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MAÎTRE PTHELIN: Bruce Gourlay,
Ruth DeHaven, Paul Robelot

LANGUAGES AND HISTORY IN SOUTH AMERICA

A group of ten Clemson students took part in a study program in Colombia, South America, from December 18 to January 11, 1978. The group spent sixteen days in Bogota and nine in Cartagena, taking courses in Spanish and history, taught respectively by Dr. S. Carl King and Dr. J. L. Arbena.

Highlights of the trip were shopping at the Arts and Craft Festival in Bogota and sunbathing on the beach at Cartagena.

Participating in the program were Doug Montz, Ginny Gregg, Sharon Weir, Kathy Templeman, Nancy Anderson, Karen Heyson, David Kirven, Julia Benton, Staige Kern and Bryan Golson.

FRENCH PLAY GOES MEDIEVAL

The French play, presented January 24, was "La Farce de Maître Pathelin," a modernized version of the medieval classic.

The cast, under the direction of Bobbi Shook, was Bruce Gourlay, Paul Robelot, Mike Harden, Ruth DeHaven and Joey Mancino. The scenery was done by Robin Dunwoody and Kathy Keeshen, costumes by Caroline Ragin and Valerie Crelia. Lighting was handled by Bobbi Shook. Anne de Pujo and Ingrid Vasey acted as prompters. The production was accomplished under the supervision of Dr. Régis Robe.



MAÎTRE PTHELIN: Mike Harden,
Gourlay, Joey Mancino, Robelot

DIONYSIA

Dionysia '78, the seventh annual drama competition for high school and college foreign language students of South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia, hosted nearly 300 guests on the Clemson campus on March 10 and 11.

Activities on Friday included an open house and a courtesy performance of Anton Chekhov's "The Proposal" in English. The featured speaker of the evening was Dr. Edith Kern, President of the Modern Language Association of America, whose subject was "Roles and How We Play Them."

On Saturday, the students presented scenes from French, German, Russian and Spanish plays in the Competition and Festival categories. At an afternoon awards ceremony, prizes of engraved plaques were presented as first place prizes to the best casts. Books, records, and souvenirs were awarded to best actors and actresses. All schools participating in the Festival received engraved plaques for participation and a critique from the judges.

The panels of judges consisted of native speakers from the professional community and professors from neighboring universities. The Clemson University language faculty were hosts, and Clemson students graciously served as aids in various capacities.

Many other departments and organizations helped to make Dionysia a success. Special thanks go to Mark Charney, director of "The Proposal," and to the students who acted in and assisted with the production of this play. Our sincere appreciation also goes to Corinne Sawyer, Ray Sawyer and Chip Eagan of the English Department. Thanks are also due to the College of Architecture for the use of Lee Hall and to the Student Union for the use of the Senate Chambers

and Tillman Hall. The Department of Languages is sincerely grateful to the Clemson University departments of Public Relations, Alumni Relations, Communications Center and WEPR, to The Tiger, WSBF, WFBC, WCCP, SCETV, to The Messenger, The Greenville News, and to all the other members of the news media who so willingly publicized this event, its participants and winners.

The Department of Languages and the Dionysia Committee sincerely thank the following students for their efforts: James Allen, Tom Barton, Joyce Baugh, Lindsie Cone, Mike Cheek, Eric Davis, Donna Dayberry, Anne de Pujo, Linda Fludd, John Hall, Bob Hogan, Debbie Hurley, Lucie Irvine, Leslie Kirkland, Trani Matthews, Baylus Morgan, Patricia Morgan, Richard Morten, Liana Moussatos, Corie Pearson, Nancy Schultz, Kathy Templeman, Vicky Woy, Betty Wright, and Rip Wright.

THE LANGUAGE HOUSE TRANSFORMED

The French, Spanish and German Clubs have been very busy this semester restoring the former Wilson house. Thursday evening, April 13, was designated clean-up night. Students and faculty have been cleaning, scraping and painting what is now the Language House. It is hoped that the Clubs' endeavors will be completed by the end of the summer.

KOLKHOZ

The Russian Club members attended the performance of the Moscow Choral. The presentation of a bouquet of red carnations from the Russian Club to the conductor, Vladimir Minin, added a personal touch to the enthusiastic reception of these Soviet artists.

As usual, the Russian Club organized a dinner party. Since no Russian restaurants exist in the area,

demonstration cooking and sampling of recipes has become one of the favorite pastimes of the Club members.

Orthodox Easter falls on April 30 this year. Therefore, the Russian Club is planning to attend the Easter midnight service and mass at the Saint George's Greek Orthodox Church in Greenville.

The members elected an Executive Committee for next year: Wayne Hayes, president; Allen Katz, vice president; Lee Atkinson, secretary; and Patricia Callahan, treasurer.

