Greetings and welcome to the first edition of *Campus E-News*, Concord University's faculty and staff e-newsletter. And, welcome to the beginning of a new academic year.

The start of the 2009-2010 year is a fitting time to premiere this publication. We envision *Campus E-News* as an exciting vehicle for intra-campus communication during what we anticipate will be a remarkable time in the life of this university.

Look around. Listen. Talk with co-workers, colleagues, students, and friends. The campus is vibrant with energy.

Expanding opportunities await us. New endeavors beckon us. A fresh academic term challenges us. Each day brings an ever-increasing list of accomplishments and achievements for Concord University and its faculty, staff, and students.

Capturing that sense of promise and excitement is the mission of *Campus E-News*. To keep pace with the momentum of campus life this newsletter will be published weekly.

Please join us as we celebrate our personal and professional achievements, shine the spotlight on our notables and newsworthy, and stay informed and up-to-date. We welcome your comments, suggestions and contributions to *Campus E-News*.

Thank you for your dedication and work on behalf of Concord University. Best wishes for a successful and rewarding year.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gregory F. Aloia
Concord University President
Department Updates

Concord University Police Officer J.E. Coulter will be leaving us. He will be going back to work for the Mercer County Sheriff’s Office on August 17. Officer Coulter’s time here was appreciated and we wish him the best for the future.

- Chief Mark Stella, CUPD

Dr. Jessica Alexander will be joining us from Emory University as a full-time, tenure-track, assistant professor of psychology. She successfully defended her Ph.D. dissertation on July 27, so congratulate her when you see her! Jessica also bought a house in Athens this summer with her husband, Noel, and we are delighted to welcome them both to our Athens community.

Dr. Cheryl Trull, interim director of graduate studies, announces several new graduate level courses. “Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder” will be offered for the Fall 2009 semester. “Methods for Teaching Children with Autism” will be offered in Spring 2010. Both are hybrid courses. Three Veterans Oral History courses will be offered during the Fall 2009 semester and are open to undergraduates (juniors and seniors) and graduate students. Veterans Oral History I involves the procedures of collecting oral histories and the interviewing process and is a pre-requisite to Veterans Oral History II and III which involve the actual collection of oral histories.

Traveling to meetings and conferences on behalf of Concord University is a great way to connect with alumni. Next time you’re on the road, let the Advancement Office know and we can help coordinate a visit with alumni at your destination. Contact us at ext. 5318 or advancement@concord.edu.

Town Social offers sun and fun

Sunny skies prevailed for the 23rd Athens-Concord Town Social held Sunday on the front lawn of Concord University. The afternoon of festivities and fun brought together Concord employees and their families, residents of the town of Athens and hundreds of guests.

A big round of applause goes to the Town Social planning committee and especially Lynne White, chairperson, for an outstanding job. This team of Concord and Athens representatives worked through the spring and summer planning the annual event.

The Concord University Tent serves as a gathering place for alumni at the Town Social.
Let’s hear a ‘ROAR’ for...

The Office of Admissions

On Friday, August 7 the Office of Admissions hosted 44 rising seniors and their parents for the final Summer Visitation Day. This was the largest Summer Visitation Day the university has hosted since the implementation of summer visitation opportunities. The Office of Admissions will be hosting several visitation opportunities throughout the fall semester.

Saying Thanks!

Concord University Women’s Volleyball Team members Kelly Newberry, left, and Megan Epperley make calls during the Thank-a-Thon on Monday, August 10 in Subway Sides. During the Thank-a-Thon, members of the Alumni Association, contributors to scholarships and other Concord supporters are being called and thanked for their donations. Athletic teams are volunteering with the event by making the calls.

Bulletin Board

CU at the Fair... Time slots are still available for you to represent Concord University at the State Fair of West Virginia. This year we will be operating a Concord Tent throughout the fair from August 14 to August 22. When you sign up, you will receive free admission to the fair and a Concord University T-shirt. Additional representatives are needed on the following days: August 15, 16, 19 and 21. To sign up contact Kati Whittaker at kwhittaker@concord.edu or ext. 5348. Thanks!

Please spread the word... Concord University students with valid IDs will be admitted free-of-charge to the Princeton Rays final home stand on August 20-25 at Hunnicutt Field in Princeton. For more information visit www.princetonrays.net.

Please Note... All faculty and staff bereavement acknowledgements are to be directed by department heads to Sharon Manzo in the President’s Office. She may be contacted at ext. 5224 or smanzo@concord.edu.

Thanks... Your submissions to the first edition of Campus E-News are appreciated. Please keep them coming! Items may be sent to enews@concord.edu.

Notable & Newsworthy

Congratulations to the following for receiving a doctorate: Dr. Nancy Burton, Education; Dr. Lisa Darlington, Mathematics; Dr. Santina St. John, Education; and Dr. William Williams, Education. (as of July 30, 2009)

Sarah Dalton participated in a week-long mission trip to Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana in May to help with post-Katrina rebuilding. She accompanied a team from Swift Creek Community Church in Midlothian, Virginia where her brother, Jim Pritchett, is pastor.

You could be featured in next week’s “Notable & Newsworthy.” Send your personal and professional achievements, milestones, celebrations, etc. to enews@concord.edu.

Fun and games... Amy Pitzer and Steve Cox take bids during the White Elephant Auction during the Employee Appreciation Picnic on Tuesday. Thanks to everyone for helping raise $449.00 for the Classified Scholarship Fund. The $449.00 will be matched by the Foundation.