## Seniors wrap up football careers

By Olivia Gutierrez  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The last home game of the season brought alumni and students together Nov. 8 at Gayle and Tom Benson Stadium to support the Cardinals football team in a losing effort.

The Cardinals lost 40-19 to Sam Houston State University's Bearcats. For University of the Incarnate Word seniors, it was the last home game before a Nov. 15 away loss 31-20 at Lamar University in Beaumont.

"I was blessed to come and play at UIW and be surrounded by great teammates and an excellent coaching staff," said senior safety Stephen Howard of Sealy, who played all four years.

"The future looks bright for the team," Howard added, along with some advice for those who remain to play next year and beyond. "Play every play like it's your last. Every play is an opportunity -- not a gift."

Casey Jennings, a senior wide receiver from Fremont, Calif., has different views on the program.

"Ending my football career is bittersweet," said Jennings, a transfer student. "The program definitely made me wiser as an individual and prepared me for my future. I tell the new guys that they better grow up fast, but this school doesn't understand what it takes to be a D1 school yet. Until the football program and the school get on the same page, UIW won't be a D1 school. A lot of change needs to happen. UIW's football program has the capability to impact people's lives for good."

Former player Eric Castillo also had some advice for players past and present.

"The power of the dream is to continue to keep moving forward in the good and the bad in life and in football," Castillo said. "That's the best advice I can give to these guys."



Jose Lerma/LOGOS STAFF  
The Cardinals, left, line up in the last home game Nov. 15 against Sam Houston State University's Bearcats.

## Cardinals remain undefeated after four games

By Courtland Hall  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

After four games -- three of them at home -- the men's basketball team at the University of the Incarnate Word is undefeated.

The Cardinals opened up the season at Alice McDermott Convocation Center Friday, Nov. 14, with a dominating 89-49 win over the Patriots from the University of Texas-Tyler. On Nov. 18, the Cardinals were home again and beat Huston-Tillotson of Austin 94-63; went on the road and beat Princeton (N.J.) University 79-68; and came back home to whip Texas A&M International University's Dustdevils from Laredo 105-83 on Nov. 24.

At the opening-season game, it seemed like the Cardinals were going to have control from the start. The UIW offense was able to break down the Patriots' defense with nice passes setting up open looks. The Cardinals would get away from the Patriots early, sparked by a 19-2 run in the first half. UIW shot 41 percent (15 of 37) in the half. Six-foot-five junior shooting guard Kyle Hittle of New Braunfels led all scorers in the first half with 14 points, seven of which came during the Cardinals' 19-2 run.

On the other side of the ball the Patriots went into a shooting slump forced by a stifling UIW defense, shooting just 29 percent (nine of 31) in the first half. The

Cardinals also were able to force 19 turnovers in the game including 12 steals, and scored 27 points off turnovers. The Patriots shot just more than 30 percent from the field for the game, going six of 19 from three-point range. The Patriots were led by Tyler Jacobs who had 13 points and six rebounds. As a team, UT-Tyler had 39 rebounds, five blocks and 10 assists.

UIW shot 44 percent from the field for the game, including eight of 18 from three-point range and were able to get to the free-throw line quite a bit, going 21 of 28. Hittle had 19 points for the game, leading all scorers and was four-of-six from three-point range. He also grabbed seven rebounds and had a pair of blocks.

Denzel Livingston, a 6-4 senior guard from Houston, added 16 points, four assists and six steals. However, the Cardinals would get help from some young freshmen -- Traylin Farris and Shawn Johnson -- who received good minutes. Farris, a 6-8 forward from Pearland, and Johnson, a 6-4 guard from Gretna, La., each had double-doubles for the game. Farris had 13 points and 11 rebounds, while Johnson had 12 points and 10 rebounds. Another freshman, 6-foot-1 point guard Jontrell Walker of Aurora, Ill., added 13 points.

As a team the Cardinals had 51 rebounds, 20 assists and 12 steals.



Victoria Cortinas/LOGOS STAFF  
Cardinals guard Shawn Johnson, left, goes up for two points on Monday, Nov. 24, at McDermott Center.

## Women break even after four games this season

By Courtland Hall  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The University of the Incarnate Word women's basketball team defeated the Celts of St. Thomas University 64-49 on Nov. 20 at Alice McDermott Convocation Center.

Thus far, the Cardinals are 2-2 this season after dropping their opening game Nov. 14 at home 74-66 against Texas Wesleyan University; squeaking past the University of Houston 50-48 away on Nov. 17; and losing 85-49 Nov. 23 at the University of Indiana in Bloomington.

In the St. Thomas game, the Cardinals led at the half by eight points, 32-24, shooting about 46 percent as a team with Aricka Adams, a 5-5 junior point guard from Round Rock, Texas, leading the way with nine points. She also did not miss a shot from the field or the free-throw line in the first half.

The game started slowly for the Cardinals as they trailed the first 13 minutes of the game, but a go-ahead, three-pointer by Haley Frias, a 5-8 freshman from Georgetown, finally gave UIW the lead with 6:14 left in the half. The Cardinals would not give back the lead after that three.

However, it was the second half where the Cardinals would seemingly put the

Celts away. UIW hit seven of its first 11 shots to start the half, while the Celts went just one of seven, turning the ball over six times during a 6:07 span. The lead jumped to 22 after a three-pointer by Frias with 10:34 left in the game. The lead would not get back under 20 points until the final minute and 39 seconds of the game.

For the game, UIW shot 42 percent from the field making six of 15 from three-point range and were 10 of 14 at the foul line. Adams led the team with 15 points on six-of-eight shooting, seven rebounds and six assists. Frias had 14 points and four steals off the bench, most of her scoring coming from deep as she went four-of-seven from three-point land. Alyssa Ward, a 5-8 sophomore guard from Palmetto, Fla., also added 10 points and three steals for the Cardinals.

