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Them dogs done yet? Director of Counseling Services Dr. Darwin Nelson and Assistant Professor of Biology Dr. David McKee tend their grills during last Spring's Splash Day. Thursday's Fall Fest will also have faculty chefs grilling hot dogs.

# Fall Fest get together set for Thurs. noon

This Thursday (Sept. 17) students can grab a free hot dog by the fountain as CCSU presents its annual Fall Fest from 11:30 a.m. to 2

Promising to be the best Fall Fest ever, the lunch-time get-together provides a chance for students, faculty and staff to get acquainted with each other and with various organizations around campus. Offerings include food, prizes, games, music and other activities similar to those students enjoyed at the Spring semester's Splash Day event, according to Sara Winston, director of student life. Winston reports that entertainment will be provided by Student Body President Chris Munson of KOUL radio, among others.

The main purpose of Fall Fest," said Winston, "is to make students aware of campus organizations and to allow organizations to contact new members." Students will be able to feast on hot dogs, drinks (provided by Pepsi), and desserts as they peruse the various student displays set up by the organizations.

Student organizations will have the opportunity to recruit new members and show off their organization to the University at large. Some organizations plan to use Fall Fest to raise money for their activities and projects with ice cream sales, art sales or raffles.

Additionally, Fall Fest attendants have the opportunity to win one of a wide selection of door prizes, including a \$100 University Bookstore gift certificate, three pairs of tickets from the Harbor Playhouse, a mini-vacation provided by the Best Western Sandy Shores, a gift certificate from the Book Stop, a student membership to the Art Museum of South Texas and more.

Fest-goers will also be treated to an assortment of games, including a suitcase relay, a marshmallow chop

## UCSS covers wide agenda, sets funding meet 9:30-11:45 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. in the

Field House. According to Hooten,

between 30 and 40 recruiters gener-

ally attend the fair. Recruiters this

year are coming from national, state

and local companies, government

agencies, graduate schools, health

will have a funnel cake booth at

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Karen Hooten, director of the Career Planning and Placement Center announced that the Fifth Annual Career Fair will be held Oct. 7,

was a \$1 donation at ticket booths. Recreational Sports asked for student organizations and student volunteers to help them with the annual Halloween Carnival. They need help with games, booths and the Haunted House.

Sara Winston, director of student life, requested that student organizations participating in Fall Fest (see article this issue) sign up for a table as soon as possible with the Student Life Office, GMSC 130. Student volunteers are also needed to help set up the fountain area.

September 22 is the UCSS Scrapbook Workshop in GMSC 2 at 2 p.m. The workshop is designed to give club historians an idea of how to prepare their scrapbook for the UCSS contest to be held at the end of the year. The winning books will be chosen by a panel of judges, according to Winston.

In covering some UCSS housekeeping items, Winston informed the student organizations that the CCSU bulk mail permit cannot be used by student clubs, unless the club's faculty sponsor is willing to allocate his/her budget on club mailings.

Finally, the CCSU food service policy is, in a nutshell: if it ain't wrapped, don't sell it. Members of clubs and organizations may give away cookies and food items, stated Winston, but anyone selling food items not prepared and pre-wrapped by a certified kitchen runs the risk See "UCSS," page 4.

# Fuentes to lecture at Del Mar Sept. 30

As the community readies for the Festival of the Americas, the month-long culmination of Corpus Christi's Quincentenary celebration, CCSU announces a schedule of supporting activities ranging from a two-day symposium to a campus viewing of The Buried Mirror.

Followers of the Quincentennial movement will most likely be familiar with the multi-part documentary entitled, The Buried Mirror which aired earlier this year on The Discovery Channel and is based on a book of the same title by Carlos Fuentes. In honor of Fuentes' visit to Corpus Christi on September 30, CCSU's Media Services Department and the University Library will co-sponsor a showing of the segment of the documentary titled, "Unfinished Business." It will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Corpus Christi Hall 117 and is open to the public at

The 55-minute segment, the finale of the documentary, is described in promotional literature as follows: "The continuing search for independence and identity by Latin Americans is examined along with some of the problems and challenges facing them in the Twentieth Century."

