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Discussion to clarify war question

By Nicole Service
editor-in-chief

It is impossible to turn on a television these days without getting an update on the situation in Iraq. Should the United States invade unilaterally? Does Saddam Hussein have weapons of mass destruction? Is George W. just trying to bring closure to his father's unfinished business? Is this about protection or economy, terrorism or oil?

With so many unanswered and perhaps unanswerable questions, it is growing increasingly important for students to be informed when it comes to concerns about national foreign policy.

"Considering that most students on this campus are of military age, they need to understand the issues, which are complex," professor of politics Fred Newby said. "Regardless of which way the (Bush) administration decides to go, it is imperative that we know the facts."

A "teach-in" on Oct. 10 will hopefully provide students with some of those facts. It is an opportunity for students, CCU faculty and members of the community to express their views and opinions on the hostility between the United States and the Republic of Iraq. The discussion will specifically focus on the possibility of an armed conflict between the two countries.

The afternoon session begins at 3:30 in the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts. See Teach-In p. A5

Banned books receive their due

By Nicole Service
editor-in-chief

"The reward for conformity was that everyone liked you except yourself."

Those are the words of author Rita Mae Brown in her book "Venus Envy," and during Banned Book Week, no words could be truer.

To celebrate the freedom to read whatever one chooses, Sigma Tau Delta sponsored an event in the courtyard of the Edward's College of Humanities and Fine Arts on Sept. 24 during which students and faculty members read passages from their favorite banned books over a loudspeaker.

Banned Book Week, from Sept. 23-Sept. 27, celebrates the literary works that have been exiled from bookshelves at one time or another for a plethora of reasons. Explicit sexual content, racism, poor grammar, violence, revolutionary ideas, bad language...all of these reasons and more at some point put some of America's most beloved titles in the trash.

One might think that a pattern for what types of books are banned could be established, but trying to figure that out would be an unconquerable task. From the "King James Bible" to E.B. White's "Charlotte's Web"; from William Faulkner's "The Sound and the Fury" to Toni Morrison's "Beloved"; from Mark Twain's "Huck Finn" to Geoffrey Chaucer's "The Canterbury Tales"; from the works of Charles Dickens to the works of Ralph Waldo Emerson, nearly all of canonized literature in the English language has been banned.

It would seem that the general public has come to its senses by now and realized that ideas cannot simply be stopped by not allowing people to read, but that is not the case. One woman read a passage from "The Drowning of Stephen Jones" by Bette Greene, a book that contains violence, hate crimes and homosexual relationships and is currently banned from Horry County public and school libraries.

A group of Coastal students did an independent research project over the summer to determine the true reason why the book was banned and see if there was anything that could be done about it. See Banned p. A5

Harmful habits may be addictions

By Anne-Marie D'Onofrio
staff writer

Alcohol, nicotine, narcotics—all are addictions that are commonly heard of and for which one can find treatment.

"I carry about three tubes of chapstick with me at any given moment," said Lindsay*, sophomore. "I apply it probably every 10 minutes. If I don't have it, I feel naked. Seriously, I think I'd rather forget my pants."

That cannot be healthy. So what about the Internet, chapstick or caffeine? Although they may not be among the most well known or most dangerous addictions, they do exist.

"Every day, I eat one spoonful of peanut butter," said Evelyn*, senior. "If I don't get it, it's like my day is not complete, and I can't sleep at night."

Does that qualify as an addiction? We should face facts: sometimes college students have strange habits that help them cope with day to day life. But are some of these habits detrimental to health and well being? Could see Addictions p. A4
Good times and good senses

By Jennifer Hall
for The Chanticleer

It goes without saying that Coastal students enjoy going out and having a good time in Myrtle Beach. Packed full of a wide range of entertainment options from bars to clubs to amusement parks to movies, the choices are endless when searching for fun at the beach.

However sometimes danger is lurking when least expected. When you go out for a night on the town, how conscious are you of your surroundings and possible threats? Maybe from now on, you will think twice. Coastal students need to be wary of potentially risky situations.

Sgt. Ronnie Shelley of the Conway Police Department said there are a few important pointers to remember to have a safe night out in Myrtle Beach. First, students should always go out in groups. Once arriving at your destination, be sure to stay with the group and not wander away. It is very important to know where your group of friends is at all times and have a meeting point if you decide to split up.

Next, Sgt. Shelley said that students should be aware of their surroundings. Keep an eye out for anything or anyone that may look suspicious. Use your instincts when it comes to what you think is suspicious. Wouldn't you rather be cautious and be wrong than not pay attention and become a victim?

Finally, when walking or driving students should stay in well-lit areas and avoid dark alleyways. Sgt. Shelley warned, "People lurk in dark alleyways to take advantage of you." Try to stay in public places, where you are less likely to be a victim of a crime.

His best advice: "expect the unexpected."

So if you are ever in an uncomfortable situation, get out of it if at all possible. If attacked, do not resist. Sgt. Shelley’s words of advice were "money isn’t worth getting hurt or killed.

As the old saying goes, material things can be replaced but you can’t.

Also you should do whatever the attacker says. Avoid angering the attacker. Obviously that person is not thinking clearly and probably won’t hurt you if provoked. The best thing you can do is get a good description of the assailant, including hair color, height, weight, and any distinguishing marks such as tattoos or scars, and a good description of the vehicle and tag number.

Of course these helpful hints will not always prevent students from becoming victims of a crime, such as robbery, rape or assault, but it is important to be aware and use good judgement. Next time you go out with your friends in Myrtle Beach, use good sense and have good times.
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Crime Log

Covered beer in an apartment which was in plain sight of the staff members from their position at the door to the hallway. The Residence Life staff members identified themselves and entered the room to take identifying information from the people in the room to make a report. One of the people in the room began to question the authority of the Residence Life staff members. After the staff members received this person's identifying information, he was asked to return to his own apartment. This suspect did not immediately leave the room and continued to have words with a staff member. Another person from the room, trying to escort the first suspect out of the room, eventually went into the hallway where words were continued to be said by the suspect. At this time the suspect threatened the Residence Life staff member.

According to the two men, they had come to the Waccamaw Hall apartment only five minutes before the staff members entered the room. They had come to speak with one of the apartment residents. The suspect who made the verbal threats said he did not know the staff members were staff members and that they did not identify themselves when they first entered the room. He also stated he felt threatened by one of the RA's and that he needed to defend himself with words. He confessed that he had consumed four or five beers earlier in the night but he had not had any beer in the Waccamaw apartment and that he did not even know beer was present in the room. The other man had also appeared to have been drinking.

Crime Log compiled from police reports and interviews by staff writer Jessica McMurrer

1) 9/16/02 Incident type- Traffic Accident. In parking lot G at 9:35 am, a truck backed into an unoccupied parked CCU Dodge van causing a dent in the left fender.

2) 9/16/02 Incident type- Traffic Accident. At 1:30 pm a vehicle turning left onto Chanticleer Drive collided with a pedestrian walking through the intersection.

3) 9/17/02 Incident type- Possession of Weapons. At approximately 11:50 am, police received a call for assistance from the Residence Life Director at Waccamaw Hall. The police, the Residence Life Director, and his assistant searched the apartment of two Waccamaw residents and found two 4 inch butterfly knives, a knife sharpener, and a 100,000 volt Taser. The weapons were confiscated by the officer.

4) 9/18/02 Incident type- Vandalism to Auto. At 4 o'clock pm the owner of a 1999 Chevrole Lumina found her car to have a damaged right tail light and scratches on the passenger side door. The vehicle had been parked in parking lot F.

5) 9/19/02 Incident type- Fire Alarm Activation. At 4:50 pm an officer responded to a Fire Alarm at the Wall Building. Upon arrival it was determined that the activation was due to a smoke alarm on the second floor east wing. No smoke was found when the location was checked.

6) 9/20/02 Incident type- Intrusion Alarm. A person walked into the post office at 7:12 am, thinking that someone else was already in there. This activated the alarm.

7) 9/25/02 Incident type- Larceny of Money. At approximately 3:20 pm a CCU student reported to police that she had used the ladies room on the first floor of Kears Hall, hanging her handbag on the hook on the inside of the stall door. When she left the restroom, she forgot her handbag. Approximately ten minutes later an unknown female student brought the handbag to the classroom where the victim was and returned the bag to her. Upon inventorying her handbag, she discovered that $30 was missing. The victim states the unnamed student had said she found the handbag hanging in the same place the victim had left it.

8) 9/26/02 Incident type- Intrusion Alarm. At 8:58 am an officer reported to the Registrar File room. Upon arrival, an employee of the Registrar Office stated to the officer that she accidentally entered the file room and the alarm activated.

9) 9/26/02 Incident type- Verbal Threats. Three Waccamaw Hall RA's were investigating an incident in which shaving cream had been sprayed in a first floor hallway of Waccamaw Hall. At approximately 12:35 am, while knocking on doors and asking the residents if they knew anything about the shaving cream incident, the staff members discovered that beer was present in the room. The other man had also appeared to have been drinking.
Addictions constantly applying chapstick or not being able to live a day without that bite of peanut butter disrupt your life?

What exactly is an addiction, and how do you know if you have one? According to “Anatomy of a Food Addiction,” an addiction is “dependence on a substance or activity to the extent that normal, healthy functioning is impaired.”

Detecting an addiction can be difficult for the individual suffering from the addiction for several reasons. One such reason is known as “distortion of thinking.”

The book “Addictive Thinking” gives the following analogy to describe distorted thinking: “You have been assigned a paper for class. Someone asks you about it, and you tell him that you have finished the paper. He then asks you why you have not turned the paper in if you have finished it, and you answer by telling him that you still have a few things that need some work. After hearing this, he tells you that if it still needs more work, you cannot possibly be finished, yet you continue to insist that it is.”

