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An architect's rendering shows the new classroom/laboratory facility due to get under construction in April.

## Preparing for 1994:

# Campus physical changes to begin

Change is everywhere. Change just elected a new U.S. President and a host of new legislators. And when CCSU President Robert Furgason delivered his traditional first-of-the-semester address last week, it was change that he talked about as well. The message was clear: Get ready. Change and CCSU will be synonymous for the next 21 months.

Assisted by a half dozen campus administrators, a story of construction, renovation, new faces and legislative challenges unfolded for the faculty and staff assembled.

Jesting that "the only one who really likes change is a baby with a wet diaper," Furgason stressed that as inevitable as change is for CCSU, our biggest challenge will be communication, "keeping everyone up on what is going on." Furgason challenged those in the audience to ask, when in doubt about changes underway, and not to succumb to perspectiveless rumors.

"Communication is a two-way street," he stated, "and collectively, we can get the job done. Have faith in the system." He praised what he described as the "positive attitude and collegiality he has witnessed since assuming the presidency. He added that follow-through is going to be particularly important if we are to make things happen in a timely fashion.

The change chorus was echoed by Dr. Alan Berkebile, chair of the committee overseeing plans for the new classroom/laboratory complex. Berkebile said construction is due to begin on the building in April. The state-of-the-art facility will feature numerous classrooms, laboratories and lecture halls, and a landscaped courtyard.

George Antone, building maintenance supervisor, reviewed plans for the new Central Utility Plant. Construction on the companion facility to the current Physical Plant is

scheduled to begin in February. Antone reported that 6,000 feet of trench will need to be dug around campus to install pipe for the flow of chilled water for centralized cooling. The conduit will also accommodate fiber-optic cable for enhanced telecommunication capability. (A model of each building is on display in the Administration Building.)

Furgason added he anticipates the selection of the architectural firm on the new Center for Environmental Studies and Services building to be named on January 20. This state-funded \$10 million office building will be erected on the northwest side of campus next to the Conrad Blucher Institute.

Dr. Sam Logsdon, speaking on behalf of the core curriculum committee, reviewed planning efforts to date and outlined activities set for the coming months. He announced that while a search was underway for a Core Curriculum Director, he would commence work to involve the faculty in the plan. An April appointment is being targeted for the new Director position.

Another search is underway for the University Librarian, announced Dr. Moustafa Abdelsamad, chair of the search committee. A January 31 application deadline has been set, with an appointment expected by September.

Faculty Senate Speaker Dr. Charles Irwin lauded his predecessors as he reported on the "active and positive agenda" of the faculty organization.

Dr. Paul Orser, associate vice president for academic affairs, presented a new organizational view of the enrollment management activities underway on campus. A search will begin later this spring, Orser announced, for a Director of Enrollment Management to coordinate the work of Admissions, Financial Aid and Registrar's offices.

The desire is to place someone in the organization with experience in four-year institution enrollment management.

Dr. Eliot Chenux, dean of students, addressed a question from the floor on dorms by describing the See "Changes," page 4.

## Enrollment up:

# Late Registration continues

As CCSU enters late registration, almost 4,000 students have enrolled for the spring semester, a 10 percent-plus increase in enrollment over the same time last year.

At the conclusion of regular registration on Thursday, Jan. 7, CCSU Spring 1993 enrollment had reached 3,973 students (head count) and 32,993 semester credit hours (SCH). According to Dr. Paul Orser, associate vice president for academic affairs, these figures compare to a head count of 3,593 at the same point last spring, which represents a 10.2% increase, while the SCH figure of 32,993 is 6.2% above final census date totals for Spring 1992. Final census date for Spring 1993 is Jan. 27.

The registration process at CCSU continues for another two and a half weeks. Late registration and add/drop runs through this week, January 11-15, in the Registrar's Office (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 and a \$5 drop fee.

