

# UIW Mission News

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## Special points of interest:

- On the afternoon of May 6th, the **Board of Trustees** will hold its retreat at the Denman Estate. The presenter for the retreat is **Rev. Robert Lampert**, Director of Ethics for CHRISTUS Health, who will talk about how to maintain an ethical organization.
- Lauren Wappelhorst, a UIW sophomore, received the Student CCVI Spirit Award on Incarnate Word Day. Lauren is an extraordinary example to her peers of how to operationalize the mission in daily life. A Peer Minister, Lauren is actively involved in social justice issues, athletics, mentoring, and a multitude of school functions.
- Below, Dr. Agnese presents the CCVI Spirit sculpture to Adela.



## Denman Estate Provides Peaceful Setting for Staff Retreat

Nineteen UIW staff members enjoyed the serenity of the Denman Estate for a day's reflection on mission and their professional lives.

Facilitated by Mrs. Patricia Kerwin, Director of Spirituality in Ministry for the CCVI Congregations, the retreat focused on



the UIW mission—its history and what is needed to live that kind of mission in today's reality. Interactive small group sessions helped to

develop community among the participants who often communicate by phone but rarely meet because of UIW's extended campus.

## Adela Gott Receives CCVI Spirit Award

Adela Marie Gott, Multimedia Specialist at UIW for nearly 24 years, received the CCVI Spirit Award at a special liturgy in Our Lady's Chapel on Incarnate Word Day, March 25th.

A member of the Clarion Circle CCVI Associate Community, Adela is active in ministries such as Visitation House, Family Services and the Headwaters Coalition. She is

devoted to her work at the university where she serves with joy and patience. She counts among her dearest friends all the colleagues she has met through UIW and the CCVI 's.

## Campus Ministry Sponsors a Twenty-four Hour “Prayathon” to Invoke Spirit of Lent



Beth Villarreal, Director of Campus Ministry, provides t-shirts to “Prayathon” participants.

At the beginning of Lent, students, faculty and community members gathered on Dubuis Lawn for a variety of activities sponsored by Campus Ministry and led by Lauren Wappelhorst, a Peer Minister.

Participants assembled rosaries, heard a lecture by S. Eilish Ryan, listened to Christian music, and took part in a liturgy and in all-night adoration. The Lenten prayer opportunities continue with Bible studies, Stations of the Cross, a Lenten Walk for Justice, and inter-denominational worship services.

## Tere Dresner Selected as WGC Executive Director

WGC welcomes on board its new Executive Director, **Teresa Dresner, a Ph.D. candidate in Organizational Leadership at UIW.** Already a major part of Women’s Global Connection through her roles as Board member and part of the **Reach Out Africa** team to Zambia, Tere brings a wealth of experience in for-profit and not-for-profit enterprises.

In 2007, Tere joined the mission trip to work with the **Masupa Nzila Women’s Economic Development** group in Mongu, Zambia, and her life has not been the same since. She taught the women business planning and initiated them into a micro-lending process that empowers them to expand their home businesses.

The WGC team is looking forward to joining with Tere to extend the

horizon of possibilities in their work with women around the globe.



## CAB, SGA and Student Clubs Expand I. W. D. Activities

Balloons, bull-riding, turtles touting mission tenets, and engineering students sporting solar panels on the Chapel steeple were among the fun-filled sights on Dubuis Plaza during Incarnate Word Day. A special hearty “Thank You” to all who made the day so successful.

