The University of the Incarnate Word is opening its nation’s only faith-based optometry school in 2009. Because the program is faith-based, its students will get an opportunity “to grow academically and spiritually through the experience of the Incarnate Word.”

Dr. Hani Ghazi-Birry
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Flourishes after first year: non-denominational prayer and worship burns strong at UIW

By Rachel Cywinski
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

A year after drawings of flowers began appearing on posters to announce a new interdenominational weekly Bible study, The Fire, the university has expanded its Monday night ministry into small Bible study groups, retreats, and mission trips.

An answer to prayer started The Fire, according to minister Jason Griffin. Griffin, director of university ministries for First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio, assumed direction of The Well weekly Bible study at Trinity University, for the fall of 2006. The Well had been meeting for six years and included students from this university. Griffin said that he began praying in August 2006, to find local university ministries that his church group could support.

Griffin recalled, "There was a group of students attending The Well. Teresa Sciolli was a senior, and now she’s a law student at St. Mary’s attending The Bridge fellowship we have there. One week we could not get a room to meet at Trinity, and Teresa suggested that we meet at Incarnate Word; so we did."

"And [Deegan] and Allie [Melancon] had been invited to that meeting; and the next meeting that returned to Trinity they also attended, along with Laura Deegar. Andrew Burton, Laura Deegar, Justin Burk- lott, Marty Battafarano and Stephanie Vargas. This year, Allie, Andrew and Laura continued; and Kyle Gillespie and Laura Hegstrom have joined us as interns."

Other students volunteer each week, and half of them have joined the small group Bible studies The Fire began offering this fall. According to Griffin, who added that he anticipates that number to double this semester. This year participants have completed a mission trip to Mexico, a meditative retreat to Mo Ranch, and picnic fellowships with students from Trinity and St. Mary’s. The spring semester started with a move to an earlier time. The Fire now begins each Monday at 8:00 p.m. in the Marian Hall Student Center. Griffin said he believes The Fire adds to the campus Ministry lineup, “just another opportunity for people to come in contact with the living God sent us to through his son Jesus.”

Incarnate Word Day features variety of activities

By Caytlin Grimm
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The University of the Incarnate Word is celebrating Incarnate Word Day on Tuesday, March 25, with a variety of activities and events all day long for students, faculty and staff to enjoy.

This day of celebration, also known as the Feast Day of the University, originated from the Feast of the Annunciation when Mary accepted God’s call of being the mother of Jesus. Mary’s accept- ance of God’s Word meant He would become one of us. In other words, God became incarnate, hence the term Incarnate Word.

The Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word grounded this union and continue to be in charge of putting this celebration together every year. The theme this year is, “The Word Around the World.”

"This day of celebration is student-centered and we want the students to appreciate where they are at, at this university," said Sister Audrey O’Mahony, head of the Office of Mission Effectiveness.

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Sisters communicate concerns

University founders hold six-year congregational meeting on campus

Monahan said the congregation has responded to one of the most powerful and necessary needs of our time, “the need to understand multi-l i t e r a t u r e .”

A “step [that] is really prophetic and very major,” is how she characterizes the decision to remove all divisions within the Sisters of Charity congregation. Once this decision is fully implemented, “Sisters will be free to move wherever they want in the world very easily,” whether they live in United States, Mexico, Peru or Zambia, according to Monahan. She also anticipates an increase of “Sisters from other countries teaching here and helping us to educate and health care. As they grow and change, they challenge all of their ministries to grow with them and remain close to their spirit. As a Universe, we will ponder the results of our recent meetings and determine the implications for us as a university as we continue their more than 125 years of service here at UIW.”

We welcome their input and the challenge of their prayerful reflections.”

Monahan said that as sponsors, the institutions bear their names; and if there is ever a time when they do not reflect the values of the Sisters of Charity, then sponsorship would be removed. She explained, “We will continue developing a theology of sponsorship which embraces our multicultural and diverse institutions,” to ensure that they can all continue to work together and increase the ministries being sponsored. The congregation leader said, “The fact that the university decided to become a global institution when it did was directly out of our mission. For our sisters to teach all the classes—those days are over. We don’t want everybody to be Sisters. We want every one to live out the mission according to his or her chosen station of life. Our students should be committed to social justice and be willing to give their entire lives to implementing it. That’s why an Incarnate Word graduate should be different from others; they’re not just out there to make money.”

