

UNION CELEBRATES

Homecoming 2010 IN STYLE



Emily Logan is escorted by her brother-in-law, Danny Song, during the presentation of the homecoming court.

hundreds of Union University alumni celebrated their annual homecoming in November with a week of activities that culminated in a tailgate party, the crowning of a new homecoming queen and wins for both the men's and women's basketball teams.

Emily Logan, a piano performance major from Franklin, Tenn., was selected as the 2010 Homecoming queen and crowned at halftime of the Lady Bulldogs' 83-57 win over the University of St. Francis (Ill.). She is the daughter of David and Terri Logan.

After the women's game, the Bulldogs defeated Truett-McConnell (Ga.) 79-69. At halftime of the men's game, the men of Lambda Chi Alpha were awarded with the Presidential Homecoming Cup. The award honors the student organization that has shown outstanding service during the last school year.

The afternoon of basketball followed a morning tailgate party on the Great Lawn

that included an "Arts in the Park" exhibit and several family-friendly activities.

That evening, in first-round TranSouth conference tournament action, the Lady Bulldogs' soccer team defeated Bethel University (Tenn.) 2-1, and the Bulldogs edged Lyon College (Ark.) on penalty kicks 5-4 after playing to a 1-1 double overtime tie.

Other Homecoming attendants were Ashley Smith, a freshman from Jackson, Tenn., and the daughter of Tim and Penney Smith; Hillary Craft, a sophomore from Franklin, Tenn., and the daughter of Terry and Teresa Craft; Anna Ezell, a junior from Louisville, Ky., and the daughter of Kevin and Lynette Ezell; Stephanie Sowell, a senior from Houston, Texas, and the daughter of Mike and Mandy Sowell; Kari Beougher, a senior from Louisville, Ky., and the daughter of Tim and Sharon Beougher; and Brooke Laws, a senior from Union City, Tenn.,

and the daughter of Bruce Laws and Debbie Laws.

In addition to the Homecoming court, seniors Micah Roeder and Callie Davenport were named Mr. and Miss Union. Roeder is a psychology and



business major from Earle, Ark., and is the son of Jim and Nita Roeder. Davenport is an elementary education major from Chattanooga, Tenn., and is the daughter of Darrell and Charlotte Davenport.

Beyond the Saturday events, there was also a special Homecoming chapel service in which Union recognized members of the class of 1961 celebrating their 50-year reunion. The class members attended a luncheon following the chapel service and then took a tour of the former campus in downtown Jackson.



The chapel service also featured the annual alumni awards. Robert Cox, of Union's facilities management team, received the Distinguished Faculty/Staff Award. Marvin (class of 1953) and Jean Fitts (class of 1949) received the Distinguished Service Award. George

Guthrie (class of 1981), the Benjamin W. Perry Professor of Bible at Union, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Guthrie preached in the chapel service and encouraged students to use the Bible as the focal point to give them the



necessary orientation in their lives.

"God's word is to be the constant orientation point around which our lives revolve," Guthrie said. "On which our lives focus. From which we get direction in life and know how life is supposed to be lived."

Following chapel, the Fitts family was honored in the Emma Waters Summar Library for their donation of more than 100 pre-Columbian artifacts that they had collected during more than 30 years as missionaries in Peru and Mexico.



Earlier in the week, more than 1,000 Union students, faculty and staff participated in the seventh annual "Campus and Community: A Day of Remembrance and Service" and worked on more than 60 service projects in the local community. ☛

Cross Country championships highlight fall sports



Conference championships in men's and women's cross country highlighted a successful fall athletics season at Union.

The women won their eighth consecutive conference title; for the men, it was a seventh straight title.

At the national championship meets in Vancouver, Wash., Union's men placed 28th as a team, while the women's team recorded a 29th place finish. Alex Bett was the top male Union runner with a 39th place individual finish in the 8 kilometer race (25:58); Allison Martin was the highest finisher among the Union women, taking 166th place in the 5 kilometer race (20:41).

Men's soccer started the season 8-0, recording six shutouts and allowing only two goals during that stretch. The team finished with a 13-5-1 regular season record. Both the men's and women's teams advanced to the second round of their conference tournaments.

The volleyball team took its fourth regular-season conference title, rolling up an impressive 13-1 mark in conference match play and an overall record of 24-9. They advanced to the semi-final round of the conference tournament. Senior Kelsey Duling was named a Daktronics-NAIA Volleyball Scholar Athlete.

Men's golf team captured the RedHawk Classic title in November, setting Union records for low round and low round versus par. ☛