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Campus makes accessibility easier

By Michele Gualano
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New ramps have been installed in some places on campus in order to increase accessibility, while other areas await construction.

During the summer, Sandy McMakin, dean of student success, and Steve Heying, facilities manager, conducted an

evaluation of accessibility on campus.

"The assessment began with (McMakin) and myself driving [around] the campus with a golf cart and also walking pathways," Heying said. "The first modification concerned the grade of the bridge connecting the east part of the campus to the west part of the campus and whether it was higher

than it should be."

An architect and contractor were retained for nearly \$43,000 to address the height of the ramp and add rails, Heying said.

"The bridge ramp modification work has now been built and rails are currently being fabricated for installation at the ramp," he added.

Other improvements include a ramp replac-

ing two steps behind the tennis courts, and signs posted at elevators across campus with information about who to call in case of power outages or other problems.

Communication arts senior Tinna Miller experienced firsthand on a temporary basis what campus life means for students who use a wheelchair.

Due to surgery on her

feet, Miller used a wheelchair almost three weeks. During that time, she experienced some obstacles while attending classes.

"The doors would



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Initiative seeks input on law about drinking

By Erin Nichols
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Incarnate Word President Louis Agnese Jr. wants the nation to take a new look at a nearly 25-year-old, drinking-age law.

That's why his name is among 129 university presidents and chancellors across the country who signed the so-called Amethyst Initiative in hopes such a dialogue would lead to new ideas on how best to educate young adults in making responsible decisions about alcohol.

Signers of the Amethyst Initiative -- named after the gemstone that Greeks believed would counter the effects of intoxication -- believe the National Minimum Drinking Act of 1984 is not working and is contributing to an epidemic of binge drinking and alcohol abuse among young adults because of its use of an abstinence-only approach to alcohol education. They believe those under 21 are capable of making the decision to drink alcohol if they receive the proper education based on other rights

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Members of the Class of 2012 for John and Rita Feik School of Pharmacy recite the 'Pledge of Professionalism' at the annual ritual.

Class gets 'white coats'

By April Lynn Downing
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Proud parents, friends and other family members found seats Sept. 12 in Rosenberg Sky Room to watch their student don a "white coat" to mark their entrance into John and Rita Feik of Pharmacy.

The 98 members of the new Class of 2012 listened to the guest speaker -- Fred S. Brinkley Jr., vice president of Professional Affairs for Medco Health Solutions Inc. -- before taking their

part on stage to get their coats and recite a "Pledge of Professionalism" in unison.

Brinkley spoke about his life as a pharmacist, the pleasures of his career and inspired them

many future pharmacists in the room with his accomplishments as well as encouragements.

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Dr. Terry Dicianna, retired provost, wears a white coat the Class of 2010 gave him as an honorary member.

vocal "Yes" as each class stood.



Abigail Thompson and Manuel Escobar.

Parking poses new problems

By Elva Garza
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Between the biggest enrollment in UIW history and the new parking rules, the parking situation can get complicated.

Unlike last year, you won't find any free parking on the campus of Incarnate Word. There is a new 800-car Ancira Parking Tower, however, to house those who pay for the space.

This year, UIW is offering "four types of parking permits in order to maintain our core mission of delivering

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Eligible Persons	Teaching faculty, resident students, employees age 60+, administrators and staff with driving responsibilities	All School of Pharmacy employees and students	All

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-Everyone has to pay to park on campus this year. Last year, free parking was available to those willing to park up on the hill classroom instruction," Vice President of Business and Finance Doug Ensley said in a memo about fall's new parking rules. Endsley also emphasized "the permit system

is not designed to reflect that the University values any class of employee over another."

Those who have to park on the hill already are complaining about long shuttle waits and the overall lack of parking.

"It takes me longer to wait for the shuttle than to walk down the hill," new student Angelina Cortez said as she waited for the shuttle. "The only problem is I am walking with a twenty-pound bag and it gets to be pretty straining."



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close on me before I could get my chair into them,” Miller said. “The one on Admin [Administration Building] does that. There was only one door that I could get into. They say there’re two doors, but the other door always had something blocking it.”

Miller also said the ramp to access the Administration Building door was too steep. She had a difficult time positioning the wheelchair so it would not roll backwards

while she tried to open the door.

Miller also said she experienced issues with Dougherty Fine Arts Center’s older elevator. The elevator is equipped with a sliding metal door, which has to be physically shut before the main doors can close.

“I had to lock my brakes, and try to keep the big heavy door open with my wheelchair, while I’m trying to move this sliding metal door,” she said.

At Dr. Lou J. Agnese Jr.’s Sept. 9 “State of the Campus” address, Miller told the president: “If you had to do one thing for me, you could make a press plate on that door at the Administration Building.”

A press plate would make the doors open automatically and could facilitate access to the building. Agnese has been in contact with Heying, and a press plate has been added.

Agnese also addressed accessibility at the Student Government Association’s Sept. 18 Open Forum in Marian Hall Student Center. Agnese explained many of UIW’s older buildings will be eventually torn down and now is not the time to finance construction projects on buildings that may be gone within three to five years.

“We plan to keep students as comfortable as possible until then,”

Agnese said.

In the meantime, McMakin said it would be a good idea to add an automatic door with a doorbell to the Student Center. A student told her he witnessed two individuals in wheelchairs having trouble accessing the building because the doors kept closing on them.

The UIW campus complies with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and with the Americans with

Disabilities Act of 1990, which state the campus must ensure reasonable accessibility for students with documented disabilities. According to the Student Disability Office, UIW currently has 136 disabled students. During the spring 2008 semester, UIW had 119 disabled students on campus.

“UIW has proudly served students with disabilities for the past 20 years, or perhaps longer,” Heying said.

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given to 18-year-olds, such as voting and joining the military.

Agnese said he is in agreement with the initiative and said he signed it in order to stir up discussion on how to best solve the binge-drinking epidemic which, according to some sources, is increasing among college students.

In a written statement, Agnese said, “I’ve always disagreed with the decision to raise the drinking age from 18 to 21. An 18-year-old is allowed to vote, get married, enlist in the military and enroll in college because society accepts her or his ability to make decisions as an adult. We should be consistent and also respect

their intellectual capacity to understand the responsibility that comes with drinking.”

Although the initiative never specifically states the drinking age should be lowered, the signers, including Agnese, are inviting debate about this possibility in order to improve the way young adults are socialized with

regard to alcohol, perhaps by introducing alcohol at a younger age.

Already, the initiative is facing harsh criticism from groups such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) who submitted statements claiming university leaders are misinterpreting the science that proves the 21-year-old minimum drinking age

law is working. They cite studies which reveal the number of alcohol-related automobile fatalities involving people under 21 has decreased since the law’s establishment. MADD has also gone so far as to state that parents should not enroll their college-age children in those universities whose leaders have signed the

initiative.

Agnese would not respond to this statement but did say he will continue to work on improving alcohol awareness on campus, especially if the drinking age is lowered.

“Education informs responsibility and goes hand-in-hand with accountability and making good decisions,” he said.

Author-consultant provides productive tips

By Gulcin Ispir
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Companies should follow a five-step program to make their environments a great place to work, a best-selling author and management consultant

said Sept. 24 at a public seminar on campus.

Gregory P. Smith, founder and president of Atlanta-based Chart Your Course International, made the recommendation at the seminar in Rosenberg Sky

Room cosponsored by the H-E-B School of Business and Administration and Pearson’s Talent Assessment Group.

“If you want to make sure your organization is the best place to work, just

follow the Five-Step Pride Model,” Smith said.

These steps, using “PRIDE” as an acronym, mean:

- @ Provide a positive working environment.
- @ Recognize, rein-

force, and reward each individual’s efforts.

- @ Involve everyone.
- @ Develop the potential of your workforce.
- @ Evaluate and measure continuously.

Smit has more than 27

years of leadership and consulting experience and has guided hundreds of business with measurable improvements in reduced employee turnover, increased sales, and better customer service leading to long-term prosperity.

“Finding and retaining skilled workers is the No. 1 issue most employers face today,” Smith said.

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for the fine arts building,” Agnese said.

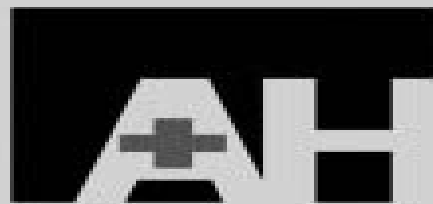
Other expansion possibilities include a golf course management program in collaboration with Windcrest Country Club and a veterinary school (a distant possibility).

The addition of the optometry program at the Datapoint satellite location and continued development of current undergraduate and graduate programs will contribute to the growth of the student population, Agnese said.

“The university is not only working on adding new programs to our curriculum but also bettering the ones that we already have,” he added.

UIW senior Eddie Gonzalez said he was elated to hear about the plans for fine arts.

“I am so glad we may get a new fine arts building even though I won’t be here to see it,” Gonzalez said. “The one we have now is long overdue.”



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Blood drive outdoes goal

By April Lynn Downing
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

More blood was collected than expected when the South Texas Blood and Tissue Center teamed up with the Pre-Pharmacy Association for a Sept. 22-23 blood drive in Marian Hall Student Center.

The association's goal of 50 units of blood for each day of collection was beat both days. On the first day, 82 units were donated by 101 donors. On the second day, 96 donors gave a total of 77 units of blood.

Second-year, pre-pharmacy students Manuel Esquivel and Abigail Buck sat in front of the Student Center area helping students sign in and preparing them for the screening process.

"If anyone is under the weather at the moment they're not

going to be allowed to donate," Donor Recruitment Liaison Araseli Charo said. "If they have any questions [about donation requirements] come in. We don't want anyone to assume they can't donate."

General requirements for donors include a minimum age of 17 and weight of 110 pounds. They also must be healthy and feeling well. Donors may be turned away based on the results of their tests, but once their levels are back to normal, they can donate.

"All in all, between the two days, we collected a grand total of 158 units. That makes a total of 474 lives affected by this blood drive. This is truly an overwhelming success," Charo said.