Incarnate Word Chapel reinserts cornerstone

By Alice Ramirez
LOGOS CAMPUS EDITOR

The saga of the renovation of the Chapel of the Incarnate Word continued as the re-insertion of a time capsule was ceremoniously secured by a cornerstone.

The series of events have stretched over a period of time since the workers started renovation of the chapel in July 2006, when the cornerstone had to be removed so workers could rebuild the chapel’s structure and its sacred space for one-and-a-half years. The workers responded by symbolically returning the chapel back to the Sisters.

However, the work was not complete, as the time capsule, which was safely placed in the cornerstone, needed to be reinstalled. Thus, the Sisters prayed for the successful re-insertion of the cornerstone which six men took turns reinserting.

The new documents inserted in the time capsule (safe) included the congregation’s constitution, news media reports on renovation of the chapel, and a formal document from the Sisters listing current church and political leaders around the globe and in San Antonio.
UIW's men and women did well against Trinity and Mesa State in a Jan. 12 swim meet in Barshop Natatorium.

In the men's division, the Cardinals defeated Mesa State 185-11 and beat out rival Trinity 149-124. The Cardinal women came in second, beating Mesa State 149-99, but losing to Trinity 162-110.

The afternoon swim meet was preceded by a nearly two-hour tailgate party and barbecue hosted by the UIW chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. Hot dogs, hamburgers and sodas were handed out to the sounds of Weezer's Blue Album and assorted country music.

Cardinal freshmen Alexander Yatsko of Belarus, Minsk, and Blake McKay, of San Antonio, recorded three, first-place finishing times. Yatsko came in first in the 200-meter relay with a time of 2:00.10, first in the 500-meter freestyle with a time of 4:48.22 and first in the 1000-meter freestyle with a time of 9:57.97. McKay finished first in the 200-meter individual medley with a time of 2:04.05.

The top women's swimmer, UIW freshman Paulina Alexander, also had three first-place finishing times: 2:13.92 in the 200-meter backstroke; 5:17.26 in the 500-meter freestyle; and 2:14.46 in the 200-meter individual medley.

In the overall combined men and women's scores, UIW defeated Mesa State 334-110, but lost out to rival Trinity 286-259. As of the end of the 2007 season, theUIW men's swim team was ranked ninth in the nation, and the women's team was ranked 19th.

Athletes help less-fortunate families

Several University of the Incarnate Word student-athletes purchased Christmas gifts for an Angel Tree to benefit needy families last holiday season.


Pictured on the back row, left to right, are Stephanie Tomasik, Emily Kopecki, Leah Bravo and Jenny Whitt. On the front row, left to right, are Carolyn Vasquez, Lauren McClesless, Carla Fink and Erin Whitt. Fink represents students on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

According to the website, NCAA Division II “is committed to developing students and communities by actively engaging in shared experiences. Through community engagement, we can direct the energy and spirit of winning student-athletes to positively change society — as they change themselves.”

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OUR NURSES DO MORE THAN GIVE SHOTS THEY CALL THEM...
New coach goes on defensive

By Richard Barra
LOGOS STAFF WRITER

The Camanierie establ-
ished between UIW Head Football Coach Mike Santiago and his new defensive coordi-
ator, Todd Ivicic, when
he joined Stephen F.
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the pass." - Todd
\(\text{Ivicic, UIW's}
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coordinator, on
4-2-5 defense.

Ivicic kicked off
his coaching career as
defensive line coach
(1993-94) at Blinn –
a stint that included a
1993 Mineral Water
Bowl appearance for
Blinn. He moved on to
his alma mater, Sam
Houston State, where
he was defensive line
and special teams coach
(1995-98). In 1999, Ivic-
ic joined Stephen F.
Austen University in
Nacogdoches, Texas.
During his six-season
tenure there he worked with
Texas offensive line,
and was assistant coach
before Santiago came
calling.

Ivicic, who is single
and looking with no
children, is now making
his home in an off-cam-
pus apartment. When he
isn’t recruiting, he likes
to play golf. During his
breaks, you’re likely to
see him jogging
around campus.

