

# The Captain's Log

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Sunny days are on the way, keep smiling.

## CNC Hosts NCAA Cross Country Championship

Christopher Newport College has been named the host college for the NCAA National Division III Cross Country Championship in 1983. This event will be the first national competition of NCAA Division III in a Southern state.

Athletic Director R. Beverley Vaughan said the event will be held at one of four sites on the Peninsula. The event is scheduled for Saturday morning November 19. The CNC host selection was announced by the NCAA last week in San Diego.

Attracting the attention of the NCAA National Selection Committee has been a year long effort for CNC Track Coach Vince Brown.

Brown, who consistently produces Dixie Conference Championship Cross Country and Track Teams, has successfully moved the nomination through regional and national channels.

Last fall he appeared before a board at the 1982 Nationals at Fredonia State, New York, making a presentation about CNC and the Peninsula. The final approval from the NCAA came from the Executive Committee on behalf of the NCAA officers at the National NCAA meeting in San Diego.

Competition in the Nationals will cover an 8,000 meter course for men and 5,000 for women. Harriers qualify for the national challenge on both a team and individual basis.

For the men, the top two teams and the top three individual finishers in the regionals earn a berth.

For the women, honors go to the top regional team and the top three individual finishers in the regionals.

Director Vaughan also announced that CNC will host the South-Southeast Regionals, a

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## Fall Semester Brings New Student Computer

by Tammy Kinard

When the 1983 Fall semester begins the Computer Department will have a new look. Christopher Newport College is adding space and a new computer to the Department which will greatly improve the facility.

After a period of technical problems that lasted through the first semester, the contract was finally settled for the new computer. Dr. McGregor, chairman of the Computer Science Department, explained the process involved in the purchasing of the computer, "We've ordered a Prime 750 from Management Analysis Systems Development (MASD) from Richmond. Problems arose over the bidding, but MASD found a way around them. Had the company not found a way the bidding process would have had to start all over again and the process is quite lengthy."

With problems cleared a contract was drawn up, and last Friday, approval was granted for the computer.

Mr. Shahram Amiri, director of the Computer Center, showed added enthusiasm about the expansion of the student computer center. "The student area is going to be enlarged and 10-15 terminals will be added along with the new Prime 750, which will be housed in the computer room now being renovated. This will allow more room for students and will allow more students to work in the center at one time."

## CSAP Checks

College Scholarship Assistance Program (CSAP) checks will be available at the cashiers counter on February 17 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

## Computer Offers Students Info on Career Opportunities

by Ann Catherine Braxton

Throughout the month of February, you may occasionally spot a computer display adjacent to the Campus Center Information Desk complete with pamphlets, books on career opportunities, and a small crowd of students milling around an Apple II Computer.

This display entitled "Virginia View Career Information" came to Christopher Newport College courtesy of a grant from Virginia Polytechnic Institute (VPI) and the combined efforts of the CNC Counseling Center and the Basic Studies Department.

Glen Vought, the associate director of the Counseling Center, relates the origin of the program. "It grew out of the recognition that there are a lot of folks who need some direction as to what careers to take. A group (of faculty members and graduates) at Virginia Polytechnic Institute found a system that was in use in another state that could address student needs. It was not too expensive and wanted application in this state. Part of the grant they received created a disc for every high school, every college, every information center, and every library.

"The program began in September when we got the discs and an explanation. We got an agreement from Basic Studies to use their computer. They let us borrow it until February 23.

"The center will be on display two days a

week for the rest of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. When it is not set up down in the lobby, it is set upstairs any time the students want to use it."

The computer's operation responds to the personal needs of the student by providing him or her with a list of occupations that would best suit him or her.

"The idea is that the student is asked to make some decisions relating to career choice such as interest, field of work, temperament,



Dr. Babcock offers student help in seeking career information.

and education. In making choices, the student creates a code and that code is entered into the computer. The computer responds with a list of occupations in response to those

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## VSHPR Accepting Scholarship Applications

If you've never applied for a scholarship because you figured that competition was too stiff, think again. There are dozens of scholarships that few people know about, and so even fewer apply for them.

Among these are two scholarships - one for \$1,000, the other \$500 - offered each year by the Virginia Society for Hospital Public Relations (VSHPR).

"We aim to boost students who may want to do public relations work in hospitals," said Bonnie Lisak, chairman of VSHPR's scholarship committee.

Applicants must be rising juniors or seniors at a Virginia college or university who are pursuing studies in communications, journalism, English or another related field, she said. The deadline for applications is March 1.

"Last year, we had only a half-dozen applicants," Ms. Lisak said. "I hope we don't deter people from applying by our stipulation that they should be interested in a career in hospital public relations.

"Actually, we realize that most students aren't sure about what they will do after grad-

uation," she added. "We're not looking for a career commitment, just an interest in the field."

Hospital public relations varies widely from institution to institution, but the work often

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## Desegregation Plan Scholarship Fund

by Scott Helm

In a recent issue of *The Times-Herald* an article stated that a new desegregation plan for Virginia's four-year colleges was approved by the State and U.S. Education Department.

The revised desegregation plan came about because state colleges have not met minority enrollment goals. Dr. Barry Dorsey, associate director of the State Council of Higher Education, said this is due largely to the fact that the number of black high school graduates that are qualified and want to enter predominantly white colleges has been low.

Dorsey said that Christopher Newport College is one of only two state colleges that have met their minority enrollment goals. The article stated that CNC's goal was around 110. This year William and Mary had a goal of 116, but only 28 new minority students enrolled.

