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German professor to speak at CCU

Kurt Scharnbacher, an economics professor from the University of Applied Sciences in Fachhochschule Mainz, Germany, will make two public presentations at Coastal this month on politics and education in Germany.

The first lecture, "Comparisons between the German and Anglo-Saxon Educational Systems," is scheduled for Monday, April 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the Edwards Recital Hall (152). The talk is free and open to the public, and a reception will follow the discussion.

The next lecture, "Future Developments in German Politics and Economics," will be on Thursday, April 29 at 4:30 p.m. in the Wall Auditorium.

Scharnbacher is the dean of applied sciences at the University of Applied Sciences (Fachhochschule Mainz). His field of expertise is marketing research and customer relationships. He is the author of several textbooks on business statistics and customer satisfaction.

Since 2001, Coastal has had a bilateral exchange agreement with Fachhochschule Mainz, in which students take business courses in English and study German during this full-year study opportunity in Mainz.

For more information, call Darla Domke-Damonte, associate professor of management, marketing and law in the College of Business Administration, at 349-2129.

Blanton Circle to be named for founder

Atheneum Circle in the center of Coastal’s campus is being named in honor of James P. Blanton, one of the original founders of the institution.

James P. Blanton Circle will be officially dedicated on Wednesday, April 14 at 11 a.m. in honor of Blanton's long service to the university. The ceremony will be held in front of the Singleton Building.

Blanton was one of the members of the first committee that met in July 1954 to discuss the establishment of a junior college in Horry County. He has served on the Coastal Educational Foundation, Inc., continuously through the years, and now serves as a director emeritus of the organization.

Blanton is known and respected for his commitment to the conservation of the natural resources of Horry County. As a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives in 1967 and 1968, Blanton was the chief author of legislation called Omnibus Law Bill, which established the first training center for law enforcement in the state. Blanton also proposed the state's first ecology bill and focused attention on issues relating to soil conservation and forestry.

In 1987 Blanton founded the Playcard Environmental Education Center. Located on the edge of a 250-acre blackwater swamp 20 miles west of Conway, the center provides educational activities related to the study of the natural sciences and conservation. Created by the Horry County Conservation Foundation, which Blanton also founded, the Playcard Center offers classroom space, a conference center and nature trails.

Blanton received an honorary degree from Coastal in 2001. He has received numerous awards, including the honorary degree of Doctor of Public Service from the University of South Carolina in 1990. He was named Honorary Class Member of Clemson University of 1960.

Blanton is the owner of Blanton Supply Company in Loris, Little River and Marion. He was a founder and vice president of Horry County National Bank and has served on the Conway Hospital Board of Directors.

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April 5-11
- Sports Information Director John Martin on CCU athletics
- Don Rockey and CCU student Amanda Player on “Camp Out”
- Val Dunham on grants, research planning and nutraceuticals
- Alumni profile: Bonita Smalls

April 12-18
- Jason Pippin of Carolina Southern Railroad, sponsor of “Sarah, Plain and Tall”
- Sandra Lee on Children at Risk in Education (CARE)
- Michael Bratsafolis and Sloan Huggins on “I Hate Hamlet”
- Alumni profile: Brett Perry

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**‘Pomegranate Seed’ to play at CCU**

National award-winning songwriter Cosy Sheridan will perform her one-woman show, “The Pomegranate Seed,” on Wednesday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Wall Auditorium. The show is free and open to the public.

“The Pomegranate Seed – An Exploration of Appetite, Body-Image and Myth in Modern Culture” is a two-act narrative, complete with a musical score, chronicling one woman’s journey into the symbolic underworld and her emergence as a more vibrant and empowered woman.

“The Pomegranate Seed” is a story of finding meaning in life’s experiences. The first act weaves together humor and music in an exploration of messages from the media, from cultural icons and family. From Barbie dolls to fast diets, from Eve and her apple to the tragi-comedy of swimsuit shopping, Sheridan as Everywoman comes to grips with her body, her self-image and all that it implies, finding a way to joyfully inhabit her own body.

Sheridan’s music has been heard from Carnegie Hall to the “Dr. Demento Show.” She won the Kerrville Folk Festival’s New Folk songwriting award and the Telluride Bluegrass Festival’s Troubadour award. The Folk and Acoustic Music Exchange praised Sheridan’s songwriting as “some of the best in contemporary folk.” For more information call 349-2225.

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**Ethnic food, entertainment, fun at Cultural Celebration on April 7**

The 13th Annual Cultural Celebration, featuring ethnic entertainment, arts and crafts, and food, is scheduled for Wednesday, April 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the Prince Lawn. The annual festival features food vendors and merchandise for sale. In case of rain, the Cultural Celebration will take place on April 14 at the same times and location.

Here is the tentative schedule for the day’s entertainment:
- 11:15 a.m., Mystic Vibrations, reggae band
- 11:45 a.m., Costa Columbiana, Spanish band
- Noon, CCU Dance Team
- 12:30 p.m., Adande African Drum and Dance Co.

- 1 p.m., Myrtle Beach Regional Pipe Band and Highland Dancers
- 1:30 p.m., Costa Columbiana
- 2 p.m., Peralta
- 2:30 p.m., Adande African Drum and Dance Co.

