

Chris's Circle

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SGA OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

All students who want to have campaign material in the newspaper, please submit it before May 1. It will appear in a special election edition.

The election will be held on May 7, 1962, in room 207, between 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.

I. The following officers are to be elected:

President

Vice-president

Secretary

Treasurer

Four male members of the honor council

Four female members of the honor council

II. Eligibility rules:

A. Any student carrying a minimum of thirteen semester hours of class work this semester.

B. Any student who passed a minimum thirteen semester hours of class work and made seven quality points; or part-time student the first semester and is now a full-time student.

C. Candidates must present to Mr. Usry a petition, signed by fourteen students, announcing candidacy for office. The petition must be submitted before five o'clock in the afternoon of April 30, 1962.

III. Election to office will be determined by a majority of the votes cast in the election.

CIVIL WAR DISPLAY

Have you seen the Civil War display on the first floor?

On the first shelf of the display cabinet there is a newspaper containing the actual testimony at the trial of the conspirators in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. Another newspaper gives a detailed account of their execution.

On the second shelf there are articles that once belonged to John Brown. They are from General William B. Taliaferro's collection. He obtained them when he took over custody of John Brown, after his capture by Lee at Harper's Ferry. There is General Taliaferro's civil communication record book, a pike with which John Brown planned to arm the slaves, John Brown's map of Virginia, and General Taliaferro's letter and dispatch case.

On the third shelf, New York newspapers give the accounts of Lincoln's funeral in Washington. A newspaper editorial, dated in 1864, expressed

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CNC LIBRARY: BIGGER AND BETTER

The first day CNC opened there were only 97 books in the library. Now there are 3251 catalogued and 1117 which have not been catalogued. At first the City of Newport News, University of Virginia, and William and Mary College helped CNC accumulate some books but now CNC is on its own. As a starter we became a member of the book-of-the-month club which has supplied the college with many of the best sellers.

Last month only 80 books were checked out. That is approximately two a day. Next year there will be more reference books to use for term papers. Therefore the students' interest will increase.

The library is open until five on week days and until 12 noon on Saturdays.

LAB EQUIPMENT GIVEN TO COLLEGE

CNC has received laboratory equipment as a donation from the American Oil Company, Yorktown, Virginia. The equipment, a low-temperature laboratory fractional distillation apparatus, known as the Podbielniak and two laboratory distillation units are to be used in the chemistry department. The chemistry students will use this equipment in their study of gaseous or volatile compounds.

This equipment, which is used throughout the world, will be very beneficial in enlarging our labs.

ACTIVITIES OF GERMAN CLUB

The German Club has had four activities this semester: two semi-formals, one casual dance, and a reception. The most recent was a semi-formal dance with music by the Bonnevilles, and the Reception. All attending the activities have enjoyed themselves. The participation of students has been poor. It will take the participation of the whole school to make these social activities successful.

The German Club Reception, held on Sunday, April 15, was very successful. We want to thank the parents of the members for their participation.

ATTENTION: THERE WILL BE A DANCE TODAY IN THE STUDENT CENTER, SPONSORED BY THE GERMAN CLUB. ADMISSION IS 25 CENTS PER PERSON.

CIVIL WAR DISPLAY (continued)

Northern feeling against continuation of the war.

It is an excellent display, set up by Professor Usry, and is there for your examination.

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CNC STUDENTS SHOULD SET TRADITION

We are the first of a long line of classes who will be lucky enough go to this college. Because we are first, we are blessed with an interesting duty. This duty is to establish for this institution a precedent in tradition. A tradition of honor, intellectual creation, justice, and humor.

We have been given this privilege, and yet, because of our immature indifference, we have so far left little worth noting for those who will follow. The only useful ideas that have been pursued to any degree, have been the Newspaper, the German Club, and the Rifle Club, all of which are struggling against apathy and a lack of student participation.

It is not enough to attend classes, play cards, and study. The part of our curriculum that we, ourselves, are responsible for is the creation of stimulating and imaginative student activities.

A class of lotus-eating, unenthusiastic drudges such as we have been, does not furnish likely candidates for thoughtful, dynamic, future leaders of the community.

If you want a campus, you'll have to build it yourselves within a framework of student honor, humor, justice, and intellectual spirit. As for now, a single tradition exists: our colors. We still need a mascot, a nickname, clubs, a few student revolutions, ad infinitum, to prove our mettle.

The privilege is ours. If we don't take it, someone with more courage will later. Meanwhile, we shall have lost an opportunity to build our school, and enrich our lives and personalities.

ATTENTION

On Wednesday, April 25, 1962, a 57 minute color movie taken from astronaut John Glenn's spacecraft during his orbit, will be shown in the auditorium at 12 noon. There is a possibility that the film might be shown again at 1:30 or 2:00 p.m. for those who cannot attend the 12 o'clock showing. Everyone is invited to attend.

COAT-OF-ARMS FOR CNC

The students having selected the school colors now have the privilege of selecting the school symbol. The newspaper staff knowing this, took it upon themselves to appoint a staff member to do some research into the matter, but up to the present time only a small amount of work has been done on this project. It will take some further research and correspondence with "King of Arms" in England and possibly Colonial Williamsburg, Inc. They would give us much needed assistance in the forming of a symbol for our college. This symbol can be in the form of a coat-of-arms and most of the research is along this line.

At present Mr. Maissen has suggested these possible attacks on the problem:

1. As mentioned above, the writing to "King of Arms" in London, England and also to Colonial Williamsburg, Inc. which would give us a "Historic Approach" This could lead us to the personal coat-of-arms of Christopher Newport or to Christopher Newport's home town coat-of-arms, which could be incorporated into the coat-of-arms of Christopher Newport College.

2. A second approach could possibly be on the use of important events or acts in Christopher Newport's life, which would produce a personal coat-of-arms for the college.

Possible symbols at the present time are:

1. The boar and two crocodiles: these two animals were presented to King James I by Christopher Newport in September 1605.

2. Three ships: These representing the Susan Constant, Goodspeed, and Discovery. It would also be a symbol for Newport News' important shipbuilding trade, and port.

3. A river: This representing the James River, which Christopher Newport used to reach Richmond where he planted a cross, securing the land for his Christian king, "ICCOBUS REX 1607".

If we do want to choose a symbol for our college, it will be necessary to form a committee and select possible choices for the student body to vote on. If any student is interested in being on this committee, please contact any member of the newspaper staff, for directions.

Following are some rough sketches on the suggested possibilities.

