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Parents Club President Message

I felt a mixture of emotions when I read that Joseph F. Marsh, Junior, passed away: sadness that he was no longer part of life at Concord; profound gratitude for his devotion to this college; and regret that I hadn't thanked him properly for his gift of the carillon music that I enjoy during every visit to campus. Dr. Marsh loved Concord and Concord loved him. I had the privilege of meeting him at a dinner last year. I shall miss Dr. Marsh's presence on campus.

I am fortunate to know or to have known three Concord presidents and first ladies: Dr. and Mrs. Virgil Stewart, who were neighbors in their retirement; Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Beasley; and Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Aloia. Concord today is due to many caring current and past faculty, administrators, students, and friends.

Martha Endres
President, CU Parents Club



Joseph Franklin Marsh, Jr.

February 24, 1925 — December 11, 2009
President of Concord College, 1959—1973

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Academic Dates



Dec. 14-18 (M-F)	Final exams
December 18, Fri.	Fall semester ends 5:00 p.m.
December 19, Sat.	Fall Commencement 11:00 a.m.
January 8, Fri.	Registration and payment of fees 8:30 a.m.
January 11, Mon.	Classes begin
January 12, Tue.	Late registration fee begins for on-campus courses
January 18, Mon.	Holiday - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 22, Fri.	Last day to pay fees
January 25, Mon.	Last day for registration or adding classes 4 p.m.
March 1, Mon.	FAFSA filing deadline for WV residents (Concord's FAFSA code: 003810)



Upcoming Event

EVENT: SWVA Alumni, Family & Friends Brunch
WHERE: Bull and Bones on Main Street, Blacksburg
DATE: January 9, 2010
TIME: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Important Reminders

A monthly installment payment plan is available for the Spring 2010 semester. The first monthly payment is due by December 20th. Please contact the Business Office at (304) 384-5212 or 5972 or via e-mail at acctsrec@concord.edu to request a monthly installment plan. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.





Concord University Mourns the Loss of President Emeritus Joseph Franklin Marsh, Jr.

University Press Release 12/11/09

Dr. Joseph Franklin Marsh Jr., 84, of Athens, W.Va., died Friday, December 11, at Princeton Community Hospital. Born February 24, 1925, in Charleston, W.Va., he was the only child of the late Dr. Joseph Franklin and Florence Catherine Keller Marsh, and was the last surviving member of his immediate family.

In 1929, at age four, he and his family moved to Athens when his father was appointed president of Concord State Normal School (now, Concord University), where he grew up and received his elementary and secondary education in the public schools, graduating first in this class from Athens High School in 1941. He then enrolled at Concord College, when the United States entered World War II during his freshmen year. In order to receive ROTC training, he transferred to West Virginia University for his sophomore year, and, while there, upon reaching age 18, volunteered for the U.S. Navy and enlisted as an Apprentice Seaman.

The Navy sent Marsh to Dartmouth College in New Hampshire to continue his education as a member of the Navy V-12 Unit. He was selected for officer's training at Columbia University Midshipman School in New York and, in 1944, was commissioned as Ensign in the Navy Reserve, and soon joined the destroyer USS Hale as a gunnery officer, where his ship was involved in several air, sea and shore bombardment missions in the Pacific War Theater as a part of fast carrier task force. During the Okinawa campaign, the ship suffered a near miss with a bomb from a Kamikaze 30 feet from the stern, and was forced to return to Ulithi for repairs. Returning to action toward the end of the War, the Hale destroyed a radio station at Kamaishi, becoming the first American destroyer in history to shell the mainland of Japan.

After the War, before being discharged to inactive duty, Marsh was promoted to Lt. (j. g.), and, in 1951, while still a member of the Navy Reserve and studying in England, was promoted to Lt., and, in 1952, was ordered to a short tour of active duty aboard the cruiser USS Newport News to participate in joint maneuvers with British, French, Dutch and Italian ships in the Mediterranean Sea. After World War II, Marsh returned to Dartmouth College for a year to complete his A.B. degree, graduating in 1947 with high honors. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa honorary society and selected to deliver the "Address to the College" at Class Day Exercises during graduation events.

