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Dalia Bishop

Gay-straight support group seeks recognition

By April Lynn Downing
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An alliance of gay and straight students and their supporters, which has elected officers and drafted a constitution, is seeking official recognition as a student organization on campus.

But the group is finding the road to recognition on a private Catholic campus is a little bumpy.

"As a Catholic institution what we are concerned about is that every group on campus fit into and be consistent with the mission of our institution and with the

fact that we are a Catholic institution," Dr. Denise Doyle, the provost, said.

"What that means is that we welcome our gay and lesbian students to organize, to meet, to support one another, to discuss and to advocate for their own concerns and issues but we

also feel that we do not want to get into a major debate about the Catholic Church's teaching (concerning) homosexuality and we don't want to be inconsistent with that teaching. And I don't think we have to be. I think

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Dr. Denise Doyle

Students can get cash for answers in UIW's survey

By Melissa Hernandez
LOGOS EDITOR

University of the Incarnate Word students have the opportunity to receive cash awards for online participation in the completely anonymous Noel-Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory between Oct. 29 and Nov. 30.

This survey, which is part of UIW's overall assessment plan, is the single-most important measure of students' satisfaction at UIW, said Dr. Jim Parlett, the university's chief information officer.

That's why officials are willing to pay \$2,250 in cash prizes for to randomly selected survey respondents by Dec. 7.

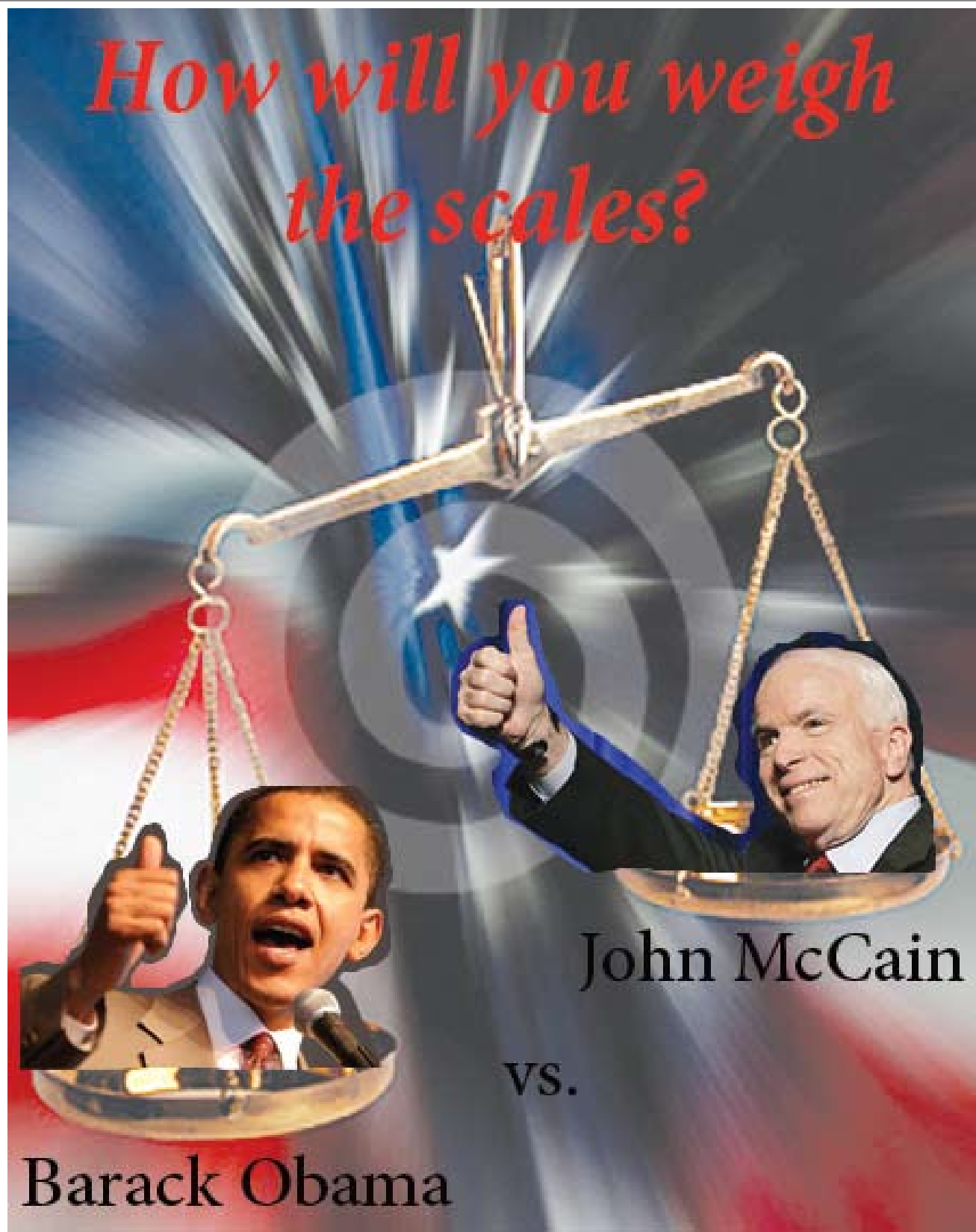
"There will be one award of \$750, two awards \$250, and 10 awards of \$100 -- all just in time for Christmas shopping," Parlett said.

"Main campus students will receive an e-mail to their Cardinal Mail inboxes with an invitation and access code on the day the survey starts," Parlett said.

Those who do not participate within the first two weeks will receive an additional reminder e-mail with the same code.

"This survey measures the expectations and perceptions of students on a wide range of topics, including such areas as instructional effectiveness, campus life, safety and security, and several

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Students weigh presidential choice

By Emily Stafford
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The campus is buzzing with talk of the upcoming presidential election, especially with the energetic debates between

Republican John McCain and Democrat Barack Obama.

In a random survey, more students seemed to be going for McCain, citing his experience. Some

are going for Obama, saying they want changes.

Few seem to be undecided although Trey McCarty confided he was "undecided at the moment. (I'm) still do-

ing my research on both candidates."

For most responding to the survey, the deci-

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'Light the Way' set for Nov. 22

The 23rd annual "Light the Way" – featuring the turn-on of a million twinkling lights across the campus – will kick off the holiday season Saturday, Nov. 22.

Sponsored by the university and H.E.B., "Light the Way" activities will begin with Mass at 5:30 p.m. in Our Lady's Chapel in the Administration Building. After the service, the opening ceremony will kick off at 7:30 in Alice McDermott Convocation Center.

The Chorale from the university will sing along with separate performances from the choirs of Incarnate Word High School, St. Anthony Catholic School and St. Peter Prince of Apostles Catholic School. St. Anthony's Jazz Band also will entertain the crowd.

Visitors are invited to bring a new unwrapped toy for the Elf Louise Toy Drive.

After the official switch is flipped turning on the million lights, mariachis will lead a candlelight procession of guests through the campus and to Central Market for a complimentary reception.

The campus will be open for self-guided tours through Jan. 6.



UIW community pays tribute to Maureen Halligan

By Rebecca Ohnemus
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Maureen Halligan remains not just a name on a building on campus, but a

legend, an inspiration and driving force for creativity and excellence in all she touched, according to those who attended her

funeral.

Halligan led every one of her 94 years with an abandon of the practical, an attitude that afforded her great creativity and freedom in her artwork, they said during a tribute for the longtime theater professor Saturday, Oct. 25, in Our Lady's Chapel.

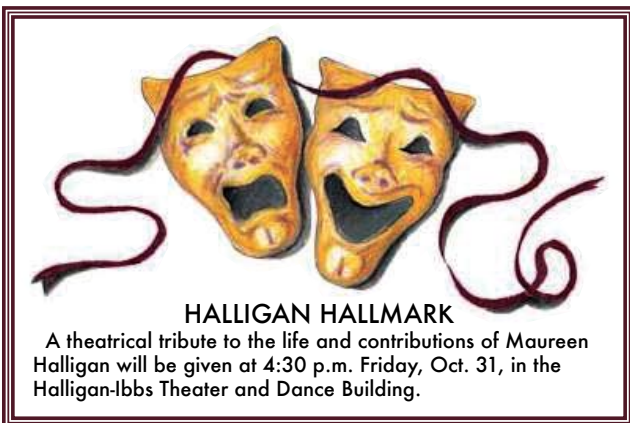
Those who spoke said she shared an eternally youthful spirit each moment with friends, family and students. She was

fine to the end – as they said Halligan would say -- "from the neck up."

The smiles, laughter and stories continued throughout the celebratory events and spanned everything from incidents of stolen silverware to circus entrances made atop an elephant. Yet, perhaps the greatest tribute of all was a loving community gathered together as a whole once more to remember the life of their friend and teacher who died Oct. 19.



Maureen Halligan, 94, once chaired the Department of Theatre.





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we can have a gay and lesbian group on campus and they can have the fellowship and support that they are seeking.”

The group’s president, Dalia Bishop, said she and others involved in the group realize the UIW community may see the emergence of a gay-straight organization on campus as conflicting with the Catholic Church. But Bishop pointed out that paragraph No. 2358 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church states: “[homo-sexuals] must be accepted with respect, compassion and sensitivity. Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided.”

“I would imagine that on a university campus that focuses on Catholic social teaching and focuses on the innate equality of all people that this organization has a real place on our campus,” Bishop said. “This organiza-

tion is not about providing a social network for students who self-identify as LG-BTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, queer) but it’s about providing a support network for students who need it. This group is not just for students. It’s for faculty as well. It’s important that everyone on campus knows, whether they’re homosexual or not, that there’s a group that is in support of embracing people of different backgrounds and practices.”

In order to balance the organization with the Catholic doctrine, an “example memorandum” was presented as an opening to more conversation as to what the group can do on campus. The memorandum, Doyle said, is not an agreement but merely an example.

“The memorandum is, as I said, one school,” Doyle said. “St. Mary’s

has a group like this here in San Antonio, Our Lady of the Lake has a group like this here in San Antonio, St. Edward’s University in Austin has a group like this. I know these are Catholic institutions very common, very similar to us. This is not uncommon so we can find the right mix within a Catholic context. And I’m hopeful that will happen.”

Based on the example memorandum, the gay-straight group will not be allowed to “sponsor activities for which the focus is primarily social in nature.” The group is discussing social activities but holding off on scheduling them until an exact definition is established.

For its first year, the group plans to stick to its mission of educating the UIW community, to be a place of support and discussion for the alternative lifestyle community, and to

promote social equality on campus as well as a safe and supportive environment, as stated in the organization’s constitution.

As of now the gay-straight group is not recognized as a formal organization, meaning they do not have representation in the Student Government Association. This, however, doesn’t have to remain permanent.

“Right now the (group) is not recognized and right now it’s probably not going to be recognized at this point,” Doyle said. “My discussions with some of the faculty and some of the administration is that should the (group) get established and get a membership that meets regularly and show what is their intent and what they’re hoping to do, if down the road this is working then I am willing to reconsider whether or not they can be an organization. Historically, gay and les-

bian groups have not been organizations on campus. I’m willing to say if this establishes itself, I am willing to discuss it with them about being an organization.”

While both parties seem to be optimistic about the informal organization’s future, Bishop thinks they should be recognized now.