Fuentes, a renowned Mexican

novelist, is also noted for an earlier work The Old Gringo. CCSU is cosponsoring his lecture on Wednesday, September 30, at 7 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium on the Del Mar College campus, along with the Quincentenary Commission, DMC and KEDT-TV. General admission tickets are \$5 and will be available at the University Bookstore. Patron tickets are \$50.

# Major gifts upgrade Media, Computer Services

by Timothy Schmelter

CCSU's media resources have seen a few changes over the last two months including the addition of two cameras, a new satellite dish and the renovation/upgrading of Corpus Christi Hall 117 into a multimedia classroom.

This month, KIII Channel 3 do-

nated two studio cameras and a film chain machine to CCSU's Media Center, equipment worth between \$200,000 and \$450,000 if purchased new, according to CCSU Video Producer Bill Tapscott. The film chain machine allows CCSU personnel to work with 16mm film in addition to the video formats currently in use. These 16mm films can be broadcast to any campus classroom which has the necessary wiring. The chain machine also provides for video archiving of rare or old films, and comes equipped with two slide projectors which allows still shots to be broadcast or recorded.

The two donated studio cameras come with controllers, teleprompters and cables. In use right up to the time that CCSU employees picked them up from the KIII studio, they are three-tube color cameras, both See "Media Upgrade," page 4.

Media Center Upgrade

CCSU Video Producer Bill Tapscott shows off the Media Center's new film chain machine, part of a donation from KIII TV.

When industry officials suggested CCSU might upgrade the computer science program to include more student exposure to DEC computing systems, they didn't do so and just walk away-they made it happen.

Representatives from a variety of industries, some locally based

and others with local community involvement, have enabled CCSU students to gain computing skills that industry deems invaluable by underwriting the purchase of a new RISC (Reduced Instruction Set Computer) DEC 5000/240 environment. Value of the new computing system is \$40,000.

Supporting this latest joint venture between industry and education to outfit the campus with the DEC computing system are: Hoechst Celanese, Koch Refining, Exxon Company USA, J.C. Penney, Amoco Production Co. and CCSU's Blucher Insti-

Amoco's human resources advisor in Houston, Barbara Murdock, said, "The computer science students we recruit from CCSU are better prepared than any others to hit the ground running." Murdock See "Upgrade," page 4.







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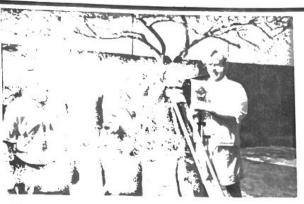
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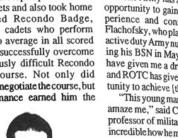
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# PACIFIC ISLANDERS

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The campus will begin taking on a festive decor over the next month as CCSU prepares for the Island Fest Homecoming Weekend and Open House set for October 9 and 10. All students, faculty and staff are invited to join the weekend fun ranging from a tropical island luau complete with an authentic Hawaiian-

style floor show to a free street dance featuring Aloha Dave and the Tourists.

Island Fest will combine both an alumni homecoming event with a campus open house and celebration of CCSU's progress as the University prepares for 1994 and its first freshman students since the early 1970s. An all-out effort to transform the campus into a festive walk down memory lane for the 30,000 alumni and former students has been in the planning stages for months, said Ken DeDominicis, Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the CCSU Alumni Association.

"We have been talking about this event with alumni and former students from all across the country," DeDominicis said. "Our new Alumni Association Chapters in Houston and San Antonio are actively organizing and plan to join us for this festive weekend. We want all our former students from Corpus Christi and the Bay Area as well as from other points in Texas to plan to attend."

