What’s new at the ‘U’?

By J.P. McDaniel


Returning students and alumni alike talked about some of the changes they’re seeing at the University of the Incarnate Word. Among the freshest and least publicized are new faculty and changes in management.

Sandy McMalin, formerly dean of the First-Year Engagement Office, is the newly appointed dean of Student Success. She’s over First-Year, the University Advising Center, Learning Assistance Center and the SS Grant.

“I like (McMalin) a lot as a person,” said LAC Program Assistant Amanda Johnson, a UIW grad.

“As I’m the first one to say, new people make a university,” said Dr. Harold Rodinsky, department of psychology professor who helped introduce the incoming students to the mission of the university and the role service plays in assisting all members of our community.

One of the biggest stories this year is the newly appointed head coach Mike Santiago, Offensive Coordinator and Offensive Line Coach Jim Marshall and Director of Football Operations Kyle Keenan in place.

“The football program – announced last spring Santiago – is also an attention-getter. Already, the Cardinals have Head Coach Mike Santiago, Offensive Coordinator and Offensive Line Coach Jim Marshall and Director of Football Operations Kyle Keenan in place.

Students cope with rising cost

By Rosalia Vega

University of the Incarnate Word students are paying an average of $1,770 more for rising tuition and associated costs for the 2007-08 academic year – and they are taking notice.

“Economics is not my major, but most likely this increase in tuition is due to some form of expansion and growth strategy on behalf of the school,” said business major Kevin Molinary, president of the Student Government Association.

But the rise was pretty steady compared to last year, said Douglas Endsley, vice president for business and finance. “There isn’t a lot of difference since the costs have been running consistently 5 to 6 percent for the last 20 years,” Endsley said.

Tuition for an undergraduate semester has gone from $8,700 to $9,200. The $500 increase is $50 more than last year’s $450 jump.

In addition, the University will continue to offer more scholarships.

‘Meet the Mission’ to hit city

By Haidi de Hoyos

Nearly 150 students are expected to participate in the second “Meet the Mission” effort to provide a day of community service to several local service-agency partners, a planner said.

“This year’s group of faculty and students will volunteer Friday, Sept. 7, to provide this service, said Dr. Harold Rodinsky, a psychology professor who helped plan last year’s initial mission.

Meet the Mission is an extension from and continuation of the mission of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Rodinsky said.

“Organization will primarily come from the faculty involved,” Rodinsky said.

“We have the same basic agenda as last year,” Rodinsky said. “The purpose of this community-based service project is to introduce the incoming students to the mission of the university and the role service plays in assisting all members of our community.”

A graduate of DePaul University in Chicago, Rodinsky used DePaul’s St. Vincent day of service to help bring awareness to the needs of the poor.

“Organization will primarily come from the faculty involved,” Rodinsky said. “Students support the project so much because they realize that they can contribute to the lives of others and make a significant contribution.”

Last year, the mission had very few problems. One particularly large issue, however, was transportation. This time around, they’re taking the bus – UIW’s public transportation to be exact – to and from their agencies.
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penses for the graduate and pharmacy school programs have also been augmented, Endsley noted.

“Right now, the Folk School of Pharmacy is actually running at a deficit,” Endsley said. “Expenses are exceeding revenue while the facility is still being hired.”

It is no secret that the cost of tuition is a hot button issue for UIW students who are struggling to afford a higher education.

“Forums,” said Endsley, “tuition increase comes up consistently. The question is: Is inflation at 3 percent and tuition is going up 5 to 6 percent, why is the cost of education higher?”

The answer is technology.

Everyone needs to know how to use it, and therefore, money in the budget has to be allocated in order to afford it and keep up with the unyielding demand of students and faculty.

Internet service has been a primary issue at UIW, just last spring, the

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major, agrees football is an important addition to any university.

“I think it will make the school look better in general,” Ondrusek said. “A lot of times, smaller universities aren’t really nationally known. You go up north and people have never heard of UT/UTA, they’ve all heard of Texas A&M and UT Austin. I think that although it may take some time, if our football team does well, we will have a bigger name and more prestigious reputation around the county.”

Senior art major Jacob Rodriguez-Call is not so high on the football program.

“Personally, I don’t feel adding a football team will have an immediate bearing on admissions,” Rodriguez-Call said. “It will only attract a bunch of athletes with scholarships who would have come to school here anyway.”

UIW graduate Pitar Sahin, a Learning Assistance Center tutor and office assistant, holds a similar view on football.

“It seems like (the addiction of the football program) is all about tuition and marketing,” Sahin said. “It’s a big deal for an university, especially a small one like ours, but there are so many other additions that would be more beneficial.”