Along with donating blood, students and faculty members

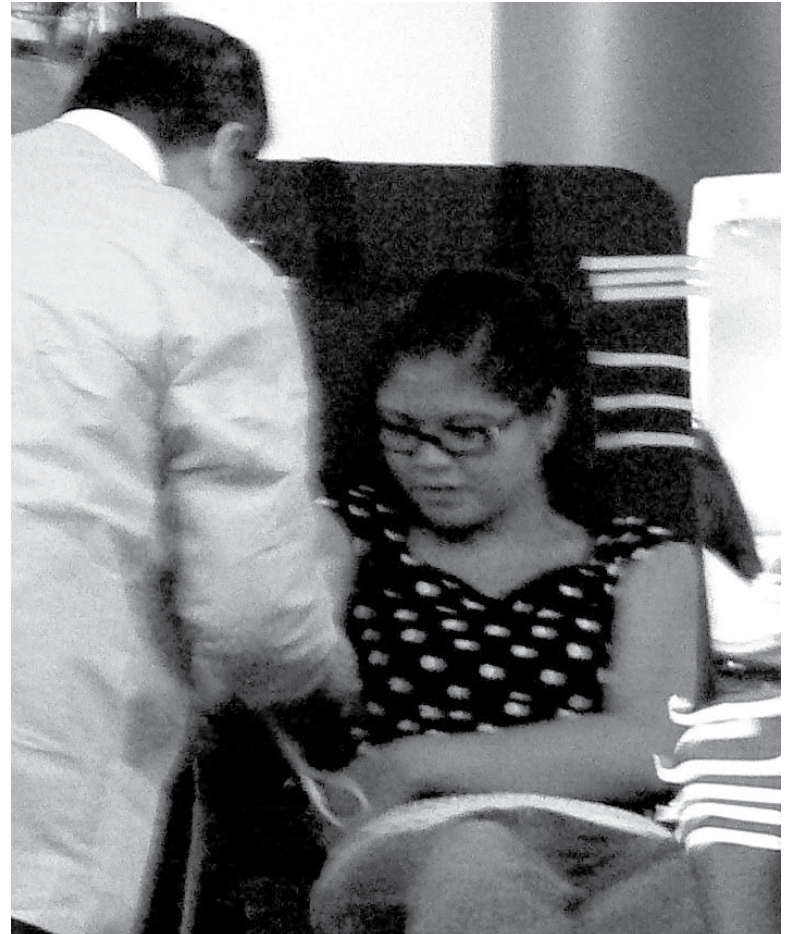
were invited to register for the bone marrow donor list. With a quick cheek swab and registration, donors are put on a waiting list. If they prove to be a match for someone who needs bone marrow, they are called in to donate.

Esquivel explained there are more than 7 million people on the waiting list for bone marrow. Although many people on the list are minorities, he said, very few donors are. Since matches are rare overall, the South Texas Center needs as many donors as possible.

FYI

If students or faculty don't want to wait for the next blood drive, they can visit any of the donor rooms in San Antonio.

A list of locations is available on the South Texas Blood and Tissue Center's website, www.southtexasblood.com



APRIL LYNN DOWNING/LOGOS STAFF
A South Texas Blood and Tissue Center worker, left, takes blood from a donor.

Human rights takes center stage

A University of the Incarnate Word professor and her Human Rights class will discuss the work they're doing during Peace Day on Oct. 29.

Dr. Lopita Nath, a native of India, and her class will focus on "Finding a Common Ground: Human Rights of Children in the World."

The main presenters will be students Rosendo Flores, Laura Deegear, Patricia Blanquiz, Janelle Carillo and Sarah Simister.

"Human rights has become a growing concern for the common man worldwide," Nath said. "Because of the constantly changing world situation, someone somewhere is always victimized without receiving enough attention."

"This summer I taught a course titled 'Human Rights in Asia.' This course explored the changing concept and practice of human rights in a globalized and politically realigned world with a focus on the Asian region – South, East, Southeast and West Asia and non-western attitudes.

"The themes examined were social justice, the concept of human rights and its understanding in Asia, the challenge of genocidal politics, the rights of refugees and the internally displaced, rights of women and children including education, communal politics and religious minorities, class and caste conflicts, ethnicity and identity, environment and development, poverty and global hunger and the intersection of morality and the pursuit of international

justice. The course also examined government policy in relation to the promotion and protection of human rights through an interventionist and coercive diplomacy as well as an adherence to international norms.

"The response to this class was overwhelming. I had 17 students in the class including four students from the University of Monterrey who were part of the summer program for international students.

"This was a discussion-based class and yielded in-depth discussions to which the international students provided a unique, non-American perspective. The success of the class was based on the assignments the students did and completed with so much interest. One was 'Human Rights Squares,' a sheet of paper with squares documenting people's ideas and knowledge on rights issues. They had to fill out this form based on their immediate community. I had students come back with stories about the awareness among their friends and family which amazed them. They said they had no idea people in San Antonio were so aware of such issues around them. One student mentioned, 'I stood in front of Central Market and was surprised at how much they knew about rights violations in the world.' Another student asked a 7-year-old child she was babysitting about rights a child should have and the child replied that she wanted the right to play.

"The other project which opened their eyes to the outside

world was called 'Who Cares?'

For this project, students had to read and compare reports on the Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch websites and come up with their own conclusion as to how much people care about the information on these sites. There were so many touching stories on these sites, but the most compelling were the ones on denial of education to children, children trafficked for various reasons and child soldiers in parts of the world people do not know about or even care enough to learn about. The most important aspect of this assignment was that it opened students' eyes to the differences in rights issues in their world and the world beyond them and made



Dr. Lopita Nath

them more appreciative of the life and privileges they enjoy.

"Finding a Common Ground:

Human Rights of Children in the World' is an outgrowth of this class on Human Rights in Asia. Some of the students who are history majors have volunteered to share their information and learning experience from this class and bring it to a larger audience. The students want to not only help students, faculty and staff on the UIW campus to expand their knowledge about current issues around the world today, but also to have a better understanding of human rights violations in the United States. The presentation will provide a common platform for understanding the issues in the United States today through the lens of human rights issues affecting children in other areas of the world."

PEACE DAY PROGRAM PROVIDES PLETHORA OF PRESENTATIONS

@ Opening Prayer, 8:45 a.m. Sponsor: Campus Ministry.

@ Exhibits, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Jordan Plaza. Non-profit and community Service groups and agencies building peace through justice and service. Opportunities to sign up for community service. Event will move to Marian Hall Student Center if it rains.

@ "Seeking Peace: Understanding the Heritage of Peace in America's Military," 9-10:15 a.m. Sponsor: UIW Student Veterans Association.

@ "Why Interreligious Dialogue and Peace Make Sense," 10:30-11:45 a.m. Professor Simone Brown with students from World Religion and Catholic Social Teaching classes will lead a discussion with participants on how dialogue under different auspices and topics can lead to religious and cultural understanding and peace on a local and global level. This will include various aspects of Interreligious dialogue, such as political, sociological, educational, and cultural.

@ Free soup lunch during "Who Speaks for Islam" panel discussion, noon-1:15 p.m., Marian Hall Ballroom. Speakers: Rolla Alaydi, Dr. Roger Barnes and Dr. Mahmud Yusuf. Moderator: Sister Martha Ann Kirk. Soup lunch features foods mentioned in the Bible and Qu'ran and the Holy Land Garden here at UIW. Preparers: Student Dietetics Association.

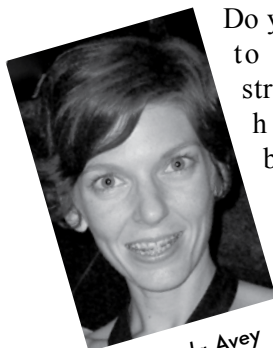
@ "Social and Environmental Justice in World Literature Studies," 1:30-2:45 p.m. Visual/verbal presentation invites the audience to consider how various authors help us explore social and environmental concerns through sight and sound. Sponsor: Dr. Matthias Schubnell and English Department.

@ "Finding a Common Ground: Human Rights of Children in the World," 3-4:15 p.m. Sponsor: Dr. Lopita Nath and the Human Rights Class. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights which was crafted after the atrocities of the Nazis invites global citizens to justice. Are we protecting the children of the world?

@ "Conflict Transformation: Creative Responses in the Face of Suffering or Violence: Encouraging Reconciliation in Uganda," 4:30-5:45 p.m. Speakers: Sarah Gazda, Kristy Baynton, Lara Snead, Christine Grisham and Laura Kraus. Sponsor: Dr. Sally Baynton, an English professor. Massive Mexican immigration or building better jobs and economy there: Examples from the "Justicia Cooperative and the Coalition for Justice in the Maquiladoras" shared by Gaby Canavati and others who have gone on service trips to Piedras Negras.

@ "The Power of Good" video, 6 p.m. Award-winning video features an inspiring story of Nicholas Winston who saved 669 Czechoslovakian children from the Nazis. Discussion based on resources from "Facing History and Ourselves." Sponsor: Dr. Sharon Herbers and the College Teaching class.

Back to Basics Part II: Protein



Amanda Avey

Do you want to have a strong and healthy body?

Strength can be defined in many ways,

but I am referring to the strength your body needs to survive, which comes from protein.

First, let's look at the structure of proteins. They are composed of small units called amino acids, which bind together to form a protein. There are 20 amino acids in the body. Eight of them, the

essential amino acids, must be obtained from food. The other 12 are also found in foods, but can be synthesized by the body as well. If you aren't getting the essential amino acids in your diet, your body becomes unable to assemble some of the proteins it needs to build, maintain and repair body tissues.

So what do you think of when you hear the word "protein"? You probably think of chicken, beef, fish and other types of meat. These are good sources, but protein is found in other foods as well.

Proteins have four calories per gram and are categorized into two groups: complete and incomplete. Animal-based foods

such as meat, fish, poultry, milk, eggs and cheese are considered complete protein sources, which means they contain all the essential amino acids. Incomplete proteins, found in cereals, nuts, vegetables and beans, do not contain all the essential amino acids. They are low in one or more of the essential amino acids, so your diet should include two or more of these foods. Together, several sources can provide adequate amounts of all the essential amino acids. It is very important for vegetarians and vegans to consume a combination of these foods throughout the day to ensure their bodies have all the amino acids they need.

You're probably wondering

how much protein you need. The recommended dietary allowance for women age 19 and older is 46 grams a day and for men in the same age group, 56 grams.

To get an idea of how much protein is in some foods, here are some examples: one cup of milk has eight grams, a three-ounce piece of meat has about 21 grams, one cup of dry beans has about 16 grams and an eight-ounce container of yogurt has about 11 grams. These four foods already meet the 56 grams males need per day, so you can see how easy it is to get an adequate amount of protein in your diet. For anyone who doesn't eat meat, here are a few examples of good protein sources: seven ounces of

chick peas contains 16 grams, one ounce of peanuts has seven grams, two slices of whole grain bread has about six grams and five ounces of tofu has about 11 grams.

Finally, protein contains energy. Therefore, if you consume more protein than your body needs each day, the excess will be converted to energy for immediate use or stored in the body as fat. Protein energy then will be used if energy sources are exhausted.

For more information about protein intake and sources, visit www.eatright.org.

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Political Science holds debate-watching party

By Carolina Canizales
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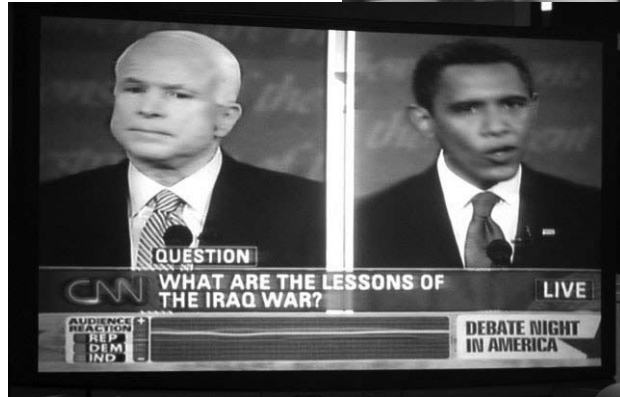
How did UIW respond to the first, televised presidential debate between Democratic candidate Barack Obama and Republican hopeful John McCain?

Well, the Department of Political Science held a debate-watching party at 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, in Marian Hall Student Center, complete with soft drinks, chips and cookies.

