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Vittor Among Those To Retire

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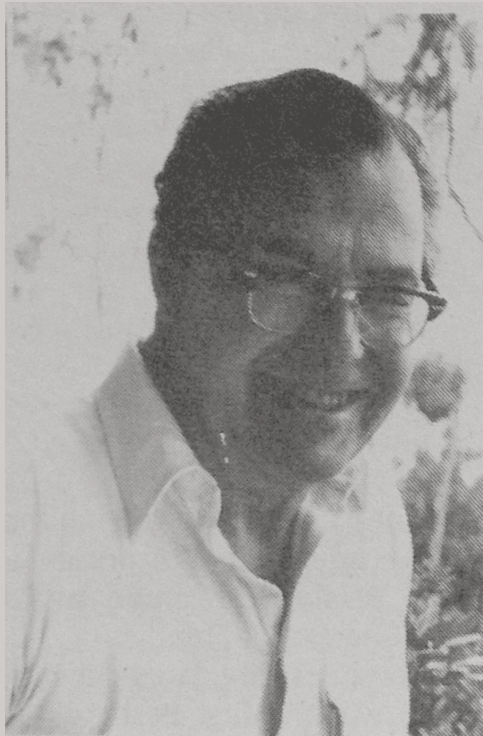
One of the members of Grossmont College's first graduating class is retiring after this semester. He's Frank Vittor, an English instructor here at Grossmont since 1966.

Vittor started off his schooling at Penn State but had to quit school due his father's failing health. Vittor then resumed his schooling at Grossmont College in 1962. (At the time it was located on the Monte Vista High School Campus.) He graduated in 1962, then went to San Diego State where he received his bachelor's and Master's degrees in English.

Ray Reynolds, a communication arts instructor, was one of Vittor's instructors in '62, and it was on Reynolds' encouragement that Vittor went into teaching.

Vittor began teaching part-time at San Diego State while working towards his master's degree in 1964. He taught at State for two years before coming here to Grossmont in 1966.

Vittor is planning to move to



Frank Vittor

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Alabama at the end of the semester where "the fishing's good and the air's clean."

Vittor is retiring earlier than planned due to a recent heart attack when he had 2 triple bypass and had a pacemaker put in. He said he plans to retire "while I can still do something with my retirement."

Also part of the Vittor family

that went to Grossmont at one time or another was his wife, five of his seven children and two grandchildren.

"Once of my most memorable experiences," Vittor said, "was receiving the Golden Griffin award for my work with the students. What I've enjoyed the most," Vittor added, was the classroom experience. It was very rewarding in spite of the frustrations. I will miss the classroom as well as the friends I've made here.

"One of the sadder aspects of leaving," Vittor continued, "is the difference in feeling on campus, mainly the relationship between the faculty and the administration."

Also to retire this semester are Dolores Alt, Harry Cousineau, William DeBolt, Martha Ashworth, Norman Gray, Adeline Insch, Margaret Kuhn, Fay Kurtz, Charline Lamons, John Lynch, Paul Moore, Les Phillips, Frieda Ralston and Yvonne De Selm.