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Students Apprehended, Angry After Registration

First-Year Students Storm The Freeman Center After Camping Out Prior To Registration

BY REBECCA RICHARDSON
Staff Writer

Registration is an annual event for all classes here at CNU. Waiting long hours in cold and rain to get that one all-important class characterize the event a year after year. But for this year's freshman class, what is usually an anxious but orderly event turned into a mob.

Freshmen began camping out for registration as early as 11:30 the night before, hoping to get into sections with few seats left or with the professor who they wanted.

Things were amicable until around 6 a.m. At this point, about 100 people showed up to the registration line. They milled about, making the line wider instead of longer, until at 6:30, employees began to set up for the hoard outside. At these first signs of activity, the mob rushed the locked doors, smashing students against the glass.

"We all know that everyone gets anxious around registration time, but that does not mean people should act like they have lost their minds," said a senior who wrote an e-mail.

As students continued to wait for doors to open, the crowd got more and more unruly. One student was apprehended for carrying a pellet gun and shooting windows of the Freeman Center. After doors opened, the police ordered a line to be formed. One hundred twenty-three students complied with the police's orders. The rest of the crowd continued to force its way to the front of the line. The students who complied with the police were asked to go to the back of the line to help regain order.

"Our police department has never had to deal with anything of this nature for class registration! They were completely unprepared for

the events of that morning," said sophomore Police Aide Jack Gibson. Gibson was involved in the events of Thursday.

These events have sparked a flurry of responses from upperclassmen and freshmen alike.

"The freshmen need to calm down and take what life gives [them]. First the failed freshmen elections, now this," said senior Frank Maxley in a recent e-mail.

Many of the freshmen that were involved are blaming CNU for the lack of organization. However, upperclassmen tend to disagree.

"What happened Thursday involving registration was not CNU's fault. Let me remind you that you are all adults, and as such should take responsibility for your own actions, and not blame them on the school. This only occurred during freshmen registration, no one else had a problem," said sophomore residential assistant Emily Anderson.

"My basic opinion is that the freshman class needs to grow up. Every class had to go through that registration process, and no one had a problem but the freshman. That seems to be a theme for this year: things that no one has ever had a problem with are all of a sudden major issues within the freshman class. Unfortunately, this is the work of a few individuals, and those individuals are giving the whole class a bad reputation," said freshman Megan Tubbs.

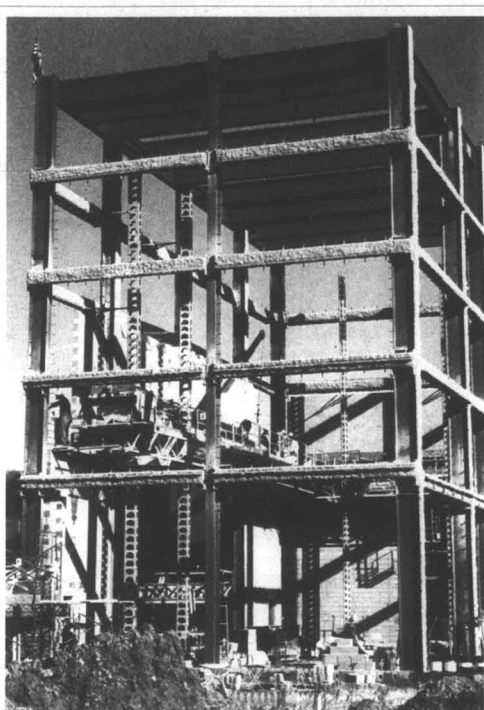
Many students, freshmen and upperclassmen alike, echo these sentiments.

"You can't blame the entire freshman class and the people who camped out for what happened with the mob effect," said freshman Yvonne Ohnberger.

"Our entire class is being looked down on because of a few people. Only half of the freshman class was even there, and only a few of them were being obnoxious, so should we really be stereotyped as animals or kids because a few people are immature?" said freshman Jessica Hamilton.

Freshman Jacqueline Hames left her class with some advice:

"I would like to challenge the rest of the class of 2006 to strive to be as mature as possible at all times, courteous and respectful. If we want to gain any measure of respect back from the rest of the school, it is time we showed some in return."



Construction continues on the Fine Arts Center off Shoe Lane. Construction of the facility is designed take place in several phases. The current phase, Phase One, is expected to last another year and will not be affected by the budget cuts.

Construction Not Affected By State-Mandated Cuts

Construction On Schedule According To University Officials, Second Phase Of Fine Arts Center May Start By End Of Year

BY KRISTA JONES
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Dump trucks and construction workers seem to be a constant on CNU's campus.

Their existence is guaranteed now as the Higher Education Bond Referendum was passed earlier this month.

Not to worry, no con-

struction will be stalled as a result of the budget cuts.

But when will it end?

Are we even on schedule?

According to university officials, we are, and construction will not slow.

Over the summer, York River, the new freshman residence hall, opened its doors. Even though it was not fully completed, in other words certain corners were cut to finish the project on time, first-year students moved in as scheduled.

The Center for the Arts construction remains in full swing this semester.

The Center for the Arts is in Phase One of completion. This phase is expected to last another year.

According to Margaret Yancey, University Director of Development, the completion of two theaters is included in the first phase, one of which will seat 500 and the other 200.

Phase Two, which includes a 1,700-seat concert hall, could begin before the end of the year.

All projects are progressing on schedule said Yancey, Sophomore Rachel Bosley

said, "I believe that progress is necessary to compete in today's society.

On the other hand, our school is going through rough times right now. The new dorms and the Fine Arts Center are a step in the right direction but the timing couldn't be worse."

Other projects, such as the renovation and expansion of the Information

Technology Center/Library and Gosnell Hall, as well as the conversion of the

Student Center to academic space, will occur due to the passing of the General Obligation Bond (GOB) on Nov. 5, according to Yancey.

"Virginia's recent budget cut will not affect construction around the campus.

"Considering that the money for construction comes from a separate fund for programs for students, I think it is wonderful how much CNU is growing. The bigger it gets, the more

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Nurses Saved Last Week

Wilson Holds Off Class And Finally Tells Students The Good News, They Rejoice

BY ASHLEY WILSON
Staff Writer

When the juniors in the nursing program woke up last Tuesday morning, they expected the most noteworthy event of the day to be their 8 a.m. pharmacology exam.

They couldn't have been more wrong. Instead, the nursing program was somewhat salvaged.

Their first clue that this day was going to be unusual came when at 8 a.m. when they were greeted not by their professor, Dr. Angela Wilson, but by their psychology teacher.

She had dropped in to inform them that Wilson had been detained in a meeting, postponing their exam until their 1 p.m. class.

The students instinctively knew exactly what meeting Dr. Wilson was attending. Each of them was certain that their professor, along with President Tribble, was performing final negotiations to gain much-talked-about funding from RIVERSIDE Hospital. If the hospital did not provide the monies needed to extend the soon-to-be-eliminated nursing program for an extra year, then most of these junior students would be facing transfer.

Suddenly, they had more to be nervous about than their exam.

One o'clock came and went, and still Wilson had not appeared. A sense of foreboding fell over the twenty-six juniors. As one particularly nervous student, Carrie Winters, remarked, "We expected something not good." The minutes seemed more like hours until 1:15 finally produced their professor.

"The first thing they said was, 'If you know anything, tell us,'" said Wilson.

The professor paused. Then she broke into a big grin.

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Anime Interest Doubles

Club shows that Anime is not just a cartoon, but a door to culture.

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Dixie Conference, Take 2

CNU football wins its second consecutive Dixie Conference Championship.

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Campus In Brief

Recycling Now At JRH

Recycling is now available in the trash rooms of James River Hall courtesy of the Biology Club.

Campus Ministries Builds 'Castle Of Caring'

Campus Ministries Association's "Castle of Caring" will be built in the Student Center Lounge the week before Thanksgiving. Please donate canned food to help build the castle.

Circle K Sells Decorations To Help Youth

Nov. 18-22 Circle K will be selling "decorate-yourself" ornaments for the campus Christmas Tree in the Student Center Breezeway. The money raised will go to "A Time for Smiles" which is money for Boys and Girls Clubs.

Circle K is also collecting Yoplait lids for the Susan G. Komen Foundation for Breast Cancer. Collection boxes are located outside of the Student Center, Room 204.

Delta Sigma Theta Sponsors Angel Tree

The Annual Angel Tree, sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is located in front of the DST bulletin board in the main lobby of the Student Center until Dec. 5. The tree will help provide gifts for underprivileged children.

