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'Closed lab' system planned for computer science area

The computer science (CS) area has found a recipe for making a good program even better: closed computer labs. However, when Dr. Roy Ellzey, professor of computer science and chairperson of the computer science/math division of the College of Science & Technology, speaks of closing the labs, he is emphatically *not* talking about shutting down rooms full of computers.

Instead, the plan is to have students in CS classes get additional instruction apart from the traditional three hours of lecture per week. Rather than attending class and being turned completely loose to pursue their programming assignments in the campus computer labs, students will now take an additional one-credit-hour laboratory during which an instructor will guide them through additional hands-on experiences.

"The computer science division has done a major analysis of our program as it exists now and we are trying to implement some of the major recommendations of groups studying CS curricula across the nation," explains Ellzey. One of these recommendations, he says, is a closed lab similar to that used in the physical sciences. For example, students who take chemistry meet the same time every week in a laboratory, where an instructor helps them perform experiments, model procedures and get hands-on experience with the theories they learn in

the classroom.

In the same way, an instructor would meet computer science students in a two-hour lab to lead them through planned activities. Ellzey hopes the additional structure will reduce the frustration some students feel with programming assignments. The division is placing so much faith in the new concept, in fact, they are implementing closed labs in most of the major core courses, according to Ellzey.

The students will receive one semester hour of credit for the lab, in addition to the three semester hours they receive for the class itself. "The philosophy of the program is the same," explains Ellzey. "The degrees are the same, and our target is the same. What we are doing is implementing major changes in the delivery of our courses through the closed labs." Additionally, he says, the division will offer a few new courses to help stay in touch with the rapidly changing field.

The division will launch the closed lab program full-throttle beginning in Fall 1994, with the advent of four-year status. "We're doing it in one fell swoop, and it's quite an undertaking," admits Ellzey. Every faculty member in the division is assigned to work on designing a new lab to get the program working bug-free by the time students are ready to enter. Additional-

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Thanksgiving Holiday Hours

The TAMU-CC campus will be closed Thursday, Nov. 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Some campus buildings will keep modified hours Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 26-28:

Administration

Closed
Center for the Arts
 Fri., Nov. 26: Closed
 Sat., Nov. 27: Noon-10 p.m.
 Sun., Nov. 28: Noon-6 p.m.

Field House

Fri./Sat./Sun., Nov. 26-28:
 Noon-6 p.m.

Library

Fri., Nov. 26: 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
 Sat., Nov. 27: 1-5 p.m.

Sun., Nov. 28: 2-10 p.m.

Microcomputer Labs

(MCL 135, CCH 101, CCH 108)
 Same as library, except opening hour on Fri. is 8 a.m.

Teacher Resource Center

Closed

University Bookstore

Closed

Food Service

Closed

New degree approved for TAMU-CC

On October 29 in Austin, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) unanimously approved a new degree for Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's (TAMU-CC) College of Science & Technology (S&T): a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences (BSHS).

S&T Dean Dr. Ruth Bakke, who attended the meeting in Austin with TAMU-CC President Dr. Robert Furgason, announced that the coordinator of the Health Science program would be current TAMU-CC Assistant Professor of Nursing Dr. Whitney Bischoff.

Bischoff said the new degree would focus on individuals who already have a technical license or certification in an allied health field. "We are specifically not including nurses and medical technologists," she explained, "because they can obtain a BS in their fields. By offering the BSHS we are acknowledging the value of experience and technical education, rather than telling students they have to start over at the beginning to get a BS."

The degree is necessary due to the rapidly changing face of American health care, Bischoff said. "Health care today requires a different level of practitioner. A patient won't necessarily see a nurse or physician right away, so these first-contact professionals have to be able to recognize the importance of the things patients say when they first come into contact with a health professional," she said. "This degree will accomplish that," Bischoff explained, "by taking someone who is already in the field and giving them a broader base of knowledge. This

will help them to communicate and assist the client on a more sophisticated level."

The BSHS program will also help participants communicate more effectively with other members of the health care community. "The degree increases their value as a member of the care team," she said.

Being a degree designed for the working professional, two courses will be offered on one night each week, said Bischoff. The course offerings will be sequenced so that persons whose experience has provided them with sufficient lower division college credit and the necessary program prerequisites can complete the program in two years of study, a system which has worked well in the Master of Science in

Nursing) program, said Bischoff.

