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# Coastal Carolina

## UNIVERSITY NEWSLETTER



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### 2002 Homecoming activities

The following are activities which have been planned for Coastal's 2002 Homecoming, which will be held Feb. 4 to 10.

**Monday, Feb. 4**  
• Women's Basketball: Coastal vs. Elon 7 p.m., Kimbel Arena  
Support our Lady Chants as they go up against Elon University. The 2002 Homecoming court will be announced during halftime. Coastal students free with ID; \$5 adults; \$3 children.

**Tuesday, Feb. 5**  
• Creative Dating Program 7 p.m., Wall Auditorium  
How do you know that someone is really interested in you? Why do men never call back? Why do long distance relationships fail? Who controls relationships? Entertainer and comedian David Coleman (a.k.a. The Dating Doctor) has the answers everyone is looking for.

**Wednesday, Feb. 6**  
• "Big Fun Day"  
11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Prince Lawn  
Games! Food! Entertainment! Prizes! Join the fun on Prince lawn as students cast their ballots for Homecoming King and Queen. Student organizations will sponsor booths featuring games, food and fun.  
Sponsored by the Office of Student Activities.

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### Thrash to lead Coastal's Professional Golf Management program

Charles Thrash of Conway has been named director of Coastal's Professional Golf Management (PGM) program.



Charles Thrash

Since 1996 Thrash has been the general manager of Bay Tree Golf Plantation, a resort golf complex located in North Myrtle Beach.

Thrash, a native of Beaumont, Texas, earned a bachelor's degree from Lamar University in 1967 and a master's degree from Texas Tech University in 1969. He is also a 1991 graduate of the National War College in Washington, D.C. Thrash retired from the United States Air Force in 1995 following 26 years of service.

Coastal's PGM program, administered through the E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration, was initiated in fall 1997 in response to the Grand Strand's bustling golf industry, which has more than 100 courses situated within 40 miles of the university. Coastal's program, one of 11 in the

nation accredited by the Professional Golfers' Association of America (PGA), is the only one with an international component. More than 20 students from the Autonomous University in Barcelona, Spain, are enrolled in the program.

In Coastal's PGM program, students complete the requirements of a bachelor of science degree in marketing from the Wall College of Business and serve 16 months of internships at area golf courses. Students must also complete the PGA of America's Playing Ability Test (PAT), prior to their third year. One of the requirements for admission to the program is having outstanding playing ability with proof of a handicap of eight or less. Students must also complete the Golf Professional Training Program (GPTP), a three-level independent course on various aspects of the golf business. Those who complete the classwork, internships and GPTP are on course to obtain their PGA Class A certification, which is the critical credential for entering a career in the U.S. golf industry. Successful PGM graduates are qualified for a variety

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**Deadline to submit information for the next issue is Monday, Feb. 4 at noon.**

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ety of careers, such as club or teaching professionals, sales representatives, general managers, marketing or public relations directors.

The PGA allows accredited schools to enroll up to 300 students per program. Courses include accounting, finance, production, and marketing practices and principles. Students also study basic business concepts such as pricing, promotion and distribution of goods and services and gain specialized knowledge in the areas of landscape design, turf management, and marketing strategy and research. Internships at local golf courses under the direction of PGA Class A professionals play an essential role in the students' development.

## Baseball and Softball teams picked to win Big South Conference

Coastal's baseball and softball teams have been chosen to finish first in the Big South Conference 2002 pre-season polls.

The polls are voted on by the league's head coaches and sports information directors.

Coastal's baseball team won 42 games last year and just missed advancing to the NCAA Tournament Super Regionals. This year marks the third time in the last four years the Chanticleers have been the league's pre-season favorite.

Winthrop, which also competed in last season's NCAA Regional finals, finished second in the voting.

Coastal's softball team, the two-time defending conference champion, was unanimously selected to repeat in 2002, garnering 12 first-place votes.

Winthrop University, last year's conference runner-up, was picked second.

The Chanticleers' softball program has appeared in the NCAA Regionals in three of the last four years.

## 2002 Homecoming

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### Thursday, Feb. 7

• Men's Basketball: Coastal vs. Elon  
7 p.m., Kimbel Arena  
Coastal students free with ID; \$5 adults; \$3 children.

### • Comedy Show

7:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

### Friday, Feb. 8

• Bookstore Open  
8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., University Hall  
Visit Coastal's new, expanded bookstore and gift shop.

