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Federal report shows rise in national campus crime

BY ALEXIS GILBERT
Daily Pennsylvanian
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(U-WIRE) PHILADELPHIA - Showing a slight rise in overall incidents in 1999, the U.S. Department of Education has released its second annual report of nationwide crime statistics for colleges and universities.

The report found an overall increase of 1 percent in campus crime incidents.

Although the number of murders and aggravated assaults was down in 1999 from 1998, there was an increase in four other major categories.

The number of reported forcible sex offenses, robberies, burglaries and motor vehicle thefts all rose. Arson statistics were collected for the first time.

Bill Danks, interim deputy chief of investigations at the University Police Department, said that because Penn will be reviewing the DOE reports on Monday, he cannot comment on the statistics until then.

"Until then, we cannot make an intelligent comment on that report," Danks said.

The Clery family - whose daughter Jeanne was sexually assaulted and murdered by another student on Lehigh University's campus in 1986 - helped persuade Congress in 1990 to pass a law requiring colleges to make their crime statistics public.

An amendment was added to the law in 1998, requiring schools to submit their crime reports to the Department of Education.

The Clery family also set up Security on Campus, Inc. - a non-profit watchdog organization - to make sure schools were more forthcoming with crime statistics.

Daniel Carter, vice-president of Security on Campus, said the

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Excitement surrounds CCU Homecoming

BY JEN COFFIN
staff writer

Combine a rapidly growing student body, winning basketball teams, and a swelling pride amongst alumni, and you have the formula for what could be a successful Coastal Carolina University Homecoming.

Homecoming week, set for Feb. 12-18, will include a comedian, a talent and step show, a campus parade and important basketball games against UNC-Asheville.

The games will start at 3:30 p.m. for the women's team and at 6 p.m. for the men's team, and a vast crowd is expected at Kimbel Arena. A comeback is planned against UNC-Asheville after the Jan. 31 game in which the Chanticleers lost 97-95 in overtime, while the Lady Chanticleers defeated UNC-Asheville with a 58-52 victory.

Although the men's team are at a 7-14 and 5-3 in the Big South, CCU officials are convinced that two-year head coach Pete Strickland will turn the program around. The women's team, which are at 10-9 for the season, have had recorded winning seasons for the first time in 13 years. Last year's team, coached by Alan LaForce, recorded its first winning season since 1983, with 20-10. This also improved the Lady Chanticleer's position in the Big South Conference as they have placed second each of the last two seasons in the conference tournament.

The recent success at CCU has been obvious. The university's student body has grown to more than 4,500 and includes the sprouting up of new buildings around campus.

CCU alumni have responded to the success by supporting the school financially and fund-raising is under way for additions to the science building and to create a football program.

Homecoming Court: See page B3

2001 HOMECOMING EVENTS

Monday, Feb. 12
* Comedian Darren Carter, 7:30 p.m., Wall Auditorium.

Tuesday, Feb. 13
* Community Service Day, projects available in the Student Center, by STAR and the Office of Student Activities.
* Students vs. Faculty/Staff basketball game, 7 p.m., Kimbel Arena.

Wednesday, Feb. 14
* Homecoming Carnival, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Spadoni Park.
* Movie Night, "Meet the Parents" with Ben Stiller and Robert DeNiro, 7:30 p.m., Wall Auditorium.

Thursday, Feb. 15
* Talent and Step Show, 7 p.m., Wheeleright Auditorium.

Friday, Feb. 16
* Alumni Golf Tournament, noon, Wizard Golf Course at Carolina Forest
* Baseball vs. Marshall University, 3 p.m., Charles L. Watson Stadium.
* Homecoming Parade, 4 p.m., around campus.
* Pep Rally, after the parade at the Atrium behind the Admissions Building.

Saturday, Feb. 17
* President's Cup 5K Race, registration at 7:30 a.m. at the P.E. Center. The one-mile walk will be at 8 a.m. and the 5K will be at 8:30 a.m.
* Baseball vs. Marshall University, noon, Charles L. Watson Stadium.
* Alumina Golf Tournament, 1:30 p.m., Wall Auditorium.
* Alumni Oyster Roast and Pig Pickin, 3 p.m. on the Horseshoe in front of Singleton Building.
* Women's Basketball vs. UNC-Asheville, 3:30 p.m., Kimbel Arena.
* Men's Basketball vs. UNC-Asheville, 6 p.m., Kimbel Arena. Crowning of the King and Queen will take place at the end of the game.
* Student/Alumna Homecoming Dance, 9 p.m. at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center.

Sunday, Feb. 18
* Giannini Bruce Sweetheart Concert, 3 p.m., Wheeleright Auditorium. Tickets are available at the door.
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increased number of total crimes was due to better reporting by both victims and schools. “I think that the alcohol incidents in the [report] are probably due in large part to an increase in enforcement... and increased arrests,” Carter said. “The amount of alcohol consumption has not changed as significantly as the statistics might indicate.” Carter also noted that many on-campus crimes can be linked to alcohol.

Carter said that urban and rural schools have similar crime statistics. “Most campus violence is student on student, so it’s really irrelevant of the outside environment,” he said.

However, this report was the first to require crime statistics for both campuses and their surrounding areas. In the past, schools including Penn had used loopholes in reporting regulations to distinguish between “on-campus” incidents and those in areas that were not technically on campus property.

“In Penn there was a situation where armed robberies adjacent to campus were being excluded [from reports] but were being handled by campus police,” Carter claimed. “Part of your increase [in reported incidents] is due to situations like that.”

Although Carter said that high campus crime rates worry the parents of prospective students, University spokeswoman Phyllis Holtzman said Penn’s crime rates don’t seem to be deterring many students from matriculating.

“The University’s number of applications seems to go up, and the number of people who want to go to Penn seems to go up every year... and that kind of speaks for itself,” Holtzman said.

Alumni Golf Tournament scheduled for Feb. 16

The Alumni Association is sponsoring its Alumni Golf Tournament at The Wizard Golf Club in Myrtle Beach on Friday, Feb. 16. The format is four-player captain’s choice. Registration begins at noon and tee times will follow check-in. The event is open to the public. The cost is $50 per person which includes cart and green fees, box lunch, ‘snacks, beverages’ and the dinner/awards reception following the tournament. Awards will be given to the top three teams. Prizes will be awarded for the longest drive and closest to the pin at various holes throughout the tournament. Players may purchase a $20 package at the registration desk on the day of the tournament which entitles them to one mulligan, five raffle tickets and the opportunity to win any hole-in-one prize. All proceeds go toward Coastal alumni programs and scholarships. Call the Office of Alumni Affairs at 349-2569 or 349-2586.

Diversity Programming Committee Meeting

The second committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 30. The meeting will be in the Student Center conference room at 3:30 p.m. We are asking each organization to send at least one representative. We will be having refreshments after the meeting. We hope to see all organizations represented at this meeting.

Phi Sigma Sigma

The ladies of Phi Sigma Sigma are proud to say that they have been very busy this month with community service as well as up coming events. Already this month the girls have visited a nursing home in Surfside Beach, spending the day with the residents. While there, the ladies made Valentine’s Day cards and played bingo and other games with the senior citizens. At the Dance Marathon, which was held this weekend, the ladies sponsored Grace Young, from McLeod Hospital for the second year. Currently, the girls are involved with spring rush, which began Feb. 1 and continues until Feb. 7. They have a week full of fun and exciting events.

Alumni selects Follett to operate bookstore

BY JEN COFFIN

staff writer

The Follett Higher Education Group has been selected to operate and manage Coastal’s bookstore. Under the five-year agreement, Follett, one of the nation’s largest used-textbook providers, will begin operating out of Coastal’s current bookstore location by March 2. By June, the bookstore will move into its new location on the first floor of Coastal’s welcome center, which is currently under construction. Follett will assist in the development of the 11,000-square-foot new store, including interior design and furnishing.