The desegregation plan has established a scholarship fund of \$2.9 million that will provide \$1,000 scholarships to black students over the next three years. The article also states, "Financially needy black students who have a grade average of at least 2.5 out of a possible 4.0 are eligible for the scholarships when they transfer from community colleges to traditionally white four-year institutions."

The plan also sets minority enrollment goals for each school for the next three years.

For additional information on the scholarships, contact the student financial aid office.

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# Campus Closeups

## Bloodmobile Drive

Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity will be holding a bloodmobile drive in the Campus Center hallway from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. during February 14-17.

The purpose of the bloodmobile drive is to set up appointments for donors wanting to give blood on March 9. Having an appointment will let donors avoid long waiting lines.

## Philosophy Club

There will be a meeting of the Philosophy Club on Wednesday, February 23 at 1 p.m. in A305. The topic will be: "Learning Cognitive Development."

## Circle K

The Circle K Club of Christopher Newport College has its weekly meeting Tuesday at 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. in N119. For information call 838-0683.

## Intramural Backgammon

Sign-up for Intramural Backgammon began on January 31 and will close on February 16. There are two sign-up sheets, with the rules attached, one on the Intramural Board in the Campus Center and the others in the Gym outside the Intramural Office. There is a sign-up sheet for the girls' tournament and a separate one for the guys' tournament.

Play will begin on February 21 and will continue through February 25. The brackets, telling you your opponent, will be located on the Intramural Board in the Campus Center and also in the gym outside the Intramural Office. Backgammon games can be played in the Pub using its sets or you may use your own.

There will be a meeting for those who have signed up to play in the tournament on Thursday, February 17 at 12:15 p.m. outside the Intramural Office. If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Cherie Kautz at 599-7054 on Thursdays 1 p.m.-6 p.m. or leave a message in the Intramural Office.

## Brown Bagging

The next "brown bag" lunch for students over 30 years old, staff, and faculty will be held on Monday, February 21, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Admiralty Room of the Campus Center.

Dr. Jouett Powell of the Philosophy and Religious Studies Department will speak about "Personal Religious Perspectives in an Academic Setting."

These informal lunches provide an opportunity for non-traditional age students to meet other members of the Christopher Newport College community, to share a time of relaxation and fun, and to discuss topics of general interest.

Bring your lunch and join us!

## Intramural Track & Field

Track & field is soon arriving. Entries will open on February 28 and close on March 11. The activity will start on March 14. For more information contact Nick in the Intramural Office at 599-7054.

## Poster Violations

This is to serve as public notice that Alpha Kappa Psi has received its first offense concerning a violation of the Poster Guidelines.

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## IVCF

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." (1 Cor. 13:4-7).

Mrs. Dunlap will be the guest speaker at Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship this week. She will be speaking on the love and compassion of Christ Jesus. If anyone close to you has ever had cancer, you won't want to miss her talk. And of course there will be plenty of singing and time to get to know everyone. It all takes place this Wednesday, at noon in CC214.

## AKA rush

The Nu Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. is hosting their Spring Rush for 1983 on Sunday, February 20 at 3 p.m. in the Campus Center Admiralty Room. All interested ladies are invited to attend. Dress is casual and refreshments will be provided.

If you are interested but cannot attend the rush, please contact Michele Whitlow at 850-1306. Make AKA your destination.

## Student teaching

Students who plan to enroll in *Supervised Teaching*, Fall, 1983, should pre-register with Mr. John Jenkins, director of Student Teaching, prior to March 1.

Registration blanks and information can be obtained from the Education Department, W226, each day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Intramural Pool, Ping Pong

Due to lack of participation, entries for Intramural Ping Pong will be extended to February 16.

The Intramural Department would like to congratulate Tommy Highsmith for winning the Fall semester pool tournament. Tommy will be defending his championship in the Spring pool tournament which starts on February 21.

## Prayer Meeting

What if you could actually talk with God? What would you say? What would you ask Him? How would He respond?

Jesus Christ has provided the way for you to talk with God in prayer. A prayer meeting has been established on campus to help students learn about and participate in the privilege of prayer. You are invited to attend the next meeting on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in CC214.

"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (Jesus) John 14:6.

## UCAM

The Christopher Newport College Chapter of the United Campus to Prevent Nuclear War (UCAM) will meet Thursday, February 24 in G201 from 12:15 until 1 p.m. Martin Buoncrisiani of the Physics Department will discuss "The Physical Effects of Nuclear Weapons." A short business meeting will follow.

All students and faculty are welcome.

## Scholarship

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involves doing the photography, writing, editing and design for hospital publications, writing press releases, organizing special events, preparing audio-visual presentations, and participating in fund drives.

For more information about the VSHPR scholarships, contact your college financial aid office or Bonnie Lisak at the University of Virginia Hospital, Box 224, Charlottesville, VA 22908, or phone Ms. Lisak at (804) 924-1968.

## Alpha Chi

Information about the 1983-84 Alpha Chi Fellowship and Scholarship Program is now available. Contact either Dr. Jouett Powell at 599-7173, or Chris Seifert at 877-6191.

Briefly, what is available is this: H.Y. Benedict Fellowship with a one thousand dollar stipend towards graduate work, and the Alfred H. Nolle Scholarship for undergraduate study with a \$600 stipend.