“Obsessive thoughts crowd out all other thoughts, and they drain mental energy,” says “Addictive Thinking.” “Obsessive thought may intrude at any time, and, strangely enough, any attempt to get rid of obsessive thought may only increase their intensity.”

Another reason for difficulty in detecting an addiction is rationalization. “Rationalization means providing ‘good’ reasons instead of the true reason. Like denial, this defense is not exclusive to chemically dependent people, though addicts can be very adept at it.”

Rationalization means “offering good, that is, plausible reasons. This does not mean that all rationalizations are good reasons. Some are downright silly, but they can be made to sound reasonable. Rationalizations divert attention from true reasons. They do not divert others’ attention from the truth, but also the addict’s. As with denial, rationalization is an unconscious process—that is, the person is unaware of rationalizing.”

Sophomore Doug* said, “If I get really stressed out, I sit down and eat ice cream. I can go through a whole carton in a half-hour, easy.”

One commonly non-drug addiction is food addiction. Food addiction is characterized by loss of control over eating, habituation to food, possible dependence on food and negative consequences in any major function, such as health, work, intimate relationships, friendship, moral and spiritual development, or in relation to the law, as described by “Anatomy of a Food Addiction.”

If you have had a bad day and the first thought that comes to mind is a comfy couch and a tub of ice cream, a jar of peanut butter accompanied by a rather large spoon, or a very inviting Hershey bar, you feel this way for a reason.

“Endorphins make us feel good,” quotes “Anatomy of a Food Addiction.” “For some people, eating sweets, starches and/or fats causes the release of endorphins; thus, for these people, eating certain foods relieves discomfort and feels good.”

If you think that you may be addicted to the sweet stuff in life, or at least in the food pyramids, ask yourself these questions to find out:

“Once you start eating sweets, is it difficult to stop?”

“After you eat all you can (the bag is empty or until you hurt), does your mood change? Do you feel dreamy or out of it? Is your thinking fuzzier?”

“Do visions of certain candies or sweets get stuck in your mind, rarely going away until you obtain the snack and eat it?”

If you answered yes to these questions or if they seem all too familiar to you, it might be time for you to find out if it is more than your sweet tooth that is craving these foods.

“Anatomy of a Food Addiction” explains one way in which to become aware of a possible problem: record your cravings. Write down the time your craving came, the length of time it lasted, the strength of the craving from one to 10, what has just happened that triggered it, how you just received a bad test grade, you got into an argument with your roommate and write down a description of your feelings after your craving. If you find that you are craving frequently or that you cannot resist it, it may be time to seek help so that they do not take over your life.

Aside from food, addictions, people suffer from behavioral addictions as well.

CCU junior Blake* cannot control his sleep. “Even if I’m not tired, I have to lie down and take a nap. It’s my way of forgetting about school, work and all the other stuff I have to do. If I don’t take a nap, sometimes or three times a day, I feel really agitated.”

One may find that he is constantly applying chapstick, that he is mapping excessively or that he is always on the Internet. I have to check my email at least five times a day,” said senior Kate*. “If I don’t, I feel like I’m missing something important. And I’m always signed on to the Instant Messenger. Sometimes it’s hard to leave it even when I know that no one else is on that I want to talk to.”

A better-known example of a behavioral addiction is constantly washing one’s hands, an obsessive-compulsive disorder or OCD.

“Addictive Thinking” says, “Obsessions and compulsions are closely related. The term obsessive-compulsive neurosis has been used in psychiatry for many years. Both obsession and compulsion are characterized by the person’s being preoccupied, even consumed, by something irrational. In an obsessive neurosis, it is an irrational idea that plagues the person. In a compulsive neurosis, it is an irrational act. The reason the two are joined in psychiatry is that, in almost every instance where the person is obsessed with an idea, there is some compulsive behavior. In virtually every case of compulsive behavior, there are obsessive thoughts.”

Likened to food addictions are substance addictions such as to diet pills and caffeine. Caffeine is a very common addiction, especially among college students.

“Every morning, I have to get my cup of coffee,” said Allison*, senior. “I’ve been doing it for four years, and if I don’t have it, I get a really bad headache.”

You have waited until the last minute to study for a huge test or to write a paper for class. What do you do? Run out and get some coffee or pop, open a can of soda. Why do we do this? Because the caffeine seems to give us that extra jolt of energy to keep us going until we finish our work.

“I have to take a Metabolift every morning,” admits Adrienne*, senior. “I feel like I’m dragging if I don’t. Then, if I get tired in the afternoon, I’ll take another one, sometimes three a day. I don’t care if I feel shaky because at least I can stay awake.”

Despite what some may think, caffeine is a drug, and it is addictive. You may realize that when you consistently drink soda or coffee, long periods without it may bring on a headache. You are experiencing withdrawal. Your body has become used to the caffeine and as a result of not having any, reacts negatively.

While none of these addictions may seem as serious as alcohol, marijuana or harder drugs, they can become harmful. They disrupt your normal activities and you become preoccupied with your abnormal behavior.

Seeking help to overcome an addiction is always the best way to beat it, and is usually the most successful. Nobody can completely conquer an addiction on their own. If you think that you may suffer from any of these problems, write it down, and then talk to a counselor so that you can get on the road to recovery and get back to a normal, healthy way of life.

Or you could keep wasting all your money on chapstick, coffee, peanut butter...it really is up to you.
Banned

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The group offered to supply the libraries with copies of Greene's book but they still refused.

At a small school like Coastal Carolina, located in a relatively old-fashioned and culturally isolated county, it can sometimes seem as if students are expected to repress their individuality in order to make this campus a harmonious place to be.

"I do think that more attention is paid to individual students here than at a large school simply because there are fewer of us," said Monica Altman, senior. "But you don't have to be an outright rebel to be a non-conformist. By the time you reach a certain age, you are intelligent enough to evaluate what works for you."

Lisa Bourne, senior, agrees. "By the time you reach college, everyone has to be themselves regardless of who some people would like you to be."

Martin also said, "I don't think we should worry so much about offending other people so much as actually harming them. Is reading about homosexuality causing them physical pain? I doubt it."

This issue of conformity and "how far is too far" is especially poignant now because of the state of alertness America is in. Like Martin said, how do we know where to draw the line between people expressing themselves and actually planning to harm others? Now it seems that sometimes expressing political views that run contrary to the ideals of a republican society can send an individual straight to jail.

Recently in Florida, three medical students were arrested because a woman heard them talking suspiciously in a booth at a restaurant. Yes, the country is under high alert, but does that mean that the rights of citizens to free speech are gradually being taken away?

"It seems like that in bigger cities there is more diversity so there is less pressure to conform. People mostly keep their opinions about other people to themselves," said Susan Stalvey, senior. "But I heard about a group trying to get raves outlawed because of ecstasy but there are people that go there for the music. That's like you can't outlaw bars just because people get drunk, drive home and kill people."

The practice of banning books runs parallel with all of these ideas of free speech and freedom to behave as one pleases. Once these rights are taken away, what next? Banning books, even the greatest works of literature, cannot be far behind.

Martin believes that refusing to accept standards on what is and is not worth reading is an important aspect of remaining subjective and open-minded.

"Someone said that censorship equals dictatorship, and I firmly believe that with all my heart," Martin said. "I think that our intelligence is insulted when a book is banned because we supposedly can't handle the content. Often times censorship, like books, taking away the rest of our rights cannot be far behind."

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Teach-In

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Teach-In begins at 3:30 in the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Recital Hall with Dr. Richard Collin, politics professor, opening with a brief presentation of the basic international political background. Members of the panel will voice their views before opening the discussion to the floor in an open-mike format.

The panelists include:

Douglas Benson, U.S. Army veteran who served in the airborne and special operations units in the United States, Korea, Saudi Arabia and other portions of the Middle East. He is a specialist in anti-terrorist and intelligence operations and is now a political science major at Coastal.

Lee Bollinger-Expert in mass media, journalism and communications who has studied the way governments use the media to set agendas and frame the parameters of political discussions.

Richard Collin-Served in the Army and the Defense Intelligence Agency in Europe and the Middle East. He now serves as an international relations specialist for the CCU Department of Politics and Geography.

James Henderson-Veteran of the Peace Corps and contemporary history and international political economics specialist who teaches courses at CCU dealing with political violence on the global scene.

Preston Mckever-Floyd-Senior member of the Department of Philosophy and Religion and an expert on world religions.

Father Rick Labrecque-Pastor at St. James Catholic Church in Conway and an exponent of the social role played by religious communities.

The evening session will begin at 7:00 with Dr. Henderson as the chair, and will generally follow the same format as the afternoon session.

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Hey guys! Hope everyone is having a great week. Not much has been happening in Pi Kapp land lately. We've played some football and we have a car wash on Saturday the 28th. Aside from that, our recruits are doing very well and having a great time. This semester should be good. Next week I'll have more to say. Until then, have an o.k. week.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon would like to welcome our new members:

Brad Hayden, Dustin Cupp, Rick Smith, Mark DeCenzo, Zach McQuigg, Andrew (Rally) Poole, Matt Hicks, Lance Beatty and Patrick (Master P) Rhode. Special congratulations to our teke of the week: Brian Kuhita, for being known as the hottest teke by a sorority.

Gamma Phi Beta

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After a super recruitment, the Ladies of Gamma Phi Beta are hard at work preparing for upcoming events during the semester. We would like to congratulate our new members and welcome them into our bond of sisterhood.

Our annual golf tournament held at Quail Creek is on Oct. 13. It is $53 to play and $75 to give a sponsorship. We would greatly appreciate your contribution.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

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The ladies of Sigma Sigma Sigma would like to congratulate all of its new members:

Sarah Jastremski, Kelli Williams, Tiffany Barrows, Amanda Cain, Crista Burkhardt, Heather Myers, Kayla Johnson, Jennifer Leigh, Nikki Lebedeff, Devra Blanden and Amanda Butler.

