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There is no denying it - Coastal Carolina University is one of the most unique campuses in South Carolina.

From one-of-a-kind annual events like the Celebration of Inquiry and Coastal is Number One (C.I.N.O.) Day to rare, valuable organizations like the Jackson Center for Ethics and Values and series such as "The Words To Say It" series and the "Tea and Ethics" series, CCU undoubtedly has a diverse and cultured environment. This diversity is celebrated annually with yet another unique event, the Multi-cultural Celebration.

This year, the event was hosted by the Coastal Productions Board (CPB) and the Office of Student Activities and Leadership (OSAL) on April 5. All campus organizations and several off-campus businesses were invited to set up a table on the Prince Lawn and share their knowledge or experiences of other cultures.

Entertainment and food was provided from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The entertainment schedule included recorded music, the Mystic Vibrations Reggae Band, Adande' African dancers and drummers, Saljassol (Latin, jazz and soul music), Myrtle Beach Regional Pipe Band and Highland dancers and the NPRH Step Team.

Food samples were provided by local restaurants Hong Kong (Chinese).

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Members from the Adande' African dancers group pose after their display of African cultural dances.

Photo by Trevor Arrowood
Meet the SGA executive council 2006

Janet Shokal, president
psychology major, senior

Shannon Curtin, treasurer
finance major, junior

Lauren Brajer, secretary
English major, sophomore

Heather Remely, vice president
biology major, art studio minor

SGA notes

- Residence Life would like comments and input on the possibilities of creating a residence life student council to represent on-campus students in hopes of being able to review and/or effect policy that students are unhappy with.
- CINO Day is April 21.
- Leadership Development Council (LDC) meets Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in the Student Center, room 208.

SGA meets Mondays at 3 p.m. in Wall 307

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Campus bulletin board

- "Nico & Dani," (Japan) the next film in the Foreign Film Series, will be shown on April 10 in the Wall Auditorium at 7 p.m.
- From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 10 on the Prince Lawn, the B.R.E.A.T.H.E. Coalition will be hosting its first official Kick Butts Day. Kick Butts Day is a national initiative for tobacco-free students and will be held to promote tobacco awareness and to make a positive change in CCU’s policy on tobacco usage on campus. At this event there will be food, fun and games. Come out and support your fellow students, Teria Johnson and Allaoah Dobson, as they leave their mark on campus in efforts to make this an annual event. The rain date is April 17 at the same time and place. (Bulletin courtesy Teria Johnson.)
- Comedian Steve Brown will be at CCU on April 12 at 7 p.m. in the Wall Auditorium.
- Good Friday is on April 14—NO CLASSES, OFFICES CLOSED.
- A poetry and dialogue on self-love titled "Sex-cellence" will take place on April 19 in the Wall Auditorium at 7 p.m.
- As the last lecture in the series of Wall Interdisciplinary Talks, Dr. Barbara Witter will be addressing business ethics. The topic will be "Can Business Ethics be Trained? A Study of the Ethical Decision Making Process in Business Students" and is going to be presented on April 21 at 2:30 p.m. in Wall 317.
- Coastal Is Number One (C.I.N.O.) Day is going to be held on April 21 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Prince Lawn. Scheduled events include a mechanical bull, an obstacle course, various food and drinks, caricatures and the distribution of "Archarios" and "Tempo," the campus magazines. All students, faculty and staff are invited and encouraged to attend.
- The American Lung Association is now offering Golf Privilege Cards for $25 each that provides the holder with free or reduced cost rounds at various golf courses in South Carolina. For more information, visit www.golfsouth.org.

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Hookers (American) and Alma Marie’s (Italian). Burroughs Corporation was also present selling various cakes and pies.

Two Greek organizations from CCU (Theta Chi and Delta Sigma Theta) were Brazil. by Monday, April 10, 2006.

The members of the fraternity stood on Business Hwy 501 in Conway to continue raising money for Push America from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. They asked cars stopped at red lights for minor donations to their cause. The largest single donation received was a gift of $79. Altogether, the members of PI Kappa Phi raised $1200 from the toll-road fundraiser.

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America [donations],” said Matthew Molzan, the fraternity’s member educator. The guys took turns sleeping outside, usually having around 10 people on the lawn at a time.

“Two people slept on the shaft and the rest of us slept in sleeping bags,” said Molzan. Determined to make a point, some of the students did not sleep for hours.

“I sat and followed a schedule so I think I have been up for about 36 hours,” said Adam “Guy” Gunter, a member of the fraternity. On March 29, the fraternity was very close to its goal.

“We raised a little over $700 so far,” said Ronald Murray, a fraternity brother. Because the goal was not reached by the end of the day, the fraternity stayed on the lawn another night.

At 8:30 a.m. on March 30, the fraternity had a total of $799.12 and continued to get donations from passers-by throughout the day, ending the journey to $1000 that afternoon.

PI Kappa Phi’s commitment to leadership dates back more than 100 years to its roots at the College of Charleston. PI Kappa Phi sponsors this fundraiser for Push America every semester and participates in other events to make students aware of the consistent needs of disabled children.

“We once used wheelchairs and cars just to promote awareness on campus,” said Molzan. The fraternity will continue to support Push America each semester with this fundraiser and other events.

ECO Reps begin work

The ECO Reps did a waste analysis of trash from the Coastal Science Center on Thursday, March 30. During this analysis, trash was separated into different types of recyclable materials, food waste and trash. Each group of waste was then weighed in the buckets seen in the photos.

The group is comprised of 19 students and is in its first semester as a CCU program. The ECO Reps are headed by Dr. Dan Abel and Elizabeth Moses.

Commencement dates and notes for seniors

by Ashley Tallman

March 31-May 2 - Rain plan tickets (three per student) will be available at the Wheelwright Box Office. See below for more information on the rain plan.

May 5 - The Coastal Carolina University Alumni Association will host the annual Garden Party for seniors and their guests on Friday, May 5 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. in Spadoni Park. Special recognition will be given for the 1954 Society members beginning at 5 p.m. Each senior will receive four complimentary tickets per family (including graduate’s ticket). Additional tickets can be purchased for $15 per person. Tickets are required and can be picked up at the Wheelwright Box Office.

