

# CNCNEWS

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# Edwin A. Joseph Center Established at Christopher Newport College

Edwin Joseph, Peninsula businessman and community leader, has established the Edwin Joseph Center for the Study of Local and Regional Government at Christopher Newport College.

Mr. Joseph has created a \$250,000 endowment at the College to support the new center.

"We are immensely grateful to Mr. Joseph for his philanthropy and for his good will and support of both CNC and the Hampton Roads community," Dr. Anthony R. Santoro, President, said.

"The establishment of the Joseph Center at Christopher Newport College is significant in two respects," said Dr. Santoro. "CNC has a strong local and regional orientation, so its mission revolves around the Hampton Roads area. Secondly, the area has a unique set of challenges for local and regional government. There is great diversity in governments which are constantly searching for the role of regionalism.

"Mr. Joseph's intent is to provide a forum for the study, discussion, and solution of problems of local and regional government and thereby provide significant benefit to the government of the area," he said.

Active in the economic and cultural development of the Peninsula, Joseph helped form the Virginia Peninsula Economic Developmental Council. He was its first Chairman from 1979 to 1985.

He has served as President of the Hampton Industrial Developmental Authority, Chairman of the Virginia Resources Authority, Commissioner of the Regional Development Authority, and Chairman of Gov. Charles Robb's Job Training Coordinating Council in 1983.

"The Joseph Center will be established within the Department of Political Science and Governmental Administration to foster the study of local and regional government," said Dr. Richard M. Summerville, Vice President for Academic Affairs. "The purpose of the Center will be multi-fold, enriching both the College and the Hampton Roads area by cultivating special expertise at the College in the unique history, problems, and potential of area governments," he said. "It will also serve as a resource for the government agencies to provide a forum for dialogue and to act as a reservoir for academic and civic expertise."



Mr. Edwin Joseph

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#### CNC Receives Grant for International Studies



Mr. Shigeto Naka instructs his Japanese economics class

Christopher Newport was one of two Virginia colleges to receive funds from the State for an International Studies Program. On July 1, 1988, \$298,400 was made available for use through June 30, 1990 for international studies. The money supplies an international studies secretary, professors, equipment, travel and related expenses involved in the development of the program. The program is divided into two components—Japanese and Latin American Initiatives.

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President Anthony R. Santoro

With a great sense of excitement and good feelings for the future of CNC, we inaugurate the first issue of the CNC News. This periodical will allow us to share news of Christopher Newport College with our alumni and friends. The President's column will give me an opportunity to get closer to you and to address issues of educational import to us and to the community we serve.

Dr. Terry Maris was appointed as Acting Vice President in the newly created Office of Institutional Advancement. We are currently seeking a new Director of Public Relations, Director of Alumni Relations and Director of Grants Development. When we have filled all of these positions, our Office of Institutional Advancement will be up to full strength.

The College is alive and bursting with activity. This fall we began our new International Studies Program in Japanese and Latin American Studies. An allcollege committee is at work putting together a long-range master plan for growth and development. In the shorter term we have a very active Building Committee working out the scope and preliminary plans for our first residence hall, which we expect to open in the fall of 1992. Our record enrollment last fall has increased the student body to some 4,647 men and women ranging in age from 17 to over 60 and working towards degrees in 24 programs.

You, alumni and friends of Christopher Newport College, are very much a part of our success story. Indeed, along with the students, faculty and staff here, you are CNC. My wife Carol and I extend our very best wishes to you and your families, and we wish you health and happiness in 1989.

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#### Joseph Center

The Joseph Center, located in the College, will conduct theoretical and applied research, and will publish and present the results in journals and forums that will bring credit to the College and the region it serves.

Conducting the affairs of the Center will be a faculty member known as the Joseph Professor. He will write and publish a series of papers, conduct an annual seminar for outstanding students, and present a major colloquium at the College each year to which both the political, civic, and academic community will be invited.

Present plans are to select the Joseph Professor, initiating the Joseph Center in the 1989-90 year, Dr. Summerville said.

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#### **International Studies**

Dr. Sang Park, Associate Professor of Economics, is chairman of the 12-member Japanese Studies Steering Committee. This committee meets once a month to discuss faculty, curriculum offerings and progress of the program. CNC has hired three Japanese faculty - Kimihiko Nomura who teaches Japanese language at CNC and Japanese language and culture in the Newport News Public School System to selected fifth and sixth graders, Shigeto Naka who teaches Economics, and Kiyoko Weeks who teaches Business Management. There were 120 students enrolled in Japanese classes last fall. Dr. Park's committee plans to propose that Japanese Studies become a concentration under the International Commerce and Culture degree.

