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Civil War topic of lecture at Coastal

Confederate leader Jefferson Davis and his wife Varina are the subject of a public lecture by distinguished author and Southern historian Carol Bleser on Wednesday, April 3 at 4 p.m. in Coastal's Edwards Recital Hall. The lecture, drawn from Bleser's latest book, Intimate Strategies: Civil War Commanders and Their Wives, is free and open to the public.

Bleser is the Kathryn and Calhoun Lemon Distinguished Professor of U.S. History Emeritus at Clemson University. She has also taught at Colgate University and served as Lewis Pinckney Jones Visiting Professor at Wofford College. She earned a bachelor's degree from Converse College and a master's degree and Ph.D. from Columbia University. She has held National Endowment for the Humanities, Woodrow Wilson, and William Gilmore Simms research fellowships.


Bleser is teaching a class in Coastal's Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts during the 2002 spring semester.

For more information, call 349-2015.

Dunham named interim provost at Coastal Carolina University

Coastal President Ronald R. Ingle has announced that Valgene L. Dunham, dean of Coastal's College of Natural and Applied Sciences, will serve as interim provost from May 15 until the conclusion of the 2002 fall semester.

According to Ingle, a national search for a permanent provost is underway. The appointment of an interim dean for the College of Natural and Applied Sciences will be announced in the coming weeks. Sally Horner, executive vice president at Coastal, will continue as interim provost until May 15.

Dunham, who also serves as president of the South Carolina Academy of Science, joined the Coastal faculty in 1995. Prior to joining Coastal, Dunham was a professor of biology and head of the Department of Biology at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green. He also served on the board of the Kentucky Academy of Science and was director of the Kentucky Junior Academy of Science from 1992 to 1995. Dunham was associated with the State University of New York at Fredonia from 1973 to 1985, where he served in several capacities including professor of biology, acting chair of the Department of Biology, research associate in the Environmental Resources Center and coordinator of the recombinant gene technology program.

Dunham earned a bachelor's degree in general science in 1962 from Houghton College in Houghton, N.Y., and a master's degree in general science in 1965 and a Ph.D. in botany in 1969, both from Syracuse University in Syracuse, N.Y. He conducted post-doctoral research from 1969 to 1973 at Purdue University.

Important Dates

Admissions Open House
Saturday, April 6

Freshmen/Transfer Orientation
June 18 and 19 (freshmen)
June 20 (transfer)
June 25 and 26 (freshmen)
July 16 and 17 (freshmen)
August 14 (transfer)
August 15 and 16 (freshmen)

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Deadline to submit information for the next issue is Monday, April 1 at noon.

Information for the CCU Newsletter should be submitted to Jerry Rashid (jrashid@coastal.edu) in the Office of Marketing Communications, Singleton 204.
Coastal students join Who's Who list

The 2001-2002 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges includes the names of 34 Coastal students. Students are selected based on their academic achievement, community service, leadership roles and potential for success by a campus nominating committee and the editors of the annual directory.

First published in 1934, the directory includes students from more than 1,900 institutions of higher education in the United States, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. All Coastal honorees will be recognized at the university's 2002 honors convocation in April. They include:
- Becky Abell of Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Dalal Al-Arayed of Conway, S.C.
- Charles Allen of Mount Croghan, S.C.
- Tara Arrowood of Cochransville, Pa.
- Carrie Barr of North Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Devra Blanden of Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Jatana Brown of Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Danielle Buckman of Doylestown, Pa.
- Arnaud Caffin of Conway, S.C.
- Cassandra Candler of Surfside Beach, S.C.
- Robert Davidson of Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Sarah Dempsey of Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Ashley Elvington of Conway, S.C.
- Nathan Forester of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada.
- Susan Gamble of New Zion, S.C.
- Jennifer Gathergood of Columbus, Ohio.
- Sarah Elizabeth Grap of Annapolis, Md.
- Jaime Hamrick of Mechanicsville, Va.
- Erica Hopkins of Columbia, S.C.
- Cherrie Jenkins of Tampa, Fla.
- Danielle Jenkins of Vienna, Va.
- Kelley Jordan of Lexington, N.C.
- Diana Miller of Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Ashlee Mitchell of Greenwood, S.C.
- Brian Nunez of Clarendon Hills, Ill.
- Shawn Passwaters of Surfside Beach, S.C.
- Michael Slattery of Charleston, S.C.
- Erin Sportun-Easson of Brampton, Ontario, Canada.
- Christina Stover of Defiance, Ohio.
- Eric Teague of Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Michelle Ward of Trenton, N.J.
- Heath Young of Sidney Center, N.Y.

2002 Summer and Fall Advance Registration

Coastal's 2002 summer and fall advisement and advance registration will be held April 8 to 12 and April 15 to 19, respectively.

Advance Registration will be limited according to the following schedule:
- Monday, April 15
  • Seniors (90 credit hours or more)
  • Beginning at 12:01 a.m. via WebAdvisor
- Tuesday, April 16
  • Juniors (60 to 89 credit hours)
- Wednesday, April 17
  • Sophomores (30 to 59 credit hours)
- Thursday, April 18
  • Freshmen (up to 29 credit hours)

Students must have their login ID and PIN in order to register via WebAdvisor. Eligibility status will be based on credit hours earned plus credit hours currently enrolled.