Several students cited the new Folk School of Pharmacy at Devine and Hildebrand as an attractive addition. The five-story, 56,000-square-foot school already has attracted a significant number of students and faculty members.

Its second incoming class will don white coats in a Rosenberg Sky Room ceremony from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Friday, Sept. 14.

The pharmacy program also achieved the prestigious candidate status from the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education. Candidate status brings the pharmacy school to the second step in the three-step process of receiving accreditation.

“I am glad to see (the pharmacy program) is expanding,” said communication senior Melissa Baker.

Another seemingly welcome addition to UIW is the new Sodexo value menu, which will accompany the old menu in eating venues around campus. Value menu prices start at $1 at S1 and $2 depending upon the item. The menu already includes popular eating staples, such as hot dogs, rolls and tacos, but Sodexo plans to extend the menu to desserts in the near future.

“I’d rather pay an additional $50 per semester than pay this amount from existing operations,” Moriarty said. “Whether it’s tuition and marketing, or not. (The menu) was already a lot better than when I was a student,” Johnston said. “It was pretty expensive, even though the prices were about the same as the other places around. But the price definitely sounds like a good thing especially if it applies to employees, too.”

“I think (the value menu) is great,” said Sahin. “When I was a student, it was $1 for a taco and $1.65 for a water bottle. It doesn’t make any sense to pay $2.50 for a taco and $1.65 for water.”

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Mary Henness Counts (UIW Ph.D. student) and Scott McGill (CPA) renew marriage vows on 07-07-07 at Westin La Cantera.

For further improve-
Technology Training Coordinator Terence Peak is conducting a series of ‘Technology for Lunch’ classes two days a week on commonly used programs in Microsoft Office, such as PowerPoint, Word and Excel. Peak devotes to helping the students and staff learn to use Microsoft Office programs more efficiently.

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Tech 4 Lunch
Trainer serves up menu of computer programs

By Erin O'Brien
LOGOS ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Why fill up on junk food when you can have a hearty helping of technology for lunch?

Most Wednesdays and Thursdays at noon, Technology Training Coordinator Terence Peak teaches a class in his “Technology for Lunch” program.

The class focuses on commonly used programs in Microsoft Office, such as PowerPoint, Word and Excel. Peak devotes to one program a week, and walks the students through the program with detailed explanations.

“Each Wednesday we take a particular topic – something related to Microsoft Office,” Peak said. “For example, we’ve got a course in here called Effective PowerPoint. This course is offered toward the end of the school year when students are going to be doing more PowerPoint.”

Peak said the classes help UIW students, faculty and staff learn to use Microsoft Office programs more efficiently.

“I do a class based on not so much how to use (Microsoft Office), but how to get more out of it,” says Peak.

In response to some issues regarding punctuality and attendance, Peak now requires people to make reservations through him –peak@uiwtx.edu – no later than 24 hours before the class or the class will not meet.

Peak stresses that once he receives even a single reservation, the Technology for Lunch classes will always commence unless they are formally cancelled beforehand.

“I stay in Room 230 until 12:15,” Peak said, “and begin class by 12:05 or as soon as students are ready to proceed.”

On Thursdays, Peak also hosts a newer class during the lunch hour called Blackboard Jungle, which he devotes to helping the faculty and staff effectively use BlackBoard.

“(The BlackBoard Jungle class) shows the faculty how to get the most out of their BlackBoard experience,” says Peak.

In the class, Peak instructs faculty members about effective use of BlackBoard, and gives them tips for keeping students from plagiarizing and cheating.

Peak’s goal for the BlackBoard Jungle class, as well as for the Technology for Lunch class, involves teaching the programs in-depth rather than simply going through the motions.

“It’s not just the point-and-click and here’s the step-by-step,” says Peak.

“We also talk about some of the pedagogies behind it, such as what are the best practices.”

Last spring, Peak hosted a BlackBoard Academy, which covered a combination of techniques and skills taught in previous BlackBoard Jungle classes. The program was a three-day seminar focusing on the workplace design and development of assignments for students. The success of the BlackBoard Jungle classes prompted Peak to continue the classes this fall.

Although BlackBoard Jungle succeeded in attracting a broader audience to his programs, Peak is still concerned with the popularity of his programs. Peak says typically, only about three to five people attend his Technology for Lunch class.

“I would really like to see six to eight,” says Peak.

“I would like a little better participation. I’d really like to get more people in the class,” he said.
A member of the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals will speak at the annual Constitution Day program at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 17, in J.E. and L.E. Mabee Library Auditorium.