S&T's Bakke said the next step for the college is to work on a recruitment plan for the new program. The new Health Science degree becomes the fifteenth degree offered by the TAMU-CC College of Science & Technology, joining Nursing, Medical Technology, Biology, and Chemistry in health-oriented fields of study.

Although the new degree, which is slated to launch in 1994, is designed for experienced health care professionals, Bischoff said new degree programs were in the works which would cater more to students new to allied health fields. The new programs will not demand the specific technical focus required by the BSHS degree.



University Bookstore Hosts Book Signing—Bookstore Manager Victor Ruiz (standing) helped host a book signing reception for two TAMU-CC faculty members Oct. 26, Associate Professor of Kinesiology Dr. Robert Pankey and Adjunct Professor of Biology Dinah Bowman.

New courses spice up spring semester

From expert systems to environmental science, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC) will have something new for practically everybody next semester. A host of fresh computer science, educational psychology, health science, kinesiology, management information systems and math courses will add variety to TAMU-CC's spring schedule.

Dr. Pamela Meyer of the College of Arts & Humanities (AH) will offer a chance to explore "Cultural Anthropology" in SOC 490A, which will be held from 11 to 11:50 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The PhonReg call number for this class is 1940317. One of three major divisions of anthropology, cultural anthropology involves describing the lives and culture of people of particular social groups and developing generalizations about social patterns, social structure and cultural practices in human societies.

A new topics in philosophy course, PHL 490A (PhonReg call number 1940506) "Environmental Ethics," will analyze the moral dilemmas associated with our environment. The class, taught by Dr. Daniel Primozic, will discuss such topics as: technology and ecology; the moral status of animals, water, plants and land; global justice and ocean resources; agriethics; and environmental law and policy. The course is especially relevant in light

of the recent debates over the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

NAFTA will almost certainly be a topic of discussion in the College of Business Administration's (BA) new course, GB 301B (call number 1941266), "Contemporary Business: Ports and Trade." Tom Moore of the Port of Corpus Christi will instruct the class, which will examine how the South Texas/Northern Mexico region can participate in the increasing trade developing between the U.S. and Mexico.

BA's Dr. James Fugate will instruct a current topics in management information systems (MIS)

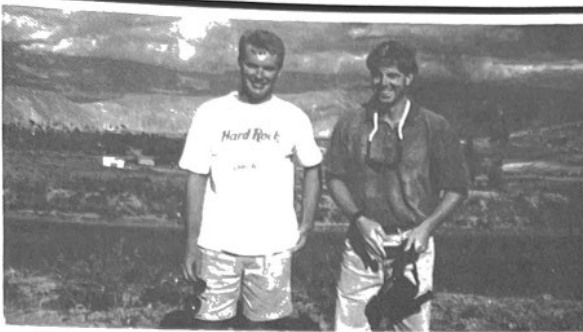
course: MIS 485A (1940452), "Windows Software." The course is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. In addition to learning the popular Microsoft Windows operating environment, the class will also learn two widely-used Windows applications: WordPerfect and Lotus 1-2-3.

Dr. Bill Harding will also offer a new MIS seminar, MIS 570A (1940451), "Expert Systems," which will meet on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The class will provide a general overview of expert systems (ES), a computerized "catalog" of human expertise, as well as

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Shrimp Farming In South America—Mariculture grad students Jeff Kaiser (left) and Michael Chambers spent the summer in Ecuador, where they worked on one of the largest shrimp farms in the world.

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ly, TAMU-CC recently hired a new professor of computer science, Deborah Burton, who has considerable experience working with closed labs, says Ellzey.

Ellzey believes the new delivery system for computer science courses will help improve the program's retention rate, which Ellzey concedes is a problem. "There are students who get frustrated with the program. We hope that a little more TLC up front will help the marginal students to persevere."

"Our record continues to be quite good," says Ellzey. "For example, just this last month we had Amoco, J.C. Penney and USAA on campus interviewing our students. All three

have hired heavily from us in the past, and all three say that our graduates are among the best they see anywhere."

What the program will do, Ellzey explains, is improve student satisfaction with the education they get at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. "Results from other schools that have implemented the program have been promising," he says.

Combined with other significant hardware, software and networking improvements to the computing structure of the University, the modernized computer science program promises to keep its students abreast of the rapidly changing field. And in this field, that's half the battle.

