

CCSU moves to fast track for new on-campus housing

Actions by The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) Board of Regents May 28 moved CCSU onto the fast track for construction of new campus housing which will place approximately 500 students in on-campus living units by fall, 1994.

The Board of Regents authorized Chancellor Dr. Herbert Richardson to negotiate and execute a ground lease and operating agreement for "the construction, maintenance and operation of an On-Campus Housing Facility at Corpus Christi State University."

Four development companies submitted bid proposals for the construction of privatized student housing facilities: Centeq Project Services, Inc. of Houston, Texas; Century Development of Houston,

Texas; First Worthing Company of Dallas, Texas; and Focus Service Group of Dallas, Texas. After reviewing the proposals, the Board of Regents gave their nod of approval to commence final negotiations.

As a privatized student housing project, the selected development company will use private funds to build, finance, own and operate student housing facilities on campus land leased from the University. The University incurs no financial or monetary obligation on the project, shares in the cash flow and at the end of the lease period the project reverts to the University free of debt.

Each development company submitted on-campus housing bids featuring three-story, apartment-styled structures with architectural presen-

tations echoing CCSU's unique island environment. Room layouts, site plans, exterior architectural presentation and amenities vary with each proposal, but most of the housing construction bids include such amenities as a swimming pool, sand volleyball courts, tennis courts, basketball courts, barbecue pits, laundry facilities and a recreation room for on-campus residents.

"These are exciting times at Corpus Christi State University," states Dean of Students Dr. Eliot Chenuaux, "and the innovative approach these companies have taken to creating attractive, functional on-campus housing with an impressive complement of student-oriented amenities will make CCSU more attractive to freshmen and sophomores as we approach 1994."



Architectural rendering of campus housing proposal by Centeq.

The proposed residence fees average around \$220 plus utilities per student per month for a four-bedroom, two-bath unit where four students would share a common kitchenette and living-room area. Prop-

osals also include two-bedroom, one-bedroom and efficiency units with varying price structures.

Construction on the units could begin in July 1993, with an anticipated completion date of August, 1994.

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CCSU one of safest campuses in Texas

In an era when violent crimes capture daily headlines across the nation, it's comforting to know that students at CCSU are relatively safe in their own backyard. According to the state's published campus crime statistics, CCSU is not only free of violent crimes, it is one of the safest campuses in Texas, be it for your person or your "stuff."

The first of the new federally-required annual crime reports came out late last year. Texas statistics were published by the Texas Department of Public Safety in *Crime*

in Texas, January through June, 1992. This report indicated CCSU has one of the three lowest incidences of campus crime among the 64 reporting campuses.

Beginning in January of 1992, campuses throughout the nation were required to report their crime statistics and policies. This new federal regulation was created in direct response to the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990.

CCSU reported only six cases of theft and one case of burglary between January and June, 1992, for a

total of 7 campus crimes. No violent crimes were reported on the CCSU campus during this period. The University of Texas--Permian Basin, reporting seven thefts, tied with CCSU for the second safest campus in Texas. Only Texas A&M University at Galveston recorded less crime with zero reported incidents.

Seven "crime" categories are covered in the reports including murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny/theft, and motor vehicle theft. By far the largest area of campus crime is larceny/See "Crime," page 3



The sound of music: Adjunct Professor of Music Debra Patton instructs students in MUS 310, "Music for the Elementary School Teacher," in the College of Arts & Humanities' new keyboard laboratory. See story, page 2.

Registration for SS II scheduled for July 2

If you missed the opportunity to register early for Summer Session II (SSII), mark your calendar for Friday, July 2. That is the day the CCSU Field House will once again be the site of regular registration.

Between 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., students may register for SSII classes. Please note the alphabetical order of registration listed on page 5. Students may register AT or AFTER the time listed beside the first letter of their last name.

The entire registration process, from picking up the class scheduling forms (CSFs) to payment of fees, takes place in the Field House. New students should stop by the Admissions Office in the Administration Building and complete an enrollment application.

Students who early registered for SSII still have a number of dead-

lines to keep in mind. First and foremost is the payment deadline: June 22. If you have not paid your tuition and fees for SSII by June 22, the classes you reserved in early registration will be released back into the computer pool to become accessible to other students during regular registration.

A special Add/Drop day has been set aside for students who early registered and wish to adjust their SSII or Fall schedules. Adjustments can be made on July 1 from 1:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Field House. Students can also add or drop classes during regular registration, July 2, using

the same alphabetical schedule listed on page 5.

The Summer and Fall 1993 course schedules are available in the Office of Admissions in the Administration Building.

Late registration will be held July 6-9 in the Administration Building during regular office hours. There is a \$5 fee for late registration. Administration hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday., 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Classes for Summer Session II begin July 6. See "Registration," page 5

Hispanic enrollment increases

According to statistics released in April by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), out of 35 public institutions in the state, CCSU ranks eighth in terms of Hispanic student enrollment. With a student body 33.5 percent Hispanic, CCSU places ahead of institutions such as the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, UT at San Antonio, all members of the University of Houston system, and Texas A&M at College Station.

According to the figures in the THECB report, CCSU accounts for 13.7 percent of Hispanic enrollment in the A&M System and 2.3 percent of Hispanic enrollment in public universities statewide. Census Day figures for Spring, 1993, reflect a further increase in Hispanic enrollment to 34.3 per-

cent of the total student body.

CCSU Director of Admissions Mary Margaret Dechant attributes the steady growth to strategic recruitment initiatives directed at increasing the presence of under-represented groups such as women and minorities. "We're increasing our recruiting efforts in our target areas--Houston, San Antonio, the Valley, Laredo and all of South Texas," explains Dechant. "We also make a strong effort to communicate with high school counselors and make them aware of the opportunities CCSU offers."

Dechant says the University maintains communication channels with prospective new students once an initial contact has been made to update them on campus events, programs and growth.

Dr. Hector P. Garcia statue bound for campus

CCSU's campus has been selected as the site for an eight-foot bronze statue of Dr. Hector P. Garcia, physician/founder of the American G.I. Forum, to be erected in his honor by a committee of local and national leaders.

"This is wonderful news," says CCSU Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Tito Guerrero III. "We are delighted the committee selected the University campus for many obvious reasons, but especially since we are host to Dr.

