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TAMU-CC Nursing programs are very stable

In the words of Paul Harvey, "This is the other side of the story!" The Nursing Division wishes to take this opportunity to share information about our nursing degree programs here at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, how they have broadly served the local community, state and nation to meet health and educational needs. We are very proud of our nursing programs and students. We look forward to continuing to meet the emerging need of a changing, evolving health care delivery system.

The Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Program for Registered Nurses Only was the first degree in nursing offered at TAMU-CC. The program was designed for nurses from associate degree and diploma programs who had passed the state board examination and were registered nurses. The program offers additional upper level nursing course work as well as general education courses in keeping with

the National League of Nursing criteria and requirements for a baccalaureate degree in nursing.

In 1974, this program was one of only four in the State of Texas that was authorized by the Coordinating Board to offer the RN-BSN Only Nursing degree. The first class graduated in 1976. In 1979, the program had the distinction of being the first RN-BSN only program in the State of Texas to be accredited by the National League of Nursing (NLN). This program is in its 19th year of operation.

The Master's Degree in Nursing Program (MSN) was instituted in 1982 in response to community demand. This program was fully accredited by the NLN in 1988. Graduates from both programs hold responsible positions locally, statewide and nationally.

Once again, in keeping with *See "Nurse" on page 2*

Intercollegiate sports for TAMU-CC receives enthusiastic local support

Approximately 75 persons gathered informally March 17 at the Corpus Christi Marriott Hotel to discuss the feasibility and options of intercollegiate athletics for Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. Basketball, baseball, sailing, tennis, golf and soccer received a favorable consensus as sports programs that could be developed at TAMU-CC in the near future.

Facilitator of the meeting and 4UCC President Mark Scott said after the meeting an athletics boosters club for TAMU-CC was being formed and announced, "Anybody that wants to participate is welcome."

During introductions at the beginning of the meeting, Fred Heldenfels IV, noting TAMU-CC's efforts for more national identity, stated, "The best way to gain na-

tional exposure, whether you like it or not, is through intercollegiate athletic programs."

Voices from the past, when TAMU-CC was the University of Corpus Christi, were heard.

Dr. Bob Maroney, a former basketball coach for the UCC Tarpons and present professor of Education and director of the Certification Office, recalled the basketball team compiling a 13-12 record in the last season of intercollegiate athletics. The 1950 team compiled an impressive 25-1 record. Many of the teams the Tarpons played were nationally prominent in the late 1960's and early 1970's. In 1969 the Tarpons were the NAIA District 8 champions. Also speaking on behalf of a basketball program were former Tarpon roundball standouts Shiralud Hendrix, former team captain and current president of the TAMU-CC Alumni Association, and Dr. Bob Cox, present dean of the College of Education at TAMU-CC.

Bob Mapes, H.E.B. Tennis Center pro and former coach of the Tarpons tennis team (1962-73), recalled the teams he coached won over 78 percent of their matches. He added, "We had one of the strongest tennis schedules in the nation. We never lost to the University of Texas or Texas A&M." At Mapes' side *See "Sports" continued on page 2*



4UCC President Mark Scott addresses approximately 75 TAMU-CC alumni and other persons interested in intercollegiate sports during an informal meeting at the Corpus Christi Marriott Hotel March 17.

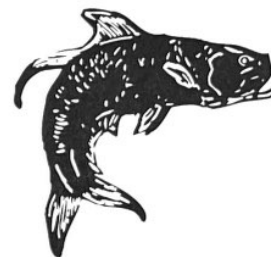
Student Fees Pass

By a narrow margin of victory, all three new students fees on the referendum were voted in. The three fees are for health services, recreational sports and the student center.

Director of Recreational Sports,

Ann DeGaish said, "I think this fee is going to be really good for us. We will be able to offer more services and be open the longer hours that the students were requesting."