Psychology Club and Psi Chi Sponsor Food Drive

Psychology Club and Psi Chi are holding a canned food drive Nov. 18-22. Collection boxes are available in the Student Center, Wingfield, and the residence halls.

CNU Presents Passed By SGA

CNU Presents Club, a club to foster interest for knowledge of different fields of theater was passed by SGA on Monday.

Class of 2006 Club Rejected

Also on Monday, the motion to pass the club of Class of 2006 was rejected by SGA Senators.

What Is Your IQ On Current Events?

CNU Students Seemed To Have An 'Encyclopedic' Knowledge Of Popular Culture, But Did Not Fare Well When It Came To Politics And Basic CNU History

BY ASHLEY WILSON
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According to the CNU student body, Yasser Arafat is an obese Jewish man in a turban, Governor Warner's first name is "Uh... Governor?," and CNU was a community college until 1996. Maybe.

While CNU's admissions rates have soared 300% in the last five years, and while the university recently admitted what has been called the smartest, largest class in the school's history, the simple fact of the matter is that CNU students are not exactly street smart.

When it comes to who's rocking MTV's Total Request Live, "kids have a near encyclopedic knowledge," says Resident Advisor Joseph

Simmons, a sophomore at the university.

Throw current events their way however, and college students tend to stammer or blink innocently ("I didn't even know the UN was in Iraq," gasped freshman Lia Ortiz).

"The fact is that kids don't have newspapers lying around and don't watch TV, especially news, as much," Simmons remarked.

Freshman, sophomores, juniors and seniors alike fared miserably in a 15-question non-scientific survey containing inquiries ranging in topic from politics to popular culture to CNU history.

Politics was by far the bloodiest battleground for the students.

When asked to name the country's vice president, junior Ana Overman winced.

"Crap..." She paused for a moment, then smiled. "Oh, Cheney."

Senior Ryan Keiper, however, openly admitted that he had no idea. Most students were unaware that the state of Virginia had performed an execution last Thursday or that the UN was in Iraq inspecting weapons.

Freshman Meghan O'Brien knows that they are there, but she has no idea why.

"Peace," she says. "I'm pretty sure it's about world peace."

She also did not know who Yasser Arafat, leader of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, is.

"Wait - hold on a second." She pauses dramatically. "Is he Jerusalem's president? Some president

over there?"

While her guess may seem ironic, she fared perhaps a shade better than Britanny Barham, also a freshman, who believes that Arafat is the leader of Russia.

Students managed to eke out a few more right answers when it came to their school's history.

Most of them were indeed aware the President Paul Trible was a junior US Senator for the state of Virginia before he went on to lead CNU, and several knew that the school was at one time associated with the College of William and Mary (it began as a two year branch of this school in 1960 and did not become independent until 1964).

Few students knew that the school's namesake, Captain Christopher Newport, led the Jamestown voyage which included John Smith, although most knew that he lost an arm in a naval battle.

"He was Captain Hook," said Josh Noon, a freshman business major, with complete seriousness. "That's where that character came from."

Perhaps what is most surprising is that the overwhelming majority of CNU students believe that their university was at one time a community college which did not begin to enact any sort of admission standard until sometime in the 1980s.

Surprise.

While Christopher Newport did not become take on the name "University" until 1991 and did not add residence halls to its facility until 1994, admissions stan-

dards have always been in effect. Its admissions officers have always been more than welcome to accept students from all over the state and outside of it, provided that they meet those admissions standards. The school was never a community college. Tell all your friends.

The saving grace of the student body may be in its overwhelming (or, as Simmons termed it "encyclopedic") knowledge of popular culture. Almost every student interviewed knew not only that Eminem starred in the recent movie "8 Mile" (only one, the same Overman who correctly identified the vice president, remarked that she had never heard of the movie) but also that the star's real name was in fact Marshall Mathers.

Most of the students had a great deal to say about Jennifer Lopez's recent engagement to Ben Affleck; the aforementioned Barham even went so far as to remark that she hoped it wasn't true.

"I think Ben Affleck's hot, so..." Scrap the political science major.

Forget history. Perhaps what Christopher Newport needs is a program that prepares its students to become MTV veejays.

Meanwhile, SAT scores skyrocket. The admissions office is flooded with applications from all over the world. CNU boasts its status as the second most selective college in the commonwealth (trailing the University of Virginia by a narrow margin). Its students, however, would be well advised to stay off the streets.

World In Brief

U.S. Intelligence Confirms Audioteape Is Osama Bin Laden's Voice

U.S. intelligence has confirmed that the new tape recording of Osama bin Laden is an "authentic, unaltered, and recent recording" of bin Laden, according to "The New York Times." The recording was broadcast on the al-Jazeera Arab language television network, and sounds like bin Laden himself reading a prepared statement, which promised new terrorism against the United States and its allies.

The tape is the first proof in over a year that bin Laden is alive. Since the tape mentions recent terrorist attacks, officials concluded it was made within the last few weeks. The tape gives little insight into bin Laden's health or location, but U.S. officials believe that he is most likely hiding in a remote mountainous region in the border between Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Former Italian PM Sentenced To Prison

On Sunday, an Italian court overruled the acquittal of former Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti, 83, due to his connection with a 1979 murder, and the court sentenced him to 24 years in jail, according to "The New York Times."

His lawyer, Franco Coppi, said in a telephone interview that the court in Perugia had determined that Andreotti had instigated the killing of a journalist who was believed to be on the verge of publishing information that could have ruined Andreotti's political career.

Under the rules of the Italian judicial system, prosecutors were allowed to appeal Andreotti's initial acquittal. Andreotti has always maintained that the accusations against him were false.

Treatments For Heart Disease

Scientists reported Sunday that they are trying to develop treatments for heart disease by taking skin, muscle and blood cells from patients, engineering them in a laboratory, and then injecting them back into the patients.

They hope that the engineered cells will transform into heart cells in order to make failing hearts pump more effectively and extend the lives of many people with heart failure. This type of tissue engineering could someday help doctors eliminate the need for numerous transplants and the anti-rejection drugs used in transplantation. It would also reduce the need for repeated operations for children born with heart defects.

Want To Test Your IQ?

QUESTIONS:

1. When was the last execution in Virginia?
2. Who stars in new movie '8 Mile'?
3. Who is Virginia's Governor?
4. Who is CNU's SGA President?
5. Did the 1% increase in sales tax pass earlier this month?
6. Is Jennifer Lopez engaged to Ben Affleck?
7. Why is the United Nations in Iraq this week?
8. What political office did Paul Trible hold?
9. Who is the Vice President of the US?
10. When did CNU end its time as a community college?
11. Who is Yasser Arafat?
12. What is Eminem's real name?
13. Which political party leads the house / senate?
14. Who was Christopher Newport?
15. Did CNU win the football game on Saturday?

ANSWERS:

1. Last Thursday. Aimal Kahn Kasi, 38, had been convicted of killing two CIA employees and wounding three others in 1993.
2. Marshall Mathers aka Eminem
3. Mark Warner
4. Anna Williams
5. NO.
6. Yes.
7. UN arms inspectors returned to Baghdad in an effort to gain Iraq's cooperation in their campaign to eliminate Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.
8. US Senator.
9. Richard Cheney.
10. CNU was never a community college. The school ended its term as a two year branch of the College of William and Mary in 1964, four years after the branch's establishment.
11. Leader of the Palestinian Liberation Organization.
12. Marshall Mathers.
13. The Republican Party.
14. Head of the Jamestown voyage; also frequently a news courier between the New World Peninsula and Old World London, hence the name of his landing site, "Newport News."
15. Yes. CNU won the Dixie Conference title by beating Ferrum College 35-7.



Dreaming Is A Good Thing In This Class

BY MELISSA MOY
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Dreams can transform lives if individuals are willing to make changes in their lives, a dream researcher says.

Understanding dreams is more important than trying to interpret them, said Fariba Bogzaran, an associate professor and Founding Director of the Dream Studies Program at JFK University.

"In understanding dreams, you are much more open to see what the dream is trying to tell you," Bogzaran said. Bogzaran, who has a background in art and psychology, entered the

field of dream studies in 1982.

One third of our lives is spent in sleep, and one third of that time we dream, Bogzaran said. "Dreams are like multi-faceted diamonds," she said. "Depending on which angle, you can get different meanings from it. I like to work with one dream for a long time ... and unravel it little by little."

JFK is one of a handful of accredited institutions offering a certificate in dream studies. The program exposes students to a variety of ways to work with dreams, Bogzaran said. Classes include cross-cultural history of dreams, dreams in sciences, shamanism, and art

and dreams.