The Celts shot just 33 percent from the field, putting up 19 three-pointers but connecting on just three. Ana Dominguez came off the bench for St. Thomas and had 18 points to lead all scorers, also adding six rebounds and two blocks.

As a team the Cardinals had 17 assists and 15 steals and were able to put up 27 points off turnovers, while also adding 32 points from their bench.



# Linebacker earns academic award



Padyn Giebler

A University of the Incarnate Word junior linebacker has been named to the Capital One Academic All-District VII football first team.

To be eligible for the honor, Padyn Giebler from Stephenville High School in Ivan, Texas, had to have at least a 3.30 grade point average and play in at least 50 percent of the team's games.

The awards are voted on by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Giebler, 22, has been the Cardinals' leading tackler this year. The engineering management major has had at least eight tackles in four games this fall, including a pair of 11-tackle performances at North Dakota State and Northwestern State. He was the Cardinals nominee for the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team this year.

At Stephenville, he was on the football, track and basketball teams. When he was a UIW true freshman, Giebler played in every game and made five starts on

the season at linebacker, including the final four games of the year. He had at least one tackle in every game including a season-high nine at Texas A&M-Kingsville. He recorded his first career sack in the season opener against Texas College. He had seven tackles and a 28-yard interception return against McMurry. Giebler finished the year with three tackles for loss and 43 tackles.

As a sophomore, Giebler started every game at inside linebacker. He had his only tackle for loss of the season at No. 5 Sam Houston State. He had six tackles in a win over Eastern New Mexico. He averaged five tackles a game over the final five games of the 2013 season. He had a season-high nine tackles and broke up a pass against Angelo State. He finished the year with 38 tackles.

# Volleyballer gets on All-Tournament team



Angelique Vidaurri

University of the Incarnate Word junior right-side hitter Angelique Vidaurri was named to the Grand Canyon University Invitational All-Tournament Team for her performance this past weekend.

Vidaurri, who is majoring in financial planning, was the team's top player at the GCU Invitational in Phoenix, Ariz., averaging 4.29 kills per set while posting a .216 attack percentage. She had at least 14 kills in three of the four matches, including 22 against Grand Canyon. In addition, she had 16 digs and nine blocks during the weekend. She became the first player since 2009 to record at least 400 kills in a season and has 900 kills in her career.

Earlier in the season, Vidaurri was named to the Texas Tech Invitational All-Tournament Team and she earned honorable mention All-Southland Conference honors.

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# Golfer sets new par record

Senior golfer Austin Jordan set a new University of the Incarnate Word record for most strokes under par in a single round Oct. 28 at The Classic at The Tribute golf tournament.

Jordan, who is studying financial economics, stroked a 7-under par total and tied

Andrew Robson's 10-year-old record for lowest overall score. Jordan, 21, is from Rainbow, Texas.



Austin Jordan

# Catch the Cardinals

## December games calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 MBB vs St. Edward's University @ 7pm	5	6
7	8	9	10 WBB vs Texas Lutheran University @ 6pm	11	12	13
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28	29	30 WBB vs Grand Canyon University @ 6pm	31			





## Dean: Ready to start ‘from scratch’

By Tania Hajali  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER



Dr. Robyn Phillips Madson

The founding dean of the School of Osteopathic Medicine for the University of the Incarnate Word is excited about the institution's future.

Starting a school “from scratch” has its challenges, said Dr. Robyn Phillips Madson, who came to work at UIW last January after serving as dean and chief academic officer for the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Pacific Northwest University in Yakima, Wash.

Besides training students to provide primary care, UIW's school – set to open in 2016 at Brooks City Base – will be focused on “social accountability.”

“We have to be accountable for the kind of physicians we produce,” said Madson, Madson said.

She plans on staffing the school with 45 faculty and 25-to-30 staff-administrative positions to serve 100 students per class.

The osteopathic school will be using different approaches in medicine, fully focusing on the patient's mind, body and spirit. In doing so, small groups within each class will allow for one-on-one interactions.

Married and the mother of two, Madson holds a B.S. in pharmacy from the University of Washington in Seattle, a master's degree in public health from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and earned her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Michigan State University in East Lansing.

Before she became a dean, Madson had served as a hospital pharmacist, family

physician and director of a medical clinic. She's also done mission work in Guatemala.

For now, her office is on the seventh floor of Agnese-Sosa Learning and Living Center. And she's going to have to start finding more space as she hires faculty and staff. Human Resources' website currently posts osteopathic school openings for an associate dean for social accountability, professionalism, community and global engagement, as well as a founding director for a physician assistant studies program.

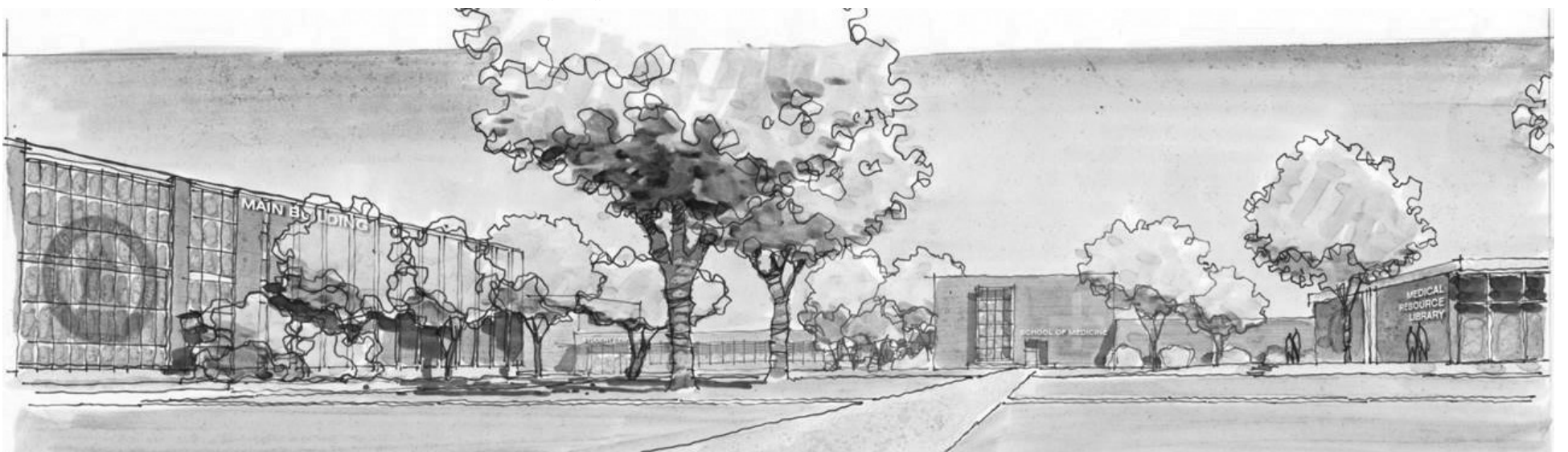
In a conversation with the Logos, Madson stressed the integration of the more holistic process of healing championed by Eastern perspectives with the myriad technological advances seen in Western medicine over the past 200 years.

