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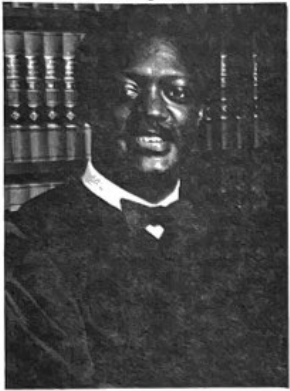
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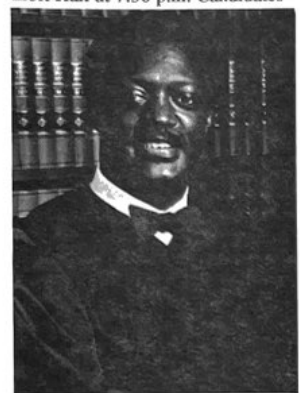
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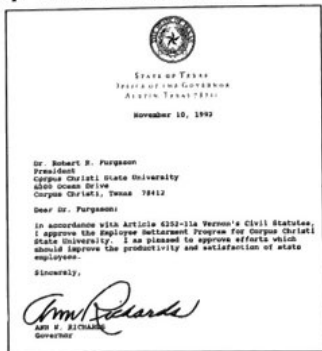
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### It's a small world, after all

Foreign Student Advisor/Assistant Registrar Grace Bustamante presents (from left) Dawn Simon (Barbados), Juan Iturriaga (Peru), and Michael Kovacs (Canada) with T-shirts welcoming them to CCSU. The number of international students enrolled at CCSU this fall marks the largest class to date with 15 foreign students in attendance. They come from such diverse homelands as Japan, Germany, Australia, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Chile, and UK-St. Vincent.

Many students say they attend CCSU because of the convenience

of the university. Michael Kovacs says when his father got a job at a local refinery, he decided to take classes at Del Mar and CCSU in pursuit of his degree.

Kovacs says the difference between Corpus Christi and his homeland of Canada is "mostly geographical, rather than cultural." He adds, "Hockey isn't big (here), football is; that kind of thing."

Many of the other international students agree with him, although Kenji Yokota of Japan did mention one other difference: "The accent is sometimes difficult to understand."

## MBA's offered fast-track graduate courses

CCSU's College of Business Administration will offer two graduate level courses back-to-back at new times in the Spring Semester. These courses are scheduled to allow a student to get three semester hours of graduate level college credit in eight weeks. The new courses allow a student to take one course in half the time, or to take two courses, but only study for one at a time. Students may take one or both courses during the Spring semester.

The first course, MAN 570C: Seminar in Human Resources Law, will be taught by Dr. Pamela Stokes on Tuesday and Thursday nights, 6:00-8:30 p.m., from January 11 through March 2, 1993. Topics in the course will include: discrimination in the workplace, legal aspects of hiring and firing, the recruiting process, disciplinary action, employee benefits, wage determination and labor practices.

## Jazz Band swings out the semester

The campus will be swinging December 13 at 7:15 p.m. as the CCSU Jazz Band takes a turn on some jazz standards and holiday favorites. The performance in Warren Theatre will draw its program from numbers like *My Funny Valentine*, *A Night in Tunisia*, *Fly Me to the Moon*, *All of Me* and *I Can't Get Started With You*. Blaise Gallagher, local PBS radio show host, will be the featured vocalist.

The band consists of musicians from CCSU, Del Mar College, the U.S. Navy and several local and area high schools. The concert is free and open to all.

Dr. Elwin Myers will instruct students in the second fast-track course, GB 515B: Studies in Business Research and Communication. This class will be held at the same time as the first course (Tuesday and Thursday nights, 6:00-8:30 p.m.) from March 9 through May 4, 1993. The course will present the role of research in problem solving and decision making to help students understand the importance of an orderly and systematic approach to data collection, analysis and in-

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Ma'am:

I've seen the campus newspaper go through various degrees of quality in past years, but the latest issue has to have hit a new low in the degree of blatant unprofessionalism achieved by its staff and management. Where else would you ever see what should be a six page newspaper turn out to be only five plus a blank page?

Having a totally blank page for what should have been page 4 was totally uncalled for. Beginning with the nurse's column which generally serves little purpose considering the student population here, the overall contents of the paper could easily have been edited down to fit onto four pages. I speak as a professional newspaper journalist in making this evaluation, and not simply as a disgruntled reader.

If you felt—as someone obviously did—that all of this publication's material needed to run, work should have been done to fill this remaining page. Two equally good solutions immediately come to mind—one, run a photo feature on that page, which could have filled the page (with proper layout) with three to five photographs and a limited amount of accompanying text.

## President outlines campus changes due

In a style fast becoming a signature, CCSU President Robert R. Furgason talked informally with members of the campus community in two different sessions November 19 in Warren Theatre about the state of the university: current activities and future plans.

Much of the discussion centered on renovation and construction projects planned for the next several months as CCSU moves toward the realization of comprehensive status in 1994.

Congratulating everyone on the record-setting growth in enrollment this semester, he said, "a lot of people are going that extra mile. There is a lot of good news."

At the top of the good news list was the announcement about pay raises for all employees effective this month. The three-percent increase will appear on December 18 paychecks of employees paid bi-weekly, and on January 4 paychecks of employees paid monthly.

Second, was the Employee Betterment Program (see story page 1) which recently received full approval by the Governor and will be in place for the Spring semester.

The material places an emphasis on preparing business reports, both oral and written, and correspondence.

Dr. John Carpenter, assistant dean for graduate studies for the College of Business Administration, said that the College was trying this new schedule to see if it proves popular with current Master of Business Administration (MBA) students. If so, the College may offer future courses on a similar timetable.

A second solution, not as acceptable but still more professional than running a totally blank page, would have been some sort of "house ad" for the University, the University bookstore, for the campus theater, for all of them together, or a variety of other campus related items.