May 6 - Commencement will be held on Saturday, May 6 at 8:30 a.m. in Brooks Stadium. Candidates must be there by 7:15 a.m. to prepare for the ceremony. Seniors should park in the Wall building parking lot adjacent to the outdoor track and follow posted signs to the football practice field (located behind the track) for candidate line-up. Each candidate must have his or her gown, mortarboard and tassel to participate in the ceremony. Arrive early as the rain plan time will be limited. It is recommended that all candidates wear flat shoes.

ECO Reps separate different types of waste collected from Coastal Science Center trash. Below: ECO Reps participate in the waste analysis.

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The Showdown: Fantasy Baseball - worthwhile or a waste of time?

by Caroline P. Smith
Assistant Editor

Why does our society feel the need to immerse themselves in so-called "reality" T.V. and video games that take up precious hours of time that could be spent actually living?

Fantasy sports are just as bad as reality television - none of it is real, yet people insist upon wasting hours and hours on something that is not real.

I can completely understand that some people love sports so much that they want to participate in them in any way they can. At the same time I also feel that if someone loves a sport so much, then they should get off their butt and play it to their hearts' content. What could be more fulfilling than doing something you love?

The only practical purpose I can see in Fantasy Baseball is learning how to be an effective coach, and the only people that would be useful for are people who aspire to have a career coaching a sport!

It does not serve the community and it does not better anyone who plays it. (If anyone would like to refute that statement, please, enlighten me.)

I know people who love Fantasy Baseball and who love to talk about it, and the amount of information that they know about these baseball players is quite frightening. Where they get the kind of time to learn every major league baseball player's habits and rituals is beyond me. If I didn't know any better, I'd think they were obsessed. It is true that participating in Fantasy Baseball may be healthier than participating in nights of alcohol or drug induced festivities, but then again, spending a day at the beach, volunteering for others, reading a book or spending time with close friends or family are all healthier activities than sitting practically motionless in front of a computer screen enveloped in world that isn't real.

Playing fantasy baseball is fine holiday fun. It can't break up relationships and you can't get pregnant while doing it. How else can I be excited about having the top two starters of the Cleveland Indians staff? Cliff Lee was 18-5 and Sabathia should dominate as well.

This game, believe it or not, brings co-workers, family members and neighborhoods together. It is all my co-worker talked about today.

"Oh, man Jorge Cantu, he gets it done...", or "Wow, a third round pick on Barry Bonds... you may as well throw in the towel."

Some say this game turns fans fickle by causing them to root for teams that they normally would not root for. I seldom ever draft a New York Yankee, unless he's the best available player.

Fantasy baseball was the first true fantasy game that originated over 20 years ago, but in the last decade, it has really blossomed into a phenomenon like no other. I don't know about anyone else, but when one of my guys that I start hits a home run or does something brilliant, I get fired up. Miguel Cabrera hit a two-run homer of Andy Pettitte and I did a little dance; not only because I'm a Marlin's fan but also he was my number one draft selection.

In 2004, the average fantasy baseball player spent an average of 11 hours on just working on his or her team. That's time well spent if you are in a money prize league. Say what you want, think what you may, this game is like fondue: it's yummy and it feels good on the way down.

Letter to the Editor

As a graduating senior, I can honestly say that overall, I love this university. My biggest complaint however, and I know I'm not the only one that feels this way, is about the parking on campus. It is ridiculous and as much as everyone on this campus complains about it, in four years, nothing has really changed to make it better.

Furthermore, the university keeps getting bigger! One thing I have noticed adds to the mess is that some freshmen and sophomores who already live on campus find it necessary to drive to and park on other parts of campus.

Seriously, it's not that far to get anywhere on campus; leave the car in the dorm parking lot and walk.

Secondly, I agree that faculty and staff should be given their own parking areas but if you have ever driven by the faculty and staff parking lots on both sides of the Wall Building, or for that matter, the area behind the Prince Building, you will notice a whole lot, maybe even half of the assigned faculty and staff spots are never filled. And yet students are still given fines for parking there even if it is at the end of the day?

Don't get me wrong, some days aren't so bad, but those days that every one decides to actually go to class, the situation is horrible. The nuts flying through the parking lots racing for spots don't help either.

Abbey Brink, senior business major

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Wall Fellows application process a grueling task
An applicant shares her Wall Fellows experience

by M.G. Fisher
Staff Writer

Ahhh...the Wall Fellows. Many of you know them by name, through a friend or personally. Some of you know them by dress, by the posture with which they walk. As a society, they are meant to be a new breed of success. Maybe you have absolutely no idea what I am talking about.

First and foremost, I would like to offer my congratulations to all those who have recently joined this organization; it is not an easy task. The powers that be in my idea of a typical Wall Fellow. (I was just joking about the blood type, child's name and death waiver thing, though those documents would not have surprised me.) I poured myself into this project. I ate, breathed and slept (very little) the Wall Fellows have opened up a new world of opportunity to you, and most importantly, have given you a leg up. Have the courage to take them.

My experience with the Wall Fellows began in December of 2005 with the application process, and ended in February of 2006 with a "regret to inform you" e-mail.

No. Let's go back further than that. My experience with the Wall Fellows began with a friend/former teacher telling me about the program and encouraging me to join. I received the application materials and mapping out my next move. The application was due in early February, so I spent every moment of my time.
Crime Log

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Crime Log

3/29/06

1. 3/23:

Drug/Narcotic Possession of Beer, Medical Assist

The complainant told officers that the victim approached and asked the complainant to call an ambulance because the victim smoked marijuana and was feeling sick. The victim was transported to the emergency room and was well enough to be released. After, the victim was taken back to his/her vehicle where marijuana and alcohol was found. A summons for simple possession of marijuana and minor in possession of alcohol was given.

2. 3/24:

The complainant reported that while working at 955 University Place, tire marks were noticed and it was reported that unknown persons drove through the grass, causing grass damage.