“I don’t think that it’s fair to put (our group) under a microscope because there’s a concern that we are going to fall by the wayside like the groups preceding us have or like some of the current groups have on campus because those groups are still formal groups, they’re still legitimized by being a part of student government and I think that’s prob-

ably the main benefit that we’ll receive from being recognized: a level of legitimacy, not feeling like we’re meeting in secrecy and that we’re not protected by the university from a number of things, from discrimination,” Bishop said.

“I think having a placard that says ‘GSA’ (Gay-Straight Alliance) and having a senator from our group who sits in a seat, I think that’s a huge step in the right direction. As president of the organization, one of my primary goals will be making sure that we do have someone who’s at every single General Assembly. My hope and my expectation is that that will not be a problem for us this year.”

Gay-Straight Group Officers

President: Dalia Bishop
Vice President: Matthew Pargeter
Secretary: Shay Malcolm
Event Coordinators: Jesse Munoz and Elena Valenzuela
Treasurer: Nicole Sanchez

Maureen Halligan-----From Pg. 1

Upon learning of her passing, former students from all over the world sent word, memories and stories to share with those who would gather to remember Halligan. The greatest tribute to her contributions – the drive of those she knew and touched to share their experience, despite her instruction of “no homilies or talks,” to share how she touched them with all who would listen.

Every story shared, every moment in time relived, was touched by a magic that Halligan passed along to those she was near. Those who gathered to remember her life were saddened by her passing, but something deeper lay in the emotion that overflowed from the congregation: an honest joy. The celebrations of Halligan’s life were just that, celebrations.

Tales of Halligan’s life, from her early childhood

as an orphan in Dublin, Ireland, to her brush with a doctor who told her the epilepsy she suffered from would prevent a career in theater, told of her determination, her genius and her stubborn will to do as she wished, despite the odds.

Halligan’s love of theater was matched by a love of music.

“You could walk into her room, her house, anywhere she was, there was music playing,” said Sister Germaine Corbin, a semi-retired theater professor at UIW. Halligan would often leave the music playing when she left town, saying, “‘If someone is going to rob me, they might as well hear the best.’”

Classically trained on the cello and schooled at University College in Dublin, it was this pursuit of music that led Halligan to a career in theater. Discovered there by Lord Edward Longford and re-

cruited to his company, she met her future husband, Ronald Ibbs, with whom she founded another company with his namesake.

The Dublin Players, a derivative of their original company, brought Halligan to San Antonio in 1954. Ten years later, Halligan settled in the Alamo City for good, inviting Ibbs, who remained behind suffering tuberculosis, down for “a cup of tea” and a brief visit. Decades later, that cup of tea was a legacy.

Aside from helping to build Incarnate Word College’s theater program into a full-fledged department, Halligan, who would head the department, inspired changes to the permanent geography of the school itself. Realizing the college needed more than just the Downstage for performances, Halligan was instrumental in the fund-raising as well as planning for what became

Halligan-Ibbs Theater and Dance Building.

Corbin reminisced on Halligan and Ibbs in their early years with Incarnate Word. “These were professional actors who gave so generously of their talents,” Corbin said. “They truly believed in sharing.” Corbin added a laugh, remembering the performances given on the Downstage. “There was no backstage,” she said. “Actors would have to climb through a window to appear on the other side of the stage.”

Halligan’s talent for creating rich experiences from very little surfaced frequently in her teaching career. Her time with the women of Littler Flower Academy in the ‘60s demonstrated an innate ability to stir within the imaginations of others things that had never before existed. Students were directed in scenes from “Riders of the Sea,” though they never

saw the sea or experienced anything of Ireland.

Between appearances on stage and on the silver screen, there was much to spoil Halligan to life among the rest of the world, some said, but Halligan remained truly dedicated to not only sharing her talents but to teaching patiently the love of art. Above all, Halligan firmly believed in the potential of goodness.

UIW Alumni Dean Emeritus Dick McCracken, a longtime friend, confidant, and what he called member of the “volunteer staff of Maureen Halligan,” jokingly said he wished he “had all the money that she and Ronnie gave to perfect strangers.”

Halligan “had that innate sense of goodness and wanting to share what she had. She cared very little for the things of this life,” he added.

At Halligan’s request, the coffin remained closed

for the ceremonies. Atop it at the wake lay things McCracken selected to remind those gathered of Halligan and the things she loved: a hummingbird wind chime, a woolen shawl and Irish cap, complete with hair pin.

McCracken said Halligan loved birds, picking up on her shopping days “birdseed, bananas and grapes” and loved Ireland as her home, no matter the time she spent anywhere else.

This love was passed to all who knew her and displayed in a reading of W.B. Yeats’ poem, “The Lake Isle of Innisfree,” by one of Halligan’s first students, Kathleen Klein-LeStrange.

The eyes of those listening were smiling, some closed, others with tears in the corners, remembering a time when they had heard Halligan read, “ ‘I will arise and go now.’ ”

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sion is already made.

“I support John McCain,” Barbara Garcia said. “McCain’s campaign is going to drive the economy back up. I say ‘no’ to raises in taxes. It’s ridiculous to take a third of someone’s paycheck after all the hard work they did to earn it.”

“Obama all the way,” Marissa Zajac said. “It is time that we have a Democrat as president. I support his more lib-

eral campaign. I want change and I believe he can provide us with that change.”

“What I am looking forward to is change,” Buddy Ogden said. “I am not happy with the state our nation is in right now and I think that the Democrats will provide the change to better our nation.”

“ ‘Republican’: It’s who I am,” Joey Pena said. “We need to get out of Iraq with an exit

strategy that ends in a positive result. McCain can provide this. He is a veteran and was a prisoner of war. It is important that our future president has military experience. I support his decisions that minimum wage should be determined by the state. Also if we drill here then it will result in a boost in our economy. We have the resources here so let’s use them and stop relying on everyone else. McCain has stood by his

country and his duties.”

Natalie Garcia, a Democrat, said, “I wanted Hillary (Clinton). And I was very undecided between John McCain and Barack Obama. Now after seeing the debates, at the last minute I would have to go with Obama.”

“I believe in John McCain,” Barbara Stafford said. “He has a plan for our economy and actually states how he’s going to make it happen. He is realistic. He’s pro-life. A

president needs to have both political and military experience. When it comes down to it, McCain does and Obama doesn’t.”

“McCain is who will receive my vote,” Audrey Molidar said. “Religion is what drives me. I believe he will lead our country in the right direction. Morals, ethics and values are important to me and so is being pro-life.”

“I am voting for McCain because I feel that

he has more experience,” Elise Alaniz said. “He has substance in his platform and doesn’t beat around the bush. I support him with his policies on the war, taxes, health care, faith and the economy.”

“Go McCain,” Brit-tany Valadez said. “He has way more experience than Obama and therefore will make a better president. I am a Christian and I am going with who supports the Bible and my beliefs.”

Researcher, students to make presentations at colloquium-----From Pg. 1

An assistant professor of psychology from DePaul University in Chicago will give the keynote presentation at 9 a.m. Monday, Nov. 10, to the seventh annual Psychology Research Colloquium.

The colloquium in J.E. and L.E. Mabec Library Auditorium also will fea-

ture presentations from four psychology majors who are in Incarnate Word’s McNair Scholars Program.

Dr. Christine Reyna, the keynote speaker, will discuss “Attributional Stereotypes and the Legitimizing Ideology of Deservingness.”

Student presentations will come from Theresa A. Galan-Bruce, “Risk and Protective Factors that Contribute to Homelessness Among Women”; Eleonora Garcia, “Hypnotizability in Mild Head Injury”; and Debbie Gomez and Valeria Salazar, “An Analysis of Physician



Dr. Christine Reyna

Communication Based on Cultural Value Dimensions.”

swers to every question in the survey. The “gap score,” the difference between how students’ expectations measure to reality, is how UIW leaders (such as the planning committee) will decide what to invest in for the next year.

An outside facilitator also will hold focus groups to obtain further

details regarding the results of the survey.

“Results will be available January 2009,” Parlett said. “We will follow up with reports to the president and executive council, give presentations to faculty, publish in the newspaper and on the web, and invite students to an open presentation in the spring.”

Fall fashion trends for women, men



Time to put away the shorts and flip-flops, and to transition your summer wardrobe for fall. For you style-savvy students, this process doesn't have to add to your stress or be very expensive. Just focus on the key accessories to get you

Top 10 for women

1. The Statement Necklace. Accessorizing with an eye-catching necklace will brighten up a basic blouse and may even turn out to be a conversation piece.
2. Vibrant Tights. Add color and texture to an outfit with this fun and feminine look. Be daring and wear a bright neon pair with a basic black or brown dress for a bold statement.
3. Tall Boots. No outfit is complete without a pair of knee-high boots. Wear with skinny jeans and mini skirts, and don't forget the tights!
4. Purple. The color of the moment is purple. No matter what shade you choose, it will make you stand out like royalty.
5. Leather Gloves. They are not only a winter-day necessity but also a necessary trend for fall. Sophisticate your look by wearing elbow-length gloves. For a touch of punk wear a fingerless pair.
6. Plaid. This print is appearing everywhere this fall. Look for it in dresses, skirts, jackets, etc. Complement a basic black ensemble with a large plaid pattern.
7. Wide Leg Trousers. Why attempt this trend? Right off the runway, the wide leg trousers are flattering and give the impression of a long leg when worn with heels.
8. Floral Print. Flowery prints are the perfect way to add femininity to a look. Don't think this print has to be dark and dreary. Try bright floral prints in bags and dresses.
9. Feathers. Entire dresses layered of feathers are found on the runway this season. Incorporate this trend into the real world by accessorizing with delicate feather earrings or a headband.
10. Fringe. Achieve a bohemian-inspired outfit by sporting a bag or pair of boots with fringe detail. Add some feather accessories to complement the modern boho look.



through the entire season. This season's trend report is full of hot new looks straight from the runway that you can achieve. E-mail Johnson at mljohnso@uiwtx.edux

Top 10 for men



1. The Cardigan. A cardigan sweater is good to own because it never goes out of style and looks great on just about any man. Wear over a nice dress shirt or T-shirt.
2. Classic Stripe Shirt. Try in a button-up, short sleeve, or long-sleeve style. Wear with something as simple as jeans or a suit.
3. Sports Jacket. The great thing about a sports jacket is that it is versatile and can be used to create an informal or formal look. Try in a corduroy or tweed material and in a color that complements your wardrobe.
4. Leather Jacket. This is an ideal piece to have in your wardrobe. Select a half-length leather jacket vs. a longer style.
5. Pin-stripe Pants. Look for in a navy, gray or brown color. These pants also can be used to put together a formal or informal outfit.
6. Jeans. Why rule them out now? Jeans are without doubt essential for any man's wardrobe this fall. Have a dark and light pair available to rotate.
7. Scarves. A scarf can add personality to an outfit. Just think of it as taking the place of a necktie. I recommend a cotton scarf in a solid color for mixing and matching.
8. A Signature Scent. Select a cologne that will make a lasting impression on those you associate with.
9. The Polo. Polo shirts are great for the occasion where a T-shirt is too casual. Wear with a nice pair of corduroy pants for a popular look right off the runway.
10. Pink. The color associates itself with high fashion and business wear among men. Incorporate a shirt or necktie in a vibrant or light shade of pink into your fall attire.



