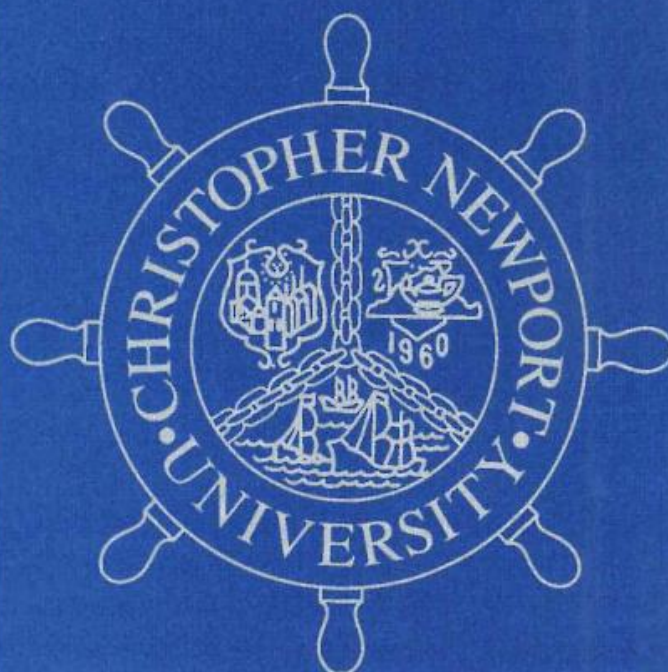


The Seventy-second
**COMMENCEMENT
EXERCISES**

May 11, 2002



**General Information &
Calendar of Events**

Thursday, May 9

9 - 9:45 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

Student Center - Student Lounge

CNU's Alumni Society invites degree candidates for complimentary coffee, juice and assorted Danish pastry and muffins in the Student Center.

10 - 11:30 a.m.

Commencement Rehearsal

Student Center - Gaines Theatre

All May 11, 2002 degree candidates must attend this informative rehearsal. In the unlikely event of inclement weather, seven guest rain tickets per degree candidate will be distributed. For questions call the Office of Student Life (757) 594-7259.

9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

New Alumni and Class of 2002 Celebration

Ramada Inn - Newport News

Join the fun as the Class of 2002 celebrates with CNU's new alumni. Dance the night away to DJ music - enjoy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. The attire is semi-formal. The cost is \$25 per person/\$40 per couple. For more information call Kim Roeder at (757) 594-7712, or you may e-mail Kim at kroeder@cnu.edu.

Saturday, May 11

7:30 - 9 a.m.

Alumni Society Commencement Breakfast

Harbor Lights

Degree candidates and their guests are invited to enjoy this hearty breakfast buffet. See enclosed registration information or call the Alumni Relations Office at (757) 594-7712.

9:15 a.m.

Degree Candidates Assemble (with cap and gown)

The Freeman Center Arena

All degree candidates must be in The Freeman Center arena, in cap and gown, promptly at 9:15 a.m. For questions call the Office of Student Life (757) 594-7260.

9:45 a.m.

The Great Lawn

Family and friends should be seated by 9:45 a.m. to watch the Commencement processional. Early arrival guarantees the best seating. No tickets are needed.

10 a.m. Commencement Exercises

The Great Lawn

The Commencement processional begins the formal ceremony.

The program includes brief remarks by the President of the University, the Rector of the University and a keynote Commencement speaker and the awarding of degrees to undergraduate and graduate students.

Following Commencement:

Diplomas

Following the Commencement ceremony, new graduates may pick up diplomas in front of the Captain John Smith Library. The rain plan pick-up will be in the Administration Building, Anderson Auditorium. For questions call the Registrar's Office (757) 594-7155.

Receptions for our new alumni

Check with your academic department to confirm a particular reception time and location.

Guest Information:

Tickets are not required for the Commencement exercises outside on The Great Lawn.

Rain Plan

In the unlikely event of inclement weather, Commencement will be moved into The Freeman Center.

- Each degree candidate participating in Commencement will receive seven rain tickets for their guests. It is the responsibility of the degree candidate to ensure that these tickets are in the possession of those who will be using them on the morning of Commencement.
- Guests must have a rain ticket to attend Commencement exercises in The Freeman Center.
- Doors to The Freeman Center will open at 8 a.m.
- The processional will begin at 10 a.m.
- Limited special needs seating is available. This seating is reserved for elderly and physically challenged guests who are unable to climb steps or who need wheelchair accessibility. Because seating in this area is limited, only one individual may sit with the guest who has special needs. Be sure to arrive early for special seating.
- Following the ceremony, new graduates may pick-up diplomas in the Administration Building, Anderson Auditorium.

Written requests for special seating in The Freeman Center must be sent to:

Ms. Brenda Giles
The Freeman Center
Christopher Newport University
1 University Place
Newport News, Virginia 23606
(757) 594-8823 Fax: (757) 594-7916
Bgiles@cnu.edu

Special needs requests must be received on or before May 8, 2002.

Parking

Free parking is available in any of the parking areas on campus. Check with parking attendants on duty; they will direct you to the closest available space. Remember that car-pooling saves energy and helps alleviate traffic congestion.

www.cnu.edu/information/ctour/map.html

Special Needs Parking

A limited number of handicapped-designated parking spaces are available for cars identified with Department of Motor Vehicles handicapped license plates or temporary decals.

Disability Services Information

Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, please contact Disability Services at (757) 594-8765.

Information Center

The Great Lawn

Lost and Found
First Aid
Water Station

Photographs

Guests may take pictures from their seats. A professional photographer will be taking photos of each graduate receiving his/her diploma. Within two weeks after graduation, a 43-mm proof and all ordering information will be sent to the graduate's permanent address on file at the University. There is no obligation to purchase photographs.

Please check with the Registrar's Office to make sure your address is correct. For more information you may e-mail: candidcolor@erols.com.

CNU Bookstore

Commencement Week Hours

Monday - Friday	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Bookstore telephone (757) 599-5170
Bookstore Fax (757) 595-5164
www.cnubooks.com

Bachelor's candidates may arrange for the purchase of gown, hood, cap and tassel through May 11. The purchase price of a bachelor's gown, hood, cap and tassel is \$39.95.

Christopher Newport Information (757) 594-7000
CNU Web address www.cnu.edu

Campus map and directions
www.cnu.edu/information/ctourmap.html

Accommodations

Comfort Inn (757/249-0200)

12330 Jefferson Ave., Newport News, VA
Approximate distance = 5.5 miles
CNU Rate = \$59 per night, plus tax

Days Inn (757/874-0201)

14747 Warwick Blvd., Newport News, VA
Approximate distance = 5.5 miles
\$53 = Single
\$63 = Double
* per night, plus tax

Extended Stay America (757/873-2266)

11708 Jefferson Ave., Newport News, VA
Approximate distance = 1.7 miles
\$39 = Queen: 1 person
\$44 = Queen: 2 person
\$49 = 2 twins
* per night, plus tax

Omni Hotel (757/873-6664)

1000 Omni Blvd., Newport News, VA
Approximate distance = 3.1 miles
\$159 = King or Double bed/s
* per night, plus tax

Suburban Lodge (757/881-9670)

12015 Jefferson Ave., Newport News, VA
Approximate distance = 2 miles
\$55.99 + tax = Full or 2 Twin beds
\$65 + tax = Queen or 2 Full beds
Includes kitchen, cable, e-mail and laundry
*per night, plus tax