As it is UIW's mission to bring forth a new wave of physicians, Madson believes combining these systems will provide the best opportunity for success throughout the patient's life. It's not merely healing the physical body that leads to good health, she contends, but being a healthy person starts within.

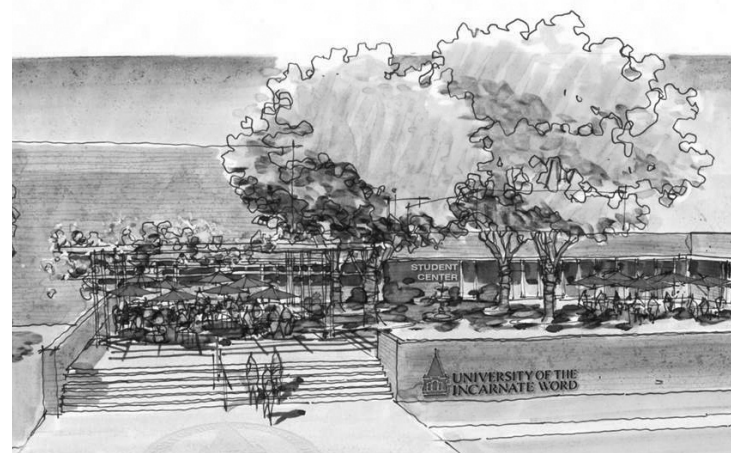
The importance of a good bedside manner and being the patient's friend and confidant leads to successful doctor-patient interactions, she said.

The plans for the osteopathic medical school already is having an impact even beyond the non-medical-oriented students.

“I think that's amazing that UIW is starting a medical school that joins the holistic approach,” said Sana Harhara, a communication arts major concentrating in journalism. “We are so quick to give people prescriptions to medication that may be harmful, so I definitely think allowing doctors to tap in to that maternal natural way of healing is something the health system needs and should incorporate.”



The University of the Incarnate Word's School of Osteopathic Medicine, left, is set to open in fall 2016 in a renovated area at Brooks City Base. The sketch, above, shows a concept of the grounds and the sketch below gives a similar of the landscape.



## Brooks City Base awaits osteopathic facility

Special to the Logos

The University of the Incarnate Word officially kicked off building renovations Friday, Nov. 7, for its new School of Osteopathic Medicine at Brooks City Base.

“Last year, we set a goal to open a new medical school in San Antonio and today we are well on our way to achieving that goal,” said Dr. Lou J. Agnese Jr., UIW's president, said. “We raise the flag of the University of the Incarnate Word to show that we will continue the legacy that was created here decades ago by building another state-of-the-art facility that will train primary care doctors to serve San Antonio and underserved areas throughout South Texas.”

Among those joining Agnese for a ceremonial flag-raising were Brooks City Base President and CEO Leo Gomez; BCB Board Member Manuel Villa; San Antonio Mayor Ivy Taylor, District 3 City Councilwoman Rebecca Viagran, and Congressman Lloyd Doggett.

The newest UIW location is located in the northwest corner of Brooks City Base in an area known as “The Hill,” a local historic district which previously housed the U.S. Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine. Plans provide four buildings and 245 parking spaces on approximately 16.45 acres, with a possible expansion to add an adjacent 6.41 acres, three more buildings and 213 additional parking spaces. The entire plan involves approximately 23 acres and seven buildings that can be adapted to provide classrooms, laboratories, administrative and faculty offices, a student center, and an auditorium.

Brooks City Base was established nearly 100 years ago and played a critical role in the development of the U.S. aviation and aerospace programs. The Air Force left in 2011.

Since then, Brooks City Base has been successfully redeveloped into a thriving, mixed-use community that has been a catalyst for growth in San Antonio. More than 26 businesses have located at Brooks including the new Mission Trail Baptist Hospital, DPT Laboratories, Mission Solar, Calumet, and Carenet Healthcare Services. Brooks is also home to a growing residential community that includes a luxury apartment community and single-family homes and to the Brooks Academy of Science and Engineering, a STEM-accredited charter school serving grades K-12.

“Our mission is to bring new life and new opportunities to this beautiful campus, but we also have a responsibility to honor the history of this place,” said Villa. “Nothing could honor the Aerospace Medical Center more than this medical school, it

is the perfect fit. We welcome UIW to our campus and we look forward to making new history together as we continue to transform this community.”

Under a Memorandum of Understanding signed last June 10, UIW will lease buildings from Brooks City Base for UIW's School of Osteopathic Medicine.

Under the agreement, UIW would lease the buildings for a term of 25 years that began last Aug 1. UIW will be responsible for financing and construction costs and would be granted ownership of the property at the end of 25 years.

