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UNIVERSITY NEWSLETTER

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A Newsletter for Faculty, Staff and Friends of Coastal Carolina University

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Women's History Month events

Coastal is hosting "Women Sustaining the American Spirit," a series of events to be held throughout March to celebrate Women's History Month. The events, organized by Coastal's Women's Studies Program, are free and open to the public.

The following is a list of upcoming events:

- *The Pen and the Podium*, Monday and Tuesday, March 11 and 12, 10 a.m., Wheelwright Auditorium (see page 2 for more information).

- "From Doorway to Kitchen: African-American Women in 19th Century Paintings and Prints," Wednesday, March 13, 4 p.m., Edwards Recital Hall.

This lecture will be presented by Jo-Ann Morgan, assistant professor of art history, whose area of expertise is American visual culture.

- Garden of Hope, Wednesday, March 27, Noon, Spadoni Park

The Garden of Hope, a program sponsored by Coastal's Women's Advocacy Center, honors women at Coastal and in the community. Susan McClean, a Coastal senior, will present an address titled "Housework, Homework and Holding on to the American Spirit as a Woman Student at Coastal."

- "Reading Women into the American Spirit," Wednesday, March 27, 4 p.m., Edwards Recital Hall

Coastal faculty, staff, students and community members read the words and works of American heroines whose voices embody what it means to sustain the spirit of our nation.

For more information, call 349-2460 or 349-2473.

Center for the Study of Aging and Active Retirement established at CCU

The Center for the Study of Aging and Active Retirement has been established at Coastal. A joint effort between Coastal's College of Natural and Applied Sciences

and School of Continuing Studies, the center provides campus-wide faculty and student research projects related to aging and active retirement and provides opportunities for professional development in the gerontology field.

"This center allows our faculty and students from all disciplines to conduct research on aging and retirement issues," said Val Dunham, dean of Coastal's College of Natural and Applied Sciences. "Through these research projects, retirees will, in essence, become teachers for our undergraduate students. It is critical that all people, especially college-age students, understand aging and its effect on their parents, grandparents and other family members. We must find out more about the aging process because caring



Val Dunham



Peter Balsamo

for older adults has become a lost art in the United States."

According to Dunham, the center's activities are a natural fit for Coastal and the area. The universi-

ty already does extensive research on the Grand Strand's tourism industry and has academic programs related to tourism and golf. "The retirement community is growing very fast and we must address its needs as more and more senior adults make this area home."

The center will help direct Coastal's Gerontology Certification program; support faculty and student research on aging and related issues; coordinate student internships on aging; provide training and teaching for professional health care workers in aging and for non-professionals in issues related to aging, including adult development and aging, care taking, retirement planning; develop and expand university-commu-

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CCU Newsletter Publication Dates

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Monday, April 8

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Deadline to submit information for the next issue is Monday, March 18 at noon.

Information for the CCU Newsletter should be submitted to Jerry Rashid (jrashid@coastal.edu) in the Office of Marketing Communications, Singleton 204.

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Study of Aging

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nity partnerships in support of programs for the elderly and active retirees; and facilitate programs and services developed and organized by the School of Continuing Studies.

"The number of Horry County residents 65 and older grew nearly 50 percent from 1990 to 1999," said Peter Balsamo, dean of Coastal's School of Continuing Studies. "With such a large number of members in Coastal's Lifelong Learning Society and our proximity to so many active retirees, we feel the establishment of this center will aid us in the development of our programs that are geared toward serving the needs and wants of senior adults."

Ridgewood on the Green, a retirement resort under development near Carolina Forest in Myrtle Beach, is the charter corporate sponsor of the center.

For more information, contact Balsamo at 349-2648 or Dunham at 349-2202.

Complete your degree information session planned

Area adults who have some college credits and are interested in completing their degrees are invited to attend a free information session about Coastal's bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies. The session will be held Tuesday, March 12 at 6 p.m. in University Hall 228.

The structured but flexible program allows students to design a degree incorporating prior education and work experiences. The program is ideal for adults who have an associate's degree or have completed at least 30 credit hours of college work.

Courses are available through a combination of day, evening and distance learning classes at the Conway and Georgetown campuses as well as at Coastal's Higher Education Center located in Myrtle Square Mall.