With the agreement, the Coastal community will have the opportunity to select merchandise and services online through efollett.com or in the on-campus store. Coastal faculty and students will receive a high level of customer service and savings through Follett’s vast inventory of used books and its technological resources, according to Stella Cooper, director of Coastal’s campus services. Follett is developing a Coastal virtual bookstore through efollett.com to service the needs of the campus community.

Faculty will be able to place orders for their course readings through efollett.com and students will be able to purchase textbooks online. Students will also have the opportunity to return books bought online to the campus bookstore. Follett serves more than four million students and more than 300,000 faculty through more than 655 stores.

Crime Log

January 9, 2001

A purse was stolen from the top of the victim’s vehicle in parking lot FE, one of the dorm lots. She didn’t report the larceny until Feb. 22; no arrests have been made.

January 25, 2001

Also in the dorm parking lot, there was another reported theft from a vehicle. The victim went out of town for a couple of days and left the sun roof of his car open. When he returned, his back door was unlocked, and his golf clubs and bag were missing from his trunk which is accessible through fold-down back seats. No arrests have been made.

February 1, 2001

Room 101 in Santee Hall was vandalized when someone broke the window to the unoccupied room of the quad. The residents told police that they were in the living room when it happened, and they ran outside when they heard the noise but couldn’t find anyone or an object that could have broken the window. The police searched the area but also couldn’t find the cause of the broken window.

History professor Stephanie Williams reported that two envelopes, one containing $10 and the other containing $40, were missing from her desk in room 119 in the Prince Building. There was forced entry into the desk, but no forced entry into the room. So far, no one has been arrested.

Update:

The woman who was charged with expired plates and leaving the scene of a crime pleads guilty to all counts and was given an unreleased amount of fines.

The Crime Log is compiled from police interviews and reports by staff writer, Nicole Service.
SACS committee to review university

By Candace Davis
staff writer

Every 10 years Coastal must undergo a self-study that examines all aspects of the university. The results of the study determine whether or not Coastal achieves reaffirmation of its accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

The self-study may not seem like a big deal from the outside, but the review is very important. The primary purposes of the self-study are to identify and enhance the strengths of the university, improve institutional practices, and assess the university’s effectiveness in providing quality education.

"Truthfully, I had no idea the university was even under any kind of review," said freshman Hayley Kern.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools encompasses 11 southern states. SACS is designed to identify strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities of the university. The committee must reaffirm the university’s accreditation through campus visits and written proof of Coastal’s goals, purposes, and achievements. The SACS Committee members arrive Feb. 25 to visit the campus.

Students should be aware of the importance of the SACS reaffirmation. The accreditation is a major factor in the university’s eligibility for federal funding.

Students should be interested and care where certain types of funding come from. Coastal is a public, state-run school and this accreditation shows whether or not the university is giving each student their money’s worth.

Once the SACS Committee finishes its review, it will decide if Coastal deserves reaffirmation of its accreditation.
Opinions

EDITORIAL:
The Chanticleer’s role on campus

BY PHILIP SELLERS
editor in chief

Since the beginning, I have always felt that the Chanticleer was the student’s voice on campus. Maybe we do not say what you believe, but it has always been a forum for the students to publish their ideas, opinions and news.

Little more than one semester ago, I became the editor of the Chanticleer. As editor, I have had one clear objective: to improve the overall quality of both the content and design of the newspaper. I think that my staff and I have made tremendous growth to this end. Today, I sit in my office continuing to challenge my staff and myself to do more, better.

The last issue of Chanticleer has drawn more comments than any other Chanticleer during my time on staff. The last newspaper was a product of numerous changes. I have received many comments on the improvement in the print quality of the newspaper, which I am grateful for.

My staff has continuously worked hard to make a high quality publication that CCU students will read. With the switch in printing companies, the final product reflects the staff’s hard work.

Some of the content that is published in the Chanticleer has caused me to get more than a few phone calls from individuals on campus. A staff writer, referred to only as Lollita, writes a sexual advice column each week called “Sex on the Beach.” The intent of this column is to openly discuss sex in a fun and informative way, like ‘Loveline’ on MTV has done. The last column was a little more ‘racy’ than previous ones, but I never batted an eye. The column, which responds to student submissions, answers serious questions. And Lollita does so responsibly. Lollita always consults physicians, medical books, and her mom - a long time OB-GYN.

I admit fault for not printing our regular disclaimer, last issue. The column generally has a disclaimer that states that the views of these columns are not necessarily the views of Coastal Carolina University, for all of the legal reasons. In all of the commotion of the changes, I left this out. Sorry.

What I am not sorry for is this: ‘Sex on the Beach’ tackles the topic of sex responsibly and proactively. Lollita always has her writer’s best interest in mind. Sex is something that all human beings deal with; it’s a part of life.

Talking about the problems, shedding light, and removing the ‘taboo’ are all healthy ways of dealing with sexual problems.

The newspaper has never been and (as long as I’m editor) will never be a marketing vehicle for the school. It’s just not the newspaper’s objective. My main purpose is to report the news, unbiased. Second to that, we give our opinions in the form of reviews, editorials and perspectives. We also serve as a forum for all individual’s ideas, and we accept letters to the editor for this reason.

I don’t always agree with the opinions on the opinions page, but I run those anyway. Just because that opinion is not my opinion does not give me the right to not run it.

I would like to challenge anyone who does not agree with me to write a letter to the editor for my next issue. I would love nothing better than to get your thoughts on the situation. If you agree with me, write a letter and send it in, too. You have a powerful voice, exercise it.

COLUMN:
What’s Up With That? Gimme A Break

BY NICOLE SERVICE
staff writer

I don’t think Jim alone when I say that this has just been one of those weeks. You know what I mean. Every professor assigns an exam or gives a test, your employer messes up your schedule or your paycheck; or maybe you’re just in a bad mood; you get a speeding ticket, you lose money. And the worst part is that obviously no one else even thinks that you’re busy or are even having a bad week because they keep piling more and more on your plate until you just want to scream, cry, runaway, or do the only thing you really can’t...stay in bed.

As college students, I would say that times like these happen to all of us on an average of once every two or three months. It’s the time when it seems impossible to get everything done, but truthfully you don’t have a choice in the matter. And all you really want is a break. Not necessarily a short vacation or some time off but you need someone, anyone, to show a little compassion and understanding for your situation.

I tried to take a break with a Kit-Kat bar, but that just added 20 minutes to my workout. I thought one of my professors was going to give me a break by showing a video, but no such luck. I even foolishly pondered the idea that the schedule-maker at work would get it right for once.

The only conclusion I came to is this: no one is ever going to give a student the simple yet wholly refreshing kind of break they need. So as students and colleagues, we need to help each other. We should work on homework together, go to dinner together, and watch movies together. We should take extra care to be kind to classmates and considerate of their feelings. After all, no matter how bad your week has been, you can probably find someone who has had a worse one.

In the world that we live in, you work as hard as you can for as long as you can and there won’t necessarily be an end to that work in sight. It’s important to help each other pull through the bad times so we can enjoy better the good ones.

And if any professor does read this, think back to one of those times in college when a thousand pound weight would have been lifted off your shoulders if one of your teachers had just given you a little bit of extra time in your day to catch up on your work. Everyone needs a break sometimes. And to those of you, students, teachers, employers, policemen, parents, salespeople, whoever who refuse to help them out when you come across an individual that desperately needs one, what’s up with that?