Applications must be submitted by March first of this year. No more than one application from each chapter can be submitted. More information is available.

## Placement Center amends recruiting schedule

There have been several changes in the recruiting schedule for the Spring semester at Christopher Newport. Three new recruiters have been added to the schedule: Wednesday, March 16 - Roadway Express; Thursday, March 17 - Computer Data Systems, Inc.; and Wednesday, May 18 - Norfolk Public Schools. Please check the *Captain's Log* for any other changes or additions to the recruiting schedule, or stop by the Office of Career Planning and Placement, CC208 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for further information.

## Mock Interviews

The personnel or manager representatives will be visiting the Media Center in Captain John Smith Library to conduct mock interviews with CNC seniors. The following companies' representatives that will be here and the dates are: Merrill Lynch, February 17; Wyle Laboratories, February 23; United Virginia Bank, February 24; and Newport News Shipbuilding, February 28.

Two students will be interviewed by each company's representative with the video camera at each date mentioned above. The mock interviews are open to all seniors. It is intended to give the students practical experience in projecting the image the student desires.

## Cross Country

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preliminary for the national competition on November 12. That event will include participants from a dozen states spread between Virginia and Texas.

CNC President, Dr. John E. Anderson, is enthusiastic about the national competition for both the College and the community. "In hosting the NCAA National Championship we bring national attention to our Peninsula. The event will also bring 1,500 people to the area," he said.

## CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT COLLEGE RECRUITING SCHEDULE SPRING SEMESTER 1983

DATE	EMPLOYER	MAJORS INTERVIEWING	POSITIONS INTERVIEWING FOR
Fri., Feb. 18	MILLER & RHOADS Richmond, VA	B.S. degree in Business Administration with concentration in Marketing and a B.A. degree	Executive Training Program
Wed., Feb. 23	VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF URBAN STUDIES GRADUATE SCHOOL Richmond, VA	Political Science/Economics/History/Art/Sociology	
Thurs. March 10	IBM* Norfolk, VA	Finance or Accounting	Budget Analyst
Fri., March 11	VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA Richmond, VA	All Majors	Health Fields
Mon., March 14	COMPUTER SCIENCE CORPORATION	Computer Science/Information Science/Math	Associate Member of Technical Staff
Tues., March 15	UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND	Accounting	Graduate Program

The Christopher Newport College Career Planning and Placement Office will list additional recruiters in future editions of *The Captain's Log*. Please check with the Placement Office, located in the Campus Center, Room 208, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to sign up for interviews with the various recruiters. Appointments must be made in person to ensure all necessary forms are completed.

\*Uncertain positions will be available



# Entertainment

## Film *Sophie's Choice* Devoid of William Styron's Personality

by Terry VanDover

At long last, the movie version of William Styron's best-selling novel, *Sophie's Choice*, is finally here. And we residents of Newport News are probably giving the movie a more thorough scrutinizing than viewers anywhere else in the country.

William Styron is, after all, one of us. Stingo, whose experiences early in the book are based on Styron's actual experiences, is also one of us; both are natives of Tidewater, Virginia.

Part of the fun of reading Styron's books, aside from marvelling at his literary talents, is being able to see the references to, and the influences of, this Tidewater area in Styron's works and characters: something an "alien" could never fully appreciate.

After the years we have waited since Hollywood announced that it was planning to produce *Sophie's Choice*, I was somewhat disappointed to see it and find out that the movie version is devoid of any of Styron's ties to his native Tidewater.

Since the screenplay was written by Alan J. Pakula, who also directed the movie, this deficiency is not a total surprise. Still, to us Newport Newsians, it is a disappointment.

The Stingo that Peter MacNichol portrays is not Styron's Stingo. MacNichol certainly plays the Southern gentleman, but therein lies the problem. He is too Southern and too much of a gentleman: more a stereotype than a real character.

While Virginians may indeed have Southern

accents, MacNichol sounds more like someone from Ozark, Alabama.

The Stingo that Styron created was young and inexperienced, but he had guts. "Don't call me a Cracker!" he shouted at one of Nathan's attacks on his southernness. "I don't have to take your rotten insults. Now get your foot out of that door and leave me alone!"

On the other hand, the movie's Stingo stands by dumbly as Nathan dishes out abuse, coming to Sophie's aid but never standing up for himself.

Styron's Stingo is naive but not adolescent, except in his obsession with sex: his love for Sophie is largely lust.

In contrast, MacNichol's Stingo is still a boy; he reminded me of "Opie" on the old Andy Griffith show. When he asked Sophie to marry him, my first reaction was to laugh, and I expected Sophie to, also.

Surprisingly, the obsessive sexuality of the characters in the novel is absent from the movie. I had expected Hollywood to exploit it. Nathan and Sophie seem more sweetly romantic than neurotically driven.

And the Leslie Lapidus scene, in which Stingo is rejected at the last minute by an all-talk-and-no-action tease, seems more like a comic interlude, a funny incident, rather than a typical day in Stingo's life. It provides no real insight into the character of Stingo.

However different the movie may be from the book, the film is by no means worthless. The weakness of Stingo is more than compensated for by the strength of Sophie, even though she is different from Styron's Sophie. Whereas the novel is Stingo's story, the movie is purely Sophie's.

Meryl Streep portrays Sophie powerfully, emotionally, and almost flawlessly: her neurotic dependence on Nathan, her innocent love for Stingo, and especially her ever-present guilt about her "choice." The concentration camp scenes are especially effective, as is her use of languages, including her "butchering" of English.