DeGaish also said the Rec Sports *See "Student Fees" on page 3*



Comparisons: TAMU-CC student housing to dormitories and apartments

CAMPUS HOUSING COMPARISONS

Comparisons for Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC), Southwest Texas State University (SWTSU), University of Texas-San Antonio (UTSA) and Texas A&M University-College Station (TAMU)

	TAMU-CC	SWTSU	UTSA	TAMU
Cost per semester per student	\$1,060-1,760	\$1,252-1,408	\$1,300-1,900	\$399-992
Square footage	450-950	165-168	365	180-336
Bathrooms	private	communal	private	varies
Air-conditioning	yes	some	yes	some
Kitchen	yes	no	no	no
Living Room	yes*	no	no	some
Computer Links**	yes	no	no	no
Resident's Pool	yes	no	no	no
Club House	yes	no	no	no
Sports Court	yes	no	no	no
Activity Room	yes	no	yes	some
Volleyball Area	yes	no	no	no
Laundry Room	yes	no	yes	some
Pre-wired for TV	yes	no	no	no

* With the exception of eight (8) efficiency rooms
 ** To link students with campus mainframe computer

APARTMENT HOUSING COMPARISONS

Comparisons are between housing at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and available apartment housing in the Corpus Christi area. On campus housing at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi includes fully furnished apartment-style living with all bills paid (except the telephone). Area apartment rates have been adjusted to reflect the cost of renting furniture (minimum of \$75/month for bedroom/living room package and extra bedroom packages for \$30 per student) and electricity (averaging \$1.11 per square foot). These rates are then divided by the maximum number of students who could share the apartment to reflect per student costs on a monthly basis. Rental information was provided by The Rental Connection.

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Corpus Christi Apartments

	Cost	Sq. Footage	Cost	Sq. Footage
Efficiency 1 student	\$450	450	\$480-\$541	500-600
One Bedroom/One Bath 2 students	\$275	650	\$262-\$355	625-814
Two Bedroom/One Bath 2 students	\$305	650	\$294-\$370	800-1000
Four Bedroom/Two Bath 4 students	\$255	950	\$391	1800
Additional charges				
Electric deposit	n/a		\$100	
Furniture deposit	n/a		n/a	
Apartment deposit	\$150/student		\$100-150	
Application fee	n/a		\$25/resident (not all apartments)	
Amenities				
computer links*	yes		no	
24 hour security	yes		no	
resident's pool	yes		most	
club house	yes		most	
sports court	yes		some	
activity room	yes		no	
volleyball area	yes		no	
laundry room	yes		yes	
pre-wired for TV	yes		most	
easy commute	yes		few	

* Links student with campus mainframe computer

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Tarpon making a comeback

The tarpon, at one time the ultimate fighting fish for sport anglers in the Gulf of Mexico, is making a gradual return to the Gulf of Mexico.

According to Tom Serota, project leader of the Fishing Resource Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Tarpon were plentiful along the Texas Gulf Coast in the 1930's and 1940's.

"They are one of the first fish to leave when the water starts to become polluted," says Serota. "They are like an early warning indicator. The water is better than before and they are now slowly trying to make a comeback."

Also making a comeback are intercollegiate athletics at TAMU-CC. In the past, when this university participated in intercollegiate athletics, the mascot was the Tarpon.

In a straw poll among athletic boosters at the March 17 meeting at the Corpus Christi Marriott Hotel, there was overwhelming support to retain the Tarpon as the school mascot.

Stop the World, I Want to Get Off!

University Theatre opens musical

The University Theatre at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will open the musical comedy, *Stop the World, I Want to Get Off!*, by Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley, on April 7 for eight performances in Warren Theatre.

This charming musical portrays the success story of the character, Littlechap, as he progresses from tea boy in a factory to British Parliament. The story begins with a troupe

of actors deciding to perform the 60 year old life of one man, Littlechap, from his birth to death. Some of the successful music and popular melodies include "What Kind of Fool Am I," "Gonna Build Me A Mountain," and "Once In A Lifetime." This production is directed by Ina Wilder Jensen, musical direction by Sarah Hanby-Skinner, choreographed by Kim LaRue Watts and set/light design by Philip Johnson.

The cast includes Douglas C. Holcomb, Ida Rodriguez, Sabra Hall, Suzy Kratzig, Heather Jinnett, Tanya Beasom and Manda Dennie.

Other performances will be held April 8-9 and 14-16 at 8 p.m. Matinees April 10 and 17 will begin at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased through the University Box Office. For ticket information and reservations call the Box Office at 994-5800.

Student Art Association sponsors 20th annual Student Art Exhibition

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the juried Student Art Association exhibition. This exhibition, which runs from April 8 to May 6 in the Weil Gallery, allows the university, as well as the Corpus Christi, community an opportunity to view the outstanding artwork of TAMU-CC students.

Dr. William Otton, director of the Art Museum of South Texas, will serve as the juror for this year's exhibition. Entrance to the show's judging was open to all students, with the guarantee that at least one piece would be included. The exhibit features art in various media including painting, printmaking,

sculpture, drawing, photography, ceramics and video.

