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Horner receives 2001 Martha Kime Piper Award

Sally M. Horner, executive vice president at Coastal, has been named the recipient of the 2001 Martha Kime Piper Award. Given annually by South Carolina Women In Higher Education, the award recognizes a woman with a record of advancing and supporting women in higher education and the education of women in South Carolina.

"Sally Horner has long been a listener and builder of women on Coastal's campus and throughout her 41-year career," said Coastal President Ronald R. Ingle, who nominated Horner for the award. "Since she came to Coastal in 1984, she has personally mentored and guided many faculty and administrators, both women and men, to attain higher goals, through professional development and expanded educational opportunities."

Horner, who is also serving as interim provost at Coastal for the 2001-2002 academic year, was named executive vice president in 1993. She had served as vice chancellor for planning and fiscal affairs at Coastal since 1984.

From 1978 to 1984, Horner held several top administrative positions at the University of Charleston in West

Coastal Carolina University receives 10-year reaccreditation from SACS

Coastal has been reaccredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) following an intense, year-long self-study and peer review process.

Reaffirmation of accreditation involves a peer review process by SACS's Commission on Colleges, the regional accrediting agency for 11 Southeastern states. As part of the peer review process, faculty and administration from SACS member institutions visit the campus and evaluate the university under review. The peer review team makes recommendations based on the campus visit and SACS's Commission on Colleges makes its final decision at its December meeting.

A peer review team visited the Coastal campus for three days in February 2001 as part of the initial self-study process. In its exit review, the team presented Coastal with an outstanding report that included only four recommendations, among the fewest ever given by a SACS reaffirmation committee, according to Coastal President Ronald R. Ingle. The recommendations focused on Coastal's need for additional and improved physical facilities, including library, science and student services facilities.

Coastal also received two commendations, both citing broad institutional characteristics. The first commendation cited Coastal's dedication to the SACS peer review process and to its commitment to participating in the activities and decisions of SACS's Commission on Colleges. The second commendation noted the excellence of Coastal's ongoing and broad-based program of planning, assessment and institutional effectiveness.

"Receiving one commendation is relatively rare in a SACS review, and receiving two is a significant acknowledgment of the quality and progress Coastal has achieved," said Ingle.

Sally M. Horner, Coastal's executive vice president, was chair of the steering committee for the self-study process. Colleen Lohr, associate professor of biology at Coastal, was director.
Family Friendly Business Initiative wins state award

The Employee Certified Family Friendly Business Initiative, a community service project of the Community Coalition of Horry County (CCHC) and the Coastal Organization of Human Resources (COHR), received the first Vanguard Award from First Steps, a state early childhood education program founded by Gov. Jim Hodges. The award was presented to Jim R. Rogers, co-chair of the Family Friendly Initiative, by Hodges at the First Steps Celebration and Awards Dinner in Columbia on Jan. 30.

The Family Friendly Initiative was recognized for playing a leading role in the family-conscious workplace movement in South Carolina, according to Rogers, who is also the parent and family life educator in Coastal's Center for Education and Community.

In October 2001, the first 19 Horry and Georgetown county businesses and organizations were certified as "family friendly" as part of the model program designed to emphasize the need for better balance in work/family issues. Firms which earn the family friendly designation must meet a specific set of criteria including health care, flexible work schedules, financial packages, career advancement, personal time off for family needs and the encouragement of involvement in the educational process. Certification is based on a detailed survey filled out by all employees of each organization and can be attained on one of three different levels depending on the degree of criteria achieved.

More than 45 other Horry and Georgetown county businesses are now working toward family friendly certification. Coastal's Center for Education and Community and the Office of Quality Initiatives play an integral role in research and data processing as part of the program.

Hunter Howard, president of the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce, was guest speaker at the October event. He was impressed by the program which had been developed in Horry County, and as a result Rogers along with Bill Bayer and Diane Slazyk of COHR were invited to become members of the selection committee for the First Steps Family Friendly Workplace Awards, which recognizes businesses and organizations throughout the state.
Nance featured in Coastal’s Writers in the Real World Series

Brian Nance, associate professor of history at Coastal, will present a workshop and lecture as part of Coastal’s Writers in the Real World series on Thursday, Feb. 21. The events, which are free and open to the public, will be held in the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Building.