At the June 10 signing, Agnese said, “This is an historic day not just for Incarnate Word and Brooks, but really, San Antonio and Texas. About half of the counties in Texas have insufficient numbers of primary care physicians. One of the goals of our medical school will be to increase the number of primary care doctors practicing in underserved areas.

“Brooks has the space and resources to allow us to develop a state-of-the-art facility that will allow UIW to fulfill the healthcare mission of our founders, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word.”

Having the osteopathic school will be another drawing card, Gomez said at the June 10 signing.

“We are thrilled to welcome UIW and look forward to bringing new life to one of the most beautiful and significant spaces on our campus,” Gomez. “We've had great success over the past 10 years bringing businesses here and spurring economic development, just as we were created to do.

“What you are starting to see now, though, is the growth of a true community where people can live, work, learn and play. We are committed to developing this campus thoughtfully and strategically. We will provide all the amenities and features you would expect in a modern community, but in a way that respects our landscape, our history and our connection to the San Antonio River and historic missions.”

Councilwoman Viagran also said the school is a big plus for the city.

“This seemed like such a natural fit for UIW, for Brooks and for this entire community and I am so pleased that we've been able to reach this point,” Viagran said. “This campus is one of the most exciting places to be in San Antonio right now. You can truly feel the energy and see the momentum and I can't wait to see what this partnership will bring to District 3.”



## Celebration features surprise package

By Stephanie Urbina  
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The tearful reunion of a retiring University of the Incarnate Word employee and her daughter who had been deployed was included in the 2014 edition of “Light the Way.”

More than 2,000 people packed Alice McDermott Convocation Center Saturday night for the traditional prelighting ceremony that took a breathtaking turn when emcee Ursula Pari of KSAT 12 introduced the crowd to Veronica Sanchez, a processer in Extended Education at UIW, who will be retiring in December.

As a token of UIW’s appreciation, Sanchez was directed to a present in a box that was more than 7 feet tall. When Sanchez opened her gift, out walked Ashley Sanchez, her daughter who was deployed in Afghanistan, completed combat tour, and was part of a helicopter squad. The Sanchezes hugged, cried and shared a beautiful moment in the homecoming.

“I couldn’t believe the school was able to pull off something like this,” said Matt Franklin, a guest at the event. “I nearly cried watching it happen. It was awesome.”

The Sanchez surprise package was among several features of the night marked by a number of performances from the Incarnate Word High School Madrigals,

St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School Choir, UIW Marching Band, Cardinal Chorale and Tejano singer Patsy Torres, who holds bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees from UIW.

Originally, the ceremony was planned outdoors in 6,000-seat Gayle and Tom Benson Stadium but had to be moved indoors due to inclement weather.

Dr. Lou J. Agnese Jr., who started the “Light the Way” tradition when he became UIW’s president, thanked H-E-B, Sodexo and KSAT for their support.

Santa and Mrs. Claus paraded through the audience, hugging kids, and spreading cheer, before Torres took the stage.

Then the action moved outside to await the flipping of a switch to light up the campus.

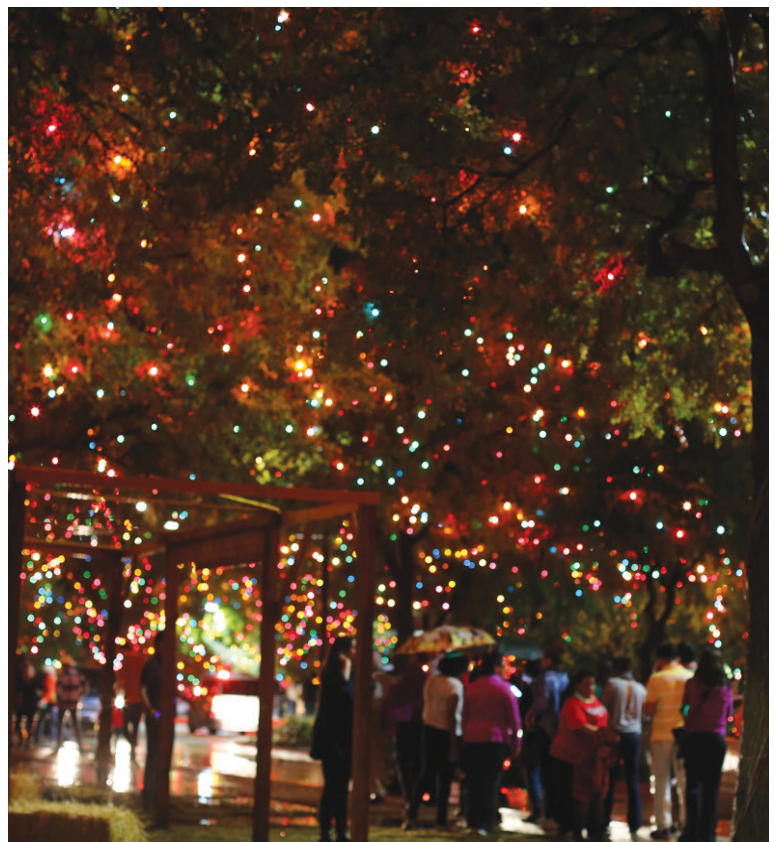
Multicolored lights and smiling faces filled the university grounds.

“I’ve been waiting for this all year,” said Belle Mendoza of San Antonio. “My kids are always in awe when they watch the lights turn on for the very first time. It’s just absolutely beautiful.”



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The University of the Incarnate Word held its 28th annual 'Light the Way' ceremony on Saturday, Nov. 22. The program was originally planned outdoors in Gayle and Tom Benson Stadium but for the second straight year was driven inside the familiar confines of Alice McDermott Convocation Center. Fewer people could attend the indoors program which was streamed on the Internet. More than 2,000 still got to see the opening of a 'surprise package' by retiring employee Veronica Sanchez, above, who discovered her deployed daughter, Ashley, inside, from Afghanistan. Dr. Louis J. Agnese Jr., UIW's longtime president, right, began the holiday tradition after being inspired by the lights of Windcrest he saw while interviewing for the president's job. Several musical performances ranging from elementary children to high school bands and singers, college marching band, Cardinal Chorale and Tejano singer Patsy Torres kept the crowd hyped for the campuswide lighting that would follow. The lights will be on nightly through Jan. 6.







