

Thousands Welcome TAMU-CC

A new flag flew over the Ward Island campus last Wednesday (September 1) closing the chapter on Corpus Christi State University and heralding a new era in higher education as the Island University donned its new name: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

Over 2,500 people gathered at several events throughout the day to celebrate the University's name change. TAMU-CC's Faculty Center Atrium was standing-room-only as an estimated 300 dignitaries, special guests, students, staff and faculty crowded together for the unveiling of the University's new colors and look to go with its new name. Later in the day, some 2,200 music enthusiasts gathered at Cole Park for a free concert sponsored by 4UCC and the TAMU-CC Alumni Association, with special sponsorship provided by local attorneys Rene

Haas and David Perry.

TAMU-CC President Dr. Robert R. Furgason hosted the hour-long formal name change ceremony in the Faculty Center. A number of legislators and community volunteers received recognition for securing the name change as well as for helping to secure increased funding for the University and the conversion to four-year status which commences in Fall 1994.

With a mood best described as jubilant, speakers outlined the challenges of the past seven years and their efforts which culminated in last Wednesday's celebration. Former State Representative Eddie Cavazos recalled when he first approached members of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) Board of Regents with the idea of changing the names of CCSU, Texas A&I University and Laredo State

University. "I was basically told not to let the door hit me on the behind on my way out," said Cavazos with a chuckle. "You know, there is an old saying that if you are dating the daughter of a wealthy man, don't ask for the car keys until *after* the wedding," continued Cavazos with a smile as he turned to TAMUS Chancellor William Mobley. "Well, Dr. Mobley, we'd like those keys now."

"We are looking toward a great future as Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi," stated Representative Hugo Berlanga, who expressed his view that TAMU-CC would grow to national, "maybe even world," prominence. "In the future," said Berlanga, "THE campus could be at Corpus Christi instead of College Station." Other legislative speakers included Senator Carlos Truan (author of the name change legislation) and Representatives Todd Hunter and Vilma Luna.

Representation from TAMUS featured Chairman of the Board of Regents Ross D. Margraves Jr., Regent Guadalupe L. Rangel and Mobley, the newly appointed See "Name Change" page 2



▶ **New flag unfurled.** University Police Officer raises the new Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi flag before a crowd of visiting legislators and TAMUS regents as part of the September 1 Name Change Day celebration.



Logo reflects new school image

logotype - a distinctive company signature, trademark, colophon, newspaper nameplate, etc.



As anyone in marketing will tell you, an organization's image in the eyes of its customers can play a major role in that organization's failure or success. And a company's logotype, or "logo" for short, can go

a long way toward making an image instantly recognizable. McDonald's golden arches, for example, immediately recall that company without any other context.

At Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Vice President for Institutional Advancement H. Ken DeDominicis hopes that the University's new *Wave of the Future* logo will in time become as

powerful an image. "This logo captures the essence of our Island University as a natural laboratory for learning," he said. "The logo can be interpreted in three distinct ways, each of which emphasizes some important feature of TAMU-CC."

First, the logo can be viewed as an open book representing traditional academic values: TAMU-CC See "Logo" page 2

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Furgason's address: Building for the future

"This has been a banner year for us in the Legislature," reported University President Dr. Robert R. Furgason at his traditional first-of-the-semester address to faculty and staff held August 24, slightly more than a week before the name of CCSU changed to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC). "We have seen a tremendous increase of over 75 percent in our budget." And this increase, stated Furgason, comes at a time when major universities around the country are looking at cutbacks and budget downsizing. "We need not be envious of the 'Big Guys'."

Furgason applauded the University's new core curriculum which he called a "bold, innovative approach" to undergraduate instruction with a more individualized focus. "This University has built the

reputation of being a friendly, caring campus. We will need to continue to take the extra time to address the questions and needs of individuals."

Outlining a campus on the move, Furgason noted the major projects currently under construction beginning with the Central Utility Plant (currently ahead of schedule with a summer 1994 completion deadline) and the new 100,000 square foot Classroom/Laboratory Building (scheduled for completion in summer of 1994). "Shortly," he continued, "we will start construction of 500 units of student housing. The new Center for Environmental Studies and Services will be bid out this winter and Seabreeze Hall is under renovation to provide additional office space."