TAMU-CC Mariculture grad students study shrimp farming in Ecuador

Ahhh, the life of the farmer. Up before dawn, feeling that special bond with nature, working every day all season to finally reap a bountiful harvest of...shrimp?

For graduate students Michael Chambers and Jeff Kaiser, that is what farming is all about. As part of their thesis research leading toward a Master of Science in Mariculture, the two spent the summer slinging shrimp-feed at Ecuador's Inducam S.A., one of the largest shrimp farms in the world.

Chambers and Kaiser, both of whom started the mariculture program last January, split their duties three ways. One-third of their time was spent running scientific experiments: Chambers studied shrimp diet and stability of feed while Kaiser ran studies on post-larval quality of the shrimp.

For another third of the time, the two learned the trade of raising shrimp, videotaping their experiences for students back home. "The farm is very successful—I think it grossed between six and seven million dollars last year," adds Kaiser, a biology graduate from Baylor University. "Gilbert Escoba, the manager, is wonderful. We really learned a lot from him about how to

handle people."

Finally, the two acted as a consulting team for the farm's manager, finding ways to improve procedures and recommending changes to run the farm more smoothly.

The two will admit this last task was fairly simple. "The farm is very progressive," says Chambers, who has a bachelors degree in aquatic biology from the University of Wisconsin. "It already ran fairly smoothly."

In fact, the two agree the entire experience was very rewarding. The geography, people and lifestyle appealed to them both so strongly, in fact, they are planning to return to South America to work after they graduate.

"Aquaculture is a way of life there," explains Kaiser. "In the program here at TAMU-CC, we have about 25 students, all male. One college we saw in Ecuador had over 300 students in the program, and about half were female."

"Aquaculture is fairly expensive in the States, too," adds Chambers. "And our climate only allows production for half the year—enough for one harvest. Because of the geography of Central and South America, they can produce year-round."

Kaiser agrees, adding that the land, climate and resources of the region are more conducive to raising aquatic animals.

Chambers' and Kaiser's stay in Ecuador was not without its interesting moments, whether it was a run-in with a scorpion in the shorts or nightly news stories about "the vampire menace," but such experiences only add to the charm. "I really enjoyed it," Kaiser says. "It was a very broadening experience. For instance, there were 250 people on the farm, but only one spoke English." "We learned Spanish really quickly," laughs Chambers.

Students like Chambers and Kaiser are part of a growing number who pursue aquaculture experiences outside of the U.S., says Assistant Professor of Biology Dr. David McKee. In fact, the program has become so well-known, "...we have more people wanting our students than we have students," he says.

"What these two did is a good example of the types of travel and research opportunities our program at TAMU-CC allows," explains McKee. "Not only the students, but the farm as well, benefits from the experience," he adds. "It's a win-win situation."

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hands-on experience developing an expert system using a computer ES shell. The prerequisite for the class is MIS 305 or equivalent.

Students who have a more technical computer science background should consider the new special topics class taught by the College of Science & Technology's (ST) Dr. David Leasure, CS 591A (1940393), "Introduction to Expert and Knowledge Systems." On Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 8:15 p.m., the

class will try to release the "caged tiger" of expert and knowledge systems. The course will explore how to select appropriate problems; how to use expert system development tools, and the theory behind the tools; and how to manage the development process. Prerequisite for the course is CS 521 or the permission of the instructor.

Science & Technology will launch its new Bachelor of Science in Health Science (BSHS) degree program in Fall 1994 (see story, page 1).

Dr. Whitney Bischoff, assistant professor of nursing and BSHS program coordinator, said persons from an Allied Health field (dental technician, respiratory technician, emergency medical technician, and many others) can begin taking core or special prerequisites courses in the Spring if they need these courses prior to entry into the BSHS program. Interested students should contact Bischoff at 994-2329.

Dr. Blair Sterba-Boatwright will instruct MTH 491B (1941148), "Introduction to Modeling." The four semester-credit-hour course will be held

on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m., with a required lab (1941149) on Tuesdays from 2 to 4 p.m. The class is designed to introduce students to a variety of ways mathematics is used to model real-life problems. Sterba-Boatwright says the goal of the course is to help students see how mathematics can be used in their professional careers and to understand current events. This course will become the core curriculum course in mathematics when the university admits lower division students in Fall 1994. The only prerequisite is a mastery of College Algebra.