Garcia's papers in our University Library Archives Department." The statue, scheduled to grace what will be developed as Garcia Plaza, will be visible from the University Library's archives department. Guerrero added, "it will be a real addition in helping students understand the experiences of this man, to make the experiences tangible."

CCSU unveiled a look at one man's life-work for the freedom of many when the expansive collection of the private papers of Dr. Garcia

was formally dedicated in April, 1992. A solidifier of humanistic causes, Garcia has spent his life working for justice and equality for Mexican-American people throughout the United States and especially in Texas. He has been honored by four U.S. Presidents, including receiving the "Presidential Medal of Freedom" in 1984, the highest honor a civilian can receive from the President.

The collection of papers features selected documents from Dr. Garcia's See "Houston History," page 6

CCSU student to intern with Governor's Commission for Women

Elaine Cummins, a student in the Master of Public Administration program, will spend her summer, from June to August, in Austin as a volunteer intern under Dr. Lynn Levery, executive director of the Governor's Commission for Women. Cummins, president of CCSU's Public Administration Student Association, will assist Levery with projects aimed at improving conditions for women in state agencies.

One of the projects she expects to work on is a mentoring program, a system where an experienced employee guides a newer worker, showing her the "ropes" of the organization and how things are accom-

plished. Cummins said she expects to be interviewing people in all levels of state government to research ways to improve conditions for women.

Cummins credited her courses in the MPA program with preparing her for this internship. "In all of the courses I've taken in the program," said Cummins, "the professors let me research topics independently." Most of her research has focused on gender issues, she explained.

Of particular use was her "Communication for the Administrator" course (PA 507). Cummins said her research addressed differences in communication styles between men and women and the way women

often get left out of informal communication systems, such as the golf course clubhouse or health club locker room. "The mentoring process addresses that because women are included in a formal system of informal communication," Cummins explained.

Cummins said she found out about the intern opportunity from Judge Hilda Tagle, a member of the Corpus Christi Women's Political Caucus, an organization of which Cummins is an officer. Tagle was a member of the immediately past Governor's Commission for Women, and was able to put Cummins in contact with Levery.

CCSU/TAIU announce second doctoral class

Fifteen individuals have been identified by CCSU and Texas A&I University (TAIU) as members of the second class of these two institutions' joint doctorate of education degree (Ed.D.) in educational leadership: Gilbert Cantu, James D. Davenport, Yvonne Duran, Shirley Ermis, Marina E. Garza, Lynne M. Goeglein, Julia Hankins, Claudia Jackson, Judy Maroney, Linda N. Moffett, Gloria Montalvo, Lillian D. Raske, Mary V. Strickland, Maria Vidaurri and Neva Wilcox.

The degree in educational leadership will prepare these fifteen students for positions such as superintendent, principal or collegial leader--master teachers, team leaders, department chairs, grade-level leaders and module chairs. According to its developers, the program hopes to prepare graduates who will not only provide outstanding services to the institutions in which they are employed, but also comprise a leadership cadre that will positively influence education practices throughout South Texas and in other regions having similar social and economic conditions.

Dr. Ray Cross, professor of education and coordinator of the Ed.D. degree program for the CCSU campus, said he hopes these students will be leaders in the educational community. "I think they will become resource people for other professionals in the region, leaders for staff development and curriculum development," predicted Cross. In addition to serving as role models personally and professionally, Cross added that the

new doctors of education would be able to create programs which could be modeled by others throughout the region.

The second doctoral class will commence course work on their Ed.D. in educational leadership this summer with nine semester hours of classes. The doctoral students will continue the heavy load during the fall and spring, taking nine hours each semester as they complete their year of residency. Students in the program will take 66 hours of course work and complete a thesis. Classes will be held on both university campuses throughout the course of the degree program as the two universities jointly administer the program. The first class of joint doctoral candidates began their course of study in June of 1992 following approval of the program by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in February of that year.

Surveys taken in 1988, when the degree was first proposed, showed a pool of 2,541 administrators and 780 teachers in collegial positions in the Corpus Christi/Kingsville area and the Rio Grande Valley who were potential applicants. These figures did not include the outlying rural districts.

The degree program is being administered by the Joint University Doctoral Council, which is composed of five members from each university--the institutional program director; the education dean and three doctoral faculty members. Chairmanship of the committee will rotate every two years.

CCSU grad earns human resource certification



Joan Atkinson McKaughan, a May '92 graduate with a BBA in management, recently earned the Human Resource Certification Institute's (HRCI) certification as a Professional in Human Resources. This accomplishment signifies that McKaughan passed a rigorous examination showing a grasp of the body of knowledge in the field of Human Re-

source Management. A combination of theoretical knowledge and practical experience are requirements for certification.

McKaughan holds the position of Human Resources Representative at CITGO's Corpus Christi refinery, where she has worked for over 13 years. A graduate of Del Mar College as well as CCSU, McKaughan is the 1993 president of the Corpus Christi Human Resource Management Association.

The HRCI is the research and credentialing affiliate of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), the largest organization in the world representing human resource professionals. The purpose of the Institute is to maintain high professional standards in the field of human resource management and to formally recognize professionals who demonstrate expertise in the field.

CCSU opens keyboard lab

Technology is a wonderful thing. Teaching piano to more than one student at a time using conventional instruments could be a logistical, not to mention a sonic, nightmare. Now, thanks to a new, state-of-the-art piano laboratory, the College of Arts & Humanities can efficiently instruct up to twenty piano students at a time.

The Roland Piano Lab System consists of 20 student stations and one teacher console, connected by a Musical Instrument Digital Interface (MIDI) network. The MIDI system allows the instructor to monitor the performance of an individual student, a group of students, or even the entire class. Additionally, instructor and student can communicate aurally via a headphone/microphone network incorporated into the MIDI system.

"We are delighted to have this facility," said CCSU Adjunct Professor of Music Debra Patton. "There's nothing else like it in the city." The lab consists of twenty student stations--Roland keyboards with "Steinway action," full-size weighted keys--and one instructor's station with keyboard and a digital sequencer. Students can record their performances onto computer disk using the sequencer, but the device also provides players with an additional bank of sounds; strings, brass, woodwinds, percussion and synthesizer can augment student pianos. The sequencer can even play pre-recorded accompaniments for students to play along with, thus providing an additional challenge to students.

