

ACADEME

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Graphic designer markets Rockwell art

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 12
Holiday Pops

Dec. 13-16
Semester Exams

Dec. 25
Merry Christmas!

Jan. 3
J-Term begins

For generations, Norman Rockwell has delighted the nation with images celebrating small-town family life. His timeless classics made famous by the *Saturday Evening Post* can be seen in homes and offices, on calendars, mugs, plates, tee shirts and more. Over 25 years after Rockwell's passing, keeping these images in the public eye is among the responsibilities of Huntington College graduate Christian Elden.

Christian, a 2002 Huntington College graphic design graduate, works for Curtis Publishing Company, the exclusive licensor of all artwork related to the *Saturday Evening Post*, including rights to all Norman Rockwell cover art. The Indianapolis-based company relies on Christian to develop creative ways to keep Rockwell art in the marketplace.

"I've had some great opportunities to work on unique projects," Christian says.

One recent opportunity was to help develop a line of merchandise to be sold during the World War II Memorial dedication in Washington, D.C. A local art gallery presented Rockwell's *Four Freedoms: Paintings that Inspired a Nation* in conjunction with the dedication in May of 2004. Christian developed tee shirts, tote bags, mugs, bookmarks and other items for purchase throughout the four-month exhibit.

"At Curtis Publishing, I'm called to do a variety of different things, which always keeps the job fresh and fun," Christian says. "In addition to the line of products for the World War II Memorial dedication, I've worked on a line of women's fashion shoes that will be introduced through Sears and JC Penney stores in the spring of 2005. And I've worked on more conventional types of products as well, including a line of Christmas ornaments featured on QVC."

Christian believes that a designer should never feel that he or she has "arrived" as an artist. He says there is always room to learn, grow and mature. He says Huntington College gave him those opportunities within

a Christ-centered atmosphere. What he found at Huntington was a close kinship that he says isn't found on the majority of other college campuses. He liked the fact that Huntington was "small enough to be familiar, yet big enough to always find new things to enjoy."

As a transfer student, Christian Elden found a close kinship at Huntington College that he says isn't found on the majority of other college campuses.

"As a transfer student from a large university in Ohio, I was looking for stronger, God-centered relationships, as well as an environment where I could learn life's lessons from a Christian perspective and grow more confident in God's will for my life. I found all that at Huntington College," Christian says. "Having spent a year at a larger institution, I know how it felt to just be a number. You could walk to class on any given day and not see one familiar face. That's not what I wanted my experience to be."

The smaller class sizes at Huntington allowed Christian to get the most out of his professors, who taught him about the real-world situations he'd eventually face in the workforce. He says they helped him figure out how to honor God in his career, even if that goal wasn't exactly listed in the job description.

"The education I received left me very well equipped with the basics that I needed to succeed," Christian says. "I learned that in the graphic design field, you have to take it upon yourself to grab all you can learn and run with it. You can't expect others to do it for you, and design is one of those fields where you can't stop learning or the new blood will run you over!"

Christian felt that being active outside of the classroom played a huge role in his overall college experience. Besides getting involved in campus activities, Christian gleaned practical knowledge and application from an internship he completed at Shuttleworth, Inc. At the local company, Christian had the opportunity to experience the day-to-day work environment of a professional designer. He was involved in developing direct mail pieces, packaging concepts, trade show graphics, and advertisements.

Through Christian's experiences and well-rounded education at Huntington College, he gained the insights and skills to catapult him into a successful graphic design career.



Christian Elden enjoys a successful graphic design career at Curtis Publishing in Indianapolis, Ind.

Faculty/Staff News & Notes



Mr. Robert Kaehr presented the November Peer Award to Dr. Linda Urschel.

- The Huntington College Peer Award was passed on to two new individuals for the month of November. October recipients, **Mr. Bob Kaehr**, director of library services, and **Ms. Rebecca Coffman**, associate professor of art, passed their awards along to **Dr. Linda Urschel**, professor of English, and **Mr. Joe Bickel**, electrician in the Maintenance Department, respectively.
- A fall Gateway course in the Huntington College EXCEL Program explored James Joyce's *Ulysses*, a work that received the best novel accolade from Modern Library's editorial board four years ago. **Dr. Del Doughty**, associate professor of English, taught the five-week course.

• **Dr. Kevin Miller**, assistant professor of communication, presented, "Stories and Identity: Making Sense of Ethnic and Religious Conflicts Using Narrative Theory," at the National Communication Association.

• **Dr. Dave Rahn**, director of the youth ministries program at the Graduate School of Christian Ministries, attended the National Youth Worker's Convention in Dallas, Texas. He also conducted a professional development workshop about the scholarly value of networking at the North American Professors of Christian Education Conference in Orlando, Fla. In addition to attending conferences and speaking at local churches, Rahn writes a regular column for *Group Magazine*, titled "Outreach Road Trip."