What you did makes the University and (especially) staff appear unprofessional, incompetent and ridiculous!

L. Michael Sheppard

The program will enable employees to be reimbursed for expenses incurred when they enroll in classes at the University.

Construction projects unfolding over the next 20 months were a keen topic for audiences in both sessions as Ray Hayes, executive vice president for finance and administration, outlined plans for the \$52.5 million dollar building program underway. Plans call for infrastructure enhancement, renovation of several existing facilities as well as construction of at least five new facilities on campus.

Various renovation projects are slated for existing facilities including Center for the Arts, Center for the Sciences, Classroom East, Faculty Center, the Field House, and Seabreeze and Warren Halls that total \$2,325,000.

Additional remodeling is planned for Corpus Christi Hall and the Administration Building to accommodate the re-location of several student services offices into the current Administration Building. The plan outlined calls for administrators located on the second level of the Administration Building to be relocated to Corpus Christi Hall. With these, and possibly other spaces in the administration vacated, the plan calls for renovation and ultimate occupancy by student services staff.

When completed, the current Administration Building would be converted to a Student Services Center with most all student-oriented enterprises situated at one location. Renovation costs for these two projects is projected at \$700,000.

Several other projects underway include improvements in the areas of pedestrian and vehicular traffic management. Hayes said that an additional 1500 new parking spaces are to be phased in for 1994, as well as the installation of extra lighting, landscaping and directional signage. A budget of \$2,975,000 has been allocated for this infrastructure work.

A telecommunications upgrade is planned that will include replacing the existing telephone system with a more sophisticated operation to accommodate voice-activated communication.

The new classroom/laboratory facility is budgeted at \$10,975,000

and the new Central Utilities Plant at \$12.5 million. With the construction of the new classroom/laboratory facility between the Center for the Arts and the Faculty Center, new tennis courts will need to be erected to replace those lost to the site of the new facility at a cost of \$100,000.

Other plans call for additional equipment purchases for the new classroom complex of \$350,000; demolition and removal of old military building foundations remaining on the campus at \$325,000; \$1,000,000 in improvements to the Glasscock Memorial Student Center; and \$7,000,000 for access and street improvements on Ennis Joslin and Ocean Drive leading to the University.

Rounding out the expenditures is \$4,000,000 in private dollars to construct 200 new residential units to accommodate 500 additional students. With final approval for infrastructure work granted by the Board of Regents, construction is expected to begin in February.

Following the briefing on construction, President Furgason announced that a survey would be coming to all faculty and staff members regarding a possible name change for the University being considered by the Regents. Furgason said that in addition to campus polling, members of the community, the Alumni Association and students would be asked to express their views so they might be made known to the Regents at the December meeting. (See survey results story, page 1)

Furgason also said he had submitted an aggressive budget request that included \$4 million for new faculty and staff next year, and \$6 million for the following year. It is anticipated the University will add 35 to 40 new faculty and approximately 75 new staff members during the upcoming two years. Additionally, he has requested \$15 million a year from the South Texas Initiative Plan to bring salaries on campus up to par with other comparable positions in Texas, to assist in the development of new programs, to help establish an early childhood center and a general services building on campus, and to fuel operating budgets in areas anticipating growth.

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mester begin January 11; late registration will take place January 11-15 in the Registrar's Office in the Administration building during regular business hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. There is a \$5 fee for late registration.

Registration is a simple process at CCSU. Students simply pick up a class scheduling form (CSF), seek advisement if desired and register on or after their assigned time. New students who have not applied yet should stop by the Admissions

Office in the Administration Building, complete an enrollment application and pick up their CSF before going to the Field House.

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### Alphabetical Schedule, Jan. 6

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

A firsthand look at the future of international business...

## CCSU class visits maquiladora

by George Berry  
student in ACC 535

With the recent attention given to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) the concept of the "twin plant", or *maquiladora*, has once again emerged as an issue of great national concern. The premise is simple: a product receives part of its processing in the United States and part in Mexico. Typically, raw materials and component parts manufactured in the U.S. are assembled in Mexico, where the cost of labor is lower.

The practise has generated controversy among business and political leaders across the United States. Union leaders seem to paint the *maquiladora* as a combination sweat shop, galley slave ship, Transylvanian dungeon and Chernobyl. Political sound bites describe "a sucking sound as American jobs rush south of the border." On the other hand, countless articles hail *maquiladoras* as a way to create jobs both in Mexico and the U.S.

CCSU Professor of Accounting Dr. Cheryl Hein and students from International Accounting (ACC 535), pictured below, travelled to a *maquiladora* in Nuevo Laredo to get first-hand insight into the controversy. They visited the R.G. Barry Corporation, reportedly the oldest *maquiladora* in Nuevo Laredo, started in 1963. Barry is headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, with a material cutting plant in San Angelo, Texas, and another *maquiladora* in Acuna, across the border from Del Rio, Texas. As

with most *maquiladoras*, part of the manufacturing process is done in the U.S., and much of the labor-intensive work is accomplished in Mexico.

Plant Manager Mark Pease accompanied the class on a tour of the working areas of the factory, where the main product, slippers, are produced. Hundreds of women sewed, trimmed, inspected and boxed slippers; the 1,100 workers at this factory produce over 10 million pairs annually.

The working environment in this *maquiladora* proved to be pleasant, quite unlike the union leaders' portrayal. Work areas were well lighted and air conditioned. An overhead fire fighting system and hand-held extinguishers were visible, providing protection against possible fire hazards. The workers who had to stand did so on soft padding.

According to Pease, the shop operates by participatory management. For example, Mexican law stipulates a 45-hour work week with most industries working five 8-hour days and one half-day. At this plant, however, the union, employees and management mutually agreed upon a five-day work week with 9-hour days.