Congratulations to Sigma Phi Epsilon, winner of Penny Wars. Special thanks to Jim Mills for his generosity in helping one of our sisters.
Sextasy: the latest club drug

By Shane Greenfarb and Nicole Service
staff writers

Some illegal drugs, such as crystal methamphetamine, create an "overwhelming sexual desire but also constricts blood vessels, making it impossible for most men to have an erection," according to Karen Breslau of "Newsweek."

The logical way to counter the temporary impotence problem? Pop a Viagra, of course.

Since the introduction of the little blue pill used to treat erectile dysfunction into the United States in 1998, it has become popular for reasons other than intended. Especially widespread among homosexual men and young people attending raves, street drugs such as amyl nitrate, speed and ecstasy are combined with Viagra to enhance the effects of "poppers."

The results of this practice, the most common being the combination of ecstasy and Viagra known as "Sextasy," can be dangerous and sometimes fatal.

Viagra taken with poppers can lead to heart failure, says Breslau, and it has also been linked to a surge in HIV and sexually transmitted diseases. Pounding headache and the prolonged painful erection that combining the two drugs causes.

"Sextasy" is more common to the European club scene, it is growing in popularity in the United States, sending young clubbers to hospitals and causing harmful effects that sometimes lead to death, either immediately or years down the road due to AIDS.

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-Gwendolyn Brooks

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**MOVIE REVIEW**

**By:** Brian Martin/assistant editor

**BALLISTIC: ECKS VS. SEVER**

There are exploding cars, chase scenes and bullets a-flyin’. And yet, out of countless action scenes, only one is any good.

Slow-motion is used endlessly. Not only does this become distracting, but it also causes action sequences to drag out much longer than they should. And the film’s big street chase, as Ecks races after Sever, followed by authorities, seems to reach top speed at a break-neck 45 miles per hour.

A fight between Liu’s Scyer and Ray Park (Darth Maul of “The Phantom Menace”) provides the film with a much-needed shot in the arm toward the conclusion. Their fight, which takes place inside Sever’s headquarters (an abandoned factory of some sort), is well-choreographed. It’s nice to know that the filmmakers recognized Park’s acrobatic talents and employed them, but it comes too late to make any real difference.

I’m still not sure why exactly the film obtained an R rating. There is very little blood and the violence, while heavy, is not explicit. There was literally more objectionable material in “XXX,” and that one got a PG-13. The R rating will doubtlessly cut out a majority of this film’s target audience, perhaps mercifully.

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When you reach the top, I guess there’s nowhere to go but down. After this summer’s excellent “The Bourne Identity,” the action film franchise immediately took a dive with “XXX.” Now, the post-boom bust continues with “Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever.”

Antonio Banderas and Lucy Liu star as Agents Ecks and Sever, respectively. Jeremiah Ecks is a former FBI agent who lost his wife years before, while Sever is an ex-Defense Intelligence Agency operative whose son was killed by her employers. With so much in common, you’d think that Ecks and Sever would get along with one another pretty well. So why is the film titled “Ecks vs. Sever?”

The truth is, I’m not sure. Aside from a brief fight early in the movie, the agents actually do work together most of the time. Here I expected them to be lifelong, mortal enemies, and the movie comes off playing like a bad buddy-cop movie.

The plot involves Sever’s kidnapping of a young boy and a microscopic robot assassin capable of giving its target a really bad case of heartburn. Beyond this, the plot is generally impossible to comprehend.

The cast is not very large, and yet no one really stands out. Banderas’ performance is bland and subdued. I know he’s capable of more than he showcased here. He was even better in “Spy Kids 2.”

Liu is given surprisingly little to work with. She really only has a handful of lines, and her facial expression NEVER changes.

The film’s action sequences run the gamut. There are exploding cars, chase scenes and bullets a-flyin’. And yet, out of countless action scenes, only one is any good.

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Pulitzer Prize-winning author Michael Chabon, writer of "The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay," has been hired by Columbia Pictures to rewrite the script for "The Amazing Spider-Man," the sequel to this summer's blockbuster. Tentatively set for release on May 7, 2004, the film will reunite stars Tobey Maguire and Kirsten Dunst with director Sam Raimi.

David Koepp, who wrote the first film, and Miles Millar and Alfred Gough, creators of "Shanghai Noon" and "Smallville," have previously prepared scripts for the sequel. While elements from these screenplays will be incorporated into Chabon's script, many plot details will be kept closely guarded until the film's release.

Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson are set to start work on a "Starsky and Hutch" film next February. Stiller and Wilson will star as the title characters, respectively, in the film, which will be a contemporary, updated take on the 1973-79 ABC detective series, which starred Paul Michael Glaser and David Soul. The film will tell the origin of Starsky and Hutch's partnership, and will be directed by Todd Phillips ("Road Trip"). No word yet on who will be playing snitch Huggy Bear.

**CBS is preparing a midseason series based on the indie-box office hit "My Big Fat Greek Wedding." Nia Vardalos, star of the film, will reprise her role in the series as a girl who comes from a traditional Greek family. As the series opens, Vardalos begins dating a non-Greek man without the knowledge of her parents. Several other cast members will return, including Michael Constantine and Lainie Kazan as the parents. Only seven episodes have been ordered so far, but that number is likely to be increased to 13. "Greek Wedding" has grossed over $125 million, and will likely become the highest grossing independent film ever.**

**One of the last songs recorded by Nirvana before the death of frontman Kurt Cobain in 1994 has begun to surface on radio stations.** No one seems to be sure how the song, "You Know You're Right," started circulating, as it has been closely guarded by Cobain's estate for eight years. Several radio stations claim to have obtained the track on (surprise!) the internet. Courtney Love, Cobain's widow, has been in a long legal fight over the song with surviving Nirvana members Dave Grohl and Krist Novoselic. Love recently announced that the lawsuits had been settled and the song would see official release by the holidays.

**A Mamet-sized show**

Pulitzer Prize-winner David Mamet, author of "Glengarry Glen Ross," has been tapped by NBC to create an hourlong crime series for its Fall 2003 season. NBC senior VP for drama Chris Conti has described the series as "Robin Hood meets Mission: Impossible meets "The A-Team."" The series will revolve around a team of men (and a woman) attempting to con various bad guys.

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MOVIE REVIEW

By: Franklin Semones/for The Chanticleer

What exactly is it about Jackie Chan that appeals to audiences? It couldn’t be because he is such a dramatic actor. He certainly isn’t a natural at comedy, as apparent with his Hollywood franchises “Rush Hour” and “Shanghai Noon,” where he plays the straight man and leaves the comedy to Chris Tucker and Owen Wilson, respectively. Quite simply, it is his skill at performing his own acrobatic stunts.

His latest, “The Tuxedo,” gives audiences something they don’t want to see: Jackie Chan aided by special effects. The movie’s premise, centered on a tuxedo that provides its wearer with agility, grace and the ability to do nearly anything (protection, attacking, dancing, etc.). To cast Chan in such a role, provided with the latest help in special effects, defeats the whole purpose of using Chan. It is a role that could have been occupied by anyone (this brings to mind Jim Carrey in “The Mask,” a superior movie about a putz who is transformed into a maniacal being with the help of a mask).

With that aside, “The Tuxedo” remains yet another crummy take on the spy genre, shoddily directed by Kevin Donovan (a music video director—it shows, and not in a good way) from a lifeless, uninspired script by Michael J. Wilson (one of three credited for “Ice Age”) and Michael Leeson (’70s sitcoms “The Odd Couple,” “Happy Days,” and “Taxi”), with Chan paired alongside teen star (i.e., talentless beauty) Jennifer Love Hewitt, who is a far cry from Jackie Chan’s recent co-stars. “The Tuxedo” is Chan’s worst American film, and that includes comparison to his roles in the notorious ’80s “classics” “The Cannonball Run” and its sequel.

The movie’s plot concerns cab driver Jimmy Tong (Chan), who is hired as chauffeur for secret spy Clark Devlin (Jason Isaacs, escaping with his dignity intact). Shortly after starting his new job, Devlin is injured in an accident, and it’s up to Tong to step in for him. Most of the humor is derived from Tong’s lack of control over the tux, including one of the film’s rare humorous moments, when he completely destroys a room in attack mode. Tong is paired with the inexperienced Del Blaine (Hewitt), who knows a thing or two about water. The villain, Diedrich Banning (Ritchie Coster), plans to poison the North American water supply with the release of dangerous water striders, thus forcing Americans to purchase his expensive bottled water. The movie provides a scene directly ripped off from the French fantasy “La Cité des enfants perdus” (“The City of the Lost Children”), in which the camera follows the flight of a released water strider, with less imaginative results.

You want to be entertained? Here’s an idea; go to a video store and rent “The Legend of Drunken Master” (that’s an Americanized title; it’s actually a sequel released here in theaters in 2000, 14 years after it was made overseas). This is vintage Chan at his best. Watch it, and pass over his latest offering. If it’s espionage you want, wait until November for the real deal, when Pierce Brosnan shows Vin Diesel who’s spy supreme with “Die Another Day.”

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Nonpoint develops its metal into mellow

By Shane Greenfarb
staff writer

I had the privilege of hanging out with Nonpoint frontman Elias Soriano and bassist KB after their opening slot for Filter at the House of Blues, Sept. 18. It is not often that a band is able to compliment their good music with good attitudes and friendly nature. They were incredibly accommodating, and we sat and chatted for a bit. One of the topics we touched on was their new album, “Development.” Coming off of the show and a listen to the new album, I can easily say I have a new band to rant and rave about.