Judge Emilio M. Garza will give a brief presentation on the U.S. Constitution followed by a discussion, said Dr. Scott Dittloff, chair of the Department of Political Science. A reception will follow in the library’s foyer.

A California woman, Lucy Leigh, was instrumental in getting a movement started to celebrate Sept. 17 as Constitution Day. As outreach director for the California Bicentennial Commission in 1987, Leigh said she realized how little most Americans knew about the Constitution. At the time, she said, “It is the most unique government document in the history of mankind. It guarantees our freedom.” In 1997, Leigh founded Constitution Day Inc. to organize Constitution Day celebrations throughout the country with schoolchildren, the military overseas and governors or their representatives from every state reciting the Preamble to the Constitution simultaneously on Sept. 17 one year. She was instrumental in getting Public Law 108-447 signed into law by President George Bush designating Sept. 17 as Constitution Day. Constitutional issues are addressed in federal courts.

Garza, a San Antonio native who maintains an office here, once was considered a leading contender to fill the vacancy created by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor’s retirement.

“Garcia’s record on the appeals court reveals a jurist who’s competent, methodical and deferential to precedent, but not afraid to disagree publicly with colleagues and Supreme Court rulings,” said a San Antonio Express-News article. “Garza’s faith resonated in his jurisprudence, most visibly in cases involving certain hot-button issues.”

Regarded in legal circles as “neutral, direct and colorless,” the newspaper said Garza’s rhetoric grew more forceful in cases addressing the separation of church and state. “For instance, Garza found himself alone on a three-judge panel in 1999 when he argued on behalf of Beaumont School District’s ‘Clergy in the Schools’ program, which invited members of the clergy to counsel students during class hours. The majority ruled the program amounted to an unconstitutional government sponsorship of religion. Dissenting, Garza said the majority’s reasoning meant that, ‘luminaries such as the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and Archbishop Desmond Tutu could not meet individually with students to talk about civic values. The establishment clause does not mandate such an absurd result.’” However, in 1997, Garza joined his colleagues in striking down a Louisiana law that gave judges excessive authority to deny abortions to juveniles – but his vote came with a caveat. In a lengthy opinion, he explained he was reluctantly following Supreme Court precedents he believed represented little more than unjustified power grabs by the court. “For the second time in my judicial career, I am forced to follow a Supreme Court opinion that I believe to be inimical to the Constitution.”

Federal judge to talk for Constitution Day

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Disability to stop determination

By Rachael Cywiniski

When I was 13 years old, I told my parents that I wanted to be a doctor. After all, I had just been diagnosed with a disability that made it hard for me to do everyday activities. I thought that being a doctor would give me the power to help others like me. But my family was not convinced. They thought that my disability was simply a coincidence and that I could still have a normal life. However, I knew that I was different and that my abilities were a part of who I was.

Through the years, I continued to work hard and never gave up on my dreams. I studied hard in school and helped out around the house. I also volunteered at the local hospital and saw the difference that I could make in others’ lives. Eventually, I graduated from college with a degree in medicine and started working as a doctor.

Now, I am able to care for others who have disabilities just like me. I am grateful for the support that I received from my family and friends who believed in me. I am proud of who I am and I know that I have the power to make a difference in the lives of others.

The story of Rachael Cywiniski, a graduate student at the University of the Incarnate Word, poses with Lorena, the child she sponsors, and Juan Angel at Mexicano Centro Cristiano para los Sordomudos. Lorena, the child she sponsors, and Juan Angel at Mexicano Centro Cristiano para los Sordomudos.

Photo courtesy of DEBBIE CARPENTER
Thirty-one University of the Incarnate Students are working with the Office of Residence Life – six as senior resident assistants and 25 as resident assistants.

Senior residence assistants, who have at least a year of Residence Life experience, help with the administration of each residence hall, said Phil Blum, director of residence life.

The senior resident assistant assists the residence life said Phil Blum, director of each residence hall, with the administration of residence halls and apartment complexes.

The process of selection usually starts with attendance at required information sessions after the Christmas break, Blum said. Then applicants go through group interviews before ultimately being interviewed by Dr. Renee Moore, dean of Campus Life, and hired probably after spring break, Blum said.

“Cuts are made along the way,” Blum said. “It's a grueling interview process.”

The payoff is free room and board along with a stipend based on years of experience since senior resident assistants get paid more than resident assistants, Blum said.

Training sessions are conducted before fall and spring semesters, he added. “We expect them to help establish community on the hall and hold residents accountable for their actions. (We also expect them) to plan programs.”

