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COMMUNITY CHRONICLE

MONDAY - March 20

Golf
March 20-23
Seascape Invitational
Kitty Hawk, N.C.

TUESDAY - March 21

WEDNESDAY - March 22

Faculty Forum - 9:05 P.M.,
WVEC, 1490 AM & 11:40 P.M.,
WVHR, 101 FM - "Alexander
Solzhenitsyn" - Part II
Dr. Al Millar

THURSDAY - March 23

1:30 - Deans' Meeting

FRIDAY - March 24

Tennis (away)
2:00 P.M.
American University

SATURDAY - March 25

Tennis (home)
1:00 P.M.
Hilton Tennis Club

SUNDAY - March 26

Tennis (home)
10:00 A.M.
W&L University

DEAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faculty Development Grants

Based on recommendations of the Faculty Advisory Committee, the following faculty development grants have been awarded:

Dr. Larry Sacks - \$650 to enroll in the American Chemical Society course, "Microprocessors and Minicomputers," offered at VPI-SU. The knowledge gained through this course has application for instruction in the Chemistry Department.

Dr. Anthony Tseng - \$540 to attend the Human Interaction Laboratory Training program offered in West Virginia by the National Training Laboratory. The knowledge gained will extend Dr. Tseng's expertise in his academic field and will be utilized in the courses he teaches in the Psychology Department.

Dr. Sam Bauer and Dr. Harold Cones - \$600 to defray the cost of scientific equipment needed to conduct a field research study which will examine the behavior of the common sea nettle and the moon jelly fish.

Dr. John Harwood - \$117 to enroll in "Research Methods in Education" offered by the College of William and Mary. The basics of research design and statistics which are necessary for the completion of research studies in the Basic Studies Department are surveyed in this course.

Professor Rita Hubbard - \$1,690 to enroll in three courses in communications and interpersonal relations which are offered this summer by Temple University. The knowledge gained will extend Professor Hubbard's expertise in her academic field and will be utilized in present and future course offerings.

Professor Alice Randall - \$450 to enroll in a course, "Communications Theory," at Norfolk State College. The knowledge gained will extend Professor Randall's expertise in her academic area and will be utilized in Basic Studies reading courses.

Dr. Robert Saunders - \$988 to provide support for a research study of Boston, Mass. in the mid-nineteenth century. The results of this study which is based on raw data currently available will be used in the course Urban History to be offered this fall.

Professor Buck Miller - \$1000.00 for a summer dissertation grant. The study entitled, "The Relationship Between Employee and Client Participation in Organizational Decision Making," will be completed at New York University.

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Reorganization of the Registrar's Office

Mrs. Brenda Blount has made recommendations to the Dean for the reorganization of the Registrar's Office to improve its effectiveness in serving the students and the College by making the responsibilities of certain members of the Office more specialized.

With the concurrence of the President, the following organizational changes will be effected 1 July 1978:

1. Mrs. Vivian Johnson, currently Assistant Registrar, will fill the vacant position of Public Relations and ~~Academic~~ *Alumni* Affairs Officer, reporting to the Director of Development.

2. Mrs. Blount will become the Director of Student Records, reporting to the Registrar who is to be selected through a nation-wide search process.

We greatly appreciate Brenda's thoughtful recommendations and concern for the attainment of the best possible level of functioning, even with somewhat limited resources, of one of the most important administrative departments of the College.

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Contracts for 1978-79

It is planned to issue faculty contracts for the 1978-79 academic year sometime during the first two weeks of April.

FACULTY NEWS

Bruno Koch attended the Southeastern Theatre Conference in Lexington, Kentucky on March 1-3. He presided over a panel discussing public relations for theatres.

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On March 10, John McGregor presented a paper, "A Comparison of White's and Walbesser's Learning Hierarchy Validation Techniques," at a section on Measurement for the Eastern Education Research Association in Williamsburg. On March 18 he will present a paper, "Improving a Student's Mathematical Ability Through Reading," at the annual meeting of the Virginia Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Fairfax, Virginia.