Students included in this year's show are Juan Aguirre, Cynthia Alvares, Larry Baumgartner, Mary Berterton, Barry Brown and Noe Cabazos. Chloe Carson, Angeliue Catero, Manuel Chapa, Jr., Edward Costley and Janet Decker will have works in the exhibit, along with James Elam, Cal Garcia, Nina Garza, Wanda Gee, Albert Gonzalez and Cheryl Hunt. Tom Hydrick, Gregory Johnson, Cheryl Knight, Ann V. Leslie, Gretchen Lesmeister and Christine Lopez are also included.

Victor Lopez, Edward Lowrance, Brian Ludlam, Patrick Maloy and

John Mastenbrook had pieces selected. Also included are Barbara McDowell, Victoria McFatter, Berenice Meadows, Madeline Meredith, Molly Merkle and Jon Michalk.

Sergio Olivares, Robin Orta, Joe Pena, Luis Pena, Jorge Ramirez and Edward Ramos will have works on display. Other students involved are Mineke Ramos, Roland Reyna, Stephanie Rodriguez, Keith Rowley, Kim Royal, Greg Rubio, Kim Shearer, Pam Shilling, Dawn Simon, Doug Stenner, Byron Sutherland, Tina Trevino, Steven Villareal, Rosemarie Williams and Greg Willman.



Anya (Sabra Hall) attempts to get her point across to Littlechap (Douglas C. Holcomb), in the University Theatre production of "Stop the World, I Want to Get Off!" Performances will be held April 7-9 and April 14-16 at 8 p.m. at the Warren Theatre. Sunday matinees will be April 10 and 17 at 2 p.m.

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tional trends, Dr. Shevaun Beck, professor of nursing, wrote and received a \$500,000 three-year grant from the Department of Health and Human Services to develop and implement a Family Nurse Practitioner Program as part of our MSN Degree Program. The program is in its second year of operation. Students who are graduates of our various nurse practitioner programs take the American Nurses Association certification program. We enjoy 100 percent passage rate on this examination.

The Nursing Division was a pioneer in the state in providing Nursing Outreach degree programs in South Texas and among the first to use teleconferencing to provide educational opportunities for nurses in rural, underserved areas who wished to obtain a baccalaureate or master degree in nursing. Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi began nursing outreach programs in 1978 and have now completed six RN-BSN and MSN off-campus rotations. Currently RN-BSN and MSN outreach programs are being offered in Laredo, an RN-BSN outreach program in Victoria, an MSN outreach program in Temple at Scott and White Hospital, and a post-masters FNP certification program in Weslaco. Brazos Valley has approached the Nursing Division requesting that we offer a MSN outreach program at that site.

In the Fall of 1990, in response to the state and national nursing shortage, the Nursing Division developed the generic baccalaureate degree nursing program for individuals who wished to pursue a baccalaureate degree in nursing. This degree option differs from the existing RN-BSN Only program in that this new program is designed for students who are not registered nurses. The students take 60 semester hours of general education foundation courses in their college freshman and sophomore years and then are admitted to the nursing program and take in the junior and senior year the required nursing course work to prepare them to be nurses. They then graduate with a four year degree and are eligible to sit for the State Board of Nursing examination (NCLEX). If they pass this

examination, they become licensed registered nurses. The first class of students to graduate from this program took the licensing examination in July of 1992 with a 92 percent passing rate.

In November of 1992, the NLN granted both our BSN and MSN degree programs continuing full accreditation until the year 2000.

In July of 1993, 20 of 36 students enrolled in the TAMU-CC Generic Option BSN Program passed the NCLEX (National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses) examination, a 56 percent passing rate. The Board of Nurse Examiners (BNE) requires schools scoring below 75 percent to study the situation to determine how this specific nursing offering can be strengthened.

In response to this, the TAMU-CC Nursing Division launched an extensive analysis in October of 1993. Student Profile Analysis, Graduate Input Data and NCLEX Analysis and Curriculum Review task forces were established. Members of the task forces met with junior and senior level students to identify perceived weaknesses and to hear suggestions for improvement. Also, surveys of nursing students and faculty were conducted and evaluated.

In addition, Driscoll Foundation Childrens Hospital asked that the nursing division director attend an inservice meeting to determine how clinical supervisors in their facility could assist students more effectively. They also offered 24-hour use of their practice lab so the school would not have to invest in highly expensive equipment necessary in the care of children. The Memorial Hospital Education Department Director spoke at the Division's Dec. 13, 1993 curriculum retreat and shared, as a faculty member, her school of nursing also experiencing low passing rates and what was done to overcome this problem. She also shared her experiences tutoring TAMU-CC and Del Mar College students before and after NCLEX exams.