The workshop is scheduled from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in Edwards 164 and the lecture will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Edwards Building Recital Hall.

Nance’s recently published book, *Turquet de Mayerne as Baroque Physician: the Art of Medical Portraiture*, is a study of the life and times of a prominent 17th-century court doctor whose patients included Oliver Cromwell, Cardinal Richelieu and the royal families of England and France. From a careful study of the doctor’s casebooks, Nance describes how Mayerne’s innovations advanced the theory and practice of medicine and how his ideas relate to broader currents in baroque culture and art.

In his evening lecture — “The Mysterious Death of Prince Henry” — Nance will discuss his search for evidence and his analysis of competing explanations for the death of the son of King James I of England, a controversial event in which Mayerne played a key role.

In the workshop, which is designed for students interested in learning about the mechanics of writing and publishing, Nance will focus on academic publishing.

A native of Levelland, Texas, Nance earned a Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina. He joined the Coastal faculty in 1991.

The Writers in the Real World series has been initiated by the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts to showcase South Carolina authors and to offer a forum for students, faculty and members of the community interested in the practical aspects of writing.

For more information, call 349-2444 or 349-2712.

Stand-up comedian Preacher Moss to perform in Wheelwright Auditorium

The multi-talented Preacher Moss – comedian, writer, filmmaker, activist – has earned a national reputation as one of the top lecturers on the college circuit for his unflinching take on racial issues. Moss’ 2002 lecture tour, “End of Racism,” will come to Coastal’s Wheelwright Auditorium on Tuesday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. as part of the university’s African-American Celebration. The event is free and open to the public.

Moss has been described as an “undercover agent for social change” who leads audiences, through laughter, to a deeper understanding of multiculturalism. Using humor to illustrate a serious subject, Moss focuses on the distinction between racial understanding and racial interaction in today’s society.

“No matter how unflattering or funny it is, we must investigate to find truth in the world,” says Moss. “I believe that we are all one family, but ignorance and indifference make it seem like some of us were adopted. Understanding diversity and multiculturalism requires that we eliminate or reduce ignorance, and learn to speak honestly when we can.”

For more information, contact Coastal’s Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2863.

Coastal’s SEA to plant 700 trees

Students for Environmental Action (SEA), Coastal’s student environmental club, will plant 350 trees on the Coastal campus as part of its first Tree-A-Thon on Tuesday, Feb. 12. Members of the group and other volunteers will plant another 350 trees at Carolina Forest Elementary School on Saturday, Feb. 16.

SEA acquired the 700 seedlings, primarily red maple and birch, through a grant from the National Tree Trust of Washington, D.C., an organization established as part of the America the Beautiful Act of 1990.

The Tree-A-Thon is a fund-raising event for SEA. Half the monies raised will go toward Coastal’s Earth Day festivities and recycling programs and the other half will be donated to the South Carolina Environmental Law Project and to the local chapter of Surfriders, a community-based beach/ocean protection organization.

For more information, call 234-0463 or 234-3400.

Powell to give solo piano recital

Philip Powell, pianist and chair of Coastal’s Department of Performing Arts, will perform a solo piano recital on Sunday, Feb. 24 at 4 p.m. in the Edwards Building Recital Hall. The concert, which will include works by Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin and Schubert, is free and open to the public.

Powell has performed throughout the United States as a soloist and chamber musician. He has performed with the University of South Carolina Orchestra, the Long Bay Symphony and the Jupiter Symphony of New York City.

A member of the Coastal faculty since 1988, Powell earned a master’s degree and a doctorate degree from Indiana University.

For more information, contact the Wheelwright Box Office at 349-2502.
Coastal to host distance learning information sessions

Coastal's School of Continuing Studies is sponsoring two distance learning information sessions. The events are free and open to the public.

The first session, titled "Effective Distance Learning, Teaching and Training Using Videoconferencing Technologies," will be held Friday, Feb. 15 at 2:30 p.m. in the S.C. National Guard Distance Learning Classroom located on the second floor of Coastal's University Hall.

The session will be led by Scott Sharer, vice president of training development for Logical Transitions, Inc., of Tybee Island, Ga. Sharer will discuss the ideas, needs and challenges associated with using videoconference technology as a component of distance learning. He will provide insight in how to maximize the use of technology with focus on effective communication via live real-time video.

