Students are victims of racist crime

by Ashley Tallman

Nothing could have prepared me for the bone-chilling sight that the motion sensor spotlight illuminated on that night.

At 10:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 11, I parked my truck in the driveway of my boyfriend's house like any other evening. At 12:15 a.m. I took the dog out for the last time before going to sleep. The first thing I noticed was a note taped to the driver's window of my roommate's car. Walking out to grab the note taped to the driver's window of a boyfriend's house, I noticed that the motion detector lamp illuminated my truck. The note that were attached to both vehicles' driver's windows were covered in blue paint.

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This article is a form of personal justice for me. A therapeutic confession of sorts. Right now the only solace we have is that the paint miraculously came off with some elbow grease and a wet, soggy sponge, and was gone before noon the next day. Some of the neighbors apologized to his roommate's parents while they were washing the cars. The criminals used an ironic phrase to describe themselves: "THE COMMUNITY." Within the word community is the word "unity." It's comforting to know that the house has the neighbors' support and that there is some unity in the "community."

I did not want this incident to go undetected. I want to make the Coastal community aware of the ignorant act that was committed that night. Racism is still alive today. It saddens me that it is a malicious act against my personal property and people I care deeply about, for me to see that it's still alive but that's the hard truth of all of this. Feelings of safety and security enveloped me because of the bubble of diversity and acceptance I feel on Coastal's campus. That evening in a neighborhood less than half a mile from campus, my bubble shattered.

By writing this article I may have opened myself and friends up to more criticism and ignorant acts, but this is a risk I'm willing to take. I may be addressing the wrong audience, but knowledge possesses a power that these ignorant criminals will never know. My education is my justice and satisfaction. My boyfriend, our friends and I will hopefully move on to be successful and influential adults. We'll put this incident behind us; but never forget the painful lessons learned that evening.

Above: This picture only displays damage on the driver side of the vehicle, but the rear hatch was also painted.

Left: The note that was left on one of the vehicles. Photo by Ashley Tallman.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Bringing out the true gentlemen

by Raytivia Evans

Twenty-six of Coastal's male students have been colonized and are in the process of bringing a new fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, to campus.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon was founded 150 years ago on March 9, 1856 at the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa. It is North America's largest social fraternity with more than 280,000 initiated members. Sigma Alpha Epsilon was the first fraternity to establish a national headquarters, which is located in Evanston, Ill. Its symbols include the lion, the phoenix, Minerva and the fleur-de-lis. These groups of men pride themselves on being a Southern fraternity and are known for their motivation and gentlemanly attitudes.

According to Marlon L. Gibson, the assistant director of Greek Life and Student Activities and Leadership, the fraternity has high hopes of being chartered around October 2006. Gibson said many of the students on campus are interested in the fraternity.

"Bringing a new fraternity to campus will help growth of fraternities. It's the beauty of a colony starting," said Gibson.

Students are becoming aware of the promotion of this fraternity and are very interested and excited about its progress on campus.

To promote awareness, there will be related events on campus in the future. Gibson is giving a helping hand with ideas and to help make the process of getting the fraternity on campus a bit easier.

"These men are interested and determined because their fathers and grandfathers are a part of Sigma Alpha Epsilon," said Gibson.

The Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity is a leader in the social development of college men, according to their material.
Senior art students lose gallery space

by Rayterya Evans

Coastal Carolina's senior art majors are currently upset because the current configuration of the Senate can make it difficult for interested students to really get involved. The people assigned to be Student Government Association representatives showed up to Senate meetings more so because they had to, and even then, attendance was lacking. Freshmen reign as the most impressionable minds on campus, an aspect Adamec and Shokal wanted to work on the advantage in order to get students interested without any preconceived notions of SCA, clubs and Greek life getting in the way.

The main objective of LDC is to feed freshmen into the system and hopefully create a structured network that can provide students at Coastal with the resources they will need to succeed in and out of the classroom.

"I wanted to see the SCA be able to actually spearhead more initiatives, do things and tackle more policy issues," Adamec reiterated. "The LDC is a way for students to get introduced to the policy issues on campus, join SCA outside of the senate and be that force that actually goes and does on behalf of the SCA."

So far this semester, LDC has been involved in the College Park Forum among other leadership training projects.

[We're] building as we go," Adamec said, remarking on the increasing number of students attending meetings.

LDC is a work in progress but students and faculty already expect big things to come from the ambitious group. If you would like to get involved, meetings are held every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in room 208 of the Student Center. For more information contact: Adamec at jradamec@coastal.edu, Shokal at jshokal@coastal.edu or LDC president Trevor Arrowood at tarrown@coastal.edu.

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Midnight exam breakfast

by Rachel Addis

The Chanticleers are stressed about exams? Come out to the Commons dining hall on Dec. 6 between 11:30 p.m. and 1 a.m. The Office of Student Activities has planned a free midnight breakfast giving students a chance to take a break from studying, and enjoy some breakfast food served by the deans and administrators. Many students have attended this event in the past, making the line go down the sidewalk in front of the Commons. Holiday music will be playing throughout the night, and stress management and study tips will be distributed.

LDC: New chapter coming for SGA

by Amanda Fanean

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Squawk! Question: What's the worst holiday gift you've received?

