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UNIVERSITY NEWSLETTER

July 15, 2002

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

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Board of Trustees approve budget

Coastal's Board of Trustees has approved a projected \$62.5 million total budget, including a \$38.7 million operational budget, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year during its quarterly meeting in June.

As part of the budget plan, the board approved a tuition increase, effective for fall 2002. In-state tuition will increase \$290 per semester, from \$1,885 to \$2,175, a rise of 15.38 percent. Out-of-state tuition will increase \$540 per semester, from \$5,340 to \$5,880, a rise of 10.11 percent.

In May the board approved an \$80 per semester increase in room, board and health service fees, from \$2,725 to \$2,805.

The board reelected officers for the 2002-2003 academic year: Clark Parker, chair; Larry Lyles, vice chair; and George Williams, secretary.

The next meeting of the board will be held Friday, Oct. 18 at 9 a.m. in the Wall College of Business Board Room.

Newsletter online

The Coastal Carolina University Newsletter is now available online at www.coastal.edu/newsletter.



Barr selected as provost at Coastal

Peter B. Barr has accepted the position of provost at Coastal, effective Aug. 1, according to an announcement by Coastal President Ronald R. Ingle.

Barr served as dean of Coastal's E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration from July 1992 to October 2000, when he resigned to accept the new position as chief planning and human resources officer at Burroughs & Chapin Company, Inc.

"We are delighted that Peter Barr will be returning to Coastal to serve as provost of the university," said Ingle. "Pete is recognized throughout the region for his vision, his integrity, and his dedication to the community. His deep understanding and commitment to Coastal's ambitious academic mission make him uniquely qualified to lead the university to new achievements in scholarship, faculty research and community service."

In accepting the position, Barr said "I am excited about the tremendous future of Coastal and look forward to the many opportunities that working in this position will afford



Peter Barr

me. At the same time, I am especially grateful to Doug Wendel and Burroughs & Chapin for the opportunity to have worked for such a fine organization."

The provost serves as the chief academic officer of the university. University officials who report to the

provost include the deans of Coastal's academic colleges, schools and the library, as well as the directors of the international and honors programs at Coastal.

Barr joined the Coastal faculty in 1987. During his tenure as dean, the Wall College of Business earned national accreditation and developed many innovative programs, including the Resort Tourism Management program, the PGA-sanctioned Professional Golf Management program, and the Wall Fellows program, an intensive leadership training initiative for top business students.

Barr also has a considerable record of volunteer community service throughout the Horry County-Grand Strand area. He is chairman of the Myrtle Beach Downtown

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CCU Newsletter Publication Dates

Submission deadlines:
Monday, Aug. 12
Monday, Aug. 26

Publication dates:
Monday, Aug. 19
Tuesday, Sept. 3

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Deadline to submit information for the next issue is Monday, Aug. 12 at noon.

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Redevelopment Corporation and is a past president of the Conway Chamber of Commerce. He has served as a member of the Carolina Bays Parkway Task Force, the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base Redevelopment Task Force and the United Way of Horry County.

Barr earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in business administration from Marshall University and a doctoral degree in business administration from Louisiana Tech University. Prior to joining the Coastal faculty he taught at Marshall University.

Approximately 110 candidates applied for the position of provost. Final candidates were recommended to President Ingle by a search committee consisting of faculty and administrators representative of all academic areas of the university.

New Chanticleer athletic logo unveiled

A tougher, more competitive looking Chanticleer is depicted in a new logo which has been unveiled by Coastal's athletic department.

Matt Hogue, assistant athletics director for marketing, says the modern design will help Coastal with its brand-name identity. In recent years, redesigning static logos has become a major trend in intercollegiate athletics.

"Coastal's athletic department, much like the university, is continuing to grow and experience

a great deal of success,"

said Hogue. "We felt that with the onset of football, the timing was

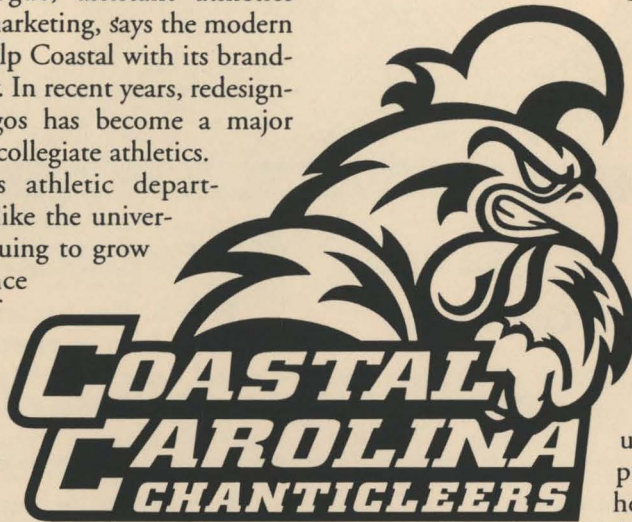
right to make this change. It is symbolic of what's going on at the school. Coastal Carolina University is on the move."