DELTA PHI ALPHA

Delta Phi Alpha, Clemson's German honor society, met in April and elected new officers. Pat Masterson was chosen president, Anne de Pujo vice president, Jeff Agardy secretary, and Bobby Conrad treasurer.

For next year the group is planning to have monthly discussion on overlapping themes found in poetry and literature.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE MAJOR-BUSINESS MINOR

The Department of Languages encourages students whose interests and talents lie in a modern foreign language to enhance their special skills by minoring in a discipline that industry or the business community finds desirable.

The increase in multinational corporations in this country--there are now over 100 in South Carolina!--and the expansion of American companies to other countries make business acumen combined with a foreign language competency an attractive asset for employment.

Modern language majors interested in a minor in business (accounting or management) should contact the Department of Languages, 201 Strode Tower, for particulars.

GERMAN STUDENT EVENING OUT

Approximately thirty people attended a German evening upstairs in the Study Hall on Friday, April 7. German was spoken for three hours!



SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY INITIATES

The Iota Phi chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish national honor society, initiated students on Dec. 1, 1977. Mr. Leonard Perry of the Clemson lan-

guage faculty was received as an honorary member.

Shown in the picture, from left to right, are Mr. Robert Mixon, Julia Driskell, Mr. Bill Durham, Bonnie Ard, Laurie Rogers, David Hanson, Bruce Gourlay, Rebecca Lee, Betsy Judge, Jane Anderson (seated, president), Laura Dacus, Dr. Gaston Fernández, Jeanne Malmgren, Mimi Gordon (seated, past vice president), Sharon Weir, Pamela McAvoy, Cindy Shirmer, Vicky Taylor, Linda Stegall, Susan Rivell, Mr. Pedro Parrado and Mr. Perry.

LANGUAGE STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS

The Department of Languages Faculty Award, the department's most prestigious honor, underwritten by the language faculty, was presented to Bruce William Gourlay of Clemson, a Spanish major and student of French, for outstanding multi-language achievement and meritorious service to the department.

The American Association of Teachers of French Medal and the French Club Award of \$25 went to Susan Joyce Taylor of Doraville, GA. A similar medal from the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese and a check for \$25 from the Spanish Club were awarded to Norma Jean Malmgren of Seneca.

Patrick Carroll Masterson of Virginia Beach, VA, received the Dow Badische Award for Distinguished Achievement in German with a check for \$100. The Jan Kleinfewers Award for Excellence in German with \$100 went to Michael Joseph Harden of Sumter. The American Association of Teachers of German Certificate of Merit and the German Club Award of \$25 were given to John Christian Zona of Greenville.

The Latin Award of \$25 went to John Soward Bayne of Anderson, and the Russian Club granted its award to William Cowan Ervin, Jr., of Darlington.

"EINMAL IM LANDE SCHMUTZ"

Valentine's Day at Clemson had a peculiar twist this year as German drama students presented an original play entitled "Einmal im Lande Schmutz," which demonstrated not only that life exists elsewhere but that love does, too!

The play was written by Andy Hunter and translated into German by Ingrid Vasey. The actors were Henry Ackerman, Jerry Arndt, Carmen Burch,

Richard Cain, Pepe Cummings, Debbie Davis, Anne de Pujo, Teri Ellison, Mike Harden, Andy Hunter, Gail McClaren, Lou Ann Masters, Pat Masterson, Nancy McMillan, Mike Natusch, Len Robertson, Mary Schreck, Deby Seth, Sharon Staley, Dave Weinberg, Laura Lea Witcher, Bert Wolf and Chris Zona.

The cast also performed the play at the SCOGS convention in Columbia.

PI DELTA PHI INITIATION

The French honor society Pi Delta Phi received seven new members on February 27. The brief ceremony was followed by a period of fellowship and refreshments.

During the business meeting, the organization voted to purchase and give to the Department of Languages some audio-visual materials in French for use in the language laboratory.

Anne de Pujo was elected president for next year, Jane Cutler vice president, and Laura Jeanne New secretary-treasurer.

The following students were initiated: Linda Carol Flake, Vera Anne Ford, Mary Geiger, Joseph Mancino, Pamela Ann Roe, Jesse L. Scott and Joseph E. Whitmire.

LANGUAGE MAJORS MAKE DEAN'S LIST

The following foreign language students made the Dean's List for their studies during the first semester of this academic year.

Spanish majors: Laura Ellen Dacus, Bruce Gourlay, Elizabeth Judge, Norma Jean Malmgren, Elvira Quintero, Cynthia Sue Shirmer, Kathleen Templeman and Sharon Lee Weir.

French majors: Lois Andrea Brown, Robin Dunwoody, Gerlane Jacob, Debra McAlister, Laura Jeanne New, Susan Joyce Taylor, Kathryn Ward and Collette Williams.