For more information about the degree program, call 349-2734.

Pen and Podium production parodies Susan B. Anthony trial

Coastal's third annual Pen and Podium production, "The Trial of Susan B. Anthony," will be presented March 11 and 12 at 10 a.m. in Wheelwright Auditorium in conjunction with the university's Women's History Month events. The production is free and open to the public.

Written by Lee Bollinger, assistant professor of English and journalism at Coastal, the play parodies the trial of pioneer women's rights activist Susan B. Anthony, who was arrested after voting illegally in 1872. Visitors to the trial include Sojourner Truth, a former black slave activist who advocated women's rights and who was always welcomed at suffragette meetings, and Frederick Douglass, who joins the group as a supporter for Anthony at the trial.

The cast, comprised of Coastal faculty, staff and students, includes Linda



"The Trial of Susan B. Anthony," featuring Coastal's Glenn Hanson (left), Jack Flanders (center) and Edgar Dyer will be held March 11 and 12 at 10 a.m. in Wheelwright Auditorium.

Hollandsworth, professor of English, as Anthony; Edgar Dyer, professor of politics and geography, as the prosecuting attorney; Glenn Hanson, director of financial aid, as Anthony's attorney; and Jack Flanders of information technology serves as the judge. Dramatic arts students Amie Barr of Hemingway and Jerrod Paige of Gresham play Truth and Douglass, respectively.

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

Gragg to speak at Coastal March 13

Author Rod Gragg will give a public talk titled "Johnny Reb and Billy Yank: Soldier Life in the Civil War," a discussion of the lives of ordinary soldiers who fought on both sides of the war, on Wednesday, March 13 at 2:30 p.m. in Coastal's Edwards Recital Hall. The event is free and open to the public.



Rod Gragg

Gragg is the author of nine books, including *The Civil War Quiz and Fact Book*; *The Illustrated Confederate Reader*; *Confederate Goliath: the Battle of Fort Fisher*; *Covered with Glory: the Twenty-Sixth North Carolina Infantry at Gettysburg*; and *Commitment to Valor: A Character Portrait of Robert E. Lee*. He is a former television reporter and news director, producer of the series

"Waccamaw Magazine" for South Carolina ETV as well as television documentaries on Southern history. He is the founder of Southern Communications, a marketing firm in Conway. He recently completed a book manuscript titled *Fields of Fire in Glory*, to be published by Chronicle Books.

For more information, call 349-2437.

Birthdays

March	
14 Elaine Bridges Quinn Jones	20 Lonna Brown Lori Nicholson Steven Terry
15 Mollie Fout Sarah Jaynes	21 Laura Hickman Charles Turner
16 Virginia Altman Lisa Gore	22 Wanda Shannon
18 Bobbie Lawson Sarah Rabon	23 Dan Abel
19 Patricia Harrington Paul Peterson	24 Lynn Franken Andy Hendrick Vicky Rabon
	25 Ronnie Howard

Sessions to lecture on Flannery O'Connor

William Sessions, a Conway native who recently retired as Regents Professor of English at Georgia State University, will give a public lecture about the life and work of



William Sessions

his friend, the late writer Flannery O'Connor, on Monday, March 25 at 7 p.m. in the Edwards Recital Hall. The lecture, titled "Trees That Walk: Understanding Flannery O'Connor," is free and open to the public.

Coastal theater students and faculty will give a public reading of one of Sessions' plays, *The Star Gazer*, the following evening, March 26, at 7 p.m., in Wall Auditorium. This event also is free and open to the public.

Sessions first met O'Connor, who ranks among the greatest American fiction writers, in 1954 at her home in Andalusia, Ga. They maintained a close friendship which ended when O'Connor died of lupus eight years later. Sessions has written extensively about O'Connor's life and work and is presently working on a biography about her.

"Flannery's most remarkable power was her capacity to turn her own suffering outward and to make even suffering sophisticated in her acceptance of the world around her," said Sessions. "Her life was filled with sophisticated acts that were unobtrusive but touched the hearts of those who knew her."