There are three
things he’s looking for in most
the student-athletes he’s
recruiting, Ivicic said.
“The first and most
important factor an ath-
lete must possess is the
ability to compete at
the collegiate level. The
second trait a recruit
must have is the intelli-
gence to be a successful
student here at Incarnate
Word. Another charac-
teristic a future athlete
of UIW must seize is to
be a highly commend-
able person, in other
words, an all-around
great person. If these
needs are not, there is
no limit to the potential
Incarnate Word and the
student-athlete in ques-
tion can achieve.”

Ivicic said he hopes
to better the student-ath-
elites under his tutelage
by pushing them to their
limits so they can break
them and improve upon
themselves.

A big part of the
coordination in his job
is dedicated to recruit-
ing for the off-season,
he said.

When the Cardinal
season gets under way
for the first time in fall
2009, Ivicic said, look
for the team’s 4-2-5 de-
fense featuring four-
down linemen, two line-
backers and five defen-
sive backs.

“(This defense) is
versatile in the sense
that it can secure the
rime while covering
the pass,” he explained.

To execute this de-
fense well, Ivicic is fo-
cusing on future defen-
sive backs and fast line-
men. (“UIW will need"
runners and hitters.”

Speaking of his new-
est coach, Head Coach
Mike Santiago said,
“His last name looks
like a Roman numeral, I
just haven’t figured out
which one it is yet.”

Sports Editor Annette
Marroquin contributed
to this story.
Student nurses explore China

Special to the Logos. The Study Abroad class for the School of Nursing at the University of the Incarnate Word consisted of a class meeting once a week over the spring 2007 semester. This class was held in the evening from 6 until 8:45 and was taught by Irene Gilliland. During the course of the semester, we met 13 times. This class was an intense study of Chinese Mandarin language, cuisine, healthcare and culture including etiquette, religion, art, history, literature and education.

Students read books and watched movies which were recommended on the syllabus to have a better understanding of the culture before arriving in China. The Chinese instructor at the school prepared a CD of the Chinese language to help us learn some phrases that would be helpful while in China. Although several faculty came to the class to present their specialities in areas of Chinese culture, the students also had to prepare a topic of interest and present it to the class. This project required a lot of research and contributed to the knowledge each one of us gained.

This class prepared many of us for the trip to China and made the transition easier for those who had never been out of San Antonio, Texas. Our itinerary consisted of visiting seven cities in 14 days. The cities were Shanghai, Suzhou, Hangzhou, Guilin, Yangshuo, Xian and Beijing.

Before traveling to China, our travel group believed the Chinese would welcome American tourists and would welcome our stay with open arms. As we arrived, all that we had learned about China soon unravelled before our eyes. We became visually astonished with Shanghai’s immense downtown skyscrapers and dense population. We had no idea how enormous the size of the downtown district would be.

In fact, the city’s downtown continued as far as a naked eye could see. We knew of course that certain major cities would be as modern as New York City and even Chicago but we did not expect our first city, Shanghai, to surpass our imagination. Shanghai is by far more advanced compared to some of our American cities. All of the businesses, hotels, and apartment buildings had breathtaking architecture — nothing like we had ever seen in America. In addition to the hustle and bustle of the large cities (Shanghai and Beijing), we also enjoyed the beautiful sights that were found in smaller towns such as Guilin or Xian. Guilin is on the southern part of China along Li River. It is known for its beautiful landscapes. Traveling by bus or boat from city to city, we could see the transition from industrial city to smaller towns. We were rather fascinated by all the sights including a Green Tea Village, The Summer Palace, Tibet Monasteries, Pagodas, The Terracotta Warriors, and even one of the Seven Wonders of the World – The Great Wall. The capital, Beijing, had even more marvelous sights to see such as the political Tiananmen Square and the stunning Forbidden City. The many places we visited overwhelmed us with a sense of historical value that was deeply rooted in our past cultures.

The scheduled also included several trips to hospitals and pharmacies. Before arriving in China we knew the healthcare was different than ours as far as medicine and therapy. In a traditional Chinese medical center we were able to watch acupuncture and cupping being performed which some students and instructors participated in. Also, there were medical massages being done for various reasons. While we were at the hospital we observed an infant about 6 months old receiving a massage because he hadn’t been eating well since birth. However, his appetite improved along with his health after weekly massages. This reminded some of us of how we take the little things for granted in Western medicine.

