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Focus Events

Thursday, May 6, 2010

- Cap & Gown Reception
10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Alumni Lounge
Student Center

Friday, May 7, 2010

- Marsh Memorial Carillon Concert
In Remembrance of
Dr. Joseph F. Marsh Jr.
3 p.m.
Gather in Fine Arts Lobby

Friday, May 7, 2010

- Class of 1960 Reception, 4 p.m.
Alumni Reception, 5 p.m.
Alumni Dinner, 6 p.m.
All events – Student Center

Saturday, May 8, 2010

- Spring Commencement
Ceremonies, 10 a.m., 2 p.m.
Main Gym
Carter Center

Saturday, May 22, 2010

- CU Athletics
Hall of Fame Dinner
2 p.m.
Ballroom
Student Center

Monday, May 31, 2010

- Memorial Day Holiday

Friday, June 11, 2010

- Homer K. Ball Memorial
Scholarship Golf Tournament
8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start
Pipestem Resort State Park



From the Desk of . . .

Just days are left in the spring 2010 semester and anticipation of commencement is energizing graduating students, the faculty, and staff. This has been an eventful year with students earning substantial professional recognition, accomplished faculty who have exceeded teaching, scholarship, and service goals, while the campus has faced unusual challenges, particularly from the weather. Spring looks better and better and it is great to reflect upon the year, appreciate the many highlights and advancements, and look forward to the ceremony that celebrates it all.

On May 8, there is going to be a very special commencement, with two ceremonies scheduled at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The early ceremony will honor graduates from the disciplines of business, education and human performance, fine arts, and our graduate programs. The 2 p.m. ceremony will recognize graduates in languages and literature, natural sciences, social sciences, and interdisciplinary studies.

The Class of 1960, celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of their graduation, will be leading students into the gymnasium in the morning ceremony wearing sashes and regalia and carrying a graduation banner. We hope that the involvement of the 50-year anniversary graduates becomes an annual tradition at Concord. Both ceremonies will include remembrances of two former Concord presidents who served Concord well: Dr. Joseph F. Marsh Jr. (1959-1973) and Dr. Meredith Freeman (1976-1985).

We would like to welcome all students, their families, and supporters to join us in a short reception on the lawn in front of the Carter Center following the ceremonies. Additionally, some divisions will be having small receptions prior to or after the graduation ceremonies at various locations across campus, so please call or visit your division office for precise details.

Congratulations to all the graduates!
Welcome back alumni!

Kendra S. Boggess, Ph.D.
Associate Dean
Professor of Business

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Concord celebrates Earth Day 2010

From planting flowers and trees to dining trayless, spreading mulch and building birdhouses, the Concord University community celebrated Earth Day 2010 by working to make "The Campus Beautiful" more pleasant and "greener." Thanks everyone for your help!

The Concord University Earth Day Committee would like to thank the ENTIRE Concord community for creating a successful Earth Day! We truly are a Campus Beautiful! This Earth Day symbolized the generosity, humility, and thankfulness of our Concord family.

Many Thanks,

Concord University
Earth Day Committee

Notable & Newsworthy

Dr. John David Smith has been selected to serve as Concord University Vice President and Academic Dean. He has officially begun his duties in this position.



Jesse Dolinar of Princeton won the award for the Best Poster Presentation by an Undergraduate Student from the West Virginia Academy of Science at the 85th annual meeting held in Morgantown on April 10, 2010. The paper, entitled "Micro-XRF Applied to Natural Friction Melts" was Dolinar's undergraduate research project for his environmental geoscience degree at Concord University supervised by Dr. Joseph Allen. The study involved a comparison of the distribution of iron, silicon, and aluminum in frictionally melted rocks from field sites in North Carolina and Colorado. The work was completed in Concord's X-ray fluorescence laboratory.

Campus community invited To join in CU alumni events

Alumni Weekend will be held at Concord University Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8, 2010. The campus community is invited to participate. Following is the schedule of events:

Friday, May 7, 2010:

- 3 p.m. Carillon Concert (Gather in the Fine Arts Lobby)
 - 4 p.m. 1960 Class Reunion Reception, Alumni Lounge
 - 5 p.m. Alumni Reception, Top Floor, Student Center
 - 6 p.m. Annual Alumni Banquet, Ballroom, Student Center
- *The banquet is \$25 per person (Class of 1960 complimentary) and reservations are requested. Please make reservations at 384-5348 or alumni@concord.edu.

Saturday, May 8, 2010:

- 8 a.m. 1960 Class Reunion Breakfast, State Room
- 10 a.m. First Commencement Ceremony (1960 Class participates), Carter Center
- 2 p.m. Second Commencement Ceremony, Carter Center
- 3 p.m. CUAA Executive Council Meeting, State Room
- 4 p.m. CUAA Annual Meeting, State Room



Next Issue
 Thursday, May 13
Submission Deadline
 Monday, May 10
 4:00pm

Let's hear a 'ROAR' for...

Concord University's McNair Scholars and Psychology Division

Congratulations for hosting an outstanding Undergraduate Research Day and Graduate and Professional School Fair on April 15, 2010. This event featured approximately 100 posters, 17 paper presentations, a keynote address and more than a dozen visiting institutions. The day was educational and professionally orchestrated.