With one of the largest full-time Japanese faculty among State colleges and universities, Dr. Park sees CNC as a role model for Japanese studies in Virginia. And the need has never been greater. There are six Japanese firms currently within the Peninsula/Tidewater region and there will be eight by next year including the Mitsubishi plant in Chesapeake. CNC realizes the need and is providing students with the opportunity to prepare themselves for positions at international firms.

Dr. Sandra Bryan, Associate Professor of Education, is Chairman of the Latin American Initiative Committee. Her committee is working to encourage students to participate in Latin American opportunities being developed and offered on campus.

Currently, education majors have the opportunity to fulfill their student teaching requirement in Guadalajara, Mexico. Student spend 10 weeks in Mexico and teach at an accredited American Overseas School. Three students participated last fall and four will work in Mexico this spring.

The Sociology Department also offers a hands-on experience in Mexico. "Sociology of Developing Nations—Mexico" is being taught for the second time this spring by professors Lea Pellett and Dr. Joseph Healey. Students spend nine days in Mexico visiting sites and learning the culture.

Other Latin American experiences are forthcoming. Both the Nursing Department and Language Department are developing programs. "Health Care in Mexico" will involve study at Mexican hospitals and health care facilities. Second year Spanish students will travel to Mexico for four weeks and study the people and language. Study/Work Abroad Programs are also a possibility at CNC. Rodrigo A. Carazo, a Costa Rican scholar, is teaching Political Science and Latin American topics courses through the Visiting International Faculty Program. He is investigating several established programs that would enable students to study abroad for one term and receive credits toward their degree at CNC. Actual offerings will be based on institutional support, student response and funding.

By expanding CNC's base in Latin American Studies, Dr. Bryan's committee plans to propose a minor in the discipline and possibly a concentration under the International Commerce and Culture degree. In the near future Hispanics will be the largest minority in the U.S. Given this information and our close proximity and political links to Latin American countries, CNC is right on target in its quest for new international programs.

# Governor Baliles Visits Campus

On May 25, 1988, Governor Gerald Baliles and members of the State Council for Higher Education (SCHEV) visited CNC. After breakfast with the Board of Visitors, President Santoro and College officials, Governor Baliles toured the Physics Lab where demonstrations on high-tech research were presented. Funds for the support needed in this research are partially provided by SCHEV and of special interest to the Governor.

Governor Baliles observed presentations on:

"Public Understanding of Science" High-Tech Video and Computer-Based Lab for Liberal Arts Students

"High-speed Electronic Instrumentation" College-Industry Interaction: A New Product for Pressure Systems, Inc.

"Sailvision" Improving Sails with Physics

He also participated in "Experimental High-Tech Classroom" which utilizes high-tech monitors in teaching. CNC was honored to provide Governor Baliles with this hands-on experience.

#### Master Plan Committee Formed

President Santoro announced the establishment of the Master Plan Committee at the August 22nd Faculty Meeting. "This committee is charged by the President of the College with the construction of a comprehensive long-range Master Plan for Christopher Newport College. The Plan will address future development and expansion of academic programs, physical plant and property and the significant involvement of the College in the business and social issues of interest to the people of Hampton Roads. CNC accepts the challenges and responsibilities of being a Commonwealth of Virginia institution of higher learning with a mission to provide high quality education in a socially responsive environment." The Committee will be looking forward up to the year 2000.



Physics student Tray Rater explains "Sailvision" to Governor Baliles.

# Spring Topics for Dean's Colloquium

The Dean William Parks Memorial Colloquium Series has two lectures scheduled for the spring. Dr. Roberta Rosenberg, Assistant Professor of English at CNC, will present "Motherhood without Men: The Changing Nature of the Family in the Contemporary Novel" on January 27th. On March 8th, Dr. Edward Weiss, Associate Professor of Biology at CNC, will speak on "Biology Education in Modern China".

The Dean's Colloquium Series began in 1977 as a showcase for research efforts of CNC faculty and distinguished guests. It was renamed the Dean William Parks Memorial Colloquium Series in 1978 to honor the memory of Dr. Parks, an Associate Professor of History and Assistant Dean at CNC. The Series sponsors four to six lectures a year and is under the guidance of the Dean's Colloquium Committee comprised of faculty appointed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Past guests have included actress Elizabeth Taylor and former governor Mills E. Godwin, Jr. The lectures are open to the College community and the general public. For information on times and locations, please contact Dr. George Webb at 594-7082.