About 30 students are in the dream certificate program, and most are also pursuing a master's degree in holistic studies.

JFK's program is in an ideal setting: the San Francisco Bay Area is home to the leading dream and sleep researchers in the country, said Kelly Bulkeley, an adjunct faculty member. There are dozens of therapists, researchers and sleep laboratories.

Since the 1990s, researchers have learned more about how the brain is activated during dreaming, said Bulkeley, whose background is in psychology and religious studies.

"We are gaining a much

better historical and cross-cultural understanding about how different people have experienced dreaming in different places and times," he said.

At a recent class, Bulkeley talked with his students about dreams that have continuity and coherence, and dreams that affect creativity and religious experiences.

The students took turns sharing dreams, and discussed possible meanings of objects, settings, conversations and people in the dreams.

Ignorance in dreams, but to our waking reality, it's 'out there.'"

Republicans Regain Control In Senate, Keep Control In House

Transfer Of Power From Democrats To Republicans Has Political Analysts Thinking That Bush, A Republican, Will Turn His Priorities Into Law

BY ABBIE TANG
Staff Writer

Republicans regained control over the Senate in the midterm elections held on Nov. 5.

This victory ended 17 months of Democratic rule, which allows President Bush to dominate over both of the houses of Congress and their legislative agendas.

The Republicans ousted several Democratic incumbents and claimed most of the nation's newly created districts.

It has been many years since the Republicans have had more seats to defend than the Democrats - 20 to 14 - as results of gains they had made in previous elections.

This is a historical event since Republicans had been

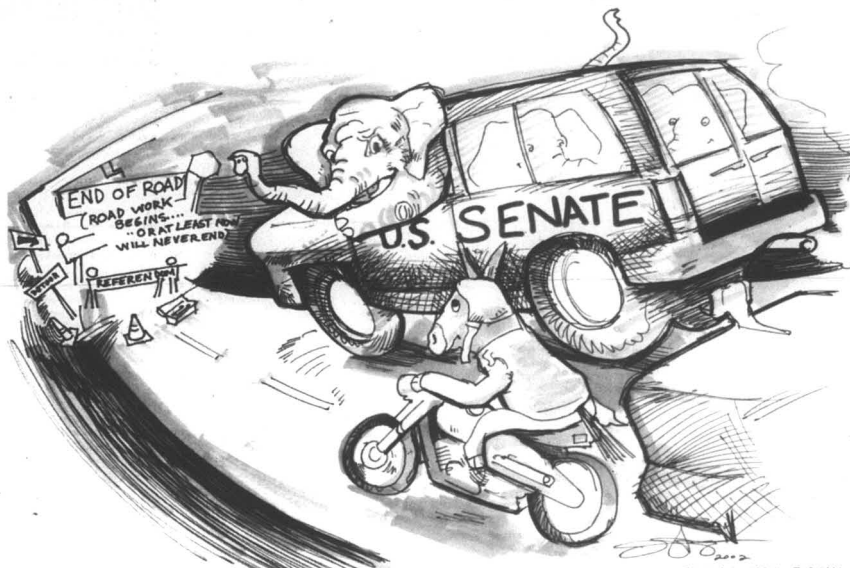


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facing the odds that the President's party had lost seats in midterm elections before.

This achievement, made by the Republican Party, will enhance Bush's efforts to turn his legislative priorities into law. The transfer of power will enable Bush to have a bit of an advantage during the two years prior to

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his re-election.

Republicans will control both committees and the legislative flow on the Senate.

“The House will seem more fruitful in its organization and fulfilling its agenda,” Congressman Chris Smith, representing New Jersey's fourth district, said.

Bush had spent more time on the campaign trail

than any other president in history. It was a victory in rallying support for his party's candidates. He has become the third president in this century, the first Republican, to help expand his party's rank in midterm elections.

Many of the candidates were well financed, but the Democrats raised less as a party, than Republicans did

in helping their candidates in this critical race.

Both parties, once again, spent record amounts of money. The Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee raised \$109.5 million during the first 21 months of the election cycle, while the National Republican Senatorial Committee raised \$115.7 million.

Biology Club Serves Campus As Well As Community At Large

Club Hopes To Be Able To Donate More Money To Environmental Organizations, As Well As Log More Community Service Hours

BY JENN ROWELL
Staff Writer

Ever wonder about the sponsor of whale-watching trips off Virginia Beach, trips to the Norfolk Botanical Gardens, or the Virginia Marine Science Museum?

Or, maybe you have never heard of the trips but

your interest is now peaked. Look no further than CNU's Biology Club for the answer.

The Biology Club meets Fridays at noon in the Science Building. Joyce Bryan serves as President, with Drew Petzold, Vice President; Edwin Strange, Secretary; and Jenny Hayes, Treasurer. Nelson “Alex” Torres serves as the Environmental

“The Biology Club will be collecting toys and stuffed animals for the Children's Hospice.”

Science Chair.

According to the Biology Club's website, which is accessible through CNU's website, the club's purpose and objective at CNU is to: promote interaction between faculty and students, engage in social functions, provide service to the university, and

to keep members informed of current trends in science. Membership is open to anyone interested in the natural sciences.

Currently, there are about 10 people in the club.

It varies, however, because membership is not restricted to attendance and some people help out but do not come to meetings.

There are always different people attending meetings according to Bryan.

The Biology Club has participated in Bay Days, Garden Symposium, and is planning a camping trip in the spring.

They also hope to donate money to some environmental organizations, as well as do more volunteer work in the community.

Starting Nov. 18 and running until Dec. 6, the Biology Club will be collecting toys and stuffed animals for the Children's Hospice.

Boxes will be located in the Science Building.

On Nov. 22, the club will be hosting a Flamingo Navidad celebration.

It will begin at noon in front of the Science Building. Elections for new officers will be held during the celebration.

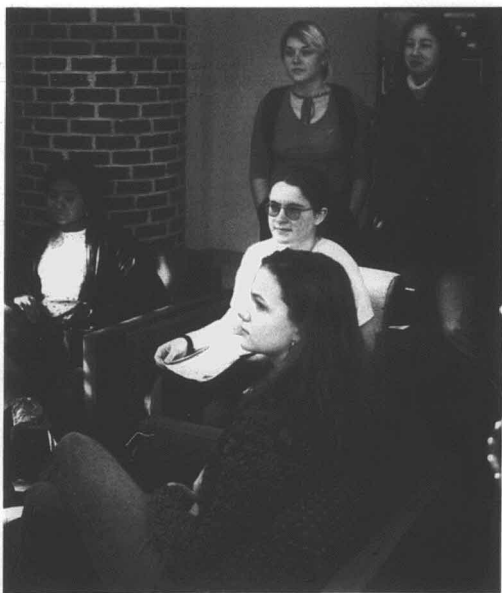
Campaigning will run from Nov. 18-22 in the Science Building.

rooms' and multi-media instructional centers, academic computing operations and the University's administrative computing operations,” states the flyer created by Yancey.

Gosnold Hall needs \$5.8 million for renovation and expansion plans of that building.

The building will house the math, physics, computer science and engineering departments, as well as faculty offices after the renovation and expansion.

The Student Center will be converted to much needed



Heather Kennedy, Jenny Hays, Melinda Sparks, Linda Stoughton and Sabrina Haskins attend Friday's Biology Club meeting.

All positions are open. Bryan believes the Biology Club has had an impact on the campus of CNU.

“We have cookouts that

are fun and exciting for all. We have had members who have started a recycling program in the residence halls,” she said.

“We also help further students interests in certain areas of biology by planning events geared towards different fields of biology.”

Smith Library, Gosnold Hall, Will Benefit From Renovations

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credibility it has for the students who graduate from it,” said senior Farissa Alexander.

In information released by the Office of University Relations, the bond referen-

dum will now provide \$25.8 million for new campus construction.

This figure can be broken down into four separate projects. The renovation and expansion of the Captain John Smith Library has an estimated cost of \$11.3 million.

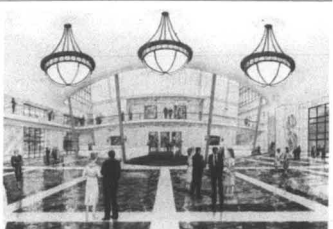
This figure includes improvements such as doubling the building in size, which will include room for “a new media center, an information commons to house a core reference collection, a faculty resource center, high-tech “smart class-

academic space, and this project would cost an estimated \$5.4 million.

Lastly, \$3.3 million is needed to renovate Ferguson Hall completely.

Office space and classrooms are expected to come from this renovation.