For the seniors, an experienced medical-surgical instructor was hired to conduct evening sessions for the See "Nurse" on page 3

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were other tennis pros of note, former top ranked mens doubles team member Steve Denton and former Tarpon and present Kings Crossing Pro Ken de Koning.

One contingent making an impressive presentation were the sailing enthusiasts in support of a sailing team. Bob and Charlene Forest, Jerry Parlee, incoming TAMU-CC freshman James Buntrock and Judge Robert Blackmon all made strong presentations for a sailing program. "You don't have to look very far for sailing facilities," said Blackmon. The Forests and Parlee, members of the Corpus Christi Yacht Club, said the club had the facilities to house the vessels for a team. According to Bob Forest, the Corpus Christi Bay area has the highest percentage of sailors who have been olympic competitors of any location in the world. Parlee said they had contacts established with the Southwest Intercollegiate Sailing Association.

Dr. Robert Pankey, associate professor of Kinesiology at TAMU-CC, emphasized, "We do need to look at activities natural to the area." He added equal attention needed to be made toward female athletics with possible programs in volleyball and basketball.

Pankey also cautioned about losing sight of what is "for the good of the students" in a quest for national exposure.

Manuel Flores, instructor of journalism at Del Mar College, member of the Corpus Christi Independent School District Board of Trustees and West Side Pony and Colt League Board member, noted a fea-

sibility study, facilities assessment and cost-assessment per sport would have to be made before decisions were made about intercollegiate sports programs for TAMU-CC. He added, the CCISD had sports facilities that could possibly be made available to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi programs.

Flores reiterated Pankey's concerns when he said, "Don't forget about academics." Vice President for Institutional Advancement Ken DeDominicis later stated, "We will stress academics in our athletic programs and participants will be referred to as 'student-athletes.'"

Dr. Eliot Chenaux, dean of students at TAMU-CC, told the group, "We are going to also have intramural sports at this university. We will have a new (ly renovated) fieldhouse when the freshmen arrive in September."

Rex Kennison, chairman of the Nueces Sports Facility District, invited TAMU-CC "to participate with us." Initial plans of the district include a major sports facilities complex. After the meeting, Kennison said he could envision portions of the complex becoming a home for university teams.

Steve Huey, of Bayfront Connection, stated, "You have a pool of 'Baby Boomer' children involved in sports programs throughout the area. You should get them to think about TAMU-CC sports. They will be your talent pool for years to come."

Hector Salinas, head coach of the Texas A&M University-Kingsville Javelina baseball team

said, "The Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi island campus sells itself. All you have to do is bring a kid there and they are sold."

Salinas said eight members of the TAMUK baseball team are from Corpus Christi. When asked if a baseball team at TAMU-CC would "drain talent" from TAMUK, he replied, "No way! There are too many talented kids in this area."

One of the most inspiring speakers was TAMU-CC graduate Sandra Bayarena. She recalled her participation in high school sports and determination to become a coach. While holding down a job, attending day and night classes at TAMU-CC and being a mother, she did achieve her lifelong goal. She is presently a cross-country, basketball and track coach at Incarnate Word Junior High School. She added, "I would love to be a part of athletics at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi in the future."

At the conclusion of the meeting, Scott said, "There is nothing this community can not achieve if we put our minds to it." DeDominicis added, "We have unlimited aspirations for this university. If we want the national limelight, athletics will get us there much quicker, but our emphasis will be on the 'student' in student-athletes."

For more information, or if interested in intercollegiate athletics at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, contact Ken DeDominicis, liaison to 4UCC, at (512) 994-6005 (fax: 512-994-5930), or 4UCC Chairman Mark Scott at (512) 882-8811 (fax: 512-855-7366).

Author of *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* Stephen Covey featured in April 13 "Lessons in Leadership" program

The Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Management Development Center is offering an April 13 program, "Lessons in Leadership," featuring Dr. Stephen Covey, author of the best-seller *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*. The program will be held on the USS Lexington starting at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 3:30 p.m.