Nearly 20 UIW students and faculty lounged in the chairs in front of a widescreen television and watched the two men discuss what they would do to lead the country through its current economic crisis, how they would handle foreign policy, the Iraq War

CAROLINA CANIZALES/
LOGOS STAFF

Faculty and students watch Friday's debate in the comfort of Marian Hall Student Center.



and promote alternative energy research — among other issues.

“They don’t want to talk to each other,” Dr. James Creagan, ambassador-in-residence, said of the two candidates as he watched, his comment followed by a quiet laughter

in the lounge audience.

By telling war stories, “McCain is only trying to appeal to the emotions of Americans, (and) at the same time (he) is trying to scare them about how dangerous it would be to have a man like Obama as our president,” said Maria C.



Woods, a freshman UIW pre-pharmacy major.

Thomas Mosley, a senior computer information systems major who was watching the debate on the other side of the lounge away from the party, didn’t mind telling who he wanted to be America’s next president.

“I’m a big Obama

supporter,” Mosley said. “I love Obama, and I work for his campaign all Wednesday and Fridays. I was born and raised in Germany, and back then in the ‘90s people used to love America. Now they’re insecure about whether to love it or not.

“I believe Obama can bring back the international

confidence and admiration to our country. Obama is very open-minded, and willing to listen. McCain is very hard-minded and offers America unclear messages. I’m planning to join the Air Force, and when I sign the contract, I would love to serve for Obama as our commander-in-chief.”

Several remember Father Lamberty

By Rachel Cywinski
LOGOS Staff Writer

Incarnate Word faculty, staff, students and friends gathered Sept. 16 in Our Lady’s Chapel to remember the late Philip Lamberty, affectionately known as “Father Phil.”

Lamberty spent his final five years of Dominican priesthood as UIW chaplain and retired in June in order to go into hospice care. He died July

17 at the age of 75.

Beth Villarreal, director of Campus Ministry, read a plaque dedicating the porch of the Chapel Building to Lamberty. The plaque is inscribed with a quote Lamberty recited at every Baccalaureate Mass from former U.N. Secretary-General Swedish diplomat Dag Hammarskjöld: “For all that has been, thanks. For all that will be, yes.”

Custom-made bench-

es will soon be installed along with the plaque on the porch where peer minister Alejandro Flores, who inherited Lamberty’s broken accordion and all the materials needed to repair it, recalled meeting the priest while he played the “chicken dance.”

Junior Demetrius Smith, a religious studies and art major from San Antonio, recalled Lamberty teaching him to play the guitar, an instrument

he has continued to use in his work with Campus Ministry.

“Coming from a Protestant background, I didn’t know that priests could be ‘cool’ until I met Father Phil,” Smith said.

Other current and former students shared their remembrances before Father Bob Perry, Lamberty’s classmate, fellow Dominican and friend of 56 years, closed the chapel ceremony by describing the last year of Lamberty’s life and his love for the university.

Perry described his friend’s legacy as his love of people and the “many themes” of his life which included not only music, but the facets of his personality. Seeing Lamberty in both his solemn and playful moods, he suggested, might have led people to understand more about God and to ponder what Jesus was like during lighthearted moments.

Afterwards, Villarreal asked remembrances continue to be shared during a reception in the Campus Ministry gathering room.

During the reception, the man whom Lamberty always introduced as his “twin,” the Rev. Trevor Alexander, assistant director of Campus Ministry, served a rose-covered cake dedicated to his departed brother while peer ministers served tamales to current and former students.

Steve Fingar, who was peer minister in charge of the Sunday morning Mass for three years, recalled, “Father Phil and I started here at the same time. We had a personality conflict because I wanted everything to be done a certain way and he had a *laissez faire* attitude. He had the perfect personality to be a priest. I don’t think there is anything that you could say to him that would shock him.”

Fingar, a Southwest Research Institute em-



Father Philip Lamberty

ployee, was one of many alumni who extolled Lamberty’s musical talents.

Many staff members reminisced privately.

“Father Phil was very inspirational to all of the community,” Campus Police Chief Joe Ramos said. “He always had something heartwarming to say. He filled this campus with joy and love through his music, jolly smile and living the mission of the Incarnate Word. He truly was a great blessing in my life and those of others. His presence will truly be missed by everyone and I will always have his picture in my office knowing that his spirit is always here.”

Laura Resendez, coordinator of the SMARRT Project in the Dreeben School of Education, said, “I always looked forward to Father Phil’s inspirational words in Mass, helping us reflect on the Scriptures as well as on our own actions. I am also very grateful for his insight in reaching out to anyone needing encouragement. His guidance was a tremendous help for me when my mom passed away earlier this year. I know that Father will continue to watch over all the UIW community from a special place in heaven.”

Sophomore Nicholas Segura, a chemistry and engineering major from San Antonio, put it simply: “Father Phil gave great advice, both social and religious, and it really made a difference in my life.”

Junior Oscar Perez, a psychology and Spanish major from Kerrville, said Lamberty was one of the first people he met at the university.

“We shared a table for dinner in the Sky Room during Welcome Week,” Perez said. “What are the chances that I would sit at the same table with a person who would impact my life so tremendously?”


“Father Phil always had that blessed smile and the joy of life in his heart. He pretty much always insulted me, but I knew that was his way of making me laugh. No matter who he was around, people always flocked to his presence. He had some kind of chemistry that attracted people to him — some kind of positive energy.

“Father Phil will always walk by my side in the path of life that I have chosen because he knows my destiny and I can always count on him to make me laugh, give me courage and strength to obtain my goals. One night after Mass I spoke to Father Philip. I shared with him some of my past and we both agreed we had similar lives. We were both children of the Lord, our Father’s servants.

“When I found that he was gone, I sat down and was quiet for about 10 minutes. Then I reflected on Father Philip’s life and I felt he was laughing at me. I know that right now he’s up there in Heaven and he’s smiling down at us. I am awaiting now the day when we reunite in Heaven so I can give him a big hug and tell him what a big impact he had on my life. I acknowledge that I never told Father Philip how I felt about him but I know he felt it through my actions. Father Philip, I know you can hear and see everything that we do. I just want you to know that I love you always and forever, until we meet again. Amen.”

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Hundred handle 'Meet the Mission'

By Adriana Estrada
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

About 100 students, faculty members and staff were greeted with orange juice, pastries and bus passes when they arrived Sept. 12 at Marian Hall Student Center for another "Meet the Mission."

Each fall, "Meet the Mission" targets freshmen in order to make them aware of the mission of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word and UIW where 45 hours of community service is required for graduation.

"It's meant to be both a spiritual and social justice payoff," said Dr. Harold Rodinsky, a psychology professor and one of the organizers. "If spirituality isn't your thing, do it if you believe in a just world. It's an 'I live in this world' motivation."

After breakfast in the ballroom, each team of students and the accompanying faculty member, set off in VIA buses for tasks at separate locations such as St. Henry's Catholic Church, a Methodist Church, St. Timothy's Catholic Church, the San Antonio Food Bank, the Battered Women's Shelter and Guadalupe Community Center.

Using VIA buses to transport the troops had another purpose only than going green.

"You can't talk about doing service if you're showing up in a Mercedes," Rodinsky said, adding that using the public bus system also introduced many of



Several University of the Incarnate Word students earned community service hours toward graduation during the annual 'Meet the Mission' event to several sites.

the participants to a daily reality of those they serve.

At noon, everyone met back in the ballroom to have lunch and discuss their experiences.

Ben McPherson, a biology professor, spent the morning shadowing the homeless at

Project Corazon.

"I essentially learned the daily life for the homeless, which was very enlightening for me," McPherson said. "It was interesting and I enjoyed it. I was surprised that they were really into puzzles [and]

I watched an intense game of chess. I don't really know what I expected."

Children's Shelter volunteer Justin Burklow said he thought he was going to spend the day with children but ended up weeding the shelter parking

lot.

"I had tons of things on my mind when I got there but community service gives me this tranquil feeling," Burklow said. "Pulling weeds is very simple, but at the same time, you grow a lot spiritually from that."

Heritage Week honors UIW history

By Ginger Taylor
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

October is a time for remembering the UIW legacy, mission and traditions through the numerous celebrations of Heritage Week.

From Oct. 13-15, UIW will celebrate its long history and growth as the largest Catholic university in Texas.

"Heritage Week honors the values handed down from [the] founders, the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word and from all the men and women who have carried on that heritage since 1881," said Audrey O'Mahoney, director of the Office of Mission Effectiveness.

"This year's theme is

'faithful citizenship' based on the document, 'Forming Consciences for Faithful citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility,'" she added.

On Oct. 15, the finale of Heritage Week, an array of events will span the whole day. Activities will include tours of the archives underneath the Chapel of the Incarnate Word, an opening ceremony honoring UIW's founders at 8:10 a.m. in the CCVI Cemetery.

Alexia Kelley, executive director and co-founder of Catholics in Alliance for the Common Good, will speak at 10:30 a.m. in J.E. and L.E. Mabey Library Auditorium.

Kelley, who directs an organization that promotes awareness

of the Catholic social tradition and its core values of justice, human dignity and the common good, will speak on "A Nation for All: How the Catholic Vision of the Common Good Can Save America from the Politics of Division."

Food bargains will be available at the Sodexo-sponsored "Cookout at the Clock Tower" at 11 a.m.

Other events include the "Lunch and Listen" concert in the plaza at 11:15 a.m., Heritage Day Mass at noon in the grotto amphitheatre, Employee Recognition Ceremony at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of the Incarnate Word followed by a reception at 3:15 p.m. on Brackenridge Lawn.

Another thought-provoking



Alexia Kelley

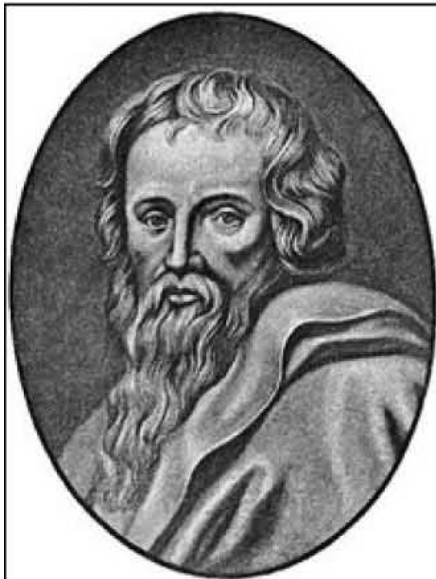
event aimed at encouraging UIW students to listen, ask questions and be inspired to make a

difference in the world is "Student Conversations with CCVI" at 4 p.m. in Dubuis Hall.

The SGA founded the event in which students assemble for conversation with the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word. Sisters and the students discuss important topics and have a chance to ask questions about various issues.

This year, the mission office hopes to have a joyful noise ringing through campus for Heritage Day.

"We are hoping to have the Carillon playing hymns and to disseminate the words of the hymns so that students can have a sense of what they hear as they walk through campus," O'Mahoney said.



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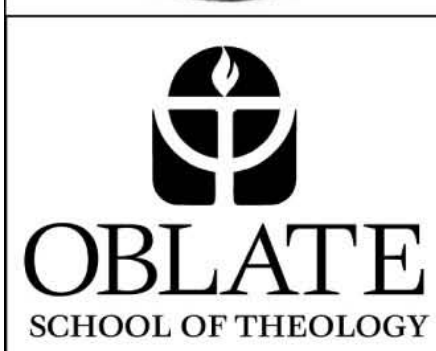
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NFL commissioner to boost UIW athletics

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell will address "The Future of the NFL" at an Oct. 8 luncheon on campus at the invitation of the Cardinal football program's major benefactor.