“Thick wool socks from my grandma.” Art Hill, junior
Graphic Design

“An itchy red sweater that had white snowflakes all over it.” Brian Johns, freshman
Business Management

“Thermal pajamas from my mama. It doesn't even get cold in the Bay Area where I'm from, though. That's why I was mad!” Kelvin McIver, senior
Finance/Economics

“School supplies.” Jason Reifeis, sophomore
Undeclared

“A white Kitchen Aid mixer. My mom thought I wanted to go to school for cooking which was not true at all.” Chelsea Engle, junior
Graphic Design

“Some pink drawers (underwear).” Rob Hudson, senior
Health Promotions/Sports Medicine

Photos and reporting by Ashley Tuliano

Concert review: Artist-in-residence Steve Bailey

by Neal Causey
Staff Writer

Steve Bailey

I must admit that I am still trying to decipher that final remark.

While Bailey has the ability to play at a very rapid pace, that is not what makes his bass playing so extraordinary. It is more the melodies he makes that really sets him apart from most bass players. Bailey can do more on bass than most can do on guitar.

The first song performed was appropriately titled “Number 1.” The following song was a dedication to jazz guitarist, Ralph Towner, entitled, “Ralph.”

The next song was a medley of various standards and classics that Bailey grew up hearing. This medley began with the Beatles’ classic, “Here Comes the Sun” from the “Abbey Road” album. This medley went on to include the ragtime classic, “Side by Side” and “Under Pressure” by Queen and David Bowie. I must admit that this was my favorite song from the show, but not just because I liked these songs already. This medley showed Bailey’s ability to adapt songs to his instrument of choice even though they were not written for the bass.

This show was not just one bass and some light percussion; on two songs Bailey and Seymour were joined by an extra bassist. To help perform the Thelonious Monk song, “52nd Street Theme,” CCU student and bass player CJ Gallow joined the mix. Gallow, who played a traditional four-string, fretted bass, played to bass line for this song while Bailey handled the melody.

The next song was a Rugs Bower composition called “Freedom Jazz Dance.” Joining Bailey and Seymour on this song was another CCU student, Blake Graham, who played a fretless, six-string bass. Both students performed remarkably well. They both looked and sounded quite professional.

The following song was a tender dedication to Bailey’s daughter, Ella, simply titled “Ella’s Song.” The show was closed with another medley of famous songs. This medley included such classic rock favorites as Led Zeppelin’s, “Stairway to Heaven” and Deep Purple’s, “Woman from Tokyo.”

I remember well the first time I saw Steve Bailey play. I opened my eyes to what a bass guitar can do, and it made me want to learn to play bass. This show only reaffirmed what I already thought about Bailey’s amazing ability as a musician.
CD review: Ryan Shupe and the Rubber Band

by Caroline Smith

Never before have you heard country music like this. Even if you don't like country music, trust me and read on.

It's not just country, it's pop, it's rock, it's reggae, it's even a little bit Irish! Ryan Shupe and the Rubber Band is the newest thing to hit country music with their first album under a major record label, "Dream Big."

Their entire music philosophy appears to revolve around the banjo, as the first track, "Banjo Boy," illustrates both lyrically and musically. Don't be deceived by this; the first few tracks may sound like your typical country band, but their beautiful and emotional lyrics in songs like "Even Superman" and their single, "Dream Big," grab your attention and let you know there is something not entirely cliché about these country boys. (Especially since they are from Utah.)

The real fun begins with track six, "Ambush," an exclusively instruments-only song that adds some fiddle and bouzouki to make it sound like a jig you'd hear at an Irish drinking pub. The fiddle isn't the only different instrument the Rubber Band throws into the mix. "Rain Falls Down" is a reggae-ish tune that features exotic percussion and the mandolin. Although the beat is rather catchy and semi-Bob Marley, the lyrics are similar to the more depressing side of reggae and quite literally drench its listeners with sorrow.

"Oh How I Miss You" (my personal favorite) is classic latino dance music.

Rubber Band still have their weaknesses. The main vocalist doesn't have the most melodic or versatile of voices, though he does attempt to remedy that by writing all 11 songs on the album. And while their diverse and eclectic music may appear to be a refreshing addition to the national country music scene, it may not fare too well in the ears of true country fans (if there are still any out there).

Regardless, they are certainly one of the freshest new sounds to hit contemporary country music. To sample their music and see if it is something you would enjoy, visit Yahoo! Music or www.shupe.net.

Record Label: Capitol Records
Producer: Jason Deere
Track Listing:
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2. Even Superman
3. Dream Big
4. Simplify
5. Would You Love Me
6. Ambush
7. New Emotion
8. Rain Falls Down
9. Never Give Up
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Club Corner: CAP Alumni Association

by Tykiisha Edwards  If you are about to graduate and you're looking for an organization to join that will have a positive effect on the student body while making a difference on campus, then Coastal African American Professionals (CAP) may be for you.

CAP is an organization that has been on the campus of Coastal Carolina University for more than seven years. It was founded on Sept. 7, 1997 by a group of students dubbed the "faithful 13." On Oct. 6, 2004, CAP was accepted as the African American alumni association by the CUC alumni association. A driving force that led to the creation of CAP, was that many students felt their voices were not being heard, and came together to bring about change on campus. Through the mentoring and guidance of Mrs. Pat Singleton Young, director of Multicultural Student Services, some of the founding members of CAP, such as Ramon L. Taylor (Chair), Keira Y. Session (1st Vice Chair), Tiffany N. Crawford (2nd Vice Chair), Treda B. Smith (Secretary) and Stacy J. Taylor (Treasurer), came together to bring a variety of clubs and organizations such as NAACP to Coastal's campus.