Listed by their assignments, these students are:

- Agnes-Sosa: Leah Bowen, resident assistant.
- Agnes-Sosa/Dubuis Hall: Tiffany Swisher, senior resident assistant.
- Avoca Apartments: Jazzmun Hornback, resident assistant; Morgan Moszee, resident assistant; Matthew Ramirez, senior resident assistant; Bridgette Reyes, resident assistant; and Natasha Rodriguez, resident assistant.
- Clement Hall: Justin Burklow, resident assistant, and Eric Olivarez, resident assistant.
- Colbert Hall/Marian: Tania Sifuentes, resident assistant.
- Colbert Hall: Morgan Moszee, resident assistant; and Sarah Mbabazi, resident assistant.
- Cifoulos, resident assistant.
- Dubuis Hall: Dalia Bishop, resident assistant; and Gabby Valdez, resident assistant.
- Hillside Residence Hall: Maggie Callahan, resident assistant; Anna Green, senior resident assistant; Sarita Portales, resident assistant; Tania Sifuentes, resident assistant; and Natasha Rodriguez, resident assistant.
- ICC2: Aarika Wright, resident assistant; Amanda Collins, senior resident assistant; and Jacklyn Perales, resident assistant.
- ICC2/St. Joseph’s Hall: Morgan Moszee, resident assistant.
- Marian Hall: Lauren Denson, resident assistant; and Teddy Namirembe, resident assistant.
- St. Joseph’s Hall: Lauren Denson, resident assistant; and Jeffrey Moran, resident assistant.

Student workers assist peers on halls
Welcome Cardinals to an exciting and promising year at UIW!

There are many new faces here on campus and we want to welcome our new Cardinal students. As you can tell campus parking is pretty tight, so we'll see you around campus. And remember, UIW is your spot and get ready to be good enough.

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Although the women's soccer team has had a string of less than stellar seasons, the excitement for the upcoming season is already high. Since the volleyball tournament last year, the excitement for future games, but does not mean we can't be good enough. We have some good student-athletes who work every day to make a comeback. Since the volleyball team has had a string of less than stellar seasons, Witt said, "They need to rebound, and there's every indication that they will.

As for the men's and women's cross country teams, Witt said, although the teams have "not had a lot of success in the past," the team roster is growing rapidly. Witt believes the team will improve this fall.

Football coach hires assistants

Football Head Coach Mike Santiago has hired two assistant coaches with impressive qualifications to take the field and lead the football team.

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"They're absolutely wonderful! All we need now is our very own support group for our very dedicated group of athletes who make UIW look so good. I know we have a soon-to-be here football team and we have our school cheerleaders, but will we get more? I want to see a band wearing their gigantic hats and see a dance team swaying to the beat of the drums. I want the student body to be able to go to a football game and see our players dancing and cheering along with the band's music. I want UIW to get the all-around experience of having a football team. We're in desperate need, people!

Mostly I want to wish everyone a great fall full of unforgettable memories to always have. I wish everyone success in what they're passionate for and happiness in achieving their goals. Always believe in yourself and don't give up in when times get rough. You have to live through the worst to get the best. Have fun and remember to take a deep breath. Welcome back, Cardinals, and have an extraordinary year. Let's make UIW's place unlike any other.

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By Erin O'Brien

High hopes for the success of new and traditional intercollegiate athletic teams are already firmly in place for fall.

While students and staff alike spend the next two years looking forward to football, they can enjoy another historic season in UIW Athlete operations.

In the spring of 2008, (the football season) will sign their contracts to hire, he's got a very large increase in enrollment. We are expecting a very large increase in numbers this year," said Riedel. "We would like to see such a strong showing in their first conference championships in school history. We have a good chance to win the conference championships for both teams. We are going to be young once again, but we have some good student-athletes who work extremely hard.

Riedel is pleased that in the past two years, the cross-country teams have broken several school records.

"It's been a great spring," said Riedel, "the men's track team broke 17 school records and the women broke 12 records.

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SGA promotes experience

By Alice Ramirez
LOGOS CAMPUS EDITOR

The Student Government Association proved good teamwork ultimately results in great success as it sponsored two important events welcoming new students to UIW.

The first gathering and formal recognition of freshmen and new students was the Welcome Dinner and Pinning Ceremony held Friday, Aug. 17, in Rosenberg Sky Room atop Burton E. Grossman International Conference Center.

This event was in accordance with the university’s founders, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, who “welcome to its community persons of diverse backgrounds, in the belief that their respectful interaction advances the discovery of truth, mutual understanding, self-realization, and common good.”

