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HEALING TOUCH, HEALING WORDS

PRE-MED PROGRAM

OVERVIEW

There is perhaps no greater calling than that of nurturing human life, and Huntington University's pre-med graduates have been answering that call for more than a century. Many have taken the solid education they have received at Huntington and gone on to become physicians, dentists, nurses, medical assistants, medical research scientists, pharmacists, pharmacologists—the list goes on. Pre-med majors at Huntington explore the building blocks of life itself. They receive rigorous training in biology and chemistry with particular emphasis on molecular biology and biochemistry. At Huntington, students have opportunities which are not available at larger universities. Importantly, classes here will not be taught by “graduate assistants,” but rather by exceptionally credentialed full-time professors. Huntington's faculty are outstanding scientists and engaging instructors.

For Lindsay (Motta) Oliveira, her mission field is also the medical field. Each day she undertakes the tremendous responsibility of sharing Christ with her patients and their families. “Some of them are dying,” says Lindsay, a 1999 graduate of Huntington University with a Bachelor of Science in Science degree. “Others are facing the imminent death of their loved ones. Still others have hit rock bottom and have never heard about the only One who can fill that empty hole deep inside.”

A native of Rochester, Mass., Lindsay is completing a combined internal medicine/pediatrics residency program in Grand Rapids, Mich. Her medical degree from St. George's University School of Medicine has given her the technical knowledge to treat disease, but she also hopes to point her patients' hearts towards the more lasting healing found in Christ.

“I don't pretend to understand how my patients feel,” Lindsay says. “I rarely know the right words to say. I pray that God will give me wisdom and that the Holy Spirit will speak through me. Perhaps they will start seeking after God. Perhaps they will think of the prayer I said with them months or years later. Perhaps they will continue to try to fill their emptiness with other things. No matter what choice they make, I have an obligation to tell them about my Lord and Savior.”

At Huntington, Lindsay says her professors taught the basics of both science and Christianity, lessons that gave her the all-around preparation necessary for the challenges of medical school and her current profession.

“They were always there to help me academically, spiritually and personally,” Lindsay says. “They recognized the necessity of integrating faith into every aspect of their lives and tried to teach us to do the same. The academics were rigorous enough to prepare me for medical school, and the spiritual environment was nurturing enough to prepare me for living the Christian life.”

For students interested in pre-med, Lindsay encourages them to consider Huntington University. The path to medical



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school doesn't lie solely in a “prestigious” or “Ivy League” undergraduate program, says Lindsay, adding that medical school admissions committees now recognize that small schools often provide a rigorous academic curriculum. “Your admissions test scores and recommendation letters from professors who know you personally will prove your worth.”

Lindsay also advises pre-med students to get advice from Huntington graduates regarding preparing for medical school. “The great thing about Huntington University is that any former grad would be happy to help you along, or even help you arrange an internship or preceptorship,” she says.

Lastly, Lindsay urges potential pre-med students to get involved in Huntington's opportunities in volunteer work, missions trips, worship teams, and athletics.

FACULTY & STAFF NEWS & NOTES



• **Mr. Jerry White**, controller & director of financial services, graduated from Purdue University on December 18, 2005, with his Master of Science degree in Education with a specialization in Higher Education

Business & Finance Management. He is in his sixth year of service at Huntington, having joined the University in August of 2000.

• **Dr. Dave Rahn**, professor of educational ministries, and **Dr. Tom Bergler**, assistant professor of educational ministries, presented "Results of a Collaborative Research Project in Gathering Evangelism Stories" at the 12th annual meeting of the Association of Youth Ministry Educators held in October of 2005. The research was conducted by a team of faculty and students from around the country, including students in Prof. Luke Fetters' spring 2005 evangelism class at Huntington University. Students in the Huntington University Graduate School of Christian Ministries helped process

and interpret the results in May of 2005. The results provide important information on factors that contribute to Christian conversions among teenagers.

• **Dr. Tom Bergler** was appointed associate editor of *The Journal of Youth Ministry* in October 2005. It is one of the first academic journals in the field of youth ministry. Bergler's responsibilities include editing manuscripts and overseeing the peer review process.