Patton said she instructed several classes in the lab when it was set up just before the end of the Spring semester, and student response was very positive. In addition to serving the current CCSU student body, Patton explained, "The lab is part of the '94 expansion; it will help serve the incoming freshman and sophomore classes." Patton says the lab will help instructors meet student needs more effectively since the teacher can monitor and confer with each player individually.

The practical implications of this setup are profound. Now, one instructor can teach a group of students whose piano skills range from "Chopsticks" to Chopin. Students need not feel self-conscious about performing in front of more- or less-talented classmates; since the keyboards have headphones, performances will not interfere with one another. Additionally, individual help and instruction are only as far away as the push of a button.

Patton encourages students from all disciplines and musical backgrounds to sign up for the MUS 306 classes. "A lot of people think that, since the classes are being instructed by classical pianists (Patton and Professor of Music Dr. Lawrence Weiner), students have to already be proficient players. On the contrary, we have students who have never even touched a keyboard before."

MUS 306 will be offered both summer sessions, as well as in the fall semester. For more information, contact the College of Arts and Humanities at 994-2651.

CCSU offers Summer Writers' Camp

Over two dozen budding young authors will get fodder for their fiction this summer when CCSU presents the Fifth Annual Summer Writers' Camp.

Entitled "Authoring Can Be Fun," the writers' camp is designed to provide a literary spark for children entering grades four and five. The program helps students learn to become independent, self-confident and fluent authors through a variety of directed experiences, both within and outside of the classroom. By the conclusion of the camp, each student will have authored his or her own book as well as contributing to a class-generated magazine.

Registration for the summer camp is underway. The literary day camp meets eight days this summer, Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-noon, July 19-22 and July 26-29, 1993. Each morning, students will be introduced to a variety of subjects through presentations, followed by walking tours of the campus to collect items for the camp's "Ward Island Mu-

seum" and for the students' journals.

The summer camp is open to 25-30 gifted and talented children who will be entering either grade four or five in September 1993. Registration is \$100 per student if both the registration form and fee are received before June 7, 1993. The cost

of the camp is \$125 after that date.

For more information or to register, contact Dr. Robb Jackson, Corpus Christi State University, College of Arts & Humanities, 6300 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas 78412, (512) 994-2464 or Norma Cantu, (512) 994-2317.



Professional Notes

According to the Child Abuse Prevention Council of South Texas (CAPCST), the Texas Department of Human Services reported over 3,100 cases of child abuse and neglect in the Coastal Bend in 1990. Luckily, caring individuals are working hard to fight child abuse.

One such person is CCSU Professor of Criminal Justice **Dr. Philip Rhoades**, who was awarded the Professional Service Award by CAPCST at the group's May 7 awards banquet. This is only the second time in seven years someone has been honored with this award.

"The award is discretionary," explained Beverly Kleckner, executive director of CAPCST. "We only give it out when someone really deserves it. The award recognizes a professional for outstanding contributions to the efforts of child abuse prevention."

In addition to his service on the Council's Board of Directors (Rhoades has been a member since 1983), Kleckner cited his work in the community and the classroom. "He presented a particularly important workshop on 'Keeping Coalitions Going and Growing' at the 7th Annual Governor's Conference on the Prevention of Child Abuse in Austin this past January," stated Kleckner. "Dr. Rhoades also encourages his (criminal justice) students to participate in child abuse prevention programs and takes the time to educate the students on the

problems of child abuse facing our community. Education is a large part of what we are all about."

Rhoades, a member of the CCSU faculty for the past 11 years, is the first to receive this award since 1990. He has published numerous articles dealing with child abuse and family violence. His latest paper, "Shared Family Violence Experiences as Potential Learning Opportunities and Instructional Problems," was presented in March to the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.

Two papers by Professor of Political Science **Dr. Robert Bezdek** were presented at the Western Social Science Convention held in Corpus Christi in late April. Bezdek himself presented the first paper, "The 1993 Gubernatorial Election in San Luis Potosi," an up-to-the-minute analysis of the opposition campaign carried on by Dr. Salvador Nava's widow. A second paper, "The Kidnapping of Kenneth F. Johnson by the Mexican Government in 1972," was presented for Bezdek at the same conference.

Every athlete knows the indignity of missing a shot, dropping the ball or fumbling a play—it's just part of the game. But what happens when a highly focused high school, college or professional athlete swings her last bat or makes his last basket?

Associate Professor of Kinesi-

ology **Dr. Robert Pankey** addressed that question in a lecture titled "To Fall from Athletics Gracefully," which he recently presented at the annual National Convention of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) in Washington, D.C.

Pankey and his collaborators hope to "help the athlete and coach to better understand the process of retirement, and the psychological pitfalls associated with (it)." The manuscript outlines at-risk groups, the destiny of those who "fall from athletics," behavior modification, detachment and different perspectives on disengagement from athletics. Pankey stated that he hopes various intervention strategies on the part of coaches, counselors and fellow athletes will help ease the transition from jock to joe.

CCSU Library's Media Center recently served as host of an evaluative jury for the 35th American Film and Video Festival. The jury, assigned to the "Feature Focus: Drama/Comedy" category, screened and evaluated the films and videotapes submitted to this category. Films winning first place, second place or honorable mentions will be screened during the American Film and Video Festival in Chicago.

The jury, one of 88 to convene across the country, evaluated the entries on content, technical qual-

ity and usability for the intended audience. CCSU's jury panel was chaired by **Danny O'Rourke**, media materials librarian, and consisted of **Dr. William Huie**, professor of TV-Film and chair of the division of visual and performing arts; **Paul Rossi**, library media assistant; **Bonnie Jewel**, library reference assistant; and **Michael Jimenez**, a CCSU student.

"Because this is a really broad category, we had a fairly diverse group of films," O'Rourke explained. Subjects ranged from a mixed marriage in South Texas to young African-Americans learning

about their heritage to a young girl learning that persons with disabilities are people first.

Compared to theatrical releases, said O'Rourke, "these films are more straightforward. They are geared towards an educational audience, so they are more responsive to values than most Hollywood products. They are more concerned with reality than with superheroes."

The festival, sponsored by the American Film and Video Association, was held in conjunction with a conference entitled *New Technologies: The Frontiers of Media Production*, May 26-30 in Chicago.



