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**CRIME LOG**

**SEPT. 19**

**Littering**
A CCU DPS officer observed a subject littering. The subject was given a citation and released.

**SEPT. 19**

**Assist another agency**
CCU DPS officers responded to the Jackass Saloon as requested by officers of the Horry County police. The Horry County police officers arrested three subjects who were students of the University. All three were transported to the Horry County Detention Center.

**SEPT. 19**

**Simple assault**
The victim reported to a CCU DPS officer that he/she was assaulted while in University Place. The subject was identified by the victim and another witness from a photo line-up. The subject was located and transported to the Horry County Detention Center on a warrant.

**SEPT. 20**

**Operating a business without a license**
The subject was observed taking money for transportation on his/her golf cart. The subject was stopped, identified and given citations for no business license and no decal on a golf cart. Subject was released.

**SEPT. 20**

**Disorderly conduct**
CCU DPS officers attempted to clear the aisle in the visitors' stands at the request of a group of patrons. The subject who was observing the officers actions became disruptive and was arrested.

**SEPT. 21**

**Underage consumption of beer**
A CCU DPS officer responded to University Place in reference to a reckless driving complaint. The officer located and identified the subjects of the complaint, but did not observe them in a vehicle. The subjects are being referred into the campus judicial system.

**SEPT. 22**

**Public drunk**
A CCU DPS officer observed a subject who was staggering and having trouble walking. The officer stopped, identified and interviewed the subject. The subject was arrested and transported to the Horry County Detention Center.

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- In Volume 45, Issue 12 of The Chanticleer, the story "New shuttle travels to Conway," the name of the shuttle should have been printed "Gateway."

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Madame Editor,

I would appreciate hearing from any of my 2008 summer school students who expressed interest in representing our university in its 35th annual Coastal Carolina Invitational, our unique intercollegiate fishing match and seminar.

We will fish against Clemson University and The University of South Carolina on the last Friday of October, Halloween.

Last year’s match was won by the CCU “A” team fishing with Captain Jack Orr and all the other teams on the “New Inlet Princess,” a headboat out of Captain Dick’s Marina in Murrells Inlet.

A total of 39 kings were caught. Students, judges and tournament officials dined on seabass filets and grilled king steaks at The Hot Fish Club.

It should be noted that no member of the fishing team has ever been arrested, at least during his or her college days. Also, the fishing team should not be confused with our very fine fishing club.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Millus
Professor of English, and Invitational Founder and Director

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Students sign petition to end absurd football game rules.

**Student petition protests new tailgating policies**

**Ashleey Williamson**
*News Editor*

Hundreds of students gathered on Prince Lawn Tuesday, Sept. 23 to sign a petition requesting the re-evaluation of Coastal Carolina University’s new tailgating and football game policies.

In an effort to control underage drinking, President David DeCenzo recently announced a zero tolerance campaign to prevent more arrests; the campaign was a result of several alcohol-related student arrests during the first month of the school year.

Hunter Pickens, a junior marketing major, who was one of several students arrested at the Sept. 20 game, began the petition because he felt he was “unlawfully arrested,” after standing up in the stands during the game.

During the first quarter of the game, Pickens claimed he and his friends were standing and cheering, much like hundreds of other excited students, when they were approached by a police officer who demanded them to sit down and informed them they were not allowed to be standing.

“Finally, at the very end of a big play,” explained Pickens, “we all jumped up, and the cop came by and told us to sit down again.”

Pickens, 20, said he had not been drinking at all that day and was highly respectful to the officer. “I pointed out a couple different people that the officer hadn’t asked to sit down, and he told me to turn around and then took me into custody. He made me walk around the stadium (in handcuffs), and it was embarrassing,” said Pickens. “I didn’t do anything wrong.”

Pickens was arrested and transported to J. Reuben Long Detention Center, where he was booked at 8:30 p.m. and charged with disorderly conduct. Pickens was not released until 1:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

Still angered by what he felt was an unreasonable arrest, Pickens decided Monday to hold a protest in the Prince Lawn. He and fellow members of the Student Community Restoring Enthusiasm at Athletic Matches Club set up a table with dozens of pens and sheets to sign by student passers-by.

Emily Speir, vice president of S.C.R.E.A.M., witnessed the Sept. 20 incident and was disappointed about the circumstances.

“As the vice president of S.C.R.E.A.M., I’m telling our members to come to events and to be loud and have a good time...but then I’m having to say ‘Well, if a cop comes over and tells you to sit down, apparently you have to sit down,’ and I don’t think that’s right that I have to tell them that,” said Speir.

Speir said she feels that the majority of the student body is being placed under stricter rules due to the actions of other students, and that it is not fair.

“I feel like every student is being punished for other students’ behavior,” she said.

Pickens, Speir and other members of S.C.R.E.A.M. were on the Prince Lawn from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m., and obtained 735 signatures in the four hours spent outside.

“We had a good time,” said Pickens. “We got a chance to show who’s out there and who wants a change. The student body obviously wants a change, and I think Dr. DeCenzo will be behind us.”

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**Bill Baxley Hall is named after honorary founder**

**Ashleey Williamson**
*News Editor*

Coastal Carolina University founders, officials and board members gathered Monday to rename the former University Hall to Bill Baxley Hall in dedication to Col. Bill Baxley, one of the University’s founders and major contributors.