A key focus of CAP is to keep the African American alumni of Coastal involved with events and activities on campus. Through this process, they not only keep the alumni informed of campus happenings, but they also find ways to help the current student body of Coastal. This is done through sessions such as those offered through the Celebration of Inquiry, where the organization led a discussion on the importance of being a leader this past Spring semester. CAP also developed activities that help to bring students of the past and present together to share their experiences at and away from Coastal. For example, CAP annually participates in Coastal's Homecoming, and has tailgated at every football Homecoming since the beginning of Coastal's football program. Before there was football, CAP also got together for basketball Homecomings from 1997-2003.

Along with the annual Homecoming tailgating, CAP also hosts a Minority Alumni Mixer for alumni and current students at the Holiday Inn West. This event includes food, dancing, and an opportunity to make new friends. "I loved it," said junior Taryn Bell of this year's Mixer. "The dancing and the food was great! But what made it all even more fun was that we all got to see old friends, make new friends and have a lot of fun together. I recommend that more people come out next year, enjoy the festivities and learn what CAP is all about.”

The members of CAP collectively stated that they "feel it is important to continue to support Coastal and show students that they can still be a part of the institution after graduation." CAP encourages life-long commitment to leadership and activism. If you would like more information about this organization, go to their website: www.coastal.edu/alumni/association/ca p.php.

Tanning risks explored

by Rachel Addis  Tans: so many people want them. This dark, golden color can be gorgeous and yet so harmful to a person's health. The indoor tanning bed seemed to be the answer to every sun lover's prayers. Many people think that tanning indoors is safe and does not come with hazardous side effects. Tanning beds have become afad among teenaged girls today.

There are two different kinds of beds: the stand-up and lie-down. Tanning beds give off at least twice as much ultraviolet radiation as the sun does. According to the Center for Devices and Radiological Health, they give off UVB rays that are more harmful than UVA rays from the sun. UVB rays burn more deeply into the skin, causing skin damage in years to come. Tanning causes skin cancer and one of the most dangerous cancers, Melanoma. Even though skin cancer has been associated with sunburn, moderate tanning could also have the same effect.

The Food and Drug Administration says UV radiation can have damaging effects on a person's immune system and cause premature aging of the skin. Birth control also has an effect on the skin coloring. If a woman is on birth control and goes to a tanning bed, it is very possible for her skin to become discolored in places on her body. What about the sun tanning measures in a tanning bed? All beds are supposed to be sanitized and wiped down after each use. If this does not happen, there can be additional health issues as a result.

There are multiple different lotions made just for indoor tanning. These lotions help the user get a quicker tan. Different lotions have different effects on the skin. There are bronzers, accelerators, cooling lotions and hot lotions just to name a few. The different lotions can be used on different skin types, so it is important to obtain that information. For example, the hot lotion is intended for darker tanners.

However, there is one safe way of obtaining a tan, which is using a self-tanner. There are many kinds of self-tanners including lotion, foam and spray. Most are easy to apply and dry fast. All tanners have different effects on people's skin and the resulting color. Some look very natural, and others make the skin appear orange. Sometimes it looks very blotchy and discolored. If you are able to find a self-tanner that works for you, it is the safest way to obtain a natural looking tan all year long.

Self-tanners usually are not very expensive. The top three were listed as Neutrogena Instant Bronze, Coppertone Endless Summer Foam and Clinique Self-Tanning Body Mist. Most self-tanners go for around $10 a bottle, if not less. Self-tanners by Coppertone and Neutrogena can be found at CVS, Eckerd and Walmart. Some tanning salons offer a "spray on tan." It usually costs around $10 per spray session and lasts two to three weeks.

If, after all, you do decide to go tanning, make sure the place is clean and the beds are properly sanitized, wear the protective goggles and do not exceed the recommended time for tanning.

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Solving the gift-giving dilemma: 
what to give that special someone

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Locally, try Wired & Fired at Broadway at the Beach. Call 843-288-6288 or email wired@wiredandfiredmb.com for more information.

2. Personalized gift certificates
It’s easy to go to a store, drop some cash and get a gift certificate for someone on your gift list. Instead, try being a little more creative and making your own. Instead of “Here’s $20 for Target,” try “This entitles you to dinner and a movie.” Have some fun making the certificates, as well as finding ideas of what to give. Dinner and a movie is great for a significant other. For people who will be home over the holidays, try “Mom’s day off,” and treat your mom to a day of no cooking or cleaning. Treat someone to lunch, pet-sitting, babysitting or any other creative idea that may come to mind.

3. Mixed CDs
A mixed CD is a great gift that can be made in no time. If you share musical tastes with the person you’ll be giving to disc to, a compilation of songs from your own music collection will likely be appreciated. To put in a little more time and make the compilation a little more personal, find songs that are special to you and/or the person you’re giving the disc to. Maybe you have some favorite songs from a road trip you took together or songs that remind you of certain times. There are many ways to make this a fun gift.

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5. Personalized t-shirt
Shirts with funny phrases on them can be found in many stores. Get a more original version of this type of shirt by making it yourself. If the recipient of this gift has a favorite funny phrase or quote, put it on a shirt. To make this gift, buy a shirt in the appropriate size and desired color. Use fabric paint and sponge letters or iron-on letters to make the words. If you have a picture you want to use, buy iron-on transfer paper and follow instructions to get the image on the shirt.