Other construction projects listed

by Furgason included a renovation of Corpus Christi Hall; the renovation of the current administration building into a student services center; renovation of the Faculty Center ("...with windows you can see through"); renovation of the Center for the Arts and the Center for the Sciences; the addition of over 1500 new parking spaces by fall of 1994; a comprehensive campus signage plan; development of the Garcia Plaza (currently in the design phase); and the new highway construction project (also in the design phase) which will widen Ennis Joslin and upgrade the Ocean Drive access to the University.

By the end of this year's legislative session, TAMU-CC had received another \$22.8 million in additional construction funds, continued Furgason. New projects will include the \$6 million Early Childhood Development Center; a \$3 million Support Services building; the thermal storage tank addition to the Central Utility Plant; and development of a hiking/biking trail around the campus.

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▶ **A Token of Gratitude.** Dr. Robert Furgason (right) presents Paul York (left) with a special plaque expressing Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's appreciation for the prominent Corpus Christi businessman's "outstanding leadership and support." "Due to the generosity of Paul York and Paul York Automotive Group, the University and the taxpayers save a substantial amount of money," states Furgason. Paul York Toyota provides TAMU-CC's president with a new car for business purposes, exchanging the vehicles approximately every six months. "It would take the equivalent of a \$100,000 endowment to obtain the same services Paul York is providing this University," explained Furgason, who currently drives a 1993 Toyota Camry. "This plaque is just a small measure of our appreciation for Paul's continuing support of the University, not only through use of the Camry but as a member of the President's Board of Advisors." York has provided this service since Dr. Furgason's arrival in 1991. And the performance of the Toyotas? "Flawless," says Furgason, "they haven't been to the shop once."

Late registration continues

Late registration with Dean's written approval continues during normal business hours through Wednesday, September 15, in the Registrar's Office. There is a \$5 fee.

The Administration Building is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesdays until 7 p.m., and Fridays until 3 p.m.

Calendar

September 9 - Oct. 7

Face Faced Facing: Sara Waters, exhibit opens Sept. 9 in Weil Gallery. Reception 7-9 p.m. Performance by Sara Waters at 7:30 p.m. Wilson Theatre.

September 11

Library Science 534, Sam Houston State University. CE 116, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Dr. Frank Hoffman, 409/294-1151.

TAMU-CC Headstart Program. WT, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

College Countdown '93. CA 222, 227, WT, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. High School Seniors and parents receive information on TAMU-CC 4-year campus.

September 13

Baptist Student Union. GMSC 1, 12-1:30 p.m.

September 14

Student Nurses Association Meeting. GMSC 1, noon.

Naturalization Ceremony. WT, 11:30 a.m.

September 14-15

U.S. Foreign Services Representatives. GMSC 2. Check with Career Planning and Placement Services for daily times. 994-2425.

September 18

GRE-GMAT Prep Course, Management Development Center. CE 116, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Becky Warner 994-5900.

September 20

Baptist Student Union. GMSC 1, 12-1:30 p.m.

September 20-21

Auditions: *Lend Me A Tenor*. Contemporary comedy by Ken Ludwig. Wilson Studio Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

September 21

University Council of Student Organizations meeting. GMSC 2, 12-2 p.m.

September 22

University Cinema, Corpus Christi Hall Rm. 117, 7:30 p.m. *"The River"*, *"The City"*, and *"Conversations with Willard Van Dyke."*

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Chancellor. Speakers from the local community included: The Honorable Josephine Miller, San Patricio County Judge; Fred Heldenfels IV, president, Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce; Joseph Mueller, member, TAMU-CC Foundation; Brooks Peterson, president, TAMU-CC Alumni Association; Mark Scott, president, 4UCC, and Jay Phillips, president-elect, TAMU-CC Alumni Association.

During his speech to the assembly, Mueller announced a \$50,000 endowment, made by the Pritchett Estate in memory of Marty S. Pritchett which, will fund a full scholarship for a 1994 TAMU-CC freshman majoring in marine biology. According to an announcement signed by the estate's executrix, Geraldine K. Thomas, "This Name Change Day gift seeks to inspire all citizens, individual and corporate, to support the new scholarship programs of our very special Island University, our community's Wave of the Future, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi."