According to Hogue, the new logo was produced by Chris Henwood Designs, which over the last few years

has also designed logos for the Myrtle Beach Pelicans, Illinois State University, the SunBelt Conference and numerous minor league baseball programs.

"The new logo is going to give the athletic department much more versatility and flexibility in terms of what we can put on uniforms, practice gear, helmets, stationary and the

like. And a great residual of this will be the opportunities we'll have with our merchandising - shirts, hats and other products that will be available for all Chanticleer fans to purchase and proudly display."



Coastal receives grant for research on aging from Waccamaw Community Foundation

Coastal's newly established Center for the Study of Aging and Active Retirement has received a \$2,000 grant from the Waccamaw Community



Peter Balsamo

Foundation to fund a study examining the diversity of research activities conducted by college and university aging centers throughout the United States. This information will assist Coastal faculty and students seeking federal, state and foundation grants to develop and enhance research and outreach projects relating to aging and gerontology.

"This study will provide important

basic information for the new center," said Peter Balsamo, dean of Coastal's School of Continuing Studies. "It will indicate themes or trends in research which we can apply in the Myrtle Beach area. This study will also provide information on sources of funding for future research."

The grant will be coordinated through Coastal's School of Continuing Studies. Rocky Cartisano, a retired Lucent Company executive and former president of Coastal's Lifelong Learning Society Board of Advisers, will be the project director of the Waccamaw Community Foundation grant.

The Center for the Study of Aging and Active Retirement is a joint effort of Coastal's College of Natural and Applied Sciences and the School of

Continuing Studies. The center was established to encourage faculty and student research in aging and retirement issues and to provide continuing education programs for aging network professionals.

The center will host its first workshop, "Successful Aging: Good News for the 21st Century," on Sept. 26 and 27. The presenter is Richard Tucker, director of the Initiative on Aging and Longevity at the University of Central Florida.

The Waccamaw Community Foundation is a public foundation with the mission of mobilizing resources to benefit Waccamaw area communities.

For more information, contact Balsamo at 349-2648.

CCU biology professors receive grants for collaborative research

Coastal biology professors Michael Ferguson and Mary Crowe have received grants through the Collaborative Research Program, a state funding program which encourages partnerships between faculty researchers at South Carolina universities

Ferguson, associate professor of biology at Coastal, has received an \$88,000 grant to study the genetic makeup of the environmental bacterium *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (*Pa*). *Pa* is associated with urinary tract infections, wound and burn infections, infections of the cornea, and chronic lung infections in cystic fibrosis patients. The bacterium is highly resistant to most antibiotics and flourishes in many diverse environmental conditions.

The purpose of the study, which is being co-conducted by Dr. Joan Olson of the Medical University of South Carolina, is to examine the role of three toxin genes (and their proteins) in the progression of disease caused by *Pa*. Ferguson and Olsen will analyze

the various combinations of toxins to try to learn how these combinations are controlled by the *Pa* bacteria.

This study provides a model for studying the concept of an emerging disease—one that moves from the environment (or from animals) into human beings. “The most publicized emerging disease is Ebola, which was thought to be a virus that only affected monkeys but later became a threat to humans,” says Ferguson. “Since *Pa* was originally a soil organism (and still is) but now causes human diseases, we can compare strains from the soil with strains in the clinic to gain an understanding of how the bacteria might evolve into a disease-causing agent. This might also give us a ‘backdoor’ understanding of how this organism might be controlled.”

Crowe, associate professor of biology at Coastal, has received an \$8,422 grant as part of a \$24,989 study researching the thermal ecology of fiddler crabs.

The study, co-conducted with professors Brian Helmuth and Renae Brodie of the University of South Carolina, will examine the contrasting behavior patterns of male and female fiddler crabs, particularly how their different body temperatures affect their habitation and mating practices.