Alumni registration and checkin begins Friday, October 9 at 3 p.m. with a hospitality garden area set up in the garden walk between the University Library, Glasscock Memorial Student Center and Center for Sciences.

The highlight of Friday evening's events will be the luau, complete with roast pig and various island dishes. Entertainment will be provided by the Pacific Islanders, an authentic Hawaiian-style floor show. The luau will be CCSU's fourth annual Freshman Scholarship Fund Benefit and is open to the public including current students as well as faculty and staff. It begins at 8 p.m. in the Field House (tickets \$35).

A special silent auction will be held from 6-7:30 Friday evening to raise additional funds for the Freshmen Endowed Scholarship Fund. Organized by Jo Ingraham and Joan Paulson, co-chairs of the Silent Auction Committee, the auction will feature an array of auction items such as use of a condominium in Port O'Connor, or a gift certificate

from Robert's Jewelers.

On Saturday, October 10, events get off to a fast pace with a Fun Run-Walk starting at 8 a.m. (7 a.m. signup), followed by a morning of continuing education classes. The annual alumni luncheon will be held at 12 noon in the Field House (tickets \$10) with a campus Open House running from 1 to 9 p.m. (The Office of Public Information is currently seeking student volunteers to act as tour guides for the open house. Those interested can contact Mary Mabry at 994-2336.) Special exhibits and activities will blanket the campus during the Open House.

Saturday evening there will be an alumni buffet (tickets \$15) in the Glasscock Memorial Student Center (6-8 p.m.) while campus visitors will be able to dine on offerings from a number of food booths. Several CCSU student organizations will be manning the booths from 5 to 11 p.m. (Student organizations interested in operating a food booth should contact Mabry at 994-2336 by September 17.)

Two free dances are scheduled for Saturday evening: Eddie Galvan and the CCSU Jazz Band will perform in the Field House from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for an old-fashioned big-band gym dance, followed by a street dance under the stars featuring Aloha Dave and the Tourists from 9 to 11:30 p.m.

Students, faculty and staff are invited to participate in all Island Fest/Homecoming events at the same low price offered to the alumni. A total weekend package ticket is \$50; it includes admission to the Luau, alumni lunch and alumni buffet as well as an Island Fest T-shirt. Weekend tickets or tickets to individual events are available through the Institutional Advancement Office, Adminstration Building, Room 210.

Mixin', minglin', munchin' and plain ol' havin' fun will be the order of the day during Island Fest for current students as well as all of the former students of the University of Corpus Christi, Texas A&I at Corpus Christi and Corpus Christi State University. Plan to participate in a weekend of fun on Ward Island. For tickets or more information about CCSU Island Fest events, call the CCSU Institutional Advancement Office at 994-2420.



Chris Stahl, graduate student intern in aquaculture, works to find the optimum ionic growing environment for red drum as part of a cooperative research project between CCSU, Texas A&M University and a commercial fish hatchery in Baycliff. The project, "Optimization of Nutritional and Environmental Factors for Intensive Aquaculture of Red Drum" is being conducted in phases with use of 24 aquaria set up in the Center for the Sciences.

### Robertson named NAGT scholar

by Jennifer Prouty,

Associate Professor of Geology and Assistant Director, Center for Water Supply Studies

CCSU senior Kathleen Robertson was recently awarded a \$300 scholarship from the National Association of Geology Teachers (NAGT) to help fund her participation in a summer field course. This is only the second time that a CCSU

student has won such an award.

The NAGT annually funds these field course scholarships to undergraduates and graduate students majoring in geology or earth science. This year, NAGT offered 49 scholarships of \$300 each from a field of approximately 250 applicants. The number of applicants in competition for these scholarships has increased dramatically in recent years; last year, NAGT awarded 37 scholarships from a field of only 182 applicants.