Covey has co-written a new book about finding and keeping a balance between one's personal and professional life entitled *First Things First* which will be released shortly before he delivers the "Lessons in Leadership" program here. Partici-

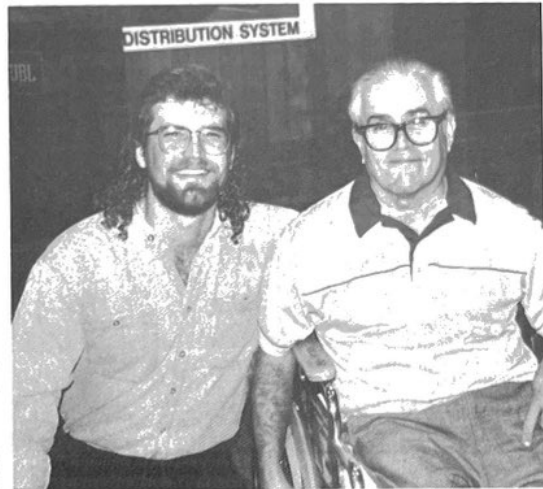
pants in the April 13 program will receive a hardback copy of this book and companion workbook.

"I have attended dozens of seminars on time management, but I've always found something lacking," says Covey. "Today's highly motivated individuals and organizations demand more than daily planners and other time-management tools, useful though they may be. This new generation wants to use its time effectively, which means getting the important things done, including time for relationships, spontaneity, inner peace and happiness. This generation seeks 'personal leadership.'"

He adds, "In this program, I will help people close the gap between principle and practice. Rather than prescribing specific practices, I will help people become empowered to live their lives in harmony with their values and principles."

Covey received an M.B.A. from Harvard and a doctorate from Brigham Young University. He won the 1991 McFeely Award from the International Management Council for significant contribution to management education.

Discounts are available for group enrollments. For more information call 1-800-873-3451.



A helping hand played the guitar strings as B.K. Crowe (left) performed in a benefit concert March 25 for Bobby Rodriguez (right) at the Faculty Center. The concert was sponsored by Intersections, a United Campus Ministry; proceeds went toward the purchase of an electric wheelchair for Rodriguez. Persons wishing to contribute toward the wheelchair or wanting to know more about Intersections can contact Wanda Ritchea at 854-8268 or 994-2469.

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office will be able to add more programs and weekend tournaments that just did not fit into their previous budget.

"It was the students that helped get this fee passed," DeGaish added. "They were able to get out and reach the people that I did not." She added that she thought the vote would be a close one.

The Rec Sports fee passed 112-109. The fee is proposed at \$2 per credit hour with a \$24 limit.

According to Dean of Students Dr. Eliot Chenaux, the Health Service fee will raise \$200,000. Now they will "explore the possibilities of a physician on campus, an additional person on staff, a coordinator for students with disabilities and a possibility of offering common over-

the-counter prescriptions."

The Health Service fee is proposed at \$20 per long semester and \$10 each summer session.

The Student Center fee will provide the funds to support new services for the 1994 school year. Larry Barton, director of University Services, said the GMCSC will have expanded hours and be open on weekends. The additional funds would also provide new tables and chairs in the dining area and an expanded garden terrace area for outdoor seating. With the expanded hours will come increased job opportunities for students. Plans for a games room, a convenience store and a TAMU-CC shop are in the plans for the GMCSC.

The Student Center fee is pro-

posed at \$15 per long semester and \$5 per summer session.

The new fees will also allow more money to go into existing student programs, added Chenaux. Additional money will also be spent on campus counseling services, career planning and placement and student life. *The Island Waves*, the student-run newspaper, will see its budget rise from \$4,000 to \$18,000. Chenaux said \$20,000 will be allocated for cultural entertainment and programs, as well as \$10,000 for an activities reserve fund that will go to activities the incoming freshman class will vote upon. According to Chenaux, the ideas for spending the fees are simply recommendations that will be subject to approval by a committee made up of students.

Blood: Drive important to campus and community

On April 4-6 the Community Blood Bank will hold a campus blood drive. The mobile unit will be located in front of the Glasscock Memorial Student Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

During the last blood drive, Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K) had 183 donors, Del Mar had 280 and Bee County College had 181 donors. TAMU-CC had a total of 74 donors. Of the 1,900 units of blood donated from local colleges, TAMU-CC accounted for only eight percent. The four area colleges accounted for 13% of the overall donors for the entire

Coastal Bend.

The blood bank currently has less than 20,000 annual donors to supply blood for the over 400,000 people that live in the Corpus Christi metro area. This puts Corpus Christi well below the national average of one out of 20 who donate blood. The Community Blood Bank supplies blood to 30 hospitals and clinics in nine counties that make up the Coastal Bend.

