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Summit leads to formation of regional tourism organization

Tourism leaders from six eastern counties around the North Carolina/ South Carolina border met recently to discuss regional approaches to industry issues at the first Regional Tourism Summit, co-hosted by Coastal and held at Horry-Georgetown Technical College's center on the former Myrtle Beach Air Force Base.

Peter Barr, Coastal provost and chair of the City of Myrtle Beach Tourism Committee, says the meeting gave participants a better understanding of the value of working together to advance the area's tourism industry.

"One of the most important outcomes of the summit was the decision by participants to establish a regional organization to address tourism issues such as labor, transportation, marketing and public policy," said Barr.

Several Coastal professors and administrators were involved in the continued on page 2



Coastal Carolina University names Vice President for Student Affairs

Lynn Willett has been named vice president for Student Affairs. She will begin her duties at Coastal on July 21, 2003, upon the retirement of Robert Squatriglia, who has held the position since 1977.



Willett comes to Coastal from Bridgewater State College in Massachusetts, where she has served 25 vice president for Student Affairs since 1990. Her responsibilities as Coastal's chief Student Affairs officer will encompass all the university's student-related services, programs and activities, including the residence halls, student government, multicultural affairs, Greek life, career services and intramurals.

At Bridgewater, Willett lead a division that includes 14 departments and 185 staff members who serve a student population of more than 9,000. Prior to joining Bridgewater, Willett was dean of students at St. Mary's College of Maryland. She has also served as staff

assistant to the vice provost for Student Affairs at The Ohio State University and Residential Life coordinator at the University of Vermont. She is a past president of the Association of College Personnel Administrators (ACPA).

"Dr. Willett has a broad range of experience in developing programs that lead to student achievement inside and outside the classroom," said Ingle. "She is a proven, student-focused administrator who can build on the tradition of quality student services Bob Squatriglia has established at Coastal."

"I'm excited to join the students, faculty and staff at Coastal," said Willett. "The campus already offers some wonderful opportunities for students, and I look forward to working with student leaders and new colleagues to build on and expand those opportunities."

Willett earned a bachelor's degree in English and speech and a master's degree in college student personnel from Bowling Green State University in Ohio. She earned a Ph.D. in educational administration from The Ohio State University in 1983.

She began her career as an English and speech teacher in the public schools of Oneida, N.Y.

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Submission deadlines: Monday, March 31 Monday, April 14

Publication dates: Monday, April 7 Monday, April 21

Coastal Carolina University Newsletter is published biweekly during the academic year and monthly during June, July and August by the Office of Marketing Communications. Submissions should be sent to the Office of Marketing Communications in SNGL 204 by noon the Monday before publication. Deadline to submit information for the next issue is Monday, March 31 at noon.

Civil War musical performance highlights history meeting



Piano music of the Civil War era will cap a two-day history conference at Coastal. On April 4 and 5, students from 17 colleges and universities in the Carolinas will present research papers at sessions that are free and open to the public.

The concluding session, "Confederates at the Keyboard: Piano Music During the Civil War Era" will be a lecture/performance by David B. Thompson of Limestone College.

Professor Thompson will wear period clothing during the presentation scheduled for Saturday, April 5 at 2:15 p.m. in the Edwards Building Recital Hall. Thompson's performance will include a brief discussion of Southern composers whose music was prominent during the Civil War. He will also read excerpts from Confederate diaries, letters and memoirs in an effort to relay the emotions of the period.

The concert is also free and open to the public.

The conference is sponsored by Phi Alpha Theta, a national history honor society, and paper presentations will take place Friday, April 4, from 1:30 to 5 p.m. and continue the following day beginning at 8:45 a.m.

Conference activities for April 4 will take place in the Wall College of Business Administration; all April 5 activities will be held in the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts. For more information, call 349-2421.

Ethnic food, music, dancing at fest

The 12th annual Cultural Celebration will feature a day full of ethnic entertainment including music, singing, dancing, foods and vendors on Wednesday, April 2.

Prince Lawn will be the site of the activity that starts at 11:30 a.m. and continues until 3 p.m. It's free and open to everyone.