The pharmacies we visited carried herbs for every illness and herbs for just staying healthy. They had herbs to add to food to help the colon or for healthy full hair. They also carried dried bugs and reptiles used to cure a variety of maladies. However, did follow a few medications that were from Western medicine. The main difference between Western medicine and Eastern medicine is that Western medicine is for a quick fix. Eastern medicine takes a great deal of time and time to get well and stay well.

During our stay, we were able to visit with Chinese nursing students. Most nursing students in the United States can give a brief description of Florence Nightingale and her importance to the field of nursing. One of the things we exchanged questions and learned was Nightingale is also very well-known for her nursing skills and importance to the field of nursing. It was obvious she had a major influence in the Nursing School at Hangzhou Normal University. The hallways were lined with artwork, displaying past nurses of importance. Among them was Florence Nightingale. This strong woman’s great determination and will to care for the sick crosses many miles and affects nursing students in several countries.

Upon entering the University we were greeted with gleaming smiles and gifts of fruit indigenous to the land. The first-year nursing students had been eagerly awaiting our arrival. We proceeded with a forum-type discussion in which we were able to exchange information with the professionals. It was interesting to learn their curriculum is very similar to ours, and how nursing schools in the United States.

The main difference that shocked most every student in our group was the lack of clinical experience before graduation. The students do not have any clinical experience until they graduate out of the program. They must work in the hospital for a year after graduation before they can take their boards. Therefore, the student’s clinical skills are simulated in the many classrooms full of equipment made to look similar to a hospital. Of course the students still attend lecture portions of classes in the classrooms that bear a great similarity to those in the United States.

Another difference was the nursing students and instructors wore the traditional white uniform with a cap as their uniform and we wore scrubs. After visiting the Hangzhou Normal University Nursing Department we saw how nursing stays the same no matter what country you travel to.

When our group went back and reflected on the time spent with the students and exploring the school, we came to a conclusion that nursing students in China are just as like nursing students in the United States. We all have similar respects and compassion that goes into the work of being a nurse. The need and responsibility to provide comfort and care for the sick is a common theme among nursing students wherever they live.

The trip to China changed all of us. We became not as frightened to travel out of our comfort zones. We learned we have more similarities than differences as nursing students in different cultures. We learned about healing rather than curing. We learned about history – theirs and ours. We also know we do not have all the “right” solutions because “right” is defined by culture.

As we move into our generation of nursing, we know we will either be taking care of people of other cultures or working alongside of them as professionals. The more we know about each other the less fear we will experience and, in the end, we will all benefit. We are eagerly planning our next adventure for 2008 – Africa!

Michelle Young, Bobbie Alvarado, Emily Jordan and Valerie Rodriguez – all students in the Study Abroad Nursing class for spring 2007 – contributed to this story.

Chinese cupping is a technique for acupuncture.

University of the Incarnate Word nursing students mingle with their counterparts from Normal University in Hangzhou, China, where there is a nursing school.
Furry felines find home on campus

"...the campus cats on a long-term basis. "The cats are kind of like school mascots and they should be cared for and protected," Witt said.

"I really hope there's an interest in starting a club because I would definitely join!"

Meet the Cats

Munch: Perhaps the most popular campus cat, the orange sweetie who lives by the Chapel Building.

Boots: His fluffy gray who hangs out with Munch. Dora: She's the campus beauty, but she won't let you touch her. Stubby: His brother is Munch and he lost his tail when a car started while he was in its underside.

Pretty Little Siamese Mix: Her name says it all! She lives in the bushes beneath the windows of the Wellness Center but is shy of people.

Waterpump: She's a real beauty and pretty black cat who eats over by the water pump behind The Villa in the philodendron bushes.

Visitation: A stray black-and-white Persian who wandered down from the retirement center, he loves to eat and is very persnickety.

Green House Kitty: She's a darling, black-and-white, personable and friendly kitty whom everybody likes. She can be found sitting by the library.

'Boots' is a cat who came down from Incarnate Word Retirement Center.
As you are probably aware the San Antonio City Council recently passed a new ordinance that places drastic new costs and conditions on cultural and political uses of the public spaces of the city.

Among other things, this new ordinance would effectively charge protesters, organizers of cultural events such as parades, and other (non-traffice) uses of city streets up to tens of thousands of dollars per event for the ability to march, process along, or otherwise occupy public streets.