3/24:

Disorderly Conduct

A student going through the security checkpoint on Township Circle refused to be cooperative. The student began to get loud and belligerent, at which time the student was told to calm down several times. The student refused and was placed under arrest for disorderly conduct.

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The victim's vehicle was parked beside the gym when a purse was taken from it. The window of the vehicle was down a few inches during the time, and no damage occurred.

Crime Log compiled from published police reports from CCUDPS.

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my posture, my hesitation, my answers to questions and my business problem-solving skills, etc., and they would probably be right. But the truth is that I took one of my smallest goals and tried to pretend that it was one of my biggest.

Although people sometimes pretend that they don't see these things, they do.

The people in the second interview were trying to see the "woman behind the suit." They were looking for a businesswoman, but they found a writer. It did not appear to be a pleasant surprise for them.

I am glad that I took the opportunity to apply when it was presented. Through this adventure, I learned a lot about the expectations of the business world, and more about my expectations of myself. With the description that the leader of the organization gave me about the things that would be expected of me (to do his bidding; if called at any time, I must be able to be in business dress and in a meeting within 30 minutes, etc.), my interest in the group dropped drastically.

In my past, others have had control over what happens to me. I left my home state and took that control back. I am less than interested in giving it up again.

I do not regret my experience with the Wall Fellows organization. I now have a nice suit and clothes and I have eliminated one of my potential "desires." I am glad for those who have been chosen; perhaps they will get the opportunity to find what it is that they are seeking.

As for me, I'll continue on my search for my true purpose, walking hand-in-hand with the muses and questioning everything. As you read this, remember that I am one woman, detailing my brief experience with one of the billion things that the world has to offer. Remember also that if you are going to take on the beast that is the Wall Fellows organization, come armed with a bribe and not a leather bound journal.

All my best to the past and future Wall Fellows and to the family of E. Craig Wall.

In remembrance of Samuel Matthew Davis

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A poster with Matt's picture is on display in the Lib Jackson Student Center. Friends are invited to write their messages to him and their memories of him on the poster.

Monday, April 10, 2006
The SGA Constitution goes through major changes
by Lekeisha Edwards
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association (SGA) has gone through an extraordinary change, re-configuring the old constitution to create a new constitution that better serves the students of Coastal Carolina University.

SGA vice president 2005-2006, Janet Shokal stated. "The SGA is the voice of the students. It serves as a liaison between students and the Administration. Problems and concerns like parking, academic programs, access to services and other similar questions would all be addressed to SGA."

According to Shokal, the new constitution is important because it goes from a structure that was less representative of students to a structure that is more representative of students. Shokal added that right now, SGA represents clubs and organizations that get information back to the members of their groups after senate meetings.

Shokal feels that the problem with this is that the information doesn't reach students who are not involved with the clubs and organizations that are represented in SGA.

"The new structure of the constitution will continue to represent clubs and organizations, but will also represent any student that belongs to an academic college," said Shokal.

To do this, students can become a senator and represent a club or organization or represent a person of his or her academic college and get information back to students.

According to John Adamec, 2005-2006 SGA president, there were several reasons why the new constitution was necessary.

"The old constitution was not sufficient and has not been able to handle the growth of enrollment here at CCU. Although the problems with the old constitution go back a number of years, it took a long time to address the old constitution and create and implement a new constitution because a lot of research, meetings and correspondence had to be done beforehand."

The executive members of SGA, the senate; Pat Singleton-Young, director of multicultural services; Matt Morr, director of student activities; professor Jeffries of political science and a variety of other faculty and administrators helped in the creation of the new constitution as it went through an effective and much needed "make-over."

"The old constitution held several documents that included the constitution and by-laws. The new constitution is one document which makes it more simplified," said Adamec.

Along with a new, simplified appearance, the new constitution gives each board the opportunity to expand powers and creates a tighter chain of command. Although the meeting time of the senate will remain the same, there will be an addition of meetings offered at various times for different boards.

There are also new titles, such as the Vice President of Policy (vice president), Vice President of Finance (treasurer) and the Vice President of Public Relations (secretary). The Vice President of Public Relations is a new position and will be responsible for overseeing the publicity of SGA activities and overseeing the organization of SGA programming and major events, in addition to previous secretarial duties.

The Public Relations Board is a good way for students to get involved and make a difference as it seeks volunteers from the student body who want to promote positive change on campus. The Policy Board will be able to accomplish more policy related tasks rather just allocating money. The members will be able to perform more tasks like composing and enacting legislation on behalf of the student body, as well as "make recommendations regarding rules and regulations pertaining to the non-academic conduct of the student body."

The Finance Board is now an actual "board" rather than just an allocations commission, which gives them the ability to establish rules and standards.

SGA meetings are open for all students to attend, speak out and apply to become members of various boards; voting is reserved for senators only.

SGA senator, Antonio Pee, also played a vital role in the creation of the new constitution and feels that the revised version is a plus for Coastal students.

Pee stated, "The new constitution is designed so that all students can become involved. With the old constitution, if you were not involved in a club or organization, you really didn't have a voice to express your opinion. Now there is a way for the opinions of all students to be heard by going to their academic college and expressing them. This is a positive addition to a growing university."

When asked about the differences and/or similarities of CCU's constitution with other colleges and universities, Adamec responded, "We did not take the ideas of other institutions verbatim, but we did look at others for inspiration. The principles of Coastal's constitution in comparison with the constitution of other colleges are pretty much the same. We all share the main goal of representing the students."

Shokal hopes the new constitution will help more students become involved and contribute to the changes in the university.

"The new constitution is more student-friendly and helps promote participation. We are now able to take action more efficiently rather than getting bogged down in a structure that was ineffective."

"Everything that happens on this campus is going to affect students in some way, shape, or form. If students do not take the opportunity to become involved and informed than they have practically given up their opportunity to express their opinions and have their voices heard, and it is important to have a voice on campus. The money of the students pays for the operations of the university and the aim of the new constitution is to increase the number of ways for students to get involved in the university decision making process," said Adamec.

For those students who are concerned about how they will be informed and prepared for the changes of the new constitution, there are "Provisions for Transition," number six states: "The exiting Executive Board (Fall 2005-Spring 2006) shall prepare training and operating materials for each Board and make a full effort to inform the students at large of the changes to the SGA before the end of the Spring semester."

