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Coastal Carolina University
Spotlight on foreign students

Reasons for choosing Coastal

By MARCELLA HERRIOTT

There are several foreign students attending Coastal Carolina. They come from a variety of countries around the world. Two of these are Marco Byl and Santi Jimongkonkul.

Jimongkonkul is a native of Thailand. He was born Oct. 4, 1956. His family owns a farm in a small town 40 miles from Bangkok named Nakhorn Pathom. He has two brothers and two sisters. Before coming to the United States, Santi was a student at Thammasat University in Bangkok. While there he met Professor Bruno Gujer and accepted a scholarship to Coastal Carolina. Santi is interested in a variety of things among them are reading, traveling, stamp and coin collecting. He also enjoys studying other cultures. He hopes to become familiar with a variety of cultures.

Byl is a native of Holland. He was born April 22, 1960 in Velsen, Holland. Later his family moved to Lochen, Holland. He has two brothers and one sister. His older brother studies medicine in Amsterdam. His younger brother and sister attend high school. His father is a high school principal and counselor, and geography teacher. Byl's mother is also a high school teacher. She teaches geography and history and Dutch.

Byl graduated from high school this past year. He participates with the Netherland-American Commission for Educational Exchange. At the completion of next semester he plans to return to the Nethlers and study law at the University of Groningen, where he will graduate in four years.

Byl is an active member of the Business Club, the History Club, and the soccer team. He enjoys biking. He once took a 14 day bicycle vacation to Belgium. He speaks four languages and is interested in environmental studies. He loves the ocean and hopes to be able to swim up until Thanksgiving.

"American people are much more open and friendly than I was accustomed to or expected," Byl says.

Afro-Am Organization helps community

By MARCELLA HERRIOTT

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Afro-Am (Afro-American Student Association) held its first meeting of the 1978-79 school term Sept. 14. Old members met and new members were invited to join. The purpose of the organization is to bring together people with a commonlook; establish links between the organization and the outside community through service and community service were discussed.

New officers were elected for the school year. The officers are Robert McCray, president; Gary Byrd, vice-president; Tracy Beauty, secretary; and Sarah Tinney, assistant secretary. Various committees were also formed to get the organization into action.

Afro-Am was started at Myrtle Beach Air Force Base around 1954. It was then known as the Afro Culture Workshop. It was created as a campus-community organization. Its first advisor was Janice Loud, a white professor from Coastal Carolina. It was later called Afro-Am. After the departure of Loud, Stu Brothre, Coastal education teacher, became advisor for Afro-Am.

Afro-Am has made many contributions to the college community. Afro-Am sponsored the first art show held on Coastal Carolina's campus. They have held bottle drives, canned food drives, given parties for needy children at Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. They have given money and food to needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas, held house fix-up projects where they would make general repairs on the homes of the needy or disabled.

In the future Afro-Am plans to offer tutoring to grade school and college students hold sickle cell anemia and hypertension screening and other community activities.

By CHRISTINE MILLER

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What has four eyes, is underfed, disheveled, distracted, withdrawn, and disdained over a basis of Plato? Does it sound like your typical everyday run of the world philosopher? One caricaturist depicted a "lover of wisdom," that way. Beneath his sketch the artist penned, "He's really a rather nice guy if you can get his attention."

In an informal speech at Coastal Oct. 11, Dr. Eugene T. Long II, Chairman of USC-Columbia philosophy department in Columbia, verbally held up this picture to be the epitome of the average man's image of a philosopher.

Long came to Coastal campus and met with the administration and the faculty and philosophy students. The Sokratic Club of Coastal Carolina paid for his overnight stay in Myrtle Beach. Long said he was very pleased with the department and with the student enthusiasm. He was impressed by the fact the philosophers on campus are so interested in exchanging ideas with one another. Long feels this is essential for the development and testing of philosophic theories.

And what is philosophy? Philosophy by strict definition, is the love of wisdom. When asked what philosophers do, Long said with levity they mainly like to figure out what philosophy really is. According to Long, philosophy is more than abstract thinking and ambiguity. It helps people to think on different levels.

He sighted an example of practical application in the medical profession. In the case of a dialysis machine, it sometimes has to be decided by a hospital board whether or not to buy one and then who will use it. A philosopher in the group might articulate the value question. What is valuable financially, medically, and morally?

Long said philosophy also teaches people to be flexible. When crucial decisions have to be made like in the case of capital punishment, the flexibility of a philosopher may make it more difficult to reach a decision.

One student pointed out during the rap session following Long's talk that philosophy is not so much a vagueness, but rather it is a path, a progression: the perception of truth grows as consciousness grows and perhaps this is the real heartbeat of flexibility in philosophy. Long agreed with the student. Long also added that the probing of a philosopher sometimes is threatening to a closed mind and sometimes, as in the days of Socrates, it is still looked upon as a threat to young people.

Long is originally from Richmond, Virginia. He was educated at Randolph-Macon in Virginia graduating from Duke University with a B.A. in philosophy and M.A. in religious studies. He earned his Ph.D. in Glasgow, Scotland and Marburg, Germany.