• **Mrs. Kay Schwob**, director of the Enterprise Resource Center, will present "Strategies for Success" at the Fort Wayne Teaching Conference on February 17, 2006, at 9 a.m. She will discuss strategies for engaging students through experiential learning. She also will include the processes the ERC has developed to ensure a successful experiential learning experience.

• **Dr. Patricia Spedden**, director of piano studies, served as one of three adjudicators for the Marion Philharmonic Concerto Competition. The daylong event took place Saturday, November 19, 2005, at Taylor University-Upland.

• **Mr. Mike Frame**, head baseball coach, will speak about indoor practice organization at the Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association's state clinic. The event will be held January 19-21, 2006, in Indianapolis. This is the third time Frame has spoken at the clinic.

• **Dr. Mark Fairchild**, professor of Bible & religion, will present "Skeletons in the Closet: Modern Scholarship and the Apostle Paul's Ignominious Past" at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2006, in the Zurcher Auditorium of the Merrillat Centre for the Arts. Fairchild is the featured speaker for the Forester Lecture Series' annual faculty lecture. He has served on the faculty of Huntington University since 1986. He was awarded the honor of delivering the annual faculty lecture through a competitive review process supervised by the office of the Academic Dean.

• **Prof. Twyla Lee**, director of social work, was a reviewer for submitted papers for the annual convention of the North American Association of Christians in Social Work held in October, 2005, in Grand Rapids, Mich. **Prof. Carla MacDonald**, assistant professor of social work, also attended.



Facts about the new EXCEL site

Contact: Perry Collins, director

Size: 2,400 square feet, including two classrooms, one which is suitable for seminars

Enrollment: 13 students in a new core group scheduled to start in February of 2006

Financial aid: New scholarships are available for seven Whitley County residents through a new grant.

Link: www.huntington.edu/EXCEL

EXCEL CELEBRATES NEW LOCATION *Ribbon-cutting highlights lease of Columbia City site*

The Huntington University EXCEL Program celebrated the lease of its new facility in Columbia City, Ind., with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Wednesday, January 4, 2006, at 2:30 p.m. The ceremony was held at the new location, 220 Frontage Road, Columbia City, Ind. An open house followed from 3 to 7 p.m.

The 2,400-square-foot space, leased from North Park Professional Center, includes two classrooms, one of which is suitable for seminars.

Columbia City mayor Jim Fleck; executive director of the Columbia City Area Chamber of Commerce Patricia Hatcher; Huntington University president Dr. G. Blair Dowden, ambassadors from Columbia City, and senior leadership from the University were on hand for the event.

The Huntington University EXCEL program, which offers classes and degrees geared specifically toward working adults, previously served students in only the Fort Wayne and Huntington areas.

"The University sees Columbia City as a growing community that was underserved by the opportunity for adults to earn a degree in Columbia City. Our

market research substantiated that thought process. The community has welcomed us. We see a great future to grow with Whitley County," said Perry Collins, director of the EXCEL program.

Thirteen students have enrolled in a new core group scheduled to start in February at the Columbia City location. EXCEL also will offer an Introduction to Supervision Class set to start in late January.

For more information on the Huntington University EXCEL program, contact the EXCEL office at (260) 359-4162 or (800) 600-4888, or visit www.huntington.edu/EXCEL.

The EXCEL program first offered classes in Columbia City in September, 2005, at the Peabody Library.

In related news, the EXCEL program recently was awarded a Whitley County Community Foundation grant. The \$5,068 award will allow seven Whitley County residents to complete their first year in the EXCEL program without out-of-pocket expense. The grant will cover the difference between tuition cost and maximum loan amounts. Recipients must attend the program at the University's satellite location in Columbia City.

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Basketball: For the second game in a row, the Foresters built a commanding first half lead and then had to hang on to get the win. This time Huntington had to weather a 61-point second half rally by the Goshen College Maple Leafs to earn the 98-85 victory on the road. HU got big offensive games from Alex Kock, Doug Sheckler and Kyle Ganton. Kock led all scorers in the game with 27 points. Sheckler added 24, and Ganton had 23. Kock and Ganton each grabbed a team-high eight rebounds in the game as well. The Foresters scorched the nets shooting 58% from the field, including 56% from downtown. They also went 15-19 from the line for 79%. The win gives the Foresters a 16-3 record overall and a 5-1 mark in the MCC.