Pease was very open on the subjects of pay, benefits and employee turnover. Newly hired sewing machine personnel receive the Mexican minimum wage (about \$.54/hour) while being trained. As their ability increases, their pay increases to \$.91/hour. Equipment mechan-

ics and production supervisors earn \$129 per week. In addition, stated Pease, the plant offers its employees free transportation, scholarships and free tutorial schooling, some meals (including free cafeteria lunches), a Christmas bonus, 11% salary savings match, and funeral expense assistance. A doctor and a nurse are also on duty at the plant. These benefits approximately double the cost per hour to the employer, according to Pease.

Additionally, said Pease, medical services are provided to all working Mexicans by their social security system, to which the *maquiladoras* contribute. Ninety day paid maternity leave is required by Mexican law, further increasing the burden.

According to Pease, the most significant problem at all *maquiladoras* is employee turnover; he acknowledged a turnover rate in excess of 100% annually. The plant hires young women predominantly who move between employers, return to help their families, or get married and leave their job. Training of new sewing machine operators is practically continuous.

The *maquiladora* in Nuevo Laredo replaced a plant in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The jobs at the American plant were lost. Yet, the International Trade Commission estimates that as many as 200,000 new U.S. jobs have already been created due to *maquiladoras*. The new jobs are in the fields of truck and rail transportation, storage, insurance and customs brokers—jobs which support the twin plant system. If NAFTA is passed, the Texas Office of the Comptroller estimates that 113,000 new jobs will be created in Texas alone by the year 2000.

The return trip and subsequent class period provided students a chance to share observations on the plant, on the treatment of the workers and on the impact to the American economy. The consensus of the class was two-fold: American workers must be more competitive for the wages and benefits they receive, and *maquiladoras* provide tremendous opportunity for Mexican workers and employers, while Americans benefit from lower-cost imports.



Beau Hardegree shows a sample of the worm reefs being studied.

## Grad student researches worm reefs

The salty water of Baffin Bay in the upper Laguna Madre Bay system has long been recognized for its abundance of finfish, especially the large spotted seatrout and red drum sought after by recreational fishermen. Most experienced anglers will tell you that the best fishing occurs around the "worm reefs" so prevalent in the bay.

Now, biologists at CCSU are attempting to see if there is scientific evidence to support this "fish story." Assistant Professor of Biology Dr. David McKee and biology graduate student Beau Hardegree are trying to find out if fish are more abundant near the reefs than in other parts of Baffin Bay, and if the algae and invertebrates associated with the reefs are indirectly valuable as food sources.

Just what are worm reefs? These reefs are the result of earthworm-like creatures forming tubes (in which they live) from the calcium carbonate in the seawater. One of only three areas worldwide in which these reefs occur, Baffin Bay contains, by some estimates, up to ten square miles of the reefs, split between two locations. According to Hardegree, two different types of reefs can be found in Baffin Bay. In the eastern, open portion of the bay are "patch reefs," circular or ellipsoidal areas of worm reef which are



"like a tabletop coming up from the bay floor," said Hardegree. The western edges of the bay are home to "reef fields," long expanses of reef that jut up about one foot from the sediment. Hardegree said that most of the reefs were formed approximately 3,000 years ago, but scientists see little or no new growth, and some experts fear this might ultimately impact fish populations.

McKee and Dr. Jennifer Prouty, an associate professor of geology at CCSU, wrote a proposal to the Fish and Wildlife Foundation to study the effects of the worm reef on marine populations. The Foundation funded the grant, and the two professors recruited Hardegree to assist with the study.

The study involved sampling the algae, invertebrates and fish living on or around the reefs and comparing them to samples taken from areas away from the reefs. Hardegree said he took samples and gathered salinity and temperature data once each quarter.

Preliminary results suggest that fishes may not be utilizing the reefs any more than the "open bay" areas. Hardegree said that his initial findings reveal differences in the number and type of fish around the patch and field reef areas, but he believes this to be more a function of salinity, rather than the structures of the reefs themselves. Additionally, Hardegree said that he found little difference between the number of fish found close to the reef and the number sampled from the open bay. This might indicate that the entire bay is highly productive, as records on sport and commercial landings have long revealed.

Whatever the findings, Hardegree says that he has learned a lot from the hands-on experience. "This has been valuable for me," he stated. "I've been learning how to do a study from the field and in the lab. And I've really learned how to organize," he laughed. "We didn't get a lot of help, we just had to learn how to do things."



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to the original. The plan outlined \$1.9 billion worth of new baccalaureate, masters and doctoral degrees for South Texas institutions, including CCSU.

Hailed by many as a real, substantive step in the right direction, the new plan had two big problems. One, it rejected law school and health center proposals in the original blueprint. Two, the chancellors didn't mention how to pay for all of these new programs. Essentially, the powers-that-be told South Texas, "Here is what we will allow you to do. Of course, don't expect any actual help."

This is the real issue; this is what students should be getting mad about, not the side issue of the name change. Unfortunately, we seem to be stuck between a rock and a hard place. As the University converts to 4-year status, it must have the legislative clout of the A&M system behind it. As CCSU President Robert Ferguson put it in an interview with the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times*, "The strategy on [the name change issue] is to lay low during the legislative session. We have bigger fish to fry."

Encouraging restraint is fine, but how long must South Texas sit back

and let someone else decide its destiny? This goes far beyond the question of whether this institution will be referred to as "A&M at Corpus Christi." This is a question of money, as most things eventually are.

Ross G. Margraves, Jr., chairman of the TAMUS Board of Regents, said that the system "continues to be strongly committed to improving higher education in South Texas." Prove it, Ross. Dip into your \$40 million share (1990-91 figures) of the Available University Fund and prove that you are committed to higher education in South

Texas.

