By Jessica McMurrey

For Paula Daniels Drummond, being a Resident Assistant was a way for her to afford undergraduate education at Western Kentucky University without working in the school cafeteria, which she did do for a period of time. She never expected it to lead to a career which has brought her to Coastal Carolina University as the new Director of Residence Life.

After graduating with a BA in advertising and working for a small newspaper in Tennessee, in 1990, Daniels Drummond decided to return to university life to earn a Master's degree in business and accounting from North Carolina State University. She said she viewed the move as "a smart career decision." Her decision did prove to be smart.

Daniels Drummond changed her major from business and accounting to higher education administration and worked as the Residence Director for Meredith College in Raleigh, NC.

"I went to Raleigh to do grad school work and work in the residence halls. I ended up staying 14 years," Daniels Drummond said about her time going to school and working in North Carolina.

After working at Meredith College for five years, in 1995, Daniels Drummond was able to be the Director of Residence Life and Housing at Peace College, also in Raleigh, when the college was transitioning from a two year to a four year institution.

"Peace felt like home, and that was something I hadn't experienced in my career," she said, fondly recalling her four years at Peace.

While being the Director of Residence Life at Peace, Daniels Drummond was able to earn her Master's degree from N.C. State. She then began working toward a Doctorate in adult and community college education. She is currently working on her dissertation and anticipates graduating in 2005.

In 1999, Daniels Drummond left Peace College and took a position at N.C. State as the Assistant Director of Housing.

"I wanted the large school feel. And the program there is one of the best in the country and is all about growing people. I learned so much and made so many great friends while I was there," said Daniels Drummond about her time working at N.C. State.

After moving to Murrells Inlet in June of 2004, Daniels Drummond applied for three open positions at CCU: the Director of Residence Life, the Assistant Director of Residence Life and the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students position was filled by Dr. Lloyd A. Holmes.

A private search company was in charge of a nationwide search to find candidates for the Director of Residence Life position; Daniels Drummond received a rejection letter from the search company. In October of 2004, she was contacted about the Assistant Director position and interviewed with the CCU committee in charge of hiring for the position.

During that interview, Dr. Lynn Willett, the Vice President of Student Affairs, and the others asked why Daniels Drummond had not applied for the Director position. She explained that she had applied and had been previously contacted by the search agency. Willett and the rest of the committee interviewed the applicants selected by the search agency, but those applicants were not right for the position.

"We were really looking for someone who could be a good 'fit' for our campus, and Paula impressed us for being a good 'fit,'" Willett said to explain how the position of Director was offered to Daniels Drummond.

"I've had a great first week and people have been so nice and seem happy to have me here," said Daniels Drummond happily.

With her years in the field, Daniels Drummond "hopes to bring a lot of experience of working in a good system and knowing what works and what doesn't work."

There is always the concern of sudden policy changes when new employees are hired. However, neither Daniels Drummond nor Willett expect major changes to Residence Life right away.

"Usually there is an assessment period with new leadership to learn the people and the department and make changes, and that is what we expect to happen now," said Willett.

She also added that Residence Life is still recouping from adding 1,000 beds in two years. Residence Life will be thinking about plans for the Woods Residence Halls, and building more space on the main campus for students.

As far as Daniels Drummond's plans for Residence Life, she stated, "I want to see Residence Life positions be the most coveted on campus and provide leadership and growth for the students."

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CRIME LOG

University Place

1. 1/12/05 Incident Type: Larceny
   At approximately 1:13 p.m., the victim stated to a CCUPS officer that while she was emptying her tray at The Commons, her key ring was taken by unknown person(s).

2. 1/12/05 Incident Type: Burglary
   University Place residents reported to police that during the holiday break someone entered their apartment and took some of their belongings. There were no signs of forced entry.

3. 1/14/05 Incident Type: Burglary
   Santee Hall residents stated that unknown person(s) entered their room while they were not there. The unknown person(s) removed some of their personal belongings.

4. 1/14/05 Incident Type: Burglary
   The complainant stated that between Dec. 2, 2004 and Jan. 13, 2005 someone removed change from her desk drawer in her office in the Wall Building.

5. 1/18/05 Incident Type: Vandalism
   A University Place resident stated that during the night of Jan. 17 someone "egged" his vehicle while it was parked at UP.

6. 1/19/05 Incident Type: Larceny
   A professor stated to police that she and her students left the classroom, and upon her return to the room, her teacher's manual was missing. At the time she and the students left the room, the manual was on her desk. This happened in the Prince Building.

Crime Log compiled from police reports and interviews by assistant editor Jessica McMurre

Grad finale promises to be one-stop shop for seniors

By Office of Special Events
for The Chanticleer

If you’re graduating in May, the level of excitement is rising. You have applied for graduation and may be wondering what you will do when you are finished at Coastal. (Note: If you have not applied for graduation, stop reading and do so immediately).

Since the majority of you have probably not graduated from college before, you might be wondering what you need to do before you leave. However, you are in luck. Grad Finale is an event sponsored by the Offices of Special Events and Alumni Relations in cooperation with Jostens, where almost everything on that pre-graduation "to do" list can be taken care of in one day.

You will need your cap and gown; you may need financial aid and job placement assistance; you’ll want to join the Alumni Association, order your ring, update your contact information for important mailings and much more.