Physical Plant employees celebrate 20 years

(L-R) Mike Romero, Arturo Gallegos, Raul Garcia and Julio Hernandez were honored at a reception at the Physical Plant building on June 1. Each of the Physical Plant employees has been with the campus at least twenty years; in fact, Romero and Garcia have been with the campus since it was the University of Corpus Christi. "Each of these men has been a very valued employee," said Building Maintenance Supervisor George Antone. "We are fortunate to have them here."

CCSU's University Outreach seen as new community resource

CCSU recently hosted a seminar featuring noted psychotherapist Susan Luff, R.N., M.S., C.S. The outcome was not just a successful, day-long workshop on "Overfunctioning: Challenges to the Helping Professional," presented to a group of area professionals, it was the culmination of a joint effort between CCSU's newly created Office of University Outreach and a number of community organizations. Moreover, it was the beginning of a new concept in "service" provided by the University.

The May 21 "Overfunctioning" seminar was sponsored by CCSU, the South Texas Medical Social Workers Society (STMSWS) and local hospitals and health care organizations. While coordination of

a major seminar is never a simple task, the project was made easier by using CCSU and the services of Dr. Thomas Krepel, dean of University Outreach, says Jo Archer of Driscoll Children's Hospital. "Dr. Krepel met with us from the beginning and helped us through all the preparation for this event," said Archer, a member of the STMSWS planning committee. She termed Krepel's involvement as "invaluable help" in organizing the seminar. "He helped us with all aspects of the planning—he's a great organizer."

Krepel, who joined the University in September, 1992, as the first Outreach Dean, began working immediately to establish CCSU's position as a resource to the Corpus Christi community. He sees this seminar as part of the overall plan for outreach to the community and surrounding area—a plan which encompasses four program areas: continuing professional education, conferences and institutes, organizational development services, and contract training.

Each program area allows CCSU to benefit the community at large while providing increased awareness of the University's services. According to Krepel, Outreach-sponsored continuing education, such as the overfunctioning semi-

nar, allows area professionals to develop skills which will increase their value to their employers, and thus the community. CCSU-hosted conferences and institutes allow community organizations to utilize University facilities as a site for their presentations. Through its organizational development services, the Outreach Office plays a matchmaker of sorts by helping local organizations identify growth opportunities staffed with local talent. Finally, contract training, said Krepel, will become a larger part of the Office's role as federal support for workforce development increases.

All of these services, explained Krepel, provide benefit to CCSU as well as the community at large. "Many of the people here on campus for these seminars will return as students in undergraduate or graduate programs," he said.

Krepel added that outreach also provides indirect benefits to CCSU; by strengthening CCSU's environment, outreach strengthens CCSU. "This institution cannot be separated from the community, and vice-versa," said Krepel. "The future and mutual well-being of both are tied together."

Inhalant abuse is our concern

by Sharon Alexander, RN
University Nurse

After recently visiting La Familia in Laredo, Texas, the only long-term care facility in the nation for recovering youthful inhalant abusers, I became especially concerned for the many young people in Texas. While university students may not abuse inhalants, the impact of abuse in our community remains.

In 1988, a study conducted by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse identified 28 percent of seventh- and eighth-graders in Texas as abusers of inhalants. A Baylor College of Medicine study found that 80 to 90 percent of chronic inhalant abusers are Hispanic.

Inhalant abuse is increasing across the nation. In 1962, 2,000 inhalant abusers were reported; in 1986, that number had risen to 13 million—70,000 in Texas alone.

You may wonder what is classified as an "inhalant." Inhalants are chemicals that can be inhaled and produce mind-altering vapors. There are over 600 dangerous products which are often readily available and legal. For examples, solvents, typing "white-out" liquids, glues, nail polish remover, gasoline, paints, hair sprays and cookware coating products all qualify as inhalants.

Inhalant abusers are usually between the ages of seven and seventeen. Sometimes, children unintentionally misuse household products.

Parents should see that these substances, like medicines, are kept away from young children. When possible, less dangerous products should be substituted—pump-spray bottled products rather than aerosol cans or water soluble "white-out" fluid rather than solvent-based products.

Sniffing highly concentrated amounts can produce heart failure and instant death. Sniffing is so dangerous because it can cause death the first time or any time. Inhalants can depress the central nervous system to the point that breathing stops, and each use literally kills brain cells. High concentrations of inhalants cause death from suffocation by displacing oxygen in the lungs. Loss of consciousness, coma or death can result when using inhalants with other drugs, multiplying risks even further.

Some of the signs of long-term use are weight loss, greatly reduced physical and mental capacities including short- and long-term memory loss, shuffling the feet when walking, hand tremors and other Parkinsonian symptoms.

As you can see, the impact of inhalant abuse on our young people is devastating. As educated citizens, we can recognize the dangers, inform others of these risks, take prevention measures and identify possible signs of abuse to reduce this needless waste of mind and body in young people.





Shorts for summer: University Police Officers Mike Conner and Melissa Viera model the new summer uniform for the CCSU Police Department. From May through August, University police officers may now don shorts, rather than the traditional long pants, while they are on duty. Conner said both the Corpus Christi and Dallas police departments use shorts in the summer months. "I felt it would be more comfortable, and (CCSU University Police Department) Chief Butler was open to the idea," he explained.

CCSU's Cancino wins Presidential Award for Excellence

Nancy Cancino faces a major challenge every day: how to make science and math lessons interesting to children so they will listen—and learn. While it boggles the mind for those familiar with children and their attention span, Cancino has mastered the task so well she has been chosen as one of three Texas recipients of the 1993 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching.

"I am just glad that South Texas science teachers are getting represented," said Cancino, who teaches at Martin Special Emphasis Middle School and is an adjunct professor at CCSU. "I am pleased and humbled to be representing all these good teachers," Cancino reported. "I know not all of these teachers are products of Drs. Joyce and Janice Freeman (both professors of biology at CCSU), but most of them are. The Freemans deserve a lot of the credit...They have been my principal mentors."

Cancino's involvement with the

Freemans started in 1987 when she was a presenter-in-training at CCSU's Summer Science Institute, a program organized by the Freemans which shows teachers new and exciting ways to teach and experience the sciences. Area teachers then take their new skills and experiences back to the classroom to share with their students. Cancino has continued her involvement with the Summer Science Institute, becoming an instructor in 1988. She began teaching junior level biology classes as an adjunct instructor at CCSU in the spring of 1992.