A&M is not truly committed to South Texas higher education because, plain and simple, Texas A&M invited CCSU and other South Texas schools into its system for one reason: to increase minority enrollment numbers for the system as a whole. Don't worry about the name of the University, because until CCSU gets some kind of tangible support from the Texas A&M University System, we are simply prostituting ourselves to College Station in return for vague promises of a real church wedding.

Timothy Schmelter, MBA student



Julie Jones, Vice President for Pledge Education, and member Stephen Thigpen pour funnel cakes at the fraternity's Bayfest 1992 fund raiser.

## Delta sigs welcome new brothers

For the second semester in a row, CCSU hosted the initiation ceremony for area Delta Sigma Pi chapters. The Texas A&I and University of Houston-Victoria chapters both traveled to Corpus Christi and helped make the Fall 1992 initiation an overwhelming success. This semester's initiation banquet showcased a local attraction, The Corpus Christi Greyhound Race-track. Delta Sigma Pi's Regional Director, Robert Tavarez, and District Directors A. Van Mueck and David Martinez congratulated the CCSU chapter, and especially Senior Vice President Sharon Dominy, on their efforts to make this a very successful and enjoyable event for area chapters.

"The new initiates showed great ability to approach and accomplish

their goals through teamwork efforts," said chapter President Arnoldo Medina, Jr. Not only was the pledge class able to get local businesses to donate a host of prizes (including a cellular phone), but it was also able to raise enough money to cover all of its Fall semester expenses. The new initiates are: Stephany S. Aust, Scot R. Cameron, Theresa Danysh, Art Garcia, Amanda De La Garza, Mario Garza, Michael Garza, Ray Gonzalez, Jeanette Hernandez, David Leo Lopez, Trey Nance, Michael C. Rodriguez, and Tim Ward.

"We feel that this new group of initiates shows great promise for helping the chapter in its efforts to grow and do bigger and better things in the near future," said Medina.

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poetry and original art work," he explained, "and perhaps a short creative piece, but these will be used very sparingly. We are looking for articles of interest to the campus community. But, we will have more freedom than a regular journalistic newspaper."

The road to a student newspaper has not been an easy one. Efforts have been in the works for almost two years, according to CCSU Student Body President Chris Munson. "The main obstacle has been manpower; we just haven't had enough students interested in putting in the time to organize and produce a student newspaper."

"One reason we have trouble (getting student help)," added Glaze, "is because CCSU does not have a journalism or print publications department." Campus journalism departments traditionally supply a steady stream of aspiring writers, editors, photographers and designers for student newspapers.

This semester, however, CCSU's Student Government made the establishment of a student newspaper a priority. Evelyn Van Winkle, appointed chair of the Student Newspaper Committee of Student Government, was charged with recruiting volunteers to organize and operate the newspaper.

The publication will not remain a project of Student Government. According to both Glaze and Munson, the student newspaper committee will become an autonomous club in the spring, cutting any ties to Student Government. The group has already recruited the necessary faculty advisor in preparation for becoming a student club. Dr. Robert Jackson, assistant professor of communication, has tentatively agreed to be the group's faculty liaison.

*Island Waves* will begin as a monthly publication, but the committee intends to increase the schedule to every other week. The optimum, stated Glaze, would be to publish on alternate weeks, coming out on a schedule opposite to that of the *University News*. "That way students would always have a current news source."

Students interested in submitting articles, art work, poetry, cartoons or photographs for publication in *Island Waves* may drop off their submissions in the Office of Student Life, Glasscock Memorial Student Center Room 130. Submissions must include the student's name and a phone number. The first issue of the spring semester is scheduled for Feb. 2 with a submission deadline of Jan. 22.

# in a series... CPPC eases career decisions, placement

by Tim Schmelter, student writer  
**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This story is the third in a three-part series highlighting some of the student services available at CCSU.

Let's face it. The primary reason most of us attend college is to make ourselves more employable. Whether we achieve that goal by honing existing skills or by developing new ones, the majority of the student body shares the vision of a rewarding job or increased pay at the end of our academic careers here at CCSU.

Unfortunately, most students can also attest that the jobs aren't exactly out there begging for us to take them. When pressed, many students even have a difficult time specifying exactly what career they wish to pursue.

Not to fear. CCSU's Career Planning and Placement Center (CPPC, 994-2628) helps students hone their job-winning skills through a variety of services, including resume critiques, sample resumes and tips on interview procedures and etiquette. Additionally, the CPPC, in conjunction with the Personal Skills Center, has counselors on staff to administer and interpret interest tests to aid students in making their decisions.

CPPC Director Karen Hooten says in addition to the familiar Career Fairs and on-campus interviews, she is also interested in developing an expanded internship and cooperative education program.

She explained, "With the economy in the shape it's in, the most valuable experience people can have while getting a degree is to be able to claim practical, as well as academic, experience." According to Hooten, if a participant in an internship or coop program is not guaranteed a job upon graduation, she or he will at least have a strong advantage with employers—an edge

even over other candidates who may have more industry experience.

The CPPC has already offered and filled two positions this semester, one with the Comptroller of Currency and one with the Social Security Administration.

For those who seek more information about available careers, the CPPC maintains a library of career references and interest inventories. Reference resources such as the *CPC Annual* and *Peterson's Guide* provide information on jobs that are available throughout the country, as well as profiles of companies and the qualifications they seek in applicants.

Students who aren't certain of their career goals may want to consider an interest survey. One of these, the *Strong Interest Inventory*, has proven immensely popular with students due to its simplicity and utility.

For a small fee, a student can complete a survey of potential job interests and personality traits. After the student completes the form,

the CPPC sends the survey to be computer scored by the publisher. When the results return, a counselor from CPPC or PSC will help the student interpret the results.

"The survey isn't going to create any interest that's not there," cautioned Hooten, "but it does help a person to look at an array of career options." PSC counselor Tom Callicott, who helps interpret many of the surveys, concurs. "What we hope the survey will do is initiate investigation into career options that a student might not have considered before," he explained.