Grad Finale will be held on Thursday, March 10 from 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. in the University Hall Rotunda. Representatives from the Office of Financial Aid, the Registrar’s Office, Alumni Relations, 1954 Society, ODK, Career Services, Jostens and the CCU Bookstore will be available for help. Please call Ashley Stathos, Director of Special Events at 843.349.2569 for information regarding Grad Finale.

Wanted: Coastal Ambassadors

By Krystin Mementowski
for The Chanticleer

The CCU Student Alumni Ambassadors (SAA) is a student organization that builds affinity within students so that they will become active future alumni. Through a number of activities and events, SAA maintains a direct partnership with the Alumni Office, CCU Alumni and the University President.

In addition, they work closely with CCU faculty and staff, parents, students and the surrounding community.

Spring recruitment for SAA is right around the corner, and all students are encouraged to apply. In order to apply to be an SAA member, candidates must meet the following requirements: a 2.5 GPA minimum and the ability to serve one complete school year. The recruitment process also involves a series of steps, listed below.

APPLICATION DUE DATE - Friday, Feb. 4 - by 5 p.m. in the Office of University and Community Relations, Singleton 206

INFORMATION AND INTERACTION SESSION - Wednesday, Feb. 9, 6:30 p.m. - MANDATORY ATTENDANCE (class schedule permitting)

INTERVIEWS - Thursday, Feb. 10 and Monday, Feb. 14 - Location and Times TBA

Students can get applications from the Office of University and Community Relations, Singleton 206 or call 843-349-2569.
2005 graduates have better job market

By Dr. Tom Woodle  
for The Chanticleer

According to a recent report released by the National Association of Colleges and Employers, this year's graduating seniors have a little more to smile about than graduates in the past few years. The job market continues to look up and most earned bachelor's degrees have more earning power than in the past. Also, the demand for certain degrees is once again rebounding in the job market.

The top degrees in demand this year include Accounting, Business Administration/Management, Economics/Finance, Computer Science and Information Science and Systems.

Another interesting finding in this year's report is that the two majors that grew the most in earning potential this year were Information Science with a 10.7 percent increase in pay and English, which grew 8.1 percent.

Employers continue to value a solid Liberal Arts education as an entry level requirement for many management training positions. Large corporations that traditionally limit management training positions to business majors are now notifying the Coastal Carolina Career Center that they are also seeking majors in the Liberal Arts for their management training pool because of the transferable skills gained in these programs.

As the job market takes an upward turn it is even more important that students carefully consider their major and the "out of classroom" experiences available such as internships, volunteer activities, leadership opportunities and part-time work situations that will give them the edge in a competitive job market. For assistance in exploring college majors that fit your interests, work values and personality as well as opportunities available for practical experience, call or come by the Coastal Carolina Career Center located in Prince 122.

* Friday, Jan. 28, 5:30 p.m.; Horry County All County Orchestra Concert; Wheelwright Auditorium; Free

* Monday, Jan. 31, 7:30 p.m.; Shelley Jackson Student Recital; Edwards Recital hall (152); Free

* Friday, Feb. 4, 7:30 p.m.; Liederabend; Wheelwright Auditorium; Free

* Sunday, Feb. 6, 4:30 p.m.; Gospel Sing Out; Wheelwright Auditorium; Free

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What's your Spring Break destination?

By Julie Kastler

Spring Break is only less than two months away, so if you haven’t started planning, now is the time to do so. There are four years in college, so you only get four college spring breaks, unless you're on the seven-year plan. So make those last vacations worth your while before you have to get out in the real world and work. Spring Break is your time to kick back, relax and definitely get your mind off of school.

I decided to get your minds circulating on some ideas. I've asked some of your fellow Coastal students where they're headed for Spring Break and why.

Brad Morgan, Senior

"If I can come up with the extra cash, I plan on going with some friends and meeting up with my sister, who performs with Royal Caribbean. The cruise goes through Mexico and California."

Kelly Runyon, Junior

"I'm going to Acapulco for Spring Break with my girl friends. I got a good deal online, an all inclusive package. I need a vacation because the bars in Myrtle just aren't cutting it anymore."

Chris Rodenroth, Senior

"I'm going to Miami, Fl. for spring break. I want to go to the clubs and bars down there. My girlfriend and I are going on vacation to get away for the week. We're staying with a friend to save money for the clubs and bars."

Genevieve Zimmer, Junior

"We haven't really made plans yet, but hopefully we'll be on a big boat on U.S. waters. Probably some where out of Florida. I usually go to Cheaptrickers.com to find vacation deals."

Shane Bartkowski, Senior

"I am going to Las Vegas on a pipe dream. I plan to wear a suit, eat $7 lobster and never sleep. You could wish me luck, but I won't need it. Actually, I still haven't figured out why they insist on calling it luck."

If you're looking for a discounted package, some other places to look into Spring Break deals are on StudentCity.com. Their vacations include celebrity guests that party it up at your destination, including people from the Real World and Road Rules on MTV.
The Littlest Editor Speaks: Thoughts from Jessica McMurrer

Setting: A large room filled with people, supposed to represent the American public.

(Jessica McMurrer enters the room stage right)

Jessica McMurrer: "How many of you are looking forward to watching the Super Bowl next weekend?"