This attempt to charge the public for the use of the streets that it already owns (public streets after all belong to the public) is currently the subject of a lawsuit that has been filed by 14 local community organizations who maintain the parade ordinance amounts to little more than an attempt to restrict access to public space to only the rich-pocketed speakers and similarly deny the free speech and assembly rights of the majority of San Antonio residents.

In this action San Antonio is not merely following the lead of other cities. To the contrary, San Antonio’s neighboring cities and its national peers do not have this kind of restriction on cultural use of City Council.

This ordinance also has special implications for the students of your institution. College campuses have historically been hotbeds both of free speech and protest activity and of attempts to stifle free speech on campus.

Recent examples of confrontations over free speech on campus include the tarring of a student at a John Kerry rally at the University of Florida, and attempts by the University of Utah to restrict anti-war protest on campus.

College campuses further host numerous both of free speech and protest activity and of attempts to stifle free speech on campus.

San Antonio City Council ordinance restricts rights.

Kudos to writer of rip on Burns

Just want to say thanks to Jessica Ramos (in the October issue) for her great article on the so-called “documentary/epic poem” series on WWII and its original intention of vision.”

Although you are not alone in your critical analysis, your points are well-placed and bring a genuine viewpoint from a writer who is also Hispanic. It is amazing to me that a man who could even conceive of doing this project could be so unaware of his own narrowness of perspective and background. Other filmmakers, historians and critics joined in similar criticism immediately, but he seems to have been totally oblivious to the point until that moment. As a result, perhaps he has unfortunately but successfully documented, and by his own inability to create an accurate and objective interpretation or reporting of “history” as it really happened, to the best of one’s ability. That includes the ability to select facts in a fair and unbiased way.

Congratulations on a fine article. I hope you are headed to the field of professional journalism, because honest and clear-eyed visionaries are a great need in this country today.

Peace. Blessings. Gary
Sectioned parking should take a hike

By Eric Nelson

LOGOS STAFF WRITER

It has now been 47 years since “Catch-22,” Joseph Heller’s best-sell-
er, was first published in 1961. It is a novel which has easily stood the test of time.

"Catch-22" might as well list antagonism and frustration as main char-
cacters. It is all good and funny, unless obviously, it is happening to you. That is the scary, dark side of the book, the side that is
dark from the inside. That is the side that is always with you.

"Catch-22" is a comedy. There are an endless amount of jokes, mainly at the expense of a character suffer-
ing some kind of indignation. It is an easy book to read, although somewhat lengthy, 461 pages in the new paperback edition.

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Three levels of parking permits are issued by the university. Those who pay the most get premium parking. Economy is next. Free parking also is available. A lot of characters in “Catch-22;” each one with a different role play in the war machine. Thankfully, Heller also gave them different personalitites; even down to a wounded man who never says a word.

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Double life imagery along with the lies and confusion that come along with it culminates in the performance of Oscar Wilde’s “The Importance of Being Earnest,” beginning a Feb. 29 run at Elizabeth Huth Coates Theatre.

The production is one of the wittiest and funniest plays ever, said Bryn Jameson, a theatre professor directing the production. UIW’s staging will feature three freshmen in its lead cast, Jameson said. The play highlights what happens when one can let a false persona get out of hand. A lead character, John Worthing (played by Leonardo Alaniz), digs himself into a rut when he allows the woman he loves to fall in love with his fake alibi, Earnest. Worthing struggles with the obstacles he faces in trying to hide the truth from Gwendolen Fairfax (played by Halen George), and forces himself to deal with the even bigger rut his comrade, Algernon Moncrieff (played by Clyde Compton), puts them in.

This play allows the actors to have a great time with a dated play, allows the costume designers to design fabulous costumes and allows the set designers to emphasize surfaces and experiment with painting in their design, Jameson said.

Lies, love linger in ‘Earnest’ plot
By Jess Ortiz
Logos Staff Writer

‘Earnest’ cast
John Worthing played by Leonardo Alaniz
Algernon Moncrieff played by Clyde Compton
The Rev. Canon Chausable played by Steven Starr
Lane played by Andrew Douglas
Merriman played by Dru Barcus
Lady Bracknell played by Laura Garza
Gwendolen Fairfax played by Halen George
Cecily Cardew played by Lucy Petters
Miss Prism played by Vanessa J. Lopez

FYI
The curtain will rise at 8 p.m. Feb. 29, March 1 and March 7-8; 2 p.m. March 2; and 7 p.m. March 6. UIW faculty, staff and students get in free with their I.D. They also may purchase a second ticket for $8. Otherwise, tickets are $10 for adults, $9 for seniors, $8 for non-UIW students and there’s a group rate available for parties of 10 or more.