New environmental science courses will add to ST's offerings for the Spring semester. ENS 491A (1941284), which is also being offered as GOL 491A (1941262) and on the graduate level as ENS 591A (1941107), is Dr. Howard Blount's special topics course on "The Fundamentals of Remote Sensing." Offered on Saturdays from 9 to 11:30 a.m., the course will explore the acquisition, manipulation and interpretation of global data sets acquired from orbital platforms.

Dr. Joanna Mott will instruct another environmental science offering, ENS 491B (1941235), "Environmental Microbiology." The course, which is being offered on the graduate level as ENS 591D (1941238), will meet Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9:30 and discuss the role of microbes in aquatic and terrestrial settings.

The director of the Conrad Blucher Institute for Surveying and Science, Dr. Nick Kraus, will instruct ENS 591B (1941285), "Nearshore

Waves and Currents." On Tuesdays from 7 to 9:30 p.m., this challenging graduate course will explore quantitative studies of nearshore waves and wave- and wind-induced currents, with applications to coastal erosion. Prerequisites for the course are two semesters of calculus, familiarity with differential equations and the ability to write simple computer calculation programs.

MTH 491A (1941147), "Mathematical Modeling and Decision Making for Environmental Science," will be instructed by Dr. Alex Sadovski on Wednesdays from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The course will study mathematical models of global and local environmental systems, including models of air pollution, water circulation and circulation of important elements such as nitrogen and carbon. Prerequisites for this course are college algebra and differential calculus.

The College of Education's (ED) Dr. Randell Drum will take a different slant on mathematics in MTH 510A, (1941150), "Diagnosis of Math Errors," which will be held on Mondays from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The course is designed for teachers at the elementary and middle school levels. Teachers will work through a semi-programmed textbook to learn about common error problems; read articles from professional journals related to diagnosis of math errors; bring copies of their students' papers to class; and work in groups to review students' papers for the purpose of diagnosing errors. The course does not have any prerequisites.

Two popular ED classes will be offered in a new format next year.

ED 401, "Classroom Management and Instructional Evaluation-Elementary," and ED 402, "Classroom Management and Instructional Evaluation-Secondary," will be offered between the Spring and Summer I semesters of 1994. The courses will be taught on-site at a public school in Corpus Christi, where students will meet with a classroom teacher the first half of the day and will meet as a class the second half of the day. To be eligible for the class, students must be admitted to the Teacher Education program.

"Marriage Counseling" will be the focus of Dr. Kaye Nelson's professional seminar, EP 585A (1941192). The course is designed to familiarize graduate students with marriage and the evaluation and treatment of the marital relationship. In addition to psychoanalytic, behavioral and systems perspectives of marriage, the course will examine a broad range of marital issues such as sex, money, parenting, in-laws, infidelity, separation, divorce, remarriage and death. Students are required to have at least 12 graduate hours in counseling or psychology or equivalent professional experience.

Rounding out TAMU-CC's new course offerings this semester will be Dr. Robert Pankey's "Sociology of Sport." This selected topics graduate seminar, KIN 585A (1941191), will be held on Monday evenings from 7 to 9:30. Students will discuss and research such topics as youth sports, sport in the school setting, minorities in athletics, women in athletics, sport as entertainment, and sport and politics in society.



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TAMU-CC's newest art professor, Jim Edwards, finds life after curating

Jim Edwards is back to doing what he loves best.

After spending the past 20 years of his life curating and directing museums from Alaska to Texas, Edwards recently joined the faculty of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC) as an assistant professor of art. In addition to providing a welcome change of pace, the new position will allow him to pursue his favorite pastime: painting.

A native of California, Edwards received his Master of Fine Arts from the San Francisco Art Institute in 1969. He moved to Alaska in 1972, where he was curator for Alaskan state museums. "I really treated the position sort of casually," admits Edwards. "I always expected I would paint for a living. I had no thoughts of being in curating as long as I was."

One thing led to another, though, and in 1982, Edwards moved to Corpus Christi to become curator of the Art Museum of South Texas (AMST). "I came to Texas because I was really fascinated with what was happening here," says Edwards. He had spent time previously in Idaho, where there was no lack of talent, "but I really missed the vibrancy of a real art scene."

After a three-year tenure at AMST, he moved to Victoria, and finally to the San Antonio Museum of Art (SAMA) in 1987. The latter part of his tenure there was marred by conflict with the museum's business director, however, and he left SAMA early this year.