COLUMN:
From the desk of the SGA President

Have you ever heard people complain about how selfish, lazy and uninterested young people seem to be? Well, CCU proved them wrong this week! Did we erase all the hate? No, but we have raised the consciousness of many people, and a dialogue has begun among various people that wouldn’t have taken place otherwise.

I want to thank all the co-sponsors that were listed in the last Chanticleer, and a special thanks to Dr. Bob for some financial support, and thanks to Matt Morrin for going far beyond his salaried duties for making this such a successful event. Incidentally, Brent Scarpo said in the presentation, ‘Journey To A Hate Free Millennium’ that if CCU could raise 5,000 that he would share the rest of his program with us and he would bring Judy Shepard as a guest speaker. She is the mother of Matt Shepard, a gay college student that was murdered.

A couple of important events are coming up, February 5-9 is fraternity rush. If you are interested in knowing what it’s about, you should attend some of their events. Don’t let anybody tell you, “I don’t have to buy my friends” as an excuse not to be Greek — they don’t either. As a matter of fact, all student groups at CCU are required to collect dues. Homecoming Court Elections will take place February 7-8 in the Wall Building and the Student Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. February 14-15 will be the dates for Homecoming King and Queen Elections.

There will also be a President’s Council meeting on February 7 at 3 p.m. in the Commons, sponsored by Dr. Ron Ingle. I hope every group sends a representative to share and receive some important information. There is so much that we as students could get done if we all would work together and support each others programs.

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Squawk!

SEXUAL RESPONSIBILITY
Bands scuffle in HOB’s ‘Battle’

BY DAN GRIGG
managing editor

The upcoming battle will be fierce; some will fall where others may succeed, but only one will triumph. Armed with guitars and sound biting vocals, 23 talented bands will go head to head on February 10th, to determine which artist is truly number one.

The show, hosted by the House of Blues, will include a variety of different music, from Alternative and Heavy Rock to Rap and Hip Hop. The battle will also include Country Western, Blues, and Pop artists from the surrounding area (local and regional).

Unlike other Battle of the Band competitions often sponsored by high schools and small theaters, this showdown will have the backing of a major club and, talent, undeniably successful. Out of an estimated 500 bands and artists, the 23 most qualified acts have been selected.

In a recent press release, Melissa McGrath, publicist for the House of Blues, exclaimed, “It was so tough to cut the number from almost five hundred to only 23. It was a very daunting task!”

Local band, Reign, an alternative rock group from Myrtle Beach, is one of the lucky 23 nominated for this competition. Lead by local musicians, Ed Tanner and Sam Wilt, the band will be competing against five others in the Alternative Rock category. Basest and sophomore Adam Justice agrees, “This contest is going to be a hit. Each band will be playing their absolute best; well at least they hope they will!”

Justice further regards, “There is a rumor talent scouts will be attending the show. I don’t know about the other bands, but I can guarantee Reign will put on one hell of a show; record label or no record label.”

Besides the good music and competitive atmosphere, prizes will be given away throughout the show’s duration. Food booths will be setup providing guests with "unique" styles of cuisine. Drink specials will also be included. Most importantly, a portion of the day’s proceeds will be donated to the Surfrider Foundation, an organization designed for the cleanup and preservation of America’s beaches and ocean.

Next Saturday, turn off those cartoons, put on some clean underwear, and get pumped for a day of new music, tasty food, and a battle like no other. A battle of the bands.

Doors open at 12:00. Tickets are $10.00 per person.

Medea adds modern images to classic

BY NICOLE SERVICE
staff writer

Although the "Medea Construct" didn’t follow the original text as written by Euripides, it was intriguing just the same. It explored the mental effects of suppressing the rights of women and treating them like inferiors. 

Patty Verzella played the pink-haired "Hell Cat" Medea who killed her brother, betrayed her father, and abandoned her homeland for the love of Jason the Argonaut (Dave Thomas). After she bore him two sons, Jason left her for the rich daughter of Creon, King of Greece (Roger Brown). So, Medea was left with two children, three people who wanted her out of Greece, and no one to turn to in her time of great need. She decided to murder Jason’s new wife by poisoning the golden robe, and she succeeded. Creon was also killed after he touched the cloth in despair over his daughter. But that wasn’t really the shocking part of Medea’s plan. After all, those actions could be seen purely as vengeance against her cheating husband. But when she informs the other women of Greece that she also plans to kill her own two babies, they think her an insane monster. They criticize her and tell her that she won’t be able to go through with it. She almost can’t, but finally does when she imagines the knowing laughter of the women who faithfully fol-

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Most college students know how easy it is to procrastinate. Something always seems to come up, and it always seems to be more exciting than writing that essay that's due tomorrow. A typical scenario occurs when a student chooses to put the paper aside and takes the "fun" option. The day the essay is due, the student is frantically throwing something together. It's important to remember, however, that teachers can tell when a paper is sloppy and when a student waits until the last minute. You need to pace yourself and make sure that you are putting the time needed into each of your assignments. Only by doing this can you take pride in the work that you are turning in.

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—Confucius
O Brother, Where Art Thou?

Yet another on target comedy from the ever gifted Coen Brothers, makers of such contemporary comedy classics as Raising Arizona and Fargo. The oddball and refreshingly unique humor of the Coen brothers is certainly not accessible to all viewers. Their stories and situations are so original and odd as to not have me ever saying, "Oh that film reminds me of a Coen brothers' film!"

The plot, as in all Coen brothers' films, is wacky and outrageous. Set in Mississippi during the Depression era, three convicts played by George Clooney, Tim Blake Nelson and Coen regular John Turturro, escape from prison chain gang style in search of a so-called treasure front man Ulysses (Clooney claims to have knowledge of. Notice the name Ulysses. Its no coincidence. In the opening credits the Coen brothers give credit to old Homer for inspiring their wacky film. Although I had hoped the whole film would modernize The Odyssey, there are actually only a few instances that are obviously taken from the original text.

O Coen brothers' regulars John Goodman and Holly Hunter play the roles of Penelope (now Penny) and the Cyclops, while the Cicero story factors in when the men fear that Turturro's character has been transformed into a horned toad by some seductive riverside "sirens". The movie is hilarious in its many adventures, which include riverside Baptisms, crooked politicians, midgets, recording hit songs, and the KKK. How the Coen Brother's can even make the KKK funny is a further testament to their inventiveness. The film takes a few minutes before it becomes a slow right turn. That part of it has to due with the fact George Clooney isn't fully convincing as a poor, Mississippi hick. I suppose I was expecting more from the man who won a Golden Globe award for best male comic performance. But who can trust those darn awards anymore. (The Golden Globes did pick Julia Roberts as Best Dramatic Actress this year.) However, I will admit Clooney had me laughing just the same, and I have to give him credit for that.

So if anyone enjoys oddball humor and most of all, The Coen brothers' previous films, O Brother Where Art Thou should do good by you.

The Gift

In The Gift, Cate Blanchett (Elizabeth) plays a small town Southern single mom who is blessed/cursed with psychic and extrasensory powers. Having recently become widowed, Annie (Blanchett) reads the local towns-people's tarot cards to make a living. When a local debutante Jessica King (Katie Holmes, doing some unnecessary nudity) disappears, Annie is asked by Jessica's fiance (played by Greg Kinnear who clearly needs to learn a proper Southern accent) to help locate the girl.

Sound interesting? Well, yeah, the film keeps you entertained, but it uses all those typical "thriller" plots to keep you in suspense. Like in the recent What Lies Beneath, creepy music is played with a sudden high note screaming as something ominous jumps out at you on screen. Yea, it makes me jump, but afterwards film thinking, "Wait a minute, that really wasn't scary."

Cult/Horror director Sam Raimi (The Evil Dead movies) seems to be cursed with the same repetitiveness that most horror suspense/horror directors these days are suffering from. It seems the film has to use manipulative devices to overcome for its some-what cliche and unbelievable plot.