The following is the tentative list of festival entertainment. In the event of inclement weather, the Cultural Celebration will be held April 9.

For more information, contact the Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2863.

- 11:15-11:45 a.m. Caribbean Steel Drum Band
- 11:45 a.m. to noon Spanish Club skit
- Noon to 12:30 p.m. Irish Celtic Band
- 12:30 to 1 p.m. Gootmon Sauerkraut Band
- 1 to 1:15 p.m. African Drumming and Dance Ensemble (Conway Elementary)
- 1:30 to 1:45 p.m. Myrtle Beach **Regional Pipe Band**
- 1:45 to 2 p.m. Caribbean Steel Drum Band
- 2 to 2:10 p.m. CCU Dance Team
- 2:10 to 2:30 p.m. Irish Celtic
- 2:30 to 3 p.m. Gootmon Sauerkraut Band

Tourism

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The summit was hosted by Coastal, the City of Myrtle Beach Planning Department and Horry-Georgetown Technical College and was sponsored by Burroughs and Chapin Company, Inc., Santee Cooper and the S.C. Dept. of Parks Recreation & Tourism.

20 Coastal students inducted into Alpha Sigma Lambda

Twenty students were recently 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 third year, is sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Office of Interdisciplinary Studies at Coastal.

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 only from the highest 10 percent of the class, and must have a grade point average of at least 3.2.

The following students were inducted into Coastal Alpha Pi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda:

- · Gary Neal Arthurs, interdisciplinary studies, Johnsonville
- · Angela Rosati Barwick, interdisciplinary studies, Longs
- Lynn R. Bastian, management, Surfside Beach
- Joy Donna Couch, interdisciplinary studies, North Myrtle Beach
- Carol Hitz Doyle, interdisciplinary studies, Georgetown

- · Alvina English, biology, Conway
- Lori Lynne Goodman, elementary education, Myrtle Beach
- · Cara Denise Hacker, finance, Conway
- Patricia Ann Haselden, interdisciplinary studies, Conway
- Amy Patricia Horan, history, Conway
- · Sonia Faye Jones, elementary education, Loris
- Cheryl C. Paul, interdisciplinary studies, Conway
- Lauren Rosenberg, elementary education, Surfside Beach

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'Songs for a New World' features music of today

"Songs for a New World," a contemporary musical revue by Jason Robert Brown, will be presented April 4 to 6 at Coastal's Wheelwright Auditorium.

This exciting and unique revue transports the audience from a 1492 sailing ship to a ledge 57 stories above Fifth Avenue in New York City. The show offers a variety of musical styles from rock to gospel, swing to funk.

The performance is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 4 and Saturday, April 5, and at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 6.

General admission is \$10 adults, \$5 students under the age of 18. Coastal students, faculty and staff admitted free with Coastal ID.Call the box office at 349-2502 for reservations.

Inductees

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- Stuart C. Smith, interdisciplinary studies, Myrtle Beach
- Lori Ann Stewart, computer science, Conway
- **Tao Tong**, accounting, Whiteville, N.C.
- Linda Weatherspoon, art, Myrtle Beach
- Wenshen Xiao, accounting, Myrtle Beach
- Staci Smith Willette, psychology, Myrtle Beach

• Bin Zheng, chemistry, Murrells Inlet

Elected officers for 2003-2004 are: Stuart C. Smith, president; Patricia Ann Haselden, vice president; Carol Hitz Doyle, secetary; and Lori Ann Stewart, treasurer.

Coastal alumna M. Robin Morris, a Conway attorney, was the keynote speaker.

'Wishful Thinking' makes debut on Coastal stage in April

What happens when a modern-day, plus-size woman unleashes a trash-talking, disco-loving genie from a bottle and gets to make one wish?

Well, of course she makes the obvious wish for thinness. What follows is a comic romp with twists and turns – and laughs and guffaws – along the way.

Written by local playwright Kathryn Martin and directed by Coastal senior Jason Adams, "Wishful Thinking" will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 10-12, and at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 13.