6. Gourmet food basket
Sure, you can buy “gourmet” baskets at a store, but why not make a fresh one with items you know the recipient will like? Go to a gourmet or organic grocery store to get the items to make this gift. You can find coffees, teas, sausages, jams, sauces, nuts, trail mixes and plenty of other items to put together for this gift. If you buy items that need to be refrigerated, be sure you have somewhere to keep them so you don’t spoil the surprise (in more ways than one).

Some stores to try are World Market, which has stores in Columbia, Hilton Head and Charleston (www.worldmarket.com); Whole Foods Market, which has a store in Charleston (www.wholefoodsmarket.com); and Fresh Market, which has stores in Greenville, Columbia, Spartanburg and Hilton Head (www.freshmarket.com). For stores in other locations, go to each website and follow the “store locator” link.

Tips for finding the right gift

The time has come to begin thinking about a gift list for this season. No, not a list of what you want (although, it’s time for that too!), but a list of what you will give to others. Follow these tips to make the process a little easier.

1. Consider the age and gender of the person for whom you are getting the gift. Some products are age and gender specific, so what you buy or make will matter.

2. Pay attention to the personal likes and dislikes of the gift recipient. The worst feeling can come from giving someone something he or she dislikes.

3. Take notice of the recipient’s style. How does this person decorate his or her room or house? What style of clothing does the person wear? This information can provide helpful hints when selecting the right gift.

4. Think of the practical things. Is there are daily necessity that this person is missing that you could provide as your gift? (Think about how you received kitchen supplies or similar items before heading to college).

5. Pay attention to what the person may want, but doesn’t specifically ask for. Does he or she talk about something that someone else has? Has the person mentioned something that he or she has seen or heard about lately? Little clues can be a big help.

6. Think of what the person already owns. Is there something that you can give him or her to add to that (think CD or DVD collections, etc.)?

7. If you’re still having trouble picking out the right gift, look through magazines or check online for gift ideas. Lists can be found in several categories such as by gender, by price, by age, etc.
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Men's basketball picked second and women sixth in BSC

by Kyle B. Ward

The time of Buzz Peterson begins in November, and the buzz around the school is an anxious one. The men return with two preseason All Big South teammates, Jack Leasure and Pole Peteron. The women return with the bulk of last year's team, including first team All-Big South preseason member Kim Turner.

"I don't put a lot into rankings," Peterson said. That credit needs to go to Coach Strickland and his staff because of the players returning and their signees. We're fortunate enough to benefit from that. With our incoming freshmen, they just need to be sponge and learn what we're trying to accomplish here. Peteron is very athletic; we're trying to work on his ball handling; defensively, he's fine. Leasure is a very skilled player; he can shoot the ball, and he showed that down in Costa Rica.

For the women, Coastal returns four starters and eight letter winners from a team that finished 9-18 overall and 4-10 in the Big South in 2004-05. Turner, a 6-0 forward, averaged 13-20 points and six rebounds in 26 games last season. She became a national champion.

"None of us are really big stars, so someone has to come in and contribute when needed," Turner assessed. "The chemistry with the old and the new is gonna dominate the season. Everyone has their role."

The forward also led the team with 32 blocked shots and had 55 steals, which was second on the team. Also returning is senior guard Amber Rose. Peteron's impressive resume consists of head coaching jobs at Appalachian State, Tulsa and the University of Tennessee. During his playing career at the University of North Carolina and under the tutelage of Dean Smith, he became a national champion. Even with those credentials, an uphill climb lies ahead for Peterson and the Chanticleers. After receiving the No. 2 ranking in the Big South Preseason polls and returning the 2004-05 Big South Player of the Year in Pole Peteron and Freshman of the Year Jack Leasure, expectations for these Chanticleers have reached new heights.

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New direction for men's basketball

by Jeff Abramowitz

At the commencement of his inaugural season as head basketball coach, Buzz Peterson is ready for the challenge of changing Coastal Carolina University into a championship contender. His experience and knowledge of the game will translate into effective performance and behavior from all of his players.

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Volleyball starring down Winthrop as season wraps up
by Kyle B. Ward

In "deja vu all over again" for the volleyball team this year. Once again, they lost twice to Winthrop, in dramatic fashion in five games. Last year, their dream season ended in Rock Hill, but this season, the Lady Chants have a chance to change history. The Big South tournament site is at Kimbel Arena this year, as each team in the conference hosts the tournament every eight years.

Katherine Jensen-Spencer and setter Jennifer Hampton have been the rub- ber and glue throughout the season. Jensen-Spencer has been monstrous on the court as she has racked up 19 double-doubles for the season. Senior blocker Krista Kimble has also been a factor at CCU this season. Freshman Brett Starbuck has filled in nicely as a utility player.

Head Coach Kristen Bauer praised, "They've been outstanding. Jensen has been in every match. Hampton has been our 'quarterback'. It will be very hard to replace those girls. I've not had this type of talent leaving here all at the same time."

As for 2006, Bauer added "Having 4 seniors will bring us a different look. They're a close team. They're going to look forward for next season. We're going to improve, and we'll be rebuilding a bit. Starbuck has been a great utility player for us. Devon West hits a great ball, but she needs to work on her verticals."

They will look to rising Seniors Laura Obert (team-leading 11 kills per game) and role players Ashley Scheible and Alicia Meyers should have CCU competitive next season.