Food vendors will include Sugar Shak, Little River Deli, Yum-Yum BBQ and KNH Middle Eastern food. For more information, contact Coastal’s Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2863.
Brooke Tummino, a junior from La Plata, Md., studying tourism and travel, was honored at this year's Governor's Conference on Tourism and Travel in Hilton Head. Tummino, named one of three top students from South Carolina's higher education institutions, received a $500 scholarship.

Patti Edwards, choir director, and Ann Miles, staff accompanist, recently returned from a trip to the Czech Republic where they performed the “Pergolesi Stabat Mater” in two cathedrals, including one performance with the Blahoslav Children's Choir. Edwards sang a program of American music titled “How Can I Keep from Singing?” The program included two world premieres of arrangements by William Hamilton and Miles. The recitals were in Brno at the Janácek Music Academy and in Ostrava at the Janácek Conservatory. They performed the same program here at CCU.

Scott Gallimore, a senior studying philosophy, is the first college student to intern with the State Ethics Commission in Columbia. Once a week, on Wednesdays, Gallimore drives to Columbia to do his work with the commission; he's currently building an access data bank for commissioners' opinions. He also sits in on hearings.

Linda Hollandsworth presented "Living on the Edge: The South Revealed in Flannery O'Connor's Fiction" at the Society for the Study of Southern Literature Conference in Chapel Hill, N.C., March 26-28. The conference theme was "Place, Grace, and Race in Southern Literature."

Patti Edwards

Elizabeth Keller has had three of her ceramic teapots accepted into three national juried exhibitions: the 15th Annual Teapot Show in Chicago accepted "On the Side #2 (Eye to Eye)"; the 15th San Angelo National Ceramic Competition at the San Angelo Museum of Fine Art, Texas, accepted "On the Side #1 (Whisperings)"; and Feats of Clay XVII at the Lincoln Arts and Cultural Foundation in Lincoln, Calif., accepted "The Dreamer's Tea."

The San Angelo Competition selected only 125 works from 1,305 entries, while the Feats of Clay selected only 80 works from 1,226 entries.

Honorable mentions were awarded to the following Coastal faculty artists in the Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild 7th Annual Juried Show: Treelée MacAnn, "Remaining Light"; Paul Olsen, "De-lightful"; and Elizabeth Keller, "Stir-up Swirl T-pot #2." The show continues through April 18 at the Franklin G. Burroughs and Simeon B. Chapin Art Museum in Myrtle Beach.

Senior Amber Campbell started off the outdoor track season with a bang. On March 19, she threw a personal best in the hammer, qualifying her for regionals and putting her at first place in the NCAA. The five-time All-American now stands at second in the nation and maintains her spot at the top of Coastal's career list. At the same meet, she also threw the discus 48.61m/159'5" to qualify for regionals, which is good for 30th in the nation.
**Campus Calendar**

Ongoing through April 14
- Carol Hepper: Mixed Media art exhibit, Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday, closes April 14

Wednesday, April 7
- Cultural Celebration, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Prince Lawn, rain date is April 14

Thursday, April 8
- Current Issues Colloquium, "Should tariffs be used to protect U.S. jobs?" 7 p.m., Wall Auditorium
- "Songfest: Mixed Melodies" featuring Elise Testone and Stephen Webb, 7:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

Friday, April 9
- Student holiday, no classes

Tuesday, April 13
- Insurance seminar for small business owners, 5 to 6:30 p.m. Wall Auditorium, free
- CCU Concert Choir, 7:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

Wednesday, April 14
- Pizza Day in the courtyard, noon
- Comedian Will Marfori, 7 p.m., Wall Auditorium
- CCU Saxophone Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., Recital Hall

Thursday, April 15
- "Feels Good, Sounds Good," CCU Percussion Ensemble concert, 7:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

Saturday, April 17
- CCU/STRIDE Move Your Hide! 5K Road Race, 9 a.m., CCU Recreation Center

Monday, April 19
- David Bankston concert, 7:30 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium
- "Shower," bittersweet comedy by Zhang Yang, Foreign Film Series, 7 p.m., Wall Auditorium

Saturday, April 24
- Campuswide Yard Sale, 8 to 11:30 a.m., Blanton Circle (formerly Atheneum Circle)

Tuesday, April 27
- Honors Convocation, 7 p.m., Wheelwright Auditorium

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**‘Sarah, Plain and Tall’ on April 20**

Coastal is bringing “Sarah, Plain and Tall” to campus on Tuesday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m. in Wheelwright Auditorium.

The musical production is a presentation of Theatreworks USA. General admission is $15, but students 18 and under are admitted free. Admission is free with a Coastal ID.

Based on Patricia MacLachlan’s Newbery Award-winning book “Sarah, Plain and Tall,” this frontier story is about the power of love. Answering a widower’s advertisement for a “mail-order bride,” Sarah Wheaton travels from the coast of Maine to the prairies of Kansas in hopes of making a life for herself. Not only does Sarah take to the duties of caring for the two motherless children with liveliness and compassion, she teaches them and their father that life and love do go on.