### • Campus Tours

10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Welcome Center  
University Hall  
Student guides will show you Coastal's flourishing campus.

### • Step Show and Crowning

7:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium  
Coastal students show their talent, compete for prizes and celebrate the spirit of Coastal. Cash prizes will be awarded. The 2002 Homecoming King and Queen and Prince and Princess will be crowned.  
\$2 donation

### Saturday, Feb. 9

• Bookstore Open  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., University Hall  
Visit Coastal's new, expanded bookstore and gift shop.

### • Baseball: Coastal vs. Campbell

2 p.m., Charles L. Watson Stadium  
Coastal students free with ID; \$5 adults; \$3 children.

### • Alumni Association Annual Meeting and Awards

2 p.m., Wall Board Room  
Alumni and guests are invited to attend the annual meeting of the Alumni Association. Special presentations will include the Outstanding Alumni of the Year from each college and the Athletic Hall of Fame inductees.

• Annual Oyster Roast and Pig Pickin'  
3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Singleton Horseshoe  
The traditional pre-game oyster roast

and pig pickin' continues! Join alumni, faculty, staff and friends for a little southern hospitality and rally before the big game.

Sponsored by Coastal's Alumni Association and Pontiac GMC.

### • Men's Basketball: Coastal vs. High Point

5 p.m., Kimbel Arena  
The latest Athletic Hall of Fame inductees will be announced during halftime.

Coastal students free with ID; \$5 adults; \$3 children.

### • Student/Alumni Homecoming Dance

8 p.m., PE Center Gym  
Williams-Brice Recreation Center  
Bring your masks and beads to celebrate Mardi Gras - Coastal style!  
Refreshments will be served.  
Sponsored by Coastal Productions and Office of Student Activities.

### Sunday, Feb. 10

• Greater Gospel Sing Out  
4:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium  
A celebration of joyous music, this annual event features the harmony of Coastal's Gospel Choir with special guest choirs from around the region.

Tickets for the basketball games will go on sale one hour prior to game time and will not be sold in advance.

Admission to events is FREE unless otherwise noted.

Admission fees or donations are payable at the door.

For more information, contact Carrie Herrington, director of Alumni Affairs, at 349-ALUM (2586).



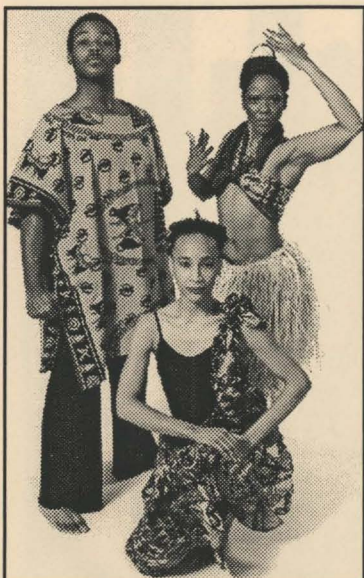
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## Vibrations Dance Company to perform

Vibrations Dance Company of Columbia, will perform in Coastal's Wheelwright Auditorium on Saturday, Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

The production, titled "Visions of a People," retrospectively explores the history of African-American dance and its influence on American dance and culture. This performance highlights the artistic, social and technical evolution of African-American dance through various styles and genres.

Vibrations is a modern dance group which performs works of modern, jazz and spiritual dances choreographed and performed by South Carolina artists. The company is dedi-



Vibrations Dance Company will perform at Coastal on Feb. 2.

cated to preserving, enhancing and presenting the historical, traditional and contemporary forms of dance, primarily African-American cultural expression.

Vibrations helps preserve the abundant heritage of South Carolina's many cultures through performances, community outreach and educational programs throughout the state.

The performance is part of Coastal's 2002 African-American Celebration which

offers a variety of events which examine the art, history, music and cultural achievement of African-Americans.

For more information, contact the Wheelwright Box Office at 349-2502.

## Chanticleer soccer players earn academic honors

Tobin Whitmarsh, a junior midfielder on Coastal's men's soccer team, and Candice Doten, a sophomore goalkeeper on the women's soccer team, have been selected to the 2001 Verizon Academic All-America University Division District III Teams. Whitmarsh is a first-team selection and Doten a second-team pick.