Even with all the construction going on, senior Amy Wallin said, “I think all of the construction is great. It allows us to compete with bigger schools. It may be a hassle getting around campus now but it will be worth it in the long run.”



An architects' possible rendering of the entrance hall to the Fine Arts Center.

Juniors Will Graduate From CNU

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"When she came in and she was smiling, we knew everything was going to be fine," said Winters.

The students seemed to sigh in unison, and then, remembers Wilson, "the chatter just started. They were very interested in who the faculty would be and when their classes were going to be. They majority of them just lit up. They were so happy."

Some students, however, couldn't help but feel skeptical about the agreement.

Amy Teachey, a fourth-year junior in the nursing program, had transferred from Virginia Tech with the specific intention of entering Christopher Newport's strong nursing program.

Since first hearing about the budget cuts that would force her to transfer yet again, "I had been through all the emotions...denial...anger...real sadness...and I'd come to terms with having to leave." Learning that she would instead be able to stay seemed

almost to good to be true. "At first I was in shock," she says. "It came out of nowhere. I was excited, but I was still in disbelief. I wanted something in writing."

Wilson relayed all the information she knew. Riverside Hospital would be providing enough funding to support the nursing program until the juniors could graduate in 2004.

Classes were expected to be held in the Warwick Medical and Professional Center, near Harris Teeter, and Wilson was still unsure of which professors would remain.

After hearing Wilson's emphatic assurances that the agreement was final, students like Amy began to smile.

Although Wilson reports that the exact details of the plan are still being cemented, the nursing students know enough to be excited about the consequences of the agreement.

Winters said, "I have no doubt I will graduate from here in May 2004. I don't have to leave my home of two-and-a-half years, my best friends, and professors that truly care about us as people. It's a big relief."

For these 26 students, Tuesday had truly been an extraordinary day.

Gulf War Veteran Visits CNU

Speaker Elaborates On Iraqi Conflict

BY DANIEL BANKS
Staff Writer

Gulf War veteran Erik Gustafson, a visiting guest of the history department of CNU, spoke in the Gaines Theatre on Nov. 12 about the ever-increasing Iraqi conflict.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and U.S. President George W. Bush have been engaged in a battle of rhetoric over nuclear missiles, and terrorism ties to Osama Bin Laden.

Gustafson, a human rights activist, discussing the concept of war and its devastating effects. He remained potent, belting out his stance against the emending war against the Iraqi regime. Iraq has forever been a nation besieged by war.

"Iraq has been a victim of colossal loss since 1258," he said.

Iraq has lost much of its

historical artifacts. Many have been tossed in the neighboring rivers and lakes. With constant threats of siege, Iraq has always been a nation caught in the crossroads of fire, according to Gustafson.

It was said that from the early thirteenth century to present day, those of partisan politics have always found Iraq an easy target. Nations such as the United States have left imprints of their covert war tactics, often taking advantage of Iraq's vulnerability.

"The United States have always armed and rearmed Iraq," Gustafson said.

Even if Iraq remains a threat, the government, according to Gustafson "has yet to produce strong evidence that Iraq has strong nuclear capabilities," he said.

The Gulf veteran remembered the cost of such shortsightedness by a previous Washington Administration. Upon experiencing the atrocities of the Gulf War, "I wish now [that] I rather have died than seen the horrors that innocents suffered," Gustafson said.

The war, even though seen as a success by the U.S.

government, failed when it came to protecting the lives of innocents, especially children. Chemical warfare has claimed the lives of many children who could not fend for themselves, he said.

Spectator and Newport News resident Niel Bates, while not in total agreement with Erik Gustafson, found himself at crossroads. "While I agree with Iraq as a threat in some sense, I am concerned with the aftermath. I am very concerned with the innocents who loose their lives needlessly," he said.

Women have given birth to children who are severely deformed. Most die within a few years. Some children die from simple diseases such as meningitis, which can easily be cured. Gustafson explained that many have died from kidney failure that, otherwise, could have easily been detected.

Throughout the entire lecture, the Gustafson sent the message that war has severe consequences.

Even if a regime exchange is desired, there are other means of removing a leader. War is not always a necessary evil.

Several Students Injured After Hiddenwood Party

Nov. 2 Party Gets Out Of Hand

BY ABBIE TANG
Staff Writer

Several CNU students were injured Saturday, Nov. 2 at a party in the Hiddenwood Apartment Complex off of Warwick Blvd.

Despite rumors to the contrary, the incident was not a large-scale

The party on night of the second got out of hand when a group of 15 students became rowdy and started a fight, according to police.

"As the two fairly beaten up individuals rushed to get into the car, the rest of the crowd followed them and surrounded the vehicle - punching and shouting into the car," said Officer Harold Elley of the Newport News Police Department.

As the driver backed up, a student was hit by the car's bumper.

Another student was struck by the door of the car, and there was some shattered glass from the windows.

The driver lost control of his car and struck a pole ahead of him.

The driver was charged with driving under the influence, reckless driving and under-aged possession of alcohol, said police.

The students all had minor injuries and were above the age of 18.

There are charges pending on the incident, but they may not be filed. It is uncertain as to who may be charged.

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Opinions

Where We Stand

The Nursing Program's Preservation And What Comes Next

The day following Governor Warner's budget pronouncement last month, President Trible promised the students congregated in the Freeman Center that the graduation of juniors in the nursing program would be assured.

Last week, that promise was fulfilled, and none too soon. Junior nursing students will be able to graduate with a CNU diploma, on time in May of 2004.

Riverside Health System will pay the difference for extending the life of the nursing baccalaureate program, and additionally provided the requisite classroom, laboratory and faculty office space at the Warwick Medical and Professional Center beginning in this January.

This development is will most certainly benefit the campus, and the nursing department in particular, in the short term. Public pressure, particularly from executives at Riverside, local media and current nursing students, created an atmosphere in which a relationship like this had to come forth. Pressure, from inside and outside the CNU community, brought this agreement into being.

Much has been discussed in recent weeks about CNU's relationship to the Peninsula community. CNU does not and cannot live in a vacuum. CNU serves the community in two major fashions. First, by creating a well-educated populace that will become economic and cultural assets. Second, by acting as a research and development resource for community growth.

The creation of this new relationship between Riverside and CNU leaves a few unanswered questions as to how the University will continue to fulfill these two commitments.

Will students in the Riverside School of Professional Nursing, who are provided non-nursing courses at CNU, graduate with a CNU diploma?

And will the high quality professors now teaching in CNU's nursing program take the teaching positions offered at Riverside?

Perhaps the largest question of all is if a similar relationship will be developed elsewhere to assure graduation of CNU's education majors.

Class Of 2006 Remains Unrecognized By Student Government, Class Council

Prove That You Care, But Do So With Dignity, Responsibility

BY JENN WENZEL
Senior Class
Vice President,
SGA Secretary

What happened?

SGA voted to not recognize the Class of 2006 at its Nov. 18 meeting.

First-year students Ashley Lieb and Billy Boulden wrote and organized the constitution, got an advisor (Anita Tamen, Director of Career and Counseling), and obtained signatures of students interested in the organization for submission to the SGA.

The information was submitted two weeks prior to the Nov. 18 meeting to SGA Parliamentarian Mike Maher.

"Once the constitution was given to me, I made sure the Class of 2006 had its on-campus advisor, and I looked over the constitution for typos, necessary articles, and purposes and duties of officers," said Maher.

After the Class of 2006's constitution was reviewed by Maher, it then underwent review by the Association Dean of Students, Donna Eddleman.

"Donna looks over all constitutions for liability and for any typos. Then, she and I discuss the constitution," said Maher.

"The Class of 2006 constitution was sent out Saturday evening (Nov. 16) in order for Senators to have time to be present educated about the upcoming vote on this organiza-

tion," explained Maher.

At the meeting on Nov. 18, the freshman class followed the acceptance of another organization, CNU Presents.

Both organizations were presented and had their purposes read aloud by Maher. "The purpose of this club [The Class of 2006] shall be (a) to foster a wide student interest and participation in campus activities, (b) to represent the Class of 2006, and (c) to unite the Class of 2006 as one part of the CNU Community," explained Maher.

After reading the purpose statement, Maher called for unanimous consent to accept the Class of 2006 as an organization in the SGA.

This motion was met with opposition, which automatically led to a vote.

The vote resulted in 61 yea's, 28 nay's and 40 abstentions. Maher announced that the motion passed.

This decision was met with disagreement from the Senate about the type of vote needed for the Class of 2006 to become an organization.