Mueller also announced the TAMU-CC Foundation's pledge of \$200,000 to provide scholarships for the 1994 incoming freshman students. "These funds will provide assistance to worthy students who may not otherwise get the opportu-

nity to pursue higher education," Mueller explained. "Working together, we will be able to turn an individual ripple into the Wave of the Future."

Mueller was followed by TAMU-CC Alumni President Brooks Peterson who introduced the new "Adopt-A-Scholar" program which kicked off September 1. "This program allows individuals to adopt a student by providing an annual scholarship and agreeing to maintain a supportive relationship during the academic career of your student or students," he explained. For more information on the Adopt-A-Scholar program, call 994-2420.

The new University flag, unveiled during the ceremony, sports a vertical blue panel on the left side emblazoned with the University seal in white. Two horizontal panels complete the flag with the upper panel in white and the lower panel in green. According to Director of Publications John Stalmach, designer of the new flag, the University's new colors echo its history. "Blue and white were CCSU's colors. Green and silver were the colors for the University of Corpus Christi (1947-1973), the first campus of higher education to be housed on Ward Island," reported Stalmach. "The use of blue and green also denotes the

University's island location and environmental focus."

The morning's formal ceremonies culminated in a flag exchange. Representatives of University Police lowered the CCSU colors for the last time at approximately 11:45 a.m. and hoisted the new flag to a round of enthusiastic applause.

The celebration festivities then moved to Cole Park, where two bands performed in a four-hour free concert for the community. The Presidents took the stage at 6 p.m. with their reggae/salsa sound, followed by the Texas folk music and Mexican ballads of Tish Hinojosa.

Throughout the day at both the University campus and Cole Park, U.S. Postal workers were on hand with a special limited-edition cancellation stamp commemorating the University's name change day. The pictorial cancellation stamp was used on all mail going through the U.S. Post Office on September 1. In addition to stamping the cancellation on any appropriate postage provided, the U.S. Postal Service sold souvenir Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi envelopes and postcards bearing the limited mark. Profits from the sale of the souvenirs will help fund TAMU-CC's Freshmen Endowment, a special scholarship fund geared toward the incoming 1994 freshman class.



The Island University Station was open for business September 1 on the University campus and at the Cole Park concert. Postal workers provided a special TAMU-CC cancellation for postcards and envelopes.

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is a university dedicated to excellence in instruction.

Additionally, the logo symbolizes a stylized flock of seagulls, representing the University's unique island location, a feature which has been emphasized in recruiting efforts, according to DeDominicis. "We get a strong response from prospective students and adults alike when they discover the island setting," he explained. "It's an excellent attraction."

Finally, the logo can be interpreted as the wave of the future of higher education. Dr. Arthur Levine, a Harvard professor who specializes in higher education curriculum review, has praised TAMU-CC's new core curriculum plan for freshman and sophomore students as innova-

Weil opens season with sculpture exhibit



An exhibit featuring selections from Sara Waters' *Face Faced Facing*, will open the evening of Thursday, September 9, in Weil Gallery. An opening reception from 7 to 9 p.m. will include a musical performance by the Lubbock, Texas sculptor in Wilson Studio Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

Waters' work consists of large-scale, installed ceramic sculpture, incorporating a combination of oils,

acrylics, split wood, copper, steel mesh, concrete, adobe and acrylic resin. She defines her work as visually abstract and conceptually real. "I incorporate abstract and recognizable imagery communicating dual aspects of reality," states Waters. "Vertical and horizontal elements play with and against each other in my work."

Waters often works wall to floor in order to express compounded experiences of space, both illusory and real. She believes that her current work identifies conditions that engage mental maneuvers, devices and mechanisms, incorporating various found and made tools.

The exhibit will be on display through October 7, 1993. Weil Gallery, located in the Center for the Arts, is open weekdays, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Tuesday 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., and Friday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



Speeches and presentations were part of the formal ceremonies held the morning of Sept. 1 to celebrate the University's new name: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. Approximately 300 people were on hand in the Faculty Center atrium to hear TAMU-CC officials, visiting legislators and Texas A&M University System regents laud the Island University.

and modern. (TAMU-CC adds freshmen and sophomores in 1994.) New areas of study, such as environmental science, emphasize the curriculum's relevance. "The logo sets the tone for TAMU-CC's future," said Levine.