Through Jan. 15, students may register or add classes without the respective College Dean's approval. The following week and a half, January 19-27, students must acquire the Dean's approval to register for classes. Late registration with Dean's approval will also be held in

# Student Government seats open in Jan. 26-28 ballot

How often do we hear the phrase, "You know, they ought to do something about that,?" Well, here is your chance to make a difference at CCSU by running for a seat on the Student Government.

Following are the minimum number of seats which will be up for grabs in the upcoming elections. More seats may open as senators and alternates graduate or change their academic plans. One seat is available for Student Body President. The College of Arts & Humanities (AH) has two seats open for senator. The College of Business Administration (BA) has three openings for senator. The College of Education (ED) has openings for one senator and two alternates, and the College of Science and Technology (ST) has one alternate position available.

Candidates must be "in good academic standing with the University," according to the CCSU Student Government Constitution. The single stipulation is that all senators must

be enrolled in the College which they seek to represent on the Student Senate. Candidates for President may be from any College.

The elections will be held all day on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, January 26-28. Ballot stations will be located at Glasscock Memorial Student Center (GMSC), University Library, Corpus Christi Hall (CCH), Center for the Arts (CA), Center for the Sciences (CS), Classroom East (CE) and the Field House (FH).

Students who are interested in representing their college constituency may obtain Student Government filing information and forms in the Office of Student Life (OSL) in GMSC 130. The filing deadline for all positions is January 19 at 12 noon.

The filing form provides space for a position statement. A summary of each candidate's position statement will be published in the January 25 issue of the *University News*. Candidates are encouraged to write a statement, maximum length of 100 words, expressing their views which can be used for publication. Due to space considerations, longer statements will have to be edited down to 100 words.

For the remainder of the Spring 1993 semester, Student Government will meet weekly on alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning Wednesday, January 13 See "Student Elections," page 4.

# Clubs welcome spring students

Student organizations will offer a chance to combat the winter cold and the beginning-of-the-semester

blues with a "Spring Welcome" on Thursday, January 21, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the breezeway in front of the University Library. Clubs will be serving hot chocolate, cookies and other refreshments to entice students to learn more about campus organizations.

In a December 8 meeting, the University Committee on Student Services (UCSS) voted to hold the event in an attempt to increase student awareness of the many organizations that exist on campus. The Spring Welcome will be held in the Lounge of the Glasscock Memorial Student Center (GMSC) if the weather on January 21 turns inclement.



# January arts calendar packed

This January features a feast for the eyes and ears, as well as edification for the intellect, when CCSU's College of Arts and Humanities presents a number of free concerts and art lectures for the campus community.

First for the eyes. The month-long celebration of artistic endeavors begins Wednesday, January 13, at 6 p.m. in Warren Theatre with the first of two lectures by artist Alan Gussow. Wednesday's presentation is a slide lecture on "The Function of Art in the Post-Nuclear Age," along with a slide lecture on Gussow's own work. The following morning, January 14, at 9 a.m. in Warren Theatre, Gussow will present "A Sense of Place: The Artist and the American Land," a video interview with ten American landscape painters. Gussow will be present for a discussion and answer session after the video presentation. Both presentations are free and open to the public.

Next the ears. The celebration continues with two free concerts, part of CCSU's 1992-93 Distinguished Visitors in the Arts Series.

On January 19 noted pianist David Owen Norris will perform in the Center for the Art's Warren Theatre beginning at 8:15 p.m. In addition to being free, the concert is open to the public.

Norris is the 1991 Irving S. Gilmore Artist, an honor accorded him after a two-year search on three continents among many of the world's finest pianists. He will perform pieces by William Walton, Achille-Claude Debussy, Franz Jo-

seph Haydn, Johannes Brahms, Joni Mitchell and CCSU's own Lawrence Weiner, professor of music and composer in residence.

According to critics, Norris brings profoundly interesting interpretations to everything he plays. "His is a truly unique, personal, special musical voice...He's a musician's musician," stated David Pocock, artistic director of the Irving S. Gilmore International Keyboard Festival. The Finnish pianist Matti Raekallio called Norris "a truly exceptional talent. This is the kind of pianist who is strong enough to change the outlook of the musical world."