• Additional opportunities for faculty development will soon be provided to Huntington College faculty through a \$1 million grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. The grant will allow the College to establish an "Endowed Faculty Award" which will provide faculty development funds to the selected faculty member. The endowed award will benefit current faculty members and serve as an additional incentive to attract new faculty to Huntington College. The endowment will also help to underwrite faculty salaries.

• Science professors, **Drs. Bruce Evans** and **Ruth Nalliah**, along with pre-medical students **Wendy Campbell** and **Alicia Hoffmann**, recently attended the Region V Annual Medical Education Conference sponsored by the Student National Medical Association at the Indiana University School of Medicine. Students and faculty attended seminars on topics including minorities in research, the business of medicine, suturing, and surviving the wards in medical school.

• Chemistry professors, **Drs. Bill Bordeaux** and **Ruth Nalliah**, along with chemistry students **Victoria Hall**, **Christian (Thaddeus) Hubley**, **Kelly Hotopp**, and **Tony Nafrady**, attended the Second Annual Chemistry Career Night at Butler University sponsored by the Indiana Section of the American Chemical Society. Faculty and students heard from industrial and academic chemists regarding careers in industry, forensics and patent law.

• A review by **Dr. Paul Michelson**, distinguished professor of history, of "John Binns: An Introduction to the Christian Orthodox Churches" was the lead review in the Summer 2004 issue of *The Journal of the American Academy of Religion*.



FOCUS ON...

Impacting the world in Haiti

Huntington College has always had a global vision to impact the world for Christ. Huntington staff, students and alumni have experienced that wide-reaching vision through a unique relationship with one small corner of the world – the nation of Haiti.

When Huntington College student Shannon Wilson first went to Haiti during her freshman year in 1996, she never realized it would change her life. That year, the January-term group who ministered in orphanages discovered a baby girl that soon captured the heart of the Huntington community. Miraculously, this critically-ill orphan returned to the U.S. with the students, who arranged for life-saving surgery provided free of charge by a Fort Wayne hospital.

For Shannon, being a part of that experience changed her life. Throughout her college experience, she returned to Haiti on three other occasions. Then following graduation, she spent four years living in Haiti, including three years teaching at the Quisqueya Christian School in Haiti's capital of Port-au-Prince.

"As an elementary education major, I wanted to teach," Shannon says. "That was my passion, but I didn't want to leave Haiti so I ended up teaching there!"

Now back at Huntington serving as an admissions counselor, Shannon still carries her passion for the people of Haiti. Last summer, she returned to help run a summer camp geared toward the community's poorest children. Joining her at the camp were three other volunteers with Huntington College connections: Charity Coffey, a 1999 graduate

who lived and served in Haiti for several years; Lynda Barnum, a 2004 graduate who teaches at the same school at which Shannon taught; and Richard Strick, a senior youth ministry major. Richard later spent the fall semester serving with 1992 Huntington graduates, Brad and Vanessa Johnson. The Johnsons have started an orphanage, established a church and are building a clinic in Haiti.

The summer camp taught the Haitian children about their environment and how they can impact their country. "The kids who came were mostly poorer children from the mountain villages," Lynda remembers. "For them, coming to camp is the highlight of their year and perhaps the closest thing to school that many of them will ever experience."

Like Shannon, Lynda was first exposed to Haiti during a Huntington College short-term missions trip. "Haiti is one of those places you don't easily forget," Lynda says. "When I had to look for a job during my senior year, Quisqueya Christian School was the first place that popped into my mind."

Lynda says that the students she teaches are "undoubtedly the future doctors, lawyers, politicians and businessmen of Haiti – a poverty stricken country that is in desperate need of strong Christian leadership."

For both Shannon and Lynda, Huntington College mission trips provided the spark that fueled their passion for the people of Haiti. With several alumni connections in the area today, Haiti will continue to be a place where Huntington students, staff and alumni will impact the world for Christ.

Sports Highlights

Hall of Fame: Keith Spahr, Russ Isaacs and Jeff Shepherd were inducted into the Huntington College Hall of Fame on Saturday, November 20, 2004. The ceremonies took place at halftime of the championship basketball game of the Huntington College/Ness Bros. Hall of Fame Classic.

Volleyball: The Mid-Central Conference announced its awards for the 2004-05 season and Huntington College senior Jessica Kendall earned First-Team All-Conference honors. Two other Foresters, senior Jami Fusselman and freshman Steph Stearns, received Second-Team honors.



