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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calendar of events

Do you have any upcoming event for the summer and fall you want noted in the CNC Calendar of Events? If so, please submit your information to the Office of Public Relations.

--Submitted by Jo Ann Barbour

Reminder

The Office of Public Relations will become "College Relations effective July 1, 1990.

New Hourly Appointment

Sarah J. Greene, Housekeeping Worker, Physical Plant

FACULTY, STAFF, STUDENT NEWS

Faculty

Norma Brown has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Virginia Association of Adult and Continuing Education (VAACE) to chair the Development Committee for 1990-91.

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Four students in Mr. Gilbert Crippen's Physical Geography course won awards at the Va. Geographical Society contest held in May at Western Albermarle High School near Charlottesville.

A First Place was won by Pat Boyd for a model of three river stages. President's Choice awards went to: Debbie Donaldson for a research paper on the impact of the jet stream, Rebecca Norfleet for a model of the water cycle, and Bill Beane for a project on the death of the Aral Sea.

Mr. Crippen is teacher of Geography at Denbigh High School and lecturer in Geography at CNC.

Have some information you'd like to share with the CNC community?
Please submit your information in memo form to the Office of Public Relations
before noon on Wednesday
Need information?...call 594-7039.

Graduate Studies Director

Dr. A. M. Buoncristiani, Professor of Physics at Christopher Newport College, has accepted assignment as the College's first director of graduate studies. The assignment is effective July 1, 1990. In his new capacity, Dr. Buoncristiani will be responsible for the conduct of the processes leading to the identification of a graduate faculty, for the development of administrative processes attendant to graduate studies at Christopher Newport College, for the conduct and further development of governance processes relating to graduate studies at the College, for the development and production of literature pertaining to the program, for the coordination of the development of new degree offerings at the graduate level, and for overseeing the processes necessary for the institution to secure the related change from level two (baccalaureate) to level three (magisterial) in its Southern Association accreditation status.

In my memorandum of May 2 to the Faculty in which I solicited expressions of interest in this assignment, I noted that:

The choices we make ... in the coming months to deal with these matters will have consequences that will reach far into the future of the College and that will likely affect not only the nature and quality of our first graduate program but the nature and quality of graduate programs as yet unimagined. [Accordingly], ... inasmuch as we are entering institutionally uncharted waters, the director should be a person in whom we can place an order of confidence commensurate with the responsibility of navigating in such an environment. Above all else, the director should be a person whose professional history exemplifies the qualities that the Southern Association requires of graduate faculty, namely that they should be " ... productive, creative scholars ... ," that they should " hold the highest earned degree in their discipline," and that they should have demonstrated "commitment to the academic community and the institution which they serve, as well as to their students and their academic disciplines."

I believe there can be no doubt in the minds of members of the CNC academic community that Professor Buoncristiani meets these tests well, indeed. You will be hearing from him with some frequency in the coming year as the activities for which he is responsible take shape and unfold. I ask that each of us lend him our support and assistance in his new assignment, for his success in this important endeavor will, in substantial measure, be success for our institution and for each of us as well.

-- Vice President for Academic Affairs