#### Campus Architect Honored at First Founders Day

Christopher Newport College celebrated its first Founders Day on September 16 by dedicating a plaque erected as a memorial to Forrest C. Coile, Jr., primary architect for the campus. Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Coile, Sr. were the guests of honor at a luncheon commemorating the event.

Mr. Forrest Coile, Sr. donated the "Three Ships" sculpture located on the campus lawn between the Administration Building and McMurran Hall. The plaque identifies "The Ships" sculpture as Forrest Coile, Sr.'s gift to CNC in memory of his son who died in 1976.

The Coile firm designed most of the campus buildings at CNC. Forrest Coile, Jr. developed the distinct architectural style of the campus buildings, called by some "Williamsburg oriental".

"The Ships" sculpture represents the three ships commanded by Captain Christopher Newport during the historic voyage that culminated in the landing at Jamestown in 1607.



Mr. & Mrs. Forrest Coile, Sr., Mr. H. Westcott Cunningham (first president of CNC) and Dr. Santoro pose by the plaque during Founders Day.

# Faculty Spotlight

### Dr. Edward Weiss Tours Peoples Republic of China



Dr. Edward Weiss and his wife, Marcia Stefani, in the Forbidden City.

Many of us vacation during the summer, but few have the opportunity to visit such exotic places as the Peoples Republic of China. But one of CNC's own faculty, Dr. Edward Weiss, was able to travel to this far eastern country through the Citizen Ambassador Program. This program was founded by People to People International which was set up under President Eisenhower's administration to promote his belief in world peace. Their goal is to bring together scientific, professional and technical people from around the world to generate personal communication and mutual respect.

Dr. Weiss, who is an Associate Professor of Biology at CNC, and his wife, Marcia Stefani, were part of one of the two delegations that left for China the end of June. The delegations were set up by the National Association of Biology Teachers and consisted of high school, college and retired instructors. Each delegation had approximately 38 members. Dr. Weiss was able to fund his part of the trip through the Faculty Development Grant Program administered by the College for faculty enrichment.

Dr. Weiss and his wife visited Beijing, Wuhan, Shanghai, Kunming and Hong Kong during their three-week stay. They inspected facilities, participated in meetings and seminars and toured each of these areas. Dr. Weiss gave a presentation in Wuhan on the class that he and Dr. Harold Cones, Chairman of CNC's Biology Department, teach on campus - The Field Trip Experience. Students enrolling in this course actually go to Maine or Florida for 10 days and camp, visit parks, explore trails and listen to naturalists' presentations. Dr. Weiss had slides of recent field trips and indicated that the Chinese were very receptive to his presentation.

Reflecting on his trip, Dr. Weiss says he enjoyed interaction with the other delegates, but emphasizes the Chinese' warm personalities and goodwill. He says they realize their facilities are somewhat primitive and they strive to host programs such as this to better themselves and extend their hospitality.

It is easy to conclude that President Eisenhower's dream of world peace is being fulfilled most honorably.

#### Alumni President's Corner

Welcome back to the reestablished CNC newsletter. I have been active with the alumni since graduating in 1975 and was elected President of the Alumni Society in 1987. Alumni representation at Board of Visitors and Educational Foundation meetings, in addition to numerous committee meetings, brings me back on campus at least once a week. It is a duty I find tremendously challenging and satisfying.

Many things have changed on campus since the mid-seventies. In "bricks and mortar" there is an Administration Building, Science Building, new wing on the Library. new Campus Center, tennis courts and beautiful foliage and landscaping. The beautification projects are largely through the efforts of Dr. David Bankes, Dr. Paul Killam and countless biology students. These changes have given the campus its own personality. But CNC has matured in many other ways. We can be proud of our Athletic Department's Banners of Championship, the excellent productions our Music and Arts department compose, our prestigious faculty and quality curriculum. But most importantly we can be proud of our graduates who represent our commitment to higher education.

These are exciting times at Christopher Newport College and I am honored to represent you. We are committed to you, our alumni and friends, and ask your support in the many challenging times ahead.

David Pisle '75

# Homecoming '89 Schedule of Events

#### Friday Night, February 17

7:00-8:30 p.m. . . . . . . . . . . . . Alumni Cocktail Party

The Terrace

9:00 p.m. . . . . . . . . Melvin George

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#### Saturday Night, February 18

5:30 p.m. . . . Women's Basketball Game vs. Virginia Wesleyan Ratcliffe Gym Special Section for Alumni 7:30 p.m. . . . . Men's Basketball Game vs. Virginia Wesleyan

Ratcliffe Gym

Special Section for Alumni

#### Alumni WITH Society Membership Card Admitted FREE

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## Alumni Spotlight

#### David Pisle — President of the Alumni Society

David Pisle is committed to CNC. A native Yankee (born in Buffalo, New York), Dave made several visits with the Navy to the Peninsula during the 1960's, and then returned to Tidewater in 1971 to make it his home. He entered Christopher Newport in 1973 and graduated with a BA in Sociology in 1975. Dave credits CNC as being one of the best things to ever happen to him, and as current President of the Alumni Society, it shows in his dedication and love for the College.