The new SGA constitution was passed on March 30 and will take effect after a transition period.

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David Bankston plays concert with friends
by Neal Camay
Staff Writer
It is not enough that David Bankston is an absolutely amazing singer, but he is also an exquisite songwriter capable of capturing unbelievable imagery and emotion. Bankston has real poetry in his lyrics. Rarely have I heard songs that capture such feeling and vividly. lyric. Rarely have I heard one song that is an absolutely amazing singer, but he an example of all kinds of acoustic music with a number of other musicians and singers in addition to just himself. This concert had everything from folk/country sounds, a few piano jazz numbers and even a Beatles song.
The concert was a revolving door for a variety of people associated with Coastal Carolina University. Just a few notable examples included: Tom Yoder

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by Caroline P. Smith
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**CD Review: Prince returns with “3121”**

by Neal Causer

Staff Writer

There is plenty old and new on Prince’s “3121” and it is all excellent.

Drawing from several decades of musical styles and many years of working in the craft, Prince has recorded a catchy, artful album. As with many of his past records, Prince plays almost all of his own instruments.

“3121” is a great opening for the album. It is mellow, has a strong beat and helps establish a groove and spirit for the rest of “3121.”

“Satisfied” is pure, old school R & B. It is smooth, slow and is sung in a near falsetto voice that is very reminiscent of Al Green or Smokey Robinson.

“Fury” sounds just like vintage ‘80s Prince. “Fury” is upbeat, energetic and is driven throughout by synthesizers and Prince’s masterful guitar work. Using a version of the famous quote from “The Mowing Bride” by William Congreve, Prince’s message is the following: “There ain’t no fury like a woman scorned.”

In the same vein as “Fury” is “Lolita.” Drawing again from his earlier works, “Lolita” is classic Prince in both its style and sexually-liberated spirit.

On a totally different level, songs such as “The Word,” “Beautiful, Loved, and Blessed” and the current hit single, “Black Sweat,” represent modern R & B at its very best. For the record, I am saying this as a music lover who has a very low tolerance for pretty much all new R & B. I often find contemporary R & B to be sluggish, uninspiring or just plain bad, but this music comes alive with Prince as its creator and performer.

The final track on “3121,” the horn-driven “Get on the Boat,” shows the clear influence of James Brown on Prince’s music, with a dash of Latino flavor thrown in. After all, any performer of R & B and soul has to pay respects to the Godfather of Soul. With its funky bass line, multiple horn solos, percussion breakdowns and salsa-style piano, it is well worth every second of its six minute time length.

As amazing as all this is, perhaps the real jewel of “3121” is “Te Amo Corazon.” This is an exquisitely beautiful song; its Latin-tinged sound is just glorious. “Te Amo Corazon” shows Prince’s softer side. Here he sings about his love for a woman, rather than just sex.

Something to be noted about “3121” is just how clean it actually is. There is still some sex going on here, but none of it is explicit. Not only this, but I did not find a single obscenity on the whole album – not one. “3121” is good, clean fun, for the most part anyway.

“3121” is a summary of many things that have happened, and are still happening, in R & B and soul. All the more amazing is that it all comes from the mind of one eccentric, though incredibly talented man. “3121” is surely destined to be one of the finest records of 2006.

Track listing:

1. 3121
2. Lolita
3. Te Amo Corazon
4. Black Sweat
5. Incense and Candles
6. Love
7. Satisfied
8. Fury
9. The Word
10. Beautiful, Loved, and Blessed
11. The Dance
12. Get on the Boat

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**Club corner: Young Democrats prepare for election year**

by Ramieva Evans

Staff Writer

Coastal Carolina University

Young Democrats is a club on a mission. It is determined to help get members of the Democratic party elected on all levels of government. This common-interest organization also focuses on getting people involved in their government.

Young Democrats meets on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in the Student Center, room 208. The meetings are usually catered so the students do not miss lunch. During the meetings, the members discuss events on campus, political items, activities to promote the Democratic Party and events to promote political and governmental awareness.

“We currently have about 20 active members and we have many subscribers to a weekly newsletter that discusses CCUYD events,” said Michael Marriott, a member of the organization.

To subscribe to the newsletter, students must contact Kelly Marett, the vice president of the organization. Anyone interested in joining is required to pay the standard Student Government Association fee of $5.

To promote awareness for the club, the students have club t-shirts that state: “Democrats are sexy. Who ever heard of a great piece of elephant?”

“We also have many different flyers on the bulletin boards that read, ‘Democrats watch “Family Guy”,’ ‘Democrats like the bing’ and ‘Democrats support the troops and their families’,” said Marriott.

The members have many events planned and they also participate in other activities around campus. The organization is planning to have many “get out and vote drives” for this election year. They are also talking to state political leaders about holding a governor’s debate at CCU.

CCUYD has a very busy schedule for the remainder of the semester. At the end of April, the organization is sending members to Columbia to represent CCU at the State Democratic Convention.

“We try to stay an active club,” said Marriott.

For more information on CCUYD, contact Nathan Wright, the president, at niwright@coastal.edu; Marett at kemarett@coastal.edu or Dr. Dennis Dingel, the club adviser, at ddingel@coastal.edu.

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Each graduate will receive four complimentary tickets. Additional guests are $15 per person. Tickets are required.

In the event of inclement weather, the Garden Party will be relocated to the Williams-Brice Recreation Center.
Wine

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because he and his family traveled to New York frequently, and one of their favorite things to do is attend wine dinners or tastings.

"Wine just sort of became a hobby," he explained. "I took advantage of the fact that there wasn't a wine bar around." Ban ton could not have picked a better Beatle's song to sing. "Yes, There, and Everywhere" is a simple, beautiful song - one of Paul McCartney's best. Plus, it is from "Revolver," arguably the Beatles' best album.

The styles and instrumentation used for this show were really diverse. At one point, Bankston totally abandoned all stringed instruments to sing in accompaniment to Dr. Phil Hamilton's piano playing. Living out his confessed dream of being a jazz singer, Bankston sang classics such as "Have You Met Miss Jones?"