Tom Benson, owner of the New Orleans Saints, as well as the University of the Incarnate Word and The Greater Chamber of Commerce for the city of San Antonio will be

co-hosts for Goodell's first appearance in San Antonio since he was named commissioner two years ago.

The commissioner also will help UIW introduce its new scholarship football program to the local community, said Margaret Garcia, associate director for UIW's Office of Public Relations.

Proceeds from this event will go to the UIW

athletic scholarship fund, she added.

Next fall, UIW will field the first collegiate scholarship football team in San Antonio since the early '70s, thanks to the generosity of Gayle and Tom Benson who provided money for the program including a new stadium, fieldhouse, coaches' salaries, equipment, uniforms and scholarships.

Benson has been a

friend and supporter of UIW for more than a quarter century. Benson Chair of Banking and Finance was established in his honor in the '80s. Mrs. Benson is a member of UIW's Board of Trustees.

Goodell, a native of New York, took over the NFL on Sept. 1, 2006, after longtime Commissioner Paul Tagliabue retired. Before being named

commissioner, Goodell served as the NFL's executive vice president and chief operating officer.

"This luncheon is another important opportunity for San Antonio to become acquainted with our new football team," said Dr. Lou J. Agnese Jr. "We're grateful to Tom Benson for facilitating Commissioner Goodell's appearance at this special event."



Roger Goodell



Coach Jennifer Sanchez Montoya, her back to the camera, talks to her team at Alice McDermott Convocation Center during the game with Texas A&M International. The Cardinals won the game 3-1.

Volleyball seeks to go deep in the 'Heartland' of Texas

By Desi Canela
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The prospects for a successful season of volleyball in the Heartland Conference has the team pumped up.

"We have an amazing

amount of talent," middle blocker Edie Weise, a junior, said. "The season started off pretty bumpy but we are finally starting to trust each other."

And early-season honors are coming their way.

Weise, a native of Luling, Texas, recently was named "Heartland Conference Hitter of the Week" for her performance during the Alamo Classic and senior outside hitter Kim Kvapil received a similar award.

Sophomore defensive specialist Spencer Ladd has twice been named the conference's "Libero of the Week."

Wiese managed an average of 3.31 kills while Ladd stepped up defen-

sively by topping the tournament with a 4.88 dig per game average.

The season is a "challenging, but tough one," Ladd said.

"In life, to be the best you have to give it your

best," Wiese said. "Being an athlete opens up numerous opportunities. It helps you with your people skills and overall work ethic. I have high hopes for this season -- conference champs for sure."

Women's soccer team soars to victory over Newman

By Alison Villanueva
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The Lady Cardinals soccer team soared to a

3-0 victory over Newman (Kan.) University on Sept. 19.

"That was an awesome

game," an apparent Cardinals fan said from the bleachers at Benson Field.

Comments and recaps


about the scoring players and strategies were exchanged between excited spectators.

Despite a slow first half, it was evident something sparked between the players during the second.

For the Cardinals, communication and accuracy along with defensive strategy and tactics turned the second half upside down into a scoring haven for the team.

Lianah Flores cemented the first goal with an assist from teammate Sarah Hernandez. Offensive and defensive strategy also came into play, which helped Lauren Evans make the second goal of the game. After that, it was double trouble for Newman as Emily Hernandez assisted her twin sister, Sarah, for the third and final goal. In addition to the Cardinal offense, goal-keeper Ashton Caffrey shut down Newman's attempts to even the game.

Throughout the match, the Cardinals moved up and down the field in unison, working as a group. From the view of the crowd in the bleachers, the Lady Cardinals represented a web of solidarity and unity that left no doubt of their success.



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Annette Marroquin

A lot of Cardinal support and love was shown at the blessing of the field Labor Day. Faculty and staff, athletes, students, alumni and Bill Miller's showed some

Blessings, a little bashing and a lot of Bill Miller's

love for the team!

Although it was a holiday, there was a good turnout at the first public UIW football scrimmage. Thanks to all of you who showed up and care.

A lot of student organizations as well as the athletes and faculty on campus came to the scrimmage even

though it was scorching hot outside. Other athletes were showing their support for our football team on the sidelines signing autographs under their shaded canopies.

Todd Rasco, head of the new Quarterback Club, was out there showing his love and spreading the word

about the club. They have 25 members so far.

KUIW played popular hip-hop, giving R&B station 98.5's on-site crew a little competition. Both stations were awesome keeping the crowd pumped up and alive.

The day was a great day overall. There was something

for everyone. Free food, beer, moon bounces, music and a great scrimmage. We got to see how the team is today and we get to grow with them throughout the entire year up until kickoff next fall.

So, if you didn't come that day, please try to make an effort to go out and support our various athletes.

They're awesome. They bust their butts practicing and making an effort for UIW.

Bill Miller's may not be at the game all the time, but we should make an effort to go anyway.

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Two coaches named 'Nick'

George directs runners on field

By Amber Segura
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

When certain pro football players hit the field, the crowd arises in acclamation and standing ovations.

That's the vision Nick George said he has for the response he hopes fans will give Cardinal football players when they come on the field.

George, a graduate assistant who's coaching running backs, is one of the newest coaches added to the roster.

Although "running backs coach" is on his name plate, George said he has also come to find himself working on the technical side of football, helping other coaches with the new computer systems that enable them to see their previous games.

A Salt Lake City native, George played college ball under Cardinal Head Coach Mike Santiago. He is here with coaching experience from Judge



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Nick George, left, and Nick Debose are two of the newest football coaches. George, a graduate assistant, coaches the running backs while Debose will keep a watchful eye on defensive secondary.

Memorial Catholic School in Salt Lake City; Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, Texas; and Utah State University in Logan. The Judge Memorial teams he worked with reached the state quarterfinals and finals, respectively, the two years he was there.

George began playing Little League football, going on to high school and college at Utah State where he played tight end for three years but graduated at center, walking away his senior year as "Big Blue Club Player of

the Year." He holds a bachelor's degree with honors in horticulture and landscape design with a minor in business. He also won two all-conference academic awards while he was at Utah State were two all-conference academic awards. In 2005 he was a nominee for the national Bobby Bowden Award. At Incarnate Word, he's working on his master's degree in business administration.

George said he sees a lot of hard work and dedication from the Cardinal

players that will help get them ready for next season. The coaching staff also has received a great reception in town and on campus.

Though he feels no pressure getting the job done, he said he does feel like he has more responsibility to make sure the football players have everything they need. He would like to instill leadership qualities into each player to get them ready for next season. He wants to develop them to lead by example and work hard every day.

Music motivates coach of defensive secondary

By Amber Segura
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

A rap song from Lil Wayne plays in the background with the sounds of lockers closing and athletic tape ripping.

Nick Debose, defensive backs coach for the Cardinals, is preparing his unit for a scrimmage.

A native of Houston, Debose came to UIW from coaching at Texas A&M-Kingsville in August with two degrees under his belt -- a bachelor's degree in broadcast journalism and a master's degree in education, both from Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant.

He began playing flag football when he was 6 before moving on up to middle school, high school and college gridiron action. What led him to a career in coaching, he said, is he loved the relationship between the player and coach. Influencing a player to be the best he can be and watching such an athlete's transformation to a great college football player are things Debose wants to do.

His goal is get this team into tip-top shape for their first season, noting one of the team's strengths is its

work ethic and devotion to learn the game. However, academics is the first priority before a game, he said, adding he wants to see the players become winners on and off the field.

A player's got to be ready for locker-room dress-out, position meetings, practices and weight lifting, Debose said.

Thirty more guys are needed who are willing to work hard in and outside of the classroom while learning the ropes of a college football player, the coach said.

He believes the excitement and support from the community is helping the team to work hard to be the best on the field.

Asked if there was any kind of popular song he would use to get his players ready the last few hours before a game, Debose answered "I'm Me" from Lil Wayne -- the

song that might have spurred Michael Phelps to his eight gold metals in the Beijing Olympics.

As for any advice he would want his players to remember on the field, Debose replied: " 'Control what you can control and leave the rest to God.' "

Men's soccer team has high hopes

By Rachel Walsh
LOGOS ASSISTANT EDITOR

The men's soccer team is off to a strong start. Many of the players are new and everyone is feeling inspired by the brand-new Benson Stadium.

Head Coach John Smith said he is excited about the depth of the talent on this year's team. In previous years, the team's strong overall performance has been mainly due to a few star players, he said, but this year, he looks at the bench and sees a whole group who can "make a spark."

Smith anticipated a challenge this year in replacing some of last year's graduated talent, particularly two-time, All-American Nick Evans, who currently coaches at Providence High School downtown.

However, this year's freshmen have stepped up. And sophomore Dustin Lemley scored in each of the first three games.

Overall, Smith is optimistic about the team's chances of finally making it to the Final Four, which it has never done, despite being consistently ranked among the top 20 teams in the country.

Smith, originally from England, came to UIW three years ago after coaching at California State University in Bakersfield and playing professionally. His former college teammate, Vince Martinez, is assistant coach. Two of Smith's former players -- Matthew O'Sullivan, who is from England and played at California State, and Owen Collie, a native of Scotland who played at UIW -- act as

graduate assistants.

Playing in the brand-new stadium has energized the coaches and players, and they hope it will draw bigger crowds to games. They also hope it will prove to be a strong recruiting point for potential players.

The stadium is a "wonderful change for the campus," Smith said. "It will continue the tradition of this school in every way."

There are 30 varsity players and 25 junior varsity players. Thirty players are freshmen, and only two are seniors, so the team will be able to work together for a while. About 17 of the players have received scholarship money for a combination of soccer talent, personality and academics -- Smith is proud the team has an average GPA above 3.0. Besides



John Smith

local talent, players also come from other states and from other countries such as the United Kingdom, Colombia, Israel, Trinidad and Tobago, the Netherlands and Mexico.

The team and coaches said they are very supportive of the new football program and the changes it has brought and will continue to bring to the campus, but they hope the community will not forget about other sports.

"This super-talented team plays a very exciting brand of soccer that we want people to watch and support," Smith said.

'Crazy Cardinals' get ready to roar

By Allie Caballero
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

As the first semester springs into action with fall sports, a new group called the Crazy Cardinals is preparing for the task of being "Superfans."

Boasting 252 members, one major goal of the organization is to increase attendance at games, said Crazy Cardinals President Daniel Alejandro.

Members will have their own section in the stands. They will be cheering, yelling and supporting their school proudly and loudly, he said. One hour prior to games, they hope to start tailgating to gather fans and pump them up.

The goal is to "promote athletics and school spirit," Alejandro said.



Blessings, barbecue kick off football

By Lauren Beavin
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Nearly 2,500 people gathered at Benson Field on Labor Day to kick off the University of the Incarnate Word's football era with a "Countdown to Kickoff Blessing & Barbecue" event.

UIW dedicated the Gayle and Tom Benson Stadium and Fieldhouse, boasting athletic training spaces, weight-training areas, office space, conference rooms, and spectator seating for up to 3,000. The 16,000-square-foot fieldhouse is equipped with locker rooms.