After graduation, Dave taught auto body mechanics for five years at P.D. Pruden Vo-Tech Center in Suffolk. Dave went into business for himself in 1980, and in 1982 founded Performance Industries, a truck and auto body repair shop located in Suffolk. Dave is owner/ operator/manager of this successful venture.

This summer, Dave took a break from his business and through the Navy Reserves participated in the NATO Teamwork 88 Exercise operating out of Norway. He just completed 28 years of service with the Navy, 12 of them as active in nuclear submarine service. Dave is a Warrant Officer and spent two weeks aboard the USS L.Y. Spear AS 36 (submarine tender). Spear has a crew compliment of 1,200 of which 450 are women. But for Dave, there was one very special crew member aboard -Quartermaster Seaman Robert Pisle, Dave's 20-year-old son who has been in the reserves for two-and-a-half years. Dave says, "It was a very exciting and unique opportunity for both of us to be able to serve together on the same ship. With such an uncommon last name, it didn't take the crew long to realize we were father and son." They worked together in the Navigation/Operations Department and visited Halifax, Nova Scotia; Canada; Bergen, Norway; and Portsmouth, England.

Dave enjoyed his "vacation", but returned home ready to get back to work - at the office and CNC.



CNC Alumni President David Pisle and his son, Robert, fitted out for Naval Reserve duty.

### Intramural Sign-ups



All Christopher Newport College graduates and their spouses are encouraged to participate in all intramural activities. To be eligible the following requirements must be met:

1. Must have a CNC Alumni Society Membership Card

> This may be obtained by visiting the Office of Alumni Relations and making a gift of at least \$5.00.

2. Must pay an intramural alumni fee of \$10.00

> This will be paid once an academic year to qualify for every sport offered by the Intramural Recreation Sports Department.

Sign-ups for basketball and volleyball are being taken now. Call 594-7054 and register today - games begin in February.



#### Seven Named Charter Members of CNC Athletic Hall of Fame

Seven of the greatest names in Christopher Newport College athletic history will adorn plaques as the initial inductees to the CNC Athletic Hall of Fame.

The seven were chosen by the Hall of Fame Selection Committee from among the hundreds of athletes and coaches who have been a part of Captain athletics throughout the years. Only those athletes whose eligibility was completed by the spring of 1983 were considered this year. Athletes must wait five years to become eligible, while coaches and administrators can be named at any time.

Heading the list is former Athletic Director Bev Vaughan who was voted in by acclamation even before the regular voting began.

Also selected in the regular balloting were former basketball players Bobby Arnette, Carl Farris and Andy Waclawski, women's basketball star Linda Richardson. national track champion Edna Davis and soccer player Andre Bell.

The inductees will be honored at a ceremony at a CNC home basketball game early in 1989. A permanent display will be constructed in the main lobby of Ratcliffe Gym to house the Hall of Fame

If you would like more information or have input concerning the Hall of Fame, call CNC Sports Information Director Wayne Block at 594-7384. He is interested in talking with any former athletes in an attempt to re-discover CNC's athletic history and promote events that include alumni.

# Meet Your Alumni Society Board of Directors

Elizabeth Lafoon Bryant, '83, BSBA – Marketing, is serving a two-year term and is Vice President for Membership and College Development. Liz is working part-time in the Alumni Office and is married to Steve Bryant, '78. They live in Tabb and have one son, Travis.

Stan D. Clark, '77 BSGA – Law Enforcement, is on the Board for a three-year term and is Vice President for College Assistance and Student Relations. Stan received his JD from George Mason University in 1982 and is a lawyer with Bangel, Bangel & Bangel in Portsmouth. He is married to Panice H. Clark, '77 and they reside in Carrollton with their two children, Ashby and Patrick.

Oscar L. Crawford, Jr., '76, BSIS, is also on the Board for three years. Oscar is a Senior Analyst with Wyle Laboratories. He and his wife Buena E. Crawford, '77 live in Hampton and have three children, Michael, Anthony, '88, and Monica.