Edwards knew the art faculty of TAMU-CC from his AMST curatorship, and when he heard about an opening on the art faculty, he called his friend Greg Reuter, a professor of art at TAMU-CC. "I was attracted to TAMU-CC because the school is really starting to grow, and the affiliation with A&M seemed a positive move," explains Edwards. "So I

talked with (Professor of Art) Mark Anderson and (Professor of Communication and TV/Film) Bill Huie, got interested in the position, and applied."

He had other offers on the heels of his leaving SAMA, Edwards says, "...but I didn't want to leave Texas." He accepted the position with TAMU-CC in June, and is currently teaching a life drawing course and a section of "Art in Society."

"I'm really very excited about teaching," says Edwards, "and about painting again—doing my own art." Edwards says he will not drop out of curating altogether, though. He is currently curating four exhibits: one in Santa Fe, New Mexico; one in Amarillo, Texas; one in Abilene, Texas (featuring TAMU-CC's Reuter); and the "Matrix" show at AMST. Additionally, he is curating a show that will open in Houston the end of this month.

Still, the lure of painting is strong for Edwards. "I'll probably back off from a lot of this," he says. "I'll try to limit curating to two shows a year

maximum."

His time will certainly be filled. Besides his teaching duties and his own art, Edwards is coordinating for TAMU-CC a "Texas Art Archive." Currently in its formative stages, the Archive will be a collection of brochures, slides and magazine articles about modern Texas artists and their contributions around the state.

"There is so much going on in the state," explains Edwards, "that there really is no one central place where someone can come and say, 'What's happening with artists in this state?'" The current plan calls for the archive to be located on the TAMU-CC campus in an easily accessible room, so all interested parties can take advantage of the resource.

"Texas is arguably the fourth, maybe even the third, most important center of art in the country," states Edwards. "The scene is too big for any one person to try to keep up with anymore. I feel very fortunate to be able to come in here and focus my energies on this."

Faculty Center Pizza Party to help United Way Nov. 23

Members of Staff Training and Future Fields (STAFF), a campus organization that encourages personal and professional growth in TAMU-CC support staff, have volunteered to help coordinate this year's United Way campaign on campus.

The group has sent pledge cards and information on the United Way of the Coastal Bend to all University employees in an effort to raise funds for the United Way's annual fund drive. This year's TAMU-CC goal is \$3,000. (The college or department with the highest amount of aggregate donations will win a special prize).

On Tuesday, Nov. 23, from noon to 1:30 p.m., the entire campus community can help wrap up the campaign with a pizza party in the Faculty Center atrium. For each dollar contributed to the campaign that day, donors will receive a slice of pizza and a chance to win door prizes donated by local merchants. (Every dollar donated equals one chance toward winning a prize).

Some of the prizes include: free sandwiches from Schlotzsky's; a weekend at either the Marriot or Sheraton; dinner for two at Waterstreet Oyster Bar; two coupons worth \$40 at Glamour Shots; two dinners at Country Cajun; a mini-vacation at Sandy Shores; and two free bicycle tune-ups at the Pedal Shop. **You must be present to win.**

Donations to the United Way may be tax deductible, and all donations will be kept confidential. For more information, contact STAFF Chairperson Gilda Ramirez at 994-2317, or STAFF Advisor Ruth Lara at 994-2335.

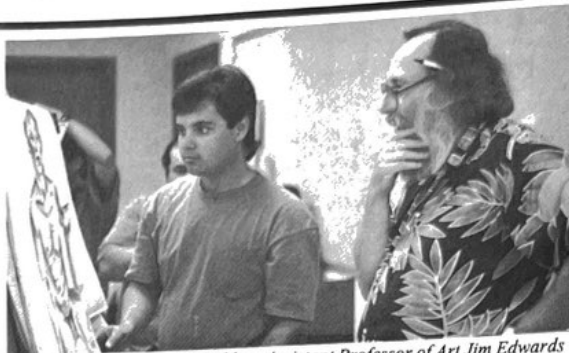
Lost & Found

Have you misplaced an item or want to turn in something that you've found?

The campus Lost & Found is located in the Office of Student Life (OSL), Room 130 in the Glasscock Memorial Student Center.

Typical items that are turned in to the office include car keys, umbrellas, eye glasses and student notebooks. One item of value, soon to be claimed by the "finder" if not identified by the "loser" is a watch.