Senior volleyball player Jami Fusselman earned second-team MCC honors as the Forester setter.

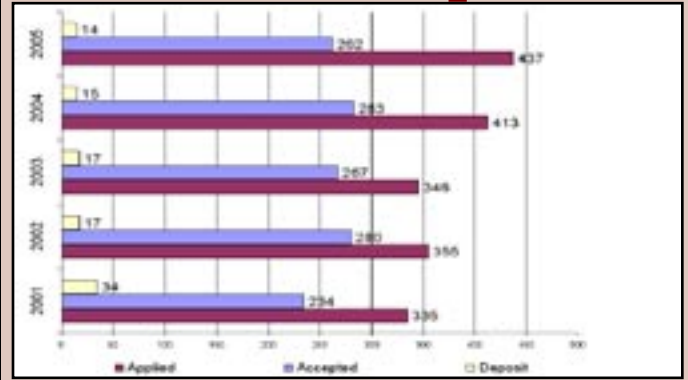
Baseball Camp: The Huntington College men's baseball team will offer its annual Holiday Baseball Camp on December 27-29, in the Merillat Complex for Physical Education and Recreation. Head coach Mike Frame, assistant coaches Brian Abbott, Dave Kennedy, Russ Lawson and Nate Perry, and current Huntington College baseball players will provide skill instruction at the camp.

Men's Basketball: Alex Kock and Kyle Ganton have each been named MCC Players of the Week early on in the basketball season. The Foresters currently sport a 9-4 overall record and a 3-0 MCC record.

Women's Basketball: The women's basketball team has been led by sophomores Amy Berry and Betsy Bean and freshman Jami Grogg. Grogg set a new school record in three-pointers made, sinking nine treys in a victory over Indiana Tech. The Foresters are currently 3-7 overall, 0-3 in the MCC.

For news and up-to-date results of Forester Athletics, visit www.huntington.edu/athletics.

Admissions Update



The chart above summarizes the number of prospective students who have applied and been accepted to Huntington College for the fall 2005 semester. The bars represent year-to-date comparisons over the past five years.

Advancement News

May you have the gift of faith, the blessing of hope, and the peace of His love at Christmas and always. Merry Christmas from the staff of the Advancement Office!

- Ned Kiser, Troy Irick, Vickie Allen, Julie Babb, Ella Burnett, Perry Collins, Bethany Doyle, Darlene Fairchild, Beth Lahr, Rich McConnell, John Paff, Margi Roush, Jeremy Rufener, Pete Schowmir, Kay Schwob, Linda Taylor, Cindy Zeveau, and Jan Yost

Around Campus.....

Recently, the Indiana Professional Standards Board unanimously approved all proposed Huntington College Master of Education programs, allowing the institution to begin offering classes toward the M.Ed. degree this spring. This announcement comes just six months after the College declared its expansion in master's programs last May. The College, which currently offers five masters programs in Christian ministries, adds 11 degree tracks in the Master of Education program.

Professor Jeff Berst from Southern Indiana University gave the Huntington College Theatre Company's performance of *Pippin* an overwhelmingly positive response from the Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival (KC/ACTF). Special notice was given to the costume design (Professor Ella Burnett), lighting design (Professor Mike Burnett), and stage management (Kathy Chilcoat). Chilcoat was also nominated for a special Certificate of Merit. *Pippin* was the first Huntington College Theatre Company production to be entered into the KC/ACTF. *Faustus* will also be entered next spring. By entering KC/ACTF, the theatre department opens its students to responses from theatre professionals and gives them the opportunity to perform and design on the regional and national level.

In October, science professors, Drs. Bill Bordeaux and Bruce Evans, along with students Jason Clore, Victoria Hall, Alicia Hoffmann, Christian (Thaddeus) Hubley, and Rosanne Weida attended a seminar at Taylor University by Dr. William Dembski entitled "Information Theory and Digital Life: Their Impact on the Intelligent Design Perspective of Origins."

Theatre majors Amber Patrick and Dan Olson were nominated to advance to the Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival Region III Irene Ryan acting competition. Their nomination came from their performances in *Pippin*. They will compete in January. If selected, they will then advance to the Kennedy Center to perform in April.

Junior English major Stacey Maifeld was recently published in *The Hobsons Christian Colleges Guide 2005* interactive marketing CD. Her article told of the positive experiences of participating in Christian college athletics. Maifeld was a Forester basketball player for two years.

Eight Huntington College theatre performance students attended the Kentucky Theatre Association's preliminary auditions for the South East Theatre Conference (SETC). They were Dan Olson, Nikki Barger, Josh Christenson, Chris Betz, Laura Brautigam, Kylie Edmonds, Amber Patrick, and Becca Rodgers. Dan Olson and Nikki Barger were selected to advance to the SETC acting auditions with Josh Christenson receiving an alternate position.