It was this aspect of his performance that brought the Gilmore Festival to select Norris as the first Gilmore Artist -- unanimously. English-born, Norris trained at Oxford and is Professor and Fellow at London's Royal Academy of Music and Fellow of the Royal College of Organists.

The next day, January 20, William Kanengiser will dazzle the campus with his gifted guitar playing in another free DVA concert in Warren Theatre at 8:15 p.m.

"From the moment he began to play," printed the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, "it was evident this was not going to be an ordinary evening. The notes seemed to take on a life of their own; all the melodies and inner voices rose to the surface and then fell away in absolutely perfect balance, order and clarity." The *Los Angeles Times* focused on Kanengiser's "amazing talent for creating delicately honed, lucid

phrases from technically difficult passages." This "amazing" talent led a role as classical guitar double and coach in the Columbia Pictures film *Crossroads*.

First Prize Winner of the Concert Artists Guild New York Competition and the Toronto International Guitar Competition, as well as the highest prize winner of the Radio-France International Guitar Competition, William Kanengiser is recognized as one of America's most gifted, premier young classical guitarists. He has performed in virtually every major city in the U.S. including New York (Carnegie Hall and Merkin Hall), Pasadena, Los Angeles, Washington, Denver, Hartford, Seattle, Houston and San Francisco.

## Library offers facility tours for new students, faculty, staff

The CCSU Library has scheduled a series of tours and orientation sessions to acclimate new students, faculty and staff to the facilities, particularly some of the newer machines and research tools available.

Each 30-minute tour will acquaint users with the various areas of the library, including the InfoTrac work station. InfoTrac is a computerized reference search program which indexes approximately 1100 general interest and scholarly publications; it is designed specifically to meet research needs of the academic library patron.



The Community Blood Bank will bring the Bloodmobile back to campus Monday-Wednesday, January 25-27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Prospective donors can find the vehicle in back of the library, by parking lot "F."

Education and nursing majors should particularly consider taking the tours which include a demonstration of the new CD-ROM (compact disc) products available to those disciplines.

There are two relatively new products available on CD-ROM: *Company Profiles*, which as part of InfoTrac provides directory information on 100,000 U.S. companies, and *Dissertation Abstracts*, which provides thumbnail descriptions of all doctoral dissertations written in the U.S. over a given period.

Sessions consist of an introduction to research resources followed by a tour. This semester, the tours will be held Wednesday, January 13, and Thursday, January 14, beginning at 9 a.m., 12 noon and 6 p.m. Those interested in touring the facility should meet at these times on the pavers in front of the Library's circulation counter.

The tours will be valuable for discovering the highlights of the Library and their many student and faculty services. For further information, call 994-2609.

## Letter to the Editor

*Bambi it ain't!*

After watching the filming of a movie on the campus of Corpus Christi State University last summer, I was anxious to attend its world Premiere December 12 at the old Center Theater where my husband and I went when we were dating. The premiere was hosted by the South Texas Festival of Film and was a benefit for the Coastal Bend Aids Foundation.

As a graduate of CCSU and a former member of the CCSU Student Senate, I was thrilled by one of the movie's opening scenes. CCSU, where Leslie-Anne Down's character had supposedly just been promoted to dean, was described as one of the finest universities in the country. This scene was followed by a close-up of the sign at the entrance to my alma mater and other scenes shot on campus.

As the movie progressed I began to realize this is not the same type of movie we saw at that old theater in the '60's. *Over the Line* is definitely a '90's movie intended for mature audiences and contains nudity, violence and language so strong that people walked out of the premiere after paying \$100 to get in.

The film showcases Corpus Christi and CCSU. The cinematography in *Over the Line* is outstanding. Down's masturbation scene, for instance, is artfully filmed, but the sexual content, violence and strong language of this film made me wonder if administrators at the

university read the script before they agreed to allow the makers of this controversial movie to use the CCSU name and to film on campus.