Chants pulverized overmatched Mountaineers
by Kyle B. Ward

The line "It's not worth winning if you can't win big" from the Disney film "The Mighty Ducks" was the main idea in the shell- ing out of Mansfield 71-8. The Chants added a chapter for 10 seniors. Coastal now has an uncertain post-season future once again upon them this season.

The Chants rolled up over 500 yards of offense in the win.

"We love to run the ball," said offensive lineman Brian Kepple. "The backs made some nice cuts, and we blocked as best as we could. That's all you can ask for."

Quarterback Tyler Thigpen took a nice breather as William Richardson took the reins for most of the rest of the way. Senior running back Pa'Treci Hall returned to form, as he got things going on the ground. "The better we run the football, the better we feel as a team," said Hall. "The offensive line has played well all season and that's one of the reasons why we've had success."

Should they beat Charleston Southern soundly, the Chants will be in the post-season. There are eight automatic bids and at large bids; unfortunately the Big South does not have the eight teams needed to field an automatic bid. If the committee looks at it, the Chants really have the resume to qualify for post-season.

With huge wins over then #1 and defending National Champion James Madison, MEAC power SC State and SoCon foe Elon, it would seem to be a lock to get in. While a home playoff game would be huge, the odds of it happening aren't very likely, but anything can happen if CCU can beat Charleston Southern.

Sure, SC State would like a crack at them again; the I-AA Playoff system is as complex as it gets. Montana won it last year, Furman has a great program and the team that beat CCU, Appalachian State are all in the top five in the Don Hansen poll as of Nov. 14. A 10-1 season would be a great way to send off those 10 seniors, but surely they'd all like a taste of that playoff blood.

After Antwan Trice with family, Senior athletes honored during halftime. photos by Ashley Taliau

On Notice: Intricacies of the alternate jersey
by Kyle B. Ward

A couple of years ago, baseball teams began wearing a third uniform to deviate from the normal garb that they always wear. Now, the NFL, NBA and even the NHL have caught on to the hip trend.

Several NFL teams like the Bears, Dolphins, Broncos and Browns have turned to orange for their alternate jersey. Most notably, the Dolphins defeated New England in 2004 wearing their orange attire on Monday Night Football. Recently, Nate Yostker of the Bears scored a touchdown on the NFL's longest play in its 85-year history, a 108-yard field goal block return. The Broncos use to always wear orange back in the day, but now they opt for boring navy blue; the Buccaneers always wore orange until 1997, when they switched to red and power blue.

There have been some smart jersey color choices recently. In 2004, the Red Sox began wearing red on home games on Sundays. It was stylish and catchy. Now the Braves are copying them, but it only looks good on the Sox. The San Diego Padres also wear Army fatigue jerseys on special occasions at home.

Teams like the Yankees, the Oakland Raiders, Penn State, and Alabama don’t need an alternate jersey. They’re associated with their color too much to even consider doing it. Yellow may not be the people’s choice, as the Oregon Ducks have donned the canary color. The Miami Hurricanes have numerous jersey colors, but they all work, since orange is a prominent color in Florida.

The Lakers go for the white look for home games on Sundays. The Orlando Magic use black, blue and white jerseys as sometimes they use their old uniforms.

The alternate jersey for the Panthers is a nice light blue that catches the eye. Overall, fans really enjoy the alternate jersey. Teams wear them for marketability purposes; after all many makes everyone happy anyways, doesn’t it? Enjoy watching Mike Vick on Thanksgiving, it should be a real treat. Gobble, gobble!

It’s that time again.

Anyone that plays Temple- Look, I’m sure Temple is a great school, but it’s one of the worst programs in I-AA football. The coach has quit on them, but who can blame him? They don’t have the ability to effectively recruit. And it shows in the games on Saturdays. Temple should move down to I-AA and come back up when ready.

Florida college football- How bad can FSU and UF be when South Carolina and Clemson beat you on the same day? That probably won’t happen again any time soon. Only the Cane are flying high in the sunshine state.

Drew Rosenhaus- No big T.O. deal...you got him kicked off the team. ESPN is partly to blame to this debacle, but an agent should be able to control his client. He would be a great fit anywhere but San Fran or Baltimore.

Kyle Ward is a junior, majoring in sports management, with a minor in dramatic arts.
Learning about financial aid

by Glenn Hanson  Recently, the Financial Aid Office sent a customer service survey to approximately 5,000 students that received financial aid this year. Some of the responses were positive, but others were not.

Many of our negative comments concerned our telephone response time. This issue is being addressed and additional telephone coverage will be in place for the summer of 2006. You can help us decrease telephone calls during the summer months by doing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) early (usually February). This can be accomplished by going to www.fafsa.ed.gov. You will need to use your and your parent’s 2005 federal income tax and W2s, as well as sign the application using your pin number and your parent’s pin number. A pin number is an electronic signature and can be obtained by applying online at www.pin.ed.gov. By doing your FAFSA early, you will know what your financial aid awards will be and also be able to plan for any other financial aid that may be necessary.

Another student concern was that our office did not thoroughly explain the complete financial aid process. In response, we will begin offering financial aid seminars in the month of February. February is designated as Financial Aid Awareness Month. We will discuss a variety of topics including doing your FAFSA, understanding your award letter, different types of financial aid, etc.

Also, take a look at Coastal’s new Scholarship Opportunity Brochure and Application for 2006-2007 that is now on our website. There are also free scholarship search sites for external scholarships, for example: www.fastweb.com, www.lunch-money.com, www.collegeanswer.com and www.brokenscholar.com. Be sure to apply early and submit all required information in order to be considered and also competitive for the scholarship for which you are applying.