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When thinking about Valentine’s Day, one immediately thinks of flowers and candy, affection and stress.

Even though Valentine’s Day is one of the most highly anticipated days among committed women, even though men and singles beg to differ.

A study done by the University of Washington, Feb. 14 ranks the year -- right up there with April 15 in the industry.

No long-term relationships are needed. Even though these activities will last two hours, be sure to get there early.

In an effort to help all those clueless individuals in love, SA nightlife will host an array of parties for all those who want to meet someone new. Who knows? You may find the love of your life, or at least something new.

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Monster movies have taken the backseat in the movie industry, but not the entertainment industry. "Clerowfield" was set on reinventing the genre; and unlike the 80 spin-offs of "Godzilla," it has actually succeeded.

"Clerowfield" is a spectacular event – the sort of movie that rekindles our interest in the main character, Rob Hawkins (Michael Stahl-David) — and the people within the movie. It is not on the creative blockbuster movie. It is more sort of movie that re-creating the genre; and unlike the 80 spin-offs of "Godzilla," it has actually succeeded.

According to a study done by the University of the Incarnate Word has to offer," CAB member Andreas House stated.

The Campus Activities Board is putting the hands of Eli Roth, the explicit sex and quite frankly, no sane person wants to watch a graphic, gore-filled, hot-air balloon rides, and country star Clay Walker in concert at the Rodeo.

This is how Roth botches the idea of human carnage quick enough to make this movie little more than a definitive "Godzilla" movie clone (one of the many).

What does the monster look like? That is a kind of tough one. How do you describe something you’ve never seen before? The best way of describing it would be to relate it to an abomination. It has a face with teeth and creepy eyes, as well as a tail and two legs. While being some-what simple in its design, it is still able to completely trash Manhattan.

Remember the jungle gym you used to play on as a child? New York is this thing’s jungle gym.

In all, "Clerowfield" is a definitive blockbuster movie experience of 2008.

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Horror: Celebrate V-Day with Red, not Pink

When was the last time a horror movie actually scared you?

Seriously, was any- one screaming in fear during "The Ring Two"? I didn’t think so. Let’s face it: most of today’s filmmakers are more interested in gore and girls and gore than actually frightening us (especially in America).

The original "Dracula," however, had the terror and general age of ages shrinking in their seats, and "The Exorcist" actually actually exercised a kind of evil upon some of its audience. How do movies like "The Devil’s Rejects" measure up? That’s like comparing Da Vinci painting with a stick-figure sketch. Miss the good old days of horror? What better way to honor the fluffiest day of the year, Valentine’s Day, than with horror films that live up to the high standards set by the earlier stylists in its genre.

But don’t head to Blockbuster expecting a cinematic joke like "The Village," a well-handled horror film might actually be more shocking than a protracted, blood, and curl your spine.

Rent it: "The Haunting in Connecticut" Starring: Julianne Moore, Christine Lakin and Steven Molaro.

Don’t even think about this movie! It will keep you over your shoulder from start to finish, ren the 1963 ver- sion. Robert Wise’s chilling depiction of Shirley Jackson’s novel plays just like a drug-induced nightmare.

The personification of the human condition, complete with bending walls, thunders bungling and bizarre carols in the night, is anything but the typical Vincent Price- style camp fest.

Wise delivers the sto- ry in a way such that the racy masses quickly because, just insert the following to the viewers as it to the characters. And best of all, the haunting might not even be real because the audience remains at the mercy of Eleanor (Harris), the be- fuddled and lonely lead- ing lady whose sanity in the moment she steals her husband’s car and speeds off to Hill House. But between the cold, wide-eyed sarcasm of her fellow guest, Theo (Bloom), and the howl, the house’s facade is as odd as it is creepy.

Others to rent: "The Shining" (1980), "The Others"(2001), "Psy- cho" (1960), "Skyscraper" (Hostel"

Starring: Jay Hernandez, Derek Richardson, Edgy Guzman and Barbara Nedeljakova.

It’s a shame such an intriguing cinematic idea was dropped in the hands of Eli Roth, the biggest fan of gruesome gore in Hollywood.

