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Fund Drive has head start with 16% of goal in already

by Patti Leach

Although many would not believe it, Christopher Newport College has some people who are ahead of their time. This was evident at the kick-off meeting of the fourth annual CNC Fund Drive chairman's meeting on February 28.

The meeting was scheduled initially to allow those working on the fund drive to discuss plans for the campaign, but circumstances turned it into the first report meeting.

Mr. Ed Harris, Chairman of the Fund Drive, started the ball rolling with the announcement that 5,000 letters of introduction were being sent to the community nouncement that 5,000 letters of introduction were being sent to community businesspersons, 2,800 of whom are CNC graduates.

The \$125,000 goal set by the cabinet members has been cut by 16 percent due to current collection of money. Although the fund drive initially was scheduled to begin March 1, \$21,000 already had been collected, starting the drive off on the right foot.

Mrs. Mary Passage Vice Rector of the Board of Visitors, announced she has reached \$6,450.00 of her \$10,000.00 goal and has not yet received contributions from all of the Board members.

Mr. Chip Buxton, head of the Professionals, has obtained 15.36 percent of his \$7,000 goal. Two CNC students, Carrie Calhoun and Jamie Powell, are working with Buxton. Mr. Frank Bloxom, in charge of the business/industry sector, has reached the 25.2 percent mark of his \$20,000 goal. John Marks, business/retail, has achieved 28.01 percent of his \$10,000 goal.

Dr. Steve Sanderlin, of CNC's English Department, is in charge of the College division of the drive. His goal is \$13,000, and he has obtained 11.09 percent of that amount.

Representing the student sector for Ms. Jill Willig was Ms. Lisa Cipriano, Vice President of the Student Association, who announced that letters were underway to parents of students. The student fund drive will be extended until the end of June.

Mrs. June Falk is involved with the



(photo by Bruce Laubach)

Lisa Cipriano speaks at Fund Drive kick-off.

Friends of the College and the Patrons of the Arts. Each area has a \$10,000 goal; they have reached 31.05 percent and 12.25 percent, respectively, of their goals. Mr. Andy Pariontieri, representing the organizational sector, has already held a breakfast meeting with several civic clubs and organizations on the Peninsula. Sixteen organizations have shown support for CNC.

Mr. David Kahn, a CNC alumni, is in charge of that division and has obtained 14.45 percent of his \$10,000 goal. Mr. Kahn plans to use the phone-a-thon that was successful in last year's efforts and is currently working on a "special project" with Mr. Larry Bell of Peninsula Honda-Subaru.

The future looks bright for the fund drive. Mr. John Pugh, chairman of the Board of Visitors Development and Public Relations Committee, announced that he was "excited about the people as well as the dollars that have been collected." He also stated that community participation in the drive looks very promising. "There are so many things going on here [at CNC] which are valuable to the community."

Mr. Harrol Brauer, Rector of the Board of Visitors, closed out the meeting by expressing his thanks to all those who took the time to participate in this worthy cause. The next meeting will be held on March 13.



Pseudolus (Bill Curby) plays on *Hysterium's* (David Scoggins) good nature and fear in trying to bring together *Philia* and *Hero*, the two young lovers, in CNC's production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, playing Friday and Saturday evening.

Realtors to address students on importance of voting

by Darlene R. Willett

On March 11, 12, 25, and 26 representatives from the Political Affairs of the Newport News-Hampton Board of Realtors will be on campus to speak to college students about voting registration.

Figures from the 1970 census (which should be lower than the present figure) show that 85,800 people were eligible to vote in the Hampton General Assembly elections in November. In that election, 12,852 people actually voted. Therefore, less than 17% of the total population eligible to vote were responsible for electing the representative from that area. In Newport News, only 51% of the population eligible to vote is registered, and only 26% actually voted. Possible reasons for voter apathy are:

1. *Voter apathy can result from a feeling that individuals outside the political arena can do little to influence political decisions.* For example, a vast majority of Americans are dissatisfied with present tax laws. However, only 2% of the total U.S. population actively complain through letters, telephone calls, or lobbying about the situation. Business lobby, activist groups lobby, but most Americans have a tendency to sit back in the comfort of their homes and converse with friends and family about present political affairs; they do not direct their input to officials who are in a position to do something about the problem. This does not mean that Americans do not care, but rather that most Americans feel powerless to accomplish a change and do little to accept the responsibility of initiating such a changes.

2. *Voter apathy can result from a mistrust in the ability to make an intelligent decision.* Many people feel they know little about what policies the candidates hold; they feel that it is impossible to differentiate between campaign promises and tactics used to get votes and what the candidates will do once they are elected. Many Americans feel that politics is a "game" and that they do not have enough information to comprehend the reality of what is actually happening.