Although, the film does have its good points. With the exception of Keanu Reeves, who is unbelievable as the town's bullying, wife beating redneck (big surprise considering his lovely acting range), most of the cast holds up pretty well.

Hilary Swank (Boy's Don't Cry) becomes a chameleon once again, here becoming the abused wife of Reeves' brute of a character. Blanchett seems to be the Meryl Streep of her generation. This Australian picks up accents ranging from British, to New York, to Southern effortlessly.

Giovanni Ribisi puts his heart into his performance as a troubled mechanic, but even his efforts can't save his eye rolling dialogue. Interestingly, the film is written by Billy Bob Thornton as a sort of tribute to his Southern psychic grandmother. But Thornton needs to try a little harder the next time he picks up a pen. While the film keeps you guessing (everyone is a suspect), afterwards, one can't help but feel like a sucker for buying into a film with so many typical horror/suspense movie tricks.

Even if you don't mind that, The Gift could make a satisfying Friday night rental.

College Underground

SAT, FEB. 10
House of Blues presents Noon to Moon Battle of the Bands on Feb. 10 in North Myrtle Beach. It will include both local and regional bands and artists. There will be 23 bands performing. Call 272-3000.

FRI, FEB. 16
O'Town will perform at the House of Blues in North Myrtle Beach on Feb. 16. Call 272-3000.

WED, FEB. 28
3 Doors Down will perform at the Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium, 385 North Church Street, Spartanburg. Tickets are available online through ticketmaster.

MARCH 1 & 3
Trey Anastasio, lead vocalist and guitarist for Phish, will set out on his solo tour, with 10 dates throughout the east coast in late February and early March. He will perform March 1 at the Thomas Wolfe Auditorium in Asheville, N.C., and March 3 at the Township Auditorium in Columbia. Both concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available online through sxsf.com or call (803) 251-2222 for tickets for the Columbia show.

MARCH 31
Jo Dee Messina and Rascal Flatts will perform March 31 at the North Charleston Performing Arts Center, 5001 Coliseum Dr. N orth Charleston, S.C. Call (843) 529-3000.

APRIL 19-20
Bill Morrissey will perform at the College of Charleston April 19-20.

APRIL 21
George Strait Country Music Festival will be April 21 at the Williams-Brice Stadium in Columbia, SC. Performances by George Strait, Lee Ann Womack, Brad Paisley, Sara Evans, Lonestar, Alan Jackson, and more.

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Singing comedian makes audience roll

BY NICOLE SERVICE
staff writer

He is described as an "Adam Sandler" style singing comedian. Stephen Lynch is all that and more.

My first thought was that he was going to sing and tell adorable little jokes about how his past girl friends had wronged him. So when he began his act with a song about what had been keeping him from meeting Ms. Perfect, I was proud of myself for my powerful psychic visions. But his song was about how he had only one testicle, he was a "gambler with only one die." Not only was it starting, but it made me laugh so hard that I thought my appendix had burst.

Stephen went on to sing songs about how his wife had left him because he liked dime hookers and boozes, how he happened to have an unfortunate recent experience with a gerbil, how if you're having a bad day maybe you should just kill a kitten, how any child could become any type of superhero, and a charming little piece about Jim Henson's Muppets. One of the best parts was when he sang some of his songs that he said were unfinished, and they really didn't need to be finished to get to the punch line. His songs are definitely not meant to be taken seriously, and as soon as one realized that his songs were meant to be jokes, no matter how gruesome or outrageous, one could kick back and have a great time.

Stephen Lynch has a CD out called "A Little Bit Special," and if you're in the mood to buy a comedy record that's a mix between Adam Sandler's musical style and Weird Al's crazy lyrics, I strongly recommend picking this up. It was by far the most fun I had at a comedian so far this year, and it was a great relief to find a comedian who doesn't thrive on embarrassing his audience members. Guys and girls alike will enjoy his songs, and go see him in person if you ever get the chance.

OPINION:

Valentine Blues

BY NATHAN BYRNE
for the Chanticleer

Valentine's day is such a beautiful day. Birds are chirping, the sun is shining, flower truck delivery men are whistling. It's such a fantastic day, unless of course, you are like me, and don't have a Valentine. Then, Valentine's day sucks.

Some people like to go with the "It's just another day" philosophy. This holds true because it is just another day, but I don't remember telling my head that I could tear the heads off cute little teddy bears on any other day.

OK, so I'm bitter, but I am not alone. I have an army of broken hearted and neglected men and women behind me and we are ready for a war on the Hallmark factory.

The other day and I was actually thinking about getting a card for a female friend of mine, but I got scared with the huge variety of different cards, I had to run out.

Do I want to say "Be My Valentine" or "You Are a Great Friend" or just simply, "Let's Make Love?" My head hurts.

It's ridiculous. They even have Valentine's day cards for your bus driver. Now children go to the card store, pick out some cards for their friends and notice the "We love our Bus Driver" card and feel guilty for not getting one. So they buy that card, only to notice that they forgot to get the "I'm Hungry For Love, lunch lady" card, and the "Bee My Valentine, Local Beehive Keeper" cards.

Valentine's day is out of hand. There is even a Valentine's day slasher movie out now. That's right, impress your date by taking him or her to dinner and then a movie with people getting disemboweled and beheaded, while the killer spouts catchy phrases like "I'm going to break your heart" or the most horrifying of all "Let's just be friends!"

Where did we get this backwards idea for Valentine's day that we have now? February 14, year 2001, children make each other cardboard cards, pass around Gobstoppers and boxes of chocolate, as happy couples go out on dates to overrated, expensive restaurants.

February 14, around the year 270, St. Valentine was apprehended, then beaten with clubs and beheaded by the emperor of Rome. So where did the translation get messed up? Did some guy in the audience of the opera house where the story was performed, just want to mess with our emotions?

Honestly, what is going on here? We just got through Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and now we get slapped with this fake holiday too? Luckily, there is a pot of gold at the end of this rainbow of misery, St. Patrick's Day. It marks an end of all these "happy couple holidays." Everyone gets wasted on green beer as they sing Irish drinking songs and tackle short people demanding three wishes. Sure, St. Patrick's day doesn't make much sense either, but you don't hear me complaining.

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When used correctly can protect against pregnancy and STDs. Nowadays, women have the diaphragm, the same time.

Condoms
Casanova was the first to popularize their use, when they were made out of linen or animal intestines, but in the 1840's, with the advent of vulcanized rubber, they took on the name "rubbers". Condoms are convenient and easy to use. They come for both men and women.

Male Condoms
Average Failure Rate: 14 percent
Condoms are thin shields that are worn on the penis. It traps semen during intercourse, preventing sperm from entering the vagina. The failure rates are much higher for unmarried couples and teenagers. When used correctly can protect against pregnancy and STDs.

Female Condoms
Average Failure Rate: 21 percent
This is a thin polyurethane sheath with two soft rings at each end that fits over the cervix and covers the urethra, bladder, and rectum. Some women find the outer ring causes discomfort during sex. Male and female condoms should not be used at the same time.

Barrier Methods with Spermicides
Before commercial contraception was convenient, many women used a small piece of natural sponge filled with vinegar. Nowadays, women have: the diaphragm, cervical cap, and contraceptive sponge. They work in two ways: by providing a physical barrier to semen and by killing sperm before they can enter the uterus and fertilize an egg. These methods may provide considerable protection from STDs such as gonorrhea, chlamydia, and certain pre-cancerous conditions of the cervix.