You may not think donating one unit of blood is important; according to Kimberly Light of the Community Blood Bank, you are mistaken. Light said that one unit of

blood can help up to four people. According to Blood Bank literature, one unit of blood is separated into five components which include red blood cells, platelets, white blood cells, cryoprecipitate and plasma.

Guidelines for being a blood donor include a donor must be between 18 and 65, be in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds, have no history of hepatitis or heart disease and have not donated whole blood in the past eight weeks. A donor must also remember to eat a well-balanced meal within four hours of donation.

Job interviews, seminars and workshops

Interviews

TAMU-CC's Career Planning and Placement Center has announced a preliminary schedule for employment interviews to be conducted on campus. To qualify for gaining a job interview, student files must be completed at the Career Planning and Placement Center (CPPC). For more information on any of the following contact CPPC at 994-2425.

Interviews scheduled are as follows:

April 8: Donrey Media Group. The Donrey Media Group, a suc-

cessful group of newspapers, outdoor advertising companies and cable television operations, is looking for talent. Jodie Long, manager of recruiting and placement, will be conducting interviews at the TIPA Convention at the Emerald Beach Holiday Inn in Corpus Christi throughout the day. Most of Donrey's hiring is for entry-level journalists. Donrey also has openings for internships. Those wishing an interview must be registered at the convention. For more information call (512) 245-3487.

Education interviews

April 6: West Palm Beach County Schools on campus to visit with prospective teachers.

April 7 and 8: Minority Job Fair at Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, TX. School districts will be there on Friday. Pick up a registration form at the TAMU-CC Career Planning and Placement Center.

Seminars and workshops

April 5: Resume Writing Workshops, Library 204, 1:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

April 12: How To Find A Job,

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students during the last half of the Fall Semester. Approximately 25 seniors and graduates attended these sessions free of charge. Also, as requested by seniors, a course was developed to apply critical thinking skills to nursing care. Approximately 30 students have registered for this elective course. The NCLEX readiness test and other appropriate tests will be given during the course.

For underclassmen, faculty and administrators decided, after the Dec. 13, 1993 retreat, there was sufficient documentation to justify redistribution of faculty workload to create a team approach with some of our courses.

A commitment of \$53,000 from the College of Science and Technology equipment budget has been made for desired models, hardware and equipment to strengthen the Nursing-Learning Resource Center. Among the purchases are computerized simulations used for remediation and two interactive computer systems. The Division of Nursing has instituted prescriptive remediation. Learning prescription pads have been distributed to the faculty as a method to diagnose a learning deficit and identify the means the student must employ to remediate it.

Also, the division has voted on more stringent admission and progression policies realizing all pre-nursing natural and behavior science courses have come from institutions other than TAMU-CC.

A complete analysis was given to the State Board of Nurse Examiners. After review of the program analysis, the BNE announced its decision for full accreditation with warning in early March 1994 for our Generic Option BSN Program. The two requirements specified are the need for more clinical "hands on" time, especially in Medical/Surgical Nursing and the need for more library/media resource materials, especially to support Medical/Surgical nursing.

In the same announcement, the

BNE listed the following commendations of the program: excellent faculty; "caring" philosophy (implemented by faculty, students and administrators); understanding cultural diversity; commitment to research and collaboration with other educational institutions to provide additional media access to students despite limited program resources.

Dona Oliver, MSN, RN, CNS and Nursing Consultant with the TBNE has stated, "We fully expect the program is going to pull together. This is very fixable."

Starting this April, NCLEX examinations will be given year-round at various sites in the state. The Nursing Division will provide its annual report to the TBNE next fall. Next fall the board will review our students' test results and our annual report to determine if the warning status will be rescinded.

Oliver has also said, "Our experience has been when a program is placed on warning status, it comes back with a stronger program. We fully expect this will happen in your situation."

The Division of Nursing and Health Sciences recently received approval for a BSHS in Health Science, a 2+2 curriculum articulated with certificate allied health programs from community colleges. The Division also provides a health care administration track in support of the master's in public administration. The Division is in the process of developing programs in Health and Aging, Hospice Care, an accelerated ADN to MSN degree program and the possibility of a doctorate in nursing, the first in South Texas. The Division has positively impacted South Texas communities in need of well educated health care providers.

It is sincerely hoped that with this added perspective, persons with the balanced information to judge the value of TAMU-CC's Division of Nursing and Health Sciences to the citizens of the Coastal Bend.