Dr. Marsh received a Dartmouth Fellowship for study at The National Institute of Public Affairs in Washington, D.C., 1947-48, where he worked in the Executive Office of the President, the U.S. Senate, the Hoover Commission and the Treasury Department. He next spent two years at Harvard University, and earned the M.P.A. degree in 1949. Further graduate study took him to Oxford University, England, where he did advanced research in British public administration for two years, 1950-52, as a Rotary Foundation Fellow. Marsh began his long professional career as an educator, when, in 1952, he was appointed an Instructor in Great Issues at his Alma Mater, Dartmouth College. He remained a member of the Dartmouth faculty for seven years, becoming an Assistant Professor of Economics, until 1959, when he returned to his home town of Athens to accept appointment as President of Concord College at age 34, making him one of the youngest college presidents in the U.S. at the time. Following his 14-year tenure at Concord, he was appointed President of Waynesburg College in Pennsylvania, where he served for nine years, 1974-83. He has been awarded the title of President Emeritus at both Concord University and Waynesburg College. In 1984, when retired in Athens, Dr. Marsh accepted a one-year appointment as Vice President for Development at the new United World College of the American West in New Mexico.

During his two college presidencies, Marsh served as a member of 32 public and private boards, commissions, and volunteer organizations. In 1961-63, as Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee of the West Virginia Centennial Commission, the National Youth Science Camp at Thornwood was established, and is the only activity of the State's Centennial that continues today. During his retirement, Marsh remained active in public and private volunteer organizations, working with 14 additional such groups, most notably serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the State College System of West Virginia, and as Vice Chairman of the West Virginia Parkways, Economic Development and Tourism Authority. Marsh is the author of numerous articles that have appeared nationally in both scholarly and popular publications.

Marsh's several awards include two honorary degrees: Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) from Davis & Elkins College in 1968, and Doctor of Humane Letters (L.H.D.) from Alderson-Broaddus College in 1982. At Concord, he has received three awards from the Alumni Association: Alumnus of the Year, Golden Alumnus, and Outstanding Alumnus Award for Career Achievement. The main administration building at the University is named for him. Additionally, Marsh served as District Governor of Rotary International in 1992-1993. The Marsh Memorial Carillon on the Concord University campus bears his family's name and was financed through a gift from Marsh. The carillon was dedicated in 1997.



CU Mountain Lion Club Golf Outing & Alumni Meeting

WHEN: Saturday, January 23, 2010
WHERE: Magnolia Plantation Golf Club
600 Shadowmoss Circle
Lake Mary, Florida 32746
Tele #: (407) 771-4343

AGENDA:

Lunch & Golf - - - - - 12:00 noon
Reception - - - - - 5:30 p.m.
Dinner - - - - - 6:30 p.m.
Meeting - - - - - 7:30 p.m.

COST:

Lunch & Golf - - - - - \$100.00 per person
Reception & Dinner - - - - - \$40.00 per person
Both Events - - - - - \$140.00 per person

Send Check Today (Tax Deductible) payable to: **CONCORD**

Mail to: Tom Joyce
1005 Shadowmoss Circle
Lake Mary, FL 32746
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Fall Sports - Men's Soccer

Athletics Press Release 11/13/2009

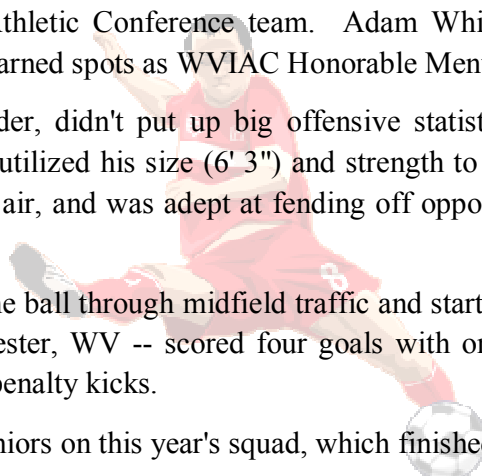
In its second season back after a five-year hiatus, the Concord Men's Soccer team has put two players on the 2009 All-West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference team. Adam Whiteside, a freshman defender, and Ivan Deyanov, a sophomore midfielder, earned spots as WVIAC Honorable Mentions.

