

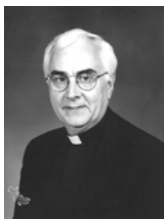
UIW Mission News

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Special points of interest:

- **Jose Ruben De Leon**, a UIW graduate, performed his one man drama, "The Encuentro: Juan Diego and Our Lady of Guadalupe," on March 26th as part of the **Magnificat Festival**. De Leon received national acclaim for this drama.
- **Theresa Tiggeman**, professor of Accounting, has been busy leading the Volunteers in Income Tax (VITA) program for the last few weekends. VITA serves low income taxpayers and engages students in this service opportunity.
- **Dr. Julie Miller** attended a Santa Clara University academic conference on "Callings: Fostering Vocation Through Community-based Learning." She will develop a fall presentation which will explore "the impact community engagement can have on students' sense of what to do with their lives" and how to encourage student reflection of "where their gifts meet the world's needs."
- At its March inservice, **Fr. Don Nesti, C.S.Sp.** spoke to the Board of Trustees about the inevitable tension between living the UIW Mission which assumes formation of the person in the context of faith and reason and living within the context of an American worldview.



CCVI Spirit Award Goes to Dr. Renee Moore, Dean of Campus Life

Incarcate Word Day, celebrated on March 26th this year, included an exciting array of activities. A large group of students listened to Cecilia Hererra, the U.S. Consul to Matamoros, talk about the benefits and joys of being in the foreign service. Participants in the alternative spring break experience to Monterrey shared their deepened understanding of how poverty affects people's lives.



Dr. Moore (right) expresses her gratitude for the award at a surprise luncheon in her honor at Cappy's restaurant.



Dr. Agnese presents the CCVI Spirit Award sculpture to Dr. Renee Moore during services on Incarnate Word Day. Renee was honored for personifying the spirit of the Incarnate Word during her tenure at UIW. She is an advocate of social justice and individual dignity. One of her many volunteer activities includes cooking and serving Christmas Eve Dinner to families spending the holidays at the Ronald McDonald House.

Dr. Neeta Singh Receives Prestigious Presidential Teaching Award

Dr. Neeta Singh, Associate Professor of Nutrition, received the Presidential Teaching Award at a Faculty Appreciation Lunch on April 13, 2007.

Initiated by Dr. Agnese and accompanied



by a \$5,000 stipend, the Presidential Teaching Award honors a faculty member who, in the view of peers and students, has excelled in the classroom.

L. Neeta expresses her amazement after she received the award from Dr. Agnese .

Mission Value: Academic Excellence 2006-2007



Pharmacy students complete year one and look forward to moving to their new building at Devine and Hildebrand.

At the Faculty Appreciation luncheon, **thirty-five faculty** received plaques to recognize their efforts to enhance first-year student courses. Their goal is to increase student engagement and retention.



Dr. Terry Dicianna, Provost, named **Sister Eilish Ryan, Th.D.**, Professor of Religious Studies, the Moody Professor for 2007-2008 at the Faculty Appreciation Luncheon on April 13th. The Moody Professorship is awarded to recognize the recipient's **scholarship, teaching excellence and service** to the internal and external community.



Connie Kuwamoto, Director of Career Services (second from right), with her staff, Kimberly Watts and Darlene Moczygemba, celebrates the success of the Job Fair which attracted over 40 agencies willing to hire UIW graduates.

"The University aims to educate men and women who will become concerned and enlightened citizens."

Thirty Faculty and Students Commissioned to "Go Forth to Serve the Poor!"

On March 6th, the university held a commissioning service for three missionary teams for Zambia, Tanzania and Mexico.

The **Reach Out Africa teams** will depart in May and June to provide workshops on early childhood education for prospective teachers and grief and loss workshops to prepare other trainers to present these on a regular basis

for caregivers of children orphaned by the AIDS epidemic. They will also offer business planning and other assistance to women's cooperatives, struggling to become self-sustaining.

The alternative spring

break group plans include visiting and helping in the CHRISTUS Mugerza clinics serving under-

privileged populations in the Monterey area. They will also experience how the CCVI school, Colegio Mexicano, incorporates community service into every class.

Our Call:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, suffering in the persons of a multitude...seeks relief at your hands. —Dubuis

Administration Building Rededicated in Honor of Sister Columkille Colbert

Until 1921, the College and Academy of the Incarnate Word were housed in the west wing of the Motherhouse. As enrollment increased, the Congregation moved the college to a separate building, known today as the Administration Building. On Incarnate Word Day, March 26, 2007, it

was dedicated to S. Columkille Colbert, who served as President of the College from 1923 to 1960 and Board Chair until 1966.

Members of the Colbert family and friends surround S. Collumkille Colbert in the collage at right created for the occasion.