Bill Moll, a member of UIW's board of trustees, presided over the event. San Antonio Archbishop José Gomez blessed the facility. Charlie Amato, the recently elected chairman of the board, gave opening remarks.

Tom Benson, owner of the New Orleans Saints, addressed the crowd, saying he looks forward to attending many games in the stadium. He and his wife, Gayle, a member of UIW's board of trustees, gave the money to start the football program – the stadium, fieldhouse, pay coaches, provide scholarships and equipment. The announcement about football and the Bensons' gift was made in April 2007.

Dr. Louis J. Agnese Jr., wearing a red shirt beneath his blazer, praised the new Cardinals football team. The president said football had been the "missing piece of UIW's athletics program."

Min Seo Cheon, a

UIW student, followed with a powerful rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner," the national anthem.

The next part of the event, the Fan Fiesta, featured several fun-filled carnival activities including a water slide, sports center and moon bounce. UIW cheerleaders in bright red-and-white uniforms tried out new cheers on the crowd. The Cardinal mascot, "Red," strutted around the track

greeting fans. Bill Miller BBQ provided free

barbecue, soda and water for the crowd, and radio station 98.5 The Beat blasted hip-hop from their booth.

The athletics department had booths on the south side of the field where people could meet players and learn more about the teams and upcoming games. Kids received posters autographed by UIW athletes.

"I thought it was a great event," Todd Rasco, UIW alumnus and founder of the Quarterback Club, said of the occasion. "It really showcased the university and its students, faculty, student athletes and community supporters. Our booth was very busy discussing the Quarterback Club and handing out information."

"The Quarterback Club started in January of 2008 and is gaining momentum along with the football program itself. We did not get any students signed up (that

day) but did get several parents of students who are playing football and that support is very good to see."

UIW announced the first 27scholarship recruits on Feb. 6, 2008, the official national signing day. The players are going through their red-shirt year.

"There is not really a red shirt," Margaret Garcia, associate director of public relations, pointed out. "A 'red-shirt' season is an NCAA term meaning they can play this year but it will not count towards their eligibility to play football. All the scrimmages they play this year are basically practice games."

The first public practice for the UIW Cardinals football team took place Labor Day on the field. Among the players was Jerrell Wilkerson, who held the local high-school rushing record for yards gained – more than 7,000 –when he played for Clark High.

"The event was a great opportunity for the city and campus to get a good idea of what went into getting this football program together," said Wilkerson, a communication arts major. "From the Bensons to the president of the university, so many people spent time getting the stadium and staff together. (Head) Coach (Mike) Santiago was and is the focal point of the team. The practice went well for us as a team and should have opened the eyes of the public as far as where we stand. We are a new program just getting started



Min Seo Cheon



San Antonio Archbishop José Gomez blessed the new facility with water-sprinkling.

and we hope it will help the university to open doors to many more students in the city of San Antonio and the state of Texas."

A blessing of the field followed the

practice. It began with the gathering hymn, "Canticle of the Sun," and continued with a reading from Corinthians, a responsorial psalm and intercessions. A prayer and concluding rite ended the ceremony.

Santiago said, "I thought the team did a great job of focusing on practice with the carnival going on all around us.

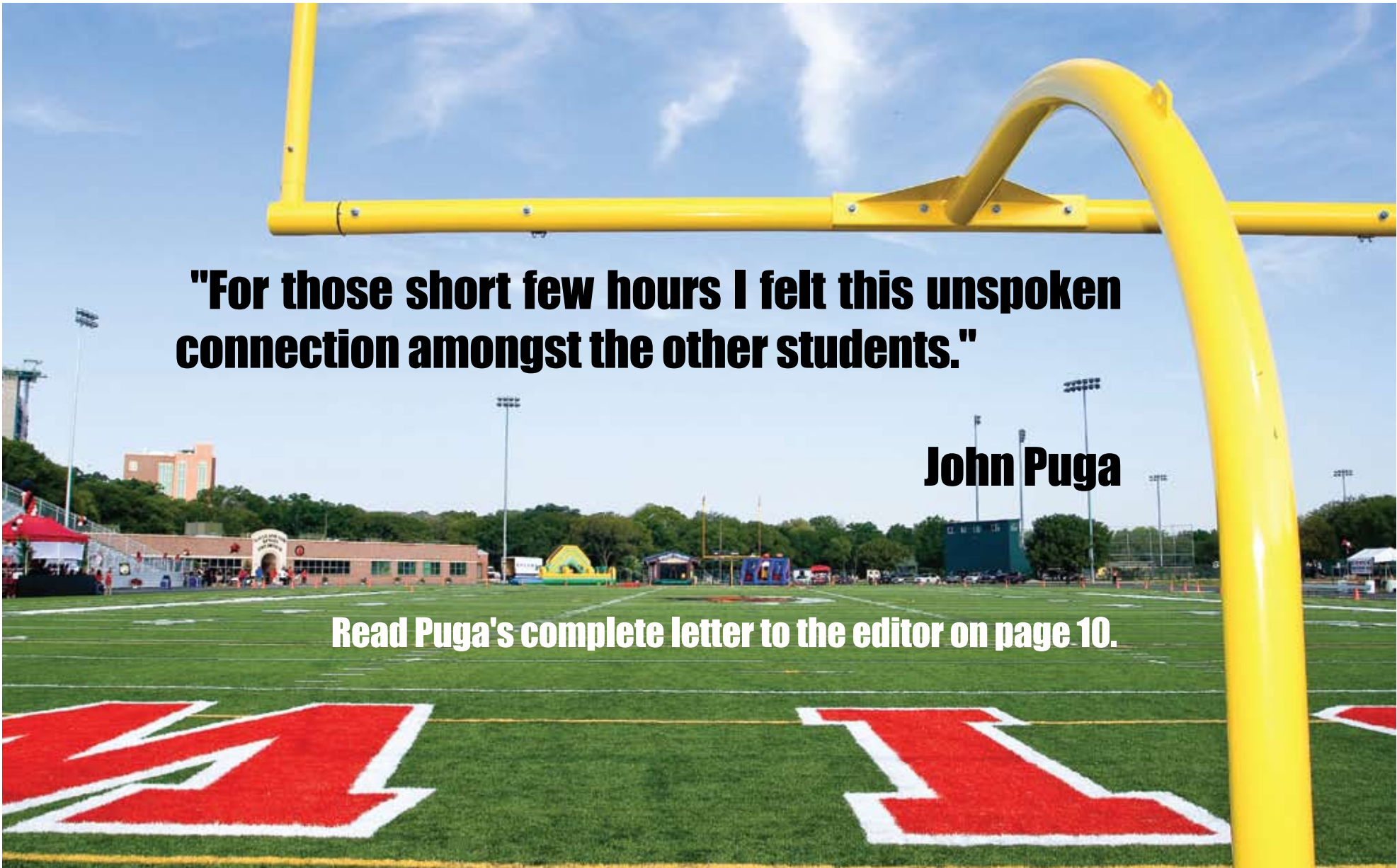
The 'Countdown to Kick-off' event was outstanding with over 2,500 people in attendance. I can only imagine what the crowd will be like for our first game on Aug. 29, 2009. The Bensons and Dr. Agnese are to be commended for bringing this type of program and this level of excitement to the UIW community."



Bill Moll, a member of the Board of Trustees, presides at the program dedicating and blessing Gayle and Tom Benson Stadium and Fieldhouse. An estimated 2,500 people showed up on Labor Day.



The Cardinals football team poses for pictures while the cheerleading squad takes to the field to boost spirits during the Labor Day event that included the blessing of the new football complex.



"For those short few hours I felt this unspoken connection amongst the other students."

John Puga

Read Puga's complete letter to the editor on page 10.



Clockwise, a UIW Football Quarterback Club sign shows much support for the team. E.J. Galan, a KUIW DJ, keeps the music coming. 98.5 radio station does an on-site gig. 'Red,' the Cardinal mascot, takes a picture with a fan.



Photos
by **Nick Baker**



Executions amount to legal killing



Rose Caldwell

I remember a day last year when I was walking through our beautiful Incarnate Word campus, under the huge shady oak trees, with a Starbucks coffee in hand, reading a newspaper article about China's continued invasion of Tibet.

I thought about how lucky I was to live in America, a democratic society that supposedly champions human rights and equality. I saw America as a beacon of freedom and felt sorry for the ill-fated Chinese who had to live with a government that kills. At that time, I was oblivious to the fact I was living right in the middle of a state which has been responsible for killing more than 400 people since 1976 in state-sanctioned executions.

During that time, 1,119 human beings have died due to capital punishment. Presently, there are 3,263 people on death row, all waiting in ardent agony for the American judicial system to appeal their case. And, if the court rejects the appeal, the prisoner must wait between six and 10 years for an unavoidable, premeditated, state-mandated execution.

Government-appointed executions are rare in industrialized nations. Ninety-one percent of all government executions take place in the following countries: China, Iran, Pakistan, Iraq, Sudan and the United States. America is the only Western industrialized nation to use the death penalty.

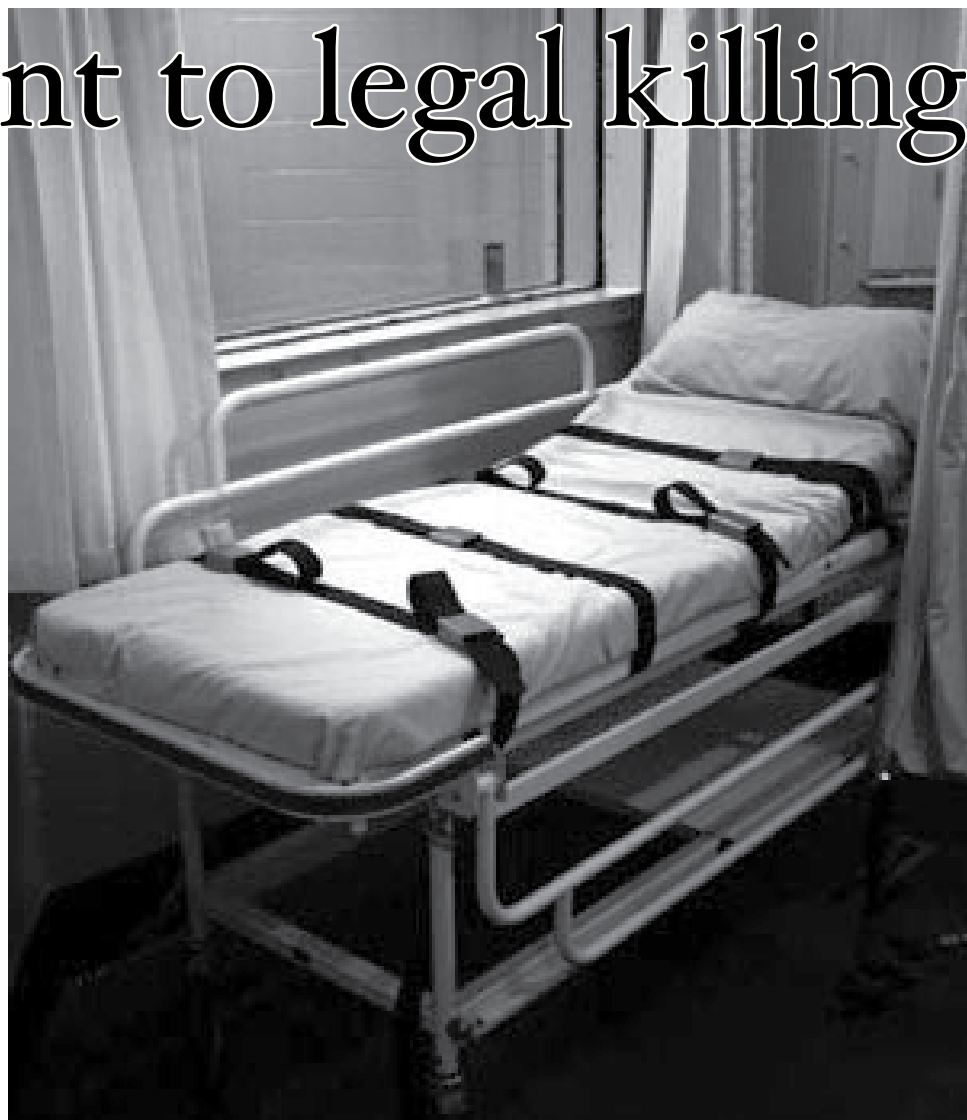
America's insistence on using the death penalty comes at a price for some of its citizens. Since 1976, the government has exonerated 126 people on death row, meaning the government had wrongfully sentenced them to death for

crimes they did not commit.