Starring in the two-act play are Lizz Farmer as Kelly, the girl with the mature figure, and Michael Bratsafolis as the hip genie. Other characters are played by Hannah Palkovitz, Julian Colletta, Chaz Fries, Kenny Greer, Brian Nuez and Dan Morgan. Liz Lane is the stage manager.

Melanie Schuessler is costume designer, and Charlotte Dyal is designer. Tymberley Wattrig is scene designer, and Wes Britt is assistant stage manager.

Adams, a senior, previously directed "The Vagina Monologues" and "The Laramie Project."

Martin is founder of the year-old New Works Group.

Coastal students, faculty and staff admitted free with Coastal ID.

Coastal professors lead nature tour series offered on two Saturdays in April

A new Lifelong Learning Society offering "Litchfield Naturally" invites nature lovers to take a walk along the shore with members of Coastal's science faculty for a Saturday series of two-hour environmental tours.

The walks will take place in Litchfield Beach from 9 to 11 a.m. The cost per tour is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and free for children under age five. Exact locations for each tour will be provided when registering. To register, call 349-2665.

• Saturday, April 5

"Environmental Quality Assessment and Best Management" – This hands-on tour includes an environmental evaluation of an area pond. Learn how scientists measure and examine water quality. Become informed about best management practices for maintaining environmental quality in residential areas.

Susan Libes, professor of marine science and chemistry, will lead the tour.

• Saturday, April 19

"Wetland Plants" – Explore an area wetland and learn to identify native plants and their ecological roles. The impact of development on wetland function will be discussed.

Tara Allden, adjunct professor, Center for Marine and Wetland Studies, will lead the tour.

Center for Marine and Wetland Studies hosts lectures

Coastal's Center for Marine and Wetland Studies has scheduled two public talks as part of a lecture series. The events are free and open to the public.

• Wednesday, March 26

"Coastal Carolina University and the Waccamaw Riverkeeper: A Partnership for Watershed Education, Research and Conservation"

Coastal marine science and chemistry

professor Susan Libes and Hamp Shuping of the Waccamaw Riverkeeper project will talk about how area citizens and agencies are working together to preserve the Waccamaw River basin.

The event will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room of Coastal's Atlantic Center, located on U.S. 501.

• Monday, March 31

"Status of Sea Cucumber Fisheries in

Thailand: Potential Impact on Reef Habitats"

Suchana Chavanich, professor of marine science at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, will discuss her research.

The event will be held at 5:30 p.m. in Wall 224.

For more information, call the Center for Marine and Wetland Studies at 347-9142.

Who's Who students are selected

Thirty-six students were recently selected by the Student Affairs Committee to membership in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for 2002-2003. The students will be recognized at the annual Honors Convocation April 29 in Wheelwright Auditorium.

Jennifer Abbott, junior education; Vance L. Albaugh, senior, biology; Lacie Armstrong, senior, biology; Jenny Cox, senior, education; Taurean Davis, junior history; Elizabeth Dukes, junior marine science; LeKeisha Edwards, junior, English; Brandi Green, junior, art studio; Heather Hostetler. senior, political science; Daniel Huskes, senior, accounting; Edward Kerr III, senior, arts studio; Katherine Koontz, junior, marine science; Sarah Koper, junior, finance; Kara Koppel, senior, psychology; Caitlin Lamb, senior, marine science; Mariana Levi, junior, accounting; Pamela Madden, junior, marine science.

Also Uricka McNeal, senior, biology; Pamela Mulcahy, junior, Spanish;, Allison Mulford, senior, management; Sarah Newman, junior, marine science; James Patanio, junior, marine science; John Peach, junior, history; Meredith Putnam, junior, psychology; Sheena Rote, junior, political science; Thomas Rutter, senior, physical education; Chelsea Shufelt, junior, psychology; Jason Smith, senior, accounting; Presley Smith, senior, health; Stephen Soja, senior, management.

Christopher Straga, senior, marketing; Tobin Whitmarsh, senior, marketing; Melissa Yencho, senior, biology; Joseph Yurigan, Jr., senior, biology; William Zeallor, junior, psychology; and Bin Zheng, senior, chemistry.