(Crowd responds with lots of clapping, cheering and a few "Go Patriots" yells.)

Jessica McMurrer: "Indeed, go Patriots. And how many of you are looking forward to this year's halftime show?"

(Response from the crowd is not as great as before and most people do not make any noise at all.)

Jessica McMurrer: "Thank you."

(Jessica McMurrer exits stage right and the room empties.)

The responses from the crowd in that little production are what I think would happen if someone actually asked a group those questions. For those people who are looking forward to the halftime show, you might be in for a let down, unless you were hoping for what will probably be the tamest performance in Super Bowl history.

In years past, the halftime show was a performance by a mix of musicians from various genres. People would put off the beer runs until later because they wanted to see how artists as different as Aerosmith and NSYNC would perform together. Interesting and once in a lifetime collaborations would happen in between the second and third quarters of the NFL's biggest game. Don't expect that this year.

I love Paul McCartney. I think he is a wonderful musician and I am glad that he is still out there rockin'. After last year's halftime incident with Janet Jackson's boob, the NFL decided that this year's non-football performance had to be as clean and proper as possible. That goal has certainly been accomplished with the selection of McCartney as the performer. The worst thing he would do is say something like "bloody hell." And I doubt he'd do that.

According to the USA Today, the NFL is hoping to restore the Super Bowl to an image of wholesome family entertainment by having a conservative halftime performance. I wonder how many wholesome beer commercials with babes in bikinis will be shown? I also wonder if Jackson's "wardrobe malfunction" will have any affect on the number of people who watch the game?

I don't think the problems with last year's production will have a major effect on this year's viewing numbers. The majority of people will watch to see the football players battle for the right to call themselves the Super Bowl champions. Other people will watch because the Super Bowl is an American institution and tradition. And you don't go against tradition just because one year maybe you caught a glimpse of a stranger's nipple. And finally, a smaller amount of people will tune into FOX on Super Bowl Sunday to see the new commercials.

A sporting event that is supposed to be the defining moment for two football teams has become the measure of American morals and values and all that is wrong with modern society. To me, what is wrong with American society is not Jackson's boob accidentally showing up on my television, but the fact that so many people cared about it. Every person has nipples. Everyone person, except those who were not breastfed, owes his or her survival in the first year or so of life to the function of the female nipple. So why then is there a viewing of this functional part of the human anatomy considered the eighth deadly sin to so many people?

And so what if the Super Bowl is supposed to be some giant family bonding, togetherness TV experience? How many families do you think were actually affected by the fact that the boob of a superstar was shown on TV? I would postulate that it was a small number. Just think about it for a minute. Children under the age of seven probably wouldn't have even noticed it. And kids at that age love to be naked, so if they had known what was going on, they would have just thought the lady on the screen loves to be naked the same way they do. Children over the age of seven may have noticed the boob, but mostly would have noticed that the show stopped and would have been more concerned about that compared to the actual reason.

Kids in middle school and early teenage years would have been aware of the nipple, but probably would have found it funny. And kids that age have seen or been told of much worse, so it would not have had too big of an effect on them. Teenagers would have thought it was funny and little 15 year old boys would have been begging for more. The parents of the kids who did ask questions should have been able to answer them in a way that would make the kids forget or just not care about what happened.

Hopefully this year's Super Bowl game will be as great as last year's. And hopefully the Patriots will win. I have an important bet saying they will, and I hate to lose a bet. And finally, hopefully the only things people will be talking about the next day at the water cooler will be the amazing touchdown pass by Tom Brady and the funny commercials instead of the state of American morals and entertainment because of something that happened during halftime.

Point/Counterpoint: Alternative transportation vs. Driving

Use alternative transportation

By Lesleigh Craft
staff writer

Students have more economical ways to get to class other than driving.

First of all, gas prices have dropped a little, but they still are not cheap. Although I don't have far to drive, I have noticed I don't have to fill up my tank as often as I'm walking to class everyday. Secondly, by now everyone has noticed the problems with parking. Every time I drive to class, I spend more time looking for or waiting for a parking spot than I do driving to school. Walking. I can actually make it to class earlier because I don't have to search for a place to park. Also, I'm sure there are other college students just like me who don't get quite enough exercise. Walking, riding a bike, and skateboarding are great forms of physical activity.

Other than those, students living in University Place can take the Lymo bus to class. Of course, in high school I wouldn't have been caught dead riding the bus to school; now, I wish one would come through my neighborhood to take me to class. It actually drops students off in front of each academic building, and with the Lymo running every fifteen minutes, it's hard to miss it.

More students should take advantage of these forms of transportation to save money, get to class earlier, and get outside.

Driving is more convenient

By Anne-Marie D'Onofrio
editor-in-chief

I care about the condition of the environment, but most days, convenience overrules. Many people complain about the inadequate parking on our campus, but I don't. I can find a parking space any day of the week, even days when I don't arrive on campus until 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, I drive to campus from University Place, less than a mile away. Why do I do this? Because it's easy.