Sharer has served on the faculty of Texas Christian University, Cornell University and the University of Missouri. He holds a master of fine arts degree from Texas Christian University.

The second session is titled "Faculty Issues in the Development of an Online Degree Program," which will be held Friday, Feb. 22 at 2:30 p.m. in University Hall 218.

Rick Osborn, associate dean for the School of Continuing Studies at East Tennessee State University, will lead the presentation. Discussion topics include: What to Put Online; New Degree or Conversion of Existing Degree(s); Faculty Development/Training; Program Development Incentives; The Reality of Teaching Online; Faculty and Departmental Incentives; Support Services; and Impact on the University.

Osborn earned a Ph.D. in education from the University of Iowa and has worked in continuing education at various institutions since 1978.

For more information, contact Coastal's School of Continuing Studies at 349-2648.

Board of Trustees meetings rescheduled for Feb. 21 and 22

Coastal's Board of Trustees will hold its quarterly meetings on Feb. 21 and 22. The following is a schedule of meetings:

- **Thursday, Feb. 21**
  - 2 p.m., Planning and Fiscal Affairs Committee, Wall Board Room
  - 4 p.m., Student Affairs Committee, Wall Board Room
- **Friday, Feb. 22**
  - 8:30 a.m., Academic Affairs Committee, Wall 212
  - 8:30 a.m., Development and Alumni Affairs Committee, Wall 310
  - 9 a.m., Regular Board Meeting, Wall Board Room

Faculty members invited to AAUP presentation

Members of Coastal's American Association of University Professors (AAUP) invite all faculty members to a campus presentation to be given by Lorraine de Montluzin, AAUP state vice president. She will present "How the AAUP benefits faculty and their institutions," on Monday, Feb. 18 at 3 p.m. in Wall 317.

De Montluzin is professor of history at Francis Marion University, where she has taught since 1974. A specialist in British history, she has published several books and many articles on 18th and 19th century British history. She earned a Ph.D. from Duke in 1974.

According to Jim Henderson, a Coastal AAUP member, Coastal is using de Montluzin's visit to reconstitute the university's AAUP chapter. AAUP is America's leading independent organization representing college faculty.

For more information, contact Henderson at 349-2626.

Faculty and Staff invited to Travel to London

Coastal professors Dan Ennis and Sandi Shackelford are leading a group of students to London May 24 to 31 to study English literature and theater. Faculty and staff are invited to come along and take advantage of this very reasonably priced travel opportunity. Fee for the trip is $1,375, which includes round-trip airfare from Myrtle Beach, airport transfers to and from London, six-day city travel card and hotel accommodations (double occupancy) with breakfast at the Royal National Hotel near Russell Square. If you have been to London before and would like to explore on your own, then this is the ideal opportunity.

For those who would like a more structured tour including visits to Westminster Abbey, Tower of London, St. Paul's Cathedral, Changing of the Guards, Greenwich Observatory, Imperial War Museum, the Globe Theatre, Tate Gallery, and the British Museum as well as a theater performance or two, contact Geoff Parsons in the Office of International Programs who will be your guide on the trip. This sort of package would add $200 to $300 to the price depending on what activities are chosen. Time to shop and explore will also be available.

For more information, contact Parsons at 349-2054.

ODK forms distributed

Letters of invitation and application forms have been sent to approximately 570 Coastal juniors and seniors who are academically eligible for election to Omicron Delta Kappa. Election to ODK is an indication of undergraduate achievement. To be eligible, a student must be a full-time junior or senior (excluding seniors graduating in May 2002), in the top 30 percent of class, and have held at least one leadership position. Students who have not received a mailing and who consider themselves eligible should contact the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs at 349-2300. Students who have received a mailing from the Vice President's Office are encouraged to complete the form and return it by the Friday, March 1 deadline.

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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.

- Mollie Fout has been named to the Advisory Board for hotU, a national developer of Web-based technology and online relationship recruiting services for higher education. She was selected to represent career centers for small and mid-sized colleges and universities.

- Claudia McCollough chaired a session at the Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum international conference, held at the University of Florida, Jan. 31 to Feb. 2.