The answer to that question became clear after I talked to the movie's writer, Charles Nichterlein, at a reception following the premiere. When asked about the language Nichterlein said he had his name changed on the titles because he didn't use that language and didn't want his grandmother and aunts, uncles and cousins back in the midwest to be embarrassed by having his real name on the film. Nichterlein, who once taught in a prison said that this movie wasn't the one he wrote. He explained that in the original script the character of the convict played by John Enos had simply been released from prison rather than escaping after forcing a hand drill into the spine of the wheelchair bound warden of the prison. When I asked about some details of the confusing plot he explained that a writer puts little threads into a story which enables the audience to follow the plot and that in filming sometimes those threads are broken. Nichterlein said his story, originally titled *Inside Out*, was the story of Eve.

The movie's theme of Eve being led into the path of evil may be a sad irony for CCSU. If the CCSU administration had read the original script, which may have been a good one, it would obviously have made little difference since the story may

have been changed dramatically. I suppose the changes, which are unfortunate for CCSU, were contrived to make the film more attractive to today's audiences--a tragic comment on society.

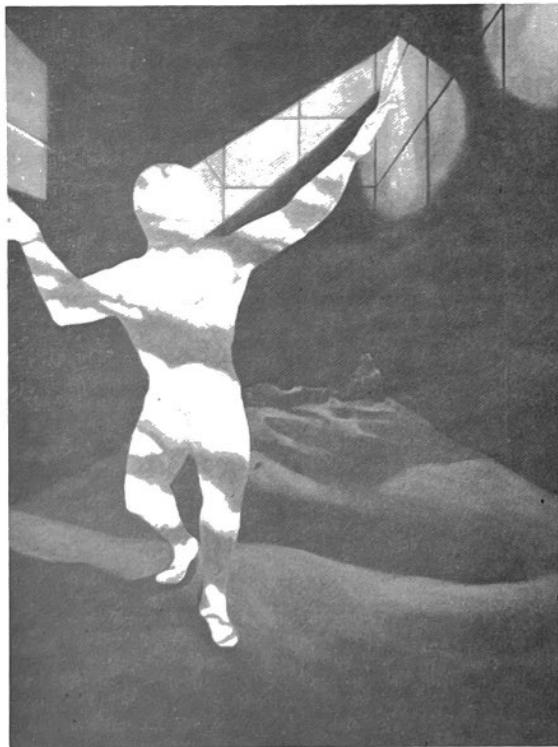
Becky McNamara  
Graduate Student

## Math, science symposium targets teachers

Teachers in classes kindergarten through eighth grade will be transformed into "learning facilitators" during the "Engineering the Future using Mathematics and Science" symposium for teachers Saturday, January 23, at CCSU.

Sponsored by CCSU's Conrad Blucher Institute for Surveying and Science, the day-long mathematics and science symposium for teachers will begin at 8:30 a.m. on the CCSU campus. The goal of the symposium is "to convey up-to-date knowledge to each participating teacher so as to transform each participant into a learning facilitator," says Dr. Gary Jeffress, Blucher Institute Director of Research and Education.

Registration is \$15 and includes lunch. The symposium is approved for six hours of AAT credit. For more information, contact Karen Boedecker of the Blucher Institute at 994-2376.



Student art show to open Jan. 21

Free, an oil on canvas work by James Elam, is one of the entries for the 19th Annual Student Art Exhibit, which will run in CCSU's Weil Gallery from January 21 through February 18.



# CCSU hosts Marine Mammal Stranding Network lecture, necropsy

Dr. Graham Worthy, president of the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network (TMMSN), instructed 35 to 40 CCSU students and TMMSN volunteers on the correct procedure for a dolphin autopsy, called a "necropsy." The instructional procedure, held in the auto bay behind the Center for the Sciences building, was staged to help new volunteers learn how to collect valuable data when responding to a mammal stranding.