Robin Benson stars as Sarah, and five other professional actors join her in the touching family musical. Julia Jordon wrote the screenplay, Nell Benjamin wrote the lyrics, and Laurence O’Keefe and Larry Nell wrote the music for the production. Jesse Bush is the director.

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**Lifelong Learning offers football course**

Always wanted to learn and understand more about the game of football without embarrassing yourself?

Football 101, offered through the spring Lifelong Learning series, will be led by Coastal’s Coach David Bennett, his staff and team players, who explain how the game is played. The three-week course will be held in Brooks Stadium press box. Seating is limited so early registration is advised. The program is scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 6 to 22, from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m.

Other Lifelong Learning events are scheduled for this month. Each Friday in April, ecologist Julie Finlayson will lead excursions to some of the coast’s most pristine barrier islands, including Waites Island, Bull Island and two other locations. It’s $89/$79 for nonmembers/members.

If you’re more inclined to stay indoors and explore your creative, artistic interests, courses in visual art, writing and music are being offered through Lifelong Learning.

For music lovers, six musical performances are scheduled featuring George Devens, who has spent more than 30 years as a studio musician. This session will include music of the minstrel shows, Stephen Foster and vaudeville, as well as music from the 1930s, ragtime and jazz and Broadway tunes. The six-week course will be on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon. It’s $59/$49 for non-members/members.

A writing workshop will be held on April 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. using pivotal topics and inspirational readings as “jumping off” points for writing about your life. It’s $39/$35 and includes lunch.

For more information, call the Lifelong Learning Society at 349-2665 or visit the Web site at www.coastal.edu/lifelonglearn.
Coastal Notes

The Spirit of the Chanticleer Marching Band cuts CD

Have you got the band's new CD? Coastal's Spirit of the Chanticleer Marching Band recorded and marketed a CD from its inaugural season. It was recorded at the Season Finale Concert on Nov. 20. In addition to the football cheer songs - "Mr. Touchdown U.S.A.," "Go Chants Go," "Shake a Tail Feather" - there are regional tunes such as "Myrtle Beach Days," "I Love Beach Music" and the ever-popular "Chicken Dance." The CD is available in the bookstore for $10; proceeds go to the band.

Senior Sports Classic

The Senior Sports Classic will be co-hosted by Coastal on Friday, April 16, featuring a day of sports activities and games for the older-than-50 population in Horry County. CCU's Recreation for Special Populations is putting on the event along with the Horry County Council on Aging and the Horry County Parks and Recreation Department.

Events include the 100-meter dash, 1 mile walk/jog, 100-meter swim, bowling, basketball shoot-out, beach ball volleyball, bocce ball, horseshoes, softball throw and bingo. There'll also be a cooking contest, an arts and crafts contest and a quilting contest. Breakfast and lunch are provided for the participants. The sports day will take place on Coastal's campus. For more information, contact Mary Case, activity director at Horry County Council on Aging, at 248-5523 or Christine Rockey at 349-2812.

Check out The BUZZZ

The first issue of the BUZZZ, a tabloid insert in The Horry Independent, has been written, designed and published by Journalism Class 304. Two more issues are planned for April 8 and May 6 issues. Some 8,000 BUZZZ inserts were printed for the first run. The supplement features timely articles on local issues such as Citizens Against Spouse Abuse, students who don't vote and steroid use in sports.

Athletic events

Saturday, April 3
• Baseball hosts Winthrop, 2 p.m.

Sunday, April 4
• Baseball hosts Winthrop, 1 p.m.

Monday, April 5
• Softball hosts Liberty, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, April 6
• Baseball at College of Charleston, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, April 7
• Baseball hosts UNC Wilmington, 6 p.m.
• Softball hosts Liberty, 2 p.m.
• Men and Women's track at S.C. State Collegiate Championships, Columbia, 2 p.m.

Friday, April 9
• Baseball at VMI, Lexington, Va., 3 p.m.

Saturday, April 10
• Women's track hosts Chanticleer Classic, 10 a.m.
• Men's track hosts Chanticleer Classic, 10 a.m.
• Baseball at VMI, Lexington, Va., 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 11 to Tuesday, April 13
• Women's golf at Big South Conference Championship, Greenwood, all day

Tuesday, April 13
• Baseball at North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C., 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 15
• Women's track at Big South Conference Championships, Charleston
• Men's track at Big South Conference Championships, Radford, Va., TBA

Friday, April 16
• Women's track at Big South Conference Championships, Charleston, TBA
• Softball at Winthrop, 4 p.m.
• Men's track at Big South Conference Championships, Radford, Va., TBA
• Baseball at Radford, Va., 3 p.m.

Saturday, April 17
• Baseball at Radford, Va., 1 p.m.
• Men and Women's track at Big South Conference Championships, Charleston, TBA
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- Blanton Circle to be named for Coastal founder
- German professor visits Coastal campus
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African-American Celebration Presents

04 Cultural Celebration

Food, arts and entertainment.

Wednesday, April 7, 2004
11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.
Location: Prince Lawn
(Rain date: April 14, 2004)

Free and open to the public. For more information contact the Office of Multicultural Student Services at 349-2863.