The government also has executed innocent people. Within the last year, the government has begun investigation into the wrongful execution of a prisoner in Texas. In 2004, Cameron Todd Willingham was executed for allegedly setting his house on fire and killing his three small children. However, the state of Texas has shamefully admitted the fatal fire may have been caused by electrical malfunctions. If this suspicion rings true, Willingham was killed by the State of Texas for an accident he couldn't avoid. It is frightening to think our state could not only put an innocent man to death, but murder a citizen who had just lost his three small children. This is only one of the dozens of cases in which the government -- national or state -- has wrongfully executed someone on death row.

Another startling statistic is the racial and economic biases built into the death penalty. Historically, an African-American is six times more likely to get the death penalty for killing a white victim than a white is for killing an African-American. Ninety percent of people charged with capital crimes cannot afford a lawyer and must use a court-appointed attorney. Often, court-appointed attorneys are incredibly inexperienced; for instance, in 1990, in half of all death penalty cases, it was the lawyer's first time in trial.

Even though the death penalty is racially and economically biased, a pro-death penalty advocate might argue the death penalty serves as a deterrent to heinous crime, is economically more efficient than putting someone in jail and gives solace to the victim's families. Logical? No. The death penalty has NOT proven to be a deterrent to crime; it costs significantly more money than



Lethal injection awaits any convict who is strapped to this gurney in Texas for capital punishment.

lifetime incarceration and victims' families do not feel the relief and closure that death penalty advocates say they do. For example, states with the death penalty have 48-101 percent higher homicide rates than states without the death penalty. In Texas, capital punishment cases cost an average of \$2.3 million per case, yet life without parole for one prisoner costs an average of \$750,000. Further, murder victims' families have said they feel no form of relief or closure when the perpetrator of the crime against their loved one is executed. In fact, they often feel further traumatized by personally witnessing a person being put to death.

If you find these facts troubling,

please consider joining our new group on campus called Humane Humans: Students Against Government Executions. We'll be meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, in the Gathering Room of the Chapel Building.

As college students representing the next generation, it is our responsibility and obligation to strive for the betterment of our community. Join our group so we can work together to bring an end to state-sanctioned murders and perhaps make America a truly democratic society that does, in truth, champion human rights and equality.

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From the editor's desk:

'Ready for change, ready to lead'

While I may take the opportunity to adopt one of Obama's campaign slogans used in 2007, (seen as headline), as the catchphrase to describe the attitude the *Logos* editorial staff and I hold for our paper today, I am more than happy I didn't have to go through the debates, rallies, and campaigning he does to be in the position to utilize an all-encompassing phrase.

As editor of the *Logos*, my goal is to lead the paper to positive changes. The *Logos* was the subject of last spring's first "Hot Topic" at a Student Government Association General Assembly -- held at noon every other Wednesday in the Library Auditorium every -- and was the topic of one of the capstone presentations given by business graduates last spring.

Some of the small concerns such as photo quality and diversity of content are being worked out as we speak and the other larger concerns such as Internet interaction and availability are being addressed.

Assistant Editors Maggie Callahan and Rachel Walsh, both English majors, are doing a phenomenal job of jumping head-first into the world of journalism and taking a fundamental position head-on. They

have taken up the task of critiquing every article that is printed in every issue and have begun acting on some amazing ideas to improve the content in coming issues.

Congratulations to our new photo editor, Nick Baker. He brings professional experience and incredible knowledge of photography that can only help the *Logos* clear up our image and sharpen our look.

We are still looking for section editors to help shape the *Logos* into the university newspaper we all know it can become. If you have any interest, please get in touch with one of the editors or our adviser, Michael Mercer. Applications are available through e-mail or you can pick one up at the *Logos* office, Administration Building, Room 211.

UIW's *Logos* can only be as good as you want it, don't hesitate to tell us what works and what still needs improvement. As Obama says, "Ready for change. Ready to lead."

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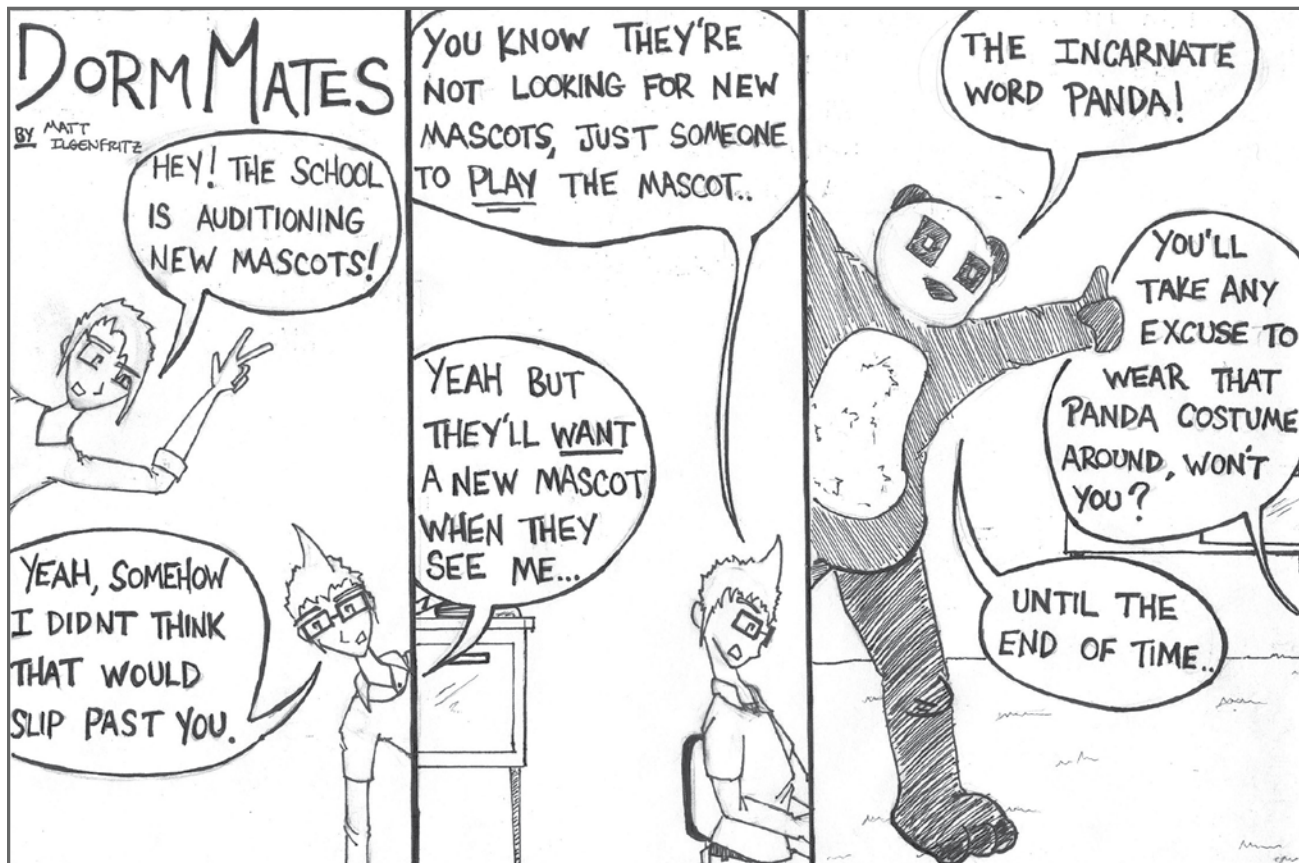
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Professor plans Iraq forum

A University of the Incarnate Word professor is taking it on himself to hold an Oct. 30 forum on campus concerning the Iraq War.

"The Iraq War: How You Got It Wrong and How You Will Get It Wrong Again" is the theme of the forum scheduled 3-5 p.m. in J.E. and L.E. Mabey Library Auditorium, said Dr. John M. Velasquez, a psychology professor and licensed psychologist.



My internship on The Farm

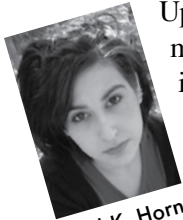


A rooster struts at the 'Farm.'

my arm on my first day. I said goodbye to the goats, stubborn Simon and the amazing Zoop, who reared up to give me a playful “high five” with her horns. I smiled at the pigs, who always smile back (especially if a belly rub is involved). The turkeys posed, noble and proud, for my camera. Pedro, a tiny yellow rooster, sang me a farewell. As hard as it can be to find sanctuary in our increasingly hectic world, it’s even harder to leave it.

I encourage anyone looking for an internship to go out on a limb for a unique experience and truly pursue something they’re passionate about. Over the course of 30 days, Farm Sanctuary transformed an internship from “that thing I have to do to graduate,” to the reason I can’t wait to graduate and change the world.

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Angel K. Horne

Upon hearing my summer internship was taking me to New York, everyone envisioned me making copies and coffee in a skyscraper, waking to the sounds of the traffic and sirens outside my window.

Many eyes widened as I explained I would actually be in *upstate* New York, writing copy on a farm



'Snickers' the cow rests at Farm Sanctuary.

and waking to the sounds of roosters in my back yard and sheep across the dirt road. If I was looking for a unique experience, I found it. After all, not many students kick off their internship with an authentic vegan hoe-down.

Farm Sanctuary, the nation’s leading farm animal protection agency, is an advocacy group for animals. The Farm works through direct rescue efforts, by educating visitors at shelters in California and New York and online at www.farm-sanctuary.org and working to expose cruel “food animal” industry practices through investigations and legal action. For the month of August, I was the communications department intern.

I applied to Farm Sanctuary’s internship program hoping to fulfill my requirement for graduation while doing something

I genuinely cared about. As an aspiring journalist in high school, I interned with the *San Antonio Express-News* and became disillusioned with the newsroom atmosphere. With university graduation less than a year away and my ideals well-polished since high school, I recognized a unique opportunity to shift gears from my city-girl life and take the (farm) road less traveled. If the wide-open skies didn’t open my eyes to the beauty around me, spending nights piglet-sitting and weekends playing with goats and hiking around the cow pastures surely did.