"We were looking for parasites and the cause of death in the ani-

mal," stated Dr. David McKee, assistant professor of biology at CCSU and Corpus Christi Regional Coordinator for TMMSN. "We were also able to gather statistical data such as age, sex, general health of the specimen. All of this data is sent to the Smithsonian Institute for compilation. The data collected by the Network can help fill the void of basic information about the life and biology of cetaceans, and particularly about dolphins."

McKee and his CCSU student volunteer team respond to reported

marine mammal strandings along the Texas coast from Corpus Christi to Port Mansfield. "In many ways, this is the toughest area for response because so much of our territory is four-wheel drive terrain," states McKee. He is assisted in his efforts by graduate biology students Linda May, Chris Stahl and Jeff Foster.

The male dolphin, shown at right, was found stranded two days before the necropsy on the beaches off Galveston. Results of the necropsy, said McKee, indicated the dolphin had been under stress for some time, potentially due to an illness which may or may not have caused its death. "The animal's muscles were striated indicating stress, and the stomach was empty. Most animals quit eating when they are sick, so an empty stomach is in indication of illness."

The public can help the Network

by joining as a volunteer or by reporting dead or alive beached whales or dolphins to David McKee

at CCSU, 994-2676, Linda May at 949-9349 or calling 1-800-9MAM-MAL.



Dr. Graham Worthy (left), president of Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network, (TMMSN) lectures to Network volunteers while Terry Christopher, TMMSN Galveston regional coordinator, demonstrates proper necropsy techniques.

## Et Cetera

### Campus Closed Jan. 18

The CCSU campus will be closed Monday, January 18, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Classes will not be held and most buildings will be closed for the holiday. Exceptions are: **Field House**, open 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; **Library**, open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; **Microcomputer Labs** (MCL 135, CCH 101, CCH 108, Main Frame Lab), open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.

### CCSU Island Waves

CCSU's newest student organization, formed to publish the student newspaper (*Island Waves*), will hold an organizational meeting to approve a constitution and elect officers on Friday, January 22, at 12 noon in GMSC Conference Room 2. All interested students are urged to attend and become charter members.

*Island Waves* plans to publish four (or more) issues this semester. The next issue is scheduled for the first week of February; deadline is Jan. 22. The *Waves* needs articles from students: bring them to the meeting, or leave submissions at the *Island Waves* office in the Office of Student Life, GMSC 130.

As its first fundraiser, the club will publish Valentine's greetings in the February issue. Tell your sweetheart for only 10 cents a word. Hearts and flowers (artwork) are extra cost. Check the flyers around

campus or at the Waves office for more details.

### CCSU Student Reading Council

All interested students are invited to attend the January 30 meeting of the Student Reading Council which will feature a program on integrated teaching units presented by teachers from Schanen Elementary School.

### Communication Arts Club

An election meeting of SPECTRUM: The Communications Arts Club will be held Thursday, January 28 at 6 p.m. The election of officers, brainstorming, programs and fun are all on the agenda. Flyers will be posted with time and location of meeting. All CCSU students welcome.

### 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 information, contact Debbie Wallace at 994-2338.

### Harbor Playhouse

The Harbor Playhouse Young Peoples Theatre presents *Don Coyote* January 16, 17, 23 and 24 at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the Harbor Playhouse. Ticket are \$4. For more information, call 888-SHOW.

## Morales named Physical Plant December employee of the month

CCSU Mechanic Jose Morales has only worked on campus a short

time, yet he has managed to positively affect the automotive shop, becoming Physical Plant's 1992 December Employee of the Month in the process.

Since starting in May 1992, Morales has impressed supervisors with his pride in his work. "Jose's dedication to his professionalism is an inspiration to all his associates, since he exhibits pride in every task he undertakes," states Building Maintenance Supervisor George Antone. Morales also lends his multiple talents to the community as an active member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Little League and Youth Football.



## GRE/GMAT prep courses bring relief for students

Thinking about graduate classes? Talk about timing! CCSU students, as well as all those interested in graduate school, will have six opportunities over the next six months to take those all-important graduate entrance exams. Graduate Record Exams (GRE) will be offered February 6, April 17 and June 5 on campus, while students may take the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) January 16, March 20 or June 19.