The Corpus Christi native received her B.S. in elementary education from the University of North Texas followed by an M.S. in curriculum and instruction from CCSU in 1990. She is in her 5th year of teaching 6th grade general science, having been an elementary teacher for 18 years.

Cancino was chosen for this award from a group of 45 applicants. Other awardees on the state

level are Leacy Piper, Anson Jones Middle School, Northside Independent School District, San Antonio and Cynthia Ann Radle, McCullough High School, Conroe Independent School District. Cancino, Piper and Radle will now represent Texas as candidates for the national secondary science award, traveling to the Conference for the Advancement of Science Teaching in Austin on November 4-6, 1993 to receive their certificates.

According to an acknowledgement letter from Commissioner of Education Lionel R. Meno, four teachers from Texas will be selected for Presidential Awards: one each from elementary and secondary mathematics and science. The names of the 104 mathematics and 104 science teachers selected by the national committee will be announced



from the White House in September with each award-winning teacher's school receiving a \$7,500 grant to supplement the school's budget for mathematics and science teaching.

"Thank you for your fine contributions to the teaching of science," Meno wrote to Cancino. "Texas is proud of your exceptional efforts."

Crime Statistics released *continued from page 1*

theft with 4,430 incidents reported among Texas colleges, amounting to 82 percent of all campus crimes.

On the average, larger campuses experienced greater incidence of crime. The University of Texas at Austin reported 519 total cases, including five reported rapes and one case of aggravated assault. The University of Houston reported 373 crimes with one rape and four aggravated assaults. Texas Tech University and Texas A&M University

at College Station reported 329 and 324 crimes respectively. A&M's totals include one case of rape and three cases of aggravated assault. Among the 64 Texas colleges included in *Crime in Texas*, no murders were reported.

Nationally, colleges reported 7,500 violent crimes on their campuses, a total which included 30 murders, nearly 1,000 rapes and more than 1,800 robberies, according to a survey conducted by *The*

Chronicle of Higher Education (January 20, 1993). Yet even with such startling statistics, violent crime on campus is still the exception, reported Douglas Lederman, author of the *Chronicle's* article. About 2,400 colleges supplied the *Chronicle* with crime statistics for either the calendar year 1991 or the academic year 1991-92. The vast majority of all reported incidents were property crimes such as burglary (32,127) and motor-vehicle theft (8,981).

CCSU's University Police Department files official crime reports each month. Copies of these reports are available in the Office of Public Information, ADM 109.

Et cetera

Artist Lecture

Japanese-American artist Naoto Nakagawa will talk about his paintings and Kagaku Murakami, the last great literati painter of Japan on Thursday, June 10, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 127 of the Center for the Arts (CA 127). Born in Japan, Nakagawa came to the United States in 1962 at the age of 18. He studied at the Brooklyn Museum Art School for three years, spent five years in Vermont, and works in New York City.

Kinesiology Club

The Kinesiology Club sponsored two teams of club members to participate in the 1993 "Beach to Bay." The event required each member on the team to run, walk, skip or jog 4.4 miles. Club members who participated were: Omar Salinas, Rudy Alaniz, Tino Garza, A.J. Arce, J.J. Suarez, Sherilyn Beard, Jo Ann Alaniz, Kristine Salinas, Debbie Wallace, Lisa Ocañas and Robin Underdown.

Personal Skills Center

Attention, students—the Personal Skills Center (PSC) is ready, willing and able to help! Time management, stress reduction and test-taking skills are some of the areas in

which the PSC can offer assistance. Located in Room 138 of the Glasscock Memorial Student Center (GMSCK 138), the PSC is open Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Call 994-2628 for more information.

TriBeta T-Shirt Sale

TriBeta members have T-shirts for sale for the funding of a member newsletter and the upcoming publishing of "The Field Guide to Ward Island." The T-shirts are white with a picture of the campus on the back and an Aggie cadet riding a tarpon on the pocket area. The shirts are available in large and extra-large, and the price is \$12. A sample of the shirt is hanging on the Center for the Sciences bulletin board.

Ward Island Brown Bag Society

Bring your lunch and hear Carlos Paez, wildlife biologist for U.S. Fish & Wildlife Ecological Services, present a lecture, "Explore the Richness and Diversity of Alaska," on Monday, June 7, at 12:00 noon in Room 103 of the Center for the Sciences (CS 103). The seminar is free and open to the public.

National Hispanic Scholarship Fund Deadline: June 15 Amount: Varies

Eligible students must have completed a minimum of 15 college credits and be U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. Although there are no grade point average (GPA) requirements, competitive students in years past were in the 3.0 GPA range.

Texas Association of Environmental Professionals (TAEP) Deadline: June 30

The Texas Chapter of TAEP will award five scholarships in the amount of \$500 each to qualified students interested in environmental sciences, engineering and regulation. Two scholarships will be awarded to undergraduate students who are classified as juniors at the start of the 1993-94 academic year;

CCSU student wins writing scholarship

Mark Twain offered a bit of wisdom to aspiring authors: "Write without pay until somebody offers pay; if nobody offers within three years, sawing wood is what you were intended for." Heeding this sage advice, CCSU student Robert Linné won't be picking up a saw anytime soon.

A graduate student in CCSU's Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies program with concentrations in English and film, Linné recently found someone willing to reward his talents with a \$300 scholarship. The Byliners, a local writers group, awarded Linné the Byliners Memorial Scholarship in recognition of his writing abilities and desire to pursue a writing career.

Linné won the scholarship with a poem called "Checks and Balances," a work dealing with the affirmation we need from our friends. He was presented the scholarship on Satur-

day, May 15, at the Byliners 10th Annual Texas-wide Writing Contest awards ceremony. Awards were presented in nine categories: rhymed and unrhymed poem, light verse, short story, children's story, article, nostalgia article, novel and non-fiction book.

Although Linné has been writing on and off for quite a while, he said his interest was spurred recently while taking courses with Assistant Professor of English Dr. Robert S. Jackson. In addition, Linné has volunteered at CCSU's Writing Center, a student-manned organization which helps fellow students develop better writing skills. "It was an incredible experience," said Linné of his term at the Center.

Linné, who expressed an interest in writing screenplays and teleplays after he graduates in December, is already at work adapting a historical novel written by one of his relatives.