The logo was a gift of The Richards Group, a Dallas marketing firm. *Adweek* named Richards "Agency of the Year" three times, and *Campaign* magazine of London named the agency one of America's top 10 most creative.

Jim Peterson, CEO of Whataburger Inc., put DeDominicis and TAMU-CC President Robert R. Furgason in touch with the Richards group, the firm that designed Whataburger's own logo. Stan Richards of the Richards group for-

mally presented the logo to Furgason last year. The logo has been used in the University's marketing and public relation efforts since it was introduced.

Jay Phillips, president-elect of 4UCC, a community support group for TAMU-CC, said the logo will help the University in more than just image. "The new look should build a powerful base for increasing private support, both through leadership and gifts to enhance TAMU-CC," Phillips said. "It's a bold new image for a bold new institution—our community's *Wave of the Future*." Phillips, president and CEO of Citizen's Bank, was a member of the local focus group that helped develop the University's new image.



Gramm, Mexican Officials tour Institute. U.S. Senator Phil Gramm (seated, center) points out how the Blucher Institute for Surveying & Science's tidal gauge network could be used to provide data for the support of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) as an environmentally safe agreement for international trade. Gramm, Mexican Congressman Chuy Ramón (seated, right), and Mexican Consul Armando Beleta (standing, right) were at the Institute last month to make a joint declaration of support for NAFTA.

TAMU-CC President Dr. Robert Furgason (standing, left) and Blucher Director Dr. Nicholas Kraus (standing, center) welcomed the statesmen and briefed them on the status of environmental research at the Institute. Furgason and Kraus, assisted by Dr. Patrick Michaud (seated, left), assistant professor of computer science, later took the three officials on a tour of the Institute, demonstrating TAMU-CC's environmental research and training commitment.

Financial Assistance Corner

NHSF DOE Scholarship
Amount: Varies
Deadline: September 15, 1993

The National Hispanic Scholarship Fund (NHSF) will award 14 or more special scholarships for Hispanics. The scholarships, which are funded by the US Department of Energy (DOE), are designed to encourage talented students to pursue degrees in disciplines supportive of the DOE's mission in environmental restoration and waste management.

Application materials and a list of acceptable majors are available by calling the NHSF Selection Committee Office, (415) 892-9971.

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Scuba Club Cleans Pool

Three members of the University Scuba Club were hired in August to put on their full scuba gear and tackle a pesky problem at the University pool: Algae. Scuba Club Founder Sonny Anderson, President Mark McNamara and Treasurer Rett Fisher spent two hours one Saturday diving and scraping the substance from the sides of the pool. The result: A sparkling pool!

The University Scuba club consists of twelve members. Director of Recreational Sports Ann DeGaihs serves as the club's faculty advisor and can be reached at 994-2454 for more information about the club. New members are welcome.

US Foreign Service

Curious about a career with the United States Foreign Service? Then plan to visit with a representative on campus Tuesday and Wednesday,

Tony Canales Scholarship
Amount: \$1,000 per semester
Deadline: October 1, 1993

Hispanic Political Science majors are eligible to apply for the Tony Canales Scholarship. Applications are available in the Office of Student Financial Assistance. **Association of American University Women**

The Corpus Christi Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to senior interdisciplinary studies major LaTricia Johnson-Porter. The scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate recent woman who meets the AAUW's criteria for scholastic merit, exemplary performance and financial need.

September 14-15, in Conference Room II of the Glasscock Memorial Student Center (GMSC 2). The tentative schedule is 10:00-11:30 a.m., 2:30-4:00 p.m., and 6:00-7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, and 10:00-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

Formal interviews and a career fair are scheduled for October. To sign up for a formal interview, a placement file must be completed with the Career Planning and Placement Center (CPPC) in the GMSC.

TriBeta T-Shirt Sale

TriBeta members have T-Shirts for sale for the funding of the upcoming *Field Guide to Ward Island*. The shirts are white with a picture of the campus on the back and an Aggie cadet riding a Tarpon on the pocket area (sample is hanging in the Center for the Sciences on the bulletin board). Price \$12. Call 729-4577.