Diaphragm
Average Failure Rate: 20 percent
Diaphragms are soft rubber or latex cup that must be fitted for size by a doctor. Contraceptive cream or jelly should be inserted with a special applicator if intercourse is repeated, and each time it is used check it for holes or tears, then replace it every two years.

Cervical Cap
Average Failure Rate: 26-40 percent
Cervical Caps are a smaller version of the diaphragm and it is not necessary to reapply spermicide when there is repeated intercourse. There are higher failure rates that apply to women who have given birth.

Contraceptive Sponge
Average Failure Rate: 26-40 percent
Contraceptive sponges are small, disposable sponge that contain spermicide. To use they should be moistened with water and not saliva before inserting. The sponge provides protection for twenty-four hours. Unfortunately, the sponge was removed from the US market in 1995, but a newer brand is presently in Canada.

Hormonal Methods
These methods of birth control appear in various forms and are extremely popular. Hormonal Methods include oral contraceptives, injectables, and implants. There are a number of side-effects and health risk.

Combined Oral Contraceptives ("The Pill")
Average Failure Rate: 3-8 percent
The combined oral contraceptive contains estrogen and progestosterone. Both make the uterus hostile environment for an embryo by causing a thinning of the uterine lining. Taking this pill can cause some serious health risks, especially among smokers, including abnormal blood clotting and heart attacks, cancer, and gallbladder disease. Side effects include headaches, acne, weight gain, vaginal infections, and depression.

Progestin-Only Oral Contraceptives ("the mini-pill")
Average Failure Rate: 1-3 percent
These pills contain progestin but no estrogen. They cause changes in the lining of the uterus which prevents the implantation of an embryo. It has been found that it inhibits ovulation in some women. Some of the side effects include depression and menstrual cycle disturbances.

Norplant
Average Failure Rate: 1-5 percent
This is a progestin implant, consisting of six small plastic rods which are surgically placed under the skin of the upper arm. Teens, heavier women, and those who have had the implant for several years may experience more failures than typically expected. One downfall is that the cost can be $500-700 for insertion.

Depo-Provera
Average Failure Rate: unknown
Depo-Provera is a progestin injection given by a doctor every three months. Side-effects include headache, weight gain, nervousness, and menstrual irregularities. There are also possible adverse effects which include dizziness, allergy, depression, and ovarian cysts.

Emergency Contraceptive Pills (ECP)
Average Failure Rate: 25 percent
These are sometimes referred to as the "morning after pill" and are actually a large dose of ordinary oral contraceptives taken after intercourse has occurred. They were first used in the 1960's for rape victims, by the FDA has begun promoting oral contraceptives for women who have had unprotected sex within the past 72 hours.

No Contraception
Average Pregnancy Rate: 85 percent
Some sexually active women choose not to use any contraception. This could be for a number of reasons including personal convictions, religious beliefs, or even medical considerations.

Abstinence
Average Failure Rate: 0 percent
This means refraining from sexual intercourse. Historically, abstinence has probably been the single most important factor in preventing pregnancy. Many people have their own definitions of sexual abstinence. Although some types of sexual activity does not result in pregnancy, they can still transmit diseases. Abstinence is superb contraception. Many unmarried couples find it easier said than done, however. For young people especially, it might be easier if high pressure situations, like automobile back seats or empty dorm rooms, are avoided. Abstinence is the only way to assure that pregnancy will not occur. It is also the only sure way to prevent the spread of STDs.
SEXUAL RESPONSIBILITY

Are you ready for sex?

START:

Have you ever had sexual intercourse? [YES | NO]

Have you ever had unprotected sex? [YES | NO]

Are you in a long-term, monogamous relationship? [YES | NO]

Do you plan on using a condom of birth control during intercourse? [YES | NO]

HOLD ON THERE COWBOY, MAYBE YOU DON'T REALIZE THE DANGERS OF UNPROTECTED SEX. LOOK AT THE FACTS FOR YOURSELF.

Have you actually had unprotected sex?

It's great that you're trying to be responsible, but remember that no form of protection or contraception is 100% effective, except abstinence. Douching, using a vinegar and water solution to clean out the vaginal area, to prevent STD's or to kill sperm does more harm than good because it kills natural germ fighters that normally clean the vagina. Overall, all types of birth control have an average failure rate of 18%. If you try to use protection, but you forget to take your birth control pill or your condom breaks, there is something called Emergency Contraception that can prevent pregnancy. It is a certain type of birth control that a doctor must prescribe that, if taken within 72 hours of intercourse, can reduce the risk of becoming pregnant by 75% to 95%. However, it is not meant to be taken on a regular basis as a normal form of birth control. For more information or to find a doctor in your area who prescribes Emergency Contraception, call 1-888-NOT-2-LATE or log onto www.not2late.com.

Do you feel like you would be compromising your own moral standards by having premarital sex?

If you're ready for sex, remember that no one is forcing you to do it. Abstinence is a normal, common, and acceptable alternative to sexual intercourse. If you and your partner have a healthy relationship, then he or she will understand your dilemma and wait until you're truly ready.

Editor's Note: Although there is not an official sexual responsibility week planned so far for this year, The Chanticleer decided to address sex for the upcoming Valentine's holiday.

Abstinence is the only 100% protection against pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, and other problems related to sex. For those in the community having sex, be informed, don't be ignorant.
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Dear Lollita,

I'm writing because lately I've been having a little problem. I have no desire to have sex anymore. The drive just isn't there at all, and I really think it is hurting my boyfriend's confidence. I have heard that smoking pot can affect sexual drive, is this true? If so, do I have to give up smoking all together?

--All Smoked Up

Well, Smokey, you would think that sex and heavy drug use would go hand in hand. I mean there is the whole "sex, drugs, and rock-n-roll" thing. Unfortunately, recent studies have shown the contrary. Marijuana has many short term effects including reduced ability to perform tasks requiring concentration and coordination. Most studies mention a hindrance to the operation of heavy machinery, but I'm pretty sure sex falls into the same category. Long term effects of heavy pot smoking can be more devastating. In women, constant "smoking up" can cause an increase in testosterone levels which can cause infertility, and in men, a decrease in levels of testosterone and sperm counts have been seen. And to answer your question, for both sexes the long term use of pot is associated with a diminished or extinguished sex drive.

Other studies have shown an association between the use of drugs and risky behavior. People under the influence are less likely to use safer sex practices leading to pregnancy and STD's. Ultimately, the regular consumption of anything in excess is a bad idea. So curb the smoking, and maybe your sex drive will redeem itself and start to rise!

Lollita,

I have a question about condoms. See my girlfriend and I are talking about taking our relationship to the next level, and well, I'm a virgin and do not have experience with condoms or contraceptives or anything like that. I really don't know which ones are the best and which ones to stay away from. So can you give me some tips on how to choose?

--Condom Confused

First, let me congratulate you on your decision to practice safe sex. I do have to remind you that there is no real "safe" sex besides not having sex. This, however, is not an easy question. There are over 100 different kinds of condoms on the market and it is all about preference. I will tell you this, choose wisely!

Selecting condoms is really about finding something you like and something you're comfortable with. The first thing to selecting a condom is the material. Latex condoms, by far the most popular and provide protection from pregnancy and STD's. Just remember that if you choose these use water-based lubricants not Vaseline. It is fine for masturbation, but it should never be used when having sex with a partner. It's a petroleum (oil) based product that will cause a latex condom to break. And this is not an idle threat. It will break quickly, and it will break in a major way.

There are also people out there that are allergic to latex and therefore have to find another kind. May I suggest Polyurethane, which is thinner and twice as strong as latex. In addition, they do not have the proteins that cause the allergic reactions that are found in latex condoms. Unfortunately, polyurethane condoms are more expensive, and many people may not have the money to afford them.