Nonpoint was formed in Ft. Lauderdale, FL in 1997 along with guitarist Andrew Goldman and drummer Rob Rivera and independently released their debut “Struggle” in 1999. Their major label debut “Statement” followed the next year and gained them heavy recognition locally and independently with strong play on stations such as MTV2. The band entered the studio to record “Development” with the promise and the potential to strike it on a larger scale and looks like they are going in just that route.

Much of Nonpoint’s previous work reflect a grittiness and edge that was paralleled by the band’s use of indie production qualities. This happens to be sacrificed on “Development” because of the more crisp and handled production, but that does not detract from the music. The pure craft and texture of the songwriting and playing shine through inexplicably.

The melodies make up a good portion and divide the heaviness of it with the passion that is expressed in tracks such as “Mint.”

Nonpoint brings a fresh sound to the metal scene.

You can easily see where it shies from a track like “Excessive Reaction,” which is heavy and unrelenting. “Get Inside” and, the title track are just the same way. “Circles” and “Your Signs” are two standouts, the latter being the first video for the album, and they are also two of the strongest numbers that make up the album. The band carves out some memorable riffs and beats here, and Soriano’s voice traps a very productive range where he is able to relinquish the aggro element for something more thorough and provoking. He leaves behind the rap tinged bellowing for a more poised and tactile delivery.

Goldman throws down directly, shining through with a fresh sound. KB and Rivera provide a versatile and reliable rhythm section, backing up with some pounding and pulsing stuff. Not to mention that together as a unit the band meshes incredibly well with refreshing chemistry. It is satisfying musically and noteworthy on the whole.

Nonpoint carries the metal name proudly and is undisputably worthy. This is where important bands come from: small scenes, and they rise up and produce nice, straightforward, no crap efforts such as this. Coming off their Filter spot, the band will be touring alongside hed(pe), a show which I cannot wait for. Spotlighting themselves and remaining strong with their heads intact is an important quality the band has endeared. Not only is their music of importance to the metal scene now, the members of the band has a cool perspective on its position in the business. It makes me sleep easy as night knowing bands are delving back into their roots and staying true to their fans and the music.

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By Nicole Service
editor-in-chief

They are the people who know you best. They know exactly where to poke you to make you angry. They know how you got that scar on the back of your hand. They know what foods you hate, what movies you love and what songs make you cry. They know how to make you laugh and they know when you need a smile.

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Yet sometimes when people go to college, most times, they either do not follow their siblings or they do not follow them. You move to different cities, make different friends and lead different lives. Sure, maybe there is a phone call every now and then, but slowly many brothers and sisters find themselves growing up and growing apart.

Maybe there are times in your life now that you wish you had one of your siblings close by. Maybe you want your little brother to tell you a joke. Maybe you want your big sister to make you a sandwich. Maybe you want your big brother to help you move something heavy. Maybe you want to know who your little sister is dating so you can make sure he is worthy of her.

Most of all, maybe you just want to see a friendly face who you know is going to be there for you no matter how bad you mess up.

Not every family separates once the children are finished with high school. Sometimes they all remain in the same town. And sometimes they all leave and yet still wind up together.

That is exactly what happened to the Carters. Chris (23), Alii (21) and Jon (19) grew up in New Jersey. As a junior in high school, Chris visited Coastal for a baseball camp. His parents liked the school, so when Chris was old enough to go to college, he chose CCU and came on a baseball scholarship.

"It's always about baseball," Alii said. "It started with baseball, we grew up on baseball and it will probably end with baseball."

A year later, Alii, who had been doing sports statistics in high school, decided to join her older brother and work as a student intern for the Sports Information Director.

Two years after that, Jon decided that he might as well migrate south also.

"I never had as much fun as when I would come down here and visit Alii and Chris," Jon said. "And when my parents decided to move down here, it meant in-state tuition, so that pretty much sealed the deal."

Robert Carter decided that he wanted a change, so he closed up his business in Jersey and transferred to Myrtle Beach.

"They (parents) love it down here, too," Alii said. "And they missed their kids."

"So they say," Jon added.

"Yeah, at least that's what they told us," Alii agreed.
They definitely had their share of mischief as children. Jon remembers one time when he was about seven, they were watching "Conan the Barbarian" and decided to play with antique swords they had hanging on the wall. Jon and Chris battled with the neighborhood children until their parents returned home.

However Jon put his sword back on the wall upside down. "I tried to tell them that it fell off the wall, but "Conan" was on TV, and they weren't buying it," Jon said. "And then Alii told on us."

"I squealed," Alii admitted. "I was a good informant."

"But it's cool having my family here now," Alii continued. "I was here on my own for over two years, so this is nice. There aren't many more years for us all to be together. Everyone is going to grow up and do their own things soon."

Not to say that living in the same city now is the same as it was when they were growing up.

"We talk a lot more now," Jon said. "We're grown up now, and I think I became closest to them (Chris and Alii) when they moved away because I missed them so much."

"We don't all live together now, but we still see each other every day," Alii said. "Sometimes we even have a Sunday dinner with the whole family. It's good, though. We can talk about grown up things now and help each other out."

The Carters also work together at Medieval Times as servers.

"When we were in high school, Alii got me a job at a bagel shop, so I figured I'd return the favor here," Jon said.

"We always have fun together," Alii said. "We make things interesting. And it's always nice to have someone help you with stuff when you really need it, someone you can always depend on."

Chris graduated last year, and Alii will graduate this year and hopes to attend graduate school to get her Ph.D. in mathematics, so this may very well be their last year together.

"We played a lot of wiffle ball growing up, and we still do stuff like that now," Alii said. "We still toss the ball around at the beach, and we're always making up stupid games to keep us entertained."

"Like she said, we keep it interesting," Jon said.

The Carters are not the only group of siblings on this campus, but the vast majority of students here do not attend with their brothers and sisters. It makes you wonder if maybe you are missing out on some of the most significant years of your siblings' lives by being away from them.

"I don't know if we would be different people without each other around," Alii said. "But we definitely wouldn't have the same memories. No, it really wouldn't be the same."
Disturbed liberates the mind with "Believe"

Yet this album holds the key to the band's true talents. Several tracks make this album worthwhile and integral to the success and revival of emotions.

First mentioning the closer "Darkness" because it is the most important and differentiating of the 12 that make up this journey through heartbreak, loss and determination to recover from it all. The reason I mention the closer first is because it rivals all tracks Disturbed has done before. It's delicate, yet haunting, seductive and still poignant. The combination of cello, piano and acoustic guitar provide for an eerie atmosphere alone, but throw in lead singer David Draiman's vocals, and you'll hear a side of the threateningly abrasive frontman you never thought possible. It's quite possibly the best song they've recorded.

The band is also comprised of guitarist Dan Donegan, bassist Fuzz and drummer Mike Wengren, who added programming details to their debut, none of which is found on this album. Instead it is substituted by Donegan's subtle and underlying keyboards. While songs such as "Rise" (definitely the heaviest hitting on the album) throw down impressive structures and provide the aesthetic for hard as sin metal, it is easily countered by tracks like "Remember," a song that despite its heavy progressions has a chorus that is melodic and satisfying, making it all that more beautiful.

"Liberate" I would call the trademark for the album. Why, because it's easily recognizable as Disturbed. Heavy and fast riffing, with slamming bass and drums, quick mindbending gruff vocals and of course the distinct darkness and doubt their previous songs have.

"Mistress" and "Breathe" are also two more great tracks from the album that combine heaviness with melodicism, that are able to make you bang your head yet sit back and breathe before getting kicked in the stomach again.

While the album as a whole makes you think twice about identity and yet still doubt what life is all about, it actually ends up reassuring you that in the end, there is still something to believe in. Maybe that's why the album cover is an amalgamation of several religious symbols.

No matter what, you have something believe in. Draiman says it himself either outright or subtly throughout the album, believe in your mind, in yourself. While the album might not be as heavy as "The Sickness" and this might turn some people off, thinking the band is taking a turn for the soft, it is far more atmospheric and gloomy. You can see where the instruments align and the vocals intersect with it all. The balance and the terrific production provided by Johnny K ("The Sickness," Machine Head), give justification towards the album's purpose. It is striking and disturbing, no pun intended, but it's also so filled with vibrant messages of hope and desire, will and power, that you can't avoid it.

It's not only a great album, it's important and showcases a band that truly live up to what Ozzy Osbourne called them, "the future of metal."

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By Shane Greenfarb
staff writer

Let's face it, Disturbed's career had entered a judgment call after September 11: There wasn't a place in the world for music that questioned beliefs and morals.

So when the video to the first single "Prayer" off of its sophomore effort "Believe" debuted on television with it's supposed references towards the tragic events, it was not surprising that the video became banned.

But if one looks just a tad closer towards the message of the song and its accompaniment, he can find an answer and a reason. It evokes strength that the band overcomes the obstacles it does and still stands at the end of the video, and in the song, "Let me enlighten you, this is the way I pray," music is the tool of healing.

So where is Disturbed headed with all this? A softer path?

Not a chance.

"Believe" is much darker than its predecessor, 2000's "The Sickness," an album that went double platinum and propelled the band to headlining and Ozzfest stardom, not to mention placed them among the heavyweights of metal and rock.
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It's "Mating" season...

By Shane Greenfarb
staff writer

It's not too often you get to sit back in the Black Box and choke it up on Jason Adams and Matt McCarty going at it like two moose mating in the prime of the heated sexual season. And what a scene it was. What a play it was.

Not once during the play was I able to come up for air as I practically cried out laughing at the hysteric brought on by the cast. Each cast member's ability to carve their own little niche with their character made each character that much more unique, and made the show something to really enjoy. The cast's chemistry together was impeccable and the comedic timing, which was able to divide the play between plain silly and absolutely laugh out loud hysterics, gave it a nice charge. But it truly was the performance of each actor which really drove the play.

The story revolves around Betsy, strongly portrayed by Lizz Farmer, and Michael, whom Jason Adams gave a very simple and creative charm to. The two New York singles meet at Betsy's monologue performance and are immediately attracted to one another.