Professional Notes

Director of The Conrad Blucher Institute for Surveying and Science, **Dr. Nicholas C. Kraus**, is the recipient of the Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Association's (FSBPA) 1993 Distinguished Service Award.

The award is presented annually to an individual or organization who has achieved significant results in the area of beach preservation. Kraus, who previously served as a research senior scientist at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Coastal Engineering Research Center Waterways Experiment Station in Vicksburg, Mississippi, was cited for his significant contributions over a period of many years in research and design in coastal engineering and coastal processes. Kraus' work in numerical simulation models of beach change have set standards for construction activities in regards to beach design and shore storm protection.

The FSBPA, organized in 1957, is a very active research and public awareness group that has shaped much of the beach use policy in the U.S. and functions as a "league of coastal cities and counties" on beach and coastal issues.

Dr. Kraus accepted his award at the association's annual banquet on September 2 at the Amelia Island Plantation in Tallahassee, Florida.

At their annual meeting in Palm Springs, California last month, the National Council of Professors of Educational Administration (NCPEA) elected Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Dean of University Outreach **Dr. Thomas Krepel** to serve a three-year term on their Executive Board.

Founded in 1946, the NCPEA is a scholarly organization dedicated to the professional development of professors of educational administration, the development and improvement of university-based programs for preparing school administrators, and the sponsorship and

exchange of research in education. The NCPEA provides a forum for the exchange of research findings and develops positions on public policy related to education.

Assistant Professor of Biology **Dr. David A. McKee** attended the third annual National Science Foundation Marine Science Short Course this summer at the University of San Diego.

The three-week seminar offered cutting edge information on research and teaching methods in oceanography and geology. Familiar with the Gulf of Mexico and its shallow waters of 15-20 meters deep on average (about 50 feet), McKee said he was impressed with research in the Pacific Ocean, which is performed at 700-900 meters.

Kept busy from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, the participants visited the Scripps Institute of Oceanography, took part in deep coring research cruises off the Baha peninsula, attended lectures, and studied kelp beds and deep-sea floor spreading.

The forty professors, half with backgrounds in biology and half in geology, were also offered ideas on how to utilize their course experience in the classroom. To help highlight future classroom presentations, color slides documenting the field trips will be sent to all who attended the seminar.

Professor of Music and Composer in Residence **Dr. Lawrence Weiner** has once again been chosen by the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP) as a 1993-94 ASCAP award recipient. The award, in the form of a cash grant, has been given to Dr. Weiner every year for the past twelve years.

Grants awarded by ASCAP reflect the Society's continuing commitment to assist and encourage writers of serious music. As a member of ASCAP, Weiner submits an

annual resume to the organization, listing his yearly compositions, the number of compositions published, the amount of times each have been performed, the awards he has received, and the total number of commissioned works.

An independent panel judges the resumes based upon the unique prestige value of each writer's catalog of original compositions as well as the recent performance activity of those works in areas not surveyed by the Society. This year the panel included two faculty members from Juilliard, the dean of the Wheaton Conservatory, a director of bands at Northwestern University and the assistant conductor of the Chicago Symphony.

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Chief of Police **S. Kent Butler** is the proud recipient of a new title: GMI (Graduate of the Management Institute). Butler received the honor following his successful completion of the Law Enforcement Management Institute (LEMI), an accomplishment recognized throughout the law enforcement profession.

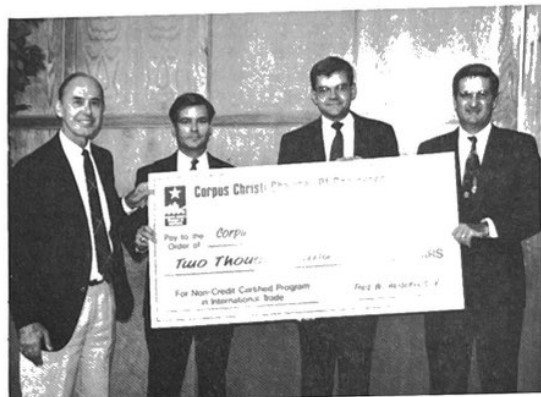
The course consisted of four two-week modules of classroom instruction and a required research project. A team of professors from Texas Women's University (TWU) graded each project before final approval was given by faculty at The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education in Austin.