NAGT awards these scholarships based on grade point average and the type of courses the student has taken. NAGT places great priority on courses in math and science,

particularly geology. This year, due to the increased competition, NAGT requested applications only from students with overall grade point averages of 3.0 or higher, and all awardees had grade point averages of 3.6 or higher.

Geology has traditionally been a male-dominated field, but in recent years, the number of females majoring in geology has steadily increased in universities across the nation. Among the 49 NAGT awardees this year, 29 were female, 20 were male.

Funds for the NAGT program derive from a small number of contributors. This year, contributors included donations from NAGT members, Mobil Oil, Chevron Exploration and Production, Union Oil of California, Texaco, and Shell.

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### U. Cinema offers fall comedies

Each semester CCSU's University Cinema presents a series of free films for the enjoyment of the campus community. This fall's series features classic comedy films. The free showings are open to the public; screening time is 7:30 p.m. in Warren Theatre, except for November 4, which will be in Center for the Sciences Room 101.

Sept. 30: A Night at the Opera

The Marx Brothers considered this their best film and the "state-room sequence" is possibly the funniest five minutes in screen history. The boys have a great time poking fun at grand opera and at wealthy dowager Margaret Dumont in particular. Directed by Sam Wood, the film also stars Kitty Carlisle and Allan Jones. (1935, 93 min.)

Oct. 7: It Happened One Night

Winner of five major Academy Awards (including Best Actor, Best Actress and Best Picture), It Happened One Night is a wonderfully warm, funny and moving comedy about a fugitive heiress and the rebellious reporter who tames her. Clark Gable and talented Claudette

Colbert make a handsome pair in this 1934 major film directed by Frank Capra. (105 min.)

Oct. 14: Bringing Up Baby

Starring Katharine Hepburn and Cary Grant, Bringing Up Baby is a classic screwball comedy of the Thirties with the prerequisite heiress (Hepburn) who in this instance has a dog named George and a pet leopard, Baby. Grant is a paleontologist who has just acquired the bone he needs to complete his dinosaur skeleton.

According to critic Otis Ferguson, "Hepburn builds (her) part from the ground, breathless, sensitive, triumphant in illogic and serene with brassy nerve possible only to the very, very well bred." (1938, 100 min.)

Oct. 21: The Lady Eve

The Lady Eve is generally acknowledged to be director Preston Sturges' best film and it is his definitive statement on the war between the sexes. Winning the academy award for Best Screenplay, this 1941 film stars Henry Fonda and Barbara Stanwyck. (97 min.)

National Library of Poetry Deadline: Sept. 30, 1992

The National Library of Poetry will award \$12,000 in prizes this year to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. The contest is open to everyone, including previously published poets, and entry is free. To enter, send one original poem, any subject and any style, to the National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-ZK, Owing Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's name and address should appear at the top of the page.

Veteran's Aid

If you are a veteran, or the child or orphan of an honorably discharged veteran, you may qualify

Scholarship Corner

for tuition and fee exemption under Texas Law. For further information, contact the Office of Student Financial Assistance at 994-2338. NAGT Scholarship Program

Geology majors interested in the National Association of Geology Teachers' scholarship program should contact Eileen Porter at Wright State University, Department of Geological Sciences at (513) 873-3457, or Dr. Benjamin Richard (same office) at (513) 873-3447. Army Nurse Candidate Program

Nursing students between the ages of 21 and 35 who have at least six months remaining before graduation and a GPA of at least 3.0 may qualify for the Army's Nurse Candidate Program. The program awards nursing students \$2,500 upon

acceptance, an additional \$2,500 at the start of the senior year or graduation and a \$500 per month stipend. For information about this and other Army nurse corps programs, call SFC Mark McMurray collect at (512) 558-3448 or (512) 692-7376.

CCSU Bilingual Elementary Education Grants

Qualifications: English/Spanish bilingual; enrolled as a full time student in specific coursework; have and maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA; successfully complete the Texas Academic Skills Program. Graduate grants are available for Texas certified teachers wishing to pursue an endorsement in Bilingual/ESL Education. For more information, contact Dr. David Berlanga, 994-2699 immediately.