Sessions' play *The Star Gazer*, set in



Flannery O'Connor

a Murrells Inlet restaurant in 1978, is about an Atlanta neurologist who returns to his boyhood home to resolve a mystery concerning a strange dream and its tragic consequences. This reading of Sessions' play features Robin Edwards-Russell, assistant professor of theater at Coastal, and Coastal theater students Amie Barr and Jason Adams.

Sessions earned a bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he was the founding editor of *The Carolina Quarterly*, and a master's degree and Ph.D. from Columbia University. He has published seven books including two on the Renaissance philosopher Francis Bacon. He has also written seven plays. His play based on an incident in Conway during the Second World War, *A Shattering of Glass*, was a 1988 winner in the Festival of Southern Theatre. In 1967 he joined the faculty at Georgia State University, where he founded the doctoral program in English.

In 1992, he was named by the South Atlantic Modern Language Association Departments of English as Teacher of the Year among Ph.D.-granting institutions in the South Atlantic region. He also was named Georgia State University Alumni Distinguished Professor in 1994 and in 1996 was awarded an honorary degree by Coastal.

Campus community invited to "chat"

The Coastal community is invited to "chat" as part of a student project.

Ala'a El Masri, an honors student at Coastal majoring in computer science, has established a chat room as part of his honors thesis program. The chat room is designed to discover if virtual discussions help improve communication across campus.

El Masri's goal is to bring students, faculty and staff closer to one another with the elimination of the location.

The following Coastal leaders will be available to "chat" on these dates:

- President Ronald R. Ingle, Monday, March 11;
- Geoff Parsons, Wednesday, March 13;
- Abdallah Haddad, Thursday, March 14;
- Brian Nunez, Wednesday, March 27; and
- Matt Morrin, Thursday, March 28.

All chat sessions will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. and can be reached at www.coastal.edu/phpopenchat.

Hare participates in Salzburg Seminar

Sally Z. Hare, director of Coastal's Center for Education and Community, is the first Coastal faculty member to participate in the Salzburg Seminar, a distinguished international leadership conference which has been held annually since 1947. Hare was invited to attend the weeklong program on "Leadership in Education: Leading From Within," held Feb. 2 to 7 in Salzburg, Austria, along with 20 scholars from around the world.



Sally Hare

The conference, organized in partnership with the Fetzer Institute, explored ways in which educators can develop "inner" resources to face challenges presented in today's educational institutions. The seminars on this topic investigated the role that spiritual and ethical self-awareness plays in shaping educational leaders and how these inner qualities can be mobilized to generate a greater sense of commitment, dialogue and action in the education process.

Hare was a featured speaker on the topic of education and community. She worked with educational leaders from around the world facilitating sessions in which other nations might benefit from Coastal's Center for Education and Community and its many effective programs, including ParentsCare, Calling All Colors and the Courage to Teach.

"I was touched by how much we had in common," said Hare. "Whether educational leaders are working with Tibetans in exile or war-ravaged Croatian and Bosnian children, they are concerned about how to keep teachers and children from losing heart. They are looking for ways to make a difference beyond textbooks and grades, for ways to count the things that can't be counted in quantitative measures."

Hare is the Grant and Elizabeth Singleton Endowed Professor of Education at Coastal. She has been a Kellogg fellow since 1991 and she was named Coastal's Distinguished Teacher-Scholar Lecturer in 2001.

Summer Arts Academy offered

Coastal's School of Continuing Studies will conduct the 2002 Coastal Summer Arts Academy during June for middle and high school students interested in intensive study in music, visual arts or dramatic arts. The fees for the programs range from \$400 to \$550 and include room and board, use of campus facilities and all activities provided during the camp.

The Music Academy will be held June 2 to 8 and will give students the opportunity to participate in large and small ensembles for band, string orchestra and choir, and will offer basic musicianship courses and individual lessons.

During the Visual Arts Academy, scheduled for June 2 to 12, students will receive instruction in drawing, sculpting, graphic arts, ceramics and photography.

The Dramatic Arts Academy will be held June 2 to 12 and will offer lessons in diction, audition technique, stage movement, set design, lighting, make-up and students will participate in theater games and improvisations.

Instruction for each program will be led by faculty members from Coastal's Department of Performing Arts as well as by educators from the region.