Chicken-n-dumplings contest cooks up a crowd

Jennifer Rangel
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

A savory scent filled the Burke-O'Mahony Room as the contestants in the first annual UIW Chicken'n'dumplin' Cook-off commenced Thursday, Oct. 16.

The room next to Hortencia's Café was elaborately decorated with fuzzy little chicks, rubber chicken-shaped treats and dancing roosters. For additional ambiance, Alejandro Flores performed festive tunes on his accordion such as the "Chicken Dance."

A long table held crock pots of steamy chicken-and-dumplings with each contestant's assigned number. On another table, there were all sorts of Southern-style dishes such as fried chicken, sausage, green beans and cornbread, all dishes made by attendees in lieu of an entrance fee.

The judges tasted each of the batches presented and graded

them based on taste and appearance. Judges were Dr. Roberta Lechnitz, director of the McNair Scholars Program; Moises Torrescano, director of academic advising; Bob Kunczt, director of human resources; Maria Barany, director of housekeeping; and Sam Wage, who manages the university fleet, purchasing and post office operations.

The contestants were Connie Kuwamoto, director of Career Services; the Rev. Trevor Alexander, assistant director of Campus Ministry; Dorothy Mills, postal operations supervisor; Tom Duckworth, accountant in the Payroll Office; Marveen Mahon, director of Health Services; and Rhonda Rapp, director of the TRIO Student Success Program. The contest was close. The judges had a hard time choosing a winner, but in the end, Alexander's dish reigned supreme, followed by Mills.

Alexander's recipe was unique



The Rev. Trevor Alexander: top chef

for its shredded chicken. The dumplings were cooked to bite-sized perfection in a very flavorful broth. The dish was light, savory and very comforting.

Shortly after the winner was revealed, the attendees were encouraged to try all the chicken-and-dumplings entries, as well as the Southern-style potluck. Some even talked about having gumbo or chili cook-offs next.



Following the judging of various dishes, participants were able to sample them.



Dr. Roberta Lechnitz dresses for event.



Back to the Basics Part III: Fat



How much do you know about the fat in your food? Did you know there is more than one type of fat?

And did you know some of the fats in your food are actually essential to your body's health?

Fat is one of the three nutrients that supply the body with energy (the others are protein and carbohydrates). Fat also provides linoleic acid, an es-

sential fat needed for growth, healthy skin and metabolism, and helps the body absorb fat-soluble vitamins (A, D, E and K).

There are nine calories per gram of fat, which is twice the amount provided by protein and carbohydrates. However, our bodies don't need a lot of calories from fat every day because a small amount goes a long way. Too much fat and the body will store what is not used for energy as body fat. This can lead to elevated cholesterol levels and an increased body fat percentage.

It is also important to include the right types of fat in your diet. The types of fat are

saturated fat, unsaturated fat (polyunsaturated and monounsaturated), and trans fat.

Saturated fat is the biggest dietary contributor to high LDL levels, or "bad cholesterol." It is found in animal products such as butter, cheese, whole milk, ice cream, creamy dressings and fatty meats, as well as coconut oil, palm oil and palm kernel oil. To keep your level of saturated fat below 10 percent a day, read nutrition labels and consume small amounts of these foods.

Unsaturated fats help to lower LDL cholesterol but are still high in calories, so you should consume a small amount of these as well. Monounsaturated

fats include olive and canola oils, and polyunsaturated fats include fish, safflower, sunflower, corn and soybean oils.

Trans fats are saturated fats that have hydrogen added to them to make them solid at room temperature. These oils are easily spotted in the ingredients list if you look for the phrase "partially hydrogenated." They are just as hazardous to our bodies as saturated fats are and should be avoided or kept to a minimum. Trans fats are most often found in fried foods, commercial baked goods (doughnuts, cookies, crackers), processed foods and margarines.

Eating too much saturated fat

is one of the major risk factors for heart disease. Too much fat also increases the risk of cardiovascular disease (CVD) because of the high calorie content, which increases the chance of becoming obese (another risk factor for heart disease and some types of cancer).

If you lower the amount of saturated and trans fat in your diet, you will reduce your risk of developing CVD later in life. Read food labels and keep your overall daily fat intake lower than 30 percent. Avoid too much fat and do your body good!

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Nursing school gets Mexican visitors

By Carolina Canazales
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Unlike the Study Abroad students, 10 nursing students from Matamoros were on Incarnate Word's campus only a week instead of an entire semester. However; the experience was memorable, they said.

The October visitors from the University of Tamaulipas came to learn about basic American nursing. The need of these Mexican students to amplify their perspective on their fields, and the ambition of

getting to know the treatment that UIW nursing students and faculty give their patients was essential.

During their stay arranged by UIW's Office of International Programs, the Matamoros students visited Santa Rosa Health Care and University Health Care in San Antonio. The objective was exchange ideas on nursing in both countries, learn about advanced technology that Mexican clinics lack, and learn the right treatments for patients.

"In Santa Rosa Hospital there is a lot of respect for all of the patients," Gabriela Larraga said. "All of the attention is given to them and delicate patients count with three to four nurses for them! In Mexico the personnel is not enough. Also I've noticed that nurses don't practice much with the equipment they have to use because they have already been taught."

Mexican students did not only learn about the supportive relationship nurses should keep with

their patients, they also realized the disadvantages of their college.

"In our school, we might have the knowledge from books, but we do not have the resources to apply our learning," Irma Céspedes said. "We need a campus where (we can) develop this skill and the right technological equipment. (On) the other hand the organization and companionship that nurses share in both hospitals are truly inspiring."



CAROLINA CANIZALES/LOGOS STAFF
These nursing students from Mexico learned a lot in a few days.

Students become high rollers

By Elisa Gonzalez
LOGOS STAFF WRITER



CHARLIE YOUNG/LOGOS STAFF
Students participate in several games of chance using chips provided for 'Casino/Club Night' on Oct. 9.

Students tossed dice, flipped cards, made bets, and took their chances gambling, all without having to travel to Las Vegas.

The Campus Activities Board brought Vegas to the students Oct. 9 through "Casino Night" for at Rosenberg Sky Room. The room was filled with lit candles, fake dollar bills, and confetti in the shapes of hearts and spades. Tables were arranged for dining from the buffet line, which consisted of a variety of foods from chick-

en wings to egg rolls.

"I love the atmosphere, the decorations, and the music," freshman Jenny Lam said.

"It's great! CAB President Noell (Webber) did a wonderful job of setting up," Michael Wright, a junior, said.

No matter their age, students were able to participate in gambling games such as Blackjack, poker, craps and roulette using chips provided by CAB members at the entrance. A dance floor also was set up with a DJ who played a variety of music.

"It's (the casino) a lot

better this year, because the casino theme is cohesive," said senior Jesse Munoz, vice president of communications for CAB. "Plus, we actually brought in Club Posh to help us."

Dressed up for the occasion, CAB members mingled with their guests. Some CAB members were seen joining other students in the casino games and dancing, as well.

"I've never been to a casino, but I assume it would look like this," freshman Kerry Winsett said. "I hope they do this again next year, because I plan on coming back!"

Homecoming events set

By Ginger M. Taylor
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

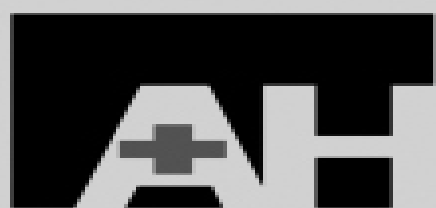
"Lighting the Way to New Heights" is the theme for homecoming Nov. 16-23.

Events include a scheduled Headwaters river cleanup on Nov. 16, a Greek alumni-sponsored "Thursday Night Lights" on Nov. 20, a wine-and-cheese social on Nov. 21 sponsored by the president and first lady, a "UIW's Got Talent" benefit show to help the Chorale raise money for an Ireland tour next May, a State of the University address by the president on Nov. 22, several athletic-related events including a synchronized swimming demonstration, football scrimmage and 5K run on Nov. 22, "Light the Way" on Nov. 22, fashion show with luncheon on Nov. 23 and a memorial Mass on Nov. 23.

There will be a silent auction during intermission of the talent show on Nov. 21. Each organization is allowed to make a basket and keep 100 percent of the profits.

Cielo Perez, a business major, said, "I am excited about attending the show and seeing the acts, and I am thinking about making a Thanksgiving-themed gift basket for the silent auction." Tickets cost \$10 for non-students and \$5 dollars for UIW students with ID.

The fashion show will honor the Class of 1958 on their 50th reunion, said Theresa Lopez, instructor for the fashion production class. Tickets are \$20.



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Speaker expounds on 'common good'

By Danielle Reyna
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

This year's heated presidential election has been the perfect opportunity to promote "the common good" in the nation, the executive director and co-founder of Catholics in Alliance said Oct. 15.

Alexia Kelley, in town for the celebration of Heritage Day at the University of the Incarnate Word, spoke in J.E. and L.E. Mabee Library's auditorium.

Catholics in Alliance wants to "to help make our nation 'a more perfect union' focused on the common good," Kelley said.

Her speech embodied the goal of Catholics in Alliance, which is about the Catholic tradition and the current efforts being made to encourage all Americans to find the common good despite their political persuasions.

UIW "represents Catholic social tradition so well and lives out the heritage that we all have," Kelley said.

In the past year, Kelley helped establish the Catholic Civility Project which brought together Republicans and Democrats to sign and put forth a statement on the importance of civility in politics today. She also took part in organizing the Convention for the Common Good, which attracted more than 800 Catholics from across the country this past summer, including local delegates representing the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word.

During the convention, dialogue on issues and politics today ultimately affirmed the organization's platform.

Catholics in Alliance is an open-source alliance and not a

membership organization, Kelley said.

"The voice of the Catholic social tradition and the social justice movement was eclipsed and absent from our nation's values and we have such a heritage to bring to values today and to our politics, but it wasn't really being heard in the din of the new media," she said.

As a result, the group participates in activities such as free media work and training, local outreach, networking and hosting dialogues around the country. These talks feature Catholic Democrats and Republicans talking about the issues that impact Catholics, especially in light of the upcoming election.

Kelley spoke on the importance of the Catholic vote and shared a recent poll, conducted by one of their colleague orga-



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Heritage Day keynoteer Alexia Kelley tells how politics help the 'common good.'

nizations, which stated "two-thirds of young Catholics support a positive, more active role for government."

It is important to "uphold the

fundamental principle of Catholic social teaching which is the dignity of the human person to create a just society," Kelley said.

Community marks special day

By Gigi Mayberry
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The University of the Incarnate Word held its annual Heritage Day Wednesday, Oct. 15, for all students, faculty and staff.

Rosalinda Flores, a supervisor for St. Anthony High School, said she believes Heritage Day is a good opportunity to recognize those who have worked for the

university for many years.

"You have to remember we're all a family here at the college, regardless of what department you work for," said Flores, a first-time participant. "We're all family."

Incarnate Word High School employee Christina Quintero said Heritage Day is a big deal for the school.

For Erica Vela, a com-

munication arts major from Friar, Texas, the celebration of Heritage Day is a good tradition.

"I think it's important to carry on tradition," Vela said. "I came from a small town, and tradition was a big thing. The school is very old, and has a lot of values and history involved in it. So, I think it's important for us to carry that out."