The two are introduced by the monologue writer, Lonnie, impulsively propelled by Matt McCarty's pasticity, who exemplifies the stereotypical male and is a phenomonal combination of Betsy.

The jester-like, ringmaster-gone-mad act of Danny Garrity's narration threw me off by taking the play totally off kilter. The set of Barbie dolls which Garrity toys with the entire play may seem childish, but it only adds to the hysterics.

The play is directed by Theatre professor Robin Edwards Russell, assisted by Michael Levesque, and it definitely shows the two's incredible knack for comedy throughout the entire production. Not just the dialogue which comes from David Grae's play of the same name, but the actor's body language and facial expressions made me laugh my butt off.

The freeze frame sequences and the character's inner thoughts, where one character froze and the other began with a soliloquy to the crowd, was not only original but just plain gutbusting.

Personally, my favorite scene in the play (aside from the moose hump) is the first date between Michael and Betsy, where their thoughts are projected on slides above them. Thoughts go back and forth the entire scene, as does the amount of alcohol they've consumed.

The ideas just kept coming about in the most creative ways, and it never ceased to keep me laughing, even with a thought about the morality of relationships. Adams and McCarty worked well together as did Schuck and Farmer.

The cast of "Moose Mating" (from left) Matt McCarty, Krissy Schuck, Lizz Farmer, Danny Garrity and Jason Adams make "moose" ears to demonstrate the mating habits of contemporary adults.
By Brian Martin and Nicole Service

Smallville-9:00 Tuesdays on the WB
The adventures and angst of young Clark Kent continued in the second season premiere, which picked up directly after last May’s cliffhanger “tornado” conclusion. Although the show’s creators have a “No tights, no flights” policy for the series, Tom Welling’s Clark seems a bit more sinister this season, with his relationship with his father Lionel (John Glover) becoming increasingly strained. Last season, each episode of “Smallville” left me eagerly awaiting the next. It doesn’t look like that’s going to change this season.

Enterprise-8:00 Wednesdays on UPN
The newest entry in the “Star Trek” franchise entered its second season with the conclusion of a two-part episode. It was pretty standard “Trek” fare, rife with nasty aliens and time travel, as Scott Bakula’s Capt. Archer was taken to the distant future in an attempt to preserve the timeline. Of course, this only makes things worse and he strives to find a way home (kind of like he used to do on “Quantum Leap”). There were enough little touches, like an allusion to the coming conflict with the Romulans, to make the episode a solid season opener.

The Bernie Mac Show-8:00 Wednesdays on Fox
A celebrity golf tournament provided many laughs in the Fox comedy series’ season premiere. Mac’s “Ocean’s 11” co-star Matt Damon made a guest appearance, as did Xena herself, Lucy Lawless, as Damon’s golf partner (“He’s a warrior princess, America!” Mac lamented). This episode was a perfect way to start the season, hopefully attracting new viewers with its guest stars and holding onto them with Mac’s comedy.

The West Wing-9:00 Wednesdays on NBC
The Emmy-winning drama took off on the campaign trail after Josiah Bartlet, played by Martin Sheen, decided to run for a second term after the mid-term elections. With three of his staffers stuck in Republican Illinois and continually missing the train, plane, bus home, some people are forced to fill in back in Washington, namely Rob Lowe. This special two-hour episode had all the controversy, intelligence and hard issues that viewers expect. “The West Wing” to take on with a heaping helping of humor and irony thrown into the mix. Simply too much occurred to summarize, but suffice it to say that the season premiere was a winner, and I cannot wait to see what is going to happen for the rest of the season.

Friends-8:00 Thursdays on NBC
Will Rachel choose Joey or Ross? We waited all summer for the answer to that question, and now...well, we still don’t know. Not that I really expected a clear answer, but the ambiguity at the end of the “Friends” season premiere was extreme. When Monica’s father caught her and Chandler making love in the janitor’s closet, I thought we would be in for the awkward situation to tell our children about, but Mr. Gellar went the other direction and began talking about the best positions to use in order to conceive. Sorry, but embarrassment is funny. Father talking about having sex is stupid. Although it did have its moments, such as when Phoebe declared herself the “puppet-master” of the group and when Rachel and Joey argued about whether or not he actually proposed, the entire episode felt like chasing someone who ran the exact same speed as you did in a really boring circle.

Survivor: Thailand-8:00 Thursdays on CBS
The adventure game show returns for its fifth installment with 16 new contestants and some new rules. Tribes were selected by the two oldest contestants, who picked one by one the members they wanted on their tribes. As usual, the cast is a healthy mix of likeable people and socially-challenged weirdos. Even in the first episode, clear divisions were forming within the tribes, which could lead to some interesting conflict in the coming weeks.

CSI: Miami-10:00 Mondays on CBS
The first spinoff series for the hit CBS crime drama stars David Caruso as the head of a Miami CSI team. I was a bit worried that this show would just be the same old “CSI” on a different night. While that’s not necessarily a bad thing, I felt I was going to need something new to keep me watching. I was pleased to find that while “Miami” is full of those “CSI” staples (the extreme zooms into dead bodies), it manages to have a style all its own. The setting of “Miami” opens up possibilities for stories which would be impossible to tell in Las Vegas, and the cast helps to give this series its own voice.

Cedric the Entertainer Presents-Wednesdays at 8:30 on Fox
Filling out the second half of a “Kings of Comedy” hour on Fox comes Cedric with this variety/sketch comedy series. Cedric takes on various roles during the course of each half-hour episode, including a surly lunch lady and a crooning, Barry White-like marriage counselor. Cedric and his cast seem to keep this show funny at about a 50-50 ratio. While some sketches are hilarious, others are, well... not so much. Still, Cedric is an upbeat and energetic host, who is clearly enjoying what he’s doing, and the show could easily improve over time.

Firefly-8:00 Fridays on Fox
Joss Whedon, creator of “Buffy the Vampire Slayer,” gives us this sci-fi/western series about the diverse freelancers piloting a starship from one job to the next in post-war space. A train heist, a border town bar fight all showed up in the pilot amidst futuristic technology. Whedon also displayed his penchant for writing witty dialogue. However, the pilot was not without flaws. Although many viewers probably didn’t notice, the series borrows (or rips off) heavily from the style and stories of anime series such as “Outlaw Star” and “Cowboy Bebop.” Being familiar with both series, I was at times offended by the blatant theft of material. Still, I’ll give “Firefly” a chance to become more original over the season.

John Doe-9:00 Fridays on Fox
One of the strangest new entries of the Fall season is also one of the best. Dominic Purcell stars as the title character, a man who wakes up on an island with no memory of who he is. Oddly enough, John Doe seems to know everything else, and I mean EVERYTHING. He’s like a living encyclopedia. He’s also color blind, which makes things a little strange when he starts seeing the photo of a kidnapped little girl in color. The show is incredibly provocative, largely due to the fact that the viewer is just as in the dark about John Doe’s origins as he is himself. It’s time slot may make it difficult for this show to gain an audience. But hey, “The X-Files” did it a decade ago, and this show is a worthy successor.

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Libra (September 22-October 22): It is about time to let loose and have a good time with some people that maybe you have not seen in a long time. Just keep in mind that people change over the years, and although they may seem different, their feelings towards you have not changed.

Scorpio (October 23-November 21): Something’s putting you in a strange mood lately, and you are not your normal, easy-going, fun self. If something is bothering you, it is okay to talk it out with your friends. However, if you are going to say that everything is fine, snap out of your funk before you piss people off.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21): About this time every year, you start to get a little bit antsy and feel like you need a change. However, a big change might not be what you need. Perhaps changing up your routine or hanging out with a different group of friends will be enough to relieve the tedium.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19): Those random acts of kindness that are not even close to characteristic have really started to pay off. People are seeing a kinder side of you. Yet that does not mean that you should let people take advantage of you. Sometimes it pays to keep one edge rough.

Aquarius (January 20-February 17): Spastic much? You have been doing things like sending bills to the wrong places and forgetting appointments, which is not entirely unlike you, but it is getting worse. Maybe you should start writing things down in order to remember them.

Pisces (February 18-March 19): Sometimes school seems harder than usual, like now. Do not give up. There are ways to get on top of the game. Spread out your studying and talk to your professors if you are having trouble. Just remember that you are not the only one struggling and there are places to get help.

Aries (March 20-April 19): Things are looking up, and if you do not think so, trust the Guru... it will happen soon. Keep in mind that only so many good things can happen before you have to start helping them along. If you want your life to turn around, you have to take action.

Taurus (April 20-May 19): Maybe things are not going too bad right now, but they are not going great either. You feel like you are sort of drifting through life aimlessly with no end in sight. If you forget what you are working towards, you may also forget to work. Set some goals, and then things will not seem so pointless.

Gemini (May 20-June 20): It is easy to feel torn between two things, especially when you care a great deal about each of them. However, sometimes a decision must be made. Do like Ben Franklin and make a pro/con list. What will do the greatest good? What will be the most difficult stance to take? Before action, thoroughly examine your position.

Cancer (June 21-July 21): A new opportunity might seem great at first, but think about what you are giving up in order to take it. Dignity? Happiness? Time? Friendships? Yes, the people in your life try to be supportive, but you need to ask yourself if what you are doing is truly worth it.

Leo (July 22-August 22): You have been working harder lately than usual, but your natural leaning to taking the easy way out is starting to catch up with you. Before you decide to cheat on that test or quit your job, ask yourself if it is really necessary or if it is just the way you have always done things.