CCU employees get service awards

President Ron R. Ingle presented state service awards recently to employees who have accumulated 10, 20 and 30 years of service. Employees received certificates and commemorative pins from former Gov. Jim Hodges.

10 years: Aaron Ard, Fadi Baroody, Geoffrey Cockrell, Jody Davis, Gloria Ford, Neil Gielstra, Dolores Hoffman, William King, Virginia Levsen, John Marcis, Sandra Nelson, Linda Palm, Robin Strickland, Kathlene Sullivan, Rob Young

20 years: Gayle Britt, Nadine Godwin, Susan Libes, Claudia McCollough, Joan Piroch, Susan Soucy

30 years: Gerald Boyles, Eugene Collins, Ron Ingle, Steve Nagle, Mollie Bethea-Floyd

2003 Spring Advisement/Advance Registration

Coastal's 2003 summer and fall advisement and advance registration will be held April 7 to 11 and April 14 to 18, respectively.

Advance registration will be limited according to the following schedule:

- Monday, April 14 Seniors and grad students (90 credit hours or more)
- Tuesday, April 15 Juniors (60 to 89 credit hours)
- Wednesday, April 16 Sophomores (30 to 59 credit hours)
- Thursday, April 17 Freshmen (up to 29 credit hours)

Juniors, sophomores and freshmen may register via WebAdvisor beginning at 3 p.m. the day before their regular registration day.

Eligibility status will be based on credit hours earned plus credit hours currently enrolled.

Campus Notes

Open registration begins Friday, April 18, at 3 p.m. for all other students.

Students must have their login ID and PIN to register via WebAdvisor.

Poetry Reading set for March 26

A Poetry Reading featuring works by some 26 women and African-American poets will be Wednesday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m. at Atheneum Hall 003.

The reading, in celebration of Women's History Month and Coastal's African-American Celebration, is free and open to the public; it's co-sponsored by the campus Diversity Board.

Readings will be presented by Coastal students, faculty, staff and friends. For more information call the Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2863.

Golf Ball performance talk set

"The Physics of Golf Ball Performance: Everything You Wanted to Know About Golf Balls But Were Afraid to Ask" will be held Friday, March 28, at 7 p.m. in the Recital Hall of the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Teresa Burns at 349-2225.

Seminar for training professionals

Learn tips and techniques for effective training for professionals at a seminar hosted by the Carolinas Society for Training and Development on Thursday, April 3 from 8 to 9 a.m. on the second floor of University Hall. All are invited.

Bugs saving rivers

The second installment in the Eyes on Biology lecture series, "Don't Let Them Bug You: Using Bugs to Save Our Rivers," will be led by John Hutchens on Wednesday, March 26 at 7 p.m. in Wall Auditorium. Free and open to the public.

Zen-cowboy Chuck Pyle to perform

Singer/songwriter Chuck Pyle will perform Monday, March 31 at 7:30 p.m. in Wheelwright Auditorium. The concert is free and open to the public. Call the box office at 349-2502 for more information.

Coastal People On the Go

Faculty members and students recently attended the Southeastern Section meeting of the Geological Society of America. The group delivered presentations regarding geologic studies of the area's shoreline. Faculty members Scott Harris, Eric Wright, Paul Gayes and Germán Ojeda and students Catherine Moses, Jennifer Kuykendall, Danya Pase, Jason Ferrante, Shelly Poteet and Triniti Dufrene participated.

Jean-Louis Lassez was an invited speaker at the third International Workshop on Multi Media, held recently at the University of Hokkaido in Japan. His talk was on "Similarity Based Machine Learning," and was based on work with Tayfun Karadeniz, a programmer in the Department of Computer Science, while Abhishek Agrawal, a student in the same department, helped create the presentation.

Paul Peterson's article, "Religion in 'The X-Files," was published in the most recent issue of *The Journal of Media and Religion.*

Füsun Akman has been awarded a travel grant in the amount of \$2,000 to give an invited talk at the First International Meeting of the American Mathematical Society and its Spanish counterpart in Seville, Spain, in June. The awarding institution is the Association for Women in Mathematics.