I attended Bankston's concert last April, and was really surprised. Not if anything, this year's concert was better. It definitely was a more elaborate production. I do not see how anyone could not have enjoyed this show. Of all the talent we have brought to CCU, Bankston is the best."

Doomed to fail, the music of all Beatie's songs are beautiful, though comparably unknown "Here, There, and Everywhere." Sara Potts.

Horoscopes

Aries (March 21-April 19) The trick is to avoid distractions. Learn to concentrate even when a lot of other things are going on.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) It's not a good time to gamble, or take financial risks. Even be careful shopping. Money slips through your fingers.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) You're very good under pressure now. It's easier to choose when there are fewer options. And you're quick. If you have to change your mind, you'll do it without even thinking.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) A conversation with a detail-oriented person is frustrating. Let somebody with more expertise argue your position, and take notes.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Gather up what you've got coming to you, but don't brag about it. Don't go out and celebrate and spend it all on your friends, either. Pay bills.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you're going to point out the faults in somebody else's plan, have one of your own ready. Don't just be a frustrator; be an expediter.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Attempts to expand your territory now are met with frustration. Do a good job with what you have and let it go at that.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Your savings are in danger. Better check on your investments. Don't go shopping the sales with your credit cards, either.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Conditions are unstable now, although you are still lucky. It's wisdom born of experience that gets you over the top, though.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Yes, there is something urgent. Do you have to do it yourself? It may be cheaper, in this case, to hire an expert.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) A child (or somebody who's acting like one) will throw a fit to get what he wants. Don't fall for it. Tough love builds character.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Things are moving quickly. There is a risk of accident or breakage concerning home or children. Take care.
Book review: ‘Chloe Does Yale’ is an enjoyable read for college students

by Amy DeVito
Staff Writer

In the novel, ‘Chloe Does Yale’ by Natalie Krinsky, we are introduced to the crazy, hectic, fast-paced life of college student Chloe Carrington. Chloe attends Yale University where she writes the column “Sex and The (Elm) City” for her school’s newspaper. For this reason, Chloe is very famous on the Yale campus.

Although Chloe writes a sex column, she has a very difficult time in finding a boyfriend. She does go out on dates, but in the end she always winds up alone. On Yale’s newspaper Web site, an anonymous person posts a rude comment about her column.

Soon after this incident occurs, she has hundreds of comments posted about her articles. Most of them are negative comments, although there are a few positive ones, posted mainly by Chloe’s friends who are fellow students at Yale. Just when it looks like Chloe’s life can’t get any worse, it does.

The editor of the school’s paper wants her column topics to be more risqué, even if it means having to endure all of the unwanted negative feedback. The anonymous person who has become famous for leaving Chloe rude and judgmental comments comes to her rescue after she receives hundreds of impolite and offensive comments in response to her latest article.

Chloe and Mr. Anonymous start e-mailing each other and soon she begins to have feelings for the man behind the username “YaleMale05.” Shortly after this e-mail “relationship” begins, Chloe meets another guy. Suddenly, Chloe goes from having trouble finding a boyfriend to having feelings for two.

“People say that youth means you need minimal sleep and have a lightening-speed metabolism. I disagree. The life of a college student is really taxing. I wake up at ten in the morning and am thoroughly exhausted by five in the evening” (Page 188).

What’s a girl to do? Chloe eventually decides which is the right guy for her. After finding out who the real “YaleMale05” is, when the secret is discovered, Chloe is left to feel humiliated, embarrassed and disappointed. Will the other guy in her life be there for her when she needs him the most?

I found this book to be wonderfully written, with a very refreshing and funny take on the crazy, hectic, chaotic but always surprising life of a college student. By the end of this novel, you can’t help but feel for Chloe.

We all know what it’s like to be in a boring class with our minds wandering off into space, or trying to make time for everything you need to accomplish before the week is over. We know what it’s like trying to find love in college, or trying to find balance between partying and hanging out with friends, while doing the endless amount of reading, writing and studying.
Rebecca Randall Art Gallery hosts 'New Narrative'

by Caroline P. Smith
Assistant Editor
The Coastal Carolina University
Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery is hosting "A New Narrative" art exhibition that began March 27 and will continue through May 23. Featured artists include Andy Warhol, Frank Stella, Bruce Nauman and Tony Fitzpatrick, who are all artists from the late 20th century. The exhibit comes to CCU courtesy of the Curatorial Assistance Traveling Exhibitions (CATE) and the works on display are courtesy of the Art Enterprises, Ltd. Collection from Chicago.

The title of the exhibit, "A New Narrative," describes narrative imagery, the motif all four artists used in their respective displays. According to CATE, narrative imagery tells stories by depicting varying facets of the artists' experiences. Literature, scripture, mythology, history and current events are all things that can influence narrative art.

Over 40 pieces of artwork are currently on display by each of the four artists. Although they are all from roughly the same time period, each artist retains his own individuality and style that is portrayed through his pieces. Warhol's work is displayed in the front of the gallery. His works are done using the silkscreen method and each piece depicts a different facial portrait of a famous figure from the early 20th century. The facial features are outlined in bright colors, which make Warhol's pieces vibrant and alive. Famous people included in this exhibit are Gertrude Stein, George Grosz, Sara Bernhard, Albert Einstein, Sigmund Freud, Golden Mez, Louis Brandeis, the Marx Brothers, Martin Buber and Franz Kafka.

Stella's works are also large, vivid pictures hand-colored and blended with lithographs, linoleum blocks and silk screens. His pieces are more abstract than Warhol's; instead of featuring faces, Stella uses cylindrical shapes and colorful lines to symbolize different images. According to the information in the exhibit provided by CATE, Stella's exhibit tells a personal story with movements through space.

Marden's exhibit is a work titled "Ten Days" which illustrates Marden's denial of space. There are a total of eight etchings in the portfolio, which he completed in just 10 days' time, hence the title.

Fitzpatrick's displays, although the smallest in the gallery, are the most detailed. Done as etchings with aquatint, his pieces are laced with playing cards suits, dice and other images that represent chance, or "the lack of the draw."