Thomas Welch IV, a third-year student, motioned for a five-minute recess for the SGA officers to discuss and determine the type of vote needed for the organization to pass.

At the end of the recess, the Parliamentarian announced to the Senate that there would be another vote due to the previous lack of clarification.

"In the Rules of Procedure of the SGA, under motions for action, voting for a club is not considered regular business. Regular business constitutes only a simple majority, while everything else must be passed by two-thirds majority," said Maher. The final vote resulted in 51 yea's, 38 nay's and 38 abstentions. The motion failed to receive two-thirds majority vote and, therefore, the Class of 2006 was not recognized.

"People voted the way they felt they had to. I don't think it's the constitution of the Class of 2006 that people disagreed with. There are issues that go a lot deeper [within] the freshman class and must first be addressed before the Senate votes in favor of it," said Maher.

Why did this happen?

On Oct. 8, the Class of 2006 elections were called off. The officers of the Class of 2003, 2004 and 2005 (the Class Council), and the Class Council Election Committee declared the elections to be formally called off.

They also announced they would be petitioning the SGA to endorse their decision of not recognizing the Class of 2006.

This meant prohibiting the class from forming an organization with the titles 'Freshmen Class' and 'Class of 2006.'

Their decision was based on the following:

1. Negative campaigning in the form of flyers and posters.
2. Failure to notify the elections committee when negative campaigning was known by the candidates.
3. Lack of integrity and complete disregard for the CNU Honor Code.
4. Total rejection of all campaigning rules and regulations.
5. Lack of leadership

among candidates.

6. Total disrespect for one another and for other Class Officers.

The Class Officers explained that this decision was

"We've heard what the upperclassmen have to say ... so here's some advice ... Implement your decisions. Make them work."

not to be directed at the entire freshman class, but that it was too difficult to pick out the many involved.

The Class Officer Election Committee presented its decision and asked for endorsement from the Student Government on Oct. 21.

After moderated debate of the Senators, the motion was voted on. The Class Council's decision was not endorsed by a vote of 27 yea's, a majority of nay's and 18 abstentions.

The other side ...

Many people have argued against the fairness of the Class Council decision. Was it fair for a group of 15 upperclassmen to make a decision for a class of 1,500 people?

The information given to the Senate and described at the time the elections were formally called off was not very specific.

The Class Officers gave very little detail about the incidents that occurred and used no names whatsoever on whom to pinpoint the actions.

The Class of 2006 was extremely disheartened to hear that it would have no class officers due to the cancellation of elections.

However, it was excited to hear that it could still form its own Class of 2006, or Freshman Class, organization, with officers and representatives in the SGA.

So, what's up?

As Vice President of the Senior Class and Secretary of the Student Government, I have sat back and watched how the freshmen have handled themselves since the cancellation of elections.

The day after the endorsement of the Class Officers failed in the SGA meeting, three different groups of freshmen appeared in the SGA office to begin forming their own "freshmen class" with officers and election capabilities.

Two weeks later, only one group of freshmen was still continuing to pursue the idea of the Freshmen Class / Class of 2006.

How do we fix things?

During the past Senate meeting, the group of freshmen that has been continuously pursuing representation had the opportunity to put its constitution in front of the Senate for a vote to be rec-

ognized. It failed.

Now I have to ask, what in the world is going on here?

We have the brightest group of freshmen this year that is supposed to bring the greatest amount of creativity, intelligence and experience that CNU has ever seen. But what has happened?

Throughout this past week, I along with the rest of the student body, have read the many outlandish e-mails about the incident with freshmen registration.

I understand and realize that only a portion of the Class of 2006 was out there that contributed to the incident.

I also understand and realize that it was only a portion of the Class of 2006 that ruined elections and defaced others' property.

But what I don't understand is where the heck the rest of the freshmen class is.

I've seen the e-mails about how the whole freshman class was not at the Freeman Center, and how everyone did not contribute to the outbreak.

I've seen the e-mails about how the whole freshmen class did not deface posters and break the University's rules and policies.

But I haven't seen any e-mails describing what anyone is going to do about it.

Freshmen - what are you going to do about this?

We've heard what the upperclassmen have to say.

The general consensus is that the upperclassmen got through registration and elections without all of these incidents.

But why all of a sudden are these processes breaking down now? We don't have the patience to deal with a process that we know works but is being ignored.

So here's some advice ...

1. Call a meeting and inform every single freshman who is a student at this campus (through e-mail, home address, phone numbers, etc.).

2. Hold this meeting at a time when no classes are scheduled so everyone who would like to come can.

3. Find a person who can control a group, or ask an upperclassman, administrator, faculty or staff member for help, and get your meeting under way.

4. Discuss the Freeman Center outbreak and what you want to do about it; discuss class elections and what you want to do about it; discuss having representation in the Senate and what you want to do about it.

5. Be creative, listen to all ideas, and then make decisions as a big group - vote - majority wins.

6. Implement your decisions. Make them work.

Freshman Class: The rest is up to you!

From here on out show what being a freshman means.

Show the upperclassmen and CNU that you really do want to be represented.

As Senior Class Vice President, as Student Government Secretary, and as a graduating senior, I challenge you to stand up for what you believe in and show us who you all really are.



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December Graduates Should Graduate In December

I came to CNU as a transfer student planning to major in Business Administration.

When I finally decided that perhaps the School of Business was not for me, I switched to English.

It is probably one of the best decisions I have ever made.

Because of it (and some hard work), I now plan to graduate in December 2003, a full semester earlier than planned.

However, I recently

learned that, due to the budget cuts, December graduations have been eliminated. I will have attended CNU for three years.

A little over \$30,000 later, I now stand deprived of the right to don a cap and gown and walk across that stage upon graduation to receive my hard-earned degree—a right that I not only deserve, but also paid for!

What this school is doing is discriminating against students who com-

plete their studies during the first semester of the school year!

After having fulfilled my part, this school fails in its obligation to provide others and myself a promised, TIMELY graduation ceremony, which is the highlight and culmination of every student's college career.

How dare you!

Linda Bolling
One of the UN-class of December 2003

Thanks For Dancing, Thanks For Making Dance Possible

The Classes of 2003, 2004 and 2005 would like to send out a huge "thank you" to all those who attended the annual Homecoming Dance at Regatta's. Here is a special thanks to all those who helped make this dance possible: Donna Eddleman, Michelle

Reed, Erin Donahue, Audrey Forest, Chris Fattenebo, Rob Whitney, Rob May, Christy Williamson, KT Peterlin, Jack Gibson, CNU Police, Chris Rice, Amber Michael, Matt Kidwell, CNU Police, and the Scheduling Office. We had a huge turnout

and really appreciate everyone who came to support the Class Council's first ever Homecoming Dance. We hope you had a blast and enjoyed Homecoming week here at CNU.

- Class Council

Volleyball Team Needs Credit

This past weekend I had the opportunity to travel to Greensboro, N.C. to watch the CNU Volleyball team compete in the Dixie Conference Volleyball Tournament.

These hard working and dedicated girls (I've seen some bruises I never saw in high school football)

beat Chowan, Methodist and Averett to win the conference title.

I, for one, would like to congratulate the team on its congratulation and dedication.

Averett brought a large cheering section, as did the hometown Greensboro College.

However, for CNU,

there were only the parents and a few dedicated fans.

Fellow Captains, join me in congratulating this team for its efforts and accomplishments, and good luck in the NCAA regional tourney.

Bryan Herrin
Class of 2004

Don't Fear Signing Your Name

The recent "anonymously signed letter published in the Wednesday, Nov. 6 issue of The Captain's Log has several people concerned.

I must remind everyone of the 2002-2003 Student Handbook, Section V-E, letter C: "The University recognizes that student publications can be a valuable aid in establishing and maintaining an atmosphere of free and responsible discussion of intellectual exploration on the campus. They can be a means of bringing student concerns to the attention of the faculty and University officials and of formulating student opinion."

I also must remind everyone that "editorial freedom entails a corollary obligation to abide by accepted standards of responsible journalism, such as avoidance of libel, indecency, undocumented allegations, attacks on personal

integrity and techniques of harassment and innuendo and by applicable regulations of the Federal Communications Commission."

Does The Captain's Log not have any written policies and procedures that indicate what type of material they will and will not print?

I question the journalistic integrity of a STUDENT publication that chooses to edit its material, especially when it is not for length.

The Captain's Log has prided itself many times on matters such as the Freedom of Information Act and also how everyone is entitled to know about certain things that occur.

Yet, they edit letters and will not attribute the writers, or say why or how letters have been written to the editor. This seems contradictory to myself.

