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French Students Competing, Holding Meetings Here Today

The Florida French Congress is bringing students of French from around the state to USF through Saturday, for the second year in a row. French cultural attache Gerard Roubichou, from the consul's office in New Orleans, will be the principal speaker at the conference.

Around 500 high school and junior high school students are competing in contests, declamations, skits and intellectual discussions, judged by the faculty and graduate students of the foreign languages department. Dr. R. Adrian Cherry is acting as host in charge of arrangements.

The first meeting of the conference took place Mar. 25 at 8 p.m. in LET 103. Today's meetings will be held at the University Center. Dr. Cherry will present awards to individual students and to school groups at a noon banquet tomorrow at the Ramada Inn on Busch Boulevard. At that time Roubichou will speak on "French in America."

USFSPC Mini-Courses To Range From Wilderness Survival To Photography

Several non-credit mini-courses, including those in wilderness survival, swimming and life-saving, photography and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation are being offered by the St. Petersburg Campus during Spring Quarter. Complete details and reservations may be made with the Student Activities Office at ext. 251.

Two courses, wilderness survival and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation are open to the public as well as members of the University community. All others are open only to members of the University community and their families.

Wilderness survival will be each Sat. from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Apr. 3-May 29 at a place to be announced. The cost is \$10. Red Cross approved classes in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, a life-saving technique for cardiac arrest victims will be from 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Apr. 6-May 4 or May 11-June 8.

The courses include: dance exercise, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Apr. 6-May 20, USFSPC recreation complex, \$3; Red Cross Basic Sailing, 9-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Apr. 3-May 29, Coquina Key Recreation Center, \$8.12; Red Cross basic canoeing, 3-5:30 p.m. Fridays, Apr. 9-May 28 or 9-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Apr. 10-May 29, Coquina Key Recreation Center, \$3.62; Beginning, intermediate and advanced swimming, 10 a.m. Saturdays, May 1-June 5, USFSPC pool, \$3; advanced Red Cross life saving, time and dates to be announced, USFSPC Pool, \$5; Belly dancing, eight weeks, \$20, time and dates to be arranged; Ju-Jitsu, 10 weeks, \$12, time and dates to be arranged, instructor: Carley Gracie, 1971-72 Brazilian National Champion.

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York Critical of Proposals Made by Senate Subcommittee

From the Chancellor's "Memo," March 19, 1976:

"The Senate Ways and Means Subcommittee B at a meeting last week took action which if finally approved by the Legislature, would strike the State University System a devastating blow.

"The Subcommittee began action upon staff recommendations which in summary would cut general revenue appropriations for the University System \$26 million or 13.9 percent below current levels, eliminate 413 faculty positions or almost 10 percent, and reduce student enrollments more than 1,000 students below existing enrollments.

"The major reductions would occur at the graduate level, where the six smallest universities would be stripped of virtually all graduate academic programs except teacher education and business administration. In addition, many graduate programs at the University of Florida, Florida State University, and the University of South Florida would be wiped out.

"Chancellor E.T. York, Jr. made the following statement on the Subcommittee action:

"I cannot emphasize too strongly my concern and dismay over this action. It comes at a time when the morale of the university communities is already at an all-time low due to many circumstances which have occurred in recent years. Evidence of this low morale,

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Annuity Program Chances For Faculty and Staff Dim

Prospects for USF faculty and staff to participate in programs through TIAA/CREF (Teacher Insurance and Annuity Association/College Retirement Equities Fund) appear dim, according to Dr. Roy E. McTarnaghan, SUS vice chancellor for academic programs.

Responding to a recent inquiry from Dr. Jesse Binford, SUS Faculty Senate Council chairperson, Dr. McTarnaghan reported:

"All annuities sold in Florida are subject to a 1% premium tax as a result of Section 624.509, F.S. TIAA/CREF, as an annuity, is subject to the tax. Since the organization does not want to pay the tax, it does not...sell its services here.

"To change that state of affairs, a statutory change will be required. To increase the possibility of passing a bill on the subject, the change should probably apply to all annuity carriers doing business in Florida, which, we understand, now generate about \$750,000 in State tax revenues.

"I am told that a number of states do not tax annuities and there is a debate in legislative halls generally over the philosophy of such taxes. However, I am also informed that passage of a change in the law is most unlikely and Commissioner Ashler has made it clear that he would hold a dim view of the change."