## Volunteers see fruits of labor shine on campus

By Oscar Salazar  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Behind the scenes, a lot of volunteers are needed to present “Light the Way” at the University of the Incarnate Word.

“I am one of the helpers with the volunteer area so we make sure that everyone knows what their role is and who to go to for help,” said Robin Logan, director of institutional research at UIW. “Volunteering behind the scenes is a great opportunity to give back to the community -- not just our UIW community, but the greater San Antonio region.

“(UIW’s Office of Public Relations) works months in advance, and I know after this is over they are going to start planning for next year if they haven’t already,” Logan added. “A lot of what we do is a process of continuous improvements by taking note of what worked this year and things we can improve upon to make it better for next year. The weather is always tricky but PR had done a fabulous job making sure that there is ‘Plan A’ and ‘Plan B’ to fall back on. We appreciate their planning.”

Though it takes a lot of planning and volunteers, people always come back to help with the event because it is a special time for all families to come out and enjoy the event.

“This is the second year that I’ve assisted with Light the Way,” said Ana Gonzalez, UIW’s director of instructional technology. “Last year I was one of the supervisors working with the student volunteers. This year we are taking care of all of the volunteers by getting all the team leaders ready with their walkie-talkies so that we can all communicate back and forth to each other with needs and so forth.

“We are getting all the students squared away with their shirts, passes and all of that fun stuff and then give them a rundown of our expectations,” Gonzalez said. “We want to make sure that everyone that comes to UIW has a great time. So, we make sure that everyone puts on their best ‘Christmas face’ and helps out as much as they can. It’s always a little hectic because it is such a big event but, nonetheless, it is always a lot of fun and I have a great time getting to participate.”

Student Ambassador Amanda Gamez said she loves being a volunteer in the production.

“I love working behind the scenes,” Gamez said. “It’s a beautiful event that we can put on for the San Antonio community.”

Campus Police Capt. Jacob Colunga also is a veteran to helping manage the crowds expected for “Light the Way.”

“The behind-the-scenes is really what makes it happen,” Colunga said. “The electrical grounds team that is involved in putting up the lights does an incredible job. Some people complain about blocking parking spaces or the lifts in the way of traffic, but that part of ‘Light the Way’ is a very integral part that makes this night so special. Public Relations and all of the volunteers do make it very special for our guests.”

Originally, UIW was preparing for 6,000 people in Gayle and Tom Benson Stadium but the pre-lighting program had to be moved inside Alice McDermott Convocation Center due to inclement weather. The move brought special challenges for behind-the-scenes work but one that got a practice run at last year’s event.

“For the last three days we’ve been anticipating (the move), spent two days changing all of the plans and today executing it so it has been a little different,” said Margaret Garcia, associate director of public relations. “But we are really excited things are

moving along.”

“(‘Light the Way’) is a great event,” said Debra Del Toro, UIW’s director of public relations. “It’s a wonderful opportunity for the entire university to come together and really celebrate the holiday and host an event for our entire San Antonio community. A lot goes into it. We have a lot of great volunteers that volunteer every year. A lot of them return and really make this a special moment.”

“Rain or shine, we make it happen,” said Brance Arnold, publications coordinator for the PR office. “I know people will enjoy it.”

UIW Board Member Linda Woods is among those who do.

“‘Light the Way’ has brought so much joy and inspiration to the San Antonio community,” Woods said. “I’ve been coming to this event for the last 10 years and it is the highlight of the beginning of the holiday season. I am blessed to have a university part of my family. My daughter graduated from here and it’s pretty amazing to come back and see all these beautiful faces to come and support the university and everything that they’re doing and, of course, to see the beautiful campus lit up with all of the lights.”

All of those lights need plenty of volunteers to help them shine.

“We have spent months planning ‘Light the Way,’” said Kayla Rice, special events coordinator for the PR office. “It really is a UIW community event. It takes lots of volunteers, staff members, (and) faculty members who come out and dedicate their time to make this annual tradition happen. The night of we have the same type of people come out with the same dedication. It really does take a village here and we’re just so proud of the work that everybody puts in but at the end of the night when those lights go on in the trees it’s well worth it and we’re just very proud of the accomplishment.”







## Dec. Movies

Compiled by Valerie Bustamante

### Nov 28

#### The Imitation Game

Rated: PG-13  
Genre: Drama  
Starring: Benedict Cumberbatch, Keira Knightley, Allen Leech, Rory Kinnear, Mark Strong, Matthew Beard

### Dec 5

#### Dying of the Light

Rated: R  
Genre: Drama/ Suspense/ Thriller  
Starring: Nicholas Cage, Anton Yelchin, Alexander Karim

### Dec 12

#### Exodus: Gods and Kings

Rated: PG-13  
Genre: Drama  
Starring: Christian Bale, Joel Edgerton, John Turturro, Sigourney Weaver, Aaron Paul

### Dec 17

#### The Hobbit: Battle of the Five Armies

Rated: N/A  
Genre: Action/ Adventure  
Starring: Martin Freeman, Ian McKellen, Richard Armitage, Andy Serkis, Elijah Woods, Iam Holm, Cate Blanchett

### Dec 19

#### Annie

Rated: PG  
Genre: Comedy/ Drama  
Starring: Jamie Foxx, Quvenzhané Wallis, Rose Byrne, Bobby Cannavale, David Zayas, Cameron Diaz

#### Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb

Rated: PG  
Genre: Comedy/ Family  
Starring: Ben Stiller, Robin Williams, Owen Wilson, Steve Coogan, Ricky Gervais, Dan Stevens, Rebel Wilson

### Dec 25

#### Into the Woods

Rated: PG  
Genre: Music/ Sci-fi/ Fantasy  
Starring: Meryl Streep, Emily Blunt, James Corden, Anna Kendrick, Chris Pine, Tracey Ullman, Johnny

Depp

#### Unbroken

Rated: PG-13  
Genre: Drama  
Starring: Jack O'Connell, Garrett Hedlund, Domhnall Gleeson, Miyavi, Finn Wittrock



By Marco Cadena  
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

behind by the first two films.