Grilled menu draws crowd to Ballroom

By Christopher Pinkerton
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Rain moved Sodexo's planned cookout to a cook-in inside Marian Hall Ballroom but people still managed to find the food, most likely by its aroma.

"I feel that we would have had a better turnout if it wasn't for the rain and if we could have kept it at DuBuis Lawn," said Sodexo employee Gilbert

Reitzer Jr., 26. "But I'm out here on the pit. We got cheeseburgers, roasted corn on the cob, and much more on the menu."

The menu also included barbecued ribs, shrimp skewers, bratwurst, beans and potato salad.

"Man I got a test in 30 minutes so I thought I'd stop by get a little bit to eat and check out the scene and get my mind eased just

a little bit before this test," said freshman, Regis Price, 19. "It's different. You don't get this every day with Sodexo. The food is great. It feels good inside. All we need now is KUIW to come spin some smooth music. On my way to class I'm going to text and tell my friends about it and I'm going to try to finish my test real fast so I can come back and get another plate."



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Sister Helena Monahan, left, Sister Germaine Corbin and Sister Martha Kirk.

Sisters rap with students in SGA-sponsored event

By Pam Martinez
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word members shared histories of how they joined the order and their life at the university with students gathered in Dubuis Lounge on Heritage Day.

It was the second annual gathering of the university's founding order with students in a session sponsored by the Student Government Association.

Sisters spoke of their history and introduced themselves with a short speech of their own background. Many of them work at the university as faculty and administrators, some at Incarnate Word High School, and some outside the country.

Many students had questions about the way the women knew their calling into giving their lives to God.

Sister Eilish Ryan said she realized her calling at her senior prom.

"Here I was standing in this beautiful dress, with my boyfriend, and I realized that I shouldn't be here," said Ryan, a religious studies professor who also directs the Pastoral Institute.

Sisters are role models and are a prime example not just for women but for everyone, Sister Martha Kirk, a religious studies professor, said.

"It is important to know just how much these women have and can accomplish," Kirk said.

Rain drives Mass under tent

By Adriana Hernandez
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Forty people had to stand crowded below a tent during Heritage Day Mass in Lourdes Grotto because of rain.

"It was worth it to stand in the rain in order to listen to the meaningful Mass," Paola Martinez, UIW student. "The priest was giving his sermon when it started raining, but no one wanted to leave so we just squeezed

below the tent and stood there for the whole Mass."

UIW students and staff including Beth Villarreal, director of Campus Ministry, sang together, accompanied by a guitarist to celebrate the Heritage Day events.

"The rain made this Mass unique because it made us stand close to each other and created a unique connection," Martinez said.

Recognition program fills chapel



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Some of the honorees in the 2008 employee recognition program await awards in the Chapel of the Incarnate Word.

By Phillip Henderson
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The Chapel of the Incarnate was filled with familiar faces, young and old, on Oct. 15, when the University of the Incarnate Word honored its employees.

Several prayers were said to praise and honor the esteemed faculty of UIW, followed by a duet featuring the Department of Music's chair, William Gokelman on piano, and Jazz Ensemble Director James

Waller on saxophone, doing Dave Brubeck's "Take Five."

"I am grateful for being able to work with so many great people," said Dr. Denise Doyle, who received honors for her 20 years of service. She began as an adjunct professor in the Department of Religious Studies and is now the university's provost.

When asked to comment on his 20 years of service, Dr. David Jurenovich, vice presi-

dent of administration, simply raised up his arms and said, "Score!"

Dr. Louis J. Agnese Jr., UIW's president, handed out the awards with the help of Sister Teresa Stanley, a member of UIW's Board of Trustees.

"It's always so beautiful -- it's always so peaceful," Agnese said to the honored employees. "It's because of the work you do to challenge these young people."

NFL commissioner praises Cardinal football

By Jaime Valdes
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Education, commitment and values are just a few of the words that NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell used to describe the significance that football has at the University of the Incarnate Word.

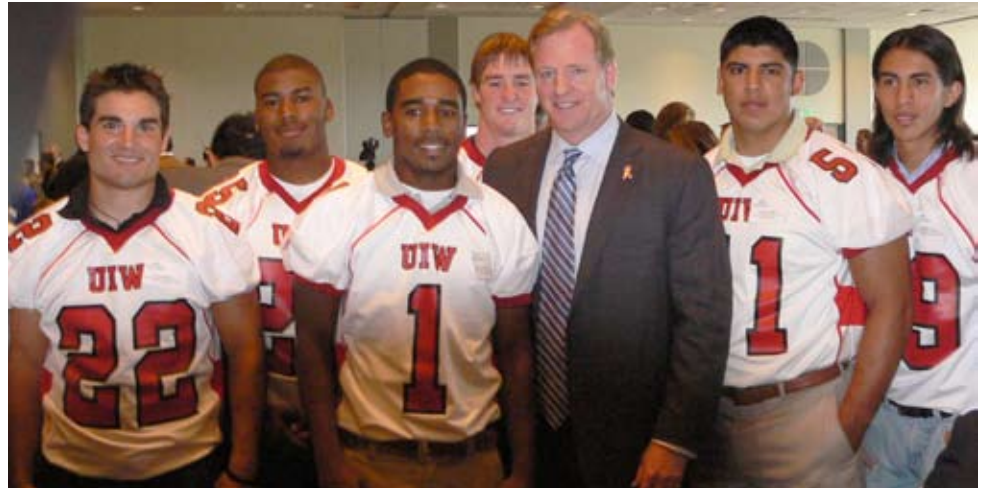
More than 300 guests – including representatives of the Cardinals football team -- packed Rosenberg Sky Room Oct. 8 for “The Future of the NFL” luncheon featuring Goodell.

Organized by the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce and hosted by the university, the luncheon not only gave Goodell a forum to answer questions regarding the NFL, but allowed him to discuss UIW football.

“Football is going to provide a lot of opportunity for a lot of young men to get an education,” Goodell said. “It’s going to provide them an opportunity to compete and learn more about themselves and in-

still values. I’m glad those young men have made the commitment to come here and play football, to be a part of something very special, I salute those guys.”

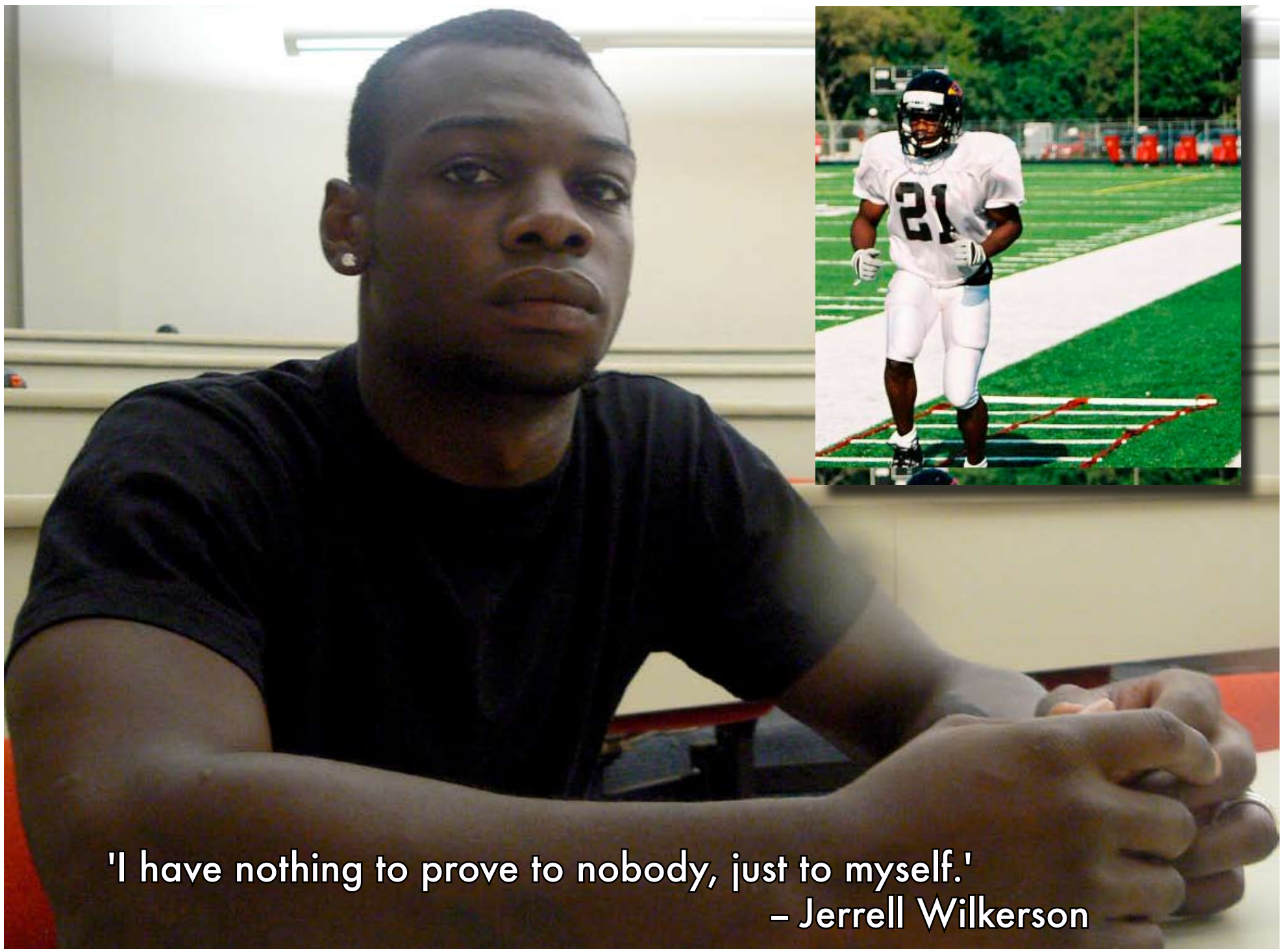
“The luncheon was a great success,” said Margaret Garcia, associate director of Public Relations at Incarnate Word. “UIW was able to provide a forum for the NFL commissioner to see the growth of the university.”



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Cardinals running back Trent Rios, left, running back Reggie Hodges, wide receiver Robert Williams, safety Troy Mumme, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, linebacker Daniel Soto and corner back James Perez visit with each other at an Oct. 8 luncheon in Rosenberg Sky Room.

Comeback time for Jerrell Wilkerson

Cardinals give ex-high school star second shot at college ball



'I have nothing to prove to nobody, just to myself.'
– Jerrell Wilkerson

Jerrell Wilkerson, 21, is starting college anew at the University of the Incarnate Word where the former Clark High School football star is majoring in communication arts but unsure about a concentration.

By Jaime Valdes
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

While Jerrell Wilkerson’s middle-school classmates spent hot, San Antonio summers playing and having fun, he was running on the campus of the University of Texas-San Antonio.

Wilkerson kept running – even during his sophomore year at Clark High School when his father was incarcerated his sophomore year at Clark High School. And when Wilkerson could have attended an out-of-state college to finish what he started at the University of Texas at Austin, he still kept running -- straight to the campus of the University of the Incarnate Word.