Sometimes our office will receive additional money for awarding and we will notify you via your email and also WebAdvisor about this award and any other paperwork that is needed for the award. You are highly encouraged to regularly check your Coastal email and your WebAdvisor for all notifications. If you have any questions about financial aid, please do not hesitate to give our office a call at 843-349-2313 or for more information.

ODK raffle winners announced

The CCU Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society, recently held a raffle to support the creation of an ODK scholarship. Nearly $200 was raised. Prizes and raffle winners are:

- Brandy Hamilton: a David Bennett autographed football
- Michael Crain: a CCU Atheneum print
- Anne-Marie D’Onofrio: an ODK logo polo shirt
- Robbie Clifton: a mini Chanticleers football

Boyd Gainey: a teal blue Chanticleers logo polo shirt
Janice Sialiano: an autographed copy of Dr. Roy Talbert’s book “Coastal Carolina University: The First Fifty Years.”
Shaunluya Durand: a CCU embossed brass letter opener
Carmen Ash, Circle president, thanks everyone who bought a raffle ticket to support the fundraiser.

Health Service hours

Student Health Office hours will remain the same over the winter semester break: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.-5 p.m. However, the office will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 21-Tuesday, Dec. 27. The Student Health Office will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 28. Students’ Health Services fee is included with room and board when living on campus. However, if you will be moving off campus for the next semester, you will need to purchase the Student Health Service for $70 at the Bursar’s Office if you wish to be seen at the Student Health Center. Student Health Services are available to any Coastal Carolina University student with the purchase of the Student Health Service coverage.

If you have questions or concerns, feel free to call the Student Health Center at 347-7466 any time during office hours.

CCU mentors, students enjoy Saturday fun

More than 200 children from local elementary and middle schools visited Coastal’s campus with parents and student mentors on Saturday, Nov. 12 for the football game. The mentoring program was launched at Coastal last fall to enhance college students learning and civic responsibility while providing some much needed guidance and nurturing to young children. It is a collaborative effort between Horry County Schools and Coastal Carolina University, with support from the S.C. Commission on Higher Education.

The elementary and middle school children played games and enjoyed a picnic lunch on Prince Lawn. Some 267 Coastal students serve as mentors with selected children in 14 elementary and middle schools throughout the county.

photos by Ashley Taliana
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**The Showdown: a battle of opinions**

by Caroline Smith

A rant of universal proportions: Here's your wake-up call

by Becky Powell

Assistant Editor

It would appear that we've arrived at the final leg of this bitch-a-thon, my fellow classmates. With the passing of this semester comes the end of my time as assistant editor for The Chanticleer. I'm now going to a better place—OK, not really. I'm leaving for Graduation Land, which is so close I can practically taste it. The only things separating me and my mortgage now are one semester, 18 credit hours and a three-hour-credit thesis project that is required for graduation. Thus, I will be flinging myself into the hell-fires of academia for the spring semester. Do pray for me.

But before I hit "save" on my final bitter diatribe, I have just one more thing—probably the most worthwhile thing all semester—to rant about. If you've read the front page of this newspaper, you know where this one is going.

To the person who wrote that offensive word all over someone's property: You're a coward, a wretched low-life without the bravery to reason beyond your own selfish assumptions. Through your racist and menacing actions, you have lessened the trust that Coastal Carolina students have for one another. You have misrepresented a community of otherwise intelligent beings. Just as you painted that reprehensible slur across the doors of student Ashley Taliaferro's SUV, you have painted a streak of shame across the face of our campus. Whoever you are, I hope you know that you've fostered the kind of hate that the rest of us have been and will continue to be working to eradicate.

And saddest of all, at least for you, you still will never make a difference. You will never be heard, nor will you ever be respected, because we, the students, who favor doing the right thing, will win. Whoo. With that little bit said and done, let me just say that, for one, will not accept anyone's excuses about this incident. Having lived in the South all my life, I feel insulted that someone reverted back to the type of ignorance and hate that I would have hoped had gone the way of the civil rights era. It's 2005, people. So please, nobody hit me with some of the ridiculous statements I've been hearing since this whole story broke: "Well, it's the South, you know, so it's no surprise." "Well, maybe it was just that neighbor-hood, in particular." "Well, perhaps just that the way things are in a small town." Well...that's the most ignorant load of B.S. I've ever heard in my life. There's no excuse for it, nor will there ever be. Small towns don't get some invisible license to harbor idiots, nor does the South have special permission to host all the racist ass****** of the world.

Ultimately, I think this incident could be the wake-up call that a lot of us novice students need to come out and get involved on campus. Whether it's just meeting more people that you wouldn't usually talk to or joining a club or organization that takes you out of your comfort zone, it's time to man up, Chanticleers. Know the people around you. But more importantly, know yourself. By developing the individual strengths of various Coastal students, our collective student body will be strengthened against the type of divisive, hateful acts that have shocked CCU this past week.

**Video game review: NCAA March Madness 2006 by EA Sports**

by Kyle R. Ward

Staff Writer

Now that we're in the early stages of the college hoops season, it's time to take a look at the premier college basketball video game on the market. One of the reasons why this is a special game is that the Coastal Carolina and the rest of the Big South is on it once again. In case you're wondering what their rating is, they got a "C+" rating, which puts them in the middle of the pack. The coaching staff has been doing a good job, and they have won some close games, but they have also lost some close games. The recruiting facet of the game makes things interesting. Yes, Coastal has a one-star prestige level, but that can change if your team wins all or makes the NCAA Tournament. You can scout them, send them information about your school, invite them to come see you play and ask them to watch you play on TV. The game also has the Maui Invitational in regular season play.