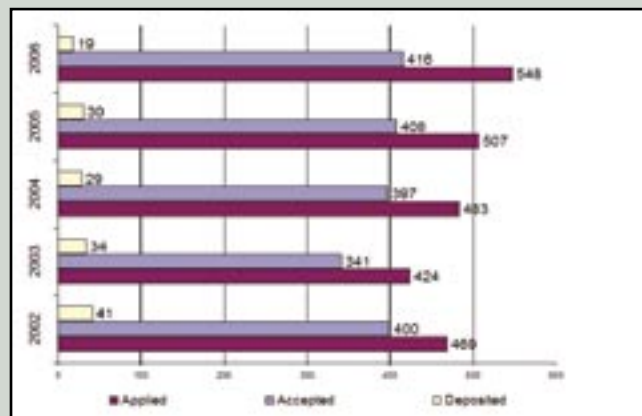


Kyle Ganton earned Athlete of the Week honors for three solid performances, helping the Foresters win three in a row.

Huntington University (8-8, 3-3) defeated Goshen College 52-37 in Saturday's women's college basketball play. In a game characterized by sticky defense, both teams struggled to find the basket. The lead seesawed back and forth for much of the first half with HU taking the lead for good at 14-12 on a jumper by Amy Wanemacher with 5:28 remaining. Shooting just 29% in the first half, HU took a 21-17 point lead into halftime. Betsey Bean began the scoring for HU in the second half, but the Maple Leafs refused to be blown away. HU's Jessica Ramey led all scorers with 14 points and eight assists in the game. Janna Knisely chipped in 12 points and nine rebounds. In the defensive battle, Huntington shot 35.3% for the game.

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 University for the fall 2006 semester. The bars represent year-to-date comparisons over the past five years.

ADVANCEMENT UPDATE

Calendar year end contributions are still being processed, but December 2005 shows signs of being a strong giving month with a number of donors responding to requests for both restricted and unrestricted giving to the University. As we begin 2006, the Advancement office wishes to thank everyone who partnered with our ministry during 2005.

AROUND CAMPUS...

- The 2006 edition of "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges" will include the names of 20 students from Huntington University who have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders. Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success. They join an elite group of students from more than 2,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and several foreign nations. Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934. Students named this year from Huntington University include the following: **Betsey Bean, Chad Pryor, Christina Fox, Christine Shook, Daniel Hale, Emily Padilla, Jeffrey Blossom, Jenna Rodgers, Jeremy Burkett, Jill Clements, Joshua Dawes, Joshua Miller, Joy Bamford, Kelly Hotopp, Kevin Krauskopf, Rusty Eshleman, Ryan Darr, Sharon Voss, Stacey Maifeld, and Varun Kaushik.**

- The Region 3 Selection Committee for the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival has chosen "Words, Words, Words" by David Ives to participate in the "Evening of Scenes" at the Regional Festival in January. "Words, Word, Words" was presented by the

HU Theatre Company in September as part of "Sure Thing, an Evening of David Ives," directed by **Prof. Mike Burnett**, chairman of the Department of Theatre Arts. The "Evening of Scenes" is typically reserved for associate entries to ACTF, but because of the strength of the acting in "Sure Thing," the committee wanted a representative piece at the festival. "Words, Words, Words" was directed by student **Hannah Krauskopf** and featured **Josh Dawes, Jeff Blossom, and Lindsay Staff.**

- Huntington University's EXCEL program for adults will hold an informational meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2006, at the University's new Adult Education Center at 220 Frontage Road, Columbia City, Ind. This free-of-charge event is open to anyone interested in the possibility of pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree through the EXCEL program. **Susan Frantz**, EXCEL admissions counselor, will be on hand to answer questions. EXCEL offers evening classes tailored to the schedule of most working adults. Classes are held one night per week, one subject at a time. Classes last five to eight weeks and lead to an associate or bachelor's degree in organizational management. EXCEL offers classes in Huntington, Columbia City, and Fort Wayne. For more information about the EXCEL program, log on to www.huntington.edu/EXCEL, or call (260) 359-4162 or (800) 600-4888.