### Faculty, staff gather in Warren Theatre:

# Furgason addresses changes in Fall meet

If a theme could be affixed to this year's faculty and staff meeting conducted two weeks ago in Warren Theatre, it might well be "changes." From proposed changes in the look of the campus to changes in the western-look wardrobe of Dr. Robert Furgason, the audience heard words of welcome, accomplishment and planning from the president.

Accomplishments cited by Furgason include the ambitious building program underway. Talking as he flipped through slides of architects' renderings of the new facilities, Furgason explained how each one will fit into the campus master plan completed last year to take the campus into the twentyfirst century.

The first two projects, Furgason said, will be the three-story Classroom/Laboratory complex and the Physical Plant facility. The Classroom/Lab building is to be constructed with a large, landscaped courtyard in the area between the Center for the Sciences and the Faculty Center. It will feature two large lecture halls, 10 sixty seat auditoriums, four computer labs, six science labs and three social science labs, as well as numerous general purpose classrooms and offices.



The Physical Plant facility will be designed to centralize the utility functions on campus and will feature a thermal storage tank to cool water and reduce utility costs.

Other projects reviewed by the President included the state government building to be constructed on campus and house all the state agencies and university departments currently headquartered in the Center for Environmental Studies and Services. While the actual look of the facility has not yet been designed, the \$10 million bond authorization to finance construction of the facility has moved rapidly.

Other "changes" shown by Furgason include a prototype of student housing facilities to be erected on campus, and a drawing of a palm-lined version of University West. The new landscape look will be part of a project underwritten for the University by the Texas Forest Service and the Small Business Administration. A University Center complex, complete with an executive training center, food service vendors, a mini-mall and dorm

rooms, was also presented.

Furgason's remarks dealt not only with new facilities, but also with renovation to existing facilities. Plans call for improvements to be made to the Center for the Arts and Corpus Christi Hall to "make better utilization of the space we have as well as outfit the facilities with state-of-the-art equipment." He announced that 1500 new parking spaces would be made available on campus in the near future and that new streets and sidewalks would also be constructed to enhance the overall appearance and function of the campus.

Accomplishments cited in the academic areas included mention of the new doctoral program in educational leadership which enrolled its first students this summer; securing the masters in public administration, the M.S. in mathematics. and the M.S. and B.S. in environmental sciences. Programs working their way toward inclusion in the University's inventory include a B.S. in health sciences which is at the Coordinating Board, M.A.'s in English and history currently before the Board of Regents, and the 'exciting" development of the core curriculum for freshmen in 1994.

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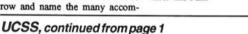
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plishments of the faculty and staff," Furgason said, adding that one of the accomplishments with possibly the greatest long term impact on our progress is the increase in semester credit hour (SCH) production. He compared the 1988-89 year, which produced 79,783 SCHs with 1991-92 which produced 83,050. "It is important to know we are making strides, especially in a base year, Furgason said.

New programs announced included an Employee Betterment Program to assist with tuition and fees for faculty and staff who would like to take classes, and the creation of the Faculty Opportunity Program that will assist faculty members with implementation of good ideas that advance the institution. He said that other changes would include a new phone system campus-wide, completion of the library automation project, more computers for faculty and staff offices as well as the addition of approximately 75 faculty and staff members to the campus.

A host of new faculty members were introduced by the four College Deans, and will be featured in the first issue of a new campus faculty and staff newsletter to premier this Fall.



those services. If the outside bid is

lower than the Food Service, the student organization may use the outside catering service. This proviso, according to Winston, is only applicable to student organizations.