The idea of human trafficking is a genuinely frightening recent addition to the horror genre. However, the fact that Roth botches it up by choosing the full period of a stereotypical, thrill-seeking American boys getting involved in this sickening sleaze- fest; I woke up screaming in a pool of sweat at the thought of how far we’ve come. The movie has fallen and worse, how much further it could still fall and how many people feel it to be a fear factor and hello to the snuff imitations.

After all who said we can’t just love ourselves.

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The spring 2008 semester emerges with new positions for offi- cers in the Student Gov- ernment Association. Denise Hernandez, a 20-year-old sophomore political science ma- jor who served as vice president last fall, is in the top job this spring. Before becoming vice president, she was in- volved with the Student Concerns division.

“So far, my experi- ence with SGA has been remarkable,” said Her- nandez. “Being presi- dent of Student Govern- ment has given me the opportunity to address the major issues that impact the daily lives of UIW students.”

Hernandez also ad- vocates on behalf of the SGA an open-door policy for anyone who wishes to express con- cerns. Officers maintain hours in the SGA office in Marian Hall Student Center.

“I want the students to know that I am al- ways there to assist them with their concern,” said Hernandez, who main- tains a busy on-campus schedule with Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority, the Ethics Club, a men- tor with the First Year Engagement Program, and work associated with being a Kemper Scholar. Off campus, Hernandez is involved with the National His- panic Institute.

Twenty-two-year- old Andrew Deegear, a major in business infor- mation system, is vice president this spring under Hernandez. Last fall, he was House liai- son in the SGA.

As SGA officer, “I enjoy the day-to-day experiences, engaging with others, and making sure everyone’s voice is heard on campus,” said Deegear.

Deegear said he enjoys the camarade- rie in the SGA office where he said some of their best moments have occurred. “We like to watch ‘The Office’ and we get ideas to pull pranks on each other.”

The Golden Harvest food drive for the needy last October is one of several activities that gave Deegear a great sense of accomplishment and insight.

“I was really im- pressed with the turn- out of the students,” said Deegear. “I truly believe involvement in student organizations is important to put on a resume and also to be successful in life.”

New Student Con- cerns officer Ashley Brennan, 20, said she has “really grown and developed as a result of being in SGA.” Last fall’s parliamentarian, Brennan, who was born in Stuttgart, Germany, is majoring in political science and lives in San Antonio. Her initial involvement with SGA was serving as the senator representing the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sci- ences.

“I don’t think I can choose a best memory I have had so far while being in SGA, because I’ve had so many all the time,” said Brennan.

Steven L. Tiffany, 19, replaced Brennan as parliamentarian this semester. He is a math major with a minor in education who would eventually like to teach high school. “Overall, I have established great relationships here,” said Tiffany.

Maggie Callahan, a 20-year-old English major, is staying in her post as secretary. She said she has “really grown and developed as a result of being in SGA.” Last fall’s parliamentarian, Brennan, who was born in Stuttgart, Germany, is majoring in political science and lives in San Antonio. Her initial involvement with SGA was serving as the senator representing the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

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When she’s not tak- ing notes at SGA meet- ings or in class, Calla- han is running around constantly. She is on the cross country and track teams. She also is a resident assistant at Hillside dormitory.

“I’m pretty normal, just super-busy, but I love my life and I re- ally enjoy UIW,” said Callahan. “I’ve met so many fantastic and talented people. We re- ally have a beautifully diverse campus, and the UIW community is one- of-a-kind. My goal is to help others find their niche here.”

Chemistry major Yvonne Solitaire, 21, also is staying as treas- urer where she enjoys “handling all the finan- cial duties throughout the organizations on campus.”

Senate Lieutenant Dulla Bishop, a 21-year-old English and philosophy major, also is staying in her job. She was unable to reach for comment.

Taylor Rhoades, a 18-year-old originally from Houston, is serv- ing as House Liaison. He joined SGA his freshman year in college so he could be more ac- tive around campus. “In high school, I wasn’t part of Student Council, so I wanted to do some- thing new,” he said.

Dr. Angela “Dr. Mac” McPherson, di- rector of Student Lead- ership and Activities, advises the SGA.

“Every semester we have extraordi- nary student leaders who serve as officers of SGA,” McPherson said. “They are ‘hard- working, very dedi- cated, and always put students first.’

**SPECIAL TO THE LOGOS**

KUIW pair to discuss service in N.Y.