3. *Voter apathy can result from the complexity of current issues.* Many "current issues" are presented to the public in such a manner that the average individual finds it hard to understand exactly what the issues involve. Therefore, they do not feel competent to make a rational decision based on the information available.

All of the above possibilities are factors influencing voter apathy, but there are many things that can be done to alleviate the problem. The first step is to define the problem. Apathy suggests a lack of interest or concern, but this is not the case

for many individuals. Perhaps this situation should be referred to as "voter frustration" or "voter disappointment." This part of the problem can be solved by increased public awareness. Americans should realize that their votes do count and that they can understand current issue by reading news articles, magazines, and attending which are being held all across the country.

Mrs. Doris Eagle, Chairman of the Political Affairs Committee, suggests that working for candidates during election periods is an excellent way to gain insight into the political process and to learn which policies a candidate supports.

Mrs. Eagle explained that the Board of Realtors is interested in voter registration because homeowners comprise a large segment of the U.S. population. In the 1980 session of the Virginia General Assembly, over 350 bills concerning homeowners were presented. This legislation dealt with such topics as rent control, lending, and pre-payment mortgage penalties. Voting concerns many students at CNC, and the Political Affairs Committee will be available to provide that opportunity.

Voting registration regulations are quite simple. Residents who will be 18 on or before the date of the next election and have registered 30 days prior to the election date are eligible to vote. There is no specification of the period of time that you have been a resident in the area; however, residents must notify the Registrar of any change in address (including new residents in the area). Dates, places, and times of registration will be published in the next issue of the *Captain's Log*.

Pardon me, my slip is showing!!!

In last week's issue (February 28), two photos were placed on the wrong pages. The photograph of the little girl appearing on page 1 should have been on page 4 with the article "Sorority adopts new sister"; the photo accompanying that article should have appeared on page 1 with the story on the CNC production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*.

We can honestly say that the mistake was not ours. The photos were correctly marked by the photography editor at the time of layout. The mix-up occurred later at the printing plant, where photographs must be screened prior to printing. Ironically, this was the last issue to be printed by that concern.

We apologize to those concerned. These things do happen, even in large city newspapers.

Campus Close-Up

Information for Campus Close-up must be submitted by 10 a.m. on the Monday preceding the next scheduled issue of the Captain's Log. Any notices received after that will be printed only if space and time permit.

All other articles and letters to the Editor must be submitted by 4 p.m. the same day.

Inter-Club Council meets

There will be a meeting of the Inter-Club Council on Mon., Mar. 10, at 12 noon in CC-227. All clubs/organizations are urged to have representation at each Inter-Club Council meeting and are also urged to check the mailbox in the Office of Student Affairs upstairs in the Campus Center.

Financial aid deadline Mar. 15

Students are reminded that the deadline for filing Financial Aid Forms (FAF) for the current school year is March 15, 1980. The FAF is used to determine eligibility for Basic Grants as well as other Federal, State, and Local Financial Aid Programs. In order for your FAF to be processed, it must be postmarked not later than March 15, 1980.

The necessary forms are available in the Financial Aid Office in Room 121 of the Library.

Volleyball Clinics scheduled

The Peninsula Volleyball Club will conduct a volleyball clinic each Monday night from 7 to 8 p.m. in Ratcliff Gym. Those persons interested in learning the techniques of volleyball or further developing their present skills may do so under the guidance of the finest volleyball players in the Tidewater area. This is a great opportunity to learn and participate in the world's number two sport.

The Peninsula Volleyball Club will conduct its own team practice after 8 p.m. Clinic participants are invited to observe the team or continue to play on their own on the second court.

The first session of the clinic will be held Monday, March 10.

'Helmsmen' needs staff

The Helmsman, CNC's new yearbook, is looking for a few good people. The staff needs volunteers to help in layout, writing, and editing. No previous experience is necessary.

Interested persons may contact Ann Stafford in room 206 of the Campus Center for further information. We need your help to make the yearbook a success.

Club photos to be taken

Attention, All Clubs:
You have only a few weeks left to have your photos taken for the yearbook. Spring break will be your last chance. After this time, the yearbook will not be able to give you any space. This space is free and available to all clubs and organizations. So before it's too late, contact

Bruce Laubach, photo editor of The Helmsman, in the Graphics Room, 223 in the Campus Center, during the following hours:

9-11 a.m. Monday through Friday; 5-9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday; 12-9 p.m. Tuesday, and noon-2 p.m. Wednesday.