Dr. Louis J. Agnese, Jr., UIW president, offered words of salutation and welcome to the university to the students, their parents and friends. Other welcome were Kevin Moriarity, SGA President; Sandy Makin, dean of Student Success; and Dr. Renee Moore, dean of Campus Life.

“As the president of the student body, your representative, I would like to welcome you, the new class of undergraduates, to the University of the Incarnate Word,” Moriarity said. “As a student leader, my challenge to you is to step outside your comfort zone and become involved in different clubs and organizations.

“When your time here at this university is over, don’t just have a piece of paper to show for what you did during college. Have experiences because they will better serve your purposes within the real world.

“I wish each of you a pleasant stay within the University of the Incarnate Word community and please feel free to stop by the SGA office anytime. Once again, thank you and God bless.”

UIW grad Peter Cavazos, area manager of Citibank of San Antonio, then congratulated the students for choosing Incarnate Word.

“It is a wonderful thing to see that the university is continuing to grow and develop the leaders of tomorrow,” Cavazos said. “It makes me proud to be a graduate of UIW. Citibank is committed to financial education in supporting future leaders of tomorrow.”

Father Philip Lamberty, university chaplain, gave the invocation before the honored guests started to enrich themselves with the dinner, which consisted of Apple Jack Brandy glazed chicken, Boston Bibb lettuce, marinated roma tomatoes, cucumber relish and red currant vinaigrette, with sides of garlic mashed potatoes, vegetables and rolls. These were followed by dessert of chocolate cake and tarts.

After dinner, Dr. Denise Doyle, vice president for Academic and Student Affairs, also greeted the crowd which then heard the mission’s tenets from Travis Dangerfield, innovation; James Welline, service; Anna Green, truth; Andrew Deegear, faith; and Nollie Webber, education.

The Pinning Ceremony followed as Beth Villarreal, director of Campus Ministry; the Rev. Trevor Alexander, assistant director of Campus Ministry; Lamberty; and Campus Ministry peer ministers performed the honors, with the help of other UIW administrators, staff members and friends.

Villarreal directed the students to form a semicircle around those persons present nearby to receive their pins, which have a gold-and-red UIW insignia.

Moore led the new student charge, to whom the students responded together, “I will,” out loud.

Each new student was given a candle, instructed to light it and told that once the ceremony was over each one could, in turn, give them to their parents or another of their siblings as a treasure of love – and that they must take them home.
WELCOME WEEK

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The College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences holds a welcoming picnic before the first day of classes on the lawn near the Administration Building.

Senior Tiffany Swisher whirls inside a hula hoop in competition at the luau.

Luau fires up students

By Alice Ramirez
LOGOS CAMPUS EDITOR

Aloha! This time, the Student Government Association went Polynesian when they sponsored a second gesture of welcome to freshmen and new students. A luau was held in their honor.

The luau took place on the lawn between Dubuis and the Joyce buildings on Saturday, Aug. 18.

The scenery was typical of the state of Hawaii, as students added beauty with the attire they wore as in the popular islands. The colorful leis, hula skirts, flowers, and food of the islands could not be overlooked as this décor reminded one of the tropical sea isles.

The menu was informal, but scrumptious as the students savored well-prepared shish-ka-bobs, which they could choose from either beef or chicken. The “bobs” also included pineapples, cherry tomatoes, green peppers, and onions. Students didn’t seem to be having problems holding and eating from a stick.

Every 30 minutes, Denise Hernandez, SGA vice president, called a ticket number for some lucky ticket-holder and six winners took prizes home.

Next was the hula-hoop contest. Students placed the hoops around their waists and whirled them around their waists until the hoops dropped on the ground.

Ten students entered the best-costume contest. Teddy Namirembe, a resident assistant at Marian Hall, won with her Hawaiian outfit, which featured a grass hula skirt.

A first for the UIW campus and luau were “The Brothers of the Flame,” three performers who did routines with fire batons and twirled them as they slowly danced to exotic music. Everyone seemed to enjoy their performance as they quietly watched their every move. They came prepared, though. Part of their equipment was a fire extinguisher.

SGA President Kevin Moriarty said he had hoped the fiery performers would keep at the luau.

“One of the things I have noticed from my past experience as a student leader within SGA was that many students came out just for the free food,” Moriarty said. “(They) had eaten, they simply left. Therefore, when I suddenly found myself thinking about people juggling fire, I realized that this, or something like it, would engage more of the respective students.”

Father Philip Lambery follows a participant in the Mass of the Holy Spirit.

Honor students get blessings at Mass

By Alice Ramirez
LOGOS CAMPUS EDITOR

Honor students – online and off – received blessings of a crowd with outstretched hands as the students stood at the Mass of the Holy Spirit in Our Lady’s Chapel on Sunday, Aug. 26.