To claim a lost item, or turn one in, please drop by the OSL.



In The Eye Of The Beholder—Assistant Professor of Art Jim Edwards evaluates a student's work in his life drawing class. Edwards, a nationally known expert on Texas art, joined the art faculty this fall.

Now showing at U-Cinema

The following documentaries will be shown on Nov. 17 and Dec. 1 in Corpus Christi Hall Room 117. They are free and open to the public.

November 17
Health Care: Your Money or Your Life (1980, 60 min.)

Follows hundreds of patients in two New York City hospitals to illustrate the vast differences in health care that money can buy.

Fidel Castro Comes to New York (1979, 30 min.)

The camera captures many rare scenes from Castro's first visit to the States in 20 years; from the time he boards the plane in Havana, to the time he raids a refrigerator in New York and then retires to his king-size bed.

Inside Iraq (10 min.)
The only uncensored report to come out of Iraq during the Persian

Gulf War. Evidence of damage to civilian property calls into question the concept of the "smart missile."

Saddam Speaks (28 min.)
Looks in again on some of the people interviewed in the previous film and features Saddam Hussein's first interview with a western reporter since the Gulf War.

December 1
Country Auction (1984, 56 min.)
Filmmakers team up with anthropologists to examine the interaction of family members with each other and with their community in the context of an estate auction in rural Pennsylvania.

A Working Life (1991, 25 min.)
A portrait of Bob Rock, age eighty-something, who is a blacksmith and banjo maker in rural Pennsylvania.

Readers Theatre to present Fables December 2, 3 and 4

University Theatre will present a staged adaptation of Arnold Lobel's award-winning contemporary fables at 8 p.m., Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Dec. 2, 3, 4) in the Wilson Studio Theatre, Center for the Arts (CA). There will be a matinee performance Sunday, Dec. 5 at 2 p.m. General Admission is \$1.

Fables, adapted and directed by James W. Carlsen, is a delightful and charming collection of children's

stories, with clever characters, amusing situations and insightful moral lessons that appeal to children and adults of all ages.

The Readers Theatre cast includes: John Allen, Kenneth Gambetta, Staci Kleeberger, Angel Magouirk, Jency Mermle, Kelly Mosel and Michelle Ramos-Enchandi.

Tickets may be purchased in CA 107. For more information call the Box Office at 994-5800.



Reception Honors New Pre-Law Advisor—The Criminal Justice Association (CJA) held a reception Oct. 29 welcoming Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice Eric Moore as the new Pre-Law Advisor, a position formerly held by Dr. Robert Bezdék. Pictured from left to right: CJA First Vice-President Michael Pimentel, CJA Treasurer Treva Askey, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice Dr. Dorothy McClellan, Asst. Professor Eric Moore, CJA President Barry Starr, and Professor of Criminal Justice Dr. Philip Rhoades.



University Theatre Presents Comedy Production—Lend Me A Tenor continues with evening performances Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Nov. 18, 19, 20) at 8 p.m. in Wilson Studio Theatre, Center for the Arts (CA). A matinee performance is scheduled Sunday, Nov. 21 at 2 p.m. Four members of the cast are pictured, from left to right, Buddy Smith as Saunders, Dawn Cotham as Maria, Mario Mauricio as Tito, and Darrell Ragland as Max. For ticket information call the Box Office at 994-5800 or stop by CA 107.



Collaboration Could Solve Wastewater Problem—TAMU-CC Asst. Professor of Chemistry Dr. Virender Sharma (right) is pictured with asst. researcher, CCAD chemist Jeremy Smith, as they test a new process that may solve the problem of cyanide in wastewater effluents. The process utilizes iron to attack cyanide and destroy it. Presentations were made at the Regional American Chemical Society meeting on Oct. 25 and at a TAMU-CC seminar on Nov. 10