Since when did this student newspaper become less of a newspaper and

more of an anonymous gossip column?

When someone thinks of a student newspaper, they think of risk takers.

They think of people who are not afraid to write stories and cross boundaries that other students would not normally cross.

In the future, I urge The Captain's Log to have the moral and journalistic integrity to be consistent in its material that it publishes.

Mike Maher
Not afraid to sign his name.
Class of 2003

Editor's Note: The Captain's Log publishes its procedures for the printing of anonymous letters every week in its newsletter, in the front of the Opinions section, and has done so for a number of years. The Captain's Log also makes available its complete policies and procedures on its Website at www.cnu.edu/captainslog

Let's Cheer The Young Citizens Who Do Vote

Young People Must Help Shape The Future Because They Are The Future

BY JANE EISNER
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Sometimes it's as basic as postage stamps.

The civics books and surveys commissioned to study America's deplorable voting habits; the woe-is-me reports detailing citizen apathy among young people; even the well-meaning exhortations by columnists such as yours truly all tend to overlook such things as postage stamps.

Kids today don't do postage stamps. Virtually every communicative act they undertake is electronic, on the telephone or computer or some nifty hand-held device. Paperless, one-step transmissions.

Filing an absentee ballot, though, requires a stamp. Requesting an absentee ballot requires a stamp.

That means if you're 18 years old and living on a college campus somewhere, or in the military, or otherwise away from home, the act of voting demands a stamp and an envelope and a lick or two. This, college students say, is why they don't bother to vote. It's one of the reasons, anyway.

A lame excuse? Perhaps. Young people are far more likely than older Americans to offer justifications for shirking their civic duties on Election Day, a fact that has actually been documented by the research organization Public Agenda.

But put aside the sneering judgments for a moment and think about what a postage stamp represents: distance and detachment.

What's driving the worrying decline in voter participation among young people is a disconnect, both physical

and civic, from a political process that is increasingly negative, expensive, superficial and distant.

Voting is one of the last tactile communal acts left in America, and anything that lessens its real-life touch depresses turnout, especially among those who have not developed the habit of closing the curtain and exercising a precious franchise once or twice a year.

You'd think making voting easier would make it more attractive, but you'd be wrong.

Curtis Gans, Director of the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, examined states that have adopted early voting-by-mail systems and have liberalized their absentee ballot procedures.

Here's what he found: those reforms don't increase participation.

"They hurt turnout," he says. In election after election, states with more liberal voting procedures perform worse than other states. The intensity and focus of voter-mobilization efforts are diffused.

Voting becomes an act not unlike putting a bill in the mail hardly a heart-thumping experience, and surely not the enduring civic ritual that exerts a psychic pull (for some of us, at least) year after year. For newly eligible voters, this disconnect is created by more than just physical absence. It's not only that they're on Mars and the ballot box is on Venus.

"They're still watching MTV at 28. They're still not thinking about things in an adult way," says Donna Frisby-Greenwood, who once ran Rock the Vote and now directs Inner-City Games Philadelphia.

Consider: You're more likely to vote when you get married, have children, buy a house and a lawnmower, sink roots into a community.

But young people today are delaying marriage, delaying childbirth, wandering from job to job.

Is it any wonder that America's prolonged adolescence has civic consequences?

There's no galvanizing national issue for young people, no Civil Rights Movement, no Vietnam, no mili-

tary draft of the sort that, 30 years ago, forced the voting age to include 18-year-olds: (Then the argument was if you were old enough to fight, you were old enough to vote. Shall we bring back the draft to re-establish that equation?)

And there is something more insidious: A political campaign process awash in money that benefits certain interests and certain states, and leaves everyone else with sound bites, negative TV ads and the dregs of discourse.

Studies done by Harvard's Vanishing Voter project show that while older people bemoan the state of modern-day campaigning, they're more likely to hold their noses and vote anyway. Young people, with no history of voting and no allegiance to the process, just stay home.

"For them, the message is: No thank you," said Thomas E. Patterson, the project's director. "I don't know any electoral process in the world that does more to depress voting than ours."

The cynic would say that's exactly what victory-hungry politicians want: Since young people are more independent and less ideologically predictable, why encourage them to vote? If they can't even find a 37-cent stamp, why should they help shape the future?

Because they "are" the future. While the demographers and marketers who steer contemporary campaigns focus on their clients should argue on more predictable voters, they're missing the chance to woo a whole new electorate, an untapped market, the China of the political world.

Meantime, the more younger Americans refrain from voting, the more a toxic cycle is created: Politicians won't attend to young voters' issues, so they won't vote, so the disconnect grows.

And what will we have a decade from now? A political landscape painted by the past.

As a real gift to the majority of young Americans who likely stay at home, let's seriously begin to reform a political process that distances itself from the very people who hold our future in their hands.

Corrections And Changes

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■ In issue 9, the "Campus In Brief" section incorrectly printed the date of the event for American Indian Heritage Month. It was held Nov. 18.

B.A. In B.S.

By Jeromie Heath



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CNU's Fine Arts Society Grows Stronger Through Its "Starving Artists" Sale; McCormack Spices Up Einstein's Cafe

Sale Makes \$241 For CNU Artists During Fall Fest

BY REBECCA RICHARDSON
Staff Writer

Among the many festivities at Fall Fest, there was a Starving Artists sale that benefited the artists here at CNU, as well as the CNU Fine Arts Society.

The individual artists received 80 percent of the profit made on their pieces. The other 20 percent went toward more workshops and shows.

"The Starving Artists Workshops served as the creative grounds for students to come in and delve into art projects they'd like to sell and hopefully make a profit," said FAS Treasurer Kat Wallace.

The sale made \$241 dollars to be split among the artists.

"The Fine Arts Society hasn't received much recognition in the past, but we are excited in its growing interest," said Wallace.

Not all of the art from the show came from the workshops. Most of it was work outside of the workshop, completed by student artists, ranging from watercolor paintings to pencil drawings to ceramics.

Associate Professor of Fine and Performing Arts Gregory Henry did a special firing to finish some of the ceramic pieces for sale, and he even submitted a few of his own works, according to Wallace.

The Fine Arts Society is planning to hold more workshops and shows open to students of all majors next semester.



Amy Todd and Katherine Harris Help Feed Starving Artists During the Fine Arts Society's Sale During Last Week's Fall Fest. FAS made over \$200 for its members.



Nikki Hood and Steven Thompson check out FAS's Artist of the Month, John McCormack, display in front of Einstein's Cafe.

FAS Names Artist Of The Month

BY REBECCA RICHARDSON
Staff Writer

Einstein's Cafe has had a painting on display recently. It is a seascape by Artist of the Month John "Fuzz" McCormack.

McCormack is a soft-spoken senior art major. Like many artists, he began painting at a very early age.

"When I was in preschool, my mom would finger-paint with me," he said.

He continued pursuing art through middle and high school, expanding his medium to sculpture as well as paint.

"When I paint, I like to paint things that are outside. With clay, I work with different forms," he said.

Though his family is supportive of his art, it is not his biggest inspiration.

"My family is a big influence on my life and indirectly my art. They're not really into art that much. God is my first inspiration. That's why I like painting stuff that's outside."

His love for the outdoors has spawned many other hobbies, such as canoeing, soccer, running and surfing.

"I like to surf because I like the ocean. It's really peaceful. It's the same as with your artwork. When you're painting, you're in your own little world, and when you're out there on the ocean, you're in your own little world too."

Artist of the Month is the only art-related honor that McCormack has received. Surprisingly, he does not plan on pursuing art as a career.

8 Mile Shows The Real Slim Shady

Eminem's Act Is Going The Distance

BY PAUL FROMMELT
Staff Writer

Love him or hate him, Eminem has an amazing musical talent. He has a dynamic stage presence and an uncanny talent with words. Thanks to the new movie "8 Mile" directed by Curtis Hanson, Eminem successfully accomplishes what has eluded many other musicians before him, the staring role in a great movie.

Love him or hate him, Eminem has an amazing acting talent. He has a dynamic screen presence and an uncanny talent for delivering his lines. Is it really that surprising?

The plot of "8 Mile" follows a week in the life of Jimmy Smith Jr. A.K.A. Bunny Rabbit (Eminem). Jimmy has just broken up with his girlfriend and is forced to move in with his caring yet inadequate mother (Kim Basinger).

The only rays of light in his life are his kid sister and his dream of becoming an accomplished rapper. When the camera first sneaks into Jimmy's life, we find him practicing his rap delivery in a bathroom stall of a club.