Additionally, he cautions that this survey is not an aptitude test, but rather a measure of how much an individual would enjoy working in a particular work environment and atmosphere.

"The premise for the inventory is that everyone has one or more personality types in their personal makeup," said Hooten. She explained that certain types are attracted to certain jobs and tend to do well in those careers.

### My interests (according to the computer)...

As any conscientious reporter would, I volunteered to bare the depths of my soul for computer analysis to see how the types of environments I would enjoy meshed with my chosen career objectives. As an MBA student, I was pleased to note that scores for advertising executive, marketing executive, investments manager and banker were very high. As a writer, I was also gratified to see a high similarity of interest with broadcasters, public relations directors, lawyers and reporters.

Frankly, though, I was surprised to see high similarity scores for geographer, college professor, interior decorator and sociologist. Once again, Callicott pointed out that the survey, rather than mea-

sure the aptitude for a career, measures the degree to which my interests are similar to the interests of people in those professions. Which is probably just as well; I have a hard time arranging my desk, let alone an entire interior.

Nonetheless, I found the survey to be enlightening. The instrument had served its function; it had expanded my career horizons and given me other opportunities to think about. In today's tough job market, flexibility is key. The more paths you pursue, the more chances you have of getting a fulfilling job. Hooten and the others at the CPPC encourage all students to stop by and take advantage of their services.

## Letter to the Editor

To the editor:

Once again, the focus shifts. With the latest flap over CCSU's name change, or lack of it, I can see the fickle attentions and capricious energies of CCSU students slowly but surely turning to side issues and red herrings. A sizable portion of the student body is mad as a wet hen that the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents will not even allow "Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi" to be considered as a potential candidate for a name change. The students have a point. The widely recognized A&M name would be a strong bargaining tool in today's tough job market.

The TAMUS regents have their reasons, of course; they feel that lending the good Texas A&M name to other campuses, in particular CCSU and Laredo State, would somehow cheapen the name of the central campus and lead to confusion. "Oh, did you go to the real Texas A&M at College Station, or an imitation A&M in some back-

water like Corpus Christi?"

Many CCSU students would prefer not to see the name changed, either. Some feel that the University has had a bit of an identity crisis over the past few years. You have to admit that three name changes in rapid succession does not help to build a strong name recognition base. Others feel, as I do, that the University should be able to build the type of widely respected academic programs which would make CCSU a recognized name in its own right.

As things stand right now, though, this will not happen.

Quick history lesson. The Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF) brought a class action suit against state and higher education officials on behalf of all Mexican Americans in the forty Texas counties bordering Mexico. The suit charged that the State of Texas had systematically discriminated against Hispanics in South Texas by denying them

equal access to higher education, as evidenced by disproportionately small funding for South Texas college campuses and the paucity of doctoral degree programs in South Texas. In January, 1992, Judge Ben Eustice ruled that, while no such systematic and willful discrimination in fact existed, the current plan for funding South Texas higher education was unconstitutional. He gave the Texas Legislature until May 1993 to come up with a solution.

It's gone downhill from there. In June, MALDEF presented the State with the \$2 billion Border Region University Plan, stating what they would consider an equitable solution to the funding problem. After explaining why that proposal couldn't ever be feasibly implemented, the Texas attorney general and chancellors of the University of Texas and Texas A&M university systems advanced a counterproposal which was similar in many respects

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# Et Cetera

## Kinesiology Club

The Kinesiology Club sponsored a coed volleyball tournament on November 21 raising \$100 to finance the group's attendance at the February 1993 state convention of the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (TAHPERD) to be held in Dallas.

## Phi Theta Kappa Alumni

Phi Theta Kappa is selling two year calendars for \$2. Proceeds will provide help to members attending the group's national convention in Dallas this April. Members may pick up their calendars to sell from Dr. Joyce Freeman, CS 246.

## Psychology Club

The Psychology Club is holding a fund raising event. Prizes are dinners, movies and non-surgical facelifts. The club meets each Thursday, 12:30-1:30 p.m. in GMSU Conf. 2. Come buy your tickets at \$1 each.

## CCSU Student Reading Council

There will be no December meeting of the SRC, but all interested students are invited to attend the January 30 meeting which will feature a program on integrated teaching units presented by teachers from Schanen Elementary School. SRC members planned to read to patients at Driscoll Children's Hospi-

tal December 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. Each child was to receive the book that was read for him or her.

## Med. Tech. Certification

CCSU August 1992 graduates scored in the top ten percent of the American Society of Clinical Pathologist certification test given for Medical Technologists. While graduates of the CCSU program have scored in the top 25 percent of all programs throughout the nation for many years, this is the second straight year the mean scores for CCSU graduates were in the top ten percent of this national certification examination.

## Alliance for Minority Participation

CCSU students interested in science, engineering or math may apply for summer internship opportunities with the Texas Alliance for Minority Participation (AMP). The NSF project places students in business or industrial environments for enhanced research study. For more information contact Dr. Nadina Duran, CCSU AMP Coordinator.

## Bookstore

**Diplomas of Gratitude** Students can now order "Diplomas of Gratitude," personalized honorary degrees which show gratitude to those supportive individuals who helped them through college. Samples on



The Kinesiology Club recently sponsored a "Jump Rope for Heart" event, raising \$1222.08.

display in the Bookstore. Allow 2-3 weeks for delivery.

**Graduation** Students are advised to order their December graduation announcements now to avoid the last minute rush. \$7.95 in packs of ten. Separate "Thank You" notes are available.

**Reminder** Beginning Dec. 1, refunds will not be given on books purchased within two weeks of final exams.

**Sale** The special winter sale on ArtCarved class rings will run through Dec. 11 only. Save up to \$100 with only a \$50 minimum deposit. PLUS! Ask about our special bonus!