Sociologists reorganize

The Sociology/Social Work Club has been reactivated this year on the CNC campus. The purposes of the club are to meet the mutual and individual needs of sociology and social work majors and minors, establish a line of communication between students and faculty, be of service to the surrounding community, aid in departmental recruitment, and provide a good time for all.

Club members were informed of programs and activities available at the recent AKD-national honor society for sociology-conference in Richmond during the January meeting and offered financial assistance and school transportation to attend. Plans are now in the making for providing transportation for those interested in attending the Virginia Council on Social Welfare (VCSW) Conference in March, also to be held in Richmond. There will be many workshops and institutes of interest to students in disciplines other than sociology and social work.

The club has also provided a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside of the Sociology/Social Work office so that any students needing or desiring particular courses within those curriculums during the summer, fall, or spring semesters of 1980-81 may so indicate before the schedules are finalized.

In the interest of providing good times, the first club social event was an evening of fun at the home of Cheryl Gibbs. The next occasion, planned for March 8, is a

buffet dinner to be held at the York-Poquoson Social Services Building in Grafton. The dinner is for all Sociology/Social Work Club and AKD members, faculty, alumni, and guests and will include initiation of new AKD members.

The officers would like to make a special appeal to all sociology majors and minors to participate in club activities. The next meeting is March 14 and attendance is very important because of the election of officers for 1980-81.

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editorial

Letters to the Editor

All letters submitted to the *Captain's Log* must be signed. Names will be withheld at the discretion of the Editor. Address and phone number is required for file purposes only.

Letters are not edited in any way, but are printed as we receive them. We reserve the right to refrain from printing due to lack of space or failure to meet the deadline.

Letters printed in the *Captain's Log* should not be construed as representing the views of the staff. We welcome comments, suggestions, and criticism of a constructive nature.

Dear Editor:

After reading the editorial concerning the cafeteria and its many failures and myself being a new employee of the cafeteria, [sic] I was not going to make any comment concerning it, but the reaction to the "hot students" and their complaints have been many and I felt the person's [sic] responsible for such an article should know about them.

First, I am going to assume that these students and editor do not have names since the article was left unsigned. Secondly, like all our regular customers that eat there daily, when they have a complaint they usually will talk to one of the employee's [sic] or to the manager and a solution is usually reached. I again assume that these students did talk to someone, but this time to no avail since the editorial was written.

As stated above, I am a new employee and would like to say, I have been shown nothing but kindness and patience by the students that use the cafeteria. Since your editorial appeared in the paper, those same students and professors have enforced my opinion of anyone that would complain of such things. The "over-all consensus" being that they had to fill the space in the paper or had no one else left to attack! They all seem to feel that it will be "somebody else" next time! I would like to say at this point "thank-you" because it seems the students are coming back more often to discuss your editorial and enlighten me on the reputation of the paper. Business is Booming!!

As to the remark about the cooking. I have several suggestions. If these "hot students" feel they can do it faster, please contact the manager, I feel sure she would want you at the grill or you could place your steak order early in the day and pick up your cold but quick steak sub sandwich with cheese. Now, having to wait fifteen minutes, really! It that be the case, the lunch rush would last three hours rather than the 45 minutes to one hour, considering the number of people that purchase something to eat during this time.

As far as you questioning the integrity of the cashiers, one of them being myself, I answer to no one except myself and my conscience. I can assure you my conscience is clear. I do think you should question your integrity as an editor, but then the first amendment of the Bill of

Rights does relieve you of any conscience, doesn't it?

Now concerning the complaints about the prices, the main one mentioned being cheese. I will again assume the "hot students" have had some experience in cost analysis, and therefore know what they are complaining about. Also, if they will inform us where you can buy cheese for five cents a slice, we will get in touch with them. The next complaint being about the different prices charged for the same item. I have been told the prices have changed since last semester, which may be causing some confusion, or let's face it, we all make mistakes!

As I end this, I would like to pass on a quotation to the "Hot students" and the editor that tells everyone a little something about the people involved. The quotation is as follows and I'm sure you have heard it, "The difference between men and boys is the price of their toys!"

Honestly submitted,
Linda Harvey, Cashier.

Editor's note:

We would like to make a few points concerning Ms. Harvey's letter:

1. It is assumed that the editor writes the editorial [not "article"] unless there is another editor specified for such a purpose in the staff box.

2. When we receive complaints from the student body and have found these complaints to be justified, we consider it our prerogative to write an editorial about the problem.

3. In the past there have been times when an editorial has not appeared in the paper. We do not write our editorials to fill space—there is no point in barking when there is nothing to bark at.