“If male and female crabs function best under different thermal conditions, the consequences are likely to be broad,” says Crowe. “For example, thermal segregation by sex might impinge on reproductive behaviors, necessitating one or

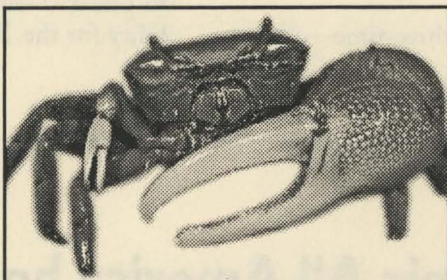
both sex to risk dangerous conditions during courtship and mating. The sexes may also experience dissimilar selective pressures as they encounter different predators or navigate different terrain.”

Crowe will also be responsible for helping incorporate the results of

the study into standards-based lesson plans in K-12 education in the region.

The Collaborative Research Program is sponsored by the South Carolina Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network (BRIN) and the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR).

The program enables faculty researchers at both public and private institutions of higher education across the state to form and develop inter-institutional research teams. One of the purposes of the program is to bring together faculty from predominately undergraduate institutions with researchers from Ph.D. granting universities in order to ensure a broad base of expertise and to integrate cutting-edge research in undergraduate and K-12 education.



The habitation and mating practices of the fiddler crab is the focus of a research study by Mary Crowe, associate professor of biology at Coastal.

Learning vacations for adults offered

For adult travelers looking for more than sightseeing and sandy beaches, Coastal offers travel-study programs to 17 foreign destinations. The tours emphasize learning, with opportunities for first-hand education about history, culture and customs. On-site lectures, seminars and field experiences provided by faculty escorts and in-country specialists together with “people-to-people” contacts foster an insight and understanding of foreign cultures not available on more conventional tours.

Accommodations are first class, meals are included and groups are small, allowing participants to receive individual attention and make friends. Coastal’s groups average 14 participants with some groups as small as eight members, allowing for a close interaction between participants and guides.

Winter 2003 programs will be to Antarctica, Australia, Belize, Costa Rica, Egypt, Galapagos Islands and Ecuador, Italy, Kenya and Peru.

Spring 2003 programs will include Belize, Central Europe, China, Costa Rica, Egypt, Galapagos Islands and Ecuador, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Morocco, Peru, Spain and Turkey.

These two-week learning vacations for adults range from \$2,000 to \$5,000 and include meals, first class accommodations, unique learning experiences, and airfare from the tours’ departure cities.

For more information about these programs, contact Peter Balsamo, dean of Coastal’s School of Continuing Studies, at 349-2648 or visit www.coastal.edu/learn/trav.html on the Internet.



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Campbell sets personal-best mark at national championships

Amber Campbell, a junior at Coastal who redshirted this past spring outdoor track and field season, returned to her Chanticleer uniform in time for a personal-best hammer throw of 209'2" at the 2002 U.S. Track and Field Outdoor National Championships held in June at Stanford University.

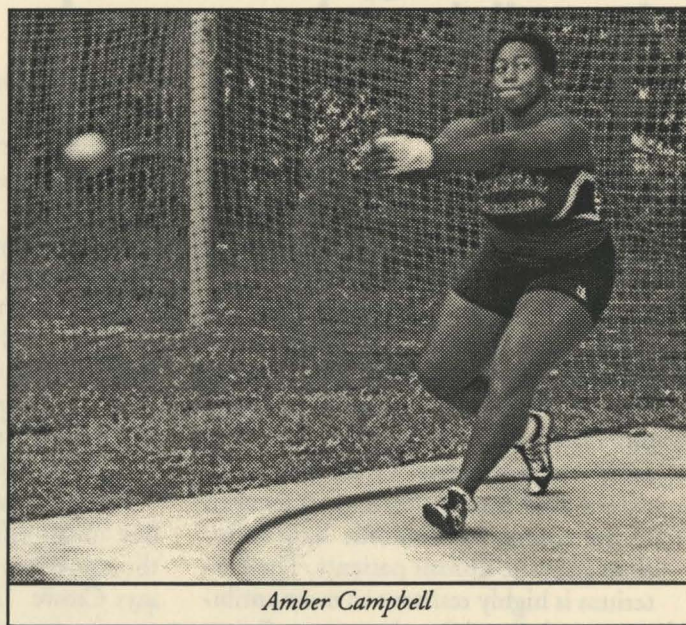
Campbell, a native of Indianapolis, placed fourth in the event overall and was the second collegiate finisher. She also placed ahead of several members of the United States' 2000 Olympic Team.