**Cash For Books** Your used text-

books are worth more than their fair market value when you sell them to the University Bookstore during the Cash For Books Bonanza, now through Dec. 22. Win CCSU T-

shirts, caps, novelties and \$5 & \$10 Bookstore gift certificates and more. One lucky student will win \$250 in cash. Sell your books ASAP as stock quotas are limited.

# Calendar

**Wednesday, Dec. 9**  
University Cinema: *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, WT, 7:30 p.m.  
Parking Appeals Com.: CS 103, 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
Latter Day Saints Student Assn.: CCH 121, 10-12 noon.  
Math Tutoring: CCH 110, 2-4 p.m.  
Tutoring for MTH 336: CS 111, 1-2 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 10**  
Math Tutoring: CS 104, 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
Computer Science Club: CCH 109, 3-5 p.m.  
Tutoring for MTH 336: CS 103, 10-11 a.m.  
Last day to drop a class, Fall semester.  
Psychology Club, GMSU Conf. 2, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Friday, Dec. 11**  
Tutoring for MTH 336: CS 111, 1-2 p.m.  
Alpha Kappa Delta: GMSU 2, 1:30-3:30 p.m.  
Last Day of Classes

**Saturday, Dec. 12**  
GRE Test: CCH 215, 216, 217, 218, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

**Sunday, Dec. 13**  
Jazz Band Concert: WT, 7:15 p.m.  
CC Music Teachers Young Artist Recital: WT, 2:30 p.m.

**Monday, Dec. 14**  
Latter Day Saints Student Assn.: CCH 121, 10-12  
Math Tutoring: CCH 110, 2-4 p.m. and CCH 121, 7-9 p.m.  
Tutoring for MTH 336: CS 111, 1-2 p.m.  
Support Staff Advisory: GMSU 2, 2-3:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 15**  
Tutoring for MTH 336: CS 103, 10-11 a.m.  
Math Tutoring: CS 104, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Dec. 16**  
Parking Appeals Com.: GMSU 2, 7-8:30 p.m.  
Latter Day Saints Student Assn.: CCH 121, 10-12  
Tutoring for MTH 336: CS 111, 1-2 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 17**  
Tutoring for MTH 336: CS 103, 10-11 a.m.  
Naturalization Ceremony: WT, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Early Registration Payment Deadline: Admin. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Math Tutoring: CS 104, 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
Deadline to pay tuition and fees for Early Registration

**Friday, Dec. 18**  
Commencement: Bayfront Plaza Exhibit Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 24**  
TUB A CHRISTMAS Rehearsal: CA 127, 9 a.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 5**  
Add/Drop for Early Registrants: FH, 1-6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Jan. 6**  
Spring Registration by alphabetical order: FH, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Jan. 7**  
Open Spring Registration and Add/Drop: FH, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

**Monday, Jan. 11**  
Spring classes begin.

# Scholarship Corner

## Scholarship applications

Students who wish to apply for financial aid for the 1993-94 academic year must have their applications and Financial Aid Forms completed and turned in by no later than March 1, 1993. For more info, contact Debbie Wallace at 994-2338.

## Central Power and Light

Deadline: March 1

Amount: \$1000/year

Three CCSU students received Central Power and Light Company scholarships for this semester. The Scholarship Committee selected Nancy Kaufman, a junior Computer Science major, and Janetta Niskala, a junior Management major, for new scholarships for the 1992-93 academic year. Barry Watson, a senior Accounting major, renewed his scholarship for his last year at CCSU. Students who wish to apply must do so by March 1.

Eligible candidates must have a good scholastic record and must have at least a 3.0 GPA for all college-level course work. Scholarship applicants from CPL's service territory will be given preference. Once awarded, a scholarship is continued throughout the normal period of the course of study. CPL funds scholarships at 13 Texas colleges and universities for students pursuing degrees in Engineering, Business and Computer Science.

## U.S. Department of Energy

Deadline: February 15, 1993

Amount: \$1000-\$1400/month

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) sponsors a Professional Internship Program through the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and

Education (ORISE) and the Hazardous Waste Remedial Actions Program (HAZWRAP) for students seeking associate, baccalaureate or graduate degrees in environmental sciences, hazardous waste management, or health physics. Applicants must be currently enrolled in an appropriate degree program and have an overall GPA of 3.00. The selection of participants is based upon academic performance, career goals and objectives, recommendations by knowledgeable persons, course work and experience, and academic honors/awards. Applications for the May/June 1993 starting date must be received by February 15, 1993.

For additional information and application materials, contact Professional Internship Program, Science/Engineering Education Division, Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, P.O. Box 117, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-0117, or phone (615) 576-3427. The Office of Student Financial Assistance has information on other ORISE programs in Fossil Energy Research, Fusion Science, Applied Health Physics, and graduate energy research opportunities.

## Daughters of the American Revolution

Deadlines: Vary

Amounts: Vary

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) awards several scholarships for students in various fields of study. Caroline Holt Nursing Scholarships in the amount of \$500 are awarded to undergraduate stu-

dents. The deadline for application is January 15; awards are made in late April. The Enid Hall Griswold Memorial Scholarships are awarded to students entering their junior or senior year of college who are majoring in political science, history, government or economics, in the amount of \$1000. Deadline for application is February 15.

The NSDAR offers several scholarships for different fields of study. Contact the Office of Committees, NSDAR, 1776 D Street N.W., Washington, DC 20006-5392.