2002 Staff Excellence Awards

The Office of Human Resources and Equal Opportunity is accepting nominations for the 2002 Staff Excellence Awards. The awards have been developed to recognize the exemplary achievement of non-teaching staff at the university. Two cash awards, each in the amount of $500, are given annually to a Support Staff member and Professional Staff member.

Deadline for nominations is Friday, April 5.

For more information, call 349-2036.
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.

- Sara Brallier presented a paper titled "Using Poetry to Teach Sociology of Aging" at the annual meeting of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education.

- James Henderson received the A.B. Thomas Book Award for his book *Modernization in Colombia* at the annual Southeastern Council on Latin American Studies conference in Mobile, Ala.

- Preston McKeever-Floyd delivered the keynote address, titled "With Head and Heart: Surveying Global Culture since September 11th," at the 7th Annual conference of the International Institute for Human Understanding, March 7 in Miami.

- Nancy Niles presented a Women's Small Business Forum titled "Effectively Serving Hispanic Women Entrepreneurs" at the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce on March 19.

- E.E. "Wink" Prince is the recipient of the South Carolina Historical Society's prestigious George Rogers Award for the year's best book on South Carolina history or culture.

- Subhash Saxena is a recipient of a Rotary International Grant for University Professors. He will use the grant to teach an intermediate-level course in math for computer science for one semester at the Ansal Institute of Technology in Gurgaon, India.

Students inducted into honor society

Eighteen students have been inducted into Coastal's Alpha Pi chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda, an honor society for continuing students age 25 and older. The program, in its fourth year, is sponsored by Coastal's School of Continuing Studies.

To be eligible for membership, students must be matriculated in an undergraduate degree program and have a minimum of 24 graded semester hours at Coastal. Members are selected from the highest 10 percent of the class, and must have a grade point average of at least 3.2 on a 4.0 scale.

The following students were inducted into Coastal's Alpha Pi chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda:

- Lawrence Altman, management, Aynor
- Sonya Baird, elementary education, Georgetown
- Patricia Brennan, interdisciplinary studies, Surfside Beach
- Jeff Burke, marketing, Myrtle Beach
- Lisa Capparella, accounting, Conway
- Loretta Cox, early childhood education, Longs
- Stephen Dew, mathematics, Little River
- Fritz Frye, biology, Galivants Ferry
- Adam Hankey, biology, Myrtle Beach
- Barry Price, interdisciplinary studies, Georgetown
- Melody Rike, interdisciplinary studies, Murrells Inlet
- Marcia Sample, sociology, Conway
- Mary Jo Schmick, interdisciplinary studies, Surfside Beach
- Sandra Stigant, computer science, Pawleys Island
- Brian Sweeney, management, Pawleys Island
- Laura Taylor, biology, Myrtle Beach
- Julie Vazquez, elementary education, Myrtle Beach
- Mimi Wrobel, English, Myrtle Beach

Elected officers for 2002-2003 are: Barry Price, president; Marcia Sample, vice president; and Patricia Brennan, secretary/treasurer.

Wilbur Garland, former director of Coastal's interdisciplinary studies program, was the keynote speaker for the induction ceremony held Tuesday, March 5.

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Campus Calendar

**Tuesday, March 26**
- Hypnotist C.J. Johnson, 7 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

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

**Saturday, March 30**
- Don Millus, lecture and book signing, 2 to 4 p.m., Barnes and Noble in Myrtle Beach

**Wednesday, April 3**
- Lecture by Carol Bleser, 4 p.m., Edwards Recital Hall

**Thursday, April 4**
- CCU Concert Choir spring choral concert, 7:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

**Friday, April 5**
- Fiesta-Val Music Festival, all day, Wheelwright Auditorium and Edwards Recital Hall

**Sunday, April 7**
- Student One-Act Plays, 3 p.m., Edwards Theater

ATHLETIC EVENTS

**Tuesday, March 26**
- Baseball at Clemson, 7:15 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 27**
- Baseball at Clemson, 3 p.m.

**Thursday, March 28**
- Men's and Women's Tennis hosts Birmingham Southern

**Friday, March 29**
- Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field at Raleigh Relays, Noon
- Baseball at Liberty, 3 p.m.
- Men's and Women's Tennis at Winthrop

**Saturday, March 30**
- Baseball at Liberty, Noon
- Softball at North Carolina, 4 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 3**
- Softball at UNC Wilmington, 5 p.m.
- Baseball at North Carolina, 6 p.m.

**Thursday, April 4**
- Men's Tennis at Coker, TBA

**Friday, April 5**
- Baseball at Charleston Southern, 3 p.m.
- Women's and Men's Outdoor Track and Field at Duke Invitational, through April 6
- Men's Golf at Bradford Creek Intercolligate, through April 6

**Saturday, April 6**
- Baseball at Charleston Southern, Noon
- Women's Tennis at Davidson, 1 p.m.

**Sunday, April 7**
- Softball hosts Radford, 2 p.m.
- Women's Tennis at UNC Charlotte, 1 p.m.

**Monday, April 8**
- Women's Golf at Lady Catamount Classic, through April 9
This Issue:

- Dunham named interim provost at Coastal
- Carol Bleser to give lecture on Civil War
- Concert Choir to present spring choral concert
- Master hypnotist to perform March 26

Carol Bleser
Lecture:
Intimate Strategies: A Reappraisal of the Marriage of Varina Howell to Jefferson Davis
Edwards Recital Hall
Wednesday, April 3, 4 p.m.
Free and open to the public

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