Though I could have spent all my time visiting the amazing animals at the farm and observing their joy in being able to live a fear-free life, as they should, my position required a “traditional” workweek in the office. One of my main, and favorite, projects was researching and writing the unique stories of several of the rescued animals to be used in a virtual tour and a 2009 calendar.

At first, I could hardly see my computer screen through my watery eyes as I read and wrote about the cases of cruelty and abuse involving these innocent creatures. I knew for each animal we rescued, 10 billion across the country were raised, marketed and slaughtered. This happens because people view animals only as commodities, not as living beings who deserve our respect and protection. Some of them took their fates into their own hands, fleeing for their lives from urban slaughterhouses or meat markets. Some were rescued as a result of the actions of compassionate citizens and Farm Sanctuary’s ongoing cruelty investigations. Wherever they came from, the ability of these animals to forgive and learn to trust humans after the abuse our species has shown them is remarkable – and it dried my eyes.

Remembering that there are people doing this work every day and thousands of supporters volunteering

their time and resources to challenge the cruelty, waste-fulsness and danger of factory farming gives me hope.

Farm Sanctuary has relied on volunteers and interns since 1986 when co-founder and president Gene Baur first rescued a sick sheep off a “dead pile” at a stockyard where she had been callously tossed aside. Revived by the rescue effort, the sheep was named Hilda in honor of the newborn organization’s first volunteer intern.

Farm Sanctuary staff thanked the interns daily for our dedication and for giving our time to help the organization, but we gained so much in return. Not only did I make new friends (humans included), I had an opportunity to learn from leading activists, swap delicious recipes with fellow vegans and see the way things *could* be.

On my last day at the farm I visited the cows: Maya, the matriarch of the herd; Snickers, the gentle giant; and Moo, who licked

letters to the editor

Wheelchair experience opens eyes to campus

I recently had to have surgery on both of my big toes at the same time and was on “no weight-bearing” rules for three weeks. During that time, I used a wheelchair to get around campus.

My experience in the wheelchair was different than I thought it would be. I thought I would be able to go anywhere on campus after all the talk last spring about making UIW so accessible after the campus-wide inspection.

It was very disheartening to find that with these accommodations that meet the law, it is still so difficult to get around from class to class. I would like to say to the other

students and staff when you see someone sitting alone in a wheelchair, check if they need something.

Several times I was too tired to push myself up one more long hill called a sidewalk and was sitting watching people hurry by without even looking at me. It seemed I was invisible. Just take the time to check on each other once in a while. Most of the time I would have told them I was fine but it would have been nice to be noticed.

There were several people who did help me and each one felt like a gift given to me at the time.

I know I will take the time to see people

BURGUNDI BERNAL/LOGOS STAFF
UIW senior Tinna Miller asks Dr. Lou J. Agnese about access.

around me now. This experience helps me in my role as chairman of the Boy Scouts with Disabilities Committee and to help Boy Scouts work with special needs get into units.

Perhaps the people preparing the campus should

sit in a wheelchair and go from the second floor of the Administration Building to the second floor in the AT&T Building or Henry Bonilla Science Hall.

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‘Deepest appreciation’ for abortion editorial

As an alumnus (Class of 2001), I extend my deepest appreciation to (Brittany Valadez) for your courage and conviction to pen your editorial in the Logos (May 2008).

I believe contextualizing abortion with race and gender (a few articles on sex-selective abortion in male-favored societies such as India and China come to mind) will be the most promising means of gaining converts to the pro-life side. Way to stay current.

My contributions to the school have been few and far between due to the school’s, shall we say, lackluster support for all of the Catholic Church’s teachings. However, you have given me a change of heart and I will make a donation to the school in your honor (in addition to renewing the library’s subscription of First Things, which is unknown to me if it’s still circulated there).

Keep giving (retired professor) Dr. Tarcisio Beal fits, as long as his health can take it.

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Field blessing brought ‘sense of community’

When I attended the blessing and dedication of Benson Field, a wide array of thoughts and emotions entered my consciousness.

The first of these sensations was the sense of community among the student body, faculty and community. This fall semester

being my second semester at UIW, I’ve yet to feel a sense of “togetherness” amongst the student body.

As I observed the team practice, my eyes couldn’t help but wander around at all the activity that was not only occurring on the field, but off the field. To my left I saw moon bounces filled

with young children running and jumping without a care in the world. Just beyond that, KUIW had their staff along with their DJ setup playing music for the crowd. On the opposite side of the field and to the front of me I saw the various sports organizations selling posters in order to

raise money for their particular sport. To the right of that, local radio station 98.5 the Beat was posted up in a small tent, playing music from their current broadcast over a pair of speakers, entertaining patrons on that side of the field.

Most of these patrons were under a group of

tents sitting at picnic tables enjoying complimentary Bill Miller’s barbecue. I too, couldn’t resist the Bill Miller’s barbecue. After spending the summer in Las Vegas my taste buds and stomach were aching for the local barbecue treat.

It might have been the

free food, the dedication of the football field, the fact that it was Labor Day, or any combination of the three. For those short few hours I felt this unspoken connection amongst the other students.

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Logos receives kudos

I really enjoyed reading (the back-to-school) issue of *The Logos* newspaper. It had a plethora of valuable information pertaining to the first couple weeks of school.

My favorite article was the article about the mission trip to India. It is

so refreshing to see that there are people from our community traveling to other places to help change their community and offer their assistance.

In addition, I liked the article about recycling. It let people, like

myself, know that there is something you can do on campus to help the environment. If you keep writing articles like these, I am sure to be an avid reader.

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‘Real Women’ readies for opening

By Emily Stafford
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Josefina Lopez’s “Real Women Have Curves” promises to have you laughing yet thinking deeply about how women see their bodies and measure themselves against societal standards, its director says.

The play, which opens Oct. 3 in 270-seat Elizabeth Huth Coats Theatre, is set in a small, crowded sewing factory in violence-infested East Los Angeles. The play

provides a dramatic backdrop for exploring issues of identity its five women characters struggle with daily.

Although dreams seem distant amidst the daily grind of the sweatshop, hope lingers in the humid air, director Bryn Jameson said, adding that these women provide each other with encouragement and challenge each other to become who they are truly meant to be.

The cast has been prac-

ticing three to four hours a day for six days a week, said Jameson, an accomplished actor herself now in her sixth year at UIW. In 2006, she received the Alamo Theatre Arts Council Award for Outstanding Achievement in Directing and Acting.

“Real Women” includes Laura T. Garza as Carmen; Miranda Gonzaba as Ana; Vanessa J. Lopez as Pancha; Michelle Moraveg as Rosali; and Vanessa Ivette Chaparra as Estela.

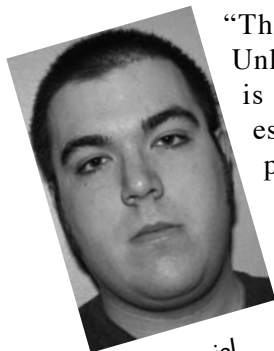


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Laura T. Garza, left, Vanessa J. Lopez and Michelle Moraveg rehearse a ‘Real Women’ scene.

INFORMATION ABOUT PERFORMANCES AND HOW TO GET TICKETS

“Real Women Have Curves” will be performed at 8 p.m. Oct. 3-4 and 10-11; 2 p.m. Oct. 5 and 12; and 7 p.m. Oct. 9.
UIW students, staff and faculty receive one complimentary ticket with a valid UIW ID and may purchase a second ticket at a discounted rate of \$8. Otherwise, tickets are \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, and \$8 for non-UIW students. A group rate is available for parties of 10 or more. Ticket reservations are available by phone at (210) 829-3800 or e-mail at theatre@uiwtx.edu.

‘The Force Unleashed’ needs debugging



JP McDaniel

“The Force Unleashed” is the latest multiplatform video game from developer LucasArts.

This reviewer played the PlayStation 3 version.

In this game, you play a new character to the Star Wars universe named Sam “Starkiller” Witwer. Starkiller is a young boy who becomes Darth Vader’s apprentice. Vader trains him to become a Sith assassin and killer

of rogue Jedi.

The first level in the game, which serves as a tutorial of sorts, you play Vader who is searching the Wookiee planet of Kashyyyk for a rogue Jedi. It is here he finds Starkiller. Without giving any more away, the story is the strongest part of the game and what kept me playing.

Gameplay, and especially the combat in Star Wars, is a double-edged sword. On one edge you feel like an all-powerful Jedi completely mopping up the floor with anything in your way. On the other side, it becomes rather boring after awhile using

the same abilities to defeat your enemies.

There are many weapons in your arsenal such as Force Lightning, Force Push, and of course combos with your Lightsaber. After using all of the abilities throughout the first level, the

combat quickly became boring.

There are several menus in which as you level up, you can modify your abilities as well as your costume and Lightsaber. The only problem with these menus is that every time you switch between them they must load. This quickly becomes annoying through the first level.

Fans of Star Wars will find the game enjoyable. Casual gamers will enjoy the combat but might miss some of the plot if they are not somewhat knowledgeable about Star Wars lore. Hardcore gamers, such as myself, will have to decide on their own.

While not a bad game by any means, “The Force Unleashed” seems unfinished. There are several bugs and glitches in the game, including sound being dropped and completely locking the PS3, forcing a restart. If more of these bugs were worked out, the game would have been a lot more enjoyable.

Don’t forget to check out the demo up on Xbox Live Marketplace. It offers an abbreviated second level of the game, but many of the abilities are unlocked so you can get a glimpse of what the full game will be like.

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Niki's Tokyo Inn: 'Gem of a restaurant'

With- in a rough and unattractive exterior hides a gem of a restaurant.

With a simple yet authentic '70s-style Japanese sushi house interior, patrons have a choice of sitting at the sushi bar or Eastern or Western style.

Eastern style consists of the traditional floor seating and no shoes, while Western style is standard American table seating. Whichever seating arrangement you choose, the ambience is quiet and quaint. The very friendly and knowledgeable wait staff is quick to answer any questions for sushi newbies.

The menu consists of Japanese classics such as kimchi, pan-fried noodles, noodle soups, sushi and tempura-fried seafood. In my many ventures to Niki's, I've tried a little bit of everything. The most outstanding dishes were the least complex.

Salmon skin rolls are a favorite, with crisp and flavorful skin and fresh veggies. Another great roll I discovered was the



Tasty Japanese fare is inside Niki's Tokyo Inn, 819 W. Hildebrand.

Futomaki roll. This palm-sized roll is a delightful, almost vegetarian dish. Like other sushi, it is wrapped in seaweed and rice, but the filling is an amazing combination of sautéed marinated black mushrooms, spinach, gourd, tamagoyaki (Japanese egg omelet used for sushi). It is also dusted with a bit of fish powder. As savory as this giant roll sounds, there is a bit of sweetness due to the

sugar.

Pan-fried Yakisoba noodles are cooked to perfection with a choice of meats and topped with plenty of parsley. At first glance, I thought, "Whoa, parsley overload," but after the first bite, I realized it was a fabulous dish.

The unadon, a grilled eel steak with a sweet glaze over fresh sticky rice, is certainly a must-try.