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Disabilities not always obvious to drivers

Considering a Chrysler Sebring convertible, a 20-year-old female looks like any other college student on campus. Yet, reality is she is really not like her peers. The difference is spotted due to the handicap placard hanging from the rearview mirror of her vehicle. There is a sure reason as to why she possesses that placard, but in society’s eyes she is just using her grandmother’s handicap placard. Believe it or not when I say she has experienced the judging of many people who question her ability.

Well, I’m that girl! Being disabled since age 12 due to a motor vehicle accident when both of my femurs were broken has made my life a struggle. I have had knee surgeries due to that first incident and leg pain since then that has changed my way of living day to day due to certain limitations. Then this past year, I was diagnosed with a herniated disc that had been slowly forming from a fall and an impact that had occurred on my back. That is due to having two minor back procedures last year, this past May I had a spinal fusion on my lumbar region. This past procedure will limit me ever more and has limited me to as what I can do physically. Yet all in all, I will always have physical limitations due to my original injury as well as the current relapses that arise. This is where the judgment comes in.

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Long gone are the days when the bartender says, "Can you afford that martini?" The roadside stop is now the biggest financial quandary one may ever face. Driving while intoxicated off-fenses are at the forefront of America's legal system. Whether considered murder or suicide while intoxicated (DWI) or driving under the influence (DUI), the bottom line is DWIs are expensive. A fine is just the start of what you will pay for an intoxication conviction. Insurance rates increase, legal bills surmount, alcohol treatment, and licensing fees can push the cost into five figures. A DWI conviction is a financial disaster. Not considering the extreme humiliation and hassle, a DWI has a huge financial fallout on your wallet and your professional future.

The roadside stop is embarrassing and dangerous enough by performing tests on a busy highway in the middle of the night while you are in handcuffs, in the back of the police vehicle. It is time to either use a cell phone call. Bail costs can range from $150 to $2,500 for a first offense, but can increase to $100,000 or more depending on the seriousness of the offense.

Driving privileges are highly affected from arrest. Towing your car from the scene cost can figure from $100 to $1,200. "If you get a DWI conviction, it will affect your insurance rates for (at least) the next five years," a local USAIS insurance agent said. You may be moved to a high-risk section of the department, may be dropped altogether. You will have to keep your nose clean, no traffic tickets or finder's benders for at least five years to bring your rates down to the lowest premiums you once enjoyed. The cost of your insurance nightmare--$5,000 or more.

If one is convicted of driving under the influence (DUI) or driving while intoxicated (DWI) whether through a plea bargain or jury trial, these fees are not negotiable. If you ever want to get your license back these treatment programs are required. There is no deferred adjudication probation for a DWI in Texas. Entering "no contest" or "guilty" will lock you in as a jury finding you guilty. The conviction will remain on your record for at least exactly a renovator banker.

If you are convicted and your license is suspended, you must pay a license reinstatement fee, petition for an occupational license, and pay a surcharge to the Department of Public Safety for a period of three years. This will cost you more than $3,500. If you are convicted of a second intoxication offense, that costs jumps to a minimum of more than $6,500. And of course in any venture there are the hidden costs and additional fees. For example, a Crime Victims Reimbursement fee, supervision fees, Victim Impact Panel assessment victim compensation funds, and restitution if an accident was involved. If a judge considers that you were particularly drunk, an ignition interlock device will be ordered on your vehicle and any vehicle you have access to. These costs will range from $1,500 and up.

Finally, there are the unexpected and sometimes dire consequences that driving under the influence or DWI and/or any vehicle insurance premiums may increase because of the driver's license suspension and credit history could be negatively affected. Further, lost time from work, as a result of court dates, community service, treatment programs, and possible jail sentence, always equals lost money and clientele. For many people an arrest may result in losing one's job. A conviction may mean all the open doors before the arrest will suddenly shut. If you are a stockbroker, airline pilot, lawyer, teacher, or nurse, a DWI conviction could affect the status of your professional license. Many people find devastating effects to their work when they lose their license. A license may be suspended anywhere from 90 days to two years depending on the seriousness of the offense.

So in the end, can you afford that martini? DWIs are pricey. For professionals the biggest thing is the stigma that you get. That stigma does not have a financial cost, but it does have a social cost and a professional cost. DWIs affect everyone and cannot avoid this fact, but they can educate themselves and control their costs behind happy hour.
Abra kadabra, alakazam!

