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— Norman Fainstein
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Summertime ... and many students have found jobs they love

Uploading cargo onto oil tankers, tracking birds that nest along power lines, building a traditional Maine camp, digging into glaciers, and making two telescopes act as a single instrument. These are just some of the things Connecticut College students are up to this summer. Here are their stories:

When he’s not working in the buttoned-down environment of Salomon Smith Barney investments in Portland, Maine, senior Ethan Powell ’04 in Portland Harbor with a waiting cargo ship behind him. The Maine native says he loves being out on the ocean.

CC, Vietnam continue the dance

One relationship leads to another. From a single encounter in 1996, ties between Vietnam National University and Connecticut College are deeper and broader than ever in 2003.

Professors, students and administration officials from both institutions flow naturally between Hanoi and New London. This fall four VNU representatives will be on the CC campus following a visit to Vietnam in May and June by four from Connecticut.

CC Dean of the Faculty Fran Hoffmann illustrates the interconnections between the two institutions. Last fall VNU instructor Thang Vu sat in on Hoffmann’s “Gender and Higher Education” course here at CC. When she returned home, Thang spoke highly of the college administrator to her colleague, Huyen Chi Truong, who was organizing a new lecture series. Designed for junior faculty and graduate students at VNU, the series was to invite selected international scholars to address perspectives on contemporary curricular and pedagogical issues in higher education. Funding was made available by the Toyota Foundation just as Hoffmann was to make her first trip to Hanoi. Huyen Chi invited her to give the inaugural lecture in the continued on page 3
Steiner heads interim Lyman Allyn management team

An interim management team has been named at the Lyman Allyn Art Museum as the College and museum continue to re-establish the latter as an independent community museum.

Christopher Steiner, Lucy C. McDannel ’22 Associate Professor of Art History and director of its museum studies program, will serve as interim director, coordinating the work of the professional staff and overseeing the museum's budget. Steiner also chairs the College's art history program.

Nancy Stula was named interim deputy director, responsible for programs and exhibition and museum operations. She holds a doctorate in art history from Columbia University and has been working as a curatorial assistant and assistant to the registrar in the museum. Stula will be the museum's hands-on administrator as well as its artistic director. She has worked at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Wadsworth Athenaeum and taught art history at the University of Hartford.

Kathleen McCleary was named director of education and communications and will be responsible for all educational programs, publications, and promotion of the museum. Her eponymous development/marketing firm boasts such clients as National Public Radio and Andrew Skurman Architects. She has taught the fifth grade in California and served as director of major gifts for the Oakland, Calif., Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals as well as director of development for the Marine Mammal Center in Sausalito, Calif.

The new team hit the ground running with an exhibit of works by the American painter Joe Zucker, which opened on July 18. “The Lake Paintings” represents a body of work where paint as a liquid is emphasized in order to enhance the illusion of an image of a marine painting. The painting serves as both a seascape and the tool which created it.

The management team was created following the departure of Charles Shepard, executive director of the Lyman Allyn Art Museum since 1996, who last month was named executive director of the Fort Wayne Museum of Art in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Helen Regan, who continues as interim president of the Lyman Allyn Art Museum, said the new appointments “bring a combination of excellent credentials in the field of art history, and experience in programming and administration of non-profit organizations. I am confident that they will extend and enrich the presence of the Lyman Allyn Art Museum in southeastern Connecticut, building on the legacy of Charles Shepard.”

Other staff at the museum remain in place: Kate Fiedler, director of development; Linda Lavin, registrar; and Ann Wicks, administrative assistant.

Fleur Lawrence ’80, who earned a bachelors degree in American studies from CC, was recently elected chair of the museum’s board of fellows, replacing Wendy Lash ’64. The chair is an ex officio member of the CC Board of Trustees.

CC events add luster to the Big Apple

New York City’s always been a happening place, but for the month of June, CC helped make it happen. Three events brought together more than 100 alumni, trustees, parents, faculty, administrators and staff members to advance the College’s mission and fundraising goals.