Her ability to change her physical and emotional state is also expert: she changes from a virtual walking corpse to a healthy lover, but never loses that angular starved look. She bounces from stark terror to the joy of moonlit celebrations, but always retains the anxiety and fear of her guilt.

Powerful as Meryl Streep is as Sophie, she is not Styron's voluptuous Sophie, for whom sex is an escape from the horror of reality.

Streep portrays a frightened child, terrified of being alone, so terrified that she endures Nathan's abuse. But she does not, as Styron's Sophie does, beg to be punished by Nathan because of her overpowering guilt.

And finally - Nathan. Played by Kevin Kline, this Nathan is also, like Stingo, a stereotype, who differs from Styron's original. Kline's Nathan is definitely mad, and he is abusive to Stingo and Sophie, but he is also comic and lovable. Although we know he abuses Sophie physically, we never see it on the screen. We pity this Nathan, but we don't hate him.

Styron's Nathan, however, is quite different. Violently abusive to Sophie, cruel and cutting to Stingo, the Nathan of the novel is controlled by madness, drugs and an obsession with death. Although he has his periods of love and concern for Sophie, his dark side definitely dominates. I feel no pity for him.

*Sophie's Choice*, the movie, is effective and worthwhile in its own right, as the story of one woman's unsuccessful effort to put her life back together after having survived Nazi atrocities. Those who have never read the book can probably appreciate the film more for what it is alone.

## Who is William Styron, Anyway?

by Terry VanDover

Born and raised in Hilton Village in Newport News, William Styron was the son of an engineer at the Newport News Shipyard. A 1947 graduate of Duke University in North Carolina, Styron is the author of one play and five novels, the latest of which is *Sophie's Choice*.

His book, *The Confessions of Nat Turner*, about a Virginia slave uprising, won him the Pulitzer Prize in 1967.

Nearly all of Styron's works are somewhat autobiographical. His first novel, published when he was only 26 years old and, in this writer's opinion, still his masterpiece, is set in Newport News, though he renamed the city "Port Warwick."

We at CNC have yet another tie to William Styron, that Newport News boy who made it to the top. One of our honors programs - the only one that offers scholarships - has taken Styron as its model. Still in its babyhood after three years, this honors program for freshmen and sophomores names its members "Styron Scholars."

## Homecoming Weekend

February 18th and 19th

Friday, Feb. 18th

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# Sports

## Cindy Nice Breaking Records for CNC

by David M. Bean

On the offense, she has the ability to score from either the outside or to muscle it down the lane for a bucket. Back on defense, she has already broken two Lady Captains records for rebounds and blocked shots. And she is just a sophomore.

I am talking about Cindy Nice, the 19-year-old player from Menchville High School.

Nice started playing basketball about ten years ago. "My older brother Henry played," said Nice, "and I guess I just picked it from him. He's the one who got me interested in the game."

In the three years she started at Menchville, she began to add some polish to her rather rough-around-the-edges style of play.

She feels her biggest problem was her attitude coming into college. "In high school, I was a star player, so when I came here, I expected to start. I wouldn't let Susan coach me, because I thought I knew it all, and as a result I didn't see much playing time. It wasn't until after Christmas that I started letting her coach me. I need the coaches' attention - I need someone to be nagging me."

Coach Susan Walthall agrees with her. "I believe that she can be an All-American. I

want her to do so well and I jump on her constantly because she has more to offer than what she's giving. I usually end up getting it out of her one way or the other. Last season she was real lazy, but she has worked really hard this summer, and it shows."

Like any ballplayer, Nice will be the first to admit that it's easier to get more for some games than for others. "For me to have a good game, I have to have a good day all around."

The person to whom she is compared with/or associated with is her teammate Benitta Coker. Coach Walthall says, "She and Benitta work well together in the defensive zone. They communicate good on the floor, both have a good offensive sense, and they are very competitive against each other in practice."

*"I need the coaches' attention - I need someone to be nagging me." (Cindy Nice)*

As I mentioned earlier, she can hit from the outside or the inside. She is third in team scoring, with a 46 percent average from the floor, a 54 percent average from the foul line. She has 239 points, an 11 point average per game. Nice is the team leader in rebounds with 218 or around 10 per game.

Before the games this weekend, she broke two of former CNC star Linda Richardson's records. The first was for blocked shots. In 1979-80, Richardson had 34, but Nice has 40 so far this season. The second was for rebounds. In 1979-80, Linda had 55, yet Cindy has collected 64 already.

Nice commented that one of her disadvantages this season is that she leaves her feet too much. A good number of her teammates will agree with this as well as Walthall. "That is one of her problems, but that will disappear with more experience. She needs to play more defensively than to just make the big block, and she lacks a bit of confidence. However, she has tremendous potential, moves very well with the ball."

"A lot of teams will not let their tall center or forwards bring the ball up the floor, but Cindy can do it. I feel she still hasn't reached her full abilities. She is a really strong player, and she needs to stop the fancy things and just concentrate on the fundamentals."

Nice thinks three things have been the key to the team's success. "First this, the fact that we do have some college playing time between us, even though we're a young team. Second, there is a lot of competitiveness between each other, and third, our coaches are backing us. We have really good coaches; they work well together, and they know what they're talking about. They tell me what to do, and sometimes though I don't try too hard, I try to do it - and that's that."