American record holder Anna Mahon won the event with a toss of 230'6" while former record holder Dawn Ellerbe placed second with a throw of 220'5". Clemson University's Jamine Moton's throw of 216' placed her ahead of Campbell.

In seventh place entering the final round of throws, Campbell

unleashed the best throw of her career to vault into the fourth spot and earn an invitation to be a member of Team USA in the upcoming NACAC Under 25 Championships in San Antonio, Aug. 9 to 12. This event, which features the best athletes under the age of 25 from North America and Central America, will be Campbell's first international competition as a member of Team USA.

Campbell, a three-time collegiate



Amber Campbell

All-American, took a redshirt in 2002 to preserve her collegiate outdoor eligibility for the 2004 Olympic year.

Koppel earns Verizon Academic All-America honor

Coastal junior Kara Koppel has been selected to the 2002 Verizon Academic All-America Women's Cross Country/Track and Field Second Team.

Koppel, a native of McDonald, Ohio, has completed six semesters toward a degree in psychology with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Her efforts in the classroom earned her the Big South Conference's Scholar Athlete of the Year awards in both cross country and outdoor track and field.

Athletically, Koppel set several school records during her junior campaign and helped the Chanticleer cross



Kara Koppel

country team to a banner season.

She opened the cross country season by setting Coastal's 4K record with a time of 14:11. In her next outing, Koppel became the fifth runner in Coastal history to post a sub-18:00 time in a 5K event. In helping the cross country program garner its seventh Big South Championship, she earned All-Conference honors with a fourth place finish in the championship meet. Koppel then closed the cross country season with a 22nd place finish at the NCAA Southeastern Regional to earn her first

All-Region honor.

During the indoor track season as she posted the second fastest 5,000-meter time in school history (17:42.00) and then won the 3,000-meter event at the Big South Championships. Koppel also earned All-Conference honors during the outdoor season in the 1,500-meter run. She also ran the fourth fastest time in Coastal history in the 3,000-meter run and became the fourth runner to post a time under 10 minutes in this event.

To be nominated for the Verizon Academic All-America honor, a student-athlete must be a sophomore and possess at least a 3.20 cumulative grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) for her career.

The Academic All-America program, celebrating its 50th anniversary, was created in 1952 by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). Verizon, in cooperation with CoSIDA, has been the exclusive sponsor of the program since 1985.

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.

• **Dan Abel** recently presented his research on the ecology and life history of sharks in coastal South Carolina waters as well as an overview of Coastal's annual research trip to the Bimini Biological Field Station during a session of the Baruch Lunchtime Lecture Series.

• **John Goodwin** has received a grant of \$80,000 in the US-Armenian Bilateral Grants Program sponsored by the U.S. Civilian Research & Development Foundation (CRDF) and the National Foundation for Science and Advanced Technologies (NFSAT). Goodwin is co-principle investigator with Tigran Kurtikyan, the head of the laboratory at the Molecular Structure Research Center of the Armenian National Academy of Sciences, Yerevan, Armenia. The project is titled "Oxo-Transfer Reactions of Metalloporphyrin Nitro Complexes." As a part of the grant, Kurtikyan will spend the summer

of 2003 in the chemistry laboratory at Coastal and Goodwin will take a research trip to Yerevan in the summer of 2004.

• **Bob Squatriglia** served as Rotary International President's Representative to the District 1460 Conference held in Kolding, Denmark, in May. District 1460 includes 50 clubs from Denmark and Lithuania. Squatriglia is past district governor of South Carolina District 7770 and presented major addresses at the Kolding Conference. Following the conference, Squatriglia and his wife Betty continued to Lithuania, where they attended RI club meetings and met with the Danish Ambassador to Lithuania, the Lithuanian Minister of Culture, the mayors of Kaunas and Kelme, Lithuania, and many business, medical and education leaders. This assignment was the first made by an American Rotarian, and marked the first official visit by a Rotary leader of Lithuanian ancestry.

While in Lithuania Squatriglia visited the birthplace of his maternal grandfather as well as family members.

Campus Calendar

Wednesday, July 24

- Last day of classes for Summer Eight-Week - MW classes

Monday, July 29

- Final exams for Summer Eight-Week - MW classes

Tuesday, July 30

- Last day of classes for Summer Eight-Week - TTH classes

Thursday, Aug. 1

- Final exams for Summer Eight-Week - TTH classes

Wednesday, Aug. 14

- Orientation/Registration for new students, through Aug. 16

Thursday, Aug. 15

- Last day of classes for Summer II

Friday, Aug. 16

- Final exams for Summer II
- Residence halls close

Saturday, Aug. 17

- Residence and dining halls open

Alumni Association elects new officers

Coastal's Alumni Association has elected new officers for its board of directors.