Whiteside, as a defense-first defender, didn't put up big offensive statistics (13 shots in 12 matches). But the freshman from Blackburn, England utilized his size (6' 3") and strength to secure the middle of the Concord back third. Whiteside played well in the air, and was adept at fending off opposing attackers to win the ball and get it ahead to start the offense.

Deyanov had a knack for carrying the ball through midfield traffic and starting the Concord attack. The sophomore from Bulgaria -- by way of Winchester, WV -- scored four goals with one assist in 16 matches. He tallied one game-winning goal and was 2-2 on penalty kicks.

The Mountain Lions had just two seniors on this year's squad, which finished 6-11-1, 2-7-1 in the WVIAC.

Concord dropped Men's Soccer after the 2002 season, then returned to the sport in 2008.





Fall Sports - Women's Soccer

Athletics Press Release 11/17/2009

Gemma Nortcliffe, the leading scorer on the Concord Women's Soccer team, has earned a spot on the Daktronics Inc. NCAA Division II All-Atlantic Region team. The honor follows Nortcliffe being named to the All-West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference First Team November 10, and makes her eligible for consideration as a 2009 All-American.

Nortcliffe topped the WVIAC in Goals Per Game (1.31) and Points Per Game (2.81). The junior from Wakefield, England was, respectively, fifth and seventh in the nation in those two categories. Playing in just 16 matches, Nortcliffe was second in the WVIAC in Goals (21), Points (45) and Shots (71). She was third in the conference in Shots Per Game (4.44) and fourth in Game-Winning Goals (4).

Nortcliffe tied for second in the nation for goals in a single game this season, with four against Salem International on October 8. Her nine points in that match ranked her fourth in the nation for single-game scoring.

"Statistics don't lie," said Concord head coach Carol Bonnes, "so to be among the leaders in the conference and the country is a great accomplishment. It's good to see one of our players get this kind of national recognition."

The Mountain Lions finished 2009 with a record of 12-7 and advanced to the WVIAC Tournament Final for the second straight season.

Fall Sports - Women's Volleyball

Athletics Press Release 11/7/09

To finish the regular season, the Concord Volleyball team put on a good performance against Shepherd University, but came up short at the end. Shepherd came into the game tied for second place with a 12-4 record in the WVIAC, but Concord gave them a scare and almost gave the Rams their fifth loss.

Ideally, you want to get a win on Senior Day. If that does not happen, the next best thing to do is to play with heart, and that's what Concord did at the Carter Center on November 7. Concord started the first set on fire and a costly 4 hit error by the Rams gave the Mountain Lions the victory along with confidence.

Both Concord's seniors ended their career on a memorable note. Kelley Newberry ended the match tied for second on the team in digs with 18, and Megan Epperley finished with 8 digs herself.

Amber Miller led the team in kills (16) and digs (24). Close behind, Kayla Martin had 15 kills, while Emily Wilson also had a big day for the Mountain Lions with 10 kills and 16 digs. The Volleyball team used that confidence the whole match and it came down to the fifth set, which ended up belonging to the Rams.

Congratulations to seniors Megan Epperley and Kelly Newberry on successful careers at Concord University, both as students and athletes.



A Message From Housing

Parents,

As we near the end of the Fall semester 2009, I wanted to pass along important end of term information.

The residence halls are officially closing for the holidays. Students must vacate residence hall rooms 24 hours after their last final examination, and in any case no later than Friday, December 18, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. If your student has a late final on Friday, we allow a few hours additional time for check-out.

Students are permitted to return to Concord on Sunday, January 10, 2010. Classes resume on the following Monday morning, January 11, 2010.

I have had several parents call inquiring if students are permitted to leave belongings in their room through break. Students should remove all valuables over closing and take those items home. All other belongings may remain in the room as long as the student intends to return to Concord for the Spring semester. Residence hall students are required to temporarily return their room key for this specific closing.

Many parents have called to inquire about their child possibly becoming a Resident Assistant for next academic year. The hiring process for Resident Assistants begins a few weeks after the start of the Spring semester. Any interested student should talk to their floor RA for further details, or the Resident Director managing their residence hall. Students are selected in mid to late April for Fall Resident Assistant positions.

My staff and I wish you and your entire family a safe and happy holiday season.

Rick Dillon
Interim Dean of Students
Director of Housing & Residence Life