## Lady Captains On the Road

by David M. Bean

There are many phrases which anyone could use to describe the way in which the Christopher Newport Lady Captains play basketball. Though some are too nice or unprintable, I offer my favorite: strangely inconsistent. Allow me to explain.

Let's start with last Tuesday's game against William & Mary. Despite the fact they often have trouble with Division III teams, let them play a Division I or II school, and one will see a really good ballgame.

CNC must have known this for they have knocked off more than their share of higher ranked teams. First Hampton Institute by 13, then Norfolk State by one and now it was the Lady Indians turn to bite the dust.

CNC is known for digging itself a hole in the first half, and when the smoke cleared at the end of the first, CNC was down by 25 points, 33-18.

The Lady Captains are also known for digging themselves out of the same hole real quick. Led by the scoring of Leanne Eyler and Vicky Gunn and the rebounding of Cindy Nice, the Lady Captains caught up and carved another knotch in the win column as they defeated W&M, 60-55.

Eyler had 22 points, and Gunn pumped in 14. Nice brought down 15 rebounds while Eyler collected eight. Nice also had 10 points.

Three days later, they travelled down to Greensboro, North Carolina to take on UNC-G. The Lady Spartans are the one team which everyone wants to beat, yet none have come close. CNC lost to them at home by 18, 78-60 on January 22, and CNC was hungry for revenge. However, The Lady Spartans opened the game with a full court press which shut down the CNC offense.

Despite scoring from Eyler, Coker, and Nice, the Lady Captains were behind by as much as 20, the largest being 27 points. With five minutes left in the first half, CNC started getting some good shots and began to cut the lead. The fore-mentioned threesome all made important buckets as CNC cut the lead to 11, 44-33 at the half. Eyler had already put 13, and Coker had 10.

Coker exploded in the second half, hitting shots from all over the place. More importantly, the momentum had shifted from UNC-G to CNC. Slowly but surely, CNC took the game to

UNC-G. With 6:18 left, Benitta Coker took a pass from Shelly Pidgeon and brought the Lady Captains within four, 63-59.

This was as close as CNC would get as UNC-G managed to pull away, but not by much. Although Eyler and Coker both made points on the bonus from the foul line, CNC came up short by six as they lost 76-70.

*"They did everything I asked them to do. The only problem is that I feel the girls have a deep mental block about UNC-G," comments Coach Susan Walthall.*

Coach Susan Walthall commented about her team's performance. "I'm really proud of them. They came back from a 27 point deficit in the first half and that would have done in many other teams. They did everything I asked them to do. The only problem is that I feel the girls have a deep mental block about UNC-G."

Walthall also felt that the Lady Captains did not box-out well on the defense, and this is evident in the fact they were out-rebounded.

The following day, they went across the street to play Greensboro College. The starting five ran up a quick 14 point lead, 18-4, and all the subs came in. At one point, Becky Littrel put CNC up by 23, 35-12. At the half, it was CNC 35-16.

The second half was much like the first as CNC completely dominated the game. The final score of 56-34 reflects little as to how the game was played.

There were several moments in which CNC wouldn't score at all. Once, it was five minutes without a score, and it was not because of the GC defense.

Walthall explained, "I'm proud of the bench, but I don't like going five minutes without a score. They play more aggressively on defense than the starting five, but they lack the confidence on offense."

The Lady Captains are now 15-8 with a 6-4 conference record. They will play their last game of the season Saturday night at home against Virginia Wesleyan College. Tip-off will be at 5:30 p.m.

## Intramural Volleyball

Intramural Volleyball got under way on Sunday, February 6 despite the snowy weather. Lots of enthusiasm was evident as most all teams showed up to play, even with an hour delay in playing time.

The first game pitted the Alumni against the Sailing Club. The games were split one each with a third game having to be played. It was rather close but the Alumni managed to pull out the win.

The next game was Sigma Pi against the Sailing Club with the games again going into a third match to determine a winner. This time the Sailing Club came out on top.

IVCF then played Sigma Pi. The Sailing Club must have tired Sigma Pi a bit because after a fairly even first match IVCF managed to overcome Sigma Pi in two games.

Also going on at this time was a game against IDK and Xenith. Though competition was quite close during the first game, Xenith managed to put it all together during the second game to win in two games.

The last game of the day put IVCF against IDK. This was an interesting and fun-filled game. With the play about equal and the score that way, too, IDK managed to barely upset IVCF in the third match to win the game.

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# Features

## Powell Speaks on Topic of Understanding Religion at Colloquia

by Ann Catherine Braxton

Last December 31 a group of Peninsula teenagers gathered to symbolize their break with worldly ideologies by toasting the New Year with glasses of grape juice - and by burning their rock albums.

In sixteenth century Mexico, a farmer went searching for a lost cow and found it dead. A woman claiming to be the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him, and the cow came back to life. At the woman's bidding, the farmer went to fetch priests to consecrate the spot where he had had his vision. He returned home only to learn that his son had died.

Soon afterward the boy miraculously came back to life and asked to be taken to the sacred spot so he could worship there. The priests arrived at the spot, removed a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary from a nearby cave, and dubbed the shrine "Our Lady of Guadalupe." Today Christians still make pilgrimages to the shrine.

Do you see similarities in these stories? How do you react to them? Do you find one just as credible and/or intriguing as the other?

These stories were two of three vignettes presented by Dr. J. J. Powell of Christopher Newport College's Philosophy Department to introduce his discourse "Religions Foreign and Domestic: Can They Be Understood?" to a small but appreciative audience at the Spring entry of the Dean William A. Parks Memorial

Colloquia held February 4 at noon in the Campus Center Theatre.