The first event, on June 9, was a “Celebration of the Visual Arts” and included a private tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Afterward, alumni got to meet President Norman Feinstein at a reception hosted by Ann Werner Johnson ’68, a current trustee and Molly M. Carrott ’98, a former trustee. The tour and reception were designed to thank alumni and friends for their generous support of the College and in particular their contributions to the arts.

The following night changed the focus from the arts to the sciences as the College kicked off the Kresge Challenge for the Sciences to area alumni and parents. Leading the evening’s events were Feinstein, President Emeritus Oakes Ames, who is a member of the Kresge Challenge Steering Committee, and Marc Zimmer, professor of chemistry. Together they addressed the College’s need for an endowed maintenance fund to support the purchase and renewal of scientific equipment. Donors to the Kresge Challenge are helping the College meet a challenge grant that will bring in $2 million in funds for scientific equipment.

The third night involved reaching out to younger alumni and engaging them in leadership roles, both as donors and volunteers, on behalf of the College. This event was hosted by trustees Jonathan M. McBride ’92 and Carolyn Tribble ’98 and took place in the offices of trustee Barbara Kohn ’72. Feinstein was in attendance to applaud the efforts of these alumni and encourage their continued involvement with CC.

After attending all three events, Charlie Clark, director of development, said “Connecticut College alumni and friends are tireless supporters, and it was thrilling to meet so many people whose interests spanned so many areas, from the arts to the sciences and beyond. President Feinstein’s comments about the future of the College elicited a lot of enthusiasm, and we are looking forward to many more events nationwide in the coming years.”

— Rebecca Nash

Minor Myers, 60, former government professor, husband and father of alums

Minor Myers Jr., professor of government from 1968 to 1984, died July 22, at the age of 60.

He was the husband of Ellen Myers ’69 and father of Minor Myers III ’00 and Joffre Myers ’03.

He was president of Illinois Wesleyan University (IWU) when he died of lung cancer.


Memorials may be made to the Minor Myers Honors Collection at IWU’s Ames Library or to the Mayo Clinic.
series, which she did June 2.

Hoffmann was accompanied by administrative colleagues Helen Regan and William Frasure on this exchange visit, the second in a series of faculty exchanges and the first time CC administrators have consulted with VNU faculty and staff in Hanoi. The exchanges are funded by a $115,300 grant from the U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and began with a focus on economics and political science. They have since evolved into a more cross-disciplinary approach, long favored by liberal arts colleges such as CC.

In fact, Regan, who had served as Dean of the Faculty, was in Hanoi to explain to VNU administrators and faculty how CC searches for faculty, appoints faculty members, and evaluates them. “The impulse of the grant has expanded over time,” said an obviously pleased Regan upon her return to New London.

The collaboration was begun more than six years ago by Frasure, professor of government and former associate dean of the faculty. Also in Hanoi during CC’s most recent visit was Rolf Jensen, professor of economics, who had just completed a spring semester SATA program in Hanoi with CC students and faculty colleagues Don Peppard, professor of economics, and David Patton, associate professor of government. Jensen had stayed beyond the semester to continue ongoing research projects there. With a colleague from VNU, Jensen is researching Hanoi women who carry don gánh (yoke) baskets filled with food and other products into the city, where they peddle their wares on the streets. The women are interviewed in Vietnamese by the VNU professor, who translates their stories in French to Jensen, who then reports the research in English.

All of these institutional connections, the professorial and administrative exchanges, student study abroad opportunities, the lectures and the research are part of CC’s “continuing efforts to ensure global understanding among our faculty, staff and students,” said Regan. “At VNU, this understanding has reached a much more complex level, one at which we are working with a particular institution in a particular country, and one which has deeply enriched both institutions.”

Frasure will return to Hanoi in the spring semester 2004 during which he will look for funding to extend the program initiatives. CC wants to expand the areas of mutual exchange from economics and political science to other disciplines and administrative arenas.