When he graduated from Clark in 2005, Wilkerson was one of the top 10 high school recruits in the state of Texas. Big-time football universities -- Texas, Texas Tech, Notre Dame, Missouri and Tennessee

among them -- had been courting Wilkerson since his sophomore year at Clark, where he set San Antonio’s then-all-time leading rusher record with 7,249 yards. He accepted UT-Austin’s offer.

“Being up there for football, I just liked the challenge,” Wilkerson, 21, said. “You practice with Roy Williams, Cedric Benson goes to your practice, bunch of alumni guys in the NFL. You’re playing with guys who are going to the NFL. It was fun.”

However, in December 2005, just weeks before Texas beat the University of Southern California for the national championship, Wilkerson finished his final exams and left UT.

“Same day I left, same day I was in his (UT Coach Mack Brown’s) office, fully explaining and him fully understanding what was going on,”

Wilkerson said.

Like every significant challenge in life, to understand the substance, you have to understand the past. In middle school while the average kid was swimming and setting up Kool-Aid stands, Wilkerson was training.

Killer days, all summer. Other kids just enjoying their summer. That wasn’t me,” Wilkerson said.

He trained “every day except Sunday. My mama made me go to church.” The other six days, “I’d go to UTSA. I’m running eight-lane, 500 yards sprint. My dad would have me sprint from the start.”

But in 2002 – the same year he started receiving letters from universities – his father, Andre Cooper, went to prison.

“That’s when I was hitting my peak,” Wilkerson said. “I had to learn the transition from him telling

me to me telling myself. It was hard, terribly hard. Trying to do things on my own, grow up faster. My mom kept the bread on the table.”

As he started his college career in a burnt orange UT uniform, he faced another challenge -- not the challenge of transitioning high school football to Division I football, but the challenge of being a father.

Days before the Longhorns’ season-opener, Wilkerson’s son, Jameir Estrada Wilkerson, was born.

“The challenge was my son,” Wilkerson said. “That right there changed the whole aspect of things.”

So he ended up not playing one single down at Texas. Wilkerson came back to San Antonio to provide for his son and to help his mom, Wilkerson came back with exactly what he left with: his work

ethic, that his father taught him; his education priority that his mother, Cassandra Cooper, had preached; and his 7,249 career yards rushing record that hadn’t been touched. He also had a wife, Jessica Estrada Wilkerson.

Working and providing, Wilkerson still had one goal in mind.

“I wanted to do college,” Wilkerson said. “I just don’t know if I wanted to do football.”

Ultimately, Wilkerson attended a UIW tryout. And Head Coach Mike Santiago made him an offer, giving Wilkerson the opportunity to achieve his goal of an education.

“I talked to Coach Santiago and he seemed like a sincere person, so I stuck with him,” Wilkerson said.

What makes Wilkerson such a special and interesting individual is what you think might be one of his biggest regrets --

walking away from a big-time football program. But that’s the least of his concerns.

“Falling behind in my education,” Wilkerson said is his main regret. “I wish I could of grown up faster as far as being a parent. I don’t regret leaving UT. When I left, I left. It was meant to be.”

Now he’s concentrating on earning a bachelor’s degree in communication arts at UIW and the daily football practices.

When Wilkerson puts on the Cardinals’ black-and-red uniform next season and steps on the field of Gayle and Tom Benson Football Stadium, he said he expects his father, mother, wife, son, brother, Rolaun Waith, and sister, Jasmine Wilkerson, will be there to witness the second start of his football college career.

“I have nothing to prove to nobody, just to myself.”



Three boys take chalk to sidewalk to create whatever's on their mind in a play station set up on Dubuis Lawn.

Children practice peace through games

By Alison Villanueva
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Students walking past Dubuis Lawn the morning of Oct. 22 were greeted by sidewalk chalk, hula-hoops, bubbles and San Antonio school-children participating in the annual Play Day for Peace.

Under the guidance of students in the Dreen-

School of Education, children played in various centers that included a cardboard box maze, a sandbox, puppet shows, and a Play-Doh table just to name a few.

"With these activities, we want the children to just know how to be creative and have fun," said Katie Pawelek, a senior education major.

By playing, children learn valuable skills of socialization, teamwork and sharing that become vital in the classroom, the planners said.

Ashley Smith, a senior education major who plans on teaching kindergarten, also shares this concept.

"The importance of playing is that it's the kid's job – it allows kids to mimic the actions of everyday adults in a childlike setting," Smith said.

Children were allowed to mimic everyday adults by role playing. Throughout the morning, kids took turns dressing up as veterinarians tending to stuffed animals, construction workers building towers with wooden blocks, and beauticians creating new hairdos on fellow classmates.

In addition, Smith also believes educational professionals give children the resources needed to play

and create experiences not typically found in a home environment, but rather, uniquely at school. Through the power of play, kids can express who they are, and not necessarily what they're expected to be.

After an hour and a half of active participation from both university and elementary school students, the outcome was beneficial on both parties.

"I think that teaching is more valuable than pay," said Christi Eldard, a senior who wants to teach special education. "Knowing that you've personally lent a hand in helping to create a future generation is most rewarding."

A boy tends the garden set up.



An alligator gets a checkup.



Campus Ministry volunteers help with parachute play.



'Sweet Treats Bakery' draws a customer.



A girl works on a 'customer' at the 'Cardinal Beauty and Barber Salon.'



A boy tries on a helmet in 'Costume Corner.'

A variety of play stations set up on Dubuis Lawn allow an estimated 150 children ages 3-7 from St. Peter's Prince of the Apostles School to engage themselves in two hours of pure play on 'Play Day.' The Creative Play class, under the direction of Dr. Mary Ruth Moore in the Dreeben School of Education, holds the event annually. Fourteen students are in Moore's class this fall.



The 'Construction Zone' play station gets a boy interested in a truck that he may later drive as a grown-up or use in a possible career in construction engineering.



A child works his way through 'Pretend Castle,' a maze made from recycled materials.



Sand play promotes not only imagination but the texture is therapeutic for the children, researchers say.

Victimizing victims State should not execute mentally ill convicts



Rose Caldwell

One hour and fifteen minutes! This amount of time does not appear especially long for us college students; in fact, this is the normal length of a college class.

But for Kim Crespi, an hour and fifteen minutes will last a lifetime because this is how long it took her to go to the grocery store and come home to find her mentally ill husband had killed their two, 5-year-old twin girls.

This was the beginning of the story told by Mrs. Crespi, who spoke Oct. 3, at the historic launch of a project organized by Murder Victims' Families for Human Rights and The National Alliance on Mental Illness. On this day at Incarnate Word, these two organizations came together to start a national campaign called "Prevention, Not Execution" to stop the legal executions of the mentally ill.

Mrs. Crespi was one

of seven speakers at the initiation service. She told her unimaginable, horrific story about her husband's paranoid schizophrenia, which led him to kill twins Tessara and Samantha. The desperate mother, who was weeping over the loss of her daughters and the insanity of her husband, was hoping to file charges so her husband would be sentenced to a mental institution where he could receive proper care he needed. However, the state of North Carolina told Mrs. Crespi that, if she took her husband to trial, the state would charge him for capital murder and pursue the death penalty. So the helpless mother was put in a situation where she either didn't take her husband to trial or she took him to trial where he would have a good chance of getting sentenced to death. How sad that a mother who had just lost her two girls received no empathy from the government when she asked them to not pursue the death penalty because her husband was mentally

ill.

Another speaker at the initiation service was Lois Robison. Mrs. Robison told another heart-wrenching tale about her mentally ill son's execution in the state of Texas. Her son, Larry Robison, was "the kind of boy that every mother dreams of having." He was a good student, active in his church, a member of the school swim team, and a newspaper carrier. Yet, when he was in junior high he started to show signs that something was wrong. The family sought a medical explanation, but medical doctors never diagnosed Larry as mentally ill. Larry was first diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia after he was honorably discharged from the Air Force. At age 21, Larry's family placed him into JPS County Hospital for medical treatment. After 30 days, Larry was released from the hospital because he was "not violent," and they "needed the bed."

Even though Larry was "not violent," doctors still



Roses in the vase represent the victims who were either killed by the mentally ill and those executed.

told Mrs. Robinson not to take him home under any circumstance. When Mrs. Robinson asked what to do with him because he had no money, no job, no car and no place to live, the hospital staff told her to simply put him out on the street. Non-coincidentally, several years after being continually discharged from mental hospitals because of a "lack of beds," Larry Robison, in a schizophrenic attack, killed five people. This was the first violent outbreak he was ever accused of, and the last.

Larry Robison was finally given medication for schizophrenia after he was sentenced to death and was put on death row. Miserably, Lois Robison watched her son slowly

die on Jan. 21, 2000, as the Texas government killed Larry through lethal injection.

Today, in Texas, there are more mentally ill inmates in jails and prisons than in mental hospitals. Approximately a third of the general prison population and those on Death Row are mentally impaired. Texas is ranked 47th in providing mental health care for its citizens and ranked first in executing them!

At the finale of the initiation service for "Prevention, Not Execution," the families of the mentally ill who were executed and the families of the victims of the mentally ill came together to light a candle for all the deaths. Each person lit a candle

and placed a rose in a vase to represent each murder victim. In the end, the vase was so full the roses didn't completely fit.

I couldn't help but think that if our government put more time and money into health care for the mentally ill and less time and money into performing state executions, there would have been enough room in the vase to fit all the roses.

If you would like to learn more or help work toward ending government executions, please consider joining the new anti-death penalty group called "Humane Humans: Students Against Government Executions."

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From the editor's desk: Texting saves time, money

By Melissa Hernandez
LOGOS EDITOR

As one of those young adults with my phone glued to my hand, I have been forced to think up defenses against attacks to my texting habits.

So far, I have: it allows easier multitasking capability and I can still have conversations when I can't talk -- ironic.

Luckily, two local publications recently published these, more factual, defenses to add to the books.

San Antonio Business Journal published an article concerning texting for those of "corporate" status. Small-business own-

ers and vice presidents say texting is becoming useful in the corporate world by bringing more productivity to the business. They view texting as simply integrating technologies.

VPs say texting keeps executives and employees accessible. Being able to send a text from the meeting room makes communication between co-workers simple. Not all employees have smart phones to receive e-mails and texting fills that void. Using texting enables employees and clients to communicate in real time.

Now, not only do

we have the defense of "working-world" preparation, the San Antonio Current provided us with a second reasonable defense for texting habits in a recent issue.

According to the study by wireless research firm Nielsen Mobile, on average Americans are sending or receiving 357 messages a month and only making 204 phone calls. Those 204 phone calls average 800 minutes; which averages to 3.9 minutes per phone call.

Applying the same concept, text message conversations average 1.75 text messages for each conversation. Af-

ter some observation on the part of the article's writer, he found it takes young college students in a high-energy environment (which happened to be a seminar he was actually giving) about one minute to type, send and read a text message on a standard mobile phone. That means every text conversation takes 1.75 minutes.

The hitting point is this: if one text conversation lasts 1.75 minutes vs. 3.9 minutes a phone call, you are saving 443 minutes a month. In turn, 5,316 minutes a year.

For this young adult/college student/editor, I

am always text-messaging family, friends or staffers. Thanks to the reporters who provided this new insight, preparing my corporate communication skills and saving minutes have moved to the top of the list when it comes to defending my texting habits.

