

VOLUME 3 ISSUE 14

30 APRIL 2026

# BIRDS WORD

## NEWSLETTER



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



*Lead. Serve. Inspire.*

### FINAL SPRING EDITION

FOLLOW US ON INSTA @UIW\_SGA



## REFLECTION FROM OUR SENATORS

The strength of SGA lies in the voices within it. This page highlights the experiences of our senators—individuals who stepped forward, listened, and worked to create meaningful impact for the student body.



“SGA means being a voice for students and creating a positive impact on campus. It’s about ensuring students feel heard and supported at UIW. During my time in SGA, I served as a commuter senator and contributed to the academic advising committee, helping address concerns related to advising and registration. I also connected my nonprofit, Love for London, to the university through Red’s Toy Drive. Overall, this experience helped me grow as a leader and make a meaningful impact.”- **Madison Giardino**



“Serving as a senator this semester helped me find a starting point for how I can support my fellow students. By getting involved and listening to those around me, I gained a better understanding of student needs. I focused on improving campus life, especially in health and wellness, while working to make a positive impact on the community. I look forward to continuing this work and building on these efforts to create an even greater impact.”- **Joeysha De Jesus**



“SGA has given me the opportunity to turn my passion for advocacy into meaningful action for the student body. Through my role, I’ve worked to strengthen representation and contribute to a more inclusive and supportive campus. Receiving the Joseph Banales Commitment Award was an incredible honor, but what I value most is the welcoming, collaborative environment that makes this work so meaningful.” - **Jayden Becka**

## WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

We extend our sincere gratitude to the Executive Council for their leadership, dedication, and commitment to serving the student body. Their guidance, vision, and continued efforts have played a vital role in shaping a stronger and more connected campus community.



*Leadership. Service. Impact.*

## ONE LAST MESSAGE

As I write this final page, I find myself reflecting on a chapter that has shaped me in ways I never expected. Serving in SGA has been more than a role—it has been a journey of growth, challenge, and purpose. What began as an opportunity became a space where I found my voice, strengthened my confidence, and truly learned what it means to advocate for others.

This experience allowed me to blossom. It pushed me beyond comfort, called me into leadership, and reminded me that impact is not measured by titles, but by the lives we touch and the voices we amplify. I have had the privilege of working alongside passionate individuals, standing up for what matters, and contributing to something bigger than myself. For that, I am deeply grateful.

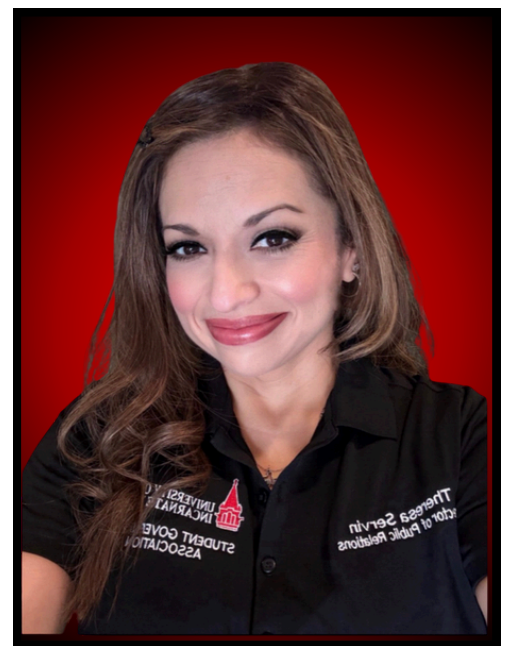
But every meaningful chapter eventually turns its final page.

While this role is coming to an end, the lessons, growth, and purpose I found here will carry forward with me. I leave proud of the work I have done, confident in the impact I made, and certain that this is not an ending—only a transition into what comes next.

Thank you for allowing me to be part of this story.

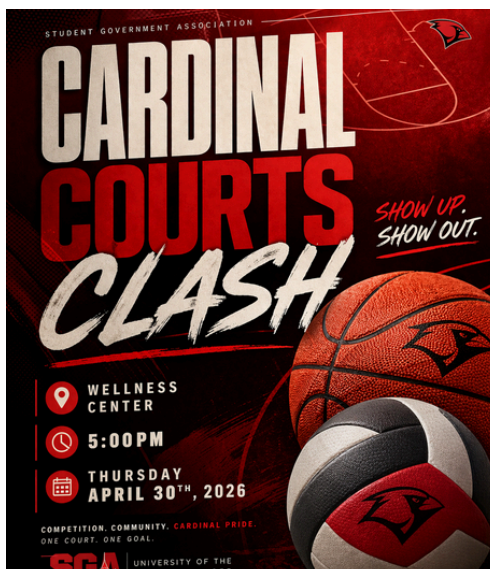
*Terri-*

Director of Public Relations



# CARDINAL CARE WEEK

Cardinal Care Week has brought our community together through events focused on wellness, connection, and support. As we wrap up the week, we invite you to join us today for Cardinal Courts Clash, closing out the week with energy and Cardinal spirit.



THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU

# CHANGE STARTS WITH YOU

IF SOMETHING ON CAMPUS ISN'T RIGHT...  
**DON'T STAY SILENT**

*Say Something*



**STUDENTS ARE SPEAKING UP – ARE YOU?**

SCAN THE QR CODE  
TELL THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WHAT'S HAPPENING AT UIW

## CAMPUS SAEFTY TRAINING - FALL SEMESTER

The University of the Incarnate Word Police Department (UIWPD) is offering a variety of safety training sessions for the upcoming fall semester. These programs are designed to strengthen safety awareness, improve communication, and enhance emergency response skills across campus.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to schedule their training early to ensure availability and allow for any specific accommodations.

For questions or to begin scheduling, please reach out to UIWPD. Thank you for your continued commitment to maintaining a safe and prepared campus environment.

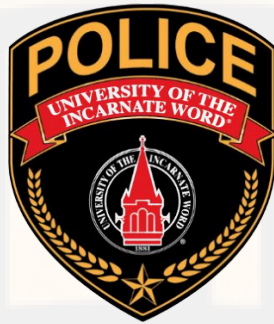
**Officer Manuel Espinoza, Jr #217. Cell: 210-781-3946**

- **M.O.R.E.P.I.E. Active Listening Technique**
- **Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE)**
- **First Aid & Tourniquet Training**

The combined training is two and a half hours, including breaks between courses.

*Get the skills!*





# REPORT ANY

**Drug & Alcohol Abuse, Dating Violence, Stalking, Weapons, Vandalism, Mental Health Crisis.**

**CALL OR TEXT UIW PD SAFE NEST**

**210-990-3348**

**You Could Receive Cash Reward**

**Report Annonomously**





  
MADE BY STUDENTS FOR STUDENTS  
**KUIW**  
KUIW.ORG  
**MUSIC** **PODCASTS** **SHOWS**  
INTERESTED IN BEING ON THE RADIO?  
PROGRAM DIRECTOR: DANNA RAMOS    DVRAMOS@STUDENT.UIWTX.EDU



**RED.**  
*Magazine*  
A student-run publication highlighting campus creativity  
**NOW RECRUITING!**  
Writers • Designers • Photographers  
Email [conant@student.uiwtx.edu](mailto:conant@student.uiwtx.edu) to learn more! | Follow us on IG @\_redmagazine



# Cardinal Cupboard

COME VISIT US



**HOURS OF OPERATION:**

- MONDAYS: 9:30 AM – 2:15 PM
- MONDAYS: 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM
- TUESDAYS: 12:30 PM – 5:00 PM
- WEDNESDAYS: 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- \*THURSDAYS: 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- FRIDAYS: BY APPOINTMENT

\*THURSDAYS HOURS MAY VARY DUE TO OUR TEAM PROCESSING RETAIL ROUTES.

**WE ARE LOCATED AT CONFERENCE 106 IN THE JOERIS ANNEX HALL**

Go to the front of the JOERIS building and take a left into the Annex Hall to get to Conference 106

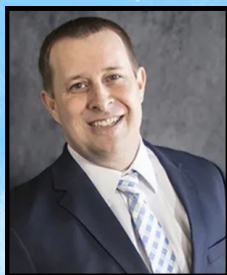
If you have any questions or want to make an appointment outside of normal hours of operation please contact us at 210-802-2607

## FUTURE EVENTS

- Cardinal Care Week, 27 - 30 April

*Enjoy Your Summer.*  
Stay Inspired.

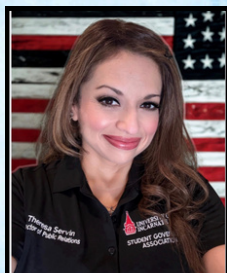
### ERIC BOOTH



#### **Dean of Campus Life**

University of the Incarnate Word  
Student Engagement Center 3155  
(210) 805-5863

### THERESA SERVIN



#### **Director of Public Relations**

Creative Director of Birds Word Newsletter  
University of the Incarnate Word  
Student Government Association  
Student Engagement Center 3060