Ceremony honors Civil rights leader

A Readers Theatre performance followed by a candlelight ceremony honoring Mexican-American labor leader Cesar Chavez was held on the CCSU campus Wednesday, May 5, in the fountain courtyard adjacent to the University Library.

The readers theatre performance, written by Dr. Veronica Guerra, associate professor of English, was

structured like a news commentary on the life of the Mexican-American farm labor leader who died that week. "The script featured readings from news articles about this great leader," said Guerra about her original work. "He was seen as the Martin Luther King of the Mexican-American people."

In addition to the readers theatre performance, Estudiantinas Corpus Christi, under the direction of Dr. Leo Carrillo, professor of Hispanic Studies, performed. A public candlelight ceremony followed. Sponsors of the evening included the CCSU AMIGOS club; Estudiantinas Corpus Christi and several members of the University's Spanish faculty.

Financial Assistance Corner

two scholarships will be awarded to students accepted into a formal graduate degree program; and one scholarship will be awarded to a student who meets all other qualifications and is the child of a TAEP member in good standing.

More information and application materials are available from the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA), Administration Building Room 115, 994-2338.

Calendar

June 1-July 2
Planned Parenthood, Information Table at Student Center in front of Bookstore every Wednesday during SSI.

June 7
Total Quality Management, Management Development Center, CS 112, 2-4 p.m. Also June 14, 16, 21, 23. Call 994-2491.

Authoring Can Be Fun Writing Camp for 4th & 5th grade students (7/19-29): deadline for \$100 registration; after this date registration is \$125. For more information, call Robb Jackson at 994-2464.

"Explore the Richness and Diversity of Alaska," by Carlos Paez, wildlife biologist, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Ecological Services, Center for the Sciences Room 103, 12 noon.

June 7-11
Haz. Mat./Haz. Waste Spill Prevention & Response, National Spill Control School, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., \$795. Call 991-8692 or 994-2688 for more info.

June 8-11
Stress Management Seminar, Blucher Institute, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. For more information, call Dr. Ken Maroney at 994-2433.

June 9
Nashville Songwriters Assoc. meets in CA 127, 7 p.m. For more information, contact Mel Strait at 595-3497 ext. 373 or Gilda Ramirez at 994-2317.

June 10
Artist's Lecture: Naoto Nakagawa. CA 127, 7-9 p.m.

June 11
Last day to receive 50% refund on tuition and fees (withdrawals only).

June 11-15
Texas Music Teachers Association meeting, Bayfront Plaza. Dr. Larry Weiner, Debra Patton and the CCSU Studentina will perform.

June 14-18
Oil Spill Prevention and Response, National Spill Control School, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., \$795. Call 991-8692 or 994-2688.

Geographic Information Systems in Oil and Haz. Materials Spill Prevention & Response, National Spill Control School, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., \$1,500. Call 991-8692 or 994-2688.

June 15
Deadline: Fall 1993 Financial aid forms due in the Office of Student Financial Assistance.

June 18
Texas Real Estate Commission Sales & Broker Exams, CCH 117, 1-5 p.m. For more information, call C. Stockton at 512-465-3980.

June 19
GMAT Testing, CCH 215-218, 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. For information, call Admissions at 994-2624.

Oil Pollution Act of 1990, National Spill Control School, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., \$175. Call 991-8692 or 994-2688.

June 21
Texas Appraiser Licensing & Certification Board State Qualifying Exams, CS 103, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. For information call Rodger Barnes at 512-465-3950.

June 21-25
OSHA/RCRA Safety 40-Hour course, National Spill Control School, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., \$795. Call 991-8692 or 994-2688.

June 22
Texas Parks & Wildlife Voter Education Class, CS 103, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

June 24
State of Texas Economic Opportunity Forum, General Services Commission, WT, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. & CCH 216, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

June 25, 26
Adopt-A-Wetland Program Teacher Workshop, CS 101, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Contact Jane Roper or Nivra Kelly at 994-9005.

ROTC cadets honored

Several CCSU Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) cadets have recently been honored for outstanding performance both in the classroom and on the training field.

CCSU Cadet Herbert J. Flachofsky has been awarded a top ROTC honor by being selected as one of the nation's Distinguished Military Students (DMS). A senior nursing major, Flachofsky graduated in May, and is already guaranteed an active duty commission and assignment of choice.

"Only the very cream of the crop of ROTC cadets throughout the nation are given this honor," said Captain Robert Pierce, assistant professor of military science. "The benefits follow these select few into their active duty careers." According to Pierce, only the top 10 percent of all cadets in the nation are awarded DMS status.

April 14 was a big night for several cadets from CCSU, Del Mar College and Texas A&I University. ROTC's annual award ceremony was held at the Texas A&I campus.

Noe I. Cavazos (CCSU) received the Company Commander's plaque for commanding C Company (CCSU and Del Mar) during this academic year. Cavazos also received a medal from the Daughters of the American Revolution for his outstanding performance in ROTC as a senior.

It was definitely a big night for CCSU cadet Reid Whitley. He and Michael Grady were awarded fully-paid two-year ROTC scholarships. Whitley and Grady were selected from among students in the ROTC Command based upon their academic standing and leadership potential.

Additionally, Whitley was awarded a Dean's List Ribbon, based upon his perfect 4.0 GPA at CCSU. Del Mar Cadet Michael Knowlton (3.75 GPA) also received a ribbon. Whitley and cadet Chris Ransom received Physical

Fitness Awards for achieving maximum scores on their Army Physical Fitness Test. Whitley and James Betts were awarded the American Legion Scholastic Excellence Awards for military and scholastic excellence. And, wrapping up a night of honors, Whitley received the Association of the United States Army Award, which is presented to a cadet who contributes the most toward advancing the standing of the military science department on campus.

Cadet Georg Krest received the Veterans of Foreign Wars medal for demonstrated leadership.

The Military Order of the World Wars Award (bronze) was presented to Del Mar Cadet Michael Stump for a freshman demonstrating outstanding potential in an ROTC program. The Retired Officer's Association ROTC Medal was presented to Loren Holland for exceptional potential in military



Cadet Herbert Flachofsky

leadership. The Society of the War of 1812 Award was presented to Del Mar's Roger Wilkins for demonstrated leadership. Another Del Mar cadet, Michael Knowlton, received the highest award bestowed upon a cadet, the Department of the Army Superior Cadet Award.