My schedule this year has been ridiculous. Given the day of the week, my classes begin anytime from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and are in any one of our academic buildings or even at the Atlantic Center. I also work on campus, sometimes until 7 p.m. I have had classes end as late as 8 p.m. Certain days a week I leave campus to mentor at a local elementary school. Then there is editing the paper. I have 20 office hours each week at various times, and a deadline usually every two weeks. A typical Friday night of a deadline would have me leaving campus at any time after midnight. Shuttles don't run at these hours, and I certainly wouldn't ride a bike around here at night. And no, I will not call a sleeping (or partying) friend or roommate to come get me.

The bottom line here is a hectic schedule can sometimes restrict a person from using the alternate forms of transportation available to Coastal students. Our shuttle service has become significantly more efficient since the last school year, and many students live close enough to walk or ride bikes, but sometimes the weather is a factor as well, especially during this time of year. We often get pelted with nasty, cold rain storms in the winter and early spring. I doubt that many people would readily choose walking over driving on such a day.

Hectic schedules, weather, and I'm sure many more factors will lead students to decide that driving to campus is the most efficient way for them to commute during the day (or night). Maybe we should start a golf cart campaign...they do take up less parking space than cars and are a little faster than bikes. You can even "cart pool."
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**CD Review: Green Day’s “American Idiot”**

By Alex Souza  
*staff writer*

It’s time for a little mind exercise. Close your eyes. Now, imagine an album complete with echoing drums and gongs, choruses, some chimes, and a nine-minute, eight second epic. Do you find yourself dozing off to some Enya? Are you running to the stereo wondering how a John Tesh album penetrated your music collection? Well, if you are listening with me, you may just find yourself bobbing your head and air drumming fervently along with Green Day’s latest effort, “American Idiot.”

Leading with their hit single "American Idiot," Green Day could lead any fan into thinking it’ll be another catchy punk CD with an obvious politically charged single just in time for the past election. The next track, "Jesus of Suburbia" is a nine-minute, five-part track filled with tempo changes and heavy social commentary. It is essentially five songs in one.

In the middle of the political and social landscape of the album are three characters that Billie Joe and his band mates came up with to create a concept album. St. Jimmy, Jesus of Suburbia and the vigilante Whatsername come up in a few songs each and represent different parts of America’s society.

Specific highlights are hard to come by when the whole CD glows of neon ink. The song I find myself searching for on my MP3 player is usually "Wake Me Up When September Ends," a ballad of sorts. It flows incredibly well for the amount of diverse music in one song. In that track, and all the others, Green Day has taken very mature steps forward lyrically. The lyrics and themes in each song are more complex and meaningful than any of their other releases.

Lowlights were hard to come by because there were essentially none. The only thing that will give the band any flack is their extremely liberal politics. This may turn off a few former fans and some marginal listeners who lean towards the right in their politics. This however, is not a bad thing for the CD; it only enhances the theme and message.

No matter your political affiliation, you can relate to Green Day’s on point description of growing up in a time of war and struggle for peace. It’s worth seeing things from another person’s perspective, especially if you get to rock out while doing so.

Not being a huge Green Day fan in the first place, I was completely and pleasantly surprised by the consistent quality of this album. It never lets the listener down. I would recommend it as background music for a party, your workout music, or something to put on when you hit the hay. It works on many different levels.

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**Video Game Review: EA Games’ NBA Live 2005**

By Kyle B. Ward  
*staff writer*

The year of 2005 is the new era of cutting edge technology and life-like graphics. When a video game is produced, the testers critique it and tell the programmers the problems that they had with it. In my attempt to be a video game tester, I checked out the EA Sports NBA Live 2005 game on PlayStation 2.

As I started the game, I recognized some of the same music from Madden 2005, so obviously that needs some work for next season. There are new features to this year’s NBA game, though. There’s the All-Star Game mode where you can participate in the All-star festivities like the slam dunk contest and the three point shoot-out in Denver, just like the pros will be doing later this year. Every nook and cranny can be changed on players, from the shoes to the tattoos on his arms. Everyone’s favorite "Yes!!!" man Marv Albert and Mike Fratello call the game in an entertaining way that’s irreplaceable.

I liked the dynasty mode feature because you can control your own NBA franchise for up to 25 seasons. My team was the Pistons; I’ve always thought that defense wins championships.

You can have a fantasy draft with any team, but there is a salary cap, so be choosy with whom you pick. I’d recommend not doing the fantasy draft, but it can be fun if you’re lucky enough to have both LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony on your team. The thing I didn’t like about it was that there were too many tabs to hit on for the season; it confused me big time. When you make a trade, a lot of things have to happen for it to be approved and you have to wait. Well, that’s what happens in real life, but in a video game? Come on, that is really stretching it for a video game. You can scout for your next NBA draft with players from around the world. Although, I never saw any Iraqi players. Hmm, I can’t pinpoint a reason on that one.

The controls are funky in this game. It took me five games to figure out that the R1 button was the sprint button. I also learned that Darko Milicic is a pretty darn good player; so if Larry Brown is reading this, put the kid in - you just lost to the Bulls!

The play calling aspect of it is a great addition as you can call a side pick or a pick and roll. My favorite was the post up move so then I can set up an alley oop dunk or lay up to draw contact and get fouled. I didn’t like that there wasn’t a juke button on there; I truly missed that when I faced Allen Iverson.