Child & Family Servic- es Foster Youth Center, the session coordinator, Megan Switzer, agreed Longoria and Flores would be “a perfect selection” for the con- ference.

“I’m very appreci- ative of the CMA co- ordinators for allowing Ana and me to facili- tate sessions that hit really close to home,” Longoria said.

“I don’t know what to say,” Flores said. “I think Dr. (De- nise) Doyle, Dr. (Kev- in) Vichlaides and Dr. (Cheryl) Anderson for providing the support needed to make the trip to New York.”

“I’m very proud of Ana and she de- serves an opportunity like this, a sort of reward for her hard and endless work at KUIW without ever receiving monetary compensa- tion,” Longoria said. “It will be a working spring break for us, but I’m sure Ana doesn’t mind.”

**ORGANIZATIONS**

University of the Incarnate Word

February 2008

Greeks seek spring recruits

It’s that time of year again where the flags are raised and Greeks around campuses are competing at full force. No, it’s not Greek Week, where they compete for a trophy, actually it’s time for Spring Recruitment, where they compete for you.

All five Greek-lettered organizations on the UIW campus are planning a series of events to be held during the months of February and March.

Interested? Finding information won’t be hard. Just look for the colorful posters posted all around campus or contact KristinGarcia@uiwtx.edu for more details.
Research Day to promote collaboration

By Rachel Cywinski
Longtime Adjunct Professor Donald Ewers began a career in photography for his efforts to champion the rights of people with disabilities.

Ewers, who teaches photography, was cited Jan. 18 and 19, 2008 at Martin Luther King Jr. Pub- lic Awards in the San Antonio City Council Chambers.

Ewers began a career of combating photography as an art with the Rev. Norman El-ington, UIW’s first African-American junior and senior years in high school. He par- ticipated in numerous civil rights awareness activities throughout St. Louis during 1964 and 1965. While attend- ing the University of Missouri in Columbia, from 1966 to 1970, Ew- ers worked in a clinic in Peru; and worked and volunteered with a variety of ministries in St. Louis. “For years I passed as non-disabled when I was disabled, and now sometimes I wonder if I’m still dead and not just passing for disabled,” Ewers said. “When I wake up in the morning, I check to see if I’m breathing; because I figure that if I don’t breathe I don’t have anything else.”

Ewers, who has taught photography at UW for 21 years, also is employed as chapel coordinator for Campus Ministry. Ewers first was in- formed he had a disabili- ty by the U.S. Depart- ment of Defense while serving in Vietnam. In San Antonio, he served as an instructor in class- ical chemistry at Fort Sam Houston. Ewers and his wife, Lorraine, an administrative as- tant to the dean in the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sci- ences, stayed in San Antonio. He was one of the first men enrolled at former all-female In- ternational College of the arts, where he earned a bach-elor’s degree in Native American Studies in 1980 and a master’s degree in multidisciplinary stud- ies in 1985. As an in-}
THE UIW ASIAN NEW YEAR CELEBRATION THIS YEAR TOOK PLACE IN MARIAN HALL ON FEBRUARY 7th. WHAT A PARTY! THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED!

HAPPY ASIAN NEW YEAR!

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ANNOUNCING A NEW UIW SCHOLARSHIP!

The new UIW major and concentration in International Studies includes focus on the importance of one semester of international experience, typically study abroad at one of UIW’s sister schools. In order to make possible that semester abroad for students demonstrating academic excellence but with limited financial resources, a UIW benefactor has made several scholarships available. The Alvarez Scholarship of up to $5,000 for a study abroad semester will be awarded to a student or students in the interdisciplinary program of International Studies who demonstrate high academic performance and financial need. The Alvarez Scholarship is made possible through the generous support of Carlos and Malu Alvarez, who join UIW in the commitment to prepare students for global understanding through the personal experience of a semester abroad. For further information and application, contact the Director of International Studies (210) 805-3094, the HASS office (210) 829-3879 or the UIW Study Abroad Coordinator.

More Scholarship Info for 2008-09
Looking for a scholarship to help reduce your costs in 2008-09? Check out our online listings at http://www.uiw.edu/finaid/grantschol.html and apply now! Information on dates/times of the OFA workshops outlined at left can be found online at http://www.uiw.edu/finaid/documents/Sp08Workshops.pdf.

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