The lecture was an analysis of how one can learn to accept the beliefs and customs of other cultures along with cultivating a greater understanding of our own culture.

There are three ways that one can think in relation to religion, Dr. Powell explained. "I might seek to understand in order to become religious," "I might think as a religious person being not so much a seeker but a believer" or "I might want to think of myself as religious without belonging to one." According to Dr. Powell, it is the last viewpoint that most enables one to understand other religions. The last viewpoint would be that of a philosophical theologian.

Unlike a dogmatic theologian, who professes to believe in a particular faith and views that faith as the absolute truth, the philosophical theologian tests to see if a particular set of religious beliefs are true.

One type of philosophical theologian accepts a "common sense notion" and asks "Can we prove this?" while the other type accepts a set of beliefs as true but does not take the beliefs literally. For example, did Christ really rise from the dead or was his "resurrection" symbolized by the enthusiastic preaching work of his followers?

Dr. Powell quoted English professor Victor Turner, who for a time lived in Africa among

the Ndembu people wrote extensive books, and later developed theories, as he explained the basic similarities of all societies and stated that understanding best lies in acknowledging these similarities.

According to Turner, all humans share a natural history, they all have a language, every culture has some kind of myth or story explaining how the culture came to be, every culture has rituals that are especially important in times of crisis, such as the transition from childhood to puberty, life to death and social struggles ("as portrayed in the movie *Gandhi*").

## Flash!!! CNC mascot missing, reportedly has flown the coop

by Scott Helm

Does anyone know what our school mascot is? If you answered a crow, you're right.

For about one year Christopher Newport College had a crow costume that showed up at the basketball games. The crow seemed to increase school spirit at the games, and everyone got a laugh out of it.

When preparing for the 1981-82 basketball season, it was discovered that the last keeper of the crow had moved and left no forwarding address. Needless to say, the transcripts of the keeper of the crow are in the registrar's office on hold.

and lastly, every society has ways that attempt to persuade children and doubting members to believe in the stories that help them through the times of crisis.

If this does not happen, the society will change, "just as it did in the 1960's in America."

Can we observe the culture of another society without judging it based on the attitudes of our own society? Dr. Powell urged a study of logic and the social sciences as the key to understanding.

Campus Police Chief Johnnie Capehart said the student has made two attempts to get grades from the registrar's office and that both times letters were sent to the address listed on the transcript request. Both attempts to reach the student were futile.

Chief Capehart's investigation led him to the student's last residence in Virginia. The student's last roommate was located in Virginia Beach and was mailed a request to contact John McCaughey, director of Student Life, immediately. A call is expected soon, and hopefully the crow costume will be found.

## Homecoming Queen Candidates



Priscilla Short



Michele Deubel



Lauri VanNewkirk



Anne Doop



Cyndie Cronk



Linda Mackey



Maryjean Sotack



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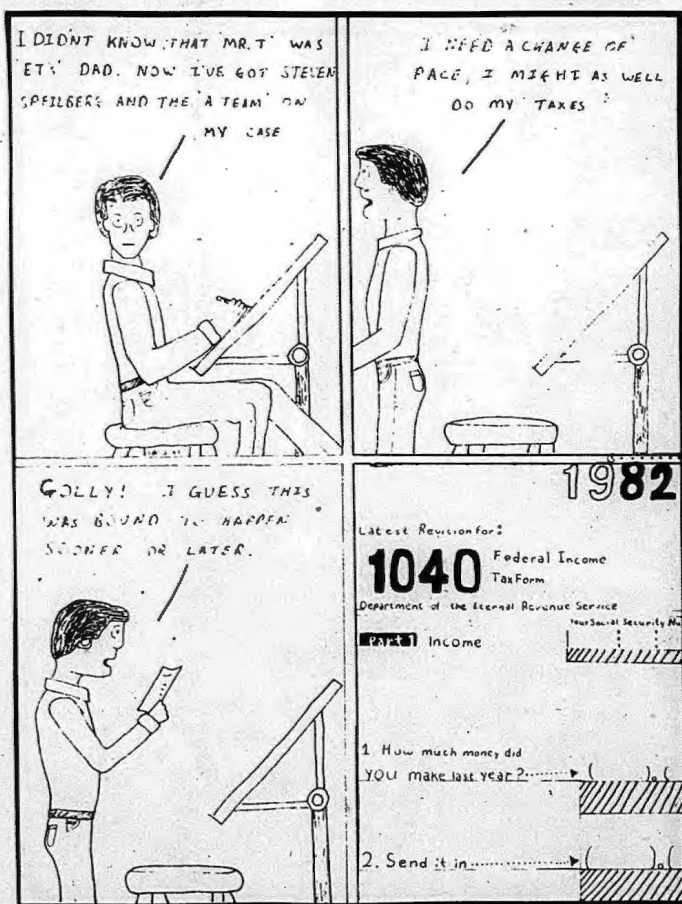
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by RJH



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# **Career Opportunities**

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different codes. It also has the capability of comparing the occupation with the individual's wishes for career satisfaction."

The program also involves a microfiche projector that comes with frames of slides placed in different categories to further explain what is involved with any specific career the

student chooses from his or her list.