Long is married and has two children whose wisdom he fondly draws upon in lecturing. When his children were very young they once concluded that if God is light, and light is the sun, that God must be the sun.

Long applies himself to two main areas of instruction and writing. The first is phenomenology and existentialism. He reads two twentieth century German philosophers in this regard, Carl Jaspers and Martin Heidegger. The second is systematic interest as in the philosophy of religion and the problems of religious knowledge and religious language.

Besides heading the philosophy department and teaching Phenomenology of Existentialism and Philosophy of Religion, he has published two books: "Jaspers and Bultman: A Dialogue Between Philosophy and Theology in the Existentialist Tradition" (Duke University Press), and "God, Secularization and History" (USC Press). He has written articles in the "Review of Metaphysics," "International Journal for Philosophy and Religion," and "Southern Journal of Philosophy," to name a few. He is also a member of the editorial boards of the "International Journal for Philosophy of Religion," and "Southern Journal of Philosophy." He is on the advisory editorial board of the American Council of Learned Society which is attempting to exact the pure text of "The Works of William James" (published by Harvard University Press).

Pictured above are the recipients of music scholarships at Coastal Carolina College. These scholarships, which provide private instruction for the academic year 1978-79, are made possible through the Coastal Educational Foundation. They are awarded on the basis of talent and contribution to the department and college. The students are Benjamin Singleton, senior, Jeff Zachary, freshman, Amy Jones, sophomore, and Sally Harper, senior. Photo by John Edwards.
Rape victims get help

By JENNIE SAUSSEY
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Sept. 25 A Rape Crisis Center was started in Myrtle Beach with the publication of two telephone numbers for rape victims to call. At this time, Rape Crisis Center has no actual location. But these two numbers are being covered 24 hours a day by volunteers who have set up a structure to give aid and support to rape victims from the moment the call is received.

The Myrtle Beach RCC (Rape Crisis Center) offers the only service of its kind within a hundred mile radius. This effort was sponsored by the Myrtle Beach Business and Professional Women’s Club under the direction of Karolee Jensen of Myrtle Beach.

Jensen has been an active volunteer statewide in promoting better treatment for the rape victim and improved legislation for the prosecution of rapists. Jensen says that since the establishment of rape crisis centers across the state reported cases have doubled. This does not mean that there have necessarily been more rapes but more victims are reporting incidents.

Jensen says rape victims are more likely to report to a neutral source such as RCC than to go either to a doctor or police. The victim feels the latter are bound to report the incident. In the preliminary stage of shock and humiliation following a rape the victim may be hesitant to get involved further.

The procedure by which a call is handled by RCC is outlined briefly in the following seven steps:

1. Usually the call is made immediately after the rape or within 48 hours after it took place.
2. With the victim on the line RCC tries to get as much accurate information from the victim as quickly as possible. Victims tend to block out much of the experience later which causes further stress for the victim.
3. Immediate arrangements are made for a male volunteer to follow the female counselor to the rape site for protection. If no male counselor is available police are asked to follow unofficially for such protection. The accompanying male is not put in contact with the victim but stays by in case the rapist returns.
4. If medical care is needed RCC goes with victim to clinic or hospital for emotional support. Jensen says physical abuse as well as sexual abuse is common in most cases. She states that doctors are often unwittingly cruel with some of the questions which causes further stress for the victim. "However," she says, "Medical personnel are mostly favorable to the counselor’s role in alleviating distress."
5. Victim at the appropriate time is encouraged but not forced to officially press charges.
6. If the victim chooses to press charges RCC helps her through the confusing and complicated legal procedures by giving her a breakdown of expected legal steps and support in her decision.
7. Jensen says RCC’s target concern is for the victim. She sees the RCC as complementing other existing social structures such as law enforcement, solicitors, medical personnel and private and public psychological facilities.

The Myrtle Beach RCC was put together with the help of many others in addition to Jensen and the Myrtle Beach BPW. One of these was Lt. Ron Cook from SLED. Lt. Cook made many trips to this area to give talks, outline procedures and promote cooperation. Ms. Debbie Griggs shares the present operational responsibilities of RCC with Jensen.

Dr. Martha Thomas, local psychologist, is half way through the training of 25 volunteer counselors. The RCC has also had support from professionals of all kinds, business and civic and community organizations.

The RCC telephone numbers are 272-2765 and 448-2111. The RCC encourages Coastal Carolina participation in this program. Anyone wishing to volunteer or desiring more information is asked to call one of these numbers.

Dunsmore played Canadian pro football

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Dr. Leroy A. Dunsmore, associate professor of business (real estate) and a new addition to Coastal Carolina’s faculty, is a former football pro.

Dunsmore was born in Canada. Before coming to the United States, he played pro football in the Canadian Football League. He went to the University of Iowa in 1965 where he received his Ph.D. Later he spent some time at the University of Wisconsin and has spent the last three years at West Virginia University before coming to South Carolina this summer.

Dunsmore lives at Maisons-Sur-Mer in Myrtle Beach. He is single but says, "I’ll marry when the right girl comes along.” He drives a Birklund, a Canadian-made car of which there are only 3000 in the world.