Held at Sam Houston State University, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Station, TWU and a Houston conference center, the courses were taught by an instructional staff representing several Texas universities as well as other U.S. institutions of higher education. Each class day involved presentations by at least two nationally eminent authors, scholars and practitioners of law enforcement and criminal justice.

Student honored

The United States Achievement Academy (USAA) has named TAMU-CC student Barbara Greenwood a U.S. National Collegiate Award winner in Student Government/History. This prestigious honor is given to less than ten percent of all U.S. college students who are recommended by professors, coaches, counselors or other school sponsors that meet the standards of the academy. The award is given to students based on their academic performance, leadership qualities, enthusiasm, motivation, interest and aptitude in their chosen field of endeavor, and citizenship.

Greenwood was nominated for this national award by TAMU-CC Student Life Director Sara Winston. All award winners are recognized in the USAA Official Collegiate Yearbook. Greenwood's name will be in the next issue of the publication.



TAMU-CC Outreach receives funding for research from Chamber. The Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce recently donated a check to University Outreach to underwrite the research of a proposed Non-Credit Certificate in International Commerce. Pictured are (L-R) TAMU-CC President Dr. Robert Furgason, Chamber Chairman of the Board Fred Heldenfels, Dean of University Outreach Dr. Thomas Krepel, and Chamber Chairman of the International Trade Council Bill Brown. The research will be completed by the end of the year and the non-credit program should be ready for delivery in the early part of 1994.

Recreational Sports Roundup

The following programs are open to TAMU-CC students, faculty and staff. Current registration deadlines are listed. For more information, contact Ann DeGaish at the Field House, Room 114, 994-2454.

Field House hours are: Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sat. & Sun., 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Facilities are available for informal use when not being used by a class or scheduled event.

For more information, call the Recreational Sports Office, 994-2454; for racquetball court reservations, call 994-2313.

University Pool

Open daily noon-6 p.m., subject to weather conditions. Usually open until late Oct. depending on water temperature and daylight hours.

Football Frenzy

Register: Weekly

Participants pick winners of weekly NFL Football games. Correct picks awarded points. Most accumulated points wins t-shirt.

Flag Football League

Register: Through September 8
Play: Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Sept. 15, 2:30-5 p.m.; TAMU-CC Intramural Fields

Open to student teams from TAMU-CC and Del Mar College. Round robin league with single elimination playoffs. To join a league contact Recreational Sports. Captain's meeting September 8, 4 p.m. at Del Mar College.

Badminton

Register: September 9-15

Play: Thursdays beginning Sept. 16, 3:30-5 p.m.; Field House

Men's and women's divisions compete in round robin format for four weeks.

Putt-Putt Golf

Register: Now through Sept. 15

Play: Friday, September 17, 7 p.m.; Pirates of the Gulf, Corpus Christi Beach

FREE! Open to students, faculty/staff and immediate family. Men & women divisions play for low score. Awards given.

Tennis

Register: Through September 15
Play: Begins September 20

Individuals assigned opponents in a single elimination tournament, must arrange play date. Matches are the best of three sets. Men's and women's divisions; beginner, inter-

mediate and advanced classifications.

Women's Volleyball

Register: September 13-21

Play: Tuesdays beginning September 28, 3-5 p.m.; Del Mar College

League open to student teams from TAMU-CC and Del Mar College. Round robin with single elimination playoffs. To join a league contact Recreational Sports. Captain's meeting September 21, 3 p.m. at Del Mar College.

Movers, Shakers & Motivators Activity: Now-December 10

Individuals earn points for participating in aerobic activities: walking, running, swimming, cycling and aerobics. Participants receive awards at 100 points.

Drop-In Volleyball

Play: Thursdays through December 9, 7-9 p.m.; Field House

Informal, all levels welcome. Open to students, faculty/staff and spouses.

Noon Walkers

Activity: Mondays & Wednesdays, September 13 - December 8, 12:00 noon; Field House

Outdoor/Indoor (when too hot or humid) supervised walking fitness program. Good pair of sneakers required.

Combat the Fat!

Activity: Tuesdays through December 8, 4:30-5:30 p.m.; Recreational Sports Office, Field House

Fitness testing; information on exercise programs, nutrition and weight loss.