See the full articles at:

<http://dayton.bizjournals.com/sanantonio/stories> for "Text messaging is getting through to the corporate world" and <http://www.sacurrent.com/film/story> for "Limitless communication, in 160 characters or less."

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'W': 'Scandalous' look at President Bush

By Phillip Henderson
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Oliver Stone's controversial new film, *W.*, is a scandalous look into the life of the nation's 43rd U.S. president, George Walker Bush.

A biography such as this is unprecedented in cinema. The provocative narrative of the story showcases an obvious sarcasm throughout the film that supporters of Bush might find even find demeaning. The music, in fact -- a catalog of country oldies -- pokes fun at Bush's simple, child-like demeanor.

From his time as a fraternity inductee in collage, to owning a baseball team, to being the president of the United States, most of

the film follows a theme in Bush's need for his father's approval. The elder Bush is played by James Cromwell, who is a towering 6-foot-7-inches. His height is used as a symbol of Bush Jr.'s feelings of inadequacy toward his father; one item in a plethora of subtle symbolism used in the film.

It's packaged as a dark comedy, but if you are close follower of politics, the issues in the film may not be terribly funny to you yet. That is probably the film's biggest shortcoming: that it's a little too soon to laugh about an incompetent child sending American soldiers to the slaughterhouse because he's whining about his father's approval.

Other than the timing,

however, it truly is a magnificent achievement. If you can get past the severity of the decisions made in such a whimsical context, the film very funny.

The acting is simply stellar. Josh Brolin puts on an unforgettable performance as the president, and the rest of the cast is no less amazing. Richard Dreyfuss (Dick Cheney), as well as Thandie Newton (Condoleezza Rice) are practically indistinguishable from the people they are portraying. Newton inspires some easy laughs, accentuating Rice's awkward posture and mousy appearance. Scott Glenn (Donald Rumsfeld) also strikes up a few knee-slappers as he seems to walk around in his own world

for most of the movie, and Jeffrey Wright (Colin Powell) functions as a reluctant voice of reason.

It's not a movie to be excited about if you support Bush. In his film, Stone portrays Bush as a man who is easily manipulated by his peers -- and either unable or unwilling to look beyond himself, even when placed in a position in which he is responsible for an entire nation.

The humor can be missed if the audience is unable to focus beyond the urgency and reality surrounding the film, but overall "W" is quite a triumph.

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Voters should catch Obama’s vision



Lauren Bevin

Barack Obama, at age 47, is just a few years older than John F. Kennedy when Kennedy was inaugurated.

Anyone who knows what Kennedy did for our country knows it does not require advanced age or decades of experience to be a strong leader. What it requires, and what Obama possesses, is a keen understanding of the challenges the country faces and the courage and vision to break free from the status quo when applying effective solutions to those challenges.

Obama’s vision for the United States is something we all envision. It is a change from the tired ineffective policies of Washington: a secure economy; an end to the harrowing War on Terror; health insurance and adequate education for all citizens; energy independence for the United States; and measures to curb global warming.

Obama could become president at a time of extreme economic crisis, and he has already shown it is a crisis he is equipped to deal with. His comprehensive four-part Economic Rescue Plan includes innovative ideas that would immediately impact millions of middle-class Americans and prevent any further catastrophe. He pledged to cut taxes for the 95 percent of Americans making less than \$250,000 per year. Meanwhile, John McCain can’t remember how many houses he owns, keeps a personal fleet of 13 vehicles, and his tax plan benefits the rich more than the middle class.

When it comes to the War on Terror, Obama is equally decisive and prudent. In 2002, as conventional thinkers such as McCain backed President Bush waging war in Iraq, Obama had the good judgment and courage to speak out against it. His exact words were: “It could lead to an occupation of undetermined

length, with undetermined costs and undetermined consequences.” Sound familiar? In stark contrast, phrases we hear from McCain include, “Bomb, bomb, bomb-bomb, bomb Iran.”

America does not need another hawk in office, draining billions of dollars on defense of other countries when those resources are sorely needed at home. Obama introduced legislation in January 2007 to responsibly end the war in Iraq, and he is forging constructive diplomacy with other world leaders. He is highly popular in countries around the world because, unlike McCain, he does not cling to an outdated Cold War mentality that alienates us.

Millions of Americans go without adequate health coverage while the Bush administration wages war. Obama deeply cares about this issue because he saw his sick mother arguing with insurance companies about the hospital bills they wouldn’t cover. His national health care plan is similar to the plan available to members of Congress and guarantees eligibility. It would strengthen employer coverage, make insurance companies accountable, and ensure Americans have more choices of health care.

College costs have grown by more than 40 percent in the past five years. Millions of qualified students can’t afford to attend college, and financial aid and tax credit options are often baffling. Obama’s American Opportunity Tax Credit would help students cover the cost of tuition in exchange for community service and simplify the application process. Obama wants Americans to have the same educational opportunities that allowed him to obtain a world-class education despite disadvantages.

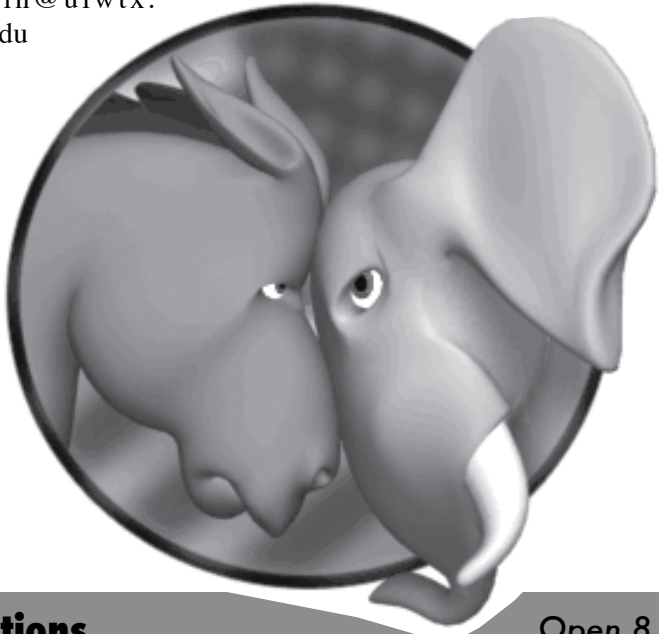
Obama’s plan to reduce dependence on foreign oil and protect the environment is practical and farsighted. He did not flip his position on offshore drilling to gain votes as McCain has, because he won’t stoop to choose the “easiest” way out. It is no big surprise that McCain’s tax plan would provide big

oil companies more than \$4 billion in tax cuts, and he accepted \$2 million in contributions from oil companies. How can we expect anything but “more of the same” when he is a bona fide member of the Bush special-interest club?

Obama’s New Energy for America plan reflects wisdom in delaying gratification to garner the best results, but also the willingness to try a fresh tactic when the old ones don’t work. The plan would provide short-term relief for American families by offering a tax rebate taken from excessive oil profits, but its main focus is to develop alternative and renewable energy sources. He would eliminate oil imports from the Middle East and Venezuela within 10 years, create millions of new green jobs, and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by 2050. His plan would make the United States energy-independent and a world leader in climate change.

What this country desperately needs is a president who will finally diverge from the ineffective and unscrupulous policies of the past eight years. Obama can relate to middle-class Americans because of his experience growing up in a single-parent, low-income family. Yet, he is the kind of great intellect that has been missing from the White House since the Clinton administration. An ethical, highly educated diplomat in office could revamp our tarnished reputation. With Obama and his family in the White House, we could be proud of our president again and have real hope that things will change for the better.

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McCain's experience tailored for White House



Erin Nichols

“I think right now America needs a prune. It may not be a young sexy plum ... but this dried-up old fruit has the experience we need!”

OK, so maybe Stephen Colbert didn’t use the nicest metaphor to compare John McCain to Barack Obama, but there is some truth in his statement. McCain has nearly 26 years of experience serving in Congress and has a substantial record of accomplishment. In this time of crisis, America needs a leader who is ready from day one -- that’s McCain.

Some voters may look at McCain and see four more years of George Bush, but McCain is the anti-Bush of the Republican Party. In the 2000 primaries, Bush was the star of the GOP, while McCain was closer to being shunned than nominated. Even today many conservatives and Republicans dislike McCain because, as a more moderate Republican, he has been at odds with his party and has worked across party lines more often than most politicians, including Obama, to put his country first.

McCain is no ordinary politician and his plan for America on the vital issues -- the economy, health care, energy, Iraq, and making college affordable -- display his desire to lead in a different direction.

For months, the economy has been spiraling downward. McCain has put the American economy at the forefront of all his proposed plans, so as to improve each realm while also working to reverse the current economic spiral.

To combat the reckless spending of Washington, McCain proposes a one-year discretionary spending freeze to evaluate the effectiveness and cost of certain government programs. As McCain said in the debates, he will take a hatchet first to eliminate needless spending and then a scalpel to improve programs.

McCain’s primary economic plan includes keeping taxes low for all while also lowering certain taxes, such as the corporate tax rate, on businesses. McCain has been heavily criticized by Obama for this, but what many voters do not understand is that lowering the corporate tax rate is not part of an effort to give the “evil” corporate bosses a break, but to encourage businesses to stay in America. Corporations -- like them or not -- provide jobs. It is now more vital than ever for corporations to keep and create jobs in America. As history has shown, raising taxes on corporations and business owners does not alleviate the woes of those with lower incomes because in order to pay for these taxes, companies downsize or charge more for a product. Keeping taxes low has been proven to help reverse economic downturns and relief under McCain will be reflected in job security.

Making health care affordable for all is one of McCain’s top priorities. Millions of Americans are uninsured, including many working families and individuals. McCain wants to make health insurance portable by giving families a \$5,000 tax credit and individuals a \$2,500 credit to help them purchase the plan that suits them best and not by forcing employers to provide for it. This way, Americans won’t have to worry about the security of their plans if they are laid off or if their employer goes out of business. By letting Americans choose their own health-care coverage, competition within the market will increase leading to lower costs, which will benefit everyone.

To make America more energy-independent, McCain supports an all-of-the-above approach, which includes expanding the use of our domestic oil and natural gas supplies, producing nuclear power

plants and other clean energy resources, and encouraging new innovative technologies such as clean coal, while addressing climate change. He believes in protecting the environment and will work domestically and internationally to control greenhouse gas emissions. He wants to challenge the automobile industry to produce more energy-efficient vehicles and believes alternative fuels, such as alcohol-based fuels, should be further developed to combat our dependence on oil. McCain’s plan will strengthen the economy by producing thousands of new jobs and by decreasing the amount of money sent overseas to buy oil.

The war in Iraq may not be on our minds, but is still of great concern. Despite its unpopularity, the war is a responsibility that cannot be taken lightly. We initiated the war and thus have a duty to assist Iraq until it can fully support itself economically and militarily. McCain wants to stabilize Iraq so it no longer needs American troops. The war is costing America lives and vast sums of money, but by continuing the successful counterinsurgency, which has decreased casualties, and by applying McCain’s scalpel procedure to increase cost-effectiveness, he will ensure our involvement was not wasted.

Finally, in spite of all of these concerns, McCain has not forgotten college students. He is proposing a student loan continuity plan that will help prevent a disruption in loans due to the current credit crunch and will work to fix student-lending programs and simplify the federal financial aid process. McCain will make sure higher education is obtainable for all.