Due to the urging of his friend Future (Mekhi Phifer), Jimmy has entered himself into a "rap battle." For those of you who aren't "with it," a rap battle consists of two contestants rapping insults to each other as if they were punches. The person that earns the crowd's respect by having the most clever and acrid insults continues to the next round.

When Jimmy finally gets onstage and the music starts, he freezes. He just stares shell shocked at the crowd. Seeing Eminem frozen on stage as the crowd "boos" him is worth the price of admission. Where else are you going to see the foul mouthed, infamous rapper at a loss for words.

At this point, right at the beginning of the movie, we learn that Eminem isn't playing himself in this role. He is stepping right into the soft spoken character of Jimmy and he does it perfectly. Throughout the rest of the

movie, I wasn't watching Eminem; I was watching the character he was playing.

Unlike most music-turned-actors, Eminem wasn't just reading his lines, he was living his lines. A good portion of the movie just shows Jimmy's life, without any dialogue. Eminem had the daunting task of portraying his character's feelings and progressing the plot using only his facial expressions and body language. Most experienced actors have a hard time doing that, yet Eminem seems to do it effortlessly.

During the rest of the movie, we are told many times how brilliant Jimmy is at rapping. It is made known the raw talent he possesses. Yet screenwriter Scott Silver chooses to only show the audience bits of Jimmy's talent until the end of the film, when we see Jimmy's full power unleashed. Imagine watching "Rocky" but you only get to see Stallone throw jabs on a punching bag until the dramatic fight scene at the end. When the audience finally gets to see Jimmy at full force (an Italian Stallion up-percuto), it is something truly amazing to witness.

The reason that "8 Mile" succeeds so well is because the film has true talent behind the camera. Director Curtis Hanson has an amazing ability with actors and environment. As he did with "L.A. Confidential" Hanson uses the environment as the film just the setting for the act but almost like another character.

His version of 1995 Detroit is gritty and bleak, which helps portray the hopelessness that Jimmy feels throughout the film. As we see the emotion pour out of Eminem's face, we see it pour out of his surroundings at the same time.

Hanson's gift with actors shows with Eminem. Untrained with no experience, Eminem went through a grueling 6 week actor's "boot camp" in order to get ready for the difficult role of Jimmy. Whatever Hanson did, it worked. I can think of a few experienced actors that could use a couple weeks with Hanson.

It's too early to tell if Eminem's performance was just a fluke because it was closely related to his past, or his he truly is an up-and-coming star on the silver screen. The public can make all the predictions they want, but with most things that are worth knowing, only time will tell.

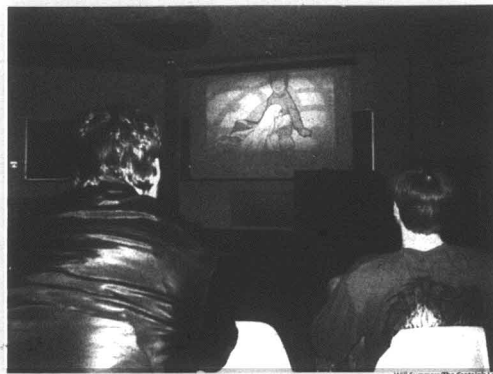
Move Over Bugs Bunny; Anime Club Proves That Animation Is Much More Than Comics And Cartoons, It's Culture

Anime Organization's Membership Has More Than Doubled Since Its Creation Three Years Ago

BY JOE AMBROGE
Staff Writer

Cartoons - who can say they've never seen them? Most, if not all CNU students have been fans of animation at one point in time. Many students recall watching Saturday morning cartoons, or chilling with the classics such as Disney and Warner Bros.

However, the CNU Anime club has brought a different kind of animation to the campus, doing much more than reviving a youthful pastime.



Two members of CNU's Anime Club watch animation onscreen at a weekly meeting.

Club President Katie Rash explains, "Currently the purpose is to socialize, entertain and learn about Japanese culture through anime."

The club brings an educational approach to the widely popular medium of

Japanese animation, called anime. Since its earliest days, anime has proven its ability to captivate fans of all ages.

Rash said, "Anime, I guarantee, can appeal to almost anybody. The only specific thing about it is that it is

animated. There are hundreds of genres."

These genres range in category from "Mecha," which spans a huge list of technology-heavy science fiction films, to "Shonen," which features male ori-

ented fighting and martial arts, to the romantic, feminine films of the "Shojo" sub-genre.

This is just a taste of the variety that anime offers fans. In addition, anime includes many topics that appeal to the more intellectual viewer, often bringing up points of philosophy, psychology, art and symbolism.

The club activities vary according to the occasion. Usually, members gather on Friday nights to watch hand-picked anime films, and then stay afterward to discuss and debate what they have seen. The occasional marathon is also one of their pastimes.

Recently, members attended a massive anime convention. Member Sam Shelton was pleased with the field trip.

"In one word - insane," says Shelton. "There was so

much to do in three days."

Sam, along with other members, was able to catch new anime films, mingle with other visiting fans and play an anime rendition of "The Price is Right."

When the club began three years ago at CNU, it was a small group of around 15 friends.

"Since then," says Rash, "we have more than doubled our numbers, and we are more structured."

The current tally of members is around 60, and CNU Anime is likely to grow. After all, nothing is required of members, except an interest.

Professor Mary Wright, who sponsors the club and attends its official meetings, points out that "there are a lot of people on campus wearing some form of anime paraphernalia."

Sports

Football Shakes Undeclared Ferrum For A 35-7 Loss



Sophomore defensive lineman Olando Holmes congratulates freshman kicker Jason Boskie after defeating Ferrum 35-7 on Saturday. CNU is now 5-1 in the Dixie Conference. Kate Bruckert/The Captain's Log

Football Repeats As Dixie Conference Champions With A 5-1 Record

BY TOM GEARY
Staff Writer

Two seasons, two championships.

The Captains football team soundly defeated Ferrum College 35-7 Saturday in a steady rainfall at POMOCO Stadium to once again become Dixie Conference co-champions and earn an automatic bid for Division III NCAA playoffs.

CNU (6-4, 5-1 Dixie) will travel to Washington, Pa. for first-round action against Washington & Jefferson (8-2) on Saturday.

Linebacker Jacob Lynch's third quarter goal line interception and an ensuing Brandon Jones 54-yard touchdown dash, after breaking two tackles, proved to be the turning point of the game for the Captains. Ferrum (5-5, 5-1) was lined up for a third-and-goal at the CNU 4 when Lynch jumped in front of a Kevin Embick pass, preventing the Panthers from tying the game at 14 and dashing

their playoff hopes for the second year in a row.

"I think it's pretty obvious that we were beaten today by a team that's a whole lot better than us," Ferrum coach Dave Davis said. "They are more physical, more athletic ... [We] ran into a bus. That team was tough."

CNU's offensive attack not surprisingly was led by its potent run attack, picking up 258 yards on 51 carries. Ferrum's power run game was held to an anemic 62 yards on 31 carries.

Unlike last year's 14-11 win over Ferrum in the Oyster Bowl, CNU got off to an early 14-0 lead in the first half. The Captains set the tone on their first drive, which went 65 yards on 13 plays (11 run, 2 pass), eating up 6:44 of the clock. The drive was capped off by Thomas Thornton's 4-yard plunge into the end zone.

Four plays after a partially blocked punt gave CNU the ball at the Ferrum 30 in the second quarter. Mario Marin broke an 11-yard touchdown run up the middle to put CNU up 14-0.

"You had to get a lead in this game because playing catch-up in this mess is no fun," CNU coach Matt Kelchner said.

Ferrum pulled back within seven on Anthony Jones' 1-yard touchdown run with 1:34 left in the half. The Panthers came within four yards of tying the game in the third quarter, but Lynch's in-

terception provided a momentum swing for the Captains that lasted the rest of the game.

"Jake Lynch makes the play that turns the ballgame. Absolutely no question about it," coach Kelchner said.

Ferrum's coach Davis blames himself and not his quarterback for making the poor judgment on the play, as it was a last second change in the play call. It appeared as though Embick did not see Lynch drop into zone coverage on the wide receiver slant.

"Basically he threw it right to me," Lynch said.

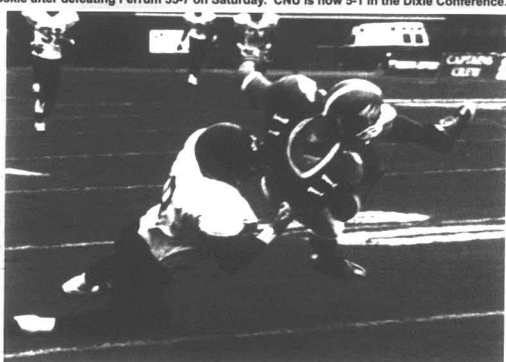
After Jones' 54-yard touchdown run three plays later gave CNU a 21-7 lead, the Captains defense forced a Ferrum three-and-out. A 45-yard punt return by Nathan Davis to the Ferrum 10 set up Marin's second touchdown run of the day.