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Letters to the Editor

“Nightmare on Columbia Street”

In response to the “Dangerous Demographic” article in [a previous Chanticleer], I felt the need to add a few comments. I live on Columbia Street in College Park, and as a resident, healthcare provider and faculty wife, I am appalled at what we now have to tolerate in the area.

Our neighborhood has become one big and dangerous race track at all hours of the day and night, and we have a group of students living behind our house that make the inhabitants of Animal House seem like first graders. The everyday stress that they cause is immeasurable—to include loss of sleep and a constant feeling of intrusion into our lives and houses.

We have had to call the police many times since they moved in for their belief, and last night they almost caused our house to go up in smoke with a bonfire they had lit in their backyard. I keep thinking about all the experiences with the law, but their arrogance and ego is what is happening. Everyone should be well aware by now of the increase in risk of skin cancer, including the potentially fatal melanoma, of people that use these tanning facilities. It is one thing for students to choose to engage in risk-taking activities, but yet another for the University to seem to condone them.

I also wanted to issue a plea to the Campus Police to either educate all student drivers regarding the pedestrian crossings on campus, or remove the markings altogether as soon as possible. At the moment, these crossings offer a completely false sense of security, as student drivers completely ignore them, and anyone attempting to use them literally risks their lives.

Thea Collin

Editorial: Lymo ride makes student late to class

Coastal Carolina students that don’t have cars of their own to get them around campus and town use the handy shuttle services provided by Lymo. The Lymo Shuttle is free for all students and is convenient to use. The shuttle runs to all on and off campus educational buildings and also the campus residential buildings.

Recently, the shuttle has started running two loops on Coastal’s campus. The new loops run through the Conway campus and across U.S. 501 to the Burroughs and Chapin Center for Marine & Wetland Studies. There are two different shuttles: the Teal Shuttle and the Bronze Shuttle, which each cover separate sections of the main routes.

The Teal Shuttle runs every 20 minutes starting from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. It covers the route from the Student Center to the Burroughs and Chapin Center for Marine Science & Wetland Studies and then across U.S. 501 on Allred Drive.

The Bronze Shuttle runs every 15 minutes starting from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. This shuttle is at four different locations, where it starts at University Place residential complex on S.C. 544 and stops at the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts, the athletics area, the Wall College of Business and then to the Student Center.

Many students do use the Lymo Shuttle and are thankful for its services.

Coastal Carolina University has the Lymo Shuttle running throughout the campus and to off-campus buildings to help provide for the students without cars. The shuttle service is a problem quite often for students. The shuttle will run late and break down without having a backup shuttle on call.

With the majority of students having scheduled their classes to go back-to-back with little time before the next one starts, the shuttle just makes everything harder and more stressful for the students using the services. It isn’t like students without cars could just not take the shuttle, because walking down U.S. 501 or S.C. 544 is just ridiculous. Students need to be able to depend on the shuttle to get them to and from buildings without being late to class.

The biggest problem with using the shuttle is how often students arrive late to classes because the shuttle is not on schedule or just not running often enough for the students’ schedules. Professors can’t expect to wait 10 to 15 minutes once class time has begun to then test, quiz or start lecturing, yet students can’t help being late.

Something needs to be done, and it isn’t the students or professors place to make it work. The shuttle needs to be dependable and on time!

By: Alicia Barnes, student

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Crime Log

1 11/8, Debit Card Fraud
Someone took the victim's debit card number and used it in Virginia. He does not know how they may have gotten his number.

2. 11/3, Larceny/Possession of Stolen Property
Several items were taken from the victim's vehicle. After investigating the incident, the officer identified the subject and recovered the stolen items, along with items from several other auto break-ins. The subject was arrested and transported to the county detention center.

3. 11/3, HAZMAT Spill
A mercury spill occurred when someone dropped a thermometer in one of the labs. The fire department responded and cleaned the spill.

4. 11/3, Criminal Domestic Violence
The victim stated that she had an altercation with her boyfriend and he struck her in the face several times. The boyfriend was arrested.

5. 11/8, Indecent Exposure
A white male subject exposed himself to the victim while the victim was in the library.

6. 11/8, Drug/Narcotic Violation; Drug Equipment Violation
The subjects were seen on the football practice field late at night. Investigation by an officer revealed a "blunt" in the area where they were. After questioning, the subjects were transported to their dorm room where they gave the officer consent to search. A green, leafy substance was found in one of the rooms and a pipe was found in another room. The subject in possession of the green, leafy substance was arrested and transported to the county detention center.

7. 11/9, Vandalism to Auto
The victim parked his vehicle when he went to practice and upon returning noticed that someone had "keyed" the vehicle near the driver's door handle.

8. 11/9, Burglary/Larceny of a Bicycle
The victim stated that during the night, someone entered his room and took his bike. The door to the apartment was not locked.

9. 11/9, Breaking and Entering an Auto
Upon returning to his vehicle that was parked on campus, the victim noticed that his laptop computer and his wallet were missing from the vehicle, which had been left unlocked.

10. 11/11, Burglary
The victim stated that someone had entered the office area and removed a sum of money from the safe. There was no sign of forced entry.