Vought, who organized the set-up of the display, is helped out by Sandy Ballew, a new Counseling Center intern from the College of William and Mary. He states that "about 75 or 80 students have worked with the computer so far. We may accept people from the public if we have time, but our primary obligation is to students and alumni."

**Applications are Now Being Taken for the Following Positions Which Will be Vacant Next Semester.**

# **Features Editor Photography Editor Business Manager of**

# **The Captain's Log**

*Some newspaper experience (lay-out, writing) is helpful for the **Features Editor**. Samples of prior work are required.*

*Applicants for the position of **Photography Editor** should bring samples of his/her work and have some darkroom experience.*

***Business Manager** applicants must have a strong background in Accounting or bookkeeping, and must be able to keep regular, weekly office hours.*

*Applications may be picked up in **The Captain's Log** office, CC223, Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.*

***Deadline for applications is Friday, March 3.** Applicants will be notified as to their interview date. Positions are salaried.*

*Those applicants who are hired will be required to start work immediately in their position as assistants.*

# Opinion

## Definition of Obscenity Leads to Many Questions, Banned Books, TV Shows

Thursday afternoon it began to snow; by evening it had looked like it was here to stay. But just to make sure, I turned on the radio to hear the weather report, but instead I heard something more interesting than how much snow we would get. Since there were no weather reports on the other stations, I decided to leave the radio tuned to WTAR and wait for the weather and the CBS news.

On WTAR someone was making an editorial comment, and I don't know who the speaker was, but what caught my ear was that some organization in Norfolk is trying to force Cox Cable TV from transmitting the Playboy channel. I thought at first that this was going to be an all-out attack on one organization, and to some extent it was, but the speaker brought up some interesting points that add up to saying that America's basic tenets of freedom are being threatened.

The organization (the speaker didn't identify it) opposes the televising of the Playboy channel on the grounds that the shows are "obscene." Now what is exactly obscene? Just about everyone has a different definition and has a right to it, but not the right to force it onto everyone else. If I don't want to watch the Playboy programs, I'll change the channel, but I don't have the right nor do others, to force people to watch what I want to watch.

The exact definition of what is obscenity is a touchy subject. As the radio announcer remarked, even the Supreme Court has a difficult time in ruling what is and is not obscene, and some people may not consider the human body or sex as something dirty (obscene). The announcer went on to say what he did consider obscene, and I must say that I tend to agree with him.

Obscenity is when a religious organization raises thousands of dollars to help get elected a politician whom it has endorsed. Whatever happened to the separation of Church and State? Isn't that one of our Constitutional Freedoms being threatened? Some politicians are afraid to vote their conscience because it might lose them the support of a religious group.

Another obscenity the announcer gave as an example is when a religious group raises money from its followers (usually old people on a fixed income) and buys its leader a condominium in Florida.

It may very well seem that we are picking solely on religions, but they are the most visible and the most vocal condemners of what is "obscene" and "immoral." But they are not the only definers of morality. The government in Sweden, a country most people would consider very liberal, had banned until recently the showing of Donald Duck movies because he did not wear pants, he had a long-going relationship with Daisy, and he had three "nephews" when he had no siblings.

But Americans do have a tendency to be prudish; we are shocked when we see bare bosoms and bottoms on *The Benny Hill Show*, when in England that type of entertainment is not offensive. But getting away from nudity and sex, there are obscenities around us that complicate the defining of that word.

Some people on campus may feel that it is obscene to pay \$219,000 on a presidential house when Christopher Newport's budget is being cut. I feel it is obscene for President Reagan to spend billions of dollars on defense when Social Security is going bankrupt. In the past such books as *Lady Chatterly's Lover* and *Catcher in the Rye* have been banned because they contained passages that were considered "pornographic" and/or "obscene." The same thing is happening today but to books that one would

consider quite tame such as *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. The banning of books and the burning of rock records is to me an obscenity.

But for the majority, the main focus for their obscenity search is television. On *The Phil Donahue Show* Thursday morning, Phil did a brave thing - he had on the detractors of his show, one of whom was the Chairman for Accuracy in the Media and another was Jerry Falwell. Their main gripe against Donahue was that too many of his shows dealt with sex. Out of 250 transcripts available for the Donahue show, 26 were about sex. The chairman complained about shows on incest, rape, abortion, birth control and sadomasochism. His primary example was the show on pleasure-palaces in which a man would whip someone with leather whips.

But Donahue's purpose, in my opinion, is to inform and so far he has accomplished that. His show has done a lot in dispelling the myths and fears about once taboo topics such as incest and homosexuality. Once we have knowledge of something we can better understand it. To ban the Donahue show and other like it or to censor them would send America back into the Dark Ages where people were uptight about sex and tried to pretend that it didn't exist. The "out-of-sight, out-of-mind" philosophy is rather unhealthy and unrealistic. If those guests didn't like Phil Donahue's topics, then they don't have to watch. Someone must like his show, and the audience has the right to view whatever he/she likes.

But it seems lately that this country has been fighting people who do want to restrict American's freedoms. The movie industry ridded itself of its censors, but television still has them as well as contending with outside groups who want to pressure the three major networks to air what they want to see. Can you imagine nothing but shows similar to *Little House on the Prairie* on TV?

If someone doesn't like what he/she reads in newspapers and magazines or what he/she sees on TV, he/she has a right to complain; that is why *The Captain's Log* has a "Letters to the Editor" section. If someone doesn't like our "garbage" or anybody else's he/she has a hard-earned privilege to voice his/her dislike, but what people don't have is the right to restrict others' freedoms of choice and speech.