Jones added his second touchdown, a 26-yard run, later in the fourth quarter.

As time expired the players stormed the field in celebration, sliding around on the rain-drenched ground and forming a group huddle at midfield.

Jones led the team with 92 yards on only four carries, although Marin took a majority of the snaps, finishing with 83 yards on 20 carries.

Quarterback Eric Carlson was efficient, completing five of nine passes for 59 yards. Place-kicker Jason Broskie converted on all five extra



Freshman wide receiver Nathan Davis gets brought down after a 20-yard pass. Beverly Bartlett/The Captain's Log

point kicks.

Fullback Moncrief Holmes led the Panthers with 35 yards on nine carries. Embick finished 9-of-22 for 105 yards and three interceptions.

For the second straight year the Captains started out slow, lost to Shenandoah, and rebounded to win their remaining five Dixie Conference games. After the 19-15 loss at Shenandoah on Oct. 5, coach Kelchner knew that it was do-or-die.

"After Shenandoah, it was a real gut check time for our guys," Kelchner said. "It was an extremely difficult week as a coach. We had to

tally lost our discipline at Shenandoah.

"You have to be very disciplined and regimented with our guys to keep them on track."

Since the loss, CNU has outscored opponents 144-26 and has not lost a game. With its fifth straight victory on Saturday, CNU earned an automatic NCAA bid.

"Last year, we were just so giddy to win the [Dixie Conference] championship, we didn't even know how to act. We were so caught up in it that we didn't prepare the way we needed to for that football game," Kelchner said. "I did not have our foot-

ball team ready to play in Wilder in any way, shape, or form, and they throttled us."

Kelchner and the team promised each other that if they ever made it back to the NCAA playoffs, they would take it much more seriously. This year, the team - ranked No. 7 in its bracket, may have a better chance when travelling to Washington & Jefferson, an unranked team that is ranked No. 6 in the bracket.

"I'm going out there to win," safety Richy Ingram said. "I think we can play with them and we're going to be contenders this year."

Basketball Teams Take The Floor For Winning Seasons

Men and Women's Basketball Shoot for A Winning Season

BY ROB SILSBEE
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At the conclusion of an intense autumn for collegiate level sports, CNU is at the brink of another season's beginning.

This winter, any CNU student can walk into the Freeman Center expecting stellar play from both the

men and women's basketball teams this season.

Both the men and women were ranked nationally in the pre-season polls, with the women's team chosen to take the Dixie Conference.

The women's team is returning four starters and two reserves. It has also recruited four freshmen, all of whom coach Carolyn Hunter says will definitely see a lot of playing time.

"We are relying on our returnees to lead us," Hunter said. "Tia Moore, Amber Hallman and Tomorrow Lofton, who were All-Conference performers last year, will be counted on to elevate their game to another level."

"Jen Harrell who is also

a senior, along with Tia Moore will need to help lead this team."

The Captains finished 24-5 last year, which was bested only once before in history.

Hunter says she will be stressing defense this year, supporting the belief that becoming a better defensive force could help them be more successful than last year.

The ladies have been training hard on the court and in the weight room gearing up for their 2002-2003 season. For the ladies, Ferrum and Methodist Colleges are both conference teams that put up a fight last year, and will again this year.

The men will be facing no less a strenuous schedule. As usual the Captains will face a

rugged schedule.

Of CNU's 13 potential

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non-conference opponents, nine had winning records a year ago, and then there is the conference race.

However, coach C. J. Woollum has plenty of talent among his veterans and powerful recruits coming in as

newcomers. The men, as with the ladies, have four returning starters manned by senior veteran basketball players.

Terry Gray will be expected to carry the team as the big man in the paint.

Gray earned All-Conference honors last year and was ranked eighth in the nation in blocked shots, averaging 3.2 per game.

A few newcomers expected to add to success will be junior Paul Michael, and freshmen Michael Witham and Mark Hepner.

Transfer Ohio Hampton and returns Tyrell Venev are also expected to add to the Captains' success.

"We're really pleased with the makeup, talent and attitude of this group," says Woollum.

As the team members get to know one another and start playing as a team, the Captains of the Freeman Center should be ready to contend for another NCAA bid.

Although CNU missed the NCAA bid last year, it was pretty controversial as they finished with a 23-5 record.

This year the Captains hope to correct that controversy and return to their standing as a national contender.

As for the women, they're ready to return to the NCAA, after losing in the second round last season.

Both teams are sturdy, with veteran starters and remarkable recruiting for the newcomers, so CNU students can expect to see a few wins for both teams.



Fan Kyla Lamb poses with CNU cheerleaders Krista Graham and teammate.

Arizona State Sports Editor Removed After Apology To School

Sports Editor Disagreed With Column That Ran In Section

BY SCOTT BORDOW
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Arizona State's student newspaper, The State Press, is supposed to teach kids how to become journalists.

This is what Brian Gomez has learned:

It's OK to use racially insensitive language and impugn the character of co-eds. But it's not OK to apologize for it.

gize for it.

Gomez was the sports editor of The State Press until he wrote a letter to football coach Dirk Koetter and athletic director Gene Smith apologizing for an editorial that appeared in the Oct. 18 edition of the newspaper.

The editorial blasted an athletic department program called the Sun Devil Recruiters, which basically consists of attractive co-eds who volunteer to show athletic recruits around campus.

Certainly, it is within a campus newspaper's mission to comment on that type of program. But the unsigned editorial went on to state: "Maybe rather than volunteers, we should just be honest and call them 'hos to attract the bros.'"

The editorial ended with

this line: "At least Heidi Fleiss had a little more respect than that."

Gomez was outraged by the editorial.

He threw a temper tantrum in the newsroom, yelling at its author, editor-in-chief Jessica Wanke.

That got Gomez a one-week suspension.

He still had his job, though, until the letter he wrote to Koetter and Smith popped up on the sundevils.com, an ASU Web site.

That was Gomez's second mistake. He never should have allowed his private words to become part of a public forum.

His first error, of course, was presuming to be the official mouthpiece of The State Press.

Gomez wrote: "I wanted

to express my deepest apology for the editorial 'Trophy Wives in Training Build a Strong Football Team' that was published October 18 in The State Press.

I gave the person responsible for the editorial ample time to apologize, but that individual has shown little remorse for her actions. I would like to apologize on that person's behalf and on behalf of The State Press."

The letter can be considered an act of insubordination.

"In essence I apologized for people who didn't want me to apologize for them," Gomez said. "I can see why I was terminated."

I can't. If we were all fired for doing something dumb when we were 20 years old, the unemployment rate would be 100 percent.

Gomez deserved to be

reprimanded. Demoted, even.

But cannot? The punishment seems extreme.

If the editor-in-chief was not fired for her insensitive remarks in the Oct. 18 editorial, why was Gomez terminated for what most would consider a lesser offense?

Kristin Gilger, faculty adviser to The State Press, said Gomez was not fired solely because of the letter.

Wanke did not return phone calls Tuesday.

There were lots of reasons," Gilger said. "It was a pattern of behavior."

Gomez, however, said that in his five semesters at the paper, he had never been reprimanded for his work or behavior.

"It was all smooth sailing," he said.

Some people at The State Press believe Gomez had no

objectivity when it came to ASU's athletic teams. He had become, in sports writing parlance, a homer.

Gomez said Gilger told him he was "becoming too close to the teams and players I was covering."

It's not uncommon for sports writers at campus newspapers to view their teams in less-than-objective terms.

Unless Gomez committed some serious ethical misconduct - Gilger refused to cite the specific reasons he was fired - then a too-cozy relationship with the Sun Devils hardly qualifies as a grounds for firing.

Gomez should not have written his letter. He has a lot to learn about being a journalist.

Would it be such a terrible thing to learn those lessons in college?

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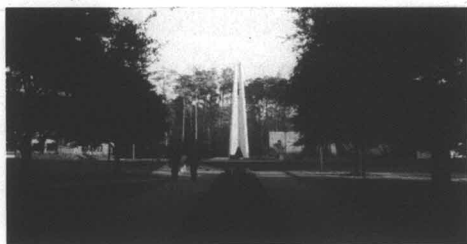
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