If you're thinking about taking either the GRE or GMAT, take heart. There is help right here on

campus to assist you in getting the best score you can.

CCSU's Management Development Center (MDC) offers a joint "prep" course for both the GRE and the GMAT exams to help you understand the exam formats and refresh necessary skills. The courses are structured around the test, with one day each being devoted to verbal skills and math skills.

The class on math skills helps students brush up on algebra, geometry and word problem solutions, among other topics. The verbal skills course is a refresher class designed

to help prospective test-takers with such topics as analogies, comprehension, vocabulary, etc. (The analogy, an "A is to B as C is to what?" type of test, has been a difficult skill for many students to master.)

The MDC conducts the course over two Saturday sessions, one for math skills and one for verbal skills. The MDC will offer one course on January 23 and 30, and another on March 6 and 13. The fee for the full course, which includes both sections, is \$90 plus a workbook which can be purchased at the CCSU bookstore. Call the MDC at 991-1440.

## Calendar

Student Teachers: WT, 1 p.m.  
Grant Writing Seminar: Blucher Institute, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 16**  
GMAT: CCH 215, 216, 217, 218, 7:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Student Accounting Soc.: VITA training, CCH 109, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  
BESO: GMSC 2, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Monday, Jan. 18**  
Campus Closed: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

**Tuesday, Jan. 19**  
Student Government Election Filing Deadline: GMSC 130, noon.  
David Owen Norris: DVA Concert, WT, 8:15 p.m. FREE  
Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. With Dean's approval.

**Wednesday, Jan. 20**  
Computer Science Club: CS 101, 7-9 p.m.  
William Kanengiser: DVA Concert, WT, 8:15 p.m. FREE  
Business Faculty Luncheon: Student Accounting Society/Delta Sigma Pi, Blucher Institute, 12:30 p.m.

Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. with Dean's approval.

**Thursday, Jan. 21**  
Student Government: TBA, 12:30 p.m.  
19th Annual Student Art Show: Weil Gallery, opening reception, 7-9 p.m. Through Feb. 18. Hours: MWTh 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Tu 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; F 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan 12**  
Auditions, *Alice in Wonderland*: WST, 7:30 p.m.  
UCSS: GMSC 2, 12:30 p.m.

Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Telephone Registration Demo.: Lib 209, 9-11 a.m.  
Delta Sigma Pi: Donut Social, GMSC dining area, 7:30-10 a.m.

**Wednesday, Jan 13**  
Student Gov.: GMSC 2, 12 noon.

Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Network User's International Group: CS 101, 6:30-10 p.m.

Coastal Bend Bay Foundation: Blucher Institute, 6-10 p.m.  
Staff Advisory Council: GMSC 2, 2-3:30 p.m.  
Slide Lecture: "The Function of Art in the Post-Nuclear Age," Alan Gussow, WT, 6 p.m. FREE

Delta Sigma Pi: Donut Social, GMSC dining area, 7:30-10 a.m.  
**Thursday, Jan. 14**  
Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Video Lecture: "A Sense of Place: The Artist and the American Land," Alan Gussow, WT, 9 a.m. FREE  
Combat The Fat: Rec. Sports, GMSC 2, 12:30-1:30 p.m.  
Delta Sigma Pi: Business meeting, GMSC 2, 7-9:30 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 15**  
Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

FREE.  
UCSS Spring Welcome: in front of Lib. (GMSC if bad weather), 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. with Dean's approval.  
Delta Sigma Pi: Meet-the-Chapter night, GMSC 2, 6-8 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 22**  
Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. with Dean's approval.

CCSU Island Waves: Organizational meeting, GMSC CR2, 12 noon.

**Saturday, Jan. 23**  
Math & Science Symposium: WT, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Student Accounting Soc.: VITA training, CCH 109, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Sunday, Jan. 24**  
Delta Sigma Pi: business meeting, CCH 109, 3-6 p.m.