Tobin Whitmarsh



Candice Doten

They are placed on the ballot for the Verizon Academic All-America Team, which is selected by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

A native of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, Whitmarsh has a 3.71 GPA as a marketing major. He is a two-time member of the Big South Conference Presidential Honor Roll.

Whitmarsh helped the Chanticleers to the Big South Championship and the program's third trip to the N C A A Tournament in 2001. He earned Big South First Team All-Conference and Big South All-Tournament honors this past season, posting a pair of goals and three assists.

Doten, a native of Reistertown, Md., has a 3.85 GPA as an accounting major. She was named to the Big South Conference Presidential Honor Roll as a freshman. She has started between the nets in all of Coastal's 35 matches since the program became a varsity sport in 2000. Doten earned Big South First Team All-Conference honors this past season after posting a 1.62 goals against average with 3.5 shutouts and a school record 129 saves.

## Coastal Today - An Inside Look

*Coastal Today - An Inside Look at Coastal Carolina University* is a half-hour show which features all aspects of the university. The show includes interviews with students, faculty and staff; alumni profiles; programs offered by the School of Continuing Studies; and Chanticleer athletics.

*Coastal Today* is broadcast on local public and educational access channels. The show airs on HTC and Time Warner Cable Channel 12 daily at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Time Warner broadcasts the show on Channel 5 in Myrtle Beach, Conway and North Myrtle Beach and on Channel 17 in Surfside Beach, Garden City Beach, Murrells Inlet, Georgetown and Andrews on Sundays at 7:30 p.m. and Wednesdays at 4 p.m.

## Horry County Schools All-County Honor Orchestra Concert

The Horry County School District is sponsoring its second All-County Honor Orchestra Concert on Friday, Feb. 1 at 5:45 p.m. in Coastal's Wheelwright Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

Seventy-eight orchestra students from Carolina Forest, Conway, Forestbrook, Myrtle Beach, North Myrtle Beach, St. James and Whittemore Park middle schools, and Carolina Forest, Conway, Myrtle Beach and Socastee high schools will perform.

The concert will conclude with an arrangement of *America the Beautiful* that will be performed by the combined middle and high school orchestras.

The guest conductor/clinician for the concert is Johanna Pollack, orchestra director at Lexington Senior High and Intermediate Schools and master teacher of the University of South Carolina String Project.

# Coastal's 2002 African-American Celebration events

The following events are scheduled for Coastal's 2002 African-American Celebration, which offers a variety of events which examine the art, history, music and cultural achievement of African-Americans.

**Vibrations Dance Company**  
*Saturday, Feb. 2, 7 p.m.*  
*Wheelwright Auditorium*

Vibrations is a modern dance group that presents works of modern, jazz and spiritual dances choreographed and performed by South Carolina artists. The company is dedicated to presenting traditional and contemporary forms of dance, primarily African-American cultural expression.

**Greater Gospel Sing Out**  
*Sunday, Feb. 10, 4:30 p.m.*  
*Wheelwright Auditorium*

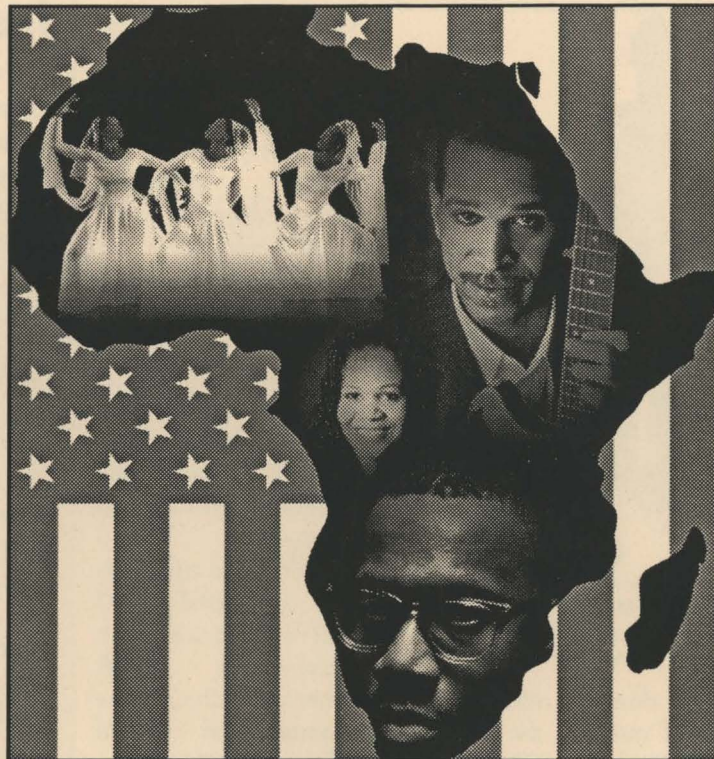
A celebration of joyous music, this annual event features the harmony of the Coastal Carolina University Gospel Choir with special guest choirs from around the region.