Safety Reminder: Do Not Enter Construction Areas.

Construction on the new Classroom/Laboratory Building and the Central Utility Plant is well underway, and is about to begin on the new student residences and additional parking. For your safety and that of others, please observe warning signs and do not enter construction areas.

Safe computing in the age of the virus

by Marilyn Carpenter, LAN Mgr and Systems Programmer

Michelangelo: he's not just a sculptor, he's not just a mutant turtle, he's also a computer virus. You may recall from last year's media blitz that the Michelangelo virus activates on the artist's birthday, March 6, of any year. This vicious virus can wipe out a computer's hard disk when the machine is booted on that day.

The good news is that March 6 fell on a Saturday this year, rather than a traditional work day, so the majority of computer users were safe. However, clinging to this logic would eventually lead to quiescent computers on January 5, March 6, April 1, June 16, July 13, October 31, December 25 and any Friday the 13th—all trigger dates for computer viruses. At that point, you may as well haul the old Selectric typewriter and ten-key adding machine out of storage.

Computer viruses, unfortunately, are a way of life. We can, however, prevent the spread of viruses and avoid the aggravation that accompanies a viral infection by following safe computing practices. Here are some suggested steps to follow to

remain virus-free:

- Don't share programs with others on a regular basis. Sharing data files poses no danger of infection, though; only programs can spread a virus.
 - Write-protect floppy disks that contain programs. Keep original program disks in a safe place and use them only for installation.
 - Backup hard disks frequently.
 - Check the hard disk for viruses after a computer has been in the shop for repair. Some people have reported repair shops unintentionally using infected diagnostic programs.
 - Don't ever boot from a floppy disk that has not first been scanned for viruses.
 - Scan computer disks often for viruses. Scan any new program disk, even if it comes in a shrink-wrapped package.
 - Follow the proper procedures when scanning for computer viruses.
- It is important to know how to scan for a computer virus. Some viruses can survive a "warm boot" (such as by pressing Control-Alt-Delete or Reset). For this reason, always start a scan by turning off the computer for at least 30 seconds.

This will remove everything from memory.

Next, boot with a "clean," write-protected boot disk. A "clean" disk is one that is known to be free of viruses. An original DOS disk is probably safe to use if it is write-protected. It is a good idea to make a "clean" boot disk to keep on hand for virus scanning purposes.

The disk that contains the virus scanning program should be write-protected. Once the computer is booted, run the virus scanning program to check the hard disk, any disk that is used to boot the computer, and any disk that contains programs.

If a virus is found, follow the directions that come with the scanning program to remove the virus, or call someone knowledgeable about viruses for help.

Some viruses are a minor annoyance, such as the "ping-pong" virus, which displays a bouncing ball on the screen. Other viruses, Michelangelo among them, can be catastrophic. But instead of blowing the dust off the old pencil and paper, simply remember the importance of safe computing in the age of the virus.

SSII Registration *Continued from pg 1*

REGISTRATION SCHEDULE, JULY 2

If your last name begins with:	You may register AT or AFTER:
A-B-C-D	8:30 a.m.
E-F-G	9:00
H-I-J	9:30
K-L	10:00
M	10:30
N	11:00
O	11:30
P-Q	12:00 noon
R	12:30
S	1:00
T	1:30
U	2:00
V	2:30
W	3:00
X	3:30
Y	4:00
Z	4:30
Open	5:00-6:30

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

June 22	Early registration payment deadline, SSII
July 1	Add/Drop for SSII and Fall, 1:00-6:30 p.m., Field House
July 1	Student Financial Aid Checks, 1:00-6:30 p.m., Field House
July 2	Regular Registration, SSII, Add/Drop—SSII, Fall 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Field House
July 5	Campus Closed: holiday
July 6	Classes Begin
July 6-9	Late Registration, SSII, Administration Building
Aug. 6	Finals, SSII
Aug. 6	Summer Commencement, 7:30 p.m., Bayfront Auditorium
Aug. 17	Early Registration Payment Deadline, Fall
Aug. 25	Student Financial Aid Checks, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Field House
Aug. 25	Add/Drop for Fall, 8:30-11:00 a.m., Field House
Aug. 25	Regular Registration, Fall, 11:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m.
Aug. 26	Regular Registration, Fall, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.
Aug. 30	Classes Begin

For more information, call the Office of Admissions at 994-2624.

Recreational Sports Roundup

If you want to participate in one of the recreational sports programs available for CCSU students, staff or faculty, check below for upcoming deadlines; future deadlines will be announced in later issues of the *University News*. Register for the events of your choosing by the appropriate deadline, and have fun! For more information, contact Ann DeGaish at the Field House, Room 114, 994-2454.

Field House hours for Summer I session are: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday, 12-6 p.m. University Pool

The pool is now open for use. Hours during the Summer I session are: Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday-Sunday, 12-6 p.m.

Racquetball Singles, Tennis Singles
Register: June 1-7
Play: Begins June 7

Participants will be given an opportunity to play by a particular date. Players will arrange time and place to play. Men's, Women's divisions; beginner, intermediate and advanced classes.

Volleyball Triples

Register: June 7

Three-member teams play a round robin league format with the top two

teams competing for the championship. Men's, Women's and co-ed divisions.

3 on 3 Basketball

Play: Tuesdays, 4 p.m.

Teams play a round robin league format with the top two teams competing for the championship. Men's and Women's divisions.

Putt-Putt Golf

Play: Friday, June 18, 7 p.m. at Pirates of the Gulf

Players compete in men's & women's singles for the title. Awards given for low score overall, and low score on the front nine and back nine.

Badminton

Play: Tuesdays, 4 p.m., beginning June 8

Individuals compete in a round robin league format with the top two players competing for the championship. Men's and Women's divisions.

Golf

Register: June 7-16

Play: Friday, June 18, 8:30 a.m. at Gabe Lozano Golf Course

Individuals compete for overall low score on an 18-hole course. Men's and Women's divisions.

Weight-Lifting Contest

Register: June 21-24

Play: Thursday, June 24, 4 p.m.

Four weight classes for men and

three for women. Contestants will have three lifts to get their best score; with scores compared among weight classes.

Movers, Shakers and Motivators
Activity: Now-August 6

Individuals earn points for participating in aerobic activities including cycling, swimming, aerobics, walking and running. Participants receive awards as they reach different levels.

