TABLE OF CONTENTS

Concordia University Celebrates Military Appreciation Day in Sea Foam Stadium

NEWS

Book of the Year p. 3 Office Relocations p. 3 Reaching Out to Hmong American Families p. 4 Veteran Resources p. 4 Erik Paulsen's Visit to Concordia p. 5 Government Job and Internship Fair p. 5 Faculty and Department Changes p. 5 Homecoming at Concordia p. 6 Greetings from President Holst p. 6 Meet the Editors p. 7

OPINION / EDITORIAL

Concordia Speaks on Nationalized Healthcare p. 8 The Great Concordia Parking Snafu p. 9 Tips and Tricks for First Years p. 10 Need Financial Aid? p. 10

Sea Foam Stadium Benefits Entire University p. 11 CU Dance Team Named Offical Sport p. 12 Volleyball is Top in Nation p. 12 Coach Stockwell's Farewell p. 12 Upcoming Home Games p. 12 Carlander Field is New Home for Softball p. 13 Volleyball's Winning Streak p. 13 Concordia Women's Golf p. 13

ARTS AND VARIETY

Theatre Students Contribution to Fall Show p. 14 Guest Artist Spotlight: Elizabeth Streiff p. 14 Thumbs Up/Thumbs Down p. 15 Method to Madness: Freshman Rush p. 15 Campus Club Classifieds p. 16 New Lecture Series p. 18 Live Art in the Twin Cities p. 18

HUMOR

Ooh, I think I'm Paranoid... p. 19 King Jong-II To Imprision Own Pancreas p. 19 CSP Professor to be Abused by Police p. 19

BACK COVER

CU Homecoming



Greetings faculty, staff and students of Concordia University, St. Paul.

As the school year begins I know we are all already busier than we thought possible. But I hope you all can make time for the fun things that the fall brings such as bonfires, cool nights, red leaves, campus events, and of course football in the new Seafoam Stadium!

To the first year students here at Concordia I would like to welcome you to our community. A little advice, make sure you try to get involved with things on campus because it makes the experience all the better. It is always good to get involved so you meet people and become a part of the college atmosphere.

The new theme for the 2009-2010 academic school year is, "The Light Shines in the Darkness." We should all keep this in mind as the school days press on, I think it can give everyone a piece of hope when those endless hours of work start to pile up, or with any other situation the stressful year may bring.

Again welcome back to Concordia, and I wish you all the best in the upcoming weeks of the semester!

Helena Woodruff

Editor in Chief



THE SWORD STAFF

EDITOR IN CHIEF Helena Woodruff

NEWS EDITOR Will Lange

SPORTS EDITOR Stephen Lybeck

OPINION EDITOR Brennan Blomgren

ARTS and VARIETY EDITOR Rachel Kuhnle

LAYOUT/DESIGN DIRECTOR Bri Traquair

PHOTOGRAPHY DIRECTOR Annie Pitschka

CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

Kristi Heidi, Samantha Jensen, Kevin Jose, Israel Lopez, Helena Woodroff, Ashley Marzolf, Phillips Scholars, Eman Abdullah, Will Lange, T.G. Schoenberg, Bll Lueck, Stephen Lybeck, Hlee Yang

PRODUCTION Bri Traquair, Danielle Schlobohm, Annie Pitschka

PHOTOGRAPHERS Annie Pitschka, Kristi Heidi, Stephen Lybeck

FACULTY ADVISER Eric Dregni