The Coastal Summer Arts Academy has been designed to meet South Carolina criteria for programs for artistically gifted students.

For more information, call 349-2673.

Reddick named BSC tourney MVP

Nikki Reddick, a sophomore on Coastal's women's basketball team, was recently named the Most Valuable Player of the 2002 Advance Auto Parts Big South Conference women's basketball tournament.

Reddick, a native of Hartsville, averaged 23 points and 6.3 rebounds per game during Coastal's three tournament contests.

The Chanticleers reached the championship game where they were defeated by Liberty.

Campus Notes

Public lecture part of the Southern Studies series

A public lecture and panel discussion will be held as part of Jo-Ann Morgan's Art History 499 class on Tuesday, March 12 from 10 to 11:15 a.m. in Edwards 136. The topic is "Thomas Satterwhite Noble's *Margaret Garner* and Post Emancipation 'Spin Control.'" The class is part of the Southern Studies series which was organized this semester in the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts.

Alcohol awareness events planned

Coastal's Office of Counseling Services is offering two alcohol awareness events on Tuesday, March 12.

Joseph Wilson, a Coastal public safety officer, will offer DUI simulation driving experiences to students from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Prince Lawn. Members of the Office of Counseling Services and prevention specialists from Shoreline Behavioral Health will distribute informational brochures. Alcohol assessments will be conducted.

Coastal's Office of Student Activities is sponsoring comedian Bernie McGrenahan at 7 p.m. in Wheelwright Auditorium. McGrenahan's "comedy with a message" will focus on alcohol awareness using social norms marketing.

For more information, call David Gilfillan at 349-2340.

Coastal's Family Weekend brochure wins PICA award

Coastal's 2001 Family Weekend brochure recently received a Printing Industry of the Carolinas, Inc. (PICA) Best of Category Award. More than 1,100 entries were submitted.

PICA is a trade association representing the graphic communications industry in North Carolina and South Carolina.

The brochure, produced by Coastal's Office of Marketing Communications and designed by art director Rob Wyeth, was printed by Sheriar Press of Myrtle Beach.

2002 Faculty's Academic Excellence Award

The Office of the Provost is receiving applications for the Faculty's Academic Excellence Award. This award recognizes graduating students who have accumulated a record of outstanding academic achievement. The award will be presented at the Honors Convocation on Tuesday, April 30 at 7 p.m. in Wheelwright Auditorium. Students eligible for this award must satisfy the following criteria:

- graduating in spring, summer or fall 2002
- having earned at least a 3.5 overall cumulative grade point average, and
- submit a completed application form (and a copy of transcript from the Office of the Registrar) endorsed by a faculty member certifying academic excellence reflected by a "discipline-related activity."

Applications will be reviewed, and a selection made, by a faculty committee representing the schools of the university and the Office of the Provost.

Eligible students may obtain the application forms in the Office of the Provost, Singleton 121. The application deadline is April 1 at 4:30 p.m. For more information, contact Chris Martin at 349-2086.

Ronald D. Lackey Service Award

The Ronald D. Lackey Service Award Selection Committee invites nominations for the Ronald D. Lackey Service Award.

Students eligible for this award must meet the following criteria:

- senior status and academic good standing;
- distinguish themselves in service to the campus;
- involved significantly in campus organizations, groups and activities;
- involved in a leadership role on campus; and
- have contributed significantly to the quality of campus life.

For more information, call 349-2300. Deadline for nominations is Friday, April 5.

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.

- **James Farsolas** wrote a critical book review of Robert Thomas' study *The Politics of Serbia in the 1990s*, published by the Columbia University Press (1999). The review was featured in the journal of the University Prince Edward Island's Canadian Review of Studies in Nationalism, XXVIII, No. 1-2 (2001).

- **Claudia McCollough** moderated a session titled "They Received Power: Women and Spirituality" at the 15th Annual Women's Studies Conference held at the University of South Carolina on March 1. **Preston McKeever-Floyd** presented a paper at the same session titled "Gifts of Power: Spirituality and Liberation in the Life of Rebecca Cox Jackson (1795-1851), Black Shaker Eldress."