For lighter fare, try an



Elisa Gonzalez

Humorous ghosts make great show

The extended Run Players gave witty, amusing and cheerful performances of "Blithe Spirit" on opening night, Sept. 12. If you did not catch it, you certainly missed out on one great performance!

"Blithe Spirit," a comedy about love, jealousy and life after death, had audiences laughing in Elizabeth Coates Theatre. It was all its title said it would be: jocular in spirit.

The play opens in Charles and Ruth Condomine's proper British drawing room with a comic conversation between Ruth (played by Tania Hajali, who substituted for Mary Nell Costello, who was sick) and her maid, Edith (played by Anne Collins). Ruth's husband, Charles, a middle-aged novelist played by Jack Berns, has invited Dr. and Mrs. Bradman, played by Corky Cottrell and Liz Espinosa, over for a séance. His intention is to expose the medium, Madame Arcati, (played by Maggie Hardy) as a fake. Once Madame Arcati arrives, the story begins.

In his attempt to reveal Madame Arcati for what he thinks she really is, Elvira, Charles' long-dead wife, (played by

Elaine Kaufman), is accidentally contacted. Charles is the only one who can see the spirit of Elvira at first, leading Ruth to think he's gone mad. Elvira's mischief brings out Ruth's jealousy and tricks her into being angry with her husband.

Eventually, Ruth sees Elvira is indeed present. She then tries to get help from Madame Arcati, but she is unable to get rid of Elvira. The play's comic construction allows room for Elvira, who has no intention of leaving, to keep the humor going.

The play ends ironically, rattling the audience with sudden, unexpected events. Ruth falls into a trap Elvira meant for Charles and is killed. Charles calls to Madame Arcati once again. In Madame Arcati's attempt to dematerialize Elvira, Ruth's spirit is brought back from the dead. Now, Charles is left with not only one, but two ghostly wives.

The actors' performances not only grasped the audience's full attention, but left them with one outstanding and humorous play. Be sure to catch their upcoming performances of "Old-time Radio Shows" this January and February. Let them entertain you!

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Chorale to hold auditions for benefit talent program

The 72-voice Chorale is planning a Nov. 21 university-wide talent show to raise money to tour and perform in Ireland next May.

Auditions will be conducted Oct. 20-21 for the

"UIW's Got Talent" show, said Chorale President Corey Franklin, a sophomore music education major from San Antonio who sings first tenor.

Because of technical issues related to equip-

ment for maximum performance, "the talent show is limited to singing, dancing and skits," said Franklin. "No bands. Single, duet and group performances are the categories. Instrumentals would be two

instruments likely."

Anyone wishing to audition will need to schedule an audition time that will be run from 5 to 8 p.m. on the audition dates, Franklin pointed out. Those auditions may

be scheduled with Chorale Secretary Jessica Martinez at jnmartin@uiwtx.edu, or by calling (713) 702-4158.

The talent show will be 7-11 p.m. Nov. 21 in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Admission is \$5 for UIW students with ID and \$10 for anyone else.

"We've got a bunch of stuff planned (to raise money). But nothing is set in stone yet," Franklin said.

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Administrators address student complaints at forum

By Erica Mendez
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

Shuttle, food and technology services dominated the questions that students asked and the answers that administrators gave at the Sept. 18 Open Forum sponsored by the Student Government Association.

"The reason we are here is because you all are very important to the university as a faith-based institution," Dr. Lou J. Agnese Jr., UIW president, said at the forum in Marian Hall Student Center. "It's very important that we have time to chat on things that you like or things that you have concerns about or things that you want more information about."

One student told the administrators gathered in a row across the front that she had observed shuttle drivers answering cell phones.

"My concern is not that the shuttles take a long time, but that when you are on them I noticed a lot of the times, the drivers answer their cell phones," she said. "I know it's not against the law, but for my own personal safety I don't feel safe because the roads are very narrow and very crowded."

Gay-straight alliance seeks recognition

By Krista Gomez
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

A new Gay-Straight Alliance is hoping to be approved as an official student organization this fall.

This organization intends to provide a safe and supportive environment for the gay community while respecting the Catholic tradition, officials said.

Representatives from Campus Ministry and the Office of Student Life attended the group's first meeting last spring and have committed to help this group become a reality.

At alliance meetings,

"The only time a driver should pick up their cell phone is in case of an emergency or when Sam (Wages, director of Purchasing, who was present) is trying to get a hold of them," Agnese replied, pointing toward Wages to handle that complaint.

"My concern is with the washing machines that we have in Hillside 2," said freshman Nazly de la Hoya. "We have been told that we would get them soon. I know that they are trying to make them energy-efficient but we have been waiting for a while. I called Residence Life to see if they were going to make up for it somehow, and they told me no."

Dr. Renee T. Moore, dean of Student Life, said there is no definite answer on free washes but that they are working on it. Meanwhile, students should be able to use other laundry rooms in Hillside 1 or even Avoca Apartments.

Agnese said the university would pay for the washes one way or the other until the situation was remedied.

De la Hoya also brought up the lighting situation going up to Hillside 2 and how she feels unsafe at night to



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Dr. Lou J. Agnese Jr., UIW president, listens to Dr. Renee Moore, dean of Campus Life, respond to a question during the SGA forum.

walk up to her dorms. Now administrators are taking a look into the situation to see about putting more lights in that direction.

Senior communication arts major Michelle Gualano asked about handicap accessibility.

Dr. Denise Doyle, provost, acknowledged the is-

sue. "All new buildings must be in ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliance," Doyle said. "Where we have the problem is our old buildings."

"We have to know when you have an issue," Agnese said. "We have to make sure the communication is there."

Doyle said the open forums are important.

"I think they're [open forums] symbolic," Doyle said. "It shows that the administration is interested and we have made changes because of these. Over time I have been to 10 of the forums. Parking, food and shuttles are always reoccurring themes.

For example, the girl talking about magnetic locks, or about the lighting situation, that is what we want to fix. In bigger schools, you won't find an easy relationship with students and administration. I believe that as long as Agnese is our president, then we should have one of these every semester."

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SGA plans Golden Harvest

Organizations have until Oct. 8 to register for annual Golden Harvest food drive for the needy, according to the sponsoring Student Government Association.

The 22nd annual drive, which allows individuals to receive community service hours required for graduation as well as help organizations compete for cash prizes, will be 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25 – rain or shine.

Organizations should have at least eight members to constitute a team. If a team does not have eight members, SGA President Denise Hernandez should be contacted at ddherman@uiwtx.edu

Each volunteer will be required to complete a transportation disclosure form, liability form and a deposit contract that will need to be returned by 5 p.m. Oct. 8 with the registration packet.

One's organization is responsible for the atten-

dance of each volunteer, Hernandez said, adding a \$5 fine will be enforced for every volunteer that does not show up. Walk-ons can sign up the morning of Golden Harvest, she added.

A free breakfast will be served in Marian Hall Ballroom before the buses leave between 9 and 10 a.m. Radios will be assigned to team leaders, bus drivers, and SGA members for the purpose of essential communication throughout the day. A free lunch will be served around 1:30 p.m. in the ballroom in while donations are tallied.

Each first-place organization will receive \$150. The categories are Small Groups (eight to 15 members); Medium Groups (16-24 members); and Large Groups (25-plus members).

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'Light the Way' work

Several University of the Incarnate Word student volunteers check Christmas lights that will be used in the annual 'Light the Way' holiday event set Nov. 22. Participants ate free breakfast and lunch for the first workday that took place 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, Sept. 27, at St. Anthony's Catholic High School. Similar sessions where students may earn community service hours needed for graduation will be Oct. 4 in Marian Hall Ballroom and Oct. 11 at St. Peter Prince of Apostles Elementary School. For more information, call the UIW Office of Public Relations at 829-6001.



From months to megahertz: Our changing concepts of time (Part I)



Phil Youngblood

Yes - terday I was talking with a friend of mine in Second Life from New Zealand about visiting our class to discuss Real Life and virtual cultures.

His collection of avatars represent his part of the world and include a Maori woman in traditional dress with facial tattoos and an Australian aboriginal man in body paint with a working didgeridoo.

I was trying to arrange a time for him to visit the class because New Zealand is seven hours behind us. I was also trying to do the same with a computer science professor in France who is seven hours ahead of us. I cannot circumvent the reality of Real Life time.

Early in our lives we

learn about how the natural day is divided into equal divisions down to the second and we go through life with reminders of the constant and relentless progression of time surrounding us in the form of clocks and watches and our various electronic devices.

The ubiquitous nature of computer technology has introduced still smaller divisions of time and terms such as "megahertz" or "gigahertz" (meaning "millions per second" and "billions per second," respectively) into our vocabularies.

The very fact I could have visitors from such disparate worlds visit my class in a virtual world is part of the wonder of modern-age computer telecommunications that must perform so many activities in a second that time must

be further broken down far beyond seconds to "microseconds" and "nanoseconds" (1/millionth and 1/billionth of a second, respectively).

Many things in the micro-world (such as transistors inside computer chips, organelles in our cells, and the atoms and molecules of which everything is composed) operate in time scales of mere fractions of a second (and even smaller fractions than I described) while things in the macro-world (such as the Earth and our solar system and galaxies) operate in terms of "mega-years" or "giga-years" (million and billions of years; technically you do not see these terms, but, as I tell my class, "mega" means a million anything).

But our very concept of time as a linear progression from past to future is



cultural and our view of time divisions as constant is not entirely accurate. Ever hear of a "leap second"? Well, you may not know 2008 is not only a "leap year" (with 366 days instead of 365) but that it will also be one second longer than 2004, the last leap year? Why? And why do we add a day to every four years and call it a leap year? Or do we? And what does this have to do with computers?

Well, for one thing, the reason we need a leap

second is because several modern-day scientific fields, including computer science, deal not only with very fine divisions of time but with recording events over long periods of time and with synchronizing activities across the world and we want to both keep our calendars accurate compared to the natural periodicity of the motion of celestial objects and atomic emissions by which we reference time.

The first "leap second" was added in 1972, within

months of the release of Intel's 4004, the first microprocessor (which operated at 740 kHz, "kilo" meaning "thousands per second") which led to the development of today's computers. One of its first applications was the handheld calculator, which I bought in 1972. Before that I used a slide rule.

Time is a fascinating subject and an object of our obsession. Right now I am submitting this column at "the last minute," trying to complete it before I have to get ready for church. Watch for more about "time" and how it has to do with "computers in your life." See you ... next time.

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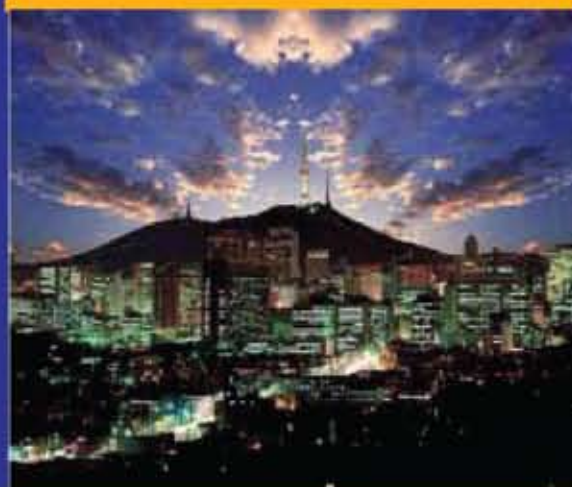


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