Some may see McCain as another Bush or even as a prune, but he is no Bush and certainly no ordinary prune. From his time as a POW to his record of bipartisanship, there is no doubt McCain has made sacrifices to put his country first. This time, we need a president who has the experience, the courage, and the plan to lead America in the right direction. On Nov. 4, let’s put the man who has put his country first, in the White House -- John McCain.

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Get your scare on



JP McDaniel

“Dead Space,” a product in the survival-horror genre, represents the latest from EA Redwood Shores. If you’re looking to be scared this Halloween, give this a try.

The story of the game is pretty basic. Gamers play as engineer Isaac Clarke, who is sent to investigate the USG “Ishimura.” The Ishimura mines valuable ore from planets, hence the class of the ship: “Planet-Cracker.”

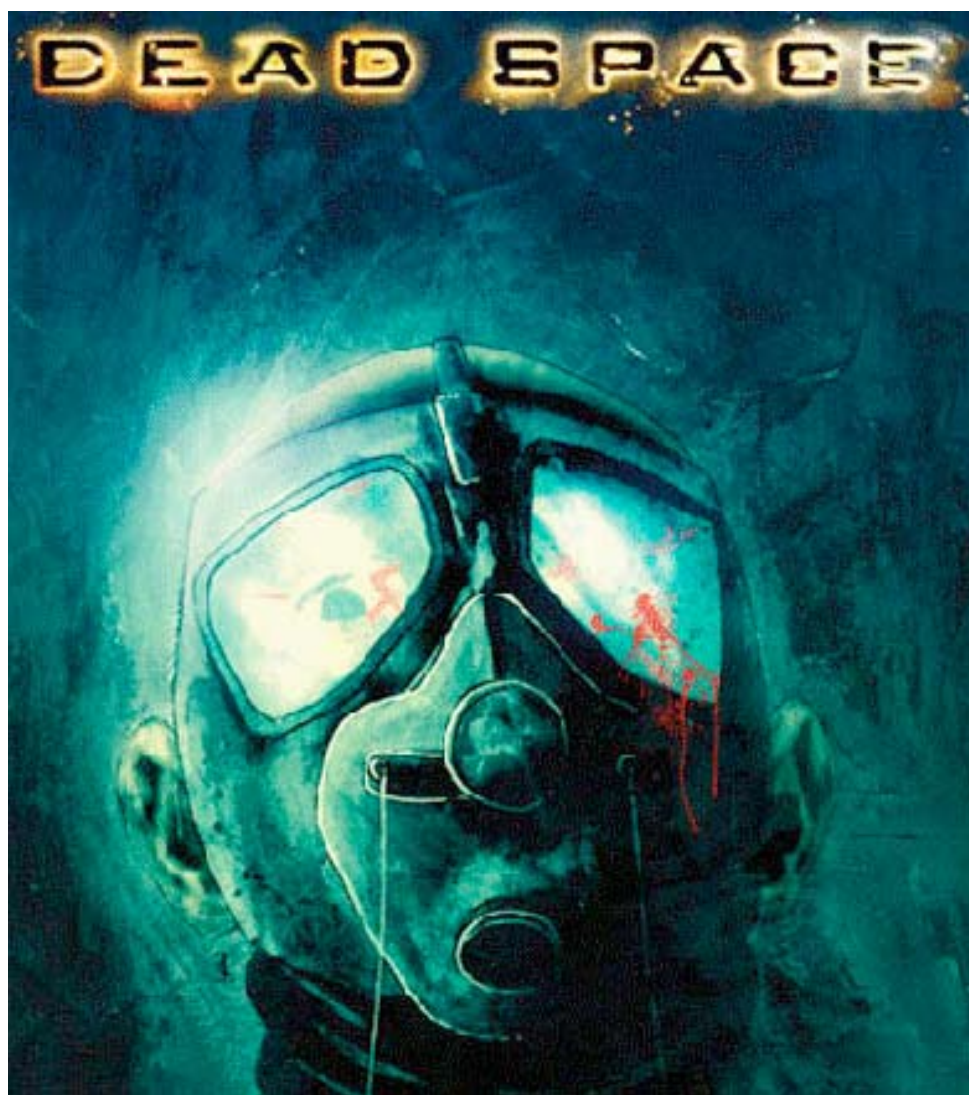
Clarke has a personal reason for going on the mission: his girlfriend is aboard. Things quickly escalate onboard the ship, and players find themselves running and fighting creatures called Necromorphs.

As you progress through the game, more information is revealed about the ship and the creatures you fight. The story isn’t bad by any means, but don’t expect it to be the highlight of the game.

The overall feel of this game puts it most assuredly in the horror genre. EA Redwood Shores creates an atmosphere of eeriness with top-notch lighting effects, amazing sound quality and a dark, scary art direction. There isn’t a moment in the game where you feel safe from attack. This can be credited to a unique approach the game takes on the heads-up display – there is none. Most of the menus in the game are represented as holographic images. For example, your health and ammo are represented on Isaac’s armor. Players can tilt the camera around these holographic images and see a 2-D image in a 3-D space.

Most of the time, players will be worried about a Necromorph abomination coming around the corner or behind you while you search through your inventory. You can’t let your guard down.

So how exactly do you combat these creatures? “Dead Space” utilizes an over-the-shoulder combat system, similar to the one in “Gears of War” or “Resident Evil 4,” but focuses on the player shooting off the limbs of the monsters. Taking out the legs, arms and even the head will slow the monster down. Then you can finish it with a curb-stomp to the head or by simply firing your weapon at it. Although it may seem pretty mundane, the combat in this game is rather fun. You’ll find yourself learning the best way to take down the different types of enemies the more you fight them, and it makes you want to



continue playing.

Overall, “Dead Space” is great fun. The game truly shines if you have a 5.1 Surround Sound system

and a nice plasma TV. If you are at all squeamish, steer clear of this game. Bringing along a friend or two to play might not hurt

either, since you are indeed in for a scare or 20.

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Lord's Kitchen serves heavenly burgers



Jenny Rangel

The gates to The Lord’s Kitchen are hidden away in the backstreets of San Antonio’s East Side. The bright yellow-and-blue building stands on a rugged corner of an industrial area near Fort Sam Houston.

Inside the restaurant at 118 Seguin St., the walls are adorned with antiques, longhorns, old pictures and glass

cases filled with model cars. A very simple ambiance, but the menu is sure to please. It boasts hamburgers of all kinds: Jalapeno



cheeseburgers, bean burgers, turkey burgers, and your standard (but not ordinary) hamburgers. Specialty half-pound burgers include Mayor Ed’s Mole burger, the Ghetto burger and the spicy Caliente burger, as well as grilled chicken and fish burgers.

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and the onion rings are crisp and sweet. The nachos are fair and the chili bowls are filling, but nothing beats their burgers. For dessert, try the decadent chocolate-and-nut brownies.

Prices are reasonable for such tasty burgers. Hours at The Lord’s Kitchen are 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday, 10:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday, and 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday.

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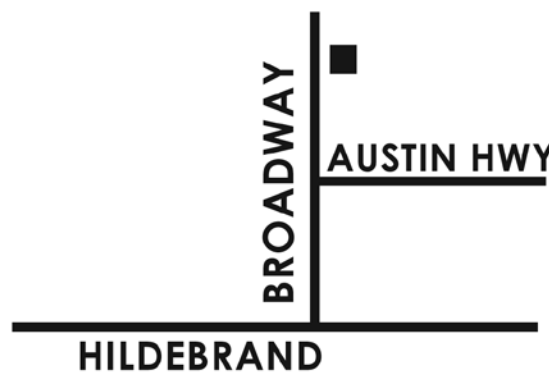
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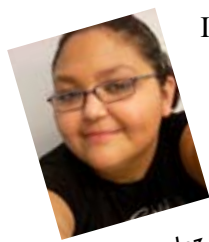


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Today's music just isn't the same



Erica Mendez

of music out there. It is beyond belief how music is evolving and changing in today's society.

However, I must say as I sat on the couch not too long ago, I came to the conclusion the '80s was an era of great music and serious musicians and artists. All right. So maybe I wasn't a part of the era, but at least I know good music when I hear it.

Aerosmith, AC/DC, Metallica, Motley, Run DMC, Joan Jett, REM, U2, Bruce Springsteen, Duran Duran, The Police and the list goes on and on. There are many artists who have catapulted this era of music beyond its time.

What brought on the sudden urge to talk about '80s music? VH1.

You know those shows -- the ones with a countdown? Well, I saw one of those shows counting down the top 100 songs of the '80s and it brought on my sudden urge to talk about it. It's a bit funny because as I was watching it I got this great feeling deep inside only great music can give me. I

was jumping up and down and wishing today's music could go back in time and take a few pointers from the legends who made their names from doing the only thing they knew how to do: rock.

Bands from the '80s such as Metallica, AC/DC, Motley Crue and others are coming back bigger and better than ever. Bands like these know how to serve up real music with melody, lyrics, vocals and performance.

Many people wonder what the difference between the two generations is and I believe I have found the answer. The reason these bands from the '80s can last for years and years to come is that though their music is evolving and getting better, they somehow stay the same. They have been in the business for years and know all the lanes and stop signs. Yes, the music business is changing. It is changing so much it has almost become a new game to play. Adapting to the times and remaining close to who they truly are, makes those '80s bands so easy to listen to even now. Newer bands don't have

anything on the '80s. Let's face it: the performances the era gave were awesome. You couldn't go to a concert without getting pumped up, mosh pit or not. Techno, new wave and rock were all big influences of the time. These genres of music were balanced well enough to give the fans what they wanted: great music. Now bands are resorting to altering their voices, creating music from computers, fancy gimmicks and lip synching. Technology wasn't advanced enough yet back then to make music bad.

What I'm saying is bands should take notice. Look at the musicianship and the pounding sounds of real instruments playing and real people singing and compare it to some computer-oriented song with bad vocals. The '80s is not an era to be messed with. It's coming back bigger and better than ever. With bands like Metallica out with its new CD, "Death Magnetic," and AC/DC releasing a new album,

"Black Ice," as well as going on tour -- the band will be in San Antonio on Dec. 12 -- I feel a lot more bands from that time should be able to come back and show the newcomers how to put on a true performance.

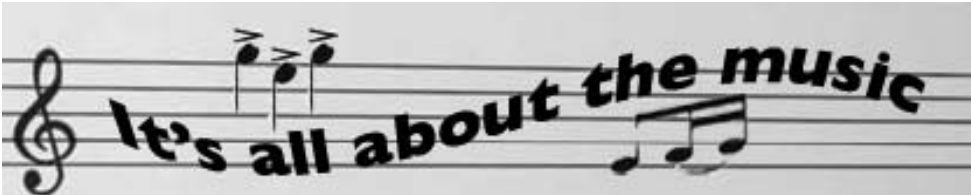
Too many new artists and groups are popping up with and without talent.

Teeny-boppers and actors-turned-singers are on every corner. When is this chaos going to stop? When will people such as Axl Rose, even with his chaotic ways, come back? At least we know he got the job done.

So maybe Bob Seger was a bit ahead of his time when he said in the '70s, "Today's music ain't got the same soul," but I can tell you, I wouldn't be surprised if eventually a lot more bands from the '80s and before came back and tore up the scene.

When did music become a style? It used to be a way of life.