Calendar

November 15
 Baptist Student Union Meeting: GMSC 1, Noon.
PHONREG BEGINS: Early registration by phone for Spring 1994 classes, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., 7 days a week. To register with a touch-tone phone call 985-2200. Out of town call toll-free 1-800-PHONREG.
 Environmental and Conservation Series: "Conservation Strategies and Sustainable Development" with Hal Salwasser, University of Montana, Del Mar College, Richardson Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Free.
November 16
 Intersections Meeting: GMSC 1, 5:30 p.m.
 UCSO Meeting: GMSC 2, 12:30 p.m.
 Drug Prevention Education Videoconference: CCH 211, 1:30-3:30 p.m.
 Tele-Conference: Texas Cancer Council, TAEX, CCH 211, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
 Student Nursing Association Meeting: CS 101, 11:45 a.m.
November 17
 Student Teachers Meeting: Warren Theatre, 1-3 p.m.
 University Cinema: *Health Care: Your Money or Your Life, Fidel Castro Comes to New York, Inside Iraq, Saddam Speaks*. CCH 117, 7:30 p.m., FREE.
November 18
 Great American Smokeout: Health Services, Sharon Alexander 994-2601.
November 18-20
 University Theatre Presents: *Lend Me A Tenor*, a contemporary comedy by Ken Ludwig. Wilson Studio Theatre, 8 p.m. Tickets \$5. Box Office: 994-5800 or CA 107.
November 19
 Texas Real Estate Commission Sales/ Broker Exams: CCH 117, 1-5 p.m.

November 20
 Library Science 534: With Sam Houston State University Professor Dr. Frank Hoffman, CE 116, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
 GRE-GMAT Exam Prep: Devoted to verbal review. Classroom East 116. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuition \$90. Call MDC: 994-5900.
 Student Reading Association Program: Blanca Salazar speaks on bilingual education, 1 p.m., TAMU-CC Teacher Resource Center. Call 937-7434.
November 21
 University Theatre Presents: *Lend Me A Tenor*, 2 p.m., Wilson Studio Theatre. Tickets \$5. Box Office: 994-5800.
November 22
 Baptist Student Union Meeting: GMSC 1, Noon.
 Student Recital: Bryan Wadkins, guitar, Warren Theatre, 8:15 p.m. FREE.
November 23
 United Way Campaign Pizza Party: Faculty Center Atrium, Noon-1:30 p.m. Pizza-for-a-donation party and prizes.
 Drug Prevention Education Videoconference: CCH 211, 1:30-3:30 p.m.
November 25-26
 Thanksgiving Holiday: See "Holiday Hours," page one.
November 29
 Baptist Student Union Meeting: GMSC 1, Noon.
November 29-December 3
 Staff Advisory Council: Election of first Staff Advisory Council.
November 30-December 1
 EXIT Interviews: CCH 117, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Contact Financial Aid Office, 994-2332, Admin. Bldg.
December 1
 Outdoor Jazz Concert: GMSC, 6-7 p.m. Twenty-piece TAMU-CC Jazz Ensemble, directed by Asst. Professor Dr. Alan Kaplan.
 University Cinema: *Country Auction and A Working Life*, CCH 117, 7:30 p.m. FREE.
 Student Teachers Meeting: Warren Theatre, 1-3 p.m.
December 2
 Exploring Internet: Live satellite telecast, CS 101, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
December 2-5
 Readers Theatre Presents: *Fables* by Arnold Lobel, children's poetry and stories, Wilson Studio Theatre, 8 p.m. General Admission \$1. Dec. 5 matinee at 2 p.m.

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

Field House hours are: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. (Holiday Hours: see story on page 7). Facilities are available for informal use when not being used by a class or scheduled event. For racquetball court reservations, call 994-2313.

University Pool

The pool is closed for the season.

Adapted and directed by James W. Carlsen. Box Office: 994-5800 or CA 107.

December 3

Repeated Measures Experiments in the Biological Sciences: Lecture by Professor William B. Smith, TAMU, 10 a.m., Blucher Institute.

December 6

Baptist Student Union Meeting: GMSC 1, Noon.

December 7

Staff Advisory Council: Election results. Call 994-2314.

December 8

University Cinema: *Something To Do With The Wall*, CCH 117, 7:30 p.m. FREE.

Contest winner announced

Congratulations to Norma Rodriguez, winner of the University Bookstore Halloween Contest, for the closest estimate of candies in the contest jar.

Norma guessed that the jar held 601 pieces of candy. The actual count was 600. The next closest entry was 590 by Janet Smith.

A \$40 Halloween Basket was the prize for winning the contest.

Volunteers Needed

The TAMU-CC Parking Appeals Committee needs volunteers to meet once a week to hear appeals from students and staff who have been ticketed for parking violations. To sign up contact the Student Life Office, GMSC.