Now that the material issue is solved, you must choose other condom options. They come ribbed, colored, flavored, and in a variety of sizes. Yes, condoms come in different size, though the difference is usually millimeters and bigger does not always mean better. Wearing a snug condom may increase endurance and are less likely to slip, and most condoms will stretch to fit any size. When it comes to getting rubbed or unribbed, some people can't tell the difference, but they might be fun to test out. The colored condoms are as safe as the others but stay away from the glow-in-the-dark ones, they are for show only. Since you are planning on having intercourse with your partner, you don't need flavored rubbers. These are only for oral sex.

Just remember that condoms are not 100% effective. So read the instructions that can be found on most boxes of condoms. And remember to always, always wrap it up!

"Sex on the Beach" is an advice column which conquers a prime issue among college students: SEX. If you are having a sexually related problem, issue, or question write to Lovely Lollita, but she recommends that if you have serious medical problems you should also consult your physician or a counselor. Although Lollita is a physician, she is a licensed driver and not some cumpy we grabbed off the street. To reach Lollita just drop your letter in the Chanticleer box in the Student Activities office, or in the drop bag outside of the Chanticleer office located in Student Center 203, or email it to chanticleer@coastal.edu. No names or phone numbers wanted. All submissions stay anonymous.

Thank you for reading Woman2Woman. We are more than happy to answer all questions, whether male or female related. Remember that Woman2Woman is designated for everyone. It is not a woman thing - just the point of view of two women, with two totally different perspectives. EVERYONE is invited to submit questions. Please send any letters and questions to Kayatta at work.me.4real@yahoo.com or The Chanticleer. The views and opinions are not necessarily the views and opinions of The Chanticleer of Coastal Carolina University.
Valentine's Day Survival Kit

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Smooching Accessories

1) Breath mints: You wouldn't want to kiss someone with a mouth full of food, so stash a pack in your pocket. Pop a few in to prepare for a satisfying and minty fresh kiss.

2) Tissue: Here's the secret to wearing lipstick without leaving him wearing it too. Blot off most of it, leaving a nice rosy stain. Then glide on some lip gloss for an ultra kissable shine.

3) Dental floss: There's nothing sexy about seducing a date with a hunk of food caught between your teeth. If you use flavored, it will act as a backup freshener too.

4) Lip balm: A good kiss is one that includes saliva, super soft lips. Use something that will also protect against the wind and sun.

MEDIEVAL ENGLAND: THE NORMAN AND PLANTAGENET DYNASTIES

The Program

Join Denvy A. Bowman, Ph.D., on this fascinating 18-day trip to England and France. Bowman's lectures will be punctuated by excursions and activities of particular significance to the course. While based in southeast England at the University of Sussex, the group will make visits to Canterbury, Hastings, Rye, Battle and Battle Abbey, Pevensey, Whitlingham and Winchelsea. In Oxford, visits will be made to the various colleges that comprise Oxford University and to the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. A general exploration of this medieval city will be part of the experience. While in Oxford, day-trips to Bath and Stonehenge, to Winchester, and to Runnymede and Windsor are planned. In London, you will visit Westminster Abbey, the Tower of London, and the Globe Theatre. Plus you will see the "Changing of the Guards" at Buckingham Palace, see a West End play, and visit Covent Garden, Harrods and the National Gallery. And finally in Paris, the group will visit the Sorbonne, Notre Dame Cathedral, Pére Lachaise Cemetery, and the Carcassons.

The Particulars

The group will stay in four locations during the program: the University of Sussex in Brighton, Harris Manchester College in Oxford, Hughes Parry Hall in London and in three-star hotel accommodations in Paris. Breakfast and dinner will be provided while the group is in England; breakfast only in France. Round trip transportation from Myrtle Beach will be on USAir. Train travel between London and Paris will be on the Eurostar, under the English Channel.

The Fee

The program fee for this 18-day experience is $2,795 plus tuition. This fee includes round trip airfare from Myrtle Beach; accommodations and two meals a day in England; accommodations and breakfast in France; all ground transportation (buses and subways in England, Eurostar service from London to Paris, and subway and buses in France); theater in Oxford and London; plus admission to all of the sites noted above.

For More Information

Contact either Denvy Bowman in Prince 119C or Geoff Parsons (Barnes@coastal.edu), International Programs, Prince 105J or call 843.349.2054. The group will depart from Myrtle Beach on July 9 and will return on July 26.

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Oldsmobile

Stay Tuned
Elon's men's basketball team heads to Winthrop Saturday afternoon for a televised game at the Winthrop Coliseum. It will mark the second time the Phoenix will be on tv this week, as they showcased their talent Tuesday night at Radford. Saturday's game tips-off at 2:00 p.m. and can be seen on Fox Sports Net South and Home Team Sports.

Cold Shooting Sets Record Low
Liberty and Radford's women's basketball teams set a record last week that may be one they don't want to brag about. The Lady Flames defeated the women's tilt.

Streaking from Rock Hill to Radford
Winthrop had its 15-game home court winning streak snapped last week when Texas A&M-Corpus Christi surprised the Eagles in Rock Hill. But Radford has stepped in to fill Winthrop's shoes. The Highlanders have won 12 straight at home, including Tuesday's televised win over Elon.

Double Overtime
Coastal Carolina and Charleston Southern created a new meaning for double overtime last Friday. In a televised doubleheader the two school's men's teams played an exciting overtime game, which Coastal Carolina ended up winning 74-72. What was already a late night for both schools turned even later as the women's game, which tipped-off after the men's game at 10:40 also went into overtime. Charleston Southern came away with the 73-70 victory in the women's tilt.

Double or Nothing
Coastal Carolina's Brooke Weisbrod has three Os in her name because that's what she is to the Chanticleers. Offense, Weisbrod has scored in double digits in every game this season, breaking the 20-point mark in nine games. She is currently on pace to become only the second Big South player in the last seven years to average more than 19 points per game.

Butler, Walker Earn Men's Awards
Coastal Carolina's Torrey Butler averaged 22 points to lead the Chants to two Conference wins. Winthrop's Tyrone Walker picked up his second consecutive Men's Rookie of the Week for scoring in double-digits in three straight games. Keep up with the Player and Rookie of the week awards by downloading the Men's Basketball Report from the

CSU's Mueller and Crandall Named Women's Award Winners
Charleston Southern's Staci Mueller was named the women's Player of the Week for posting back-to-back double-doubles, spurring the Lady Bucs to two wins last week. Her teammate, Lisa Crandall shot 75 percent from the field to earn the Women's Rookie of the Week. Keep up with the Player and Rookie of the week awards by downloading the Women's Basketball Report from the site.

Register to Win at Advance Auto Parts
Big South fans be sure to go to your local Advance Auto Parts to register to win the Ultimate Vacation Package to Wild Dunes Resort in Charleston, SC with round-trip transportation provided by Amtrak. You can also win two Big South Basketball Championship Ticket Books, VIP Passes to the tournament, overnight accommodations in Roanoke and $100 in Advance Auto Parts gift certificates. While at Advance Auto Parts, stock up on Valvoline motor oil. If you purchase six quarts of Valvoline motor oil, you can receieve an Official Gatorade Sport Package and a buy-one-get-one free ticket book voucher, good at the Big South Championships in Roanoke, Va.

Win Final Four Tickets from Oldsmobile
College basketball fans can register to win two tickets to the 2001 Men's Final Four in Minneapolis courtesy of Oldsmobile. Attend a Big South Conference basketball or stop by a participating Pizza Hut in the Asheville, N.C. area game to register.

$1,000 in Free Phillips 66 Gas, Free Delta Plane Tickets...
Big South fans can enter to win two free roundtrip airline tickets to anywhere in the continental United States courtesy of Delta and $1,000 in free gasoline from Phillips 66. Stop by a participating Phillips 66 station to register.