James F. Draper, '68, AA, is the senior member on the Board and serving for three years. Jimmy is the Board's Historian and is retired from the U.S. Army and Noland Company. He and his wife, Luella, live in Newport News and have two children, Donald and Roy.

Robert Finkenauer, '86, BSIS, was elected for a one-year term. Robert is a Criminal Justice Systems Analyst with The Department of Criminal Justice Services in Richmond. He resides in Quinton.

Hector Gonzalez, '86, BSBA – Management, is on the Board for two years and is Vice President for Communications and College Relations. Hector received his MBA from Hampton University in 1988 and is a Field Manager with Southland Corporation. He and his wife, Dolores, reside in Hampton.

James M. Johnson, '73, BSBA, is serving a one-year term and is the owner of Norrell Temporary Services in Newport News. Jim and his wife, Pat, live in Newport News and have three children, Jeff, Gary and Kurt.

Tammy E. Knoblauch, '85, BA – Sociology, is Vice President for Planning and Special Events and serving a two-year term. She is a Senior Recreation Coordinator with the City of Newport News and also lives in Newport News.

David W. Lile, '85, BS – Accounting, and Paige McKinley Lile, '84, BSGA – Public Management, are our husband-wife team and serving two-year terms. David is Branch Manager with Central Fidelity in Newport News and Paige is Membership Director at Riverside Wellness and Fitness Center. They live in Newport News.

Teddy R. Marks, '86, BA – Music and History, is on the Board for a one-year term. He is a Training Administrator at Newport News Shipbuilding and is married to Cynthia F. Marks, '82. They reside in Newport News.

John H. McCroskey, '88, BSBA – Management, is our newest graduate on the Board serving a one-year term. John is Treasurer of the Society and is a Nuclear Test Engineer at Newport News Shipbuilding. He lives in Hampton.

Christine W. Parker, '86, BSBA – Management and Marketing, was elected for a two-year term and is Director for Sales at Holiday Inn Newport News. Chris has two children, Kirsten and David, and lives in Hampton.

David Pisle, '75, BA – Sociology, is our President and fulfilling a three-year term. He is owner of Performance Industries in Suffolk. Dave and his wife, Barbara, live in Carrollton and have four children, Mike, Kenny, Robert and Robyn. Katherine N. Smith, '84, BA – Psychology, is the Board's Secretary and serving a one-year term. Kay describes herself as a "Domestic Goddess". She is married to Gary N. Smith and they live in Newport News. She has one daughter, Kathy Nice, '81.

Mark B. Suiter, '77, BSBA – Accounting, was elected for a one-year term. Mark is a CPA and Manager with Rauch, Witt and Company in Newport News. He and his wife, Sharon, also live in Newport News.

William B. Thompson, '81, BSBA – Accounting, is also serving a one-year term. In addition, Bill has a BA from the University of Omaha, '66, and a MBA from Old Dominion, '84. Bill is a CPA and Instructor of Accounting at Old Dominion University. He and his wife, Peggy, live in Newport News and have three children, Bill, Jr., Cathy and Tom.

Steven A. Tross, '85, BSIS, is on the Board for two years. Steve is a Nuclear Health Physics Tech Trainee with Virginia Power – Surry Power Station. He lives in Newport News.

James O. West, '75, BSBA, is President-Elect of the Society and serving a three-year term. Jim is a Manager at Newport News Shipbuilding. He and his wife, Margaret, live in Newport News and have three children, Buddy, Beth and Donna.

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### **CAB** in Full Swing

The Campus Activities Board (CAB), formerly the Campus Program Board (CPB), was reorganized in July, 1987 with a mission to "provide social, intellectual and cultural activities for the entire college community". This challenge has been met with great enthusiasm.

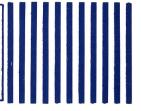
Headed by a Director and Assistant Director (paid student positions which are applied for), CAB meets every Monday at 4:00 p.m. and is open to all students. They have sponsored and co-sponsored new student dances, Homecoming, "1964 The Beatles" and varoius other entertainment. They currently offer a *free* Children's Series which is open to the public, and are gearing up for Homecoming'89.

For More Information On CAB Events Call 594-7159

#### **CAB Schedule of Events**

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Feb. 4	10:00 a.m.	Children's Series Movie – Sleeping Beauty	Campus Center
Feb. 17-18		Homecoming	
Mar. 4	10:00 a.m.	Children's Series Magician – Harold Wood	Campus Center
Mar. 29	9:30 p.m.	Musician Chris Brady	The Terrace
Apr. 1	10:00 a.m.	Children's Series Movie – E.T.	Campus Center
Apr. 21		Spring Fest	Campus

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