POSITIONS OPENING

Registrar

Christopher Newport College seeks Registrar with responsibility for systems design and refinement, registration, certification, student schedule maintenance, student transcripts and other responsibilities appropriate to the position. Manages staff which includes Director of Student Records and clerical personnel. Minimum of Master's degree and 5 years experience required in planning and coordination of policies and procedures in a college position with comparable responsibilities. Position available July 1, 1978. Salary \$18,500 to \$20,000 depending on qualifications and experience. CNC is an expanding, 4-year, state-supported, comprehensive, non-residential college in suburban Tidewater, Virginia. Send résumé by April 15 to Dean Keith F. McLoughland, Registrar Search Committee, Christopher Newport College, P.O. Box 6070, Newport News, Va. 23606.

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Scene Design and Technical Theatre

Position in scene design and technical theatre. This is a full-time tenure-track position. Primary responsibilities: teaching of courses in technical theatre and scenography, design of major productions and management of multi-purpose theatre facility. Secondary responsibilities: teaching of make-up, voice and diction and occasional acting in major productions. Applicant is expected to handle effectively relations with community in connection with management of theatre. Position may be converted into full-time scene design/technical director position by 1980. Rank: instructor or assistant professor, depending on experience and qualifications. Degree: MFA minimum. College teaching experience required. Salary: negotiable. Transcripts and credentials must have arrived by April 21, 1978. Write to Bruno Koch, Director of Theatre, Christopher Newport College, P.O. Box 6070, Newport News, Va. 23606. Christopher Newport College is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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NOTICES

All Faculty & Staff

At the request of Virginia Public Telecommunications Council, Mr. David Lydick of the C&P Telephone Company, will be visiting Christopher Newport College to do an "Objective In-Depth Study" of our telephone system with the ultimate purpose of increasing efficiency and realizing dollar savings through the elimination of some phones and equipment.

This study will start with a film to demonstrate some of the features available in the Centrex System. It is imperative that all staff and faculty members attend one of these showings.

Time and place of the showings are:

Campus Center - Room 233

March 28 - 9:00-10:00 AM, 10:00-11:00 AM, 11:00-12:00
March 29 - 2:00- 3:00 PM, 3:00- 4:00 PM
March 30 - 9:00-10:00 AM, 10:00-11:00 AM, 11:00-12:00

Please plan to attend and to schedule all personnel in your department to also attend.

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Annual Fund

Even though the payroll deduction period for the Annual Fund has been set for July 1 through December 31, don't forget that the Annual Fund Campaign runs only for the six-week period, March 1 through April 15.

Please enter your pledge as early in the campaign as possible, so that we can show a good faculty and staff return in the Final Report of the campaign in April. We would like to see as many pledges (or checks) as possible before spring recess--turn them in this Friday.

At the first report meeting, last Monday, the campaign showed a return of about 30% of the goal, which means that we are more or less on schedule. However, there were a couple of "big ones" in there, which may not be repeated later. All our efforts are still needed.

Steve Sanderlin
Webber Casey

ADMISSIONS

Mary Hardman Resigns

I am sorry to announce that Mary Hardman will not be returning to CNC after July, 1978. Mary's fiancé has accepted a position with Air Florida in Miami and Mary will be joining him there in July after completing her M.A. at William & Mary. Dean Edwards has appointed a search committee to seek a new director of admissions.

I know that all members of the CNC community are aware of Mary's contribution to the College and its admissions programs. I hope you will join with me in wishing her much happiness as she moves on.

Keith F. McLoughland

OF ACADEMIC INTEREST

Catastrophe Theory To Be Topic of Meeting

Christopher Newport College will host the fifteenth anniversary meeting of the Society for Natural Philosophy, which will take place in Colonial Williamsburg on April 17th and 18th. The topic of the meeting is THE APPLICATIONS OF CATASTROPHE THEORY TO PROBLEMS IN MECHANICS.