That expansion got a head start with Hoffmann’s lecture in June at VNU on “Feminist Movements and Women’s Studies in the U.S.” Hoffmann herself describes the lecture series as a “preliminary effort to break down disciplinary barriers.” “It was a coincidence that I was the first lecturer,” said Hoffmann, recounting the Thang-Huyen-Hoffmann connections that created the opportunity.

“This understanding has reached a much more complex level … one which has deeply enriched both institutions.”— Helen Regan
Glen and Willie just can't get a break.

The campus movers and shakers (project.utility workers Glen Chouinard and Willie Scruggs) are being kept busy this summer, hefting boxes from one building to the other, from one office to the next.

Among the changes taking place, Helen Regan, former dean of the faculty, moved from Fanning Hall to Becker House. She will lead the strategic planning process, serve as interim president of Lyman Allyn Art Museum, and return to the classroom. Patricia Carey is moving from Becker to Fanning to become Secretary of the

College and Director of College Relations. Her move comes in the wake of the departure of Aaron Bayer, who served as Secretary and General Counsel.

Carey is responsible for overseeing the institutional relationship with the Board of Trustees and the operations of the president’s office. She also retains senior administrative responsibility for the Office of College Relations and the Office of Events.

Carey will be assisted by Bonnie Wells, who will serve as associate secretary of the College while retaining responsibility for special projects in College Relations. College Relations now reports through Carey to the president, an administrative structure that was previously used when Jane Bredeson was Secretary of the College.

Carey joined CC in 1999 as senior writer in the president’s office. Since then she has served as director of Communications and Marketing, director of College Relations and associate vice president for Advancement. Before joining Connecticut College, she was a senior editor at International Business magazine, a program officer at The Asia Foundation and a Robert Bosch Foundation Fellow in Germany. She holds a master’s degree in international studies from Johns Hopkins University and a bachelor’s degree in Romance languages from Boston College.

Wells has worked at CC for nine years, of which the first five were in the president’s office. She has served previously as associate secretary of the College, senior assistant to the Vice President for Community and Public Affairs and staff to the presidential search committee. Most recently, she was associate director of Communications and Marketing. Wells holds a bachelor’s degree in marketing from Bryant College and a master’s in business administration from the Hartford Graduate Center of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Dena Wallerson has been named special assistant to the Dean of the College. She had been associate secretary of the College. Among her responsibilities will be to ensure broad campus familiarity with the report of the Presidential Commission on a Pluralistic Community, which was made to President Norman Fainstein this summer, and to facilitate the initial implementation of its recommendations.

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**Fanning Hall, Becker House seeing new yet familiar faces**

Helen Regan, former dean of the faculty, packs her last box at Fanning Hall. Regan moved to Becker House, where she will oversee the strategic planning process as special assistant to the president, serve as interim president of Lyman Allyn Art Museum, and return to the classroom as a professor of education.

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**Sunday, Aug. 17**

Tour: Guided tour of the arboretum’s Native Plant Collection, 2 pm, meet in front of Olin. x5020

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**Sunday, Aug. 10**

Tour: Guided tour of the arboretum’s Native Plant Collection, 2 pm, meet in front of Olin. x5020

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**Monday, Aug. 11**

Bike Ride: CCycling, a social bicycling group. Meet in front of Bill Hall, 5 pm. x2081

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**Monday, Aug. 18**

Bike Ride: CCycling, a social bicycling group. Meet in front of Bill Hall, 5 pm. x2081

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**Saturday, Aug. 23**

Trip: Fisher's Island Boat Trip & Walk, 10:15 am - 3:30 pm. $35 arbo members; $39 others. Register: x5060.

Orientation: Freshmen and transfer students arrive. x2050.