Virgo (August 23-September 21): Your body is rebelling against you. That troublesome backache, constant headache, annoying throat phlegm and sore feet are all due to one thing: stress. You are always working on something, and it is time to share the wealth. Making other people do their jobs is not being mean.
Dear Lolitita-
I like to use my handy-dandy BOB every once in a while in order to have an orgasm. Now that my boyfriend and I have reached a stage where we have sex, I’ve stopped using it so often. But sometimes when I’m with him, I find it difficult to reach a climax. Could this be because I am so used to the vibrator?
-Missing the Electricity

Dear Missing-
A battery operated boyfriend (BOB) is a great thing for a single girl to have. Personally, I have four. One for the shower, one for the bed, one in the car in case of a traffic jam and one in my purse for emergencies. A girl just can’t get enough stimulation these days.

I can understand your concern. Sometimes it seems like just looking at that vibrator is enough to send you to the Extended and oftentimes a man’s relative vibrating-less penis is dull by comparison. Don’t think that you are alone. Many women feel this way.

The good news is that your inability to climax most likely has nothing to do with the absence of generic power during intercourse. Think of it like this: just because you have sex under the bleachers every once in a while does not make doing it in bed any less fulfilling.

However, you cannot blame this on your boyfriend, either. He is probably a god in bed despite not being able to make his penis purr like a kitten. More likely, the problem is in your own head. Sex therapist Anne Hooper says that vibrators have expanded sexual opportunities, not limited them, by enabling “greater ease of climax under a wide variety of conditions.” In other words, experimenting with BOB should have heightened your climaxing abilities.

My advice to you is forget about the vibrator and concentrate on the man you have in front of you. Remember, a vibrator does not have hands or lips or any of the other things that add to a fantasy, mind-altering sexual experience.

Dear Lolitita-
I wouldn’t say that I’m irreparably trigger-happy in the sack, but I do come too early, I think. My girlfriend tries to understand, but I know that it must be frustrating when I’m done before she has really even begun. Are there any ways I can make myself last longer in bed?
-Jumping the Gun

Dear Jumping-
Try trying a popsicle stick around the salami to keep it up. You know, like a finger splint.

I’m just joking. (Seriously, don’t do that. It just doesn’t seem sanitary.)

All kidding aside, I think it is good that you are fessing up to your problem. Ejaculating early can be a problem during intercourse, but as long as you know you do it, there are ways to fix the problem. I am sure your girlfriend appreciates the consideration.

A favorite method of mine that I have found quite effective with men who are so turn on by my gorgeous body that they cannot help themselves is the Squeeze Technique. Simply grasp the tip of the penis just below the glans between your thumb and other fingers. Apply pressure when you feel close to emptying. This may cause your general to lose the snap in his salute momentarily, but have no fear...he will be at attention again soon.

This method can also be applied to the base of the penis and is useful when you are actually having intercourse and do not want to withdraw from your partner.

Like any other exercise, there are ways to build your stamina. Try masturbating first with a dry hand then lubricated, until you can last 15 minutes. Then have your partner do the same thing to you. Then lie on your back with your penis inside your girlfriend’s vagina. Keep movements to a minimum and practice until you can go 15 minutes. Probably soon you will be able to last as long as she can.

Remember, practice makes perfect, and this is a lot more fun than learning to ride a bike.

Two old men answer life’s questions

By Alfred Cheraw, a Conway native, and Erskine Stoneburn, born and bred on the mean streets of New York City

Dear Two Old Men-
This is my fourth year at Coastal, and I am graduating this spring. My mom thinks that I am moving home once I am through, but I have no intention of moving back to Podunk, Midwest. But now she talks about it constantly, and I think that she is going to be really hurt when she finds out that maybe I do not plan on staying in Myrtle Beach for the rest of my life, but there is no way I’m moving back home. How should I break the news to her?

-Alfred’s response:

Dear Anywhere-
I can see why this would be a problem. My only mother was born in the Oklahoma Indian Territory back 1899. There was a depression those days too, ‘cept nobody talks about it much on account that most of the folks who lived through it are dead by now.

That was back when McKinley was president. Yes, sir, back then, presidents sure did know how to preside over things. Now, McKinley decided to send some army folks down to Cuba, and none other than Teddy Roosevelt himself went down to save those heathens from the side-talking Spaniards. My mother’s mother, God rest both their souls, who happened to be living up North at the time, would always say that there was a reason they called Teddy a “Rough Rider,” but seeing as how she said she knew that from the time between Teddy’s first and second wives, I don’t see no cause for controversy.

Those Spanish monkeys crumpled like the frilly lace-wearing sissy-boys we all know they are, and it ended up that the United States got some Godforsaken islands somewhere out in the Pacific, as if damned Hawaii wasn’t enough. Oh, no, we just had to go get more islands with naked midgets running around.

Hell, if we’re going to go to war, we should at least win some land that’s useful. If we want more territory, we should just go out and get Australia. Those people fight crocodile diles and the like, and they sure can run and swim fast. Little Eddie Simpkins could have used a lesson from those Australians when he was six and dang near drowned in a measly puddle of a pond on account of him getting his foot tangled in a tree root. Then again, Eddie never really was too bright.

Maybe we should just annex Canada. All 13 Canadians would line up on the border and ask us to not invade their no-county country. We would laugh and make them stop speaking French and order them to admit that baseball is a much better sport than ice hockey.

-Erskine’s Response

Dear Anywhere-
Podunk, Midwest? That must be a nice place. I like the sound of that “Podunk.” Second thought, no. I definitely don’t like the sound of that.

It reminds me of the baths we used to take in our one room apartment on 156th. We had no money so we took water out of the East River (before it was full of all that crap) and carried three big buckets of water up 20 flights of stairs and filled our tub. You didn’t take a bath, you took a “Podunk” (poor dunk for those snappy rich kids who never experienced a bath without the maid towel them off) in the tub.

And it’s bad enough taking the “Podunk” in the cold river water but how’s about going fifth? I was the youngest, so I got the last licks of that water. Oye vey, I’d be cleaner if I didn’t step foot in it!

Oh, and my mother used to spray me with her perfume to try and cover up the smell of that river. Cause yes it was unpolluted but it smelled worse than old lax in the sunlight! I used to get the crap kicked out of my foul fruity ass every day!

I still can’t walk into Macy’s. Those perfume ladies give me the “icks.” So, I guess you should tell your mother that you can’t buy her perfume for Christmas. Get her a nice candle instead.
On Sept. 24, students, professors and community members filled the Wheelwright Auditorium to clap their hands and snap their fingers to the rhythm of Step Afrika!, a South African-based performance group.

“It was amazing how good they were,” freshman Sarah Moody said. “I really enjoyed myself.”

Step Afrika! not only strives to entertain with stepping, free-style dancing and light-hearted comedy, but also to talk about stepping’s African roots. The show included everything from stepping demonstrations to a performance straight out of a scene from a South African festival. They also called for volunteers from the audience to go on stage in order to teach them how to step and play the African drums.

“I thought Step Afrika! did a great job,” senior Brian Johnson said. “I liked how they went back in time to show us how stepping was originated.”

Step Afrika! is a non-profit organization that performs for 80 to 90 schools and universities annually. It was created Dec. 1994.

But what made this event so special is that everyone could appreciate it from first-timers to frequent step show goers.

“It looked really hard, but they were awesome,” said freshman Chrissy Lynn, who had never seen a step show before.

The truth is that stepping is becoming more widespread. What once started as an exclusive dance performed by historically black Greek-letter organizations has become a performance appreciated by many.

“I think it’s being more accepted among all ethnic groups, even if it is a traditional African form of dance,” sophomore Josie Cole said. “I enjoyed it. I thought it was a wonderful representation of the African tradition of dance.”

But for those of you who think that stepping is easy, members of Greek organizations beg to differ. In their opinion, stepping is much more than just making a beat with your hands and feet.

“Most of our steps have a specific meaning,” said Johnson.

“One of our national presidents introduced certain steps from his traditional African culture that were used to celebrate the ‘coming of age.’”

Although stepping is a unique and expressive form of dance straight out of Africa, it was nonetheless enjoyable for everyone, African roots or not. The beat, the comedy and even the history lesson in disguise made the Step Afrika! performance a memorable one.

Freshman Teria Johnson agreed. “It was entertaining as well as educational for those who didn’t know the history of stepping or thought they knew.”
Opinions

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Chanticleer Editor,

Will either Hodges or Sanford commit to helping save our 120,000 S.C. teenagers that the CDC says are now using tobacco? Unless someone steps forth to help, two-thirds of them are scheduled to spend their entire life chemically dependent upon nicotine (a substance at least five times more addictive than cocaine) and one-third (40,000) will be deprived of 15.3 years of life.

Tobacco claimed 5,992 South Carolinians in 1999, 2,996 in middle-age, each an average of 22.5 years early. Almost 90% of them became addicted while teens. With the brain dopamine pathways of one-fourth of our entire adult population chemically dependent upon mandatory regular nicotine feedings, how can we expect youth prevention programs to have any credibility whatsoever? Is it fair to expect children to ignore so many adult role models?

We are the only remaining state in the nation whose policies continue elevate the importance of growing and producing nicotine (tobacco farming) over the health, welfare and lives of our children. Seventy percent of S.C. smokers indicate that they want to quit but can’t. Sadly, their government sees the end sale of a specific crop (tobacco) as being in conflict with providing high quality local cessation programs, as it has done for those dependent upon illegal drugs.

Mark Sanford’s commercial mentions a $100 million dollar budget shortfall. The CDC says that each year smoking is costing us $85 million in tobacco health care costs – $142 million in state Medicaid — and $1.6 billion in annual productivity losses. The CDC also indicates that $262 billion a year in order to implement high quality statewide nicotine cessation and dependency prevention programs.

Nicotine addiction should never be looked upon as a reliable source of revenue to fund government. To do so would further institutionalize an internal conflict toward helping save the next generation of children from a lifetime of dependency. Instead the tobacco tax should be increased with all new revenues devoted exclusively toward nicotine cessation and prevention programs, toward offsetting tobacco related Medicaid expenditures, and to funding a temporary program to retrain and retread S.C. tobacco farmers to transition out of the nicotine business and into non-addictive crops.