There are many ways to change how the game is played to your liking. I have never liked the defensive three-second rule in the NBA, so I took that one out. There are points accumulated after each game you play so you can better your team’s performance with proper coaching for the next game or for the rest of the season. You can also cash in on those points for the activation of those classic retro uniforms. There are many jersey options you can select from, unless you’re the Bobcats. However, I don’t know why the game makers can’t change the number situation. When a new player is added, he sometimes gets a number that someone else has or one that it is retired.

This by far is the best NBA game since NBA Jam came out. The player graphics are phenomenal. You can take charges and your defense can actually play defense. I just hope that those little things like the numbers problem and the tabs on the screen are fixed by next season. I’d give this game a Cedric Ceballos blind man dunk because it was entertaining and fun to play.
Now that you have been to Club Recruitment Day and have learned about many of Coastal's active organizations, it's time to join one. Joining a club gives students the opportunity to meet new people, find a way to stay active in extracurricular interests, and even work towards a leadership position. If you were not able to make it to Club Day, or if you want more information about a club you saw there, visit www.coastal.edu/students and search for clubs and organizations.

All active groups on campus are responsible for having a senator represent the group in the Student Government Association. As a senator for your organization, you will bring information learned in SGA meetings back to your organization, and then return to SGA meetings with opinions from your group. According to SGA Vice president John Adamec, SGA senators are the means of communication between students and the administration. If you are not a representative for a group on campus, it is still possible to attend SGA meetings to learn about campus happenings. SGA meetings are Mondays at 3 p.m. in Wall 309.

If you are looking for something fun and free to do on a weeknight, meet your friends at one of the many events sponsored by the Coastal Productions Board. These events include movies, bingo nights, comedians and much more. If helping plan these events also sounds like fun, become a member of CPB and join one of their four committees. These include the diversity committee, the special events committee, the music committee and the entertainment committee. For more information about CPB and their upcoming events, visit
For people who enjoy playing sports, Coastal has a number of intramural teams for various sports during the fall and spring semesters. Participating in intramural sports is another great way to meet new people, and is also a way to stay in shape during the semester. For people that miss the sports they used to play in high school, or for people who want to try a new sport, intramurals is the way to go. Create a team of friends, classmates, or even a team from your residence hall. The campus recreation website (www.coastal.edu/recreation) provides additional information about intramurals.

If you enjoy watching sports, catch the latest home game to support the Chanticleers. This semester you can see golf, tennis, basketball, track and field, baseball and softball. Check the Coastal athletics website at goccusports.com for schedules, team rosters, scores and more. Get double the action by joining S.C.R.E.A.M., a club that makes an appearance at games to support our athletes.

Last but not least, create your own fun. Get together with a group of friends and play a game of volleyball on the court in front of the Woods dorms. Have a movie marathon in your dorm or at your apartment and invite friends to each bring their favorite movie. Do you know a lot of card games or want to learn? Organize a game night. Whatever your interests, Coastal has a wide variety of groups to join and plenty of opportunities to have your own fun. To stay up to date on all of the events happening on our campus, check the online events calendar regularly at was.coastal.edu/calendar.

By Anne-Marie D’Onofrio/ editor-in-chief
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Horoscopes

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can relax now. Whatever you’ve been stressed over is about to come to an end, and it will work out just the way you wanted, too. That means you can actually relax and enjoy your life for a while. Now, isn’t there someone you should be calling? You put that new acquaintance on hold during your social life hiatus, and it’s time to get back in the game. Now that your mind is clear, you’ll be able to get back to concentrating on more important things.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 20): The stars are perfectly aligned to cause you and all of your friends to become quite excessive and extravagant—to really go overboard. Oh, wait a second, that’s how you are all the time. Well then, this is your lucky day. Won’t it be fun to finally have the rest of your pals on the same page? You’ll actually be able to suggest something risky without worrying about dragging around a bunch of party poopers. Nice, huh?

Capricorn (Dec. 21-Jan. 19): Your focus will definitely be on one-to-one relationships for the next few days, much to your lucky sweetheart’s delight. And you’ll enjoy this time with him or her, too, for obvious reasons. Just be careful of one tiny thing: don’t let a disagreement over something petty or irrelevant turn into a huge argument. That goes for everything from which movie to watch to which party to go to. Concentrate on what you’ve got in common.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 17): You might receive a call from someone you see infrequently, and it may well be a plea for help. Whether they’re after advice, sympathetic company or a couple of bucks, you’ll definitely want to help, even though they haven’t been in the picture much lately. Once that’s done, however, promise yourself you’ll get back to having some serious fun. You’ve worked hard lately. You deserve some stress-free downtime.

Pisces (Feb. 18-March 19): Enough with the hibernating. You’re ready to get dressed up and head out for some fun. The best part is that you’ll soon encounter a charming companion to go along with you. In light of your new partying partner, you should plan some sort of lavish celebration. Maybe dinner out and a limo ride? In your book, there’s nothing like a touch of romance to make an evening memorable—and passionate.

Aries (March 20-April 19): A certain annoying situation has been on your mind pretty frequently lately, so you’ve been toeing the line, trying hard not to lose your cool, and causing yourself to go mildly insane at times. It will be difficult, but realize that all things happen for a reason, and you’re better off knowing now than later. It gives you more time to forget how stupid some people can be. Party it up with the people you know are really there for you. They’re the only ones who matter in the end.