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**Sunday, Aug. 24**

Tour: Guided tour of the arboretum’s Native Plant Collection, 2 pm, meet in front of Olin. x5020

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Dayton spends last days as trustee doing victory laps

He won the hearts and admiration of the CC community over the dozen years he served CC as a member and chair of its Board of Trustees. Just days before the checkered flag came down on that career, Duncan Dayton ’81 was taking another victory lap—this time on the racetrack.

On Sunday, June 29, two days before he retired as trustee chair, Dayton won his third American Le Mans Series class victory. He and his co-driver, Jon Field, gave the Intersport Racing team its highest overall finish in that series ever. The pair’s car, a Lola, won its class hands down and finished third overall in the Chevy Grand Prix of Atlanta at Road Atlanta Motorsport Park in Braselton, Ga.

“I can’t believe it all came together at the end,” Dayton said. “The engine—and everything else—was just great!”

Dayton said he plans to do the rest of the series schedule—seven more events this year—with the team.

The only cars of the 36 entered in Sunday’s race to do any better than Dayton and Field’s Lola were two Audi R8s, and they were in the more powerful LMP 900 class.

“The car is pretty good,” Dayton said on Sunday after a pit stop. “The tires started to go after a while; I was getting some wheel spin off the slow speed corners, and then the fronts started to go.

“The Olive Garden car [a Ferrari] caught me once there, and we had a close call,” he said. “I did one spin in three and flat-spotted the tires, but we’re feeling pretty good.”

Not long after that he was celebrating in victory lane.

Duncan Dayton ’81 and co-driver Jon Field celebrate a big win.

faculty & staff notes

• A Japanese translation of Restoring North America’s Birds; Lessons from Landscape Ecology by Professor of Zoology Robert Askins was published by Bun-ichi Sogo Shuppan. It includes a new section on conservation of birds in Japan. He also co-published a paper, “Effects of habitat fragmentation on birds in deciduous forests in Japan” in the June issue of Conservation Biology.

• Holly Camerota MAT ’98, Web content editor, Mary Howard, associate director of publications, and Nina Lentini, assistant director of media relations, all in College Relations, took part in the Adobe Photoshop Users conference presented by CompuM aster on June 24 in Hartford.

• Charlene Davenport, assistant director of recruiting, CELS, co-chaired the publicity committee for the annual Eastern Association of College and Employers conference, which she attended, that took place in Danvers, Mass., June 8 - 11.

• Mary Devins, assistant dean of international studies in the Toor Cummings Center, was a co-presenter at the Association of International Educators annual convention in Salt Lake City in May. The panel, titled “The International Campus Is Here to Stay: Five Innovative Models,” was named the best in Region XI.

• Ulysses Hammond, vice president for Administration, was the keynote speaker at the annual banquet of the New London chapter of the NAACP on June 28. (See “Press Clips,” page 6.)

• Barkley L. Hendricks, professor of art, has a featured painting in an exhibition at the New Museum in New York City. “Black President: The Art and Legacy of Fela Anikulapo-Kuti” is on view through Sept. 28. Hendricks was interviewed on July 9 by the BBC about his art and the impact Fela Kuti has had on his creative process.

• Bridget M. Shane, director of Alumni Relations, and Patricia Sinaiko ’02, Alumni Relations coordinator, attended the Northeast Alumni Relations conference at Williams College July 7 - 8.


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What’s black and white but really red all over?
The lovely ladies got all dolled up for Reunion 2003. Wearing festive red shirts, red boas and red noses (red noses!), they and dozens like them were easily recognizable as Reunion volunteers. From the Office of College Advancement, they are (left to right): Mary Brown, administrative secretary; Maura McGuinness, assistant to the vice president for College Advancement; Nancy Picard, administrative secretary; Elaine Ples, assistant director of stewardship; and Nancy Ludlam, administrative assistant. A slide show of photos taken at Reunion is viewable on CamelWeb.

press clips

“Real cities have always been known for their diversity of activity, for their working class populations and for their problems as well. That’s what makes them real.” — President Norman Fainstein, quoted in a column by Steven Slosberg, headlined, “From Providence, A Shot Into Norwich’s Heart,” The Day, June 22.