Our current 7 cents a pack tax generated $28 million in revenues in 2000, or $4 million per penny. If the tax was increased to 75 cents per pack we should expect to see a substantial decline in overall annual sales - a good factor - but, sadly, we should still realize new income of over $200 million a year.

I’m curious, would either Hodges or Sanford support raising the tobacco tax to 75 cents per pack and permanently devoting 30% to the establishment of statewide cessation and prevention programs, permanently devoting 60% of all new revenues toward our health care budget, and temporarily devoting 10% toward helping retrain and retread those tobacco farmers who fully commit to getting out of the nicotine business?

-John R. Polito
Nicotine Cessation Instructor

THINGS YOU DIDN’T EVEN KNOW YOU WERE THINKING ABOUT

I have a question for all you out there reading this. Have you ever heard of these things called “sex on the beach.” I mean, how can we expect youth to know these things? One thing is to promote the right of way. Of course, we all may have heard of it at some point or another, but how many observe it all the time? For those of you who just can’t seem to locate it in your brain, it exists. And often there are reminders of this law, such as crosswalks, signs and oh yeah...people crossing the road, or in my case, standing on the sidewalk and waiting.

As a work-study student at the Student Counseling Center, I am walking back and forth between classes and work throughout the day, and get there by walking, having to cross University Blvd.

Now...when you come into Coastal in the morning for class, I’ll show you how some of the pedestrians seem to escape. You see, but is it so early and are you out of it, that those neon green “Pedestrian Crossing” signs on University Blvd. just seem to fade into the background? Because, last I heard, we don’t have any radioactive pine trees that would cause one to overlook the aforementioned signs. But just in case I’m wrong, there’s another hint for you. Assuming that everyone is looking forward when they’re driving, I don’t think anyone should miss this one. It’s the huge white lines, forming a crosswalk, painted on the road.

The issue at hand isn’t solely neglecting to yield to pedestrians. Speeding plays a large part of it as well. Once you actually get into campus, we’ve left the days of speed bumps in the dust and installed speed mountain ranges, serving as speed bumps and sidewalks in one. Correct me if I’m wrong, but never have I known anyone who finds the sound of metal scraping concrete to be music to their ears. For this reason, and the simple fact that flooring it over Coastal’s mountain ranges can severely damage your car, people seem to drive a bit more cautiously on campus.

As we return to the setting of University Blvd. however, speed seems to become a figment of drivers’ imaginations. Often, I’ve noticed that the main reason why people slow down is because a campus police officer is parked off the side of the road. Sadly though, while the officer may give students a good reason not to speed, his presence doesn’t seem to deter them from ignoring the crosswalk. I have yet to see one confront or resolve any problems with this crosswalk, even after witnessing the problems that students have crossing the road.

Many even speed up so that there is less of a gap between cars and ultimately less of an opportunity for pedestrians to hold up traffic while crossing the street. It can take five minutes sometimes before cars slow down enough for a person to cross the street.

One morning a car did stop, which was nice to see. As I begin crossing, I see that the other lane (my direction) has not stopped, and I wait in front of the stopped car. By the time the cars do stop in the other lane, it is when one comes to a skidding halt after noticing a person standing in the middle of the street.

On previous occasions, some faculty members have already had their bit with this issue, which is how the crosswalk came to be in the first place. Now however, pedestrians don’t seem to be getting the best use out of it. The only times pedestrians are ever safe in this crosswalk is when they come across a chance that there are no cars on University Blvd. at all. Ideally, the best method of a crosswalk at this location would be a flashing yellow light with a crosswalk button, allowing pedestrians to push the button for a red light so that they may safely cross the street.

The only way that things are going to change is if people’s discontent with this situation becomes known. If you have had problems using this crosswalk, make it known. Write a letter to the editor: Report it to the campus police: Do something. And for the drivers out there, be aware of your surroundings. Make sure that you are driving consciously and cautiously and not putting people’s lives in danger.

-Anne Marie D’Onofrio
Staff Writer

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I am dumbfounded that you continue to support the column “Sex on the Beach” in this publication. Are these really the morals that Coastal Carolina University stands for? I am not going to waste my time writing a missive about all that is wrong with this because obviously it would be meaningless to the person responsible for its publication.

You already know that it is just plain wrong.

I just want you to know that at least one person sees it this way. How exactly does this fit into your stated mission as a University?

Just in case the President or Provost aren’t familiar with recent editions I have included a few excerpts below.

“But while he was enjoying a hand job, he asked me to stick my finger in his rectal cavity. I did it, but it was kind of weird.”

“Let him know that your low sex drive and inability to orgasm has nothing to do with him, that is simply your own anxiety over unplanned conception that is hurting your fun in the sack.”

“My advice to you is to avoid positions that allow for deep penetration such as missionary and doggy-style.”

“Bringing a third party into a monogamous relationship can be stimulating for its novelty value or for the extra physical sensation provided by more sets of hands, lips, tongues and genitals talking. It can, however, become tricky.”

-Bill Rust
Charleston, SC
Opinions

FROM THE SGA OFFICE

Hello fellow Chants! I would first like to welcome our new additions to your Student Government Association Executive Board. Mr. Tuanen Davis, Miss Allison Byrd, and Mr. Drew Bird were appointed to Speaker Pro-Tempore, Director of Communications, and Parliamentarian respectively. In addition, I would like to congratulate our newly elected class officers; Nick Morona, Lyman Dawkins III, Nina Tuttle, Kristin Kierman, Jason Whaley, Elizabeth Dukes, Chris Stout and Jatana Brown.

Your SGA is working hard for you. We are currently exploring the possibilities of bringing a spirit rock on campus to build school spirit. Furthermore, we are working to fulfill your requests to provide a more student-friendly game room in the Student Center. I would like to encourage the students to get involved in all that Coastal has to offer in order to make the most of your college experience.

Brian Martin
Assistant Editor

THINGS YOU DIDN’T EVEN KNOW YOU WERE THINKING ABOUT

You’re going to die one day. Sorry, but that’s just the way it is. But thankfully we’re living in the future now, the fabled 21st Century, and a prominent British science publication is looking to help one lucky reader escape death’s icy grasp.

New Scientist magazine, a leading British scientific publication, has announced a new contest. Readers are asked to explain in 50 words or less why they would either want to be cryogenically frozen or be able to see the universe as it exists today. The winner of the contest will have a choice of prizes: spending a week in Hawaii and viewing the stars through the world’s highest telescope, or being frozen after death.

That’s right. You could be Walt Disney’s new scienstate.

When the winner dies, he or she will be cryonically preserved in liquid nitrogen. The winner will be stored at a temperature of -196 °C, where physical decay of the body stops. The winner will remain in this state until such a point in the future when technology allows for him or her to be brought back to life.

Or, if the freezing cold isn’t your thing, there’s the trip to Hawaii.

Now, if the future’s as funny as “Futurama” would have me believe, then the cryo-freeze is the prize of a lifetime. But let’s be realistic. How easy do you think it would be to reintegrate yourself into society hundreds of years from now? I know people who have a hard enough time adjusting from one day to the next.

Technology is nowhere near being able to resurrect the dead yet, and by the time it is chances are good that all of your family and friends would be long gone. Life would be like going to a big party where you don’t know anyone and you can’t leave.

Then there’s the technology issue. After being brought out of cryogenic suspension, it would probably take the duration of your “second life” just to learn how to function on a day to day basis. Remember that contraption on “The Jetsons” that would brush George’s teeth, comb his hair, put his clothes on for him and deposit him at his kitchen table? How hard do you think it’s going to be to learn how to use that thing? And you think it’s tough to program your VCR.

And let’s not forget the endless wars with robots and alien species bent on destroying our human way of life. Do you really want to live through all that nonsense? Trust me, when the lasers start blazing, you’re going to wish you had just gone with the tropical vacation.

Of course, the whole dying and being brought back to life issue raises another question: what happens to your soul? Assuming your soul checks out when you do, departing for whatever promised land you believe in, then theoretically you’ll be revived without it. You’ll be nothing more than a husk of a person, walking around through a strange and savage world with no one to turn to.

I mean, maybe that’s your kind of thing. But I think I’d cish in my chips, take the Hawaiian getaway, go to the beach and do some stargazing.

-Brian Martin
Assistant Editor

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Three Former Big South Players Allocated To NBDL Teams

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—Three former Big South men's basketball players have been allocated to three different teams in the NBDL. UNC Asheville graduate Josh Pittman was picked up by the Asheville Altitude, Radford center Ryan Charlie was allocated to the Roanoke Dazzle and Winthrop standout Greg Lewis joins the Greenville Groove.

Pittman, who played at UNC Asheville from 1994 to 1998, was a four-year letterwinner for the Bulldogs. The Winston-Salem, N.C. native was the Big South Player of the Year for two consecutive years (1996-97 and 1997-98), and remains only the second player in Big South history to earn the Player of the Year award multiple times. A versatile player who played both as a guard and forward for UNCA, Pittman was named First Team All-Conference twice and was All-Tournament once. He was also named Big South Player of the Week four times during his career.

Charlie was a standout center for Radford from 1996 to 2000. Harpered by injuries for much of his collegiate career, he garnered a second Team All-Conference award in the 1998-99 season and was First Team All-Conference in 1999-2000. The Midlothian, Va. native also was named to the All-Tournament Team in 1998 for helping Radford to its first Big South title. Charlie was also named to the Big South All-Academic Team in 1999-00.