The meeting will offer as its main speaker the noted English mathematician, Christopher Zeeman. A Fellow of the Royal Society, Professor Zeeman is best known popularly for his work on catastrophe theory.

Joining Professor Zeeman will be five other scientists and mathematicians, all of whom will present hour-long expository lectures. These men and their topics are:

Yung Chen Lu of Ohio State University: "Singularity Theory and an Introduction to Catastrophe Theory."

Koncay Huseyin of the University of Waterloo: "Catastrophe Theory and Problems in Elastic Stability."

Rutherford Aris of the University of Minnesota: "Num in olla agitata papilio est? -- Catastrophe Theory and Chemical Reactors."

Martin Golubitsky of the Institute for Advanced Studies at Princeton: "The Role of Imperfections in Bifurcation Diagrams."

Ian Stewart of the University of Warwick: "A Complementary Résumé of Applications."

Round table sessions are scheduled on both days of the conference. Short talks will be given which apply catastrophe theory to meteorology, biophysics, aircraft control, magnetically levitated vehicles, and non-linear feedback systems.

While the first two lectures by Zeeman and Yung Chen Lu will introduce the theory itself, the emphasis throughout the meeting will be on applications of catastrophe theory.

Other highlights of the meeting will include the 15th Anniversary Lecture by Clifford Truesdell of the John Hopkins University, and a founder of the Society; and a concert on Monday evening by the Williamsburg Chamber Musicians at Bruton Parish Church. Music will be drawn from the library of Thomas Jefferson.

Persons interested in registering to attend the meeting should contact George or Jane Webb, 595-6420 or 599-7082, or Martin Buoncristiani, 599-7192 or 874-4147. Both the Webbs and Dr. Buoncristiani teach in the Physics Department at CNC.

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Reminders from the Dean's Colloquia Committee

March 31 - last date to submit proposals for papers as part of the fall semester program

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April 19 - lecture by Professor E. C. Zeeman, Mathematics Institute, University of Warwick, on "Applications of Catastrophe Theory in the Sciences"

April 25 - lecture by Dr. Robert Cummings, Department of Physical Education, "Behavior Modification and Diet"

Send all proposals to Jim Morris, Department of History.

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BUSINESS OFFICE

To All Students Who Are Delinquent in Their Tuition Payments

Tuition and fees earned by the College are appropriated by the Commonwealth to defray the expenses of the College in the year in which earned. Therefore, in order to pay salaries and other expenses when due, the College must collect all earned tuition and fees in the year in which appropriated.

Students who have failed to complete their Deferred Payment Plan for tuition and fees as prescribed, and are delinquent, will be subject to legal action through Civil Court and will be asked to pay all tuition and fees due plus legal fees and court costs.

Finally, students who fail to complete their Deferred Payment Plan for tuition and fees in accordance with their Agreement with the College, will be denied future use of the Deferred Payment Plan.

Dean of Financial Affairs

Vacancy Notice

Announcement of an Hourly Position Vacancy Which is Anticipated to Become Classified In the Near Future.

Class Title: Clerk Typist C Salary: \$3.38 per hour Department: Personnel Office
Application Deadline: March 22, 1978

Application Instructions: Employees of the Commonwealth of Virginia who meet the minimum qualifications described below and who are interested in the position should complete the State Application for Employment (G.O. Form P-12) and submit it to Mrs. Elizabeth P. Welch, CNC, P.O. Box 6070, Newport News, Va. 23606 no later than 5:00 P.M. March 22, 1978.

Job Qualifications: Completion of high school or equivalent and two years of clerical or typing experience. Education may be substituted for experience or experience involving clerical and/or typing duties may be substituted for education on an equivalent time basis.

Mental alertness, clerical aptitude, general knowledge of business English and mathematics, of office management principles, and of office equipment and its use; general knowledge of standard business forms, filing systems and principles; ability to read and interpret regulations and standards; ability to type accurately and with satisfactory speed from plain, corrected, or rough-draft copy.