Leo (July 22-Aug. 21): Down in the dumps lately, Leo? That’s unfortunate, but there is a remedy to it. Whether you’re feeling an urge to take a break from your usual world or to hurt them? Or are you just curious about what might happen if you do it? If you’re not satisfied with your answers, maybe you should think about what good keeping secrets has ever done in the past. Remember, honesty is the best policy.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 21): It won’t be easy for you to keep your opinions to yourself. In fact, it will probably be downright impossible. Fortunately, you’re so witty to start with that no one will mind much— as long as you go easy on the ‘helpful’ hints. Remember, what you think of as caring could easily come off as critical if you’re not careful. You can still say what you mean, because those who mind don’t matter, and those who matter don’t mind.

Libra (Sept. 22-Oct. 21): You’ve been taking a lot of nonsense from a lot of people for far too long. You just woke up in the mood to do something about it. Well, good for you. Let ‘em have it.

Cancer (June 21-July 21): Your friends probably don’t know quite what to do with you lately. Your mouth is running on high, and your temper is pretty hot, too. This just isn’t your normal personality, but you know what? It may be time that it is. You’ve been taking a lot of nonsense from a lot of people for far too long. You just woke up in the mood to do something about it. Well, good for you. Let ‘em have it.

Want to know what’s happening at CCU?

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The Living Room

By Caroline Smith

Having a hard time getting up for Friday classes? Looking for something relaxing to get you through the end of the week? You search stops at 38th Avenue North in Myrtle Beach, where coffeehouse/bookstore/music haven is located.

Aptly named, The Living Room features not only high quality specialty coffee drinks at reasonable prices, but a comfortable atmosphere of books, music, art, games and relaxing furniture all placed at their corner of a town.

How is this different from other local coffee shops? The Living Room is staffed with amiable employees who are devoted to their work and who understand how valuable their customers are. They never fail to serve with a smile, and knowing how important a cup of coffee can be to some people, they brew it right every time.

Not enough for you? Every Thursday night, The Living Room hosts an open mic from 7:30-10:30 p.m., welcoming musicians, poets, singers, comedians and magicians of all styles and backgrounds. It is a perfect and wonderful opportunity for those who love music or poetry (or magic) to share their passions with community members who share those same common interests.

The people who I’ve dubbed “the regulars” for their consistent appearance, have a genuine love and appreciation for what they do and for the abilities of the other performers as well. They encourage anyone to step up to the mic, regardless of their level of talent.

Even if you aren’t musically inclined, The Living Room is still the place to be on Thursday nights if you are just needing a chance to relax from the week. It is impossible to leave their walls not feeling at ease and content. Though it is quite a far distance from campus, anywhere from 15-25 minutes depending on traffic, it is still worth it for the state of mind and body you’ll find yourself in as soon as you walk through the doors.

Now I know the majority of college students like to hit Broadway, clubs, or a party on Friday nights, but for those of you who enjoy a more quiet evening, every Friday night The Living Room hosts Andrew Fowler, local pianist from 7 - 10 p.m. His talent is extraordinary and he can play a plethora of songs, occasionally taking requests.

Regardless of what day of the week it is, The Living Room is an excellent getaway for those who need to escape the stress that is college life. I strongly encourage everyone to come and experience The Living Room for themselves. The books are cheap, the coffee delicious, the couches comfortable, and the music is entertaining. There’s nothing more satisfying than that.

Dinner and a Movie: “Assault on Precinct 15” and Dunkin’ Donuts

By Randy Engstrom

After receiving rave reviews on the latest movie, my editors decided it would be best to pump out another issue the following week to improve newspaper readership. I was worried at first because the only movie I heard was coming out was “Are We There Yet?” starring Ice Cube in some God awful mix between “Johnson’s Family Vacation” and “Barnes & Noble.” My fortunes changed, however, upon my arrival to the movie theater. There before me I saw a movie that would not disappoint me.

Boy oh boy, they are really running out of original ideas out there. If you’re a person with loads of friends, new ideas I’d suggest getting out to the west coast because they keep spinnin’ out the same stuff over and over. There has got to be a fortune to be made if you can come up with some original ideas for movies.

As for this movie, allow me to give you some details. “Assault on Precinct 15” is what its name says it is: an assault on the 13th police precinct of Detroit. A gang/mob leader has been taken prisoner and is being held at this station. His followers are determined to attack the precinct in order to help him escape. They’ll stop at nothing in order to free him. This then forces the few cops there and some of the prisoners to band together and keep the gang from completing their task. Blah blah blah. At least that is what they tell you it’s about. In reality, the movie is about huge gun battles, explosions, foul language, and hot women. Everything needed for an explosive cocktail, leaving you wanting more.

Violinist Joshua Bell performs at CCU on Valentine’s Day

by Mona Prufer

Internationally-acclaimed violin virtuoso Joshua Bell brings the romance of his 1713 Stradivarius to Coastal Carolina University in a Valentine’s Day concert on Monday, Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Wheelwright Auditorium.

Tickets are on sale now for $40 reserved seats or $25 general admission.

This will be the only South Carolina appearance this year for multiple Grammy winner whose latest CD, "Romance of the Violin," was just named Classic Music Album of the Year by Billboard magazine, which also voted Bell the 2004 Classical Artist of the Year. A magnetic performer who has also been dubbed one of the "most beautiful people" by People Magazine, Bell has recorded 27 classical music albums and performs more than 100 concerts each year, playing with the world’s greatest orchestras.