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Dr. Harre Harren

Versatile performer to give concert Nov. 7

A classically trained performer in North Indian and South Indian traditional music will be featured in what's being billed as a "Karnatic Recital" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 in Palustrina Hall.

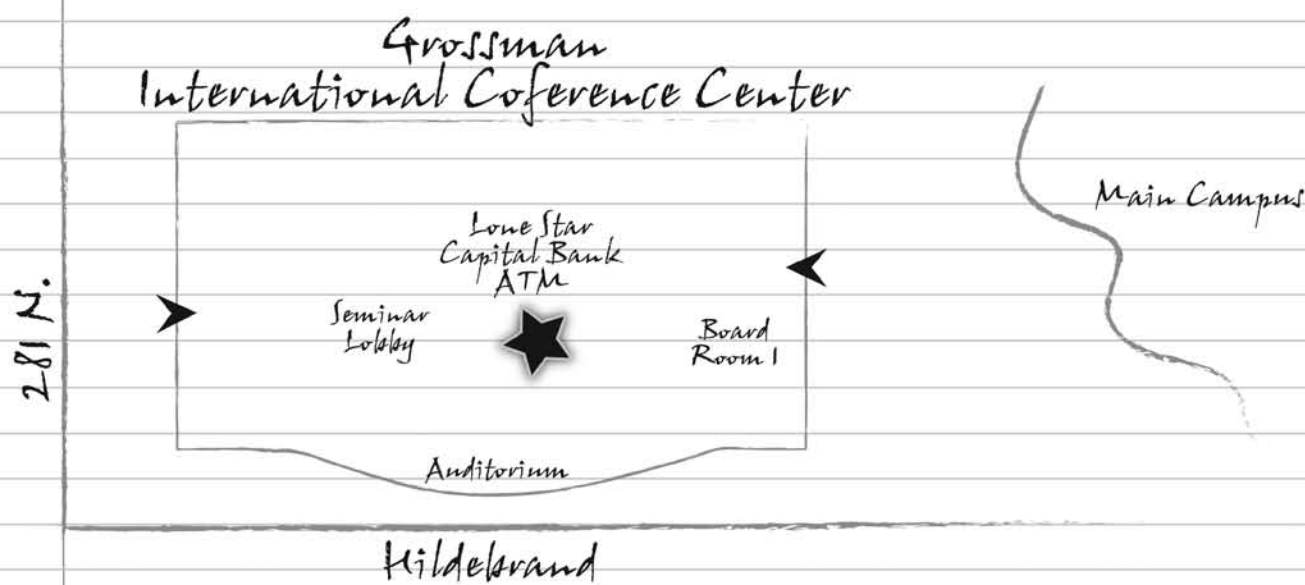
Not only will Dr. Harre Harren be spotlighted in what's considered a healing concert, but the music therapist, music healer, ethnomusicologist and vocal performer will be and

available for vedic astrology birth chart reading sessions on a prior appointment basis.

Harren, who is on an American tour, is chairman of the Indian Society for Music Therapy Research Foundation and the Society for Music Education, Therapy and Research.

Considered "the only acknowledged music therapist from India," Harren began musical training at age 7 and has been giving concerts 30 years. He holds a doctorate in ethnomusicology from an Indian university and has post-doctorate training in music therapy at Kansas University.

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Student earns trip to Denver

By April Lynn Downing
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

When the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities held its annual conference in Denver earlier this month, Incarnate Word's Alma Vega was among the students able to attend.

Vega, a 22-year-old business administration major with a concentration in marketing, found out about the conference through UIW's TRIO office, applied to attend through HACU's website and learned in August she would receive an expenses-paid trip to the conference from Office Depot.

The conference was a weekend series of sessions featuring motivational speakers and employers. Vega said the first session she attended -- called "Flying High in the Mile High" -- was meant to motivate students to stick to their

goals.

"(HACU is) about empowering the Hispanic community," said Vega, who hails from Brownsville, Texas.

She said she especially enjoyed a session with L. Trenton Marsh, author of "From 1.0 to 4.0," who gave tips on how to get school work done in a timely manner.

"(Marsh) said that when he was a college student he would do his work two weeks ahead of time, so that's kind of the timeline he was recommending," Vega said. "And he was saying that some of his students would do it a month ahead of time. I don't know if I could do it a month ahead -- maybe a week. And that's already pushing it!"

As well as sessions and speakers, there were several booths at the conference for government agencies -- the U.S. depart-

ments of Agriculture and State, Central Intelligence Agency and Secret Service -- and businesses such as Sodexo and Lockheed Martin. Employees and employers from some of the companies doubled as speakers in the sessions, she said.

"Rick Lopez (from the USDA) said something that was empowering to a lot of us: 'Be afraid but don't be afraid to fail.' Like it's OK to be afraid but don't be afraid to fail," Vega said.

Networking opportunities were bountiful and benefitted her most, she said.

"I got to meet several employers from all over the U.S.," she said. "I met with several federal agency recruiters and they gave me their e-mails. They can be used as a middle man instead of just applying to a program and not knowing anybody."



Marie Soto, left, a counselor, visits with Dr. Antonio Flores, HACU president, and UIW's Alma Vega.

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Activist discusses disability battles

By JP McDaniel
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Civil rights activist Susan DeVault sums up her history as a "disabled person fighting for recognition of rights."

DeVault, a resident of Houston, shared her experiences Wednesday, Oct. 22, during Disability Awareness Week on campus with members of Walk, Roll & Read, a student organization.

Working alongside Justin Dart, the "father" of the Americans with Disabilities Act, DeVault was responsible for the promotion of the act as well as the planning of the congressional hearing in Houston -- an event that spearheaded the entire act to be signed.

DeVault's involvement with advocacy and disability awareness stems back to her alma mater, the University of Houston, where she helped organize a wheelchair basketball game with the university's Phi Slama Jama Cougar basketball team, whose members included NBA all-stars Hakeem Olajuwon and Clyde Drexler.

"One of the funniest things I saw was Hakeem flip his wheelchair backwards," she said.

After graduating, DeVault would go on to become the first community advocacy coordinator for the Centers of Independent Living in Texas.

"A major issue back then was transportation," DeVault said, so she would use this position to recruit volunteers to testify each month why Houston needed wheelchair lifts on the entire fleet of buses -- which the city eventually added.

The next obstacle DeVault took on was creating the first cross-disability accessible trail located at Brazos Bend State Park in the mid-'90s. Working with Amanda Hughes-



Susan DeVault

Horan from Texas Parks and Wildlife, DeVault voluntarily developed the plan and raised the funds for it.

"You have to give up to get something and then build upon that," she said.

Most recently she helped her church, St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, rebuild and be completely accessible by people with disabilities.

"Our parish is one of the most ADA-accessible Catholic parishes in the immediate area," she said.

But accessibility is a constant issue, she stressed.

"We have to keep

going," she said. "It's a never-ending story."

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Alumni unit launches social network

By Maureen L. Johnson
LOGOS Staff Writer

UIW alumni can now engage in social networking with just a few clicks of a mouse. The development of www.uiwalumni.org has been going on for about two years.

Updated often, this website is “a vehicle to drive alumni involvement whether or not they live in San Antonio,” said Rick Smith, assistant director of Alumni Relations. People

who have relocated are still capable of feeling connected to the university through communication with colleagues and up-to-date university news.

UIW is staying above the curve when it comes to today’s technology. The alumni website contains many features similar to those of popular social networking websites.

Once alumni register online, they are prompted to update their profile

information and have the option of uploading a personal photo. Photos from various events are uploaded regularly and the posting of past yearbook photos is in the works.

The ultimate goal and purpose of the site is for alumni to connect as a whole. Not only can alumni search for friends and chat together, but they have the ability to create subgroups and networks to help them find each

other more easily. Alumni networks already exist in several cities including San Antonio, Austin and Houston.

Too often someone will not attend an event for fear of not knowing anyone else there, but it’s now easier to find a familiar face by viewing the attendee list for a particular event.

Class Notes is a special feature that allows alumni to post information about



Graduate business student Canxin Li checks out the alum website.

themselves they would like to share with others.

Some have sought season tickets for football.

The 50th Birthday of the Information Age and the Power of Knowledge



Phil Youngblood

Exactly what year should be attributed to the birth of the computer or the “information age” is subject to debate.

But the boundaries might be set between 1948, when Claude Shannon of the Bell Telephone Laboratories announced the basic theory of digital storage he called “information theory” and 1968, when four computers were connected in the first packet-switched network that would become the Internet.

Me, I choose 1958, the year U.S. Sen. Hubert Humphrey declared a new age of science had dawned which he dubbed the “Information Age,” the year that Jack

Kilby of Texas Instruments invented the integrated circuit that enabled the development of modern computers, the year when more Americans first worked in “white-collar” jobs than in “blue-collar” ones, and the year that the United States realized with the launching of the first satellite by the Soviet Union the year before that it was not No. 1 in advanced technologies in the world and made a commitment to be so, one step of which was to form (D)ARPA, the agency that would create the Internet.

How did the invention of the computer and the advent of the Information Age change our lives? One person who tried to make sense of the dramatic changes it wrought was sociologist and futurologist Alvin Toffler who in 1970 wrote “Future Shock” (as an extension of

his paper in the magazine “Nature”), which he defined as “too much change in too short a period of time,” a condition he dubbed “information overload.” It is my opinion that most of us in this culture are suffering from this condition today.

Ten years later in 1980 Toffler wrote “The Third Wave,” which acknowledged this was not a temporary condition but that humankind in general had been greatly transformed by three waves of change, from hunting and gathering to agriculture, from agriculture to industry, and from industry to service and information. As a result of this third wave of change, Toffler predicted global communications networks that would allow us to communicate better with each other, which would lead to more personalization vs. the “one-size-fits-all”



approach of the industrial era, the rise of regional vs. national interests, the rise of non-national entities such as super-national political and economical organizations, and the eclipse of the power of money by the power of knowledge and information.

In 1990 Toffler expanded on the idea of the power of knowledge and information in “Powershift,” in which he noted three primary sources of power – knowledge, wealth and violence – and

that knowledge was becoming the most important source of power in the modern world. His argument was there is a limit to violence (we do not want to destroy what we want to capture or defend) and wealth (money cannot buy everything and the economy is fickle) but that knowledge knows no bounds (kind of like Zeno’s paradox on never reaching a destination).

Furthermore, while violence and money are exclusionary and the prop-

erty of the strong and rich, knowledge is inclusive – we can all, rich or poor, strong or weak, share the same knowledge and together produce more. Because of this nature of knowledge, it can be a threat to those whose source of power is wealth or violence and the powerful may try to control knowledge.

The seeds of knowledge are ideas. Ideas are made more powerful when germinated in an environment of an extensive knowledge of the world. The application of knowledge, guided by ethics that support the common good, is what will solve the many challenges of our age.

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1) Complete an application: Can be obtained online, http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html, or at the U.S. Post Office

2) Provide proof of U.S. citizenship:

Certified birth certificate or previous passport

3) Present proof of identity: Valid driver's license or military ID

4) Provide two passport photos: Can be taken at some post offices or other locations

5) Pay the applicable fee: For current fees and methods of payment, refer to:

http://travel.state.gov/passport/get/fees/fees_837.html

PROCESSING TIME: About four weeks



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