The gallery is room 129 of the Edwards building and is open Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call (843) 349-2700 or visit www.coastal.edu/bryanartgallery.

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Summer School is fast approaching! The following is important information you need to know if you are going to use financial aid for summer classes:

1. The 2005-2006 FAFSA must be completed for Summer school financial aid.

2. May 31st is the deadline date for submitting your Summer application for financial aid. These forms are available in our office or online at www.coastal.edu/financialaid/forms.html. Please bring your Summer class schedule with you to the financial aid office in order to complete your Summer application. It is mandatory to complete the Summer application in order to receive financial aid for Maymester, Summer 1 and Summer 2 terms.

3. If taking Maymester classes, be prepared to pay tuition since your financial aid may not be processed in time.

4. A minimum of 6 credits is required for Stafford loans, Parent loans and most Alternative loans.

5. If you are receiving a tuition waiver, you must contact Financial Aid to determine your eligibility for Summer school.

6. The only funds available for the summer terms are the Pell grant, Stafford loans, Parent Plus loans or Alternative Student loans. Complete a summer school application to determine eligibility.

CHECK YOUR CCU EMAIL AND WEB ADVISOR ONCE OR TWICE A WEEK. If you are not checking your email and Webadvisor you are missing critical and important information. If you do not have an email address, please contact Student Computing at 349-2908. Webadvisor can be accessed by going to webadvisor.coastal.edu.
“I speak for the trees”

I saw a thousand tall trees. There is a forest right on our own beautiful campus at Coastal Carolina University. It stretches almost a mile along University Boulevard going north from our University Hall to U.S. Hwy 501. It extends west for acres and acres of mature woods.

But I saw red ribbons. A shocking sign. This forest is claimed for a parking lot to service a commercial arena. I could not believe our forest’s fate. I felt the terror of destruction. I suffered my anguish in silence.

Why teach desperate ecology then destroy a thousand trees for concrete? Do we ever really learn? Do we forever deny our blue planet’s approaching polluted fate?

In my past as a family doctor, I caught and helped save a thousand babies. Now can I save even one tall tree out of those one thousand?

Nature has given us a campus forest. It can be saved.

- Dr. Frank E. Lathe M.D.

Editor’s note: Frank E. Lathe is a retired doctor and is now a non-traditional student at Coastal Carolina University. He aims to preserve the aesthetics of this campus that make it unique. The words and pictures on these pages are his own.
The science behind the trees

Dr. Seuss's Lorax knew the value of trees, a lesson that perhaps could be taught around here. Through Seuss's vivid wordings and seemingly strange metaphors, one learns that when trees are cut down, animals flee, the air isn't as clean and neither is the water. For an author of jolly children's books, the lorax knew his science. Trees are a natural filtration system for water. They are natural purifiers for the air we breathe. They stabilize the soil around them. They create a habitat for countless other plants and animals, and provide shelter for a world much different from the concrete jungles we often inhabit as people. With such benefits, how can we possibly let them be removed?

Replacing forested land with concrete or asphalt or any other hard surface is a mistake that should not be made. Concrete and asphalt are impervious surfaces, which means they do not allow water to soak into the ground, creating the issue of stormwater runoff. Even rooftops contribute to this problem.

According to the National Resources Defense Council (NRDC), stormwater can carry contaminants such as metals, organic chemicals (pesticides, oil and gasoline, for example), pathogens (such as viruses and bacteria) and sediments (sand and soil).

The wooded area adjacent to U.S. Hwy 501 presently acts as a barrier between the university and the busy highway traffic. It has an intrinsic value that cannot be measured in dollars. CCU is a small but growing campus, a campus that often attracts students because of its aesthetics. Students like the trees. They like the lawns. They like to see something green on their way to and from classes.

The Convention of Biological Diversity states that forest biodiversity just might be the most rich of all our terrestrial systems. That's something of value. In addition to the other services provided by forests (you know...the clean air, the habitat) forests are also natural carbon sinks. To put it simply, this means they help stabilize our climate. With such alarming concerns of global warming, this is hardly the time to be ridding our biological communities of forests.

Find a map of the world and look at the size of North, Central and South America. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, all of the world's remaining forests can fit into this amount of land.

With that bit of information, I leave you with these thoughts, borrowed from "The Lorax" by Dr. Seuss:

"And all that the Lorax left here in this mess was a small pile of rocks, with one word...UNLESS. Whatever that meant, well, I just couldn’t guess. That was long, long ago. But each day since that day I’ve sat here and worried and worried away. Through the years, while my buildings have fallen apart, I’ve worried about it with all of my heart. But now, says the Once-ler, now that you’re here, the word of the Lorax seems perfectly clear. UNLESS someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not."

Anne-Marie D’Onofrio, Editor-in-Chief
Music in Myrtle Beach
A mini-compilation of bands, CDs and schedules

Young punk rock band
Paramore is on the rise

by Chuck Plankett
Staff Writer

With powerful female vocals and a style that they call, "energetic, fun, and rockin'!" the members of Paramore are finding out that all of their hard work is finally paying off.

Straight out of Franklin, Tennessee this pop punk band composed of five members has released one album complete with high energy music, hard hitting lyrics and incredible vocals. The release of "All We Know is Falling" under record label Fueled by Rammy 29, 40,000 copies. Their upbeat style, and heart-felt lyrics have caught the ears of many listeners.

The members of Paramore are Coming from different backgrounds, and the hard-hitting melodies and tracks come from a cast of musicians equally as young. The lead guitarist Zac Farro, 18, and brother John Farro, 19, are on the drums. Guitarist Hunter Lamo, 20, and Jeremy Davis, 21 are the elders of the band.

Coming from different musical backgrounds, and with their age acting as a major factor, it is odd how easily they clicked as a band. Just like many of the Fueled By Ramen bands, they pride themselves on, and are known for their live show. All of the energy brought out on the album is portrayed even more so in their live shows, which is why it was devastating to the band when lead singer Hayley grew ill when they were scheduled as the featured opener for Matchbook Romance on the Take Action Tour. They were forced to cancel their tour after only a few shows, unfortunately before they made it down to the city of Blues.