Sworn In-Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Chief of Police Kent Butler (left) swears in the newest members of the University Police, (left to right) Johnny Longoria, Billy Burke and Stefan Wohl.

Three new police officers sworn in

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Chief of Police Ken Butler swore in three new officers to the University Police March 1. The newest members of the police force are Johnny Longoria, Billy Burke and Stefan Wohl.

Longoria is a Corpus Christi native and graduated from Miller High School in 1972. He had a previous career in sales before working for a security agency. With the security agency he achieved the rank of lieutenant. He also attended Del Mar

Regional Police Academy and graduated in 1992. This is his first position as a sworn peace officer. Longoria and his wife have two daughters.

Burke is a native of Sanger, Texas and graduated from Sanger High School in 1970. He received his associate of arts degree at Cooke County College and also acquired college hours at the University of North Texas in Denton. He graduated from Del Mar Regional Police Academy in 1993 and has been with

the Constable's Office in Precinct 6 prior to joining the force here. Burke and his wife have two daughters and live in Calallen.

Wohl is a native of San Antonio and a 1979 graduate of Samuel Clemens High School. He was previously chief of police in Gregory and is also a 1993 graduate of Del Mar Police Academy. He is a veteran of Desert Storm where he received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart while serving as a member of the 101st Airborne Division. He currently lives in Flour Bluff.

Recreational Sports Roundup

The following programs are open to TAMU-CC students, faculty and staff. Current registration deadlines are listed. For more information, contact the Recreational Sports Office located in Sea Breeze Suite 7, or call 994-2454.

The Field House will remain closed until August 1994.

Putt, Putt Golf
Register: Apr. 4-13

Horseshoes
Register: Apr. 4-13
Play begins: Week of April 18

Golf
Register: Apr. 11-19

Noon Walkers
Program dates: Thru April 29
Time: Mon. & Wed. 12-1 p.m., Thurs. 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Place: Bulletin board in front of the Center for the Arts
Lunchtime walking group that treks across campus under the leadership of a Rec. Sports staff member. Walks range from 1-1.5 miles. Weather permitting! Call Rec. Sports Office.

Combat the Fat!
Program dates: Thru April 29
This program is designed to assist individuals who are trying to lose weight through eating properly and exercising. The Rec. Sports staff

will provide exercise tips to assist individuals with their changing lifestyles. Fitness testing will be provided for anyone who is interested. Monthly newsletters will be sent to each participant.

Movers, Shakers and Motivators
Individuals will accrue points for participating in aerobic activities. Approved activities include running, aerobics, walking, swimming and cycling. Points may be left in the "Movers, Shaker & Motivators" mileage envelopes in Warren Hall (by the office), GMSC (on the bulletin board across from Conf. Rm #1) or in the Rec. Sports Office.

Calendar

April 4-6
Community Blood Bank Blood Drive: Mobile Unit located in front of GMSC 9 a.m.-3 p.m. daily.

April 4-8
National Spill Control School class: 40-Hour OSHA/RCRA Safety. Information: Fran Trevino at 991-8692 or 994-2688.

April 4
Faculty Senate: FC Conference Room, 2 p.m.

April 5
Intersections: A United Campus Ministry--Broken Rainbows: Helping children cope with divorce by Vivian Woods, GMSC #1, 5:30 p.m.

First Annual Health Fair: Faculty Center Atrium, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Information: Sharon Alexander 994-2601.

Microcomputer Training Sessions: WordPerfect 5.1 for DOS - Mail Merge Part 1, Part 2 April 7. CCH 101, 2-3:30 p.m. Open to faculty and staff with a valid network ID. Information: 994-2690.

April 6
University Cinema: *Singing in the Rain* (1952), directed by Stanley Donen and Gene Kelly with Gene Kelly, Debbie Reynolds and Cyd Charisse. Musical comedy. CCH 117, 7:30 p.m. FREE.

April 7-9
Stop the World--I Want to Get Off, by Leslie Bricusse & Anthony Newley; Musical, Warren Theatre. Performances also April 14-

16, 8 p.m., Matinees April 10 & 17, 2 p.m., tickets \$6, TAMU-CC Students free with I.D. Information: 994-5800 or 994-2318.

April 7
Microcomputer Training Sessions: WordPerfect 5.1 for DOS - Mail Merge Part 2, CCH 101, 2-3:30 p.m. Open to faculty and staff with a valid network ID. Information: 994-2690.