### From Our Readers returns

In lieu of the Opinion Page in the February 24 issue, *The Captain's Log* will feature again this semester the creative talents of our student body. If you have an essay, opinion piece, short story, any poetry, drawings or photographs that you would like to have published, please submit the material to the Editor in CC223.

Final deadline for all copy is noon, Friday, February 18. Remember that all copy, no matter how little, is to be typed and double-spaced before it is submitted.

## Letters to the Editor

### "Proper Mix" Unfair

Dear Editor,

The school is having intramural sports competitions and this letter pertains to Volleyball. One of the rules of an organization to field a team is to have two female players on the court at all times. I feel that this is unfair to all concerned. And why just women, other minority students deserve to play also. Why not make it mandatory to have Blacks, Mexican-Americans, Japanese, and Falkland Islanders play on each team, also?

I am sure that the people who wrote the rules had only the best interests of all involved. I am not questioning their good intentions. Intramural sports should be enjoyed by all.

There shouldn't have to be any rules to make a team have the proper mix of men and women.

The rule is mostly unfair to women. I was told the rule was put there to keep tall men from dominating the game, or to give everyone a chance to play. In so many words this says that women are some kind of liability that all the teams must suffer with. Nothing could be further from the truth. I feel that the students at Christopher Newport are intelligent and caring enough to actively participate in intramural sports without discriminating against anyone. With a student body like ours, a quota for choosing a team is unnecessary.

Steve Coburn  
IVCF team

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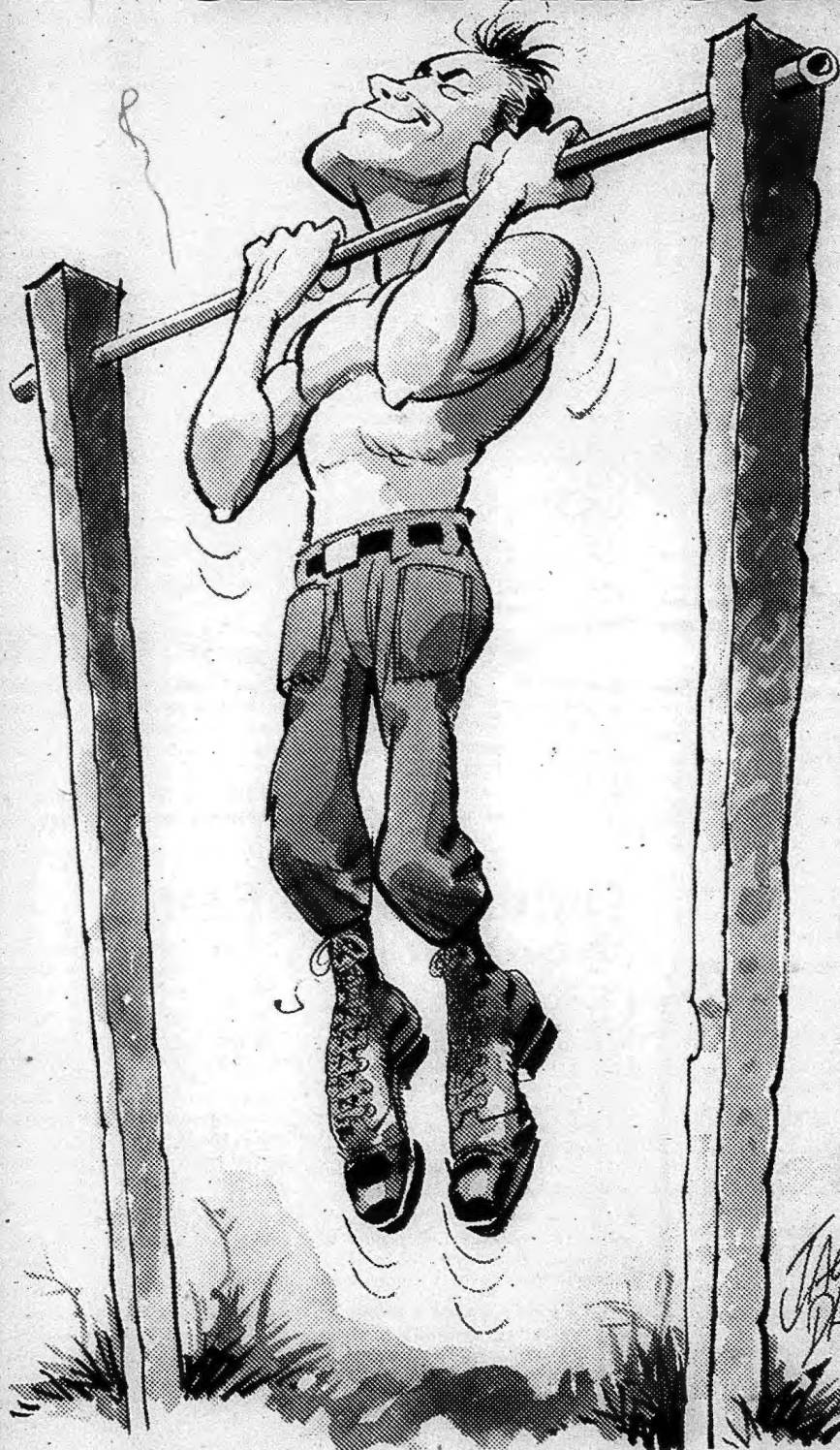
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