11. 11/12, Burglary/Narcotic Violation; Traffic Violations
The subject's vehicle was stopped on S.C. Hwy. 544, during which time it was determined that the driver did not have a driver's license. After the driver was arrested, the officers did a search, incident to arrest, and found a green, leafy substance in the vehicle. The driver was arrested and transported to the county detention center.

12. 11/12, Larceny of Golf Course Flags
The complainant stated that someone took four flags from the Quail Creek Golf Course.

13. 11/14, Drug/Narcotic Violation; Drug Equipment Violation
An officer obtained permission to enter a Waccamaw Hall room after a call about possible narcotics. The officer smelled a marijuana-like smell. He asked the occupant for consent to search the room and consent was given. During the search, a green, leafy substance was found along with a homemade pipe. The subject was arrested and transported to the county detention center.

14. 11/15, Burglary
The complainant stated that during the night, someone entered her office in the CINO Grill and took some money from her safe. There was no sign of forced entry.

15. 11/15, Attempted Burglary
The victim stated that during the night, someone attempted to take his computer out of his office at the Foundation Center. Nothing was missing and no damage was reported.

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Letters to the editor and submissions are welcome from the University's student body, administration, faculty, or staff.

Some material may not be suitable for people under the age of 17.
Raines school is Christmas Angel for holiday drive

Raines Elementary School, an underprivileged school in Marion County, will be the Christmas Angel recipient of the holiday drive sponsored by Coastal Productions Board (CPB) and Students Taking Active Responsibility (S.T.A.R.).

Officers and departments within the Coastal community are encouraged to donate funds and gifts in lieu of having an office gift exchange. Needed are basic school supplies such as crayons, paper, tape, etc., as well as children’s books for the library. A wish list of toys is available in the Office of Student Activities & Leadership. E-mail Diane Wilson at dwilson@coastal.edu if you would like a copy sent to you via e-mail.

Raines Centenary Elementary School, located in Marion County on U.S. 501, was featured in the SC-ETV documentary "Corridor of Shame" as a public school that is underprivileged and poverty-stricken.

CPB, S.T.A.R. and several other campus organizations will be collecting educational items for classrooms and teachers, as well as wish list toys for the students through Tuesday, Dec. 6. On Friday, Dec. 9 at 1 p.m. a "Santa’s Workshop Fun Day" will be hosted at Raines Elementary school for their students to receive their gifts.

CPB will also be selling 2006 Chick-fil-a Coupon Calendars and raffle tickets for $1 to raise funds for the school. A CCU Prize Package includes gift certificates to Applebee’s, Papa John’s, Domino’s gift certificates, passes to Alabama Theatre and much more.

If you would like to participate in this event or purchase any items, contact the Office of Student Activities and Leadership at 349-2301.

Got News? Check Chanticleer in looking for writers, photographers, and any other interesting news or upcoming events.

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For more information about the following jobs, login into MonsterTRAK at www.coastal.edu/career and select NC & SC:

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- 11-03-2005 ENTRY LEVEL ESTIMATOR - CENTEX HOMES Multiple Locations, NC
- 11-03-2005 ENTRY LEVEL ESTIMATOR - CENTEX HOMES Multiple Locations, SC
- 11-03-2005 MARKETING REPRESENTATIVE - Myrtle Beach, SC
- 11-03-2005 RESTAURANT MANAGER - MCDONALD’S Various Locations, NC
- 11-03-2005 SALES REPRESENTATIVE - Myrtle Beach, SC

Job Talk
by Mollie Fout
for The Chanticleer

The job outlook for new college graduates is positive, and employers expect to hire 14.5 percent more new college graduates in 2005-06 than they hired in 2004-05, according to a new national report published by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE). According to employers responding to NACE’s Job Outlook 2006 survey, on a national level, graduates with degrees in business, engineering and computer-related fields have the most promising outlook.

At Coastal Carolina University, employers have also expressed the most interest in students with these degrees. Additional highlights from the survey include:

- Nearly 94 percent of responding employers rate the job market for new college graduates as good, very good or excellent.
- A better job market could also mean a bigger paycheck. Three-quarters of responding employers expect to increase their starting salary offers this year. Starting salaries vary depending on the degree, type of employer, and other factors, but on average, employers expect to raise starting salaries to bachelor’s degree graduates by 3.7 percent. For more information on starting salaries, visit the Career Services Center CareerLab. A salary chart can also be found under the Job Links item on the Career Services website.
- Many employers expect to be active on campus this spring: More than half of the employers participating in the Job Outlook 2006 survey said they have firm plans to be on campus this spring to look for new employees. Spring recruitment events at Coastal begin with the Careers 2006 conference in Atlanta, Ga. on Jan. 16, 2006, which is the Martin Luther King holiday. Spring Senior Recruiting Days are from Feb. 20 - March 3, and the Myrtle Beach Job Expo is scheduled for March 28 at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center.

Students can get a copy of the "Job Outlook 2006-Student Version" by visiting The Job Choices page on the Career Services website or by going directly to an online version on JobWeb at www.jobweb.com/joboutlook/.

The Career Services Center also offers the following services to help students prepare for and conduct an effective job search: video-taped mock interviews, professional etiquette training, on-campus interviews, job-search workshops, and resume assistance. Call the Career Services Center at 349-6433 to schedule an appointment with a Career Services Coordinator or visit the Career Center at Indigo House, 104 Tom Trout Drive today. Office hours: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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