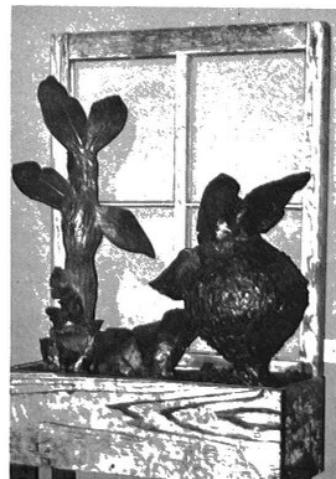
## Urban's BFA exhibit graces Center for the Arts

A series of window-box scenes frozen in time, captured in clay, line the walls of CCSU's Center for the Arts. The raku plants are part of CCSU senior Norma Urban's BFA show to be featured in CA through Dec. 16.

Twinkling with metallic glints of blue and purple, the raku works by Urban make up the major portion of her 13-piece, one-man show. Working entirely in clay, Urban displays her love of nature in the form, texture, and color of her raku and stoneware works.

"Working on each piece, the form begins to take on the biomorphic shapes of nature," writes the artist. "Lines and

textures seen in plants are reminiscent of those reproduced over the centuries in clay."



# Recreational Sports winds up year

CCSU's Recreational Sports program wraps up events for the fall over the next two weeks. The Field House will be closed Dec. 24-Jan. 3 for Christmas and New Years; check the Holiday Hours story at right for further hours.

For more information on any sports program, contact Ann DeGaish at 994-2454, or stop by the Recreational Sports Office in Room 114 of the Field House.

### Competition Results

The Funky Bunch emerged champions in the Volleyball Quads competition as well as in 3-on-3 Basketball championship where they won out against DMD.

In the Weight Lifting Contest, Chris Roussel lifted 237 pounds to earn first place in the 150 lbs and under class. Davey Conn won in the 151-175 lbs class with a winning lift of 270 lbs. And in the 200 pounds plus class, Cliff Walker had a 225 lbs winning lift to earn him the class championship.

Rick Gaugler won the Sports Trivia Bowl by knowing more trivial information about more sports--or by having better luck at guessing.

In Badminton, Lisa Ocanas won the women's division while Graig Hesselstine earned the men's championship title.

Graig Hesselstine will get the chance to garner his second title, this time in Pickleball, when he

plays Rhett Collins in the championship match in that sport. In the women's Pickleball finals, Marie Pennington is pitted against Lisa Ocanas, who is also going for her second title.

### Drop in Volleyball

Drop in Volleyball ends this Thursday, Dec. 10, with the final games being played in the Field House from 7 to 9 p.m. Informal teams are formed on-site from indi-

### Third annual event:

## TUBACHRISTMAS set Dec. 24

Sleigh bells ring. (Oompa. Oompa.) Are you listening. (Oompa. Oompa.) The tinkling of sleigh bells, the crooning of Crosby and the ... oompa of tubas?

Christmas isn't just for carolers anymore, and tubas have broadened their appeal beyond the traditional beer garden. Two area professors will prove that point once again this holiday season when over 100 volunteer tuba and euphonium players join forces to present the Third Annual TUBACHRISTMAS at 12 noon on Thursday, December 24, in the atrium of Corpus Christi National Bank, 500 N. Shoreline.

The concert, which is free and open to the public, is being coordinated through the efforts of Dr. Allan Kaplan, assistant professor of music at CCSU, and Jack Burt,

visiting instructor of Trumpet at Texas A&I University. Dr. Sam Logsdon, associate professor of music at CCSU, will be the guest announcer.

### Noon Walkers

Noon Walkers concludes this Wednesday, Dec. 9, with a final trek around campus, 12-1 p.m.

### Movers, Shakers & Motivators

Participants accrue points for aerobic activities (running, cycling, swimming, jumping rope or walking) through Dec. 18.

visiting instructor of Trumpet at Texas A&I University. Dr. Sam Logsdon, associate professor of music at CCSU, will be the guest announcer.

Tuba, sousaphone, euphonium and baritone horn performers from throughout the area are encouraged to join the concert. Registration for performers begins on the CCSU campus that morning at 9 a.m. in the Center for the Arts (CA) Lobby. A music rehearsal follows in CA 127 from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. Participants should dress according to the season and bring a music lyre and/or stand.

There is a \$5 fee for registration; TUBACHRISTMAS Carol Books will be available at the rehearsal for \$3 for those who need one. Refreshments will be provided to all performers, compliments of CCSU.

For more information, call Kaplan at CCSU, 994-2375, or Burt at TAIU, (512) 595-2805.

## Crazy Paul to entertain campus community next Monday

A special treat is planned for all CCSU students, employees and their children Monday, December 14, at 7 p.m. when Crazy Paul The Magician presents an evening of magical entertainment in Warren Theatre.

There is no doubt...it's fun to be fooled. That is why millions of people enjoy magic. And Crazy Paul has been entertaining audiences all over the country since 1980. A third-generation magician, Crazy Paul blends off-the-wall magic with up to date music and comedy through his personable performance.

An illusionist, Crazy Paul has performed at Magic Island in Hous-



# Holiday Hours

The CCSU campus will be closed December 24, 1992, through January 3, 1993, for the Christmas/New Years holidays. The campus will reopen on January 4, 1993. Several buildings will operate with reduced

hours during the winter break; a schedule of facility hours is below.

The next issue of *University News* will be published January 11, 1993. Deadline for submitting news items for that issue is noon, January 5.