Through e-mail I was able to ask the band a few questions:

Chuck Plankett: Out of all of the up and coming bands, what sets you apart from them?

Paramore: "I think what sets us apart is that we have a female lead singer that blows everyone away. Also, we are just sort of a new style - I think we just sound different than anything that's ever been done."

CP: How would you describe your musical style?

PM: "Energetic, fun and rockin'!"

CP: Where does your inspiration for song writing come from?

PM: "Mostly from life experiences. It really comes from the heart."

CP: What message did you try to portray with your album, "All We Know is Falling"?

PM: "It was based around our bass player Jeremy, leaving the band. We just felt like everything was just falling apart 'cause he had been with us from the start, but now he's back."

CP: How your lives changed since the release of "All We Know is Falling"?

PM: "I don't think our personalities have changed, we don't feel any different. We are a lot busier now than we ever have been. We've learned to appreciate our time at home with friends and family."

CP: You guys recently had to cancel your tour due to Hayley's sickness. What kind of effect do you think this will have on your road to success?

PM: "I think it could effect our road to success more if we don't pay attention to our health. We want to make sure that when we are performing we are giving it 100%. I feel like there's no way that we couldn't do that on this tour. It was best for us to come home and for Hayley to gain her health back."

CP: And what will you be doing with your off-time now that the tour was canceled?

PM: "We will just be practicing a ton and writing new material."

CP: Do you feel that being so young affects the way that you are able to grow as musicians, a band and artistically? If so, how?

PM: "I think that being young is a great advantage, especially in this business. There's so much more room for growth when you're young. We have grown so much as a band since we formed. It's crazy!"

CP: What bands inspire, or influence you? Who do you look up to?

PM: "As a band, some of the main influences are Jimmy Eat World, Coldplay, Death Cab For Cutie, MuteMath, Sigur Ros and Sufjan."

CP: What other music have you guys been listening to recently?

PM: "We've been listening to All-American Rejects, Lil Flip and Dem Franchise Boys."

CP: What's next for Paramore?

PM: "We are going to U.K., then to Japan and Warped Tour. We are very excited."

Edwin McCain is 'Lost in America'
Eclectic musician releases album seven

by Caroline P. Smith
Assistant Editor

Former Coastal Carolina University student and South Carolina resident Edwin McCain released his seventh album, "Lost in America" on April 11 with Vanguard Records.

McCain achieved great success in the 90's with hits like "I'll Be" and "I Could Not Ask For More" through Atlantic Records, but all the fame he acquired turned him off to mainstream pop music. Since then he has been working on smaller projects with bands, which is how "Lost in America" was made.

It is a 10-track album that is more eclectic than McCain has been in the past but still retains his ability to evoke emotion by telling stories in his songs. The entire album comments on the human condition and what McCain has learned about human nature and society as a traveling musician.

McCain's ability to tell different stories through music truly makes him a unique musician. He never tells the same story twice yet maintains a hint of compassion and respect throughout all of his songs. His affluence for music is evident in his voice and in his live performances.

McCain and his band began touring on March 1 in Columbus and will be in Myrtle Beach at the House of Blues on June 21.

Local band music and concert schedule

April 14 Jerry Seinfeld (comedian) at The Palace Theatre, 7 p.m.
April 15 Metaphonic Jazz Quartet at Panini 38, 8 p.m. until 11 p.m.
April 15 I'm a Truck and Starchildren at The Social, 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.
April 19 Blizaband and Eulogizing Blame at The Social, 9 p.m.
April 21 Agent Orange and Jerk & Destroy at The Social, 10 p.m.
April 22 Virtue Trap at Dead Dog Saloon (Coastal Grand Mall), 8:30 p.m. until 1 a.m.
May 5 Little Big Town at The Beach Wagon, doors at 7 p.m.

*Every Saturday at The Beach Wagon Charlie Floyd and the Southern Express Band play live starting at 9:30 p.m.

*The Metaphonic Jazz Quartet plays at Panini 38 every Saturday, starting at 8 p.m.

*Pianist Andy Fowler plays at The Living Room every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

*DJ, Ancestral Groove plays every first Saturday of the month at The Living Room from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

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See page B9 for a listing of bands that will be in the Myrtle Beach area at the House of Blues through early May.
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6.2 Pat Benatar
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Softball profile: Sara Hostetler in final season before graduation

by Kyle B. Ward
Staff Writer

In between innings, I caught up with two-time First Team Big South third baseman Sara Hostetler.

Kyle B. Ward: What's the best thing about softball?
Sara Hostetler: "The girls are awesome so I love hanging out with them. It's the feeling of being good at something and accomplish something.

KBW: What sport would you have played if you weren't playing softball?
SH: "I had an interest in volleyball, but I was short and I don't think that would've worked out.

KBW: So why the number 13?

SH: "I had it when I was little; I've always wanted it. I like the number. Everyone said that it was bad luck.

KBW: Who was your role model growing up?
SH: "My brother; he played baseball and he's older and I always looked up to him and was always competing with him.

KBW: What does the team have to do to be competitive this year?
SH: "We're a very good hitting team. If we can just keep our heads straight and hit the ball like we can, we'll be fine.

KBW: What can you take with you after leaving CCU?
SH: "All the friends that I've made. I've got 24 best friends.

KBW: What do you see yourself doing in five years?

SH: "I'm getting married next year. I have a job with a CPA firm, and I'll be thinking about having kids.

KBW: What's your best memory here?
SH: "Two years ago we played Stanford; lost but it was exciting. We were winning by a run. They were an awesome team. It was the best we'd ever played and made the coach cry.

KBW: If there's a movie about your life, what's it called and who plays you?

KBW: What is the difference in the game out west than in the east?
SH: "They're just ahead of the game. They have slappers and they can hit bombs. They know how to mix it up better.

KBW: What's your reaction to JUCO dropping softball?
SH: "It's frustrating. There's really nowhere for softball players to go. They don't get paid fair, so it's not rewarding.