**Monday, Jan. 25**  
S&T Faculty Meeting: Blucher Institute, 8:30 a.m.-12 noon.  
Community Blood Bank Drive: GMSC, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. With Dean's approval.

**Tuesday, Jan. 26**  
Student Government Elections: Through Jan. 28, GMSC, CCH, CS, CE, Lib.

Community Blood Bank Drive: GMSC, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Late registration: ADM, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. With Dean's approval.



CCSU recently received financial support from two local corporate offices. Pictured left: CCSU President Dr. Robert R. Furgason accepts a \$2000 check from Southwestern Bell's Regional Manager Jeff Jung; the funds were donated to the President's Council. "This type of donation makes a difference," said Furgason. "CCSU has a series of activities which provides important linkages to the community...worthy programs which cannot be supported with state funds. These kinds of collaborations give CCSU the ability to support our community."

In the photo to the right, George C. Rule, Corpus Christi Division Manager for Exploration and Production of Conoco, North America, demonstrated Conoco's support of CCSU by presenting a check for \$1000 to Vice President for Institutional Advancement H. Ken DeDominicis.

## Recreational Sports Spring Roundup

If you want to participate in one of the recreational sports programs, check below for upcoming deadlines; future deadlines will be announced in later issues of the *University News*.

CCSU students, faculty, staff and spouses are eligible to use the gymnasium, weightroom, various playing fields, pool, softball diamond and tennis, racquetball and handball courts with a valid ID and, in some cases, a reservation. Field House hours are weekdays, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; weekends, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.. The Field House will be closed Jan 22 and 23 for a special event; it will operate reduced hours (9 a.m.-8 p.m.) on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 18.

For more information, contact Ann DeGaisch at the Field House, Room 114, 994-2454.

### Basketball Bonanza

Play: Jan. 11-Mar. 11

Individuals will choose the winners of selected college & professional basketball games. Correct picks earn points and weekly winners will receive Championship T-shirts.

### Movers, Shakers & Motivators

Event: Jan. 11-May 7

Individuals earn points for aerobic activities such as cycling, swimming, walking and aerobics. Participants earn prizes at different point levels.

### Drop-in Volleyball

Event: Jan. 14-Apr. 29; Thur, 7-9 p.m.

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

### Combat the Fat!

Event: Jan. 14; 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Designed to assist individuals lose pounds and inches. Information will be distributed on weight loss, exercise programs, etc. to help people get in shape.

### Aerobics (Non-credit course)

Register: Jan. 11-29

Event: Jan. 18-Mar. 12; MWF, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

A low-impact step aerobics class. Students, \$12.50; Faculty, staff, and spouses: \$15.00

### 5 on 5 Basketball

Register: Jan. 11-20

Play Begins: Men's: Jan. 25; 2:30-5 p.m. Mon-Thurs.

Women's: Jan. 29; 1 p.m. Fri.

Teams play a round robin schedule with single elimination playoffs to determine overall champion. Combined program with Del Mar College--teams may have players from both schools. All men's games played at Del Mar, all women's games played at CCSU.

### Men's & Women's Racquetball Singles

Register: Jan. 11-20

Play Begins: Week of Jan. 25

Single elimination competition in beginner, intermediate and advanced divisions. Individuals are responsible for contacting their opponent and playing by the dates specified.

### Noon Walkers

Event: Jan. 20-Apr. 30; MWF, 12:15 p.m.

Walking program designed to help individuals stick with a fitness program. Supervisors monitor length of walk each day. Walks begin at Field House.

### Bowling

Register: Feb. 1-9

Play: Feb. 9; 6-8:30 p.m.

No tap tournament (nine pins down is a strike!) Two levels: Recreational and advanced. Recreational division will play two games; Advanced will play three.

### Basketball Hot Shot Contests

Register: Feb. 15-23

Play: Feb. 23

Three point contest: Contestants will have one minute to shoot 25 balls from five different locations on the floor.

Free throw contest: Contestants will shoot 20 free throws. Winners of both contests will advance to a "shoot-out" with the winners at Del Mar College.