Richard Dame recently represented CCU at a "Public Forum: Global Warming on the South Carolina Coast" at the South Carolina Aquarium in Charleston. This event was sponsored by the S.C. Coastal Conservation League, the S.C. Aquarium and the League of Women Voters.

The faculty of the Department of Philosophy and Religion attended the S.C. Society for Philosophy (SCSP) annual meeting at USC Lancaster recently. Nils **Rauhut** was the outgoing president of the SCSP. He presided over the meeting and also gave the presidential address, "How Virtuous was Socrates? The Truth about Socrates and Alcibiades." Renee Smith presented a paper, "Representation and the Inverted Spectrum," and Dennis Earl presented "Field's Problem and the Reliability of a Priori Intuition." Also in attendance were Michael Ruse, Phil Schneider, Preston McKever-Floyd and Claudia McCollough.

Heather Martin has been awarded a Young Bankers scholarship to pursue her finance/accounting career in the Wall College of Business. The scholarship is given by the South Carolina Bankers Association. Martin, a junior, of Conway, has been involved in the VITA (volunteer income tax assistance) program on campus and has maintained a 3.48 GPA while carrying a full student load and working part-time at Conway National Bank.

In appreciation

Thank you to the many faculty, staff, students and community residents who attended the recent Kimbel Library Open House and book sale to celebrate the completion of the library renovation project. Many people participated in the guided tours and purchased materials at the book sale. The event was very successful.

- The Library Staff

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Allen Terrell

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Campus Calendar

Monday, March 24

- Classes resume after Spring Break Wednesday, March 26
- African-American Poetry Reading, Atheneum Hall 003, 6:30 p.m.
- Eyes on Biology Series: "Don't let them 'bug' you: Using bugs to save our rivers," Wall Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Monday, March 31

- Chuck Pyle, singer/songwriter, Wheelwright Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
 Friday, April 4
- "Songs for a New World," Wheelwright Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Phi Alpha Theta regional meeting, Wall College of Business, 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 5

- "Songs for a New World," Wheelwright Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Phi Alpha Theta meeting, Edwards, 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- "Confederates at Keyboard," Edwards Recital Hall, 2:15 p.m.
- Sunday, April 6
- "Songs for a New World," Wheelwright, 3 p.m.

Athletic events

Friday, March 28

- Baseball hosts Radford, 6 p.m.
- Softball hosts Brown, (DH) 4 p.m.
- Outdoor Men's and Women's Track at Raleigh, Relays, noon
- Saturday, March 29
- Baseball hosts Radford, 6 p.m.
- Outdoor Men's and Women's Track at Raleigh. Relays, noon
- Women's tennis hosts East Carolina 1:30 p.m.
- Men's tennis hosts East Carolina, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 30
- Baseball hosts Radford, 1 p.m.
- Women's tennis hosts Winthrop, 1 p.m.
- Men's tennis hosts Winthrop, 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 1
- Softball at UNC Wilmington (DH), 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 2
- Baseball at North Carolina, 6 p.m.
- Thursday, April 3
 - Softball at Charleston Southern (DH), 3 p.m. Friday, April 4
 - Baseball at The Citadel, 6 p.m.
 - Men's golf at Border Olympics (Laredo, Texas), all day
 - Women's golf at LSU, Cleveland Golf Classic (Baton Rouge, La.), all day
 - Outdoor men's and women's track at Duke Invitational (Durham, N.C.), 2 p.m.
 Saturday, April 5
 - Men's golf at Border Olympics (Laredo, Texas), all day
 - Women's golf at LSU, Cleveland Golf Classic (Baton Rouge, La.), all day



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Coastal Carolina Universty presents CHUCK PYLE Singer/Songwriter Monday, March 31, 2003 • 7:30 p.m. Wheelwright Auditorium

Known as the "Zen Cowboy," Chuck Pyle is making his second Coastal appearance. His original songwriting talents and innovative guitar playing have influenced many performers, and his songs have been performed by John Denver, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and others.



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Information: (843) 349-2502 Free and open to the public.