Lewis finished his career at Winthrop last season, helping the Eagles to their fourth straight Big South title. A forward from Akron, Ohio, Lewis played for Winthrop from 1999-2002. A transfer from Howard College, Lewis was the fifth player in Big South history to be named Big South Tournament MVP twice, claiming the award in 2000 and 2002. He was last season's Big South Player of the Year, and was named First Team All-Conference twice (1999-00 and 2001-02). Sideline during the 2000-01 season due to injury, Lewis was named Big South Player of the Week three times during his career. He will join former Radford player and Big South Player of the Week Jason Williams on the Groove.

Coastal Men Ranked 23rd In The Nation By SoccerAmerica.com; Sixth In Region By NSCAA

CONWAY, SC—Coastal Carolina University men's soccer team, who holds a 7-0-1 mark so far on the season, is now currently 23rd in the nation by SoccerAmerica.com and sixth in the South Region by the NSCAA.

The Chants are coming off a thrilling, 2-1 overtime win over then-23rd ranked Kentucky, and a 4-1 victory over Marshall at this past weekend's Kentucky traditional Bank Invitational.

Ngwenya Named Men's Soccer Player Of The Week

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—Joseph Ngwenya was named Big South Men's Soccer Player of the Week for the second time this season.

Ngwenya was named MVP of the Kentucky Traditional Bank Invitational on the strength of two goals and two assists in the 4-1 win over Marshall. He leads the team in scoring (23 points) and is second in goals scored (8). Ngwenya is now tied for ninth all-time at Coastal in goals scored (26) and ninth in scoring (68 points).

Each Monday during the season, the Big South Conference will post a weekly men's soccer report on www.bigsouthsports.com. The Wingate Inn Player of the Week, League notes, results and upcoming matches will all be featured in the report.

UNCA's Sigurdardottir, Coastal's Hampton Earn Weekly Volleyball Honors

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—League-leading UNC Asheville's Frida Sigurdardottir earned the volleyball Player of the Week this week, while Coastal Carolina's Jennifer Hampton was tabbed the Freshman of the Week.

Sigurdardottir enjoyed a great match against High Point Tuesday night to help lead the Bulldogs to their sixth straight victory. She pounded 22 kills and hit .500 for the match. She also added two service aces, three digs and two blocks to lead the Bulldogs to the victory. Sigurdardottir leads UNCA in kills (3.38), aces (21) and is second in blocks (0.94).

Hampton had an outstanding week for Coastal, as she posted two double-doubles (assists-digs) and a triple-double (kills-assists-digs). Her triple-double came in a win over Virginia Tech at the Clemson Tournament. She also tied for a team high 7 service aces at the tournament, and had a team high 61 assists for all matches this season in the win over TCU.

Each Monday during the season, the Big South Conference will post a weekly volleyball report at www.bigsouthsports.com. The Wingate Inn Player of the Week, the Rookie of the Week, League notes, results and upcoming matches will all be featured in the report.

The Pontiac GMC 3-ON-3 Basketball Challenge Returns

The Second Annual Pontiac-GMC 3 on 3 Basketball Challenge returns to the Carolinas this fall. This year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever before with fantastic prizes and strong competition. Once again there will be a men and women's division and all players at least 18 years of age are encouraged to join in the fun. The cost is only $25 for student teams and $40 for all other teams. Winning teams from the opening rounds will advance to the Regionals held at select YMCA's and Regional winners will advance to the Finals. This year's Finals will be held in conjunction with the Big South Conference Championship in Lynchburg, Virginia.

All participants will compete for the opportunity to win the grand prize of four (4) tickets to College Basketball's National Championship. Team champions will also receive four (4) round trip tickets on US Airways to anywhere in the United States. Regional winners will win a fabulous Gatorade prize package and all participants will receive a Pontiac-GMC 3 on 3 Basketball Challenge t-shirts.

For more information on this year's Pontiac-GMC 3-ON-3 Basketball Challenge, visit the Big South Conference website at www.bigsouthsports.com or call 704-341-7990.
It's early October and we've been here since August 15. As a football team, we've come a long way. As human beings most of us have probably come farther. The Coastal Carolina football team, currently carrying an underclassmen-laden 92 players, has come a long way. I'm a member of that team, so I should know. But there is still a lot of work to do if we want to compete right away - something most would consider impossible. We scrimmaged for the third time September 28. As in the previous two inter-squad scrimmages, there were some positives and some negatives. We scrimmaged at Carolina Forest, where we do a lot of practicing these days. For some, including myself, the start time was new. We began the scrimmage about 12:20. Most of us had never put on the pads that early and played in a highly competitive atmosphere. Offensively, we are starting to put the pieces together although the teal jerseys have struggled up to this point. That's not a surprise. It always seems to take an offense longer to get on the same page than it does the defense.

On most days, the defense, led by Catawba transfer Maurice Simpkins, has its way with the offense. But when the offense finally gets working on the same page, watch out. Tailbacks Pat Hall and Aundres Perkins have shown promise. On the outside are some speedy, although small, wide receivers that possess a ton of athleticism. Our quarterback have tons of potential and will begin to show more consistency when they grasp the offense. It seems as if we have made a successful transition to college football. It isn't anything like the game was in high school. The playbooks are bigger. The game is faster. The sport is overall more demanding of your time. That was a tough transition. Now that we've all made it through the first month or so, we'll be fine. And hopefully that means we will only get better between now and the opener on September 6, 2003.
Men's soccer winning streak continues

By Nicole Service
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After a streak of wins, Coastal's men's soccer team has earned individual awards as well as a national ranking.

On Sept. 18 it was announced that CCU was ranked eighth in the South and 33 in the nation by SoccerTimes.com. Two days later, sophomore midfielder Mike Littlefield was named to Soccer America's Team of the Week for the previous week. At the Stihl Soccer Classic in Norfolk, VA, Littlefield scored four goals and was named MVP of the tournament.

Coastal took on Marshall on Sept. 20 on the first night of the 2002 Kentucky Traditional Bank Invitational. Junior forward Joseph Ngwenya scored two goals and had two assists. Freshman Mubarakh Chisoni and Littlefield each added goals of their own, leading to Marshall's defeat, 4-1. CCU goalkeeper Aaron Sanders had three saves.

Two days later, Coastal took on number 23 ranked Kentucky during tournament. Littlefield gave the Chants an early lead with a goal at the 12:13 mark, assisted by Jason Smith. Two minutes later, Kentucky tied the match. Yet Sanders would record five saves during this game and allow only that one goal, sending the game into overtime. Senior Tobin Whitmarsh scored the game-winning goal as CCU defeated Kentucky 2-1 and won the tourney.

Ngwenya was named Big South Men's Player of the Week for his performance in the tournament. He recorded two goals and two assists and currently leads the team in scoring (23 points) and is second on the team in goals (8).

After the upset against Kentucky, the team moved up in both regional and national rankings. With a record of 7-0-1, was ranked sixth in the South Region by the NSCAA and 23 in the nation by SoccerAmerica.com.

The rally continued on Sept. 28 against Big South rival Elon. Littlefield scored early on a pass from freshman John DeVae to put the Chants up a little over five minutes into the match. Elon tied the score going into halftime and got one-up after the start of the second half.

Ngwenya answered that goal seven minutes later on a pass from Thomas Rutter to tie the game. Twenty minutes later, Ngwenya hit a goal on a cross from Littlefield to put the Chants up by one. Later, Ngwenya tallied another goal, giving himself a hat trick and securing a 4-2 victory.

Coastal is now 8-0-1 with the next home game on Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. against Charleston Southern.

Volleyball on a roll

By Betty Turner
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Lady Chants Volleyball opened Big South Conference play at home last week with the same fervor and passion they have displayed over the past month in non-conference play with a 3-0 sweep over Charleston Southern on Sept 25.

Lauren Wozniak led the Chants with 10 kills for the evening while Jeanne Lambert had nine. Jennifer Hampton provided 26 assists. The ladies came into the match with a record of 7-5 in non-conference play, ranked just behind UNC Asheville (9-3) and ahead of Winthrop University (8-6).

The team had claimed second at the Clemson Invitational the preceding weekend, with wins over Virginia Tech and Texas Christian. Hampton was named Big South Freshman of the Week following the Clemson tournament.

A glowing report published by the conference read in part: "Hampton had an outstanding week for Coastal, as she posted two double-doubles (assists-digs) and a triple-double (kills-assists-digs). Her triple-double came in a win over Virginia Tech at the Clemson Tournament. She also tied for a team high seven service aces at the tournament, and had a team high 61 assists for all matches this season in the win over TCU."

The winning continued on Sept. 29 against Birmingham Southern. Led by senior Lamb who had a season high 24 kills in 44 attempts for a hitting average of .345, the Lady Chants swept their opponents 3-0 (30-25, 30-20, 30-25). Senior Katie Knuzon had a double-double in kills (10) and digs (23), and Big South Conference Freshman of the Week. Hampton had a career high seven service aces along with 48 assists and 11 digs.
Seesaw season for Lady Chants

By Jessica McMurrer
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The women's soccer team began Big South Conference play with a 2-0 victory against UNC Asheville, Sept. 20.

The Lady Chants had possession of the ball for most of the game and fought hard against the Bulldogs to keep that possession. Both teams did a good amount of pushing and tripping. A UNCA player was given a Yellow Card because of her roughness.

In the first half, junior Mary Jo Hajek scored the first goal for CCU. Hajek broke through a collision between UNCA's goalkeeper and a Bulldog defender to give the Chanticleers a 1-0 lead.

Jennifer Tafel increased the score to 2-0 for the Lady Chants in the second half after her shot was misplayed by the UNCA goalkeeper.

CCU goalkeeper Candice Doten recorded her second shutout of the season, stopping six Bulldog shots.

On Sept. 28, the Lady Chants lost to Liberty University 0-1 in Big South Conference action. Liberty scored the goal after a corner kick in the first half.

The Lady Chants are third in the BSC, behind Radford and Liberty.