Spanish professor weaves magic between classes

By Lauren Beavin
Logos Staff Writer

Dr. Michael Tallon, a Spanish professor at UIW, presents five Chinese Linking Rings that appear to be done in intimate set- tings to a group of people, and in parlor magic, which is a show performed before larger audiences of about 30 to 50 people.

"Although I have many favorite tricks," Tallon said, "three of my favorites would have to be in effect in which a pencil penetrates a bor- rowed bill, a coin trick in which three silver dollars magically travel from one hand to the other and a card trick involv- ing 'marked' cards and a stunning ending."

Tallon has been involved in magic for the past 11 years. He has been a member of San Antonio Ring 18 of the International Brother- hood of Magicians since 1996, Assembly 52 of the Society of American Magicians since 1998, the Texas Association of Magicians and Fechter's Finger Tips Magazine.

He has also performed magic at restaur- ants, private parties, hangouts, and in parlor settings, as well as at some events at UW, including a staff luncheon hosted by Dr. Denise Doyle, vice president of academic and student affairs.

Doyle's adminis- trative assistant, Ina Casanova, was quite impressed with Tallon's performance at the luncheon.

"It's always great fun to experience the sleight-of-hand ex- pertise of Dr. Tallon," Casanova said. "His appearance at the staff luncheon was intrigu- ing and entertaining. He casually moved from table to table, quietly drawing in our attention as he manipu- lated a magical deck of cards. We tried to scruti- nize his hand move- ments as carefully as possible. We thought we knew what he was go- ing to happen and then he makes an off-hand comment and bam! It's a surprise delivered with a sly smile."

Most of Tallon's stu- dents don't know he's a magician. He doesn't perform much magic in his classes because once students find out he does magic, that's all they want to talk about.

"Who can blame them?" said Tallon. "Who wouldn't want to watch magic and be entertained rather than have to work?"

However, sometimes he will perform a trick or two at the very end of the semester, especially if the students have been asking all semes- ter long.

As for his discipline, Tallon said he plans to publish some scholarly articles based on his dissertation, as well as some other research he will pursue in the near future. His goal is "to continue doing the best job I can for my stu- dents, my department, my college and UW as a whole."

"As far as my magic, I want to continue doing some- thing that improves in the art I love so much. I have a passion for magic because it is a unique hobby that is fun to learn and perform. When you watch a audience experience magic live, you see this childlike wonder on their faces. The spectators are able to forget, if only briefly, their everyday problems and be astonished by what seems like the impossible."

For more information about Dr. Michael Tallon’s magic, visit his website at http://www.michaelallonmagic.com

A pencil is pushed through a dollar bill in this trick but the bill is not harmed.
Play time!

Stage curtains to rise on 2007-08 season

Seven productions await patrons in the 2007-08 season for the Department of Theatre.

First up is a three-day run of "The Golden Age of Radio" featuring The Extended Run Players at 7 p.m. Sept. 7-8 and 2 p.m. Sept. 9 in Cheever Downstage II Theatre.

The Players are expected to "bring to life some of the most memorable ‘on air’ programming from the Golden Age of Radio," a news release said, including "The Bickersons," "The Lone Ranger," "Let’s Pretend" and "Burns and Allen."

Since 1997, the Players have donated any profits to a scholarship fund for the department.

Auditions wrapped up last weekend for Beth Henley’s "Crimes of the Heart," a Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy about the emotional crises and triumphs of three quirky Southern sisters. The play runs Sept. 28-29, Oct. 5-6, 2 p.m. Sept. 30, and 7 p.m. Oct. 4 in Elizabeth Coates Theatre.

Fall stagings will close out with "The Clean House" by Sarah Ruhl, which is billed as "a funny, expansive and poignant play about tatty lives, messy loves, and the power of a really good joke." Shows are at 8 p.m. Nov. 9-10, 16-17, 2 p.m. Nov. 11, and 7 p.m. Nov. 15.

"The Importance of Being Earnest," Oscar Wilde’s witty and irreverent satire of Victorian morality, marriage and mischief, begins a spring run at 8 p.m. Feb. 29, March 1, 7 and 8, 2 p.m. March 2, and 7 p.m. March 6.

The Extended Players will return in the spring with a double feature: "I’m Herbert" by Robert Anderson and "The Dancers of Want and Eve" by Mark Twaain.

The 2007-08 season will close out with Richard Greenberg’s "Three Days of Rain," a drama that wrestles with the legacy of dysfunctional parents, family secrets, and one extraordinary home. The production will be 8 p.m. April 25-26 and May 2-3; 2 p.m. April 27; and 7 p.m. May 1.