Drive to March Madness ...
The 2001 Advance Auto Parts Big South Conference Basketball Championships will head to Roanoke for the first time ever. But not only has the tournament been played in Virginia, but that's where it has drawn the largest crowds. Big South tournament attendance records all were set during the four-year stint the championship was played in Lynchburg, Va. on the campus of Liberty University, just a short 40 minutes away from Roanoke.
Each week leading up to the NCAA Tournament, we will feature a factoid about the Big South Conference and the history of the Conference Tournament and the NCAA Tournament.

...on The Road to Roanoke
Both the men and the women will culminate their season at the in Roanoke, Va. February 28 - March 3, 2001. The men's and women's winners will each receive an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament. To order tickets, call the Roanoke Civic Center Box Office at (540) 981-1201 or Radford University Athletics at (540) 831-5228. Tickets will also be sold through the Athletic Department of each Conference school. Be sure to get out and support your school, then check for all the latest basketball news from around the League.

E-mail Newsletter Returns to Bring Fans Latest Big South News
For the second straight year, the Big South Conference will offer an E-mail Newsletter to its fans. This year's version is new and improved. Delivered weekly during basketball season and bi-weekly in the fall and spring, the newsletter is free of charge and brings all the latest Big South news directly to a fan's computer. To sign up for the E-mail Newsletter, visit www.BigSouthSports.com. And while you're there, don't forget to check out statistics and up-to-date stories on your favorite Big South team.

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The Big South's weekly sports releases are now available online in PDF Format. Visit to download the reports, which contain notes, Players of the Week and results from around the League. Follow the links below to get to each sports web page and click on the PDF report link to download the files.
Sluggish starts turn into big wins

BY REBECCA PARKER
sports editor

The name of the game for the Chanticleers seems to be start slow but finish big. It is either that or they are trying to give their coaches and fans heart attacks.

With a disappointing 2-10 overall record going into the New Year, the men knew that they had to make some changes for the remainder of the season. In the nine games since the ringing in of 2001, the Chants have accumulated five wins and four losses.

It has not come easy, though. Going to the wire seems to be the motto of the men’s basketball team here recently. In the past five games two have gone to overtime and four have been decided by four points or less.

"We have lost some heartbreakers," forward Tony Darden said. "We’re a pretty good team; we’ve just got to prove it."

Some around the conference are getting to the point of sorting out two straight wins against Big South members Liberty and Elon, the Chants were looking forward to High Point University paying a visit to the “chicken coop.”

However, it looked as if they were not totally prepared in the opening of the game. Connecting on just 13-of-38 shots in the first half, High Point was able to jump out early. The Panthers built as much as an 18-point advantage after a 17-5 run with 4:40 remaining in the first half. As always, Coastal’s Torrey Butler was able to get it together and hit a long three to stop the run. Teammate Mihai Raducanu scored on consecutive possessions with a little over two minutes left before the break.

In the little time remaining, Coastal put together an 8-2 run to get the High Point lead within seven going into halftime.

The fire was still burning as the Chants netted the first seven points to start the second half and tie up the game at 37 a piece. The game went back and forth before CCU’s Carl Moser layed the ball through the net off a feed from Justin Burton to gain the advantage 44-42. The score remained close for the entire second half, but High Point was never able to get an advantage. When the final buzzer sounded, Coastal won 69-67.

Butler finished with a game-high 32 points, 17 rebounds, five assists and four steals. Four other Chanticleers scored in double digits, Chris Carter with 17, Jere Thomas with 16, and Mihai Raducanu with 11 and 13 rebounds. Also in double digits were freshman Alvin Green and Raducanu with 11 and 10 points, respectively.

On Sat. Jan. 26, the Chants gave fans a few grey hairs with a wild win over Charleston Southern. At halftime Coastal led by two, but the game stayed closed with 11 lead changes and seven ties.

In the end it came down to crucial free throws. With the game tied at 61 and only 32 seconds left in regulation, Robinson was sent to the line, but only sank one of the two freebies. After a steal by Green, CCU was sent to the line again. Brandon Newby was only able to hit the backside of the two, leaving the score 63-61 with 18 seconds left. In the remaining seconds Charleston Southern failed to sink a three, but the ball was rebounded by CSU’s Namiah Williams who put it back up for two to tie the game.

Neither team was able to pull away in overtime and again it came down to free throws. Darden had two chances with one only second remaining to finally put the game away and under pressure he sank both ending the game with a score of 74-72.

Next, another team from Charleston came to battle the Chanticleers. College of Charleston visited the “chicken coop” on Jan. 29 and walked away with a 66-53 win over the Chanticleers.

Butler, the most consistent player for CCU, posted 19 points in the win, and Newby added 15. Reed scored 15 points, while Darden finished strong with eight points and 10 rebounds.

Coastal has now accumulated a 7-14 overall record and 3-5 in the Big South. They are currently ranked fourth in the conference but should move up or tie with Winthrop with this last win.

The remainder of the regular season consists of only Big South Conference opponents, but the Chants are looking forward to it.

“I feel really confident about our play,” Butler said. “We have a good shot to win the conference and would definitely love to go to the NCAA tournament.”
It’s that time again

by Rebecca Parker
sports editor

A couple wins, a couple losses, that’s the story of the women’s basketball team this year. Every time it seems that they get a streak going, some team has to come along and ruin it.

In recent games the ladies have accumulated wins against UNC Asheville and High Point. However, before that there were a pair of tough losses to Charleston Southern and Wake Forest.

One bright spot for the Lady Chanticleers is the consistent play of senior Brooke Weisbrod. The Big South Conference scoring leader is able to put “the shots down night after night.” Against a tough Wake Forest defense, Weisbrod led CCU scoring 16 points. In the three point loss to Charleston Southern game she sank eight from long range, tailing a total of 30 points. She also pulled down 11 rebounds for a double-double.

Teammate Alison Bach grabbed the spotlight in the 58-52 win over UNC-Asheville. Bach posted a double-double that night with 12 points and 11 rebounds while Weisbrod added 13 points to lead CCU scoring.

This was the first victory for the Lady Chanticleers in Asheville in five years, and it ended up going to the wire. The short-handed Bulldogs were without their leading scorer and rebounder Jessica Guarnieri due to a virus, but this did not seem to hinder them. In fact, UNCA out rebounded the Chants 49-35, but were unable to capitalize from the free throw line and three-point line going 14-for-25 and 2-for-25, respectively.

With 57 seconds left in the game the Lady Chants led 44-42, but the Bulldogs tried to make one last effort at a comeback. A CCU turnover and missed free throw allowed UNCA to come within two at the 28-second mark. Michelle Rodriguez was able to sink two free throw with just 23 seconds on the clock, and Bach scored off a pass from Weisbrod to seal the victory.

The Lady Chants were not done yet. On Sat. Feb. 3, they traveled to High Point, NC to avenge an earlier loss. Weisbrod proved to be a menace to the Panthers as she scored 23 points and added 9 rebounds and 4 assists. Bach added 13 points and 8 rebounds to the victorious effort. CCU got their revenge with a 63-48 win over the Panthers. This brings the Lady Chants over all record to 10-9 and an even 4-4 in the Big South Conference.

The next home game for the Lady Chanticleers is Sat. Feb. 10 at 7:00 pm against Liberty University.

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through and “blasted his first career home run.”

Sturkie finished out the game and picked up the win, the 24th of his career.

Saturday’s game started out much the same way with the Chants jumping out to an early lead with single runs in both the first and second innings. They hoped to pull away from ETSU in the third as Keim and junior transfer Jake Ellifritz drove in two runs each. The Buccaneers mounted a comeback again when Scott Rose hit a three-run homer in the fourth to cut the lead in half. CCU did not fold, though. They scored two runs in the fifth, and three in both the sixth. In the seventh sophomore Brandon Powell slammed a three-run home run of his own. He had also hit a homer in the game on Friday, so it was his second in as many games.