Performing with Bell is pianist Jeremy Denk of New York, an award-winning musician who met Bell at Spoleto last year in Charleston where they performed together. Denk is an accomplished musician with many music and performance awards to his credit.

Brahms’ Sonata No. 1 for Violin and Piano in G major, Op. 78, which Bell described as his favorite sonata, and Saint-Saëns’ Sonata No. 1 for Violin and Piano in D minor, Op. 75 will be on the program, along with pieces by Janacek, Bartok and Wieniawski.

“I like to have contrasting pieces that seem to work together," said Bell in a telephone interview from New York. "Normally you wouldn’t think Brahms and French music would work so well together, but Saint-Saëns is very underrated, and I think the piece works well with the Brahms piece that is so pastoral and beautiful."

In the second half of the program, Bell and Denk will perform Janacek’s Sonata for Violin and Piano, Bartok’s Hungarian Folk Tunes for Violin and Piano and Wieniawski’s Variations on an Original Theme, Op. 15. Following the concert, Bell will meet and greet concertgoers in the lobby and sign recordings and programs.

Bell, who is originally from Bloomington, Ill., began playing at age four when his parents gave him an undersized violin after they found him plucking rubber bands stretched across the knobs of dresser drawers.

Call Wheelwright Box Office at 349-2502 to purchase tickets.
# Rush Week Schedule

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“NOW TOWING”

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By Randy Engstrom and Danny Nolan

Welcome back to the article that never disappoints. Randy Engstrom and I are back to talk a little smack to each other in our "Pardon the Interruption" like format.

Engstrom: For those of you who don't know, we'll be discussing the current issues in sports and fight the sides that we take. The first topic I'd like to bring up for you Danny is the undefeated college hoops teams. Will they remain that way, or who do you see going down first?

Nolan: Well right now there are three left after Kansas lost to Villanova, so the remaining teams are Duke, Boston College, and Illinois. My guess would be Duke will be the first unbeaten team to lose because they do play in the ACC, the toughest conference in college basketball. Do you agree or do you see one of the other two teams falling first?

Engstrom: I have to disagree with you, Danny. I'm gonna say the number one team, Illinois, is going to be the first to lose, and it will be at Wisconsin against a tough Badger team that is flying low under the radar. Coach Krzyzewski will have Duke undefeated through the end.

Nolan: Wisconsin barely beat Maryland. Duke has yet to play North Carolina, Wake Forest, and Georgia Tech. There is no way Duke survives undefeated all season.

Finally, Philadelphia has made it to a Super Bowl, do you think it's enough that they made it over the hump, or do they need to win it to reverse the Eagles' bad luck?

Engstrom: It's fine now. They made it into the Super Bowl; they have nothing to prove by winning it. Where they struggled was the NFC championship games, and now they are past it. By the way, from sources I can't speak of, that game was handed to them on a silver platter by Michael Vick, a close friend of McNabb. Apparently, Vick and McNabb had a heart to heart, and Vick felt it would be the honorable thing to do and let his friend win. They won't be handed the Super Bowl the same way. I'm calling a huge loss handed to them by which ever team, Pitt or New England, gets in. Your thoughts?

Nolan: Well, I am pretty sure you need to check your sources, because Vick played his heart out, but the Eagles just played the better game. I think they made great strides to get to the Super Bowl. The albatross around their necks was the NFC championship game. I think the win buys McNabb and company a pressure free run at the Super Bowl with T.O., who will be able to play most likely.

Because we had to write this before the Steelers-Patriots game was over, we did not know who the Eagles will meet there. But we do know that we will be watching the game on television somewhere. Randy I know you are a big fan of the turtle mascot for Jacksonville. If you're stuck here in Myrtle, there are still a few options. For the Steelers fans, it has got to be Murphy's Law. There you can meet all of your own kind drinking and having a good time. Another place which is supposed to be having a fun tailgate party is The Barrel. They have plenty of television sets and drink deals, and nothing beats standing out in the cold enjoying some delicious tailgate food with a frosty brew.

So Danny, what is up with our basketball team? We just got whooped by VMI; is it our stadium, the coaching, or our talent pool?

Nolan: I think it's our stadium. It's hard for coach Strickland to recruit players to come to a stadium that's smaller than most players' high school gyms. I think the proposed arena deal is a good thing for Coastal basketball, and it will help bring in better talent. You have a different opinion?

Engstrom: The stadium is a big factor. I mean, our fans don't even care enough to fill it. The lack of a spacious stadium and fan support all lead to losses. The new arena will definitely help encourage more fan support, and not just from our students but throughout the entire community.

And now onto the Big Finish! Danny, do you have a Playoff MVP?

Nolan: McNabb - he played great without Terrell Owens.

Would you ever trade Randy Moss?

Engstrom: No, unless he hit on me.

Best college mascot?

Nolan: I am a big fan of the turtle mascot for Maryland, but to be political, I would say the Chanticleer.

Seriously, do you think you are Randy Moss's type of guy?

Engstrom: I'm everyone's type of guy.