April 8-May 6
Student Art Association Annual Exhibition, Weil Gallery

April 9
GRE Testing: CCH 213, 215, & 216, 7:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m., New requirement: Recent photograph and photo file record signed before admittance. Information: Dr. Robert Wiedermann X2431.

15th Annual Marine Education Symposium: CCH 109, 117, 111, 113, 114, 115, 116, 119, 120. CS 101, 103, 107, 111, 112, 114, 115. CA 102, 103, 127, 214, 222, 228, 285, 287, 288 and FC. 8:00 a.m.-Noon. State-wide event of marine education for 9th-12th graders (approximately 100-1200 participants), includes field trips. Information: Aurora, University Outreach Office X5746.

April 11
Environmental and Conservation Series: Dos Aguilas (Two Eagles), the natural world of the Mexico-U.S. Borderlands, Tupper Ansel Blake, nature photographer, Richardson Auditorium, Del Mar College, 7:30 p.m.,

free and open to the public, co-sponsored by TAMU-CC & Del Mar College. Information: Dr. Jennifer Prouty 994-2436.

April 11-15
National Spill Control School class: Oil Spill Management. Information: Fran Trevino at 991-8692 or 994-2688.

April 12
Intersections: A United Campus Ministry, GMSC #1, 12:30 p.m.

Microcomputer Training Sessions: WordPerfect 5.1 for DOS - Tables, CCH 101, 2-3:30 p.m. Open to faculty and staff with a valid network ID. Information: 994-2690.

April 13
College of Business Administration Management Development Center "Lessons in Leadership": Featuring Dr. Stephan Covey, author of *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*. 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., The USS Lexington, 2914 N. Shoreline. Information: Becky at 994-5900.

University Cinema: "The 400 Blows" (1959), directed by Francois Truffaut with Jean-Pierre Leaud. In French with English subtitles. CCH 117, 7:30 p.m. FREE

Sexual Harassment in the Workplace: Faculty Room 101, 2-4 p.m. Fee-\$10. Instructor Dr. Pamela P. Stokes. Information: Becky at X5900.

Amigos: GMSC #1, 4:30 p.m.

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MONTHLY APARTMENT RENTAL FIGURES

	TAMU-CC	CC APARTMENTS
One Bedroom/One Bath		
Occupancy	1	1
Square footage	450	500-600
Rent	\$450	\$350-\$400
Furniture rental	n/a	\$75 minimum
Electricity (\$.11/sq. ft)	n/a	\$55-\$66
Total	\$450	\$480-\$541
One Bedroom/One Bath		
Occupancy	2	2
Square footage	650	625-814
Rent	\$275/student	\$350-\$515
Furniture rental	n/a	\$105 minimum
Electricity (\$.11/sq. ft)	n/a	\$69-\$90
Total	\$275/student	\$524-\$710
Total per student (full occupancy)	\$275	\$262-\$355
Total per student (single occupancy)*	\$275	\$524-\$710
Two Bedroom/One Bath		
Occupancy	2	2
Square footage	650	800-1000
Rent	\$305/student	\$395-\$525
Furniture rental	n/a	\$105 minimum
Electricity (\$.11/sq. ft)	n/a	\$88-\$110
Total	\$305/student	\$588-\$740
Total per student (full occupancy)	\$305	\$294-\$370
Total per student (single occupancy)*	\$305	\$588-\$740
Four Bedroom/Two Bath**		
Occupancy	4	4
Square footage	950	1800
Rent	\$255	\$1200
Furniture rental	n/a	\$165 minimum
Electricity (\$.11/sq. ft)	n/a	\$198
Total	\$255/student	\$1563
Total per student (full occupancy)	\$255	\$391
Total per student (single occupancy)*	\$255	\$1563
Total per student (double occupancy)*	\$255	\$781
Total per student (triple occupancy)*	\$255	\$521

* Rates for students at TAMU-CC do not increase if a roommate chooses to leave; it is not the responsibility of the student to find another roommate. In commercial apartment, it is the responsibility of the remaining roommates to split the total cost of the rent when a roommate decides to leave.
** No four bedroom apartment. Figures provided for recently rented four-bedroom home. All rental figures provided by The Rental Connection

Financial Assistance Corner

Source: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi College of Business Administration.
Amount: Eight to 10 scholarships of \$300 per semester each.
Deadline: Extended.

The eligibility criteria for this

scholarship are: full-time junior enrolled in TAMU-CC College of Business Administration, U.S. citizen and GPA of 3.0 or higher.
For more information about this and other financial assistance opportunities call 994-2338.

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