“We realize that we’re unable to do the things we want to do and should be doing, and that lead to a sense of frustration. … People who are prone to suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder have been anticipating that the weather would be bright by now.” Jefferson Singer, professor of psychology, in an article headlined, “Soggy, dreary spring affects emotions,” the Connecticut Post, June 5.

“Affirmative action, while still alive, believe me, may be developing a whooping cough. We need to plan for post-affirmative action.” — Ulysses B. Hammond, vice president of Administration, in an article headlined, “NAACP banquet notes need for education,” The Day, June 28.

“Overall, all students have been aware that it is a tight market—and they have to become more flexible. They realize they might have to do something else for a awhile before they move into where they want to work.” — Jack Tinker, director of recruiting, in an article headlined, “When the job market cools off, it’s a matter of degrees. When the economy is bad, many people decide to go back to school,” the (Meriden) Record-Journal, June 1.

“From this College’s perspective, it’s not a bad outcome. … I don’t think we’ll have to do anything different. We’ve got something here that works.” — Aaron Bayer, secretary and general counsel, in an article headlined, “Conn, other schools are O.K. with [affirmative action] ruling: Educators see little or no change in the immediate future,” The Day, June 24.

“Mumford Cove is a poster child. The hypothesis says that where you take action, nature can recover, and on Mumford Cove, you can actually test that.” — R. Scott Warren, professor of botany, in an article headlined, “Tide of humanity alters Long Island Sound,” The (Westerly, R.I.) Sun, June 5.

“Find your place. Accept your call to duty. Fulfill your chosen role in society.” — Sandy Grande, assistant professor of education, quoted in an article headlined, “2003 graduates of NLHS are ‘going on to bigger things’: 82 percent of the class is headed for higher education,” The Day, June 19.

“It’s a spectacular system, a real jewel in the state as a conservation holding and research site. I don’t think that we have anywhere else in Connecticut with that much marsh with so much contiguous, undeveloped uplands … . Protecting those uplands is important.” — Scott Warren, Jean C. Tempel ’65 Professor of Botany, in an article headlined, “Plenty of birds but no birdies at Barn Island,” The Day, July 11.

“There could be an element of ‘getting-evenitis’ at work here. They know they have lost money. They know they cannot quickly recoup those losses by investing in Gillette or Coca-Cola. So they invest, instead, in the cheap stocks with the hope that they might double or triple some of their money and perhaps ease the pain of the losses.” — Bernard Murstein, May Buckley Sadowski Professor Emeritus of Psychology, in an article headlined “Penny Stocks May Be Pound Foolish,” the Hartford Courant, July 14.

“And yet you are angry—angry at their government for disappointing you, for becoming the bully you never thought it would become, and for assuming that as the world’s most powerful entity it did not have to answer to anyone, including its own citizens.” — Alex Hybel, Susan Eckert Lynch ’62 Professor of Government, in an op-ed piece headlined, “Seeing Ourselves as Others See Us,” The Day, June 22.

Powell lets loose on a cargo boat, sidling up to many-stories-high oil tankers in port to deliver them supplies.

"Many of the crew members on these ships can be less than honest and a bit suspect, and there have been attacks on ship chandlers," he says. "At the end of the day, however, I love this job. I love being out on the ocean, and I love meeting people from every corner of the globe."

Powell is doing a summer internship at Salomon Smith Barney 2.5 days a week. The rest of the time and sometimes at nights and on weekends he is working for Brown Ship Chandlery in Portland, where he has spent his school breaks for the past three years.

The crew draws the cargo boat alongside oil tankers and other big vessels that come into port. Then they use cargo nets and cranes to send supplies up to the deck above.

Seniors Maggie Gentz and Matt Frackleton are tramping about the countryside looking at birds that call power line rights-of-way home.