The new officers, who will serve two-year terms, are: president Michael Frazier '96 of Conway; first vice president Tabby Shelton '99 of Conway; second vice president Porter Medley '99 of Conway; secretary/treasurer Janice Cannan '96 of Myrtle Beach; and past president and chairman Richard Weldon '88 of Longs.

Coastal's Alumni Association was founded in 1976 as a unified effort to maintain contact with and plan activities and services for more than



New officers of Coastal's Alumni Association board of directors include (left to right) Michael Frazier, Tabby Shelton, Richard Weldon, Janice Cannan and Porter Medley.

12,000 alumni.

For more information about Coastal's Alumni Association, contact Carrie Herrington, director of Alumni Affairs, at 349-ALUM (2586).

Birthdays

July

- 16 Philip Powell
- 17 June Barfield
Terrence Fries
Eric Koepfler
- 18 Lindy Smith
Sandy Williams
- 20 Denvy Bowman
Peter Lecouras
- 21 John Graham
Steve Hamelman
Jacqueline Knox
Lamonica Yates
- 22 Bryan Dennis
Counts
- 23 Paul Fowler
Johnnie Gore
- 24 David Gilfillan
Sandra Lee
Ioana Mihaila
Julia Orri
- 25 Andrew Allden
Nancy Goettel
Carl Keller
Deborah Vrooman
- 26 George Gibson
Trenny Neff
- 27 Brenda Cox
Jose Luis Mireles
Michael Ruse
- 28 Leister Butler
Peter Hart
Jacquelyn Hillen
Frank McCusker
Kevin Smith
Krista Timney
- 29 Jim Blackburn
Jo-Ann Morgan
Julia Wilcox

30 Cristy Prince

31 Kay Alford

August

- 1 Jess Dannelly
Constance Opalko
Patricia Reed
Roy Talbert
- 2 James Moultrie
Margo Sanders
Carol Walters
- 3 Billy Hills
- 4 Howard Watts
- 5 Deryl Edwards
- 6 James Carter
- 7 Deborah Hardee
- 8 William King
Esther Simpson
Keith Walters
- 9 Arlene Adams
Jeri Traw
- 10 David Evans
Sharon Gilman
Regina Lee
Von Smeltzer
- 11 Bob Burney
- 12 Linda
Hollandsworth
Charles Moore
- 13 Philip Massey
- 14 Lance Bedwell
Gerald Boyles
Jack Riley
Jill Sessoms
- 15 Nancy Burton
- 16 Timothy
Winningham
- 17 Joyce Flowers
- 18 Joanne Duvall

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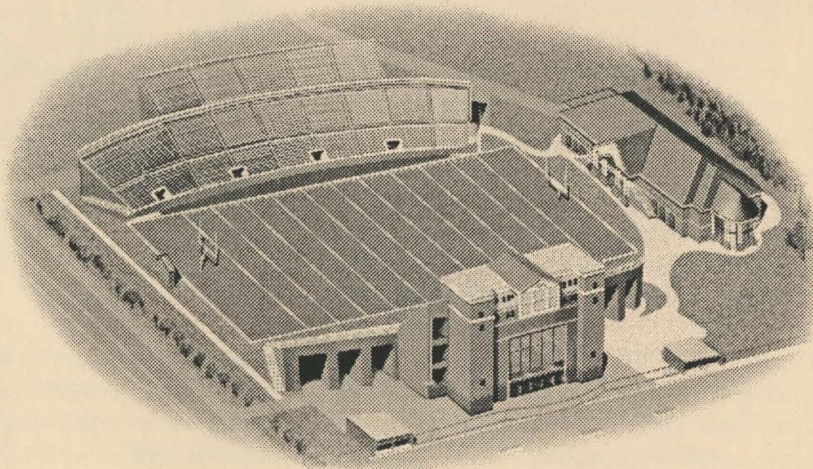
- *Barr named provost*
- *Board of Trustees approve budget*
- *New athletic logo unveiled*
- *Biology professors receive grants*

Fun, Fans & Football!

OFFICIAL GROUNDBREAKING

Coastal Carolina University's NCAA I-AA Football Stadium

Wednesday, July 31, 11 a.m.



On the football field site
located at the corner of
Highway 544 and
University Boulevard



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