UIW students and faculty receive a complimentary ticket with valid ID for all plays and may purchase a second ticket at a discounted rate of $8. Otherwise, admission for non-UIW students is $8 for students, $9 for seniors and $6 a ticket for groups of 10 or more.

Play time!

Noted Israeli storyteller and performance artist Noa Baum will be featured at 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, in "Wisdom of the Heart: The Power of Stories," in Marian Hall Ballroom.

Baum’s work “builds bridges of understanding and compassion between East and West, American and Israeli, Arab and Jew, past and present,” according to a news release. Baum’s “timeless stories from world traditions connect us with our common humanity in wisdom, generosity and hope.

The program is cosponsored by the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences and its Departments of Cultural Studies, English, Linguistic Outreach, Music, Religious Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology and Theatre Arts.

Born and raised in Jerusalem, Baum holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in theatre arts from Tel-Aviv University and was an actress with Khan Repertory Theater in Jerusalem. When the theater had financial difficulties, she was cast to do the Cinderella Job: entertain family audiences with stories and creative drama. Initially downcast and humiliated, she later was intrigued by the healing power of stories and drama. She studied acting with Uta Hagen in New York and received a master’s degree in Education from Hunter College.

Returning to Tel-Aviv, she continued to combine storytelling and drama working in a school for emotionally disturbed boys and teaching at teacher colleges.

She toured Israel with a shadow puppet show and storytelling presentations. In 1990 she returned to the United States. Since 1993 she has trained with Kaya Anderson and the Roy Hart Theater (based in France) exploring “the inextricable link between the voice and the psychology of the individual” and expanding the potential of the human voice.

Her performances and residencies include the Mayo Clinic for Humanities in Medicine in Minnesota, Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.; Jewish Museum in New York City; Mariposa Storytelling Festival in California; Bay Area and Sonoma Storytelling Festivals in California; Washington (D.C.) Storytellers Theater, Washington; and National Storytelling Conferences.

Baum has produced and performed storytelling events for adults including “Marvelous Maidens,” Incredible Crones — Stories of Women Wise and Bold." Her one-woman show for adults is "A Land Twice Promised." She is a recipient of a 2004 Maryland State Arts Council Individual Artist Award. Her multicultural audio recording of stories, "Far Away and Close to Home," won a Parents’ Choice Recommended Award.

Baum, a member of the National Storytelling Network, lives in the D.C. area with her husband and two children.
McNair Scholars from the University of the Incarnate Word and other universities will present research projects 1-4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, in the Gorman Building.

Refreshments will be served noon in the Special Collections Room on the second floor of J.E. and L.E. Mabee Library. Welcoming remarks, beginning at 12:30 in the library auditorium on the first floor, will come from Moises Torrescano, director of the program; Dr. Louis J. Agnese Jr., UIW president; Dr. Terry Dicanio, provost; Dr. Denise I. Doyle, vice president of academic and student affairs; and Dr. Kevin B. Vichales, dean of the School of Graduate Studies and Research.

Dr. Roberta M. Leichnitz, coordinator of the program, will introduce the scholars before they move to breakout sessions in the Gorman Building where they will make 15-minute presentations and address questions for 10 minutes.

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Understanding the past and predicting the state of our world in 2020

Three Latinx MacArthur Fellows will talk about their ideas for taking San Anto-
nio to another level in a special forum from 10 a.m. to noon, Friday, Oct. 5, at Marian Hall Ballroom.

The fellows in this nondenominational “Dream Circle” program also will listen to others, said Dr. Gilberto M. Hinojosa, an Incarnate Word his-
tory professor who serves as a coordinator of this event.

Hinojosa is working with Sandra Cisneros, the MacArthur “Genius” Award Fellows will join in the forum on a “Dream Circle” to brainstorm and “imagine San Antonio” 10 years forward, Hinojosa said. “This cross-discipline con-
versation – this not a lecture – with the MacArthurs’ hope to involve UW students, faculty, and staff in dreaming a new San Antonio,” Hinojosa said.

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os to bring the forum – a spinoff from a citywide program Cis-
neros is planning – to campus.

The MacArthur Fellows coming to campus include John Bonifaz, founder of the National Voting Rights Institute; John Jesurun, a playwright-designer who was living in New York; and Hipolito “Paul” Roldan, a professor and chief executive officer of Chicago-based His-
panic Housing Develop-
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Bonifaz, a public interest lawyer, uses innovative litigation to re-examine campaign

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Also welcome back to Crystal Gonzales, returning from a year in Japan!

Also welcome back to Itzia Gonzales, Amanda Sparks, Larissa Muncy, Jena Bryan and Whitney Heasley. These fashion majors are off to study at the London College of Fashion in Fall 2007.

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