Drop in Volleyball

Play: Thursdays, June 3-24, 7-9 p.m.

Informal play with teams formed on-site. Participants must show a current, validated CCSU ID card to play. Open to students, faculty, staff and spouses.

Night Stalkers

Activity: Mon., Wed., & Thurs., June 3-28, 5-6 p.m.

Walking program designed to help individuals stick with a fitness program. Supervisors monitor length of walks.

Aerobics (non-credit)

Activity: Mon. & Wed., June 7-30, 4-5 p.m.

Low-impact step aerobics. Fee for activity: \$10 for students, \$15 for faculty & staff.

Houston history students visit Garcia collection *continued from page 1*



Nimitz High School students research a project for National History Days at the CCSU Library's Hector P. Garcia Collection.

life and work, including correspondence with local and national leaders; photographs that chronicle his professional evolution and the development of his many causes; and publications, many one-of-a-kind, representing years of civic involvement.

The documents, covering topics from his family background and early years to his work in Texas schools and areas of public and human rights advocacy, also showcase the development of the American G.I. Forum, which Garcia founded in 1948, two years after starting his medical practice in Corpus Christi.

A cornerstone of Garcia's work has always been education. Through his personal and civic endeavors, education played a predominant role, as reflected in the motto adopted by the American G.I. Forum: "Education is our Freedom, and Freedom Should be Everybody's Business."

It is appropriate, then, that five students from Houston's Nimitz High School took advantage of the special collection May 21, conducting historical research for an award-winning class project on the American G.I. Forum.

The group project, which culminated in an exhibit titled "Our Siesta is Over," is a history of the G.I. Forum. The exhibit won second place in state competition for Texas History Days and has been selected to be one of four exhibits to be displayed in the Smithsonian Institute. The historical research team will travel to Washington D.C. on June 12 to compete in National History Days.

These five high school students and their teachers have traveled from Houston several times to access the Dr. Hector P. Garcia collection.

The students from Nimitz High School, Aldine Independent School District in Houston, competed with 1000 other students throughout the state during the Texas History Days competition. Over 5000 students from across the nation will compete this June in the National History Day in Washington, D.C.

The student historical research team includes: Jerry Castillo, Dominic Cedillo, Erol Odabasi, Anthony Renteria and Peter Nguyen. They were accompanied by their history teachers, Connie Sheldon and John Trusty.

Video network broadens CCSU's horizons

Imagine for a moment: your instructor walks into the classroom, takes out her materials and begins to lecture. As the class progresses, she answers questions from the class, uses standard visual aids and collects assignments. Sounds pretty normal, right? Except, when it comes time to turn in your assignment, you use the classroom fax machine to send it to her. Suddenly, the scene begins to take on shades of *Star Trek*.

Rest assured, though, that similar scenarios are played out many times each semester at CCSU, thanks to the Trans-Texas Video Network (TTVN). TTVN allows students, faculty and administrators to conduct meetings and classes as if all participants were in the same room, rather than being separated by hundreds, and even thousands, of miles.

CCSU is part of The Texas A&M University System's (TAMUS) TTVN network, which currently has installations at about 18 locations, said Media Services Video Producer Bill Tapscott. Real-time video, audio, telephone and even facsimile transmissions can travel from CCSU over a special telephone line which the University leases yearly. In addition

to TTVN signals, said Tapscott, the leased line carries all of the University's computer activity to and from the TAMUS mainframe in College Station. From there, the signal can route directly to any one of the TAMUS campuses or agricultural extension stations, as well as to a station in Austin for meetings with legislators and policy-makers.

Obviously, this is a great boon for administrators at CCSU and other TAMUS member campuses. "Before this network," said Tapscott, "CCSU had at least one or two people a week travelling to College Station for meetings." With TTVN, however, travel expenses and, more importantly, time are saved; the drive to College Station and back takes about 10 hours. According to Tapscott, just one of the early TTVN meetings saved the System nearly \$70,000. "Obviously," Tapscott observed, "we try to do as much as we can by video."

As useful as the system has proven for administrators, though, Tapscott feels TTVN's true potential lies in its contributions to academic pursuits. Since the University leases the dedicated telephone line yearly, use of the TTVN does not incur any additional charges to operate. Put simply, it doesn't cost any more to use the network than it does to leave it unused.

What this means for CCSU's four colleges is sudden access to new markets around the state. According to Tapscott, the nursing discipline has actively employed TTVN to broadcast classes to remote locations. Nursing instructors at CCSU have taught classes via video to Laredo, Temple, Victoria, Brownsville,

Harlingen, Edinburg and other locations around the state.

In addition to providing a wider market for CCSU courses, TTVN also allows instructors and students access to a much broader range of resources. Other universities teach courses at CCSU via TTVN, notably Texas A&I University's engineering courses, and CCSU instructors have conducted or participated in remote live seminars using the network.

"I can see interactive television playing a much more important role among all of the (TAMUS) campuses in the future," said Dr. Paul Orser, associate vice president for academic affairs. "Since nursing has an outreach program," he explained, "they use it more than anybody else, (but) the technology has a lot of potential."

Orser cautioned against putting the new electronic cart before the academic horse, however. "We need to use the technology to achieve our ends, rather than use it just because the technology is there."

The present technology is definitely getting a workout. According to Tapscott, last year the TTVN network at CCSU logged nearly 1,000 connections for a total of nearly 3,000 hours of video communication—enough use to prompt expansion plans. CCSU's current TTVN network and computer system uses only 3/4 of the capacity of the leased line; Tapscott mentioned that all TAMUS campuses will probably use the remaining capacity to install a second TTVN station.

So, you now have a glimpse of the future of higher education. The only problem is, how do you far an apple to the teacher?



CITGO, Starr gifts enhance computer science

General Superintendent of Technical Services for CITGO's Corpus Christi Refinery A.W. Prebula (left) presents CCSU President Dr. Robert Furgason with a check for \$2,250 from the refinery. "We think the University is doing great things for the community," said Prebula. Furgason said the funds will be used to help with equipment needs for the computer science department. "We are very pleased and very grateful to CITGO for their support."

In addition, CCSU has received a \$5,000 grant from the Starr Pope, Jr. Endowment Fund for a graphics workstation for the computer science department. The grant was established with the Coastal Bend Community Foundation by the late F. Starr Pope Sr. in honor of his son.

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