Last year the Chants struggled to come up with big hits, but that seems to be very different this season. On Saturday, Powell ended the day going 3-for-4 from the plate, while Ellifritz went 4-for-5. Both had four RBI’s. Lead-off hitter McGraw had two hits, three steals, and four runs to cap the day off.

Starting on the mound for Coastal was Justin Sturge who was relieved by Steve Soja after being burned by ETSU’s Rose.

So far time has been good to the Chanticleers, but they only have two games under their belts. They have a long season ahead of them, but maybe Joebo will be with them and get the Chants to Omaha.

photo by Dianne Sprinkle/ photo editor

Spirit by the (paint) bucket

by Nicole Service
staff writer

How do you spell school spirit?
B-R-O-C-K! That’s right, freshman Brock Redpath is the epitome of school spirit here at Coastal. By the way, if you see him around campus, you can refer to him as “Captain Coastal,” and the Captain has been leading his painted troop to the front lines in the battle to generate Coastal pride throughout the student body.

In case you don’t know what I’m talking about, Redpath has faithfully painted his body in teal and gold stripes for every home game. On the third game, Jake Stone and Jason Brouse joined him to spell out “CCU” on their chests. Since then the group has taken off, and all of second floor high Sannee Hall paints their bodies and cheats at home games in order to encourage the team and build school spirit.

“Basically, school spirit here is terrible. We should have a pep rally starring me to boost school spirit, and then everyone would get into the game,” Redpath said.

That probably would not be a bad idea because he definitely knows how to get the otherwise sedated crowd pumped. To get an idea of what the spirit of the painted people is made of, you have to start learning their cheers. They range from the generic “Go Coastal” to “We want Sauers and the ever popular “You still suck.”

Matt Sauers, according to Redpath, is “the best basketball player to ever grace the earth.” Sauers also happens to be his best friend and a big part of the reason why he and Stone founded the group. But some people are hot entirely enthusiastic about how vocal the group is.

Their efforts do not go unnoticed. In fact, the Chants have gone 6-1 at home since the boys have been supporting the team.

“They really help us stay pumped up.” CCU basketball player Tony Darden said. “And they distract the other team during the game.”

Alan Schanetz, another member, said, “Everyone and anyone is always welcome here. The players come out and thank us after every game, and that’s more important to us than all the put-downs from conservative fans in the world.”

Who knows? Maybe a small group founded simply to support a friend will turn into a Coastal tradition. If it helps the basketball team win games, I say “Go Brock!” “Go Captain Coastal’s Troop!” and “Go Chants!”

photo by Dianne Sprinkle/ photo editor

Brock Redpath, Jeff Wilkinson, and fellow fans try to share their enthusiasm with the rest of the student body.
**UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

**BASEBALL**
- vs. Howard University, Feb. 10 & 11, 1:00 pm
- Women's Basketball
- vs. Liberty University, Feb. 10, 7:00 pm
- vs. Radford University, Feb. 12, 7:00 pm

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**Home Games**

**February**
- 10 Sat. Howard 1:00 pm
- 11 Sun. Howard 2:00 pm
- 16 Fri. Marshall 3:00 pm
- 17 Sat. Marshall 1:00 pm
- 18 Sun. Marshall 2:00 pm
- 22 Thur. Delaware 3:00 pm
- 23 Fri. Delaware 12:00 pm
- 24 Sat. W. Carolina* 12:00 pm
- 25 Sun. Kent* 12:00 pm
- 28 Wed. UNC Wilmington 3:00 pm

**March**
- 2 Fri. Maryland 3:00 pm
- 3 Sat. Maryland 1:00 pm
- 4 Sun. Maryland 2:00 pm
- 9 Fri. George Mason 3:00 pm
- 10 Sat. George Mason 1:00 pm
- 11 Sun. George Mason 2:00 pm
- 13 Tues. North Carolina 3:00 pm
- 17 Sat. Princeton 1:00 pm
- 18 Sun. Princeton 2:00 pm
- 19 Mon. Princeton 3:00 pm
- 23 Fri. Liberty 3:00 pm
- 24 Sat. Liberty 1:00 pm
- 28 Wed. East Carolina 6:00 pm

**April**
- 6 Fri. New York Tech 8:00 pm
- 7 Sat. New York Tech 6:00 pm
- 8 Sun. New York Tech 2:00 pm
- 18 Wed. The Citadel 6:00 pm
- 24 Tues. G of D 6:00 pm
- 27 Fri. Charleston S. 6:00 pm
- 29 Sat. Charleston S. 12:00 pm

**May**
- 5 Sat. Elon 2:00 pm
- 6 Sun. Elon 1:00 pm
- 12 Sat. Radford 1:00 pm
- 13 Sun. Radford 3:00 pm
- 16-18 Big South Tourney* 7BA

*game played at Coastal Federal Field

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**SPORTS**

**It's that time again**

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**STORY BY REBECCA PARKER**

It is that time of year again. The weather will soon get warmer and the boys of summer are coming out to play. So buy some peanuts and Cracker Jacks and head out to the CCU baseball field; it's time to play ball.

The Chants have a tough schedule ahead of them with games against Clemson and other teams in the Big South Conference. But with the return of upperclassmen they should fare well. “We expect to go to Omaha,” head coach Gary Gilmore said. “The College World Series is there the 2nd week of June.”

Gilmore has tasted the sweetness of the World Series when he was at the helm of USC-Aiken’s Pacers. In 1993 his team earned a spot in the NCAA Division II College World Series and finished fourth. This was all after being a Chanticleer, himself. Gilmore was a member of the CCU baseball program from 1977 to 1980 and was named a NAIA All-American.

At Gilmore’s side are assistant coach Bill Jarman and volunteer assistant Kevin Schnall. Jarman serves as the team’s pitching coach and recruiting coordinator. Schnall, a former CCU baseball player, was drafted by the Cincinnati Reds in 1999, but due to injuries he has returned to help out his former teammates and get his degree.

Recently, the Big South Conference released its annual preseason baseball poll. Coastal was picked to finish third behind Liberty, Charleston Southern, and Elon. Gilmore is not worried. “We have 30 guys all pulling the rope in the same direction,” he said. “We have a very young team with a lot of new faces. Time will tell how far we can go.”

The attitude among the players is positive, and they look forward to getting into action. Coastal’s hopes for this season got even brighter when one of their top prospects decided to return for his junior year.

Brian Fischer, a lefthanded pitcher, turned down a six-figure signing bonus with the New York Yankees to play this season with the Chants. Fischer will have to work his way back into the pitching rotation after undergoing arthroscopic surgery on his throwing arm. Hopefully, he will be back in the swing of things by March.

Even without pitching ace Fischer out on the mound, Coastal has been successful in their first few outings on the diamond. There season opened up with a three-game series against East Tennessee State University this past weekend.

In his pitching debut, last year’s starting shortstop, sophomore Adam Keim went 6.1 innings and left the game with a 5-3 lead. Coastal had scored single runs in the first two innings and three runs in the fourth. The Buccaneers came back in the top of the eighth with four runs to go up 7-5 off of reliever Scott Sturkie. Sturkie was able to strike out the side, but the damage was done and Coastal had to get those bats going.

In the bottom of the eighth sophomore Aaron Mayhew led off the inning and got a free base after the ball grazed his uniform. Mayhew scored on Ryan McGraw’s triple to center field, and with two outs and the tieing run at third, Keim came up to bat to try and be the hero. Keim continued on page 47