### Pickleball

Register: Feb. 15-23

Play: Feb. 24, Mar. 3, Mar. 10; 3:45 p.m.

Round robin format with single elimination playoffs for the top four finishers in Men's and Women's divisions.

## Environmental series hosts wetlands seminar

The third in a six-part series addressing "Environmental and Conservation Issues of the Nineties" takes place Tuesday, January 26, at 7:30 p.m. in Warren Theatre when Virginia Burkett presents "Coastal Wetlands: Concern for Texas and Louisiana."

Burkett is Chief of the Wetlands Ecology Branch at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Research Center in Lafayette, Louisiana. A sixteen-year veteran of wetlands research and management, she began her career in 1975 in Sea Grant Research at Louisiana State University (LSU). Burkett directed the Louisiana coastal zone management program from 1983 to 1984. She has also worked in the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries as a marine biologist, Deputy Secretary, and most recently as Secretary and Director.

Burkett served as a member of the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council and Louisiana Forestry Commission for three years. She was vice-chair of the Louisiana Oil Spill Response Task Force and chair of the Louisiana Artificial Reef Council. In 1990, she was elected Vice President of the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission and Vice President of the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

Burkett received the President's

Public Service Award from the Nature Conservancy in Washington, DC, in 1986. She has also been honored for her wetland conservation efforts by the Louisiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. She is a member of the Society of Wetland Scientists and a life member of the Louisiana Wildlife Biologists Association.

The monthly six-part seminar series will continue through April, focusing on a number of environmental concerns from coastal wetlands to water issues. The Rob and Bessie Welder Wildlife Foundation is co-sponsoring the monthly series in conjunction with CCSU's Environmental Science Program.

The fourth seminar, "Endangered Species: Can We Save Them?" will be presented by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Region II Director John Rogers on February 23. Michael Robinson, the Director of the National Zoo of the Smithsonian Institution, will present "The Biology and Future of Rainforests: Earth's Richest Treasures," on March 30. To close out the series, Thadis W. Box, the Gerald Thomas Chair of Food Production and Natural Resources at New Mexico State University, will present "Towards a Sustainable Planet" on April 27.

All remaining seminars will be in Warren Theatre, and all seminars are free and open to the public.



This past December, Central Power and Light Company elected to feature the campus and CCSU senior accounting major Barry Watson in a commercial promoting the power company's scholarship program. The film footage from CCSU and three other South Texas universities will be packaged into one 60-second and one 30-second commercial; plans call for the final spots to air locally in February on TCI Cablevision. Watson was one of three CCSU students to receive a \$1000 CPL scholarship for 1992-93. Nancy Kaufman, a junior computer science major, and Janette Niskala, a junior management major, also received CPL scholarships. CPL funds scholarships at 13 Texas colleges and universities for approximately 60 students pursuing degrees in engineering, business and computer science.

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request for proposal process underway. Ray Hayes, executive vice president for finance and administration, lauded Chenuaux's effort in developing the proposal.

Applause was delivered once during the hour-long session when Furgason announced he planned to inform the Board of Regents at their January meeting that "we do not want our name changed." Name change has been an on-again, off-again topic of discussion since the University became a member of The Texas A&M University System in 1989. In November the name change issue was on the agenda of the Regent's meeting, but at Furgason's request, action was postponed until the January meeting.

Introductions and announcements included Dr. Tzachi Samocha, a joint appointment at CCSU with

Texas A&M to work in the area of mariculture/aquaculture; Dr. Sylvester Peterson, director of grants; Denise Landry, reference librarian; David Andrus, reporting analyst in the Institutional Research office; Mary McNair, acting director of the Career Planning and Placement Center; and Gilda Guadalupe Lopez, Academic Affairs intern.

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and concluding on May 5. All Wednesday meetings will be held at 12 noon; all Thursday meetings will be held at 12:30 p.m. Meetings are tentatively scheduled for GMSC Conference Room 2. For more information about elections, contact the Office of Student Life at 994-2707.