- **Dennis Wiseman** has been asked by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges,

to serve as a member of the Reaffirmation Committee scheduled to visit the University of Tennessee at Martin, April 8 to 11.

- Six faculty members from the **Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts** participated in the 49th Annual Meeting of Southeastern Council on Latin American Studies (SECOLAS), held Feb. 28 to March 2 in Mobile, Ala.

Greg Cole presented "Concha Méndez's Canciones de mar y tierra: Poetry of Independence and Freedom in Buenos Aires."

Dale Collins presented "Mario Benedetti, Democracy and the Human Condition."

Elsa Crites presented "Gelman's Use of Rhetorical Devices to Give New Life to the 'Desaparecidos.'"

James Henderson presented "Latin America and the Making of the Modern World."

Donna McGiboney presented "Influencias sociales en la narrativa de María Luisa Puga, Silvia Molina, y Carmen Boulosa."

José Sanjinés presented "The Cronopios: A Biography."

Campbell places fourth in national meet

Amber Campbell, a junior on Coastal's women's indoor track and field team, took fourth place in the weight throw at the USA Indoor Track and Field National Championships recently in New York. Campbell, a two-time All-American, was the top collegiate finisher in the field.



Amber Campbell

legiate national champion and current world record holder in the event, placed second with a throw of 73'7.5" (22.44m), while Toyinda Wilson was third with a toss of 71'1.25" (21.67m). Jukina Dickerson of the University of Florida was the next highest collegiate finisher behind Campbell with a fifth place mark of 67'6.75" (20.59m).

Campbell also qualified for the shot put and placed seventh with a heave of 46'9" (14.25m).



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Campus Calendar

Tuesday, March 12

- Last day of regular registration for Spring II

Wednesday, March 13

- Classes begin for Spring II

Friday, March 15

- Residence and dining halls close

Monday, March 18

- Spring Break, through March 22

Saturday, March 23

- Residence and dining halls reopen

ATHLETIC EVENTS

Tuesday, March 12

- Softball hosts Appalachian State, 2 p.m.

- Baseball hosts George Mason, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, March 13

- Softball hosts Appalachian State, 2 p.m.

- Baseball hosts George Mason, 3 p.m.

Friday, March 15

- Baseball hosts Purdue, 3 p.m.

- Softball at Winthrop Invitational, through March 17

Saturday, March 16

- Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field hosts CCU Shamrock Invitational, 10 a.m.

- Baseball hosts Purdue, 2 p.m.

- Men's and Women's Tennis at High Point

- Men's Golf at Birkdale Collegiate, through March 17

Sunday, March 17

- Baseball hosts Purdue, 2 p.m.

- Men's and Women's Tennis at Elon

Tuesday, March 19

- Softball hosts Illinois, 2 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20

- Baseball at UNC Wilmington, 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 21

- Softball at Birmingham Southern, 5 p.m.

Friday, March 22

- Baseball hosts Kent, 7 p.m.

- Softball at Georgia Tech Tournament, through March 24

- Women's Golf at Liz Murphy Collegiate, through March 24

- Women's Tennis at Alabama, Noon

Saturday, March 23

- Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field hosts Coastal Carolina Invitational, 10 a.m.

- Baseball hosts Kent, 2 p.m.

- Men's Golf at Furman Invitational, through March 25

Sunday, March 24

- Baseball hosts Kent, 2 p.m.

- Men's and Women's Tennis hosts UNC Asheville

Monday, March 25

- Women's Golf at UNC Wilmington Lady Seahawk Invitational, through March 26

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Coastal Carolina University presents

Trees That Walk:

Understanding Flannery O'Connor
A talk by William Sessions

Join distinguished scholar William Sessions for a free public lecture about the life and work of his friend, the great American author Flannery O'Connor.



William Sessions

March 25, 7 p.m.

Edwards Recital Hall

Free and open to the public.

The Star Gazer

A Readers' Theater Production
of William Sessions' play

Coastal drama professor Robin Edwards Russell and two Coastal theater students present a reading of this Sessions play, a Southern psychological mystery set in a Murrells Inlet restaurant in 1978.

March 26, 7 p.m.

Wall Auditorium

Free and open to the public.



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