**Veronica Gerald**  
**Africans Among Us: The Gullah Culture in South Carolina**  
*Wednesday, Feb. 13, 4 p.m.*  
*Student Center 208*

Veronica Gerald, professor of English at Coastal, has done extensive research on the Gullah dialect and has presented her findings at conferences and universities throughout the Southeast. Her lecture will cover the history and heritage of the Gullah people in South Carolina.

**Preacher Moss**  
**Diversity Speaker and Comedian**  
*Tuesday, Feb. 19, 7 p.m.*  
*Wall Auditorium*

Preacher Moss - writer community activist, comedian and filmmaker - is one of the top lecturers on the college circuit. Using humor to illuminate a



serious subject, Moss talks about the necessity for cooperation, understanding and acceptance in our diverse, multicultural society.

**Melvin Taylor**  
**Blues Guitarist**  
*Saturday, March 2, 6:30 p.m.*  
*Wall Auditorium*

One of the most exhilarating blues guitarists to emerge in the past decade, Melvin Taylor is a blues innovator, mixing jazz chords and rock influences into his tapestry of electric blues. In the early '80s Taylor joined the Legendary Blues Band following the departure of Muddy Waters, and his recordings for Evidence Records further enhanced his reputation as one of the best blues guitarists on the scene.

**Maxine Maxwell**  
**Echoes of the Past and Voices of Hope**  
*Monday, March 4, 7 p.m.*  
*Wall Auditorium*

Maxine Maxwell's powerful one-act plays weave in and out of history to explore the turning points in the lives of five African and African-American women. Her one-woman performance

celebrates the spirit of women who believed that they could make their dreams a reality. She is a native of St. Louis and a graduate of Webster University Conservatory of Theatre Arts. As an actress, Maxwell has toured throughout the country and has worked in New York as both a solo artist and a member of performing ensembles.

**African-American Poetry Reading**  
*Wednesday, March 27,*  
*6:30 p.m.*  
*Student Center 208*

Enjoy African-American poetry written or read by Coastal Carolina University students, faculty, staff and friends.

**Cultural Celebration**  
*Wednesday, April 17,*  
*11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.*  
*Prince Lawn*  
*Rain Date: Wednesday, April 24,*  
*11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

This annual event celebrates the art, music, history and cuisine of various cultures with participation from students, faculty, staff and the community.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Coastal's Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2863.

## Birthdays

January		February	
29	Jennifer Fallone	3	James Hendrick Jr.
30	Elsa Crites	4	Matt Morrin
	Tim McCormick	5	Charles Moss
	Pat Singleton-Young	6	Jeanne Turner
		6	Tricia Bailey
			Judy Fontana
			Shawn Hale
			Mario Morales
			Sara Sanders
		7	Arline "Cookie" Elston
		8	Deborah Gore
			Joseph Gore
			Ernie Locklair
		9	Enda Byrt
			Clifford Saunders
		10	June Brown
			Claudia
			McCollough
			Thomas Wilson

## Coastal Carolina People

Faculty and staff are encouraged to submit information to be included in the "Coastal Carolina People" section of this newsletter. Information will be published following the presentation or activity.

• **Triniti Dufrene, Paul Gayes, Scott Harris, Eric Wright** and Coastal student **Elizabeth Sharrer** recently presented research findings at the 113th annual meeting of the Geological Society of America. More than 6,000 geoscientists from around the world attended the meeting in Boston.

• **Peter Lecouras** has been appointed to the Waccamaw Center for Mental Health Board by Governor Jim Hodges. His appointment runs through Oct. 31, 2004.

Lecouras recently presented a paper titled "Romantic Selfhood: Byron's *Sardanapalus* and Delacroix's *The Death of Sardanapalus*," at the annual meeting of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association.