“One reason why I like Coastal so well,” he said, “is because of the smaller classes. The students are able to get better instruction and it gives the professor a chance to get to know his students. My classes at West Virginia University had as many as 100 students per section in them.”

He also stated the age group range here at Coastal was much like that of other schools he had taught.

Dunsmore is very ambitious. He was editor of the newspaper at the University of Iowa, editor at one time of a French magazine in Canada, has owned his own newspaper, and a real estate broker in West Virginia and Iowa. He is full of mounted fish, and he said he was planning to bring in some birds soon.

Come to the
Student Christian Movement Organizational
meeting Nov. 1 at noon on the student union patio
Jackson presents lecture series

Dr. Edgar N. Jackson, a well-known crisis psychologist and theologian, presented a series of special lectures at Coastal Carolina College Oct. 17. The schedule and topic of the lectures were: “Dealing with Death and Dying”; “Coping with Personal Crisis”; “The Relationship of Reality and Consciousness”; “New Research in Holistic Health”.

Dr. Jackson has lectured widely in universities, medical and nursing schools, seminars and professional conferences in the U.S., Canada and more than a dozen foreign countries. He has authored more than twenty books and made contributions to fifteen others. He has published more than 300 articles in religious, secular, and professional journals. Presently Dr. Jackson is a consultant for the medical publisher, Jason Armonson in New York. Dr. Jackson has had nine years in clinical experience and served as head of the New Rochelle Guidance Center, a state licensed Psychiatric clinic for children and their parents.

The lecture series was presented under the auspices of the Division of Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences and Nursing. The Baptist Student Union also supported the lectures.
Where did the study time go?

BY ROBERT MASSE
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Another Halloween has come and gone. For most, Halloween is equated with trick or treating. Jack-o-lanterns, and more recently toga parties. For me this holiday symbolizes disturbance and distraction. Every year, without fail, I get a sadistic professor who takes pleasure in giving a Nov. 1 test. Even when it falls on a Sunday, he manages to hold a special class. This is the same professor that pays a spy to find out when each of his students are having a test in their other classes. This way he can schedule his exam on that same day. He sits at home Halloween night knowing that sometime his students read a sentence the doorbell will ring accompanied by seven soprano voices screeching “trick or treat” in unison.

There is no sympathy for the student on Oct. 31. If the only question on the exam is “What do children say on Halloween night?” you’ve aced it. If not, well...

Unfortunately Halloween is not the only disruption a student must go through during the year. Everytime a big test comes along so do people who need favors. This may be a record for Guiness but last week, before my English exam, I had three people call to ask for favors; two people were bored the time he chooses to bring his wife to call me between trips to the bathroom.

For example, my brother called from work to tell me he was so sick how did he find time to call me between trips to the bathroom. Obviously, knowing I was on to their scheme he couldn’t answer me and hung up. He gets deathly ill at least three times a week. By now, the receptionist at the emergency room knows him on a first name basis. To speed things up she keeps a xeroxed copy of his last admittance card, and just gets him to sign it.

Fifty three seconds later the phone rings. This time it is my sister. She begins by asking who I was talking to for so long (Ah Ha! I’ve messedup their time schedule). Her next few sentences, I know by heart.

“I couldn’t get a babysitter. I wanted to go to the movies tonight and thought you might like to watch the kids.”

Now that’s my idea of fun! After reminding her that I am with her children more than she is, and would only watch them if I could take them off as tax deductions (I knew my brother-in-law wouldn’t go for that), she could only muster up a sarcastic laugh.

The pro that she is tried one last time by asking if I would take her children out trick or treating on Halloween. She then added the final blow by asking, “What do you think God created uncles for?” This time I, confused and at a loss for words, hung up.

Four seconds short of a minute the telephone rang once again. My mother, who I suspect to be the ringleader of the gang, explains that if I wasn’t doing anything she would like me to go check up on my brother. She informed me, as if she didn’t know I knew, my brother was ill. Since he doesn’t have a phone in his house (He’s smarter than I am), she wanted me to go over and see if he was feeling better. I assured her I would if I had the time.

After a call from my father, a cousin, and a wrong number I decided to take the telephone off the hook. The only ammunition they had left anyway was my brother who lives out of town. They usually save him for final exams. That is the time he chooses to bring his wife and two children down to visit us.

The next morning I left early, hoping to get some studying done in the library. I was only sitting there three minutes when a group of sportminded students came in and sat at the next table. Play by play they began to re-enact Monday night football for the people in the group (and the whole western side of the library) who missed it.

It infuriates me when I must move because of a bunch of inconsiderate people. The library should install soundproof rooms for those who want to talk. We already have smoking and non-smoking sections. Why not talking and non-talking areas also? I did get some studying done. I waited until the last minute before star trekking across campus to my English class.

Although I may rib my family a bit, I know all these detours from my studies are worth it when I receive a handmade birthday card, a birthday picture, or a valentine card addressed to “My Favrit Uncle”.

At best I wouldn’t trade my family for anything. At worst they make life interesting. I now have an answer for my sister Marcia. God did not create Uncles to watch their nephews and nieces; he created sisters with children to bring down their uncle’s grade point average!