Specifically, the pair is researching the quality of these habitats in Montville and in the arboretum that are home to, among others, Blue-winged Warblers, Chestnut-sided Warblers, Prairie Warblers and Brown-headed Cowbirds (nest parasites). Working with Robert Askins, professor of zoology, they are "mapping territories and monitoring nest success ... and performing general and vegetation surveys," wrote Gentz by e-mail.

Senior Erik Brzozowski's summer job isn't really a summer job. It's a winter job because he is in New Zealand, where it's winter, to research glaciers in the Southern Alps. He is working with the Glacial Research Team at the University of Canterbury. They are taking a series of velocity and depth measurements on the Franz Josef glacier using global positioning systems and ground penetrating radar equipment.

"This data will be catalogued and processed in order to produce a series of mass balance diagrams showing the annual change in the glacier's position and depth in relation to changes in climate," he e-mailed from New Zealand.

Bobby Brook '06, is helping his dad build a house on lakefront property in Maine and flying a Cessna in his spare time. Brooks is assisting a contractor alongside his father in Wayne, Maine, building what Mainers call a camp 50 yards from Androscoggin Lake.

"The house is only a few yards from another camp that my father built with his father and brother and sister in 1953," wrote Brooks by e-mail. "So, this summer is a wonderful chance for me to experience a construction project with my dad much like he did with his father."

Douglas Gobeille is on the cutting edge of astronomy and feels great to be along for the ride.

Writing from the Haystack Observatory outside Boston, he said, "I am having a great time up here, interacting with the best radio astronomers in the world." He is working on several programs, including piecing together a Yagi-Uda Array to perform interferometry on the sun in combination with a small radio telescope (SRT). In other words, "instead of making one extremely large telescope, which has inherent size and cost limitations, it is my job to fake it, so to speak."

In his free time, he is preparing to receive his cho dan degree in martial arts, the first of 10 degrees with a midnight-blue belt. Gobeille will be the first to complete such training through the CC Martial Arts Club.
The bride of Becker House

She went to the chapel (Harkness) on May 23 and got married. That's Lenette Strong (formerly DiMaggio), third from right, MIS/gift accounting assistant, surrounded by her College Advancement buddies, left to right; Judy Poirier, director of Advancement services; Karen Woods, director of prospect research; Dot Olsson, administrative assistant; Sharon Kneeland, MIS/gift accounting executive assistant; Laurie McGrath, associate director of Advancement services/director of stewardship; Patti Limber, MIS/gift accounting assistant; Joan Sullivan, research assistant; and bridesmaid Bonnie Baine, MIS/gift accounting assistant.

New employees join CC community

- Bruce, Rebecca, women’s field hockey/lacrosse intern, Athletics, Aug. 15.
- McCleary, Kathleen, director of education & communications, Lyman Allyn Art Museum, July 3.
- Stula, Nancy, interim director, Lyman Allyn Art Museum, July 7.
- Stahovec, Erica, temporary full-time accountant, July 8.
- Koba, Raymond A., financial analyst, Accounting, through Sept. 30.
- Valoy, Juan R., part-time custodian, Physical Plant, July 1.
- Currier, Marc, assistant in OVCS/Bates Woods, Office of Volunteers for Community Service, through June 15.
- Edson, Edward J., swimming intern, Athletics, Aug. 15 through end of academic year or conclusion of playing season

Other employees were transferred:

- Martinez, Hiram, full-time custodian from dining, Physical Plant, June 23.
- Cheney, Elizabeth, from Annual Fund to Alumni Relations, effective Aug. 24.

Institutional research associate is named

John Nugent has been appointed institutional research associate.

The institutional research associate is charged with sustaining and deepening research, evaluation and planning in support of the College's academic and administrative efforts. In this capacity, Nugent will maintain major institutional data sets reported to external agencies, coordinate institutional surveys, and conduct research to inform institutional decision-making. The institutional research associate reports to the Dean of the Faculty.

Prior to assuming these new responsibilities, Nugent served as visiting assistant professor of government at the College, and assistant director of academics for the Holleran Center.