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On Notice:
Major League Baseball Opening Day is a beautiful thing
Sports fans look forward to 2006 Baseball season

by Kyle B. Ward
April 3 was officially opening day in Major League Baseball. It's an opening day that, for the first time since I can remember, I can finally bury the Atlanta Braves.

Opening day in MLB is like no other sport's opening day. I've never heard of little Billy skipping school to see the Toronto Raptors season opening game or dare I say an NHL game.

There's something enthralling about a new baseball season. Opening day could be the last time that the Red Sox, Yankees and Devil Rays are tied, and to be honest, the D-Rays aren't going to be that bad in 2006.

Questions are aboundng this season. The monstrosity of this steroid investigation is a joke. The main story is Barry Bonds. Personally, I can't see why he's hated so much. He's a diligent, hardworker. His swing ought to be put in the Smithsonian. No matter what, I'd put him on my team; he can still hit and he challenge Hank Aaron's elusive career home run record.

So, yeah I'm defending Bonds. I'm in the minority. Can't we just embrace greatness when we see it? Steroids aren't that bad of a problem. I mean, there's a scientific research to actually prove that it is the main cause of the home run surge.

There are many other elements that home runs are in an influx. The pitching today is nowhere close to what it was in the 1960s. The expansion era has somewhat watered down the way teams handle their pitchers and even scout their pitchers. Balls today are juiced, so it's not just the players. So, I think Bonds will be close to breaking the record, but he says that he doesn't care if he breaks it or not.

Florida is still a football school. Football puts fans in the seats, athletes flock to U of F for that reason and that's why I'm not proclaiming the Gators a top-tier solid hoops program just yet.

It's that time again...

CBS: Enough with the commercials! The Masters is not that special. Sorry, a goofy green jacket and a Ford Motors golf shirt isn't gonna draw me in to golf. The 'At the Hall' analysts need to be fired - they were lame and it's time for a change.

Detroit Lions: Well, Joey Harrington is about to be a Miami Dolphin, and that puts Matt Millen back at square one. This season is where hope and dreams live and die for you, Matt Millen.

Duke: The men's team choked, and the women's team did a worse choking job by blowing a 15-point lead to Maryland. The lacrosse team did not need this negative publicity. The fact is that it's going to rip Durham apart because it's a fracas that no community needs to endure.
by Kyle B. Ward
Staff Writer

A lot was at "steak" at the Teal and White spring game at Brooks Stadium on Saturday, April 1. The winners received a steak dinner that night, while the losers parted with a bunny weenie treat. The White team pounded the Teal squad 30-6 in final preparations for the 2006 regular season.

The Chanticleers ended spring practices in what was a lopsided affair.

The White team, led by Tyler Thigpen, marched down the field on just three plays as Thigpen connected with Santini Washington from 19 yards out at the end of the first quarter. Thigpen was 12-for-18 with 179 yards and also picked up 40 yards on the ground.

"We started off kind of rough. As an offense, we're progressing a lot. We have a lot of work to do, but we're enjoying it through," Thigpen said.

After several defensive stands, the Teal team responded with some canary. A fake reverse pass by Chris Noble to Jerome Simpson caught the secondary off guard as Simpson tip-toed in. That was all the scoring the Teal squad could muster.

The White team struck again thanks to a seven-play, 75-yard drive that culminated with a Thigpen strike to Washington from 22 yards. White added a seven-yard rumble by Aundre Perkins in the third quarter.

The capper was a textbook 13-play, 60-yard drive that lasted nearly 12 minutes as the White team earned the steak dinner. William Richardson was eight-for-15 with 56 yards and Arthur Sitton had nine carries for 40 yards to lead the Teal offense. Washington led the way with five catches for 92 yards and two scores.

CCU enters the season using the no huddle offense. It's designed to prohibit opposing defenses from making substitutions and it keeps the offense in control of the pace of the game.

Head coach David Bennett said, "It's got its positives and negatives and we're gonna work on it. We can catch some teams that won't be ready for it."

Coastal opens the 2006 season at home September 2 at Brooks Stadium at 7 p.m.

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Coastal women’s sports dominate in softball, tennis

by Kyle B. Ward
Staff Writer

Surely the Cougars must have left their clean on the porch as the Chants kept on pounding the ball out of the yard. They set a school record for the most home runs in an inning in the first inning of Game Two of the doubleheader against the College of Charleston on April 4. The Coastal Carolina University Lady Chanticleers have now won 22 of the last 28 games, setting up for a run into postseason.

Kristina Sheppard, Brittany Nelson and Meagen Johnson did the dirty work and got it all started.

“It’s very fun when you hit the ball hard. It kind of blew me away; everyone stepped up today,” Johnson said about the game.

In Game One, the Chants broke a 3-3 tie when Johnson knocked in Ashley Gerds. They were able to manufacture three more runs via the base hit and a sacrifice fly and ended up winning, 7-3.

Gerds said, “If we just relax and play hard each time, we’ll be ready for the rest of conference play.”

Christine Doyle picked up her 10th win and ninth complete game of the season.

Johnson hit her 12th home run of the season, knocking in Tolleson, and added another dinger in the second inning, which was her 13th. A Gerds home run sealed the deal as they pounded the Cougars 9-1 in five innings.

Head coach Jess Dannelly said, “We’ve been hitting the long ball all year. You can afford to make mistakes. Pitchers won’t have to have a perfect game. We just gotta stay healthy and continue to swing the bat.”

Editor’s note: During these two games, the Lady Chanticleers broke all home run records in CCU history. At the time of press, the softball team had hit 39 home runs so far this season.

Senior Rosemary Younger (pictured above), played in a doubles match with Coetzee and together they defeated Antoinette Iuisse and Alexandra Spector of Radford University 8-4.

Senior Petra Jantti (pictured above), defeated Camilla Noldin of Radford University 6-1, 6-1.

Meagen Johnson, senior pitcher winds up for the pitch during the doubleheader against the College of Charleston April 4. Johnson went 3 for 5 during both games and had 4 RBIs.

Kristina Sheppard, senior second baseman stands at bat against the College of Charleston during the doubleheader on April 4. Sheppard hit a home run in the first inning of the second game and had two additional RBIs.

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