The Creative Drama class, taught by Mr. Mike Burnett, assistant professor of theatre, performed three

original puppet plays at Kids Kampus on November 18. The plays dealt with issues relevant to four and five-year old children, including eating healthy, watching television and making fun of others. The class was divided into three groups which developed and wrote an original 10-minute play performed by puppets. Members of the class included Tim Averill, Nikki Barger, Elissa Bridges, Josh Christenson, Theresa Durre, Kylie Edmonds, Terry Hurst, Hannah Mayo, Kurt Nusbaum, Stacy Plett, Ashlee Reed, Rebecca Rodgers, and Jenni Strange.



Professor Mike Burnett's Creative Drama class, seen here with their puppets, performed original plays to the four and five-year olds at Kids Kampus.

Campus Calendar

December/January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			8 CLEP/DANTES/8 am W Basketball/7 pm (H)	9 CLEP/DANTES/8 am	10 Final Day of Classes CLEP/DANTES/8 am	11 W Basketball/1 pm (H) Senior Recital/3 pm M Basketball/7 pm (H)
12 Holiday Pops/2:30 pm	13 Semester Exams/8 am	14 Semester Exams/8 am	15 Semester Exams/8 am	16 Semester Exams/8 am Residence Halls close/5 pm	17	18 M Basketball/3 pm (A)
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS!
26	27 W Basketball/TBA (A)	28 W Basketball/TBA (A)	29 W Basketball/TBA (A)	30 M Basketball/7 pm (H)	31	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!
2 Residence Halls open/2 pm	3 J-Term begins/8 am	4 M Basketball/7 pm (A)	5 W Basketball/7 pm (H)	6 Art exhibit opens/9 am	7	8 W Basketball/1 pm (A) M Basketball/3 pm (H)
9	10	11 M Basketball/7 pm (H)	12 Foundation Breakfast/ 7:30 am W Basketball/7 pm (A)	<i>For a detailed calendar of campus events, visit www.huntington.edu/calendar.</i>		

From the President's Desk

As I reflect on this past year, I am reminded of all the blessings our Lord has given to us at Huntington College. There is much to make us thankful.

I am very excited about the ongoing expansion of our curriculum, which will enable Huntington College to serve greater numbers of students. Last spring, the College announced the establishment of seven new academic programs, including new undergraduate majors in digital media arts, social work, political studies, worship leadership, sports ministry, and economics and finance. Faculty for these new programs have begun to join our campus community, and I am grateful for these new members of our College family.

There has also been exciting growth in our graduate programs. We currently offer four master's degrees through the Graduate School of Christian Ministries. Programs are available in pastoral ministry (with concentration in either family development or church growth), educational ministry, youth ministry, and counseling ministry. A diploma in pastoral leadership is also available.

In addition, this year we have established a Master of Education program. In late November, the Indiana Professional Standards Board unanimously approved all our M.Ed. degree proposals, allowing us to begin offering courses this spring. Students will be able to pursue 11 distinct tracks, including the M.Ed. degree in Elementary

Curriculum and Instruction; the M.Ed. degree in Elementary Reading; the M.Ed. degree in Early Adolescent (Middle School) Education, with specific concentration in mathematics, science, social studies, and language arts; and the M.Ed. degree in Adolescent and Young Adult (High School) Education, with specific concentrations in mathematics, English, social studies, biology, and chemistry.

Our new M.Ed. program is designed primarily for classroom teachers seeking professional advancement. The program is also open to those who are not currently teaching but who have graduated from a teacher education program at a regionally accredited college or university within the past five years. All classes will focus on the students' developmental and content areas, including research that focuses on their individual interests. We have designed the M.Ed. program to be efficient and flexible. It allows a student to complete the program in as little as three semesters and one summer.

Our Master of Education program will offer area teachers many advantages, including convenient class times, expert faculty, and competitive pricing. Tuition is \$280 per semester hour, similar to some publicly funded universities.

The M.Ed. program is the newest in a series of exciting additions to our curriculum. I feel that the growth of our



Dr. G. Blair Dowden
Huntington College President

undergraduate and graduate programs add value and strength to our college and prepare the way for our transition to "Huntington University" next year. These are moves that strengthen an already strong institution.

Yes, there are many reasons to be thankful. I am grateful for the partnership of alumni, friends, and neighbors who have financially supported the growth and development of Huntington College. I am very grateful for God's blessing of wisdom and guidance along the way. And at this holy time of year, I am particularly reminded of God's greatest gift to us – our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Together, let us celebrate His coming and pray for His continued blessings on Huntington in the year to come.