**Administration**  
Thru Dec. 23 ..... regular hours  
8 a.m.-5 p.m., MWTh  
8 a.m.-7 p.m., Tu  
8 a.m.-3 p.m., F  
closed weekends  
Dec. 24-Jan. 3 ..... closed  
Jan. 4 ..... regular hours resume

**Center for the Arts**  
Thru Dec. 18 ..... regular hours  
7:30 a.m.-11:45 p.m., M-F  
1-10 p.m., Sa  
12-6 p.m., Su  
Dec. 19-23 ..... Admin. hours  
Dec. 24-Jan. 3 ..... closed  
Jan. 4-10 ..... Admin. hours  
Jan. 11 ..... regular hours resume

**Field House**  
Thru Dec. 17 ..... regular hours  
8 a.m.-10 p.m. weekdays  
9 a.m.-8 p.m. weekends  
Dec. 18-23 ..... 8 a.m.-5 p.m. wkdys  
closed weekends  
Dec. 24-Jan. 3 ..... closed  
Jan. 4-5 ..... 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Jan. 6 ..... regular hours resume

**Food Services**  
Thru Dec. 20 ..... regular hours  
7 a.m.-7 p.m., M-Th  
7 a.m.-3 p.m., F  
closed weekends  
Dec. 21-23 ..... 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Dec. 24-Jan. 3 ..... closed  
Jan. 4-5 ..... 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Jan. 6 ..... regular hours resume

**Learning Resource Center (CCH 201)**  
Thru Dec. 14 ..... 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  
weekdays, closed weekends  
Dec. 15-Jan. 7 ..... closed  
Jan. 8-17 ..... 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  
weekdays, closed weekends  
Jan. 18 ..... regular hours  
8 a.m.-5 p.m. M-Th  
8 a.m.-12 noon F  
1-5 p.m. Sa, closed Su

**Microcomputer Labs (MCL 135, CCH 101, CCH 108, Main Frame Lab)**  
Thru Dec. 16 ... 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.  
M-Th, 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. F,  
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sa, 2-10 p.m. Su  
Dec. 17 ..... 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Dec. 18-23 ..... 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
weekdays, closed weekends  
Dec. 24-Jan. 3 ..... closed  
Jan. 4-10 ..... 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
weekdays, closed weekends  
Jan. 11 ..... regular hours  
7:30 a.m.-10 p.m. M-Th  
7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. F  
1-5 p.m. Sa  
2-10 p.m. Su

**Teacher Resource Center (CCH 201)**  
Thru Dec. 22 ..... regular hours  
8 a.m.-8 p.m., M  
8 a.m.-5 p.m., T-Th  
8 a.m.-12 p.m., F  
closed weekends  
Dec. 23-Jan. 3 ..... closed  
Jan. 4 ..... regular hours resume

**University Bookstore**  
Thru Dec. 18 ..... regular hours  
8 a.m.-7 p.m., M-Th  
8 a.m.-3 p.m., F  
closed weekends  
Dec. 19-23 ..... 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
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Jan. 4 ..... regular hours resume

**University Library**  
Thru Dec. 16 ... 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.  
M-Th, 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. F,  
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sa, 2-10 p.m. Su  
Dec. 17 ..... 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Dec. 18-23 ..... 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
weekdays, closed weekends  
Dec. 24-Jan. 3 ..... closed  
Jan. 4-10 ..... 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
weekdays, closed weekends  
Jan. 11 ..... regular hours resume  
7:30 a.m.-10 p.m. M-Th  
7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. F  
1-5 p.m. Sa  
2-10 p.m. Su

**Campus Residence Halls**  
Dec. 19 ..... residence halls close  
Jan. 5 ..... residence halls open

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University; even the value of name affiliation to the System.

In the community survey, led by the Public Policy Research Institute at Texas A&M, a majority (54%) consider System name affiliation to be important. Sixty-nine percent say it would increase the prestige of an existing university to have name affiliation with the System, and 56 percent disagree that it destroys the identity of an existing university to rename it to reflect an affiliation with the System. Twenty-one percent of those polled indicated a name change would lead them to increase their support for the institution, according to survey analysis prepared by Dr. James Dyer, director of the PPRI.

Five names offered to those participating in the community survey included Corpus Christi A&M, Coastal Bay A&M, University of South Texas, University of Coastal Bend, and South Texas A&M University. When asked by the surveyors to select one of the five, 56 percent opted for Corpus Christi A&M University. When asked about keeping the name the same as it is now, 63% favored such a choice.

Furgason said that while the results of the community poll did capture some sentiment from the audiences the University serves, it failed to produce a "groundswell" for a particular name change from among the monikers offered.

While the community poll was being conducted, a similar campus poll was being administered by the Student Government. As in the community poll, students' first choice

among the five names offered was Corpus Christi A&M, with South Texas A&M University coming in second; student sentiment on retaining the current name was somewhat mixed, however, with an equal number of students opposing retaining the name as favoring it.

Students generally felt (86%) that name affiliation with the A&M System increases the prestige of their school, compared to only 67% of the faculty and staff and 69% of the community.

Eighty percent of the faculty and staff thought the name change was very or somewhat important, compared to 54% of the community.

Dyer points out that when analyzing the results, it should be noted that the maximum error is seven percent for the student survey, six percent for the faculty and staff survey, and five percent for the community survey.

### Some Student Comments:

*Mary Treanor, Senior Elementary Ed. major, lifelong CC resident*

"I think we should change the name, because it would draw people from out of state. A lot of people have never heard of CCSU, but they have heard of Texas A&M. Getting the name of the parent school seems to be the way most other schools work it out; look at UT."

*Rose DeLeon, Junior Elementary Ed. major, 25-yr CC resident*

"It really doesn't matter to me whether the name is changed. As Education majors, we'll always have jobs. If you're going to change the name, change it to TAMUCC, but otherwise, leave it alone."

ton, the Funny Bone in San Antonio and repeatedly in Las Vegas for celebrities such as Mr. T and Wayne Newton. He is listed in Who's Who of Magicians Around the World's second edition of *The Enlightened Magicians*.

"I've known David Cooperfield since he was Joseph Jankecwicz," says Crazy Paul. In 1991, Crazy Paul appeared on the Japanese television program "The World," which was seen by 45 million viewers. His expertise includes close-up magic with cards, coins and small objects, and extends to large-scale illusions designed for the big stage.

His December 14 performance is free and open to all campus faculty, staff, students and their families. For more information, contact the CCSU Office of Public Information.

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