Nolan: Well that's it for us this week. We'll be back next issue.
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The Coastal Carolina University women's basketball team (5-9, 1-2 Big South) picked up its first win in Big South Conference play with a 52-46 defeat over Winthrop University (2-14, 0-3 Big South) Jan. 22 in Rock Hill, S.C. Coastal also won its first road game thanks to 19 points from junior Kim Turner. She scored in double figures for the ninth game of the season. Senior Demaria Young and sophomore Alisha Dill both had 10 points, and senior Courtney Brown and Young had six rebounds each.

Coastal shot 38.2 percent from the field and was 4-of-13 from three-point range, The Lady Chants also forced Winthrop into 27 turnovers.

Earlier in the week on Jan. 17, Radford University (8-7, 2-0 Big South) erased a 10-point second-half deficit to defeat CCU 55-41. Coastal started the game on a 8-2 run, capped by a three-pointer from Brown. Radford answered and tied the game at 12 on a three-point shot from Serena White. Radford took its first lead since minute five of the game on free throws from Alisha Jones, making the score 18-17. Brown ended a five-minute Coastal scoring drought at with a lay-up, cutting the Highlander lead to 20-19.

Brown and Jasmine Tyler led the Lady Chanticleers with seven first-half points. Sophomore Vanessa Laug had five rebounds, while Young had four.

Coastal extended its halftime lead in the first five minutes of the second half. Turner hit a jump shot to give CCU a 32-24 lead at 15:40. Coastal led by as many as 10 points on a fast break lay-up from Brown to Turner at 14:01. Radford made its run shortly thereafter as a lay-up from Kelli Dardon cut the lead to 39-37 at 7:10. Dill hit two free throws to give CCU a 41-37 lead, but that would be it for the scoring for Coastal.

Coastal takes on Charleston Southern on Jan. 29 and Birmingham Southern on Feb. 7 at home, and UNC-Ashville on the road on Feb.5.
Oustide the highlights

David Bennett's recent contract extension is good news for Coastal Carolina. Perhaps at some time coach Bennett may leave us for greener pastures in division I-A football, but for the time being he is ours and we are going to see first hand his shaping of the CCU football program. According to the Coastal Carolina office of Marketing Communications, David Bennett has received a 5 year extension with a base pay of $110,000 dollars that will keep him around till 2010.

In his second year, Bennett has already made his mark, taking a team that was ranked next to last in the Big South preseason poll to a 10-1 record and a Big South Championship. A national championship doesn't seem that far away. Along with already having a successful season as a head coach, he has also become a celebrity and a pillar of the community. After one game, Bennett took time away from answering questions about a big win over conference rival VMI to sign an autograph for a fan in a wheelchair. This is the kind of coach we will have until 2010 and I am fine with it.

Too many times, football coaches let players' actions slide because of the athlete's performance on the field or court, but Bennett expects his players not only to give their best on Saturdays but to be in church on Sundays. Bennett has an effect on his players; I know how much he cares for them and how in return they play "balls out" for him. Talking to some of the players, I saw how much it hurts them to disappoint their coach. Bennett's good season was also recognized by the American Football Coaches' Association as he was named AFCA region two coach of the year.

With Bennett at Coastal for five more years, a national championship is something that doesn't seem out of reach - not even for me, and I am a known cynic.

My 2 cents

Ashley C.: Why do guys slap each others' butts in sports?
It's an affirmation for a job well done. Nothing says that more than a good slap on the butt...and a high five is just too girly.

Chad F.: Why do tennis shoes cost so much?
I love people who help me fill up my column. It's because it costs a lot to run a sweat shop.

If you have a sports question email Noland062000@yahoo.com, and if your question is used you win two cents.
Liberty Flames burn the Chants

By Kyle B. Ward  
staff writer

Even though Pele Paclay scored 30 points for Coastal for the second time this season, the team was defeated by the Winthrop Eagles by a score of 80-66 on Saturday, Jan. 22. Freshman Jack Lesuire went four for nine from behind the three-point arc as the team as a whole shot 40 percent for the game. The Chants got within four points of the Eagles in the first half, but for the second game in row the team was unable to close out the half on a strong note.

Prior to the loss to Winthrop, CCU struggled with its three point shooting at home versus High Point on Jan. 17. High Point’s depth hurt CCU throughout the game as their bench contributed 50 points in the 79-64 win at Kimbel Arena. The sudden injury loss of Lesuire impacted the outcome as CCU couldn’t pick up the slack.

Adrian Gross said, “We knew they were aggressive defensively, so we wanted to counter that with an aggressive offense.”

Gross had his second double-double of the season with 16 points and 12 rebounds. CCU shot 39 percent for the game, but struggled mightily with the three point shot and had a 20 percent effort.

Senior Captain Clint Nagel added, “We got good looks tonight. We didn’t shoot the ball well. We played well in spurts. We just need to put that all together into one to play well.”

High Point’s pressure caused 25 turnovers, and capitalized to score 31 points off those mishaps.

Head coach Pete Strickland assessed, “They wore us down. We lost Jack early. They ran past us in transition. I was really impressed with Gross, he was really solid for us. Not taking care of the ball was our Achilles’ heel. We were forced to rely on Alvin and Pele and they struggled.”

CCU faces UNC-Asheville at home on Jan. 31 and heads to Charleston Southern on Feb. 3.