- The Huntington University Music Department is now accepting registrations for BandFest 2006, the 26th annual Band Clinic, to be held February 4-5, 2006. The University's BandFest is open to instrumentalists from grades 8 to 12, college students, and community members. Clinic participants will receive small group instruction on their primary instrument from qualified professional musicians during the intensive rehearsals and clinic sessions held on Saturday, February 4. A Grand Concert will be performed in the Zurcher Auditorium of the Merrillat Centre for the Arts at 2 p.m., Sunday, February 5, 2006. The concert is open to the public and admission is free. No tickets are necessary. For more information, visit www.huntington.edu/music/bandfest or call (260) 359-4262.



Participants in last year's Grand Concert share what they learned through BandFest. This year's primary guest conductor is Mr. John Ginocchio, a doctoral candidate from Ball State University.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

January/February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			11 CLEP/DANTES/8 am W Basketball/7 pm (H)	12 CLEP/DANTES/8 am	13 CLEP/DANTES/8 am J-Term Jam/6 pm	14 W Basketball/1 pm (A) M Basketball/3 pm (H)
15	16	17 M Basketball/7:30 pm (A)	18	19 Board of Trustees Final day of classes W Basketball/7 pm (A)	20 Board of Trustees	21 Orientation/9 am W Basketball/1 pm (H) M Basketball/3 pm (A)
22 Orientation/9 am	23 Classes begin	24 M Basketball/7 pm (H)	25 W Basketball/7 pm (A)	26	27 Final day for change of registration	28 W Basketball/1 pm (A) M Basketball/3 pm (H)
29	30	31 M Basketball/7 pm (A)	1 W Basketball/7 pm (H)	2 Forester Lecture/7 pm	3 Final S/U petitions Honors Convocation/ 11 am	4 W Basketball/1 pm (H) M Basketball/3 pm (A) Guerilla Theatre/9 pm
5 BandFest 2006/2 pm	6	7 M Basketball/7 pm (H)	8 Foundation Breakfast/ 7:45 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

Huntington University recently opened its first satellite location for adult studies. While we previously have offered courses in Columbia City and also in Fort Wayne, our new facility at 220 Frontage Road in Columbia City is our first property off-campus designed specifically for adult education.

We want to offer adults and non-traditional students a rigorous, high-quality educational experience specifically designed for the needs of adult learners. Not only will we offer associate's and bachelor's degrees in Organizational Management in this new location, but in the future, we may be able to expand our programs to include other forms of education for businesses and the manufacturing sector, such as supervision and time management seminars.

It is very appropriate that our first satellite campus is in Columbia City. Huntington University has had a very long and mutually beneficial relationship with the people of Whitley County. Many of our students, alumni, and trustees have come from that community. For example, Dale Hauptert, a long serving member of our Board of Trustees, is a long-time community leader and had his financial services office in South Whitley for many years.

A number of influential alumni are from that area, and many Whitley County teachers are graduates of Huntington University. These individuals are having a very positive impact on

the local community.

Huntington University has partnered with several Whitley County organizations throughout the years. Just a few months ago, the Columbia City High School choir joined with the famous Blue River Big Band and the Huntington University Music Department to present a wonderful jazz concert at the Merillat Centre for the Arts.

Many Whitley County students choose to attend Huntington University. Among the most well-known right now is Columbia City High School basketball standout Doug Sheckler, now making his mark as a 6'6" forward on the Foresters nationally ranked men's basketball team.

One might ask why we have selected Columbia City for our first satellite campus. It is because we believe Huntington University has a unique ability to provide higher education to working adults in communities like Columbia City. While larger cities, like Fort Wayne and Indianapolis, seem to be oversaturated with adult-learning programs, smaller towns and rural communities are sometimes overlooked. Huntington University is flexible enough and adaptable enough to bring outstanding educational opportunities to smaller communities — much like our own.

We believe our program in Columbia City will provide strategic economic advantages to the



Dr. G. Blair Dowden
President of Huntington University

entire county. With a population that is growing faster than the state average and with many exciting new business ventures and industries locating in Whitley County, there is a significant need for higher education for working adults. This is especially true because Whitley County has recently lagged behind the rest of the state in the number of adults who have earned a bachelor's degree. We can help address that need.

We are excited about bringing our program to Columbia City, and we are thankful for the partnership of that community in making it possible. We want to grow with Columbia City, and we are eager to work alongside the community to serve all of Whitley County.