- Preston McKever-Floyd delivered “Where Do We Go From Here: Viewing Global Culture since Sept. 11th,” during a luncheon held Jan. 25 at the Island Deli in Pawleys Island. The event is a part of the Moveable Feast Series, sponsored by Artworks in Litchfield.

- Ioana Mihaila and Prashant Sansgiry's article “Introducing Wavelets and Image Compression as Applications in Linear Algebra Class - Parts 1 and 2” was accepted for publication in the Mathematics and Computer Education Journal.

- “English in the Southern United States,” edited by Steve Nagle and Sara Sanders, has been accepted for publication by Cambridge University Press. The book features articles by prominent sociolinguists and dialectologists such as Walt Wolfram (North Carolina State University and president of the Linguistic Society of America), Connie Eble (University of North Carolina and editor of American Speech), Salikoko Mufwene (University of Chicago), Barbara Johnstone (Carnegie Mellon University), Jan Tillery and Guy Bailey (University of Texas-San Antonio), John Algeo (professor emeritus at the University of Georgia). Preliminary publication date is December 2002.

- Michael Ruse recently delivered a paper titled “Natural Images of Technology: Technological Images of Nature” for the Society for the Philosophy of Creativity at the American Philosophical Association’s Eastern Division Conference held in Atlanta.


- Phil Schneider recently presented “The Ethics of Genetic Meddling,” including a detailed discussion of the ethical implications of stem cell research, to the Pawleys Island Lions Club.

- Oran P. Smith has been named director of the Palmetto Family Council, a nonprofit family assistance foundation in Columbia. Smith is a member of Coastal's Board of Trustees.

Campus Calendar

Wednesday, Feb. 13
• Veronica Gerald presents "Africans Among Us: The Gullah Culture in South Carolina," 4 p.m., Wall Auditorium

Tuesday, Feb. 19
• Comedian Preacher Moss, 7 p.m., Wall Auditorium

Sunday, Feb. 24
• Philip Powell Solo Piano Recital, 4 p.m., Edwards Recital Hall

ATHLETIC EVENTS

Tuesday, Feb. 12
• Men's Tennis at UNC Wilmington, 1:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 15
• Baseball hosts William and Mary, 3 p.m.
• Women's Tennis at North Carolina State, noon

Saturday, Feb. 16
• Women's Basketball at UNC Asheville, 2 p.m.
• Men's Basketball at UNC Asheville, 4:30 p.m.
• Women's Indoor Track and Field at Big South Conference Championships

Sunday, Feb. 17
• Baseball hosts William and Mary, 11:30 a.m.
• Men's Tennis hosts Radford, noon
• Women's Tennis hosts Radford, noon
• Baseball hosts St. Johns, 3 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 18
• Baseball hosts St. Johns, 3 p.m.
• Men's Golf at Beau Chene Collegiate, through Feb. 19
• Men's Basketball at Winthrop, 9 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 20
• Women's Basketball hosts Winthrop, 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 22
• Baseball hosts Georgia Tech, 2:30 p.m., at Coastal Federal Field in Myrtle Beach
• Women's Indoor Track and Field at Virginia Tech Last Chance Meet, through Feb. 23
• Softball at South Florida Tournament, through Feb. 24

Saturday, Feb. 23
• Baseball hosts Virginia Commonwealth, 11 a.m., at Coastal Federal Field in Myrtle Beach
• Women's Basketball hosts Charleston Southern, 5 p.m.
• Men's Basketball hosts Charleston Southern, 7 p.m.
• Men's Outdoor Track and Field at Charleston Southern, 11 a.m.
• Women's Tennis at Wofford, 1:30 p.m.
• Women's Tennis at Wofford, 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 24
• Baseball hosts South Carolina, 3 p.m., at Coastal Federal Field in Myrtle Beach

Monday, Feb. 25
• Women's Golf at Carolinas Collegiate Classic, through Feb. 26

In Appreciation

On behalf of my family, and myself, I would like to thank all my friends at Coastal Carolina for the many acts of kindness expressed to us during my husband Bob's recent illness and death. The cards, telephone calls, prayers, flowers and expressions of sympathy really helped us get through a very difficult time.

Sincerely,
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**Preacher Moss**

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Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002
7 p.m. • Wall Auditorium
Free and open to the public.

For more information,
call the Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2863
or the Office of Student Activities at 349-2301.