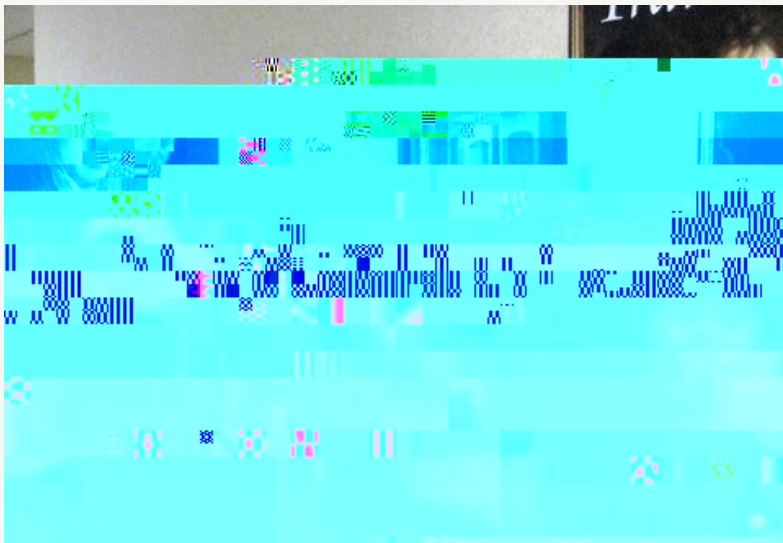




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Notes From The Chair *Dr. Ledford-Miller*



Faculty Activities

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News from alumni

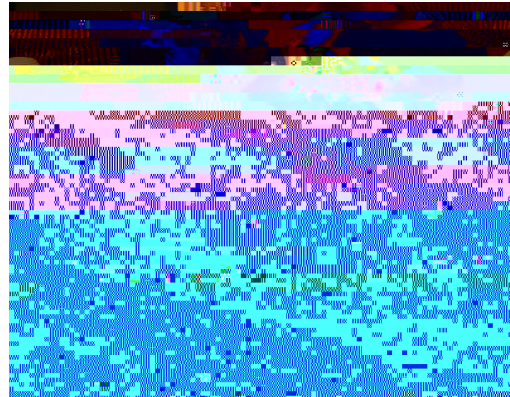
French Film Series

Mexican Mariachi

Wedding Bells

A Student Story

Arabic Puppet Show



Isaac Díaz enjoying the Arabic Puppet Show

Habib Zanzana-

Dr. Zanzana was interviewed live on WNEP on March 30 with a student to talk about an upcoming Arabic puppet show. He was asked to do performances at the Timmy Town Center in Steamtown on April 10 & 11 at 2pm. The interview took place at the Timmy Town Center at the Steamtown Mall. Dr. Zanzana was told not to look at the camera and to hold one of the puppets in his hands. "I did OK for first time local TV and Fabiana Vargas, my student in Arabic 102, was terrific too" said Dr. Zanzana.

"Timmy Town Center is a not for profit children s museum and I am happy that my students are involved in something that integrates language skills, cultural diversity, and community service. This is an original show I wrote with the students of the U of S; we built, painted, and dressed up the puppet; there is an original script, an original song, an original dance and interactive features in Arabic that will delight everyone. The actors are students of the U and our secretary, Joyce Knott, will also perform a dance as part of her role as the goddess who tames the terrible monster. So as you see, we have tapped talents from everywhere at the U," adds Dr. Zanzana.



Ma at, The Flying Egyptian Goddess

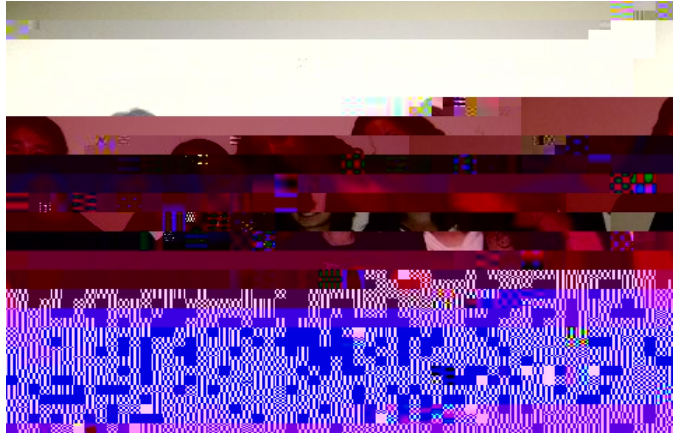
The Arabic Puppet Characters

Ammit, The Monster who kidnaps Leila

On Friday, December 4th, 2009, Dr. Habib Zanzana and his Arabic 101 students performed the very first official Arabic puppet show entitled *Leila and the Mythical Sandbox*. This special show delivered a unique array of Arabic language, Egyptian culture, and Arabic homemade food that attracted over 100 members of the University community. The puppets, stage, and even the prizes were uniquely handmade by both the Arabic 101 students and student workers from the Language Learning Center. The audience also contributed to the show

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TEACHING ASSISTANTS 2009-2010



From Left to Right: Kei Hinohara, Maryam Alkhawaja, Marion Denis, WanWan Zhou, Estefanía González

The Department of World Languages and Cultures of the University Scranton had a very special event this semester!



Students and Faculty had the chance to listen to the most traditional and popular mariachi songs:

Dolores completed her undergraduate studies in music performance at the University de Guadalajara, she is an accomplished singer, plays the piano, and the guitar. She currently teaches music to children in Guadalajara, Jalisco México. She is also a good friend of Estefanía González, a teaching assistant in the department.

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