

# CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT COLLEGE



January 10th #1 of 1986

# E CHRONICLE

1985-86 Academic Year

January 13th

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Men's Basketball - (home) - N.C.Wesleyan College - 7:30 pm

Wednesday January 15th

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PICCY January 17th Men's Basketball - (away) - Greensboro College - 7:30 pm Women's Basketball - (away) - Greensboro College - 5:30 pm

#### OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

State Employee Safety Belt Policy Fact Sheet - Effective November 22, 1985

### Requirements

All state employees who drive or occupy the front seat of state vehicles or a privately owned vehicle on official state business shall wear their safety belts at all times when the venicle is in motion and equipped with safety belt systems.

### Exemptions

This policy does not apply to:

Law enforcement personnel actively engaged in transporting persons in custody or when circumstances, according to guidance issued by the appropriate law enforcement state agency head, would render the wearing of a safety belt impractical.

Employees who have a physical condition or other bona fide medical reason, determined in writing by a licensed physician and presented to the employee's supervisor, which would make wearing a safety belt impractical.

#### Penalties

State employees who fail to comply with this order will be committing a Group I offense and be subject to a written notice.

Group I written notices are cumulative in nature. Upon the accumulation of three "active" Group I offenses, an employee may be suspended without pay up to five workdays. Written notices for Group I offenses remain "active" for two years from the date of issuance.

-- Kim Durham, Asst., VPFA

#### NEWS & GENERAL INFORMATION

### Library Allocation for Global Courses

The library has allocated \$10,000 to support the acquisition of materials for those global courses that will be taught next fall. If you will be teaching a global course during the next academic year, please submit all orders for global courses to me by January 31, 1986. We will order all materials requested until the funds are spent.

-- Wendell Barbour, Library Director

# Research Carrels Available in Smith Library

The library's four locking study carrels are now available. They may be reserved on a semester basis by students and faculty engaged in extensive research. Applications are available at the library circulation desk and should be returned by February 10, 1986 for consideration by the library.

-- Cathy Doyle, Access Services Librarian

# Library Reserves

The Periodical/Reserve Department of the Captain John Smith Library will begin accepting materials to be placed on reserve for the Spring 1986 semester on January 13, 1986.

-- Cathy Doyle, Access Services Librarian

# NEH 1986 Institutes for College and University Faculty

The National Endowment for the Humanities Division of Education Programs has announced institutes for college and university faculty to be held during summer 1986. Participation is open to full-time college and university faculty. Stipends will cover the cost of travel, room, and board.

The institutes are:

Dartmouth Dante Institute Dartmouth College June 30-August 8

Platonism and the Middle Ages University of Notre Dame July 21-August 15

Theory of Knowledge Univ. of Colorado, Boulder June 16-August 8

Great Books of the Major Asian Traditions Columbia University June 2-July 11

Philosophy of Religion Western Washington University June 30-August 9

Archaeological History of Syra Palestine University Museum University of Pennsylvania June 2-July 11

Workshop on Major Topics in Asian Civilization Columbia University June 24-July 18

Religious Studies and Liberal Education: Opportunities and New Directions University of Chicago June 18-July 30

German Society: Its Sources and Forms, 1450-1650 Folger Shakespeare Library July 1-August 8

Perspectives on Montaigne and His Time Duke University June 16-July 25 Historical Archaeology at Flowerdew Hundred Flowerdew Hundred, Prince George County, VA July 2-August 2

Transatlantic Encounters: The Cultural Contacts of European and American Civilizations, 1490-1700 Newberry Library June 9-July 3

Linguistic Turn in Recent Continental Philosophy Purdue University June 23-August 1

Technology of Historic Architecture Princeton University July 28-August 22

Afro-American Religious History Princeton University June 22-July 18

Comparative Philosophy University of Hawaii at Manoa June 15-August 8

Early Printed Book Newberry Library June 23-August 2

Greek Tragedy in Translation Dartmouth College June 30-August 8

Metaphysics and the Modern World Santa Clara University June 25-August 5

Brazilian Civilization and Portuguese Language St. John's College July 7-August 9

The application deadline for all institutes is March 1, 1986. For more information and application forms, please contact Wendell Barbour, Grants Coordinator at 7130 or Bette Smith at 7135.

# NEH 1986 Summer Seminars for College Teachers

Also available in the Grants Office is information concerning the National Endowment for the Humanities 1986 Summer Seminars for College Teachers program. These two-month sessions provide undergraduate college teachers an opportunity for advanced study in their own fields or fields related to their interests. A stipend of \$3,000 will be awarded to help cover travel, research, and living expenses for the two-month tenure period. Please contact Betty Smith at 7135 for a list of the various 1986 seminars. The deadline for application is

-- Wendell Barbour, Grants Coordinator

# Statistical Analyses of Individual Faculty USES Data

If you have ever entertained questions about the response of students on the USES survey—questions such as "Do students vary in their responses as a function of the grades they believe they are going to get?" or, "Which questions on the survey are the most similar to others in terms of the responses they elicit from students?"—then you may want to take advantage of a special offer. Working cooperatively with the Computer Center staff, I will make available to each faculty member who requests it several analyses of past USES evaluation data which pertain to his or her courses. These include crosstabulations between overall performance ratings and all other questions on the survey, correlations among all the questions, and the extraction of factors or meaningful clusters of questions. Depending on the number of requests received, I will also meet with faculty members, either individually or in groups, to answer specific questions and help to interpret the statistical summaries generated. If you are interested, please contact me at extension 7392.

-- Dennis Ridley, Asst., VPAA

#### Grant Received

The Council of Writing Program Administrators has selected Christopher Newport College to receive a grant (funded through the Council by the Exxon Education Foundation). The grant covers the cost of the honoraria for consultants who will review and evaluate the writing program of the College and offer advice on its development.

The two members of the consultation-evaluation team are Dr. Mary Jane Schenck of the University of Tampa and Dr. John Trimbur of Boston University. One member of the team will visit the campus for a day this spring to set in motion the production of a self study for the writing program. After the completion of the self study and its submission to the consultants, both Drs. Schenck and Trimbur will make an evaluation visit to our campus. Within six weeks after the visit, the consultants will send a written report to the College. Within six months after receiving this report, the College is required to prepare a written statement assessing the evaluation visit and its impact on the writing program.

This grant comes at a particularly opportune time for the College. The new curriculum will go into effect next year. A committee has been appointed to make recommendations regarding the development and use of a Writing Proficiency requirement for all CNC students. Reports on undergraduate education have, like our own College-wide Self-Study, ushered in a period of self-reflection for higher education.

Details of schedule shall be worked out in the next two-three weeks and shall be reported in the Chronicle.

-- Jouett L. Powell, Dean, L&NS

### January A.S.T.D. Meeting

The Southeastern Virginia Chapter of the American Society for Training and Development will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 22, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Airport Hilton, 1500 N. Military Highway, Norfolk. The program, which is open to the public, will be Interactive Sharing of Resources Information in interest groups.

Cost for the January 22 program is \$16 for members and \$18 for guests. Advance registration is required and must be made by noon on January 20. For reservations or further information, contact Eileen Werber at 441-4505 (Southside) or Norma Brown at 599-7153 (Peninsula).

-- Office of Continuing Education

# High Quality CNC Monthly Concert Series

As a frequent listener in the CNC music program's series of Monthly Concerts, I commend them to other faculty and students who haven't taken the opportunity to enjoy them. These are concerts of quality, in an informal atmosphere, often enlivened by comments from the performers about the composer, the piece, or the instrument. The audience always seems smaller than the concert deserves.

-- Alice Randall