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

- **FRIDAY, MARCH 26th**
Women's Softball: Florida State at USF, 10 a.m.
 and Manatee Community College at USF, 1 p.m.
Registration for Qtr. III
- **SATURDAY, MARCH 27th**
Men's Tennis: Univ. of Cincinnati at USF, 2 p.m.
Baseball: Cornell at USF, 2 p.m.
- **SUNDAY, MARCH 28th**
Baseball: Oakland at USF, 1 p.m.
- **MONDAY, MARCH 29th**
Classes begin for Qtr. III
Drop/Add Period
Late/Staff Registration
Special Student/Cont. Edu. Registration
Baseball: Oakland at USF, 3:30 p.m.
- **TUESDAY, MARCH 30th**
Drop/Add Period
Late/Staff Registration
Special Student/Cont. Edu. Registration
Baseball: Colby (doubleheader) at USF, 2 p.m.
Tampa Town Hall Meeting: WUSF-FM, "What Comes After Detente?," John Palm & John O. Bell, BSA, noon
- **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31st**
Drop/Add Period
Late/Staff Registration
Special Student/Cont. Edu. Registration
Baseball: Cornell at USF, 3 p.m.
Women's Tennis: Open, USF, 2 p.m.
Dance Dept.: Dance Workshop, TAR 130, 8:30 p.m.
SGP Street Dance: Crescent Hill, 8 p.m.
- **THURSDAY, APRIL 1st**
Drop/Add Period
Late/Staff Registration
Special Student/Cont. Edu. Registration
Men's Tennis: Jacksonville Univ. at USF, 2 p.m.
Dance Dept.: Dance Workshop, TAR 130, 8:30 p.m.
Speaker: Pauline Bart, "Unalienating Abortion, Demystifying Depression and Restoring Rape Victims," CTR 248, 2-4 p.m.
- **FRIDAY, APRIL 2nd**
Drop/Add Period
Late/Staff Registration
Special Student/Cont. Edu. Registration
Women's Softball: USF Tournament
Dance Dept.: Dance Workshop, TAR 130, 8:30 p.m.
Film Art Series: "Jarvis," ENA, 7, 9 & 11 p.m.
Weekend Sinny: "Cabaret," LET 103, 7:30 & 10 p.m.
Equal Opportunity Committee: CTR 204, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

CONTINUING EVENTS

- **Erick Holt, sculpture,* University Center Gallery, Mar. 29-Apr. 2.
- **Florida Center for the Arts:* "Super Realism Graphics," Theatre Lobby Gallery, Mar. 29-Apr. 25.
- **Art Dept.:* "Graduate Thesis Exhibition," Teaching Gallery, Mar. 29-Apr. 30.

SGP Talent Show To Be Held

The first annual Kiddie Follies, a children's talent show sponsored by Student Government Productions, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Apr. 4 in the TAT. Children, brothers and sisters of USF students, faculty and staff who are between the ages of 3-13 are invited to participate as single or group acts. SGP suggests that singers, dancers, baton twirlers and acrobats might be appropriate acts. The performance will be free to the public.

To register, contact SGP at ext. 2637.

Chancellor's "Memo"

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and its attendant frustration and concern, was reflected in a recent decision of the faculty to unionize in the hope that this could help provide a solution to many problems facing universities.

"We, of course, fully appreciate the necessity for the State to adjust its spending levels to coincide with its income. Indeed, during each of the past two years we have reduced spending to accommodate such adjustments.

"However, we can in no way comprehend the rationale for the action by the Senate Ways and Means Committee which, in the face of prospects for increased State revenue next year of 4-8%, proposes to reduce general revenue funding for the E&G budget of the State University System by some \$20-\$26 million. Even more difficult to comprehend is that the proposed reductions come at a time when there are increasing demands by the citizens of this State for access to higher education, when we are in a period of rampant inflation with rapidly rising costs, and when support per student in the State University System has already declined 21% in real dollars during the past three years alone--resulting in serious problems of deteriorating quality.

"Such cuts defy all logic and reason unless there has been a conscious decision by some in State government to significantly de-emphasize higher education and to begin its dismantlement. Precipitous action of this magnitude could undo much of the progress during the past 20 years resulting from the vision and hard work of so many Florida citizens, faculty, students and staff and could require many years to overcome."

USFSPC Mini-Courses

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Guitar, personal instruction; dates and times to be arranged, \$5; Audio visual workshop, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Apr. 6-27 or Thursdays, Apr. 8-29, USFSPC Bldg. A, Audiovisual Office, free; photography, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Apr. 6-20, USFSPC North Lounge Conference Room, \$3; beginning Karate, 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, Apr. 15-June 3, \$5, place to be announced; Kundalini Yoga, beginning, 6 p.m. Wednesdays, Apr. 7-May 26 and intermediate, 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Apr. 7-May 26, Recreation complex, \$10.

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