“Mockingjay Part I” premiered Nov. 21 – there also were midnight showings on Nov. 20 – with great numbers at the box office and an A-list returning cast including Academy Award-winning actress Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson, Liam Hemsworth and Elizabeth Banks as well as new members such as Julianne Moore (“Magnolia”) and Natalie Dormer (“Game of Thrones”).

“Mockingjay’s” story – told in an atmosphere of liveliness and excitement during its two-hours-and-three-minutes run -- is centered on the events following the abrupt finale of the 75th Annual Hunger Games.

In “Catching Fire,” Katniss Everdeen, Lawrence’s character, destroys the capital’s system by shooting an electrified arrow to the top of the arena’s dome. Now, Everdeen steps firmly into the role of not only a symbol of rebellion but also as a leader against Panem’s unjust form of government.

Even if “Mockingjay Part I” turns out to be the highest-grossing movie of the franchise, it will be hard for moviegoers to classify this film as a favorite. “Mockingjay” sure contains everything fans were looking for: action, romance, political satire and a touch of comedy, but things such as a slow pace and extended storytelling can make this film an underdog in the Hunger Games movie series.

Suzanne Collins, author of the critically acclaimed Hunger Games book series, depicts the story in three books. However, on the big screen the story is being told through four films. This formula has been used before with other high-grossing franchises, such as Harry Potter (“Deathly Hallows Part 1 & 2”) and Twilight (“Breaking Dawn Part 1 & 2”), where the last book of the series was portrayed in two parts at the movie theaters. In the case of “Mockingjay,” the bridge between Part 1 and Part 2 – set to be released Nov. 20, 2015 -- is just leading up for the real action-packed finale.

The direction and cinematography of “Mockingjay” are at the same level as “Catching Fire.” After Gary Ross, director of the first movie, decided not to direct the sequel in the middle of mixed reviews regarding direction and incomplete book-to-movie storytelling, Lionsgate hired Francis Lawrence. Lawrence, also known for his work in “I Am Legend,” gave the franchise a unique vision and representation. The returning director does not give the audience monotone images, but rather a collection of striking images from beginning to end. Every frame and every background has a proportional balance, giving the

The much-anticipated third installment of the “Hunger Games” movie series succeeds in maintaining the legacy left

viewers something to look to from every angle.

Just like in many movies based from books, Mockingjay has some significant differences between its source and the film-adaptation. For instance, major interventions from Effie Trickett, Elizabeth Banks’ character, which are not present in the book as well as added action between characters and rearrangement of dialogues.

Mockingjay’s promotion and hype among social media outlets was not prominent. It was indeed significantly tame compared to the first two films’ propaganda. However, this will not stop the movie from leaving the competition (“Horrible Bosses 2” and “Penguins of Madagascar”) in the dust for more than just a couple of weeks after its worldwide release.

The film also depicts an atmosphere of indirect melancholy every time Philip Seymour Hoffman is seen on screen. Hoffman, who died earlier this year due to mixed drug intoxication, portrayed such an important character in the series. Hoffman was able to film most of his parts for “Mockingjay Part 2,” but after the actor’s death, producers decided to use special effects to recreate Hoffman for the unfinished scenes. However, Francis Lawrence refused this idea, instead rewriting the remaining scenes. This was one of the last projects the actor was involved in.

From jaw-dropping moments to musical numbers – Jennifer Lawrence’s rendition of “The Hanging Tree” is worth downloading -- “Mockingjay Part 1” is a solid product.

Jennifer Lawrence’s powerhouse acting and the relationships between her character and the rest of the cast make this two-hour-plus ride an enjoyable one. And while some question the purpose of the film, the rest of us know “Part 2” will tie the series in an intense manner. Let’s wait and see.

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## ‘Call of Duty’ gets fresh start



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Sledgehammer’s newest installment of the “Call of Duty” franchise sets a new direction in gameplay for first-person shooters.

Advanced Warfare is a game that offers an entertaining storyline but lures gamers abroad with its multiplayer gameplay. The campaign portion of the story follows a character that is working for a private military corporation called “Atlas.” Atlas is led by Jonathan Irons, played by Kevin Spacey, a man whose means are questionable. The settings are exceptional with stunning worlds set across the globe.

When you begin playing, you immediately feel a difference in this game in relation to all the previous “Call of Duty” games. You have a new exo-suit which provides humans with abilities that enhance your speed, agility, strength and movement overall. With that being said, this new game focuses on movement.

Sledgehammer’s approach to the game is all about movement. First-person shooters to this day have been very limited to linear structures and having to go up ladders and stairs to get to higher grounds. Today, the new exo-abilities make stairs a thing of the past and allow gamers to boost high in the air and move constantly. This allows game maps to be much bigger and allow the games to be more vertical.

The structures are not limited to building sideways and are now focused on building from the ground up.

The new multiplayer introduces new game modes such as uplink, a fast-paced, basketball-like game. This new game mode allows players to test their new abilities and to enjoy rather than focusing on kill-to-death ratios. This new game allows you to play however it fits you best with the introduction of the pick-13 system that is similar to the pick-10 system of “Call of Duty: Black Ops II.” Gamers now have numerous upgrades and personalization options for their weapons and player.