Department Updates



(left) The Concord art delegation visits the Baltimore Museum of Art.
 (right) Shown at the NAEA Conference from left are: Dr. Lauri Reidmiller, Crystal Richmond, Tiffany Blair, Jacqueline Trent and Alice Yurick.

Bulletin Board

Thank you...The Avon fund-raiser to benefit the Classified Staff Scholarship Fund raised \$422.89. Thanks to everyone who participated.



Blood drive...The American Red Cross blood mobile will be on campus Tuesday, May 4, 2010. You may donate blood from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Donor eligibility involves minimum age, weight and health requirements and presentation of a donor card or positive ID upon donation. There is currently a critical need for blood. Go to: www.RedCrossBlood.org or call: 1-800-GIVE-LIFE for more information.



American Red Cross

Dr. Lauri Reidmiller and members of the newly formed West Virginia Art Education student chapter recently attended the National Art Education Association annual conference in Baltimore. During the conference, the group attended a selection of presentations and hands-on workshops. The trip also gave them the opportunity to learn the latest advances in teaching resources, classroom supplies and techniques. They also visited the Baltimore Museum of Art and the American Visionary Art Museum.



Nearly 25 Concord University sociology students from the Erma Byrd Higher Education Center in Beckley, along with their instructor, Lori Pace, were among approximately 125 volunteers participating in the annual "Sherri's Sweep" of Beaver Creek Saturday, April 17, 2010. The group, which also included Congressman Nick Rahall, worked to clean debris from the Raleigh County waterway that resulted from recent flooding. For coverage of the event in the Register-Herald go to <http://www.register-herald.com/local/x1687715329/-It-was-unbelievable>.

Send us your news!

Let us know what's new with you or your department...e-mail **Campus E-News** at enews@concord.edu. Be sure to include your name and telephone number so we can contact you, too. Deadline for submissions is 4 p.m. on the Monday prior to publication.





Pie a Professor raises Relay For Life funds

The Concord University Box Office hosted its 2nd Annual Pie a Professor Event on April 21, 2010 in the Valley to raise money for Relay For Life.



This year, the event raised \$157.07. A total of eight professors participated and the top three earning professors include: Dr. Gabriel Rieger, assistant professor of English, with \$67.34; Dr. Jim White, associate professor of political science, with \$42.63; and, Mr. Tom Davis, adjunct professor of biology, with \$30.78.

Two professors, Dr. Rieger and Mr. Davis, chose to take the pie in the face. Dr. White was not able to take the pie due to scheduling conflicts.

Box Office students took donations two weeks prior to the event and professors took around jars to their classrooms. The top earning professor had to take the pie while the other two, earning at least \$30, had the option to buy out.

Andrea Lannom, a student majoring in communication arts, wrote this article. She lives Princeton.

Concord's Marsh Library acquiring American History research materials

Drs. William A. O'Brien [Beckley] and Stephen P. Rowe [Marsh Library] are pleased to announce that the Marsh Library is in the process of acquiring important research materials in American History.

Dr. O'Brien's Prism-West Virginia project is responsible for securing from the University of Virginia Press its Rotunda collection on America's Founding Era. Included in this collection is digital access to the Documentary History of the Ratification of the Constitution. This project, underway since the 1970's, seeks to present, on a state-by-state basis, every available document on the writing and ratification of the U. S. Constitution. Legal scholar Leonard Levy termed it "the most important editorial project in the nation." Dr. John Kaminski, project editor for the past quarter century, will be on Concord's campus in July as part of the Prism-WV project.

Besides the Ratification papers, the Rotunda collection includes access to the papers of George Washington, John Adams, Dolley Madison and Thomas Jefferson. Soon to be added to the collection are the papers of James Madison, John Marshall, Alexander Hamilton, John Jay, and Andrew Jackson.

The region's American History and Civic Education teachers will have access to these sources as participants in the Prism-WV project through the Mountain Library Network [MLN]. Beyond the life of the grant, however, Concord's faculty and students will have permanent access to these important collections. The Marsh Library will be responsible for a modest annual administrative fee, but the collection itself will belong to Concord University in perpetuity.

In conjunction with the Rotunda purchase, Dr. Rowe announces that the Marsh Library will purchase Readex's digital Evans Collection, "Early American Imprints, Series I and II." This collection includes virtually every primary resource in print from the Colonial Period through the early 19th century - colonial and early state legislative debates and laws, papers of the Continental and [Articles of] Confederation Congress, newspapers, handbills, posters, election handbills, pamphlets, etc. Like the Rotunda collection, users will have digital access to the Evans collection through the Mountain Library Network.

These important resources provide Concord students and faculty alike with a significant research capability. They promise to boost Concord's contributions to scholarship and quality education for years to come.

End of semester activities spell news and more news

This is an extremely busy time on campus with many newsworthy events. As a result, *Campus E-News* submissions have increased. If you don't see your news item in this edition, please look for it in upcoming publications.

The *E-News* staff appreciates your continued support and interest.