## Campus Notes

### CCU Alumni Association offers *Platinum Plus* MasterCard credit card

Coastal's Alumni Association is offering the *Platinum Plus* credit card, a no annual fee MasterCard credit card program that provides peerless benefits, service, worldwide acceptance, and convenience.

Issued by MBNA America Bank, N.A., the nation's leading issuer of affinity credit cards, this program offers a low introductory Annual Percentage Rate. *Platinum Plus* customers may also take advantage of numerous benefits such as fraud protection services, a year-end summary of charges, supplemental auto rental collision damage deductible coverage, and \$1 million common carrier travel accident insurance.

Using the *Platinum Plus* MasterCard credit card helps generate funding in support of Coastal and its Alumni Association. The Alumni Association will use the contributions from MBNA to aid in the support of the university, alumni programs and scholarships.

The CCU Alumni Association credit card, which displays Coastal's name, offers privileges of particular value to its members. Credit lines are individually established to ensure that qualified applicants receive the maximum in purchasing power—up to \$100,000 for *Platinum Plus* customers. CCU Alumni Association cardholders can take advantage of 24-hour cus-

tommer service, emergency card replacement, credit-line increase decisions made in as few as 15 minutes, and cash advance access at more than 300,000 automated teller machines worldwide that display the Cirrus network logo.

For more information, contact Carrie Herrington, director of Alumni Affairs, at 349-ALUM (2586).

### Student Health Services receives grant

Coastal's Student Health Services has been awarded a grant from the Waccamaw Regional Prevention Collaboration (WRPC), which is a member of the Community Coalition of Horry County. WRPC is an agency devoted to HIV/AIDS prevention and education.

The grant will be used to fund this year's Peer Health Education program titled "Choose Health - Reproductive Wellness for Women." This program was developed by the WRPC and stresses the importance of responsible reproductive health choices and the effects of sexually transmitted disease on women's preconceptual health.

Coastal students chosen as Peer Health Educators will conduct health and wellness outreach programs to classes and student groups during the 2002 fall semester.

The grant was written by Kristen Cudney, nurse coordinator of Student Health Services.

## Campus Calendar

Friday, Jan. 25

- Coastal faculty rock band *Virtue Trap* to perform, 9 p.m., Hard Rock Cafe, Broadway at the Beach

Friday, Feb. 1

- Coastal Visual Arts Faculty Exhibition opening, 5 p.m., Bryan Art Gallery. Exhibit displayed through Feb. 25
- Horry County Schools All-County Orchestra Concert, 5:45 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

Saturday, Feb. 2

- Vibrations Dance Company, 7 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

Friday, Feb. 8

- Last day to apply for December graduation

Sunday, Feb. 10

- Greater Gospel Sing Out, 4:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

### ATHLETIC EVENTS

Wednesday, Jan. 30

- Women's Basketball at Birmingham Southern, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 31

- Men's Basketball hosts Winthrop, 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 1

- Men's Tennis hosts Campbell, 2 p.m.
- Women's Tennis hosts Campbell, 2 p.m.
- Women's Indoor Track and Field at VMI Invitational, through Feb. 2

Saturday, Feb. 2

- Men's Tennis hosts North Carolina A&T, 1 p.m.
- Women's Tennis hosts North Carolina A&T, 1 p.m.
- Women's Basketball hosts High Point, 7 p.m.
- Men's Basketball at Liberty, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 4

- Women's Basketball hosts Elon, 7 p.m.
- Men's Basketball at Radford, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 7

- Men's Basketball hosts Elon, 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 8

- Baseball at Campbell, 3 p.m.
- Women's Tennis at UNC Wilmington
- Women's Indoor Track and Field at Virginia Tech Invitational, through Feb. 9

Saturday, Feb. 9

- Baseball hosts Campbell, 2 p.m.
- Women's Tennis hosts Western Carolina, TBA
- Men's Basketball hosts High Point, 5 p.m., Homecoming
- Women's Basketball at Radford, 7 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 11

- Women's Basketball at Liberty, 7 p.m.
- Men's Basketball at Birmingham Southern, 8 p.m.

## In Appreciation

I would like to thank my Coastal Carolina University family for all their thoughts, prayers, lovely cards and flowers during the recent death of my sister, Tena Brown.

Judy Hawkins

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## Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery



Coastal Carolina University

# Visual Arts Faculty Exhibition

Opening 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 1, 2002

The exhibition is open through Monday, Feb. 25.