The verdict: “Call of Duty: Advanced Warfare” introduces a new direction for first-person shooters with an incredible amount of movement. The new gameplay keeps intact the mechanics that make the franchise what it is today and is a “Call of Duty” game at its core. This game will set a new standard of mobility following Titanfall’s introduction of a similar gameplay system. “Call of Duty: Advanced Warfare” was definitely a needed game that gave the series a refreshing start and will keep gamers waiting anxiously on the direction the series will take going forward.

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## ‘Ask Red’ provides plenty of answers

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UIW’s website homepage has a feature that many students and faculty are familiar with, but no one really seems to know its purpose.

Thanks to the Office of Student Success, the UIW website provides a link for current and prospective students to ask questions concerning admissions, registration, financial assistance or any other UIW-related questions they may have.

The link is located on the top right-hand corner of the ribbon, and can be accessed at any point, as long as the user is on the UIW website. Once a user clicks on the link titled “Ask Red,” the site will redirect you to the Ask Red webpage. On that page, the user is greeted by a picture of “Red,” the UIW Cardinal, and mascot. At the top, users will see a text box that says: Have an Admissions, Registration, Financial Assistance or other UIW-related question? Welcome to Ask Red. To get started, Ask Red a question in a complete sentence or phrase below. For example: “How do I apply?”

Below the text is a line for the user to type in a question to then submit. However, the question must be a complete question, in a proper sentence. The reason behind this is so the server can then use familiar words to redirect the user to the answer they are looking for. For example, if a prospective student is on the website and wants to know how to apply to UIW, they will type in “How do I apply?” and click submit. “Ask Red” will then come up with an answer it feels best matches the user’s text. Under the answer Red will give, there is a question that says, “Are you satisfied with your answer?” and three option choices: yes, somewhat and no. This part is simply there the Office of Student Success can improve its link if needed,

or know the website is doing a good job if the user is satisfied with the answer.

After the answer is given, another section below that says “You May Be Interested In:” appears with a dropdown box of 10 questions a person who is interested in applying to the university may want to ask. This includes questions such as: “How do I file my FAFSA?” “How do I apply for a scholarship?” “What is the application fee?” (Just to name a few.) The user then can click any related question she or he is interested in learning about and once again Red will provide an answer it feels best matches the question. If for some reason the link cannot come up with an answer the user feels is helpful, the user can then submit an email.

At the bottom of the page, it states “Having trouble finding your answer? Please send us an email.” The user then can click on this and will be redirected to another page where they will provide their name, email, city, state, and their question. Once they submit their question, the Office of Student Success will gladly answer promptly.

Rene Pena, a UIW senior, credits “Ask Red” for deciding on coming to UIW.

“I transferred to UIW my sophomore year, and as I was looking into what school would best fit me, I visited the UIW website and quickly familiarized myself with the page,” Pena said. “I was a student-athlete at the time, and wanted to learn more about the benefits of being a UIW student-athlete. I saw the “Ask Red” link at the top and clicked on it because I wasn’t sure what it was. I was then redirected to the page where I was able to type in ‘What are the benefits for student athletes?’ I was pleased with the response it gave me, and decided to give UIW a chance, and I ended up loving the school.”





## Career Services prepares for busy spring job fairs

By Roxanne Robles  
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The University of the Incarnate Word's new manager in the Office of Career Services is preparing for a busy spring that will include job fairs and a number of job-related workshops.

Abreetta Goode, the coordinator, has four years of experience in career services. A Houston native, she attended Texas State University in San Marcos. She has a bachelor's degree in communication studies and a master's degree in education in student affairs in higher education.

She has worked in the career services department at the University of Texas at Austin and before that worked for an academic advising firm helping juniors and seniors in college.

"I love higher education, public speaking, presenting -- and working with students has always been a passion of mine," Goode said. "I love being a part of that kind of developmental process with students and saying that I have had that small part is really rewarding. So that led me on a path to working higher education."

After arriving to UIW last fall, Goode said, she found plenty of people willing to help her hit the ground running.

"Everyone is so helpful and willing to lend a hand and if I have a question people don't hesitate to be a resource for us in this office," Goode said. "That's been comforting and reassuring for me that I made the right decision when accepting this position."

"Even moving to San Antonio has been an adventure in itself. I just moved this week and everything is really new. I love it and I do well with change."

Speaking of change, Goode has had to manage the move of the office from the Watson Building to the first floor of the Administration Building near the Advising Center with the help of Michelle McWilliams, the career services adviser, and longtime secretary Darlene Moczygemba.

"We offer a number of services for students," Goode said. "I like to think of any umbrella term that encompasses job-searching, mock interviewing, resume reviewing, job shadowing and really (learning) how to build and strengthen your network."

Her task is especially important for first-year college students, Goode said.

"We try to really reach out to our first-year students to make sure they are aware of all the resources that we have to offer them to make the most out of their experience here," she said. "Making sure they are taking the proper steps now and making a solid foundation early to better-prepare them when it comes to their senior year."

Besides setting up job fairs on campus, "(we also) notify students about job fairs that are happening around the San Antonio area. We try to get the word out to students so they are aware of those opportunities."

The Career Services webpage and its Career Circuit site should be checked often for employment opportunities, she pointed out.

Career Services maintains flexibility to meet student needs. \

"Students can walk in and schedule an appointment, or call the office and we will create an appointment. If students are busy they can upload their resume on Career Circuit, then we review it and email back any suggestions within 24 to 48 hours," said Goode.

"We have tons of personality assessments, career-driven assessments that are available to students that get them connected to campus early. Our services are open to all undergraduate students and alumni. All students should have high expectations post-graduation. You worked

hard. You spent your money. You deserve to have what it is what you're looking for when it comes to a career."



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UIW's Michelle McWilliams, left, Abreetta Goode and Darlene Moczygemba.

## Technology aside -- the human side of computing



By Phil Youngblood

I started writing these articles for the Logos more than 10 years ago.