4. The lunch rush referred to would not last three hours with the amount of students who order grill items. The reason the line looks so long is because people have to stand and wait for their order. If you glance at the line ten minutes later, you will see the same faces. The lunch rush really exists at restaurants around town.

5. We were not insinuating that the cashiers are crooked and charge extra for

their own profit. We feel, however, that there should be some consistency in the prices charged. Perhaps a training session on prices for all cashiers would promote uniformity.

6. We question the price of the chesse because we know that the state purchases items in bulk. As to the question of five cents per slice, the fact remains that we expect the overhead to be included in the prices, but is the cafeteria there to make a profit or serve the students?

We also have a quote to pass along which seems more pertinent to the subject than the one made by Ms. Harvey: "Don't bite the hand that feeds you." It should be obvious where we don't eat anymore.

Dear Editor:

I am compelled to voice my agreement with Ms. Susan Scarborough-Scotti regarding the Physical Education distribution requirement. I have always considered this an absurd requirement, and I, too, have neither the time nor the financial resources to pay for two semesters of games.

In my experience, I have found that the courses are not always what they are described as being. In a burst of energy and concern over my physical well-being, I registered for a summer session of Physical Conditioning in June of 1976. I had been led to believe that physical conditioning was an intensive course in running, calisthenics, and other activities designed to improve one's cardiovascular and muscular endurance; instead, all we did was play volleyball. If I had wanted to take volleyball, I would have registered for volleyball.

In fact, I took one semester of "Badminton and Volleyball" at another college, but for some reason the credit did not transfer although all thirty-two other credits did.

I, too, would like to see the requirements changed. I have done as Ms. Scotti suggested and voiced my opinion in writing to both the Student Association and the Executive Council.

Sincerely,
Angie V. Watterton

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Sports

Lady Captains clinch third place in State Division III

by David Bean

The Lady Captains have done the seemingly impossible: they have come in third in the State Division III final regular season standings, having beaten two of three teams in the tournament and winning the at-large spot to go to the Eastern Regionals in Maryville, Tennessee.

The tournament this year was hosted by the College of Emory and Henry. CNC played Clinch Valley in the opening round. Gwynn Drewry opened up the game with a couple of scores, setting the pace of the game. After the first ten minutes, the Lady Captains had run up a ten-point lead. At the 14-minute mark of the first half, they got a gift from Clinch Valley: Kathy Mahan, who had been a big factor in the Cavaliers' victory over CNC just a week earlier, got her fourth personal foul and had to sit out a good part of the game. At the end of the first half, CNC led, 36-30.

When the second half got underway, CNC was starting to dominate the game. Seven minutes into the second half, CNC ran up a 19-point lead, but lost Linda Richardson for a while after she received her fourth foul. With time in the second half running out, Clinch Valley became more daring and aggressive. They began to foul several of the CNC players. As a result, both Linda Richardson and Gloria Freeman hit several foul shots which did in Clinch Valley. Richardson had a game high of 29 points with 22 rebounds. Teammate Gwynn Drewry had 27 points and 16 rebounds, while Patty Kelliher had 16 points.

The next game was played Friday evening against Bridgewater, who had defeated Ferrum College 85-65 the day before. CNC had suffered a loss on the road against Bridgewater earlier in the season, and this should have set the stage for a close, intense match-up. CNC grabbed an early lead, but it didn't last long. The shots would just not drop in for the Lady Captains. At the 15:05 mark of the first half, Bridgewater took the lead and kept it for the rest of the game. CNC brought it close at several points in the game, but when the half ended, Bridgewater was leading, 40-29.

The second half was not as bad as the first, but the damage had been done. Although the Lady Captains brought the score within five points at one time, they just couldn't seem to crack the defense.

On Saturday, the final day of the tournament, CNC went against Roanoke College. Roanoke had beaten Randolph-Macon, 75-68, then lost to Lynchburg College in the semifinals, so they ended up slugging it out with CNC.

The game was fairly close at the start, but this didn't last long. Both teams put everything they had into this game, and it showed. CNC's defense was much tighter in this game than in previous ones, but the offense is what made it alive. Senior Jill Willig pumped in two straight bas-

kets to pull the Captains out of a tight spot when the score was close. When half time rolled around, CNC was ahead, 45-41. As the second half started, Gloria Freeman hit a blistering outside shot which put

CNC up by six. The rest of the half was tight, with Roanoke taking the lead at several points. The Ladies were shooting more accurately than the night before. The game got rather sticky towards the

end, but CNC hung on to the game, 88-86, taking third place in the state tournament.

Linda Richardson was the leading vote-getter in the all-tournament team.

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