Tentatively Scheduled Non-Credit classes

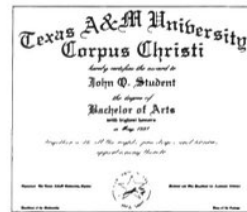
Step Aerobics, Water Aerobics, Windsurfing and Country Western Dance. Nominal Fee. For more information or to register contact the Recreational Sports Office.



Indoor smoking nixed. Al Funderburg relaxes on the new patio furniture in the Glasscock Memorial Student Center's (GMSC) outdoor patio lounge area. The arrival of the furniture signifies the end of indoor smoking on the TAMU-CC campus.

The new furniture was put in place as part of an agreement between student leaders and TAMU-CC President Robert Furgason. Furgason agreed to provide the furniture for an area for campus smokers to relax as they enjoy their cigarettes. The new smoking area is located in the garden patio area between the GMSC and the Center for the Sciences.

TAMU-CC certificates available



An era has ended--the last Corpus Christi State University diplomas have been mailed to the Summer 1993 graduates. Now that the name change is official, the name and seal of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will crown all future diplomas and certificates of graduation.

Former graduates of the Island University may now also identify

with the new name. Certificates of graduation will be offered to all past graduates, regardless of the institutional name when originally awarded, for \$25.

Past graduates interested in obtaining a new certificate with the TAMU-CC name can order one through the Registrar's office. This document will certify the conferral of the original degree and will be printed on the same elegant stock that is currently used for diplomas.

The \$25 fee for the Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi certificate of graduation includes protective packaging and shipment through First Class mail. For further information please contact University Registrar Dr. Larry Yeater at 994-2632.

Library offers tours

Increase your knowledge of the University Library by taking one of the six 30-minute tours being offered over a three day period Tuesday through Thursday, September 7-9 at noon and 6 p.m.

Each tour includes basic information on the library design layout, the different departments housed there, the services offered, and the

location of core holdings such as journals/periodicals, reference materials and InfoTrac, a computerized reference search program.

Students, faculty and staff interested in taking one of the library tours should assemble at the main floor atrium in front of the circulation desk on one of the previously mentioned dates.

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Approximately \$10.2 million of the new operating budget will fund the faculty and staff additions required to prepare for 1994 and the University's conversion to 4-year status as well as for program expansion. These program expansions are "our investment in the future," stated Furgason. "These are one-time upfront investments which should generate ongoing additional dollars through formula funding."

The budget also included \$1.3 million in new formula funding generated through increased enrollment. Since the Legislature did not address the salary question, stated Furgason, the University utilized over one-half of these funds to begin

bringing TAMU-CC's faculty and staff salaries in line with other universities throughout the state. "We had to address some major salary inequities, not only between campuses but within our own campus," said Furgason. A year-long salary study was used to develop target salaries for various positions which would put TAMU-CC more competitive in the market place. The restructuring allowed for a minimum 4 percent salary increase; more in cases of severe inequity. "This is just the first step," assured Furgason. "We are dedicated to addressing the problems of our salary structure." ***

The Island University News welcomes faculty and student submissions

Individuals, groups, clubs and organizations are making news all over campus, and the staff of the *Island University News* is eager to share that news with its readers. However, the *News* staff is not able to cover every event on campus. We need help from those involved with the activities.

The *Island University News* is a campus-wide newspaper published by TAMU-CC's Public Information Office (PIO) every other week. Having been called *University News* since the island campus' public phase began in 1973, the publication's

name is changing to reflect the University's new name and marketing direction.

Students and faculty are invited to submit articles for publication. Campus clubs and organizations are encouraged to share their activity information and news event items and photographs. (People in the photo should be identified along with a brief description of the action). When possible, the *News* staff will be glad to arrange a time to take photographs.

All articles submitted to the *News* are subject to editing and will be

printed on a space available basis. Letters to the editor will be published as submitted. Letters should not exceed 400 words and should be signed, dated, and accompanied by a telephone number where the writer can be reached.

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Cast requirements include roles for four women and four men. Auditions are open to the public.

Sandra Woolery will direct the performances, scheduled for November 11-14 and November 18-21. For more information contact Director of University Theatre Dr. James W. Carlsen, Center for the Arts (CA) 105 or CA 107, or call 994-2318.

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