My original and current intent remain the same -- to share with you the fascinating and still unfolding story of computer technology and how it is affecting, and has the potential to affect, our everyday lives.

Computers can seem magical

in their effect, and I think my students are sometimes puzzled to discover there is no "magic" inside. Inside there are just billions of tiny "gates" that allow minute amounts of electricity to pass in one direction or another and along what looks a lot like different-sized roadways in a large metropolis, connecting a myriad of "buildings" with different functions. Likewise, what we call software is, physically, just more "gates" or else billions of microscopic variations on a flat surface. So where is the magic?

Having watched the computer metamorphose from its earlier awkward forms into the sleek personal devices we carry today, I can personally attest to the magic wrought by computer scientists and engineers able to shrink computer components by half their size every two years over the last 60 years and stuff billions into an area no larger than your thumbnail today.

The second piece of "magic" is in how these billion of tiny "gates" spots on a surface are put to work. Each gate creates, and each spot represents, what we refer to as a 1 or 0. Each 1 or 0 is part of a larger number such as 00101110. The magic comes in transforming that number into something we can recognize. 00101110 represents the period at the end of this sentence. Why? Computer designers have agreed on this. Depending on its context, it could also be how much red there is in a dot on your screen, or the frequency of a sound, or an instruction to the computer to do something. Everything you see and do with the computer comes down to the meanings given to patterns of 1s and 0s. Another form of magic is getting computer manufacturers to agree on what 00101110 means and what those billions of "gates"

do, or at least agree to translate it into their own language so your device can "talk" to billions of other devices anywhere in the world.

If you think about it then, the real magic lies not in the device itself but in the minds of those who conceived of the concept that 1s and 0s can represent anything we can see or hear and who designed the physical components that brought this concept to fruition. This magic created the tool. The magic continues in ways we dream up to use this powerful tool. Just this week I read of a simple audio computer called a Talking Book that will enable illiterate people worldwide to listen in their own languages to hundreds of hours of stories and knowledge and who can use it to record their own messages or questions to share with others in an educational or social setting. A USB cable connects devices so they can transfer information and messages. Knowledge is power and bringing knowledge to the people around the world has been one of the best applications of this "magical" tool.

In another development, a female screenwriter happened across a 2010 Barbie book titled "I Can Be a Computer Engineer," only to discover Barbie only did the design work and relied on guys to do the actual programming. The screenwriter got together with a real female computer engineer to create a website (<https://computer-engineer-barbie.herokuapp.com>) to allow anyone to rewrite the text to reflect a more empowered Barbie. Back in real life, the creators of code.org have collaborated with top-name universities (and recently, Disney) to create visual, drag-and-drop programming tutorials that start with "An Hour of Code" ([hourofcode.com](http://hourofcode.com)). A phenomenal success, more female students worldwide (10 million) have tried computer science through these simple online tutorials last year alone than in the 70-year history of computer science. Now that's empowering!

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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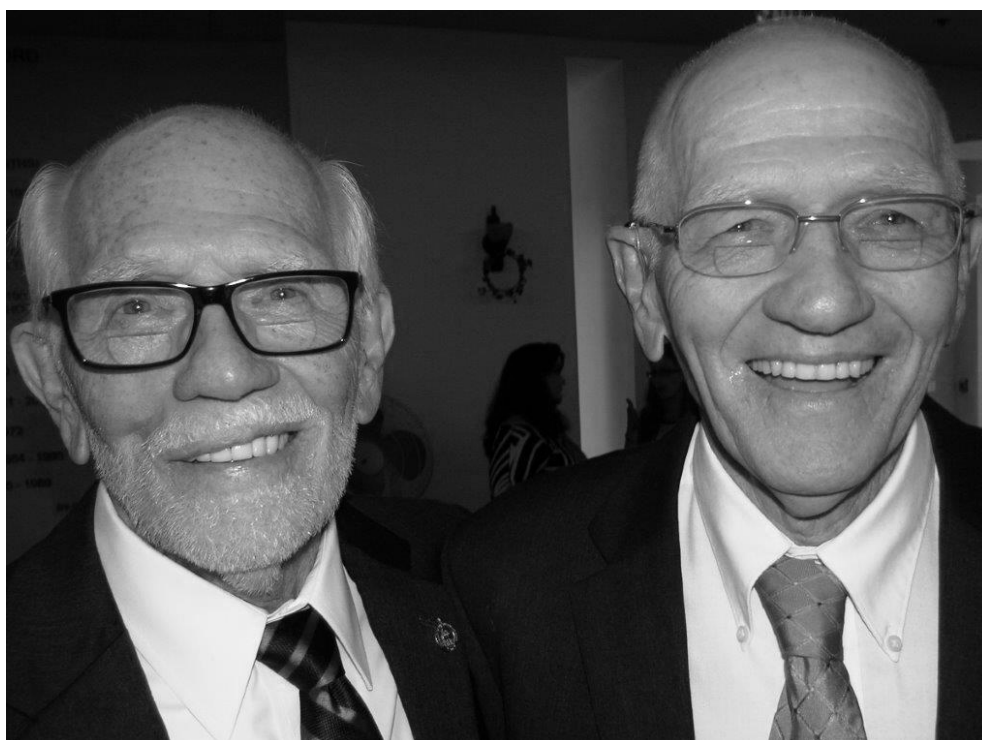
## Heritage Day Honor Roll

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Mary Ann De La Garza  
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Dr. Gary Norgan  
Dr. Matthias Schubnell  
Moises Torrescano  
20 Years  
Cristina Ariza  
John Burrell  
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Dr. Renée Moore  
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Dr. Keith Tucker, left, a 40-year employee of the University of the Incarnate Word, gets personal congratulations from his twin brother, Kenneth, who traveled from Independence, Mo., to be with him for the Heritage Day Employee Recognition Program. Tucker, who says he's the oldest by a 'small margin,' directs the counseling center.



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GERM 1301 **Elementary German I**  
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