University Bookstore

-Caps and gowns go on sale Nov. 29 in GMSC Conference Rm. 1. (Faculty Reminder: deadline for graduation regalia is Nov. 30). Also, the bookstore is currently taking orders for graduation announcements.

-Textbook Buyback Sweepstakes begins Nov. 29 and continues through finals. (This is the best time to sell back books).

- Customer Appreciation Sale-Take an additional 25 percent off of sale rack and collectable CCSU items.

Interviews Scheduled

The following on-campus interviews are scheduled for December. For more information contact the Career Planning and Placement Cen-

Rec Sports Roundup

Football Frenzy

Register: Weekly, Field House

Each Monday participants pick winners of weekly NFL Football games. Correct picks awarded points. Most accumulated points wins T-shirt.

Movers, Shakers & Motivators

Activity: Through Dec. 10, Field House

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 Dec. 9, 7-9 p.m.; Field House

Informal, all levels welcome. Open to students, faculty/staff and spouses. (Not on Nov. 11).

Noon Walkers

Activity: Mondays & Wednesdays through Dec. 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 Dec. 8, 4:30-5:30 p.m.; Recreational Sports Office, Field House

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

Intramural Champions Listed:

Flag Football: ROTC (TAMU-CC) defeated Scopers (TAMU-CC)

13-0.

Badminton: Willie Pina defeated Jeff Pote in the finals 2-0.

Putt, Putt Golf: Overall, Carl Jones (40); Lisa Ocanas (44).

Tennis Singles: Men's Advanced, Todd Tenbrink; Men's Beg/Int, Mike Garcia

Women's Volleyball: Perfect Combination (TAMU-CC) defeated Free Agents (Del Mar) 15-2, 15-2.

Punt, Pass & Kick: Overall, Bob Sheppard, 100.74; Lisa Ocanas, 60.55.

3 Pitch Softball: Perfect Combination (TAMU-CC) defeated BSU (Del Mar) 19-4.

Timex Fitness Week

Winners Announced:

Prediction Run: Neal Brooks, Bruce Henry, 2 sec.; Sherilyn Beard, 1.17.

Weight Lifting: Women, 125 lbs. and less, Sherilyn Beard, 85; 126-150 lbs., Lisa Ocanas, 85. Men, 150 lbs. and less, Derrick Leffall, 145; 151-175, Willie Pena, 255; 176-199, Bruce Henry, 210; 200+, Ellis Coles, 295.

LifeCycle Challenge: Don Bacon, 1.14 mi.

LifeStep Challenge: Bruce Henry, 353 ft.

Poker Walk: Red, Gloria Haston, pair of aces; Blue, Chris Cantu, ace high (9); Green, Judith Perales, pair of kings; Orange, Debbie Coates, 3 of a kind (8); Black, Don Bacon, pair of queens.

Etcetera

ter located in GMSC.

On Dec. 2, Austin and Angleton I.S.D.; Dec. 6, Victoria I.S.D.; Dec. 7/8, C.C.I.S.D.

LRC moves

The Learning Resource Center has moved to Media Services, CCH, Room 211. New hours of operation: Mon./Thurs., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tues./Wed., 8 a.m.-7 p.m.; Fri., 8 a.m.-Noon; Closed Saturday & Sunday.

Parking tags honored

Earlier this semester, the *Island University News* printed that Texas A&M University-Kingsville would no longer honor Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi parking tags since TAMU-CC tags hung from the rear-view mirror, while TAMU-K stickers were affixed to the rear of a vehicle.

TAMU-K Chief of University Police, Antonio Gonzalez, has since told the *News* that students with current TAMU-CC stickers will be

allowed to park on the TAMU-K campus. Gonzales said if TAMU-CC students receive parking citations by mistake, they can bring their current TAMU-CC tag and the ticket to the TAMU-K Police Department to have it dismissed.

SAA Schedules Presentations

The Student Art Association (SAA) is bringing San Antonio painter James Cobb to campus for a slide/lecture presentation Nov. 16 at 6:30 p.m. in Warren Theatre for SAA members only.

On Nov. 23, at 6:30 p.m., local CPA Robert Hamilton will discuss dealing with taxes, the IRS and book-keeping priorities for the artist (location to be announced). For SAA members only.

Membership dues for the SAA are \$3 per semester and can be paid to any SAA Board member. Contact Sergio Olivares at the Student Life Office, GMSC.

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