"For the past four or five years, we've had a lot of requests to pick up satellite broadcasts." he explained. "Since we didn't have that

capability, the different departments

would have to lease a dish at a cost

of anywhere from several hundred to several thousand dollars.' Currently only Corpus Christi Hall has the ability to access all of the Media Center's broadcasts, but Tapscott said a plan is in the works

to wire all campus buildings. Lastly, Corpus Christi Hall 117 is undergoing the final stages of a renovation which makes the amphitheater-style classroom a multimedia facility. Previously equipped with a projection room, slide projectors and film projector, CCH 117 now also boasts a laserdisc/ compactdisc player, dual cassette deck, VHS style video recorder and--the highlight of the room-a data projector.

The data projector is essentially a device which will clearly and sharply project any type of video input--RGB computer screens, video recorder images or laserdisc input. To top it all off, the room is being equipped with theater surround-sound for a true multi-media experience.

There is more to come, but the majority of the work is finished,'



A Personal Touch: Admissions Specialist Gwen Berry helps former Corpus Christi Mayor Betty Turner register for a business class. Turner, who last attended CCSU in 1978, said "Customer relations are alive and well at CCSU. It didn't always used to be this way; I've noticed a real difference.

That difference was in large part due to Berry, who remained at the Field House during regular registration to help students with their individual problems. "We had a fantastic registration," she said proudly. The combination of a human troubleshooter and a computer workstation, "saved about 187 students from having to leave the Field House and walk back to the Administration Building." Berry, who has manned the Field House station during the last three registrations, said that the average student was finished with the registration process in 15 minutes.

Late registration with Dean's approval continues through September 16. The last day to drop a class with an automatic grade of "W" is Oct.

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reported recently during the presentation of the company's prestigious STAR (Special Thanks and Recognition) award to Dr. Roy Ellzey, professor of computer science, that CCSU has the highest recruiting-to-offer percentage of any campus across the nation where AMOCO recruits, with 83 percent of those students interviewed being offered positions with her firm.

"Having this new equipment," said Ellzey, "will enable us to create an environment much more similar to the computing environment found in refineries and chemical companies in the region, and on a nationwide basis, provide an environment typical to the heart of the DEC computing market." Ellzey added the new system would for the first time allow CCSU to take full advantage of the education consortium offered through DEC and The Texas A&M University System. University officials treated industry sponsors to an unveiling of the new computing system and an appreciation reception recently. As part of the presentation, graduate student Andy Farrior demonstrated the program in the microcomputer laboratory on campus. Accompanying Farrior was CCSU computer science graduate Rocky Freund, who formerly interned at Hoechst Celanese and is now a systems analyst at the Conrad Blucher Institute for Surveying and Science.

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in excellent condition, said Tapscott.

Two students, Rick Davidson and Lisa Marroquin, facilitated the acquisition when they learned of plans by Channel 3 to purchase new equipment for their studios and retire the old equipment. "It was a word-of-mouth thing," said Davidson. "The grapevine at the station (Davidson is employed at KZTV) is pretty big, and I just heard about it one day and told some people at CCSU, because I knew that we needed the equipment

The Media Center will be ironing out a few details prior to putting the cameras in use, reported

Tapscott.
"It's just a matter of the paperwork going through," he said. When operational, the cameras will be used for CCSU's student-produced University Magazine show as well as by students taking studio production classes

With the Media Center's newly purchased satellite dish, CCSU will have access to both Ku and C band transmissions, for a total of about thirty satellites. Since each satellite has the capability to transmit 24 to 32 channels, CCSU departments will have considerably more resources for academic programming, informed Tapscott.

said Tapscott. He anticipates all academic disciplines will benefit from use of the room. "We already have classes scheduled in music, art history, history, ethnic studies, communications and TV, and we'll probably have more sign up." The data projector, which can project up to 1,000 lines of resolution (the equivalent of a VGA computer screen) should be especially popular with the computer classes.

Lest the audio/video aficionado become too starry-eyed, Tapscott did have one last word of caution: "The satellite dish won't automatically de-scramble.'

Nix the popcorn; no HBO.



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