Baxley joined the faculty at Coastal Carolina College in 1972 after retiring from the Army. He first joined as an assistant professor of business administration, and was later selected as dean of the Wall College of Business in 1990.

CCU officially named Baxley an honorary founder of the University in 2003, after more than 30 years of dedication and commitment.

President David DeCenzo opened the dedication ceremony with words of kindness and appreciation for a man that "embodies the essence of graciousness and hospitality.”

Both students and faculty alike were excited to witness the unveiling of Bill Baxley Hall.

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"The history of Coastal," Baxley stated, “has been, and always will rest on the dedication and investment by the people of this community.”

It’s been a long time since we’ve had the opportunity to name a building, especially in honor of a person, so it’s really very special, and to have him here with us makes it even more special,” said Debbie Comer, associate vice president of University Relations.

"[Baxley] has just done an incredible job of helping the university; it’s pretty neat to see this all happen.”

In his closing remarks, Baxley talked about his fond memories of working with founders, including Craig Wall Sr.

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The people Baxley speaks about appreciate everything that Baxley has done for CCU and its community, and that appreciation will continue to be recognized by what is now known as Bill Baxley Hall.

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Student organization attempts to set record

Kevin Haines  
Staff Writer

Coastal Carolina University’s Communication and Journalism Club is attempting to set a record unique to the University, rather than trying to break a pre-existing Guinness record.

Last October, CCU students tried to break a pre-existing Guinness record for the most people doing a synchronized dance routine. With more than 910 students flapping their arms on Prince Lawn to the Chicken Dance, it was not enough.

“Guinness does not tell you in advance that other schools attempted the same record. So, we had the event and sent in the paper work two weeks later only to find out the University of Hong Kong had already broken the record,” said Lee Bollinger, director of internships and associate professor of communication.

“The university beat the record at the end of September, so it was a good three weeks before we attempted ours. But again, Guinness has no obligation to let anyone know what’s going on,” she said.

Members of the Communication and Journalism Club decided to do a backwards relay this year. So far, the club wants 10 or more teams of four.

The teams will run around a marked track area. The club has not made a decision yet if they want to set a record for the fastest time or for how many participants are involved.

“However, we have not heard back from Guinness, which means we have not gotten the approval yet that this is a record they would be interested in putting in their books,” said Casey Church, president of the club.

Whether Guinness accepts the proposal or not, the club is moving forward with the event, as it is also a benefit cause and fundraiser for SOS Healthcare, a local nonprofit organization that sets up different kinds of programs for children with autism.

Professor Antonel Neculai’s Journalism 312 Writing for Media Relations class will bring in the press and media for the event.

“I believe this is a great event because it helps put Coastal on the map and it goes toward a good cause,” said Chantel Davis, a senior communication major.

The record attempt is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 22 during Homecoming Week.

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Zeta Phi Beta’s motto is ‘A community conscious, ACTION-oriented organization’ meaning that we look to our immediate community and see how we can service them best,” said Quinessha Winters, the sorority president. "But community. Not every organization can say that,” said senior Lindsay Clyburn. Winters echoed these sentiments. "I did lots of research and found that Zeta Phi Beta on CCU’s campus was heavily involved in community since the chapter was founded in 2000," said Winters.

CCU commits to heart-healthy lifestyle

Rebecca Filler  
Staff Writer

Coastal Carolina University will participate in a Heart Walk in conjunction with The American Heart Association, an organization that focuses on fighting heart disease and stroke, while raising awareness about these diseases. The members of the organization commit to designing plans for people to achieve a heart-healthy lifestyle.

There are four main branches to The American Heart Association, which include: “Go Red for Women,” “Start!,” “Alliance for a Healthier Generation” and “POWER TO END STROKE.”

The organization’s signature fund-raising event is the Heart Walk. The next Heart Walk is scheduled for Oct. 18, 2008 at the Market Common in Myrtle Beach.

“This is a great event for students to participate in; it is a way to raise money, but more importantly, to raise awareness about heart disease. Students do not have to pay, they can participate as activists, which is just as important,” said Marianne Long, a junior marine science major.

Students may sign up or make donations on their own, or they may sign up to be a part of CCU’s team, through the organization Students Taking Active Responsibility. To donate or to become a part of the organization’s cause, students can log onto the Heart Walk website, www.startwccamawsc.org.

For more information about The American Heart Association, visit www.americanheart.org or call the S.T.A.R. office at (843) 349-2337.
Millions of Americans have recently tuned into the pageantry of the Democratic and Republican Party conventions. The unique American elections occur once every four years, and while their practical importance has declined, the conventions remain the highlight of the primary process.

The candidates and their respective parties sought to solidify their base and reach out to undecided voters. In order to accomplish this task Sen. John McCain and Sen. Barack Obama attempted to make the vice presidential candidate was critical to a successful Democratic convention for a number of reasons. It was imperative for the campaign to reassure people of an Obama tickets degree of foreign policy expertise. Biden also helps Obama reach out to voting groups, especially swing states. Finally, Biden’s personal journey reinforces the theme that the Democratic Party is on the side of everyday Americans.

The centerpiece of the convention was Obama’s speech in the Mile High Stadium. Reminiscent of John F. Kennedy’s speech. Obama reframed the debate and conveyed a sense of hope and promise. McCain began his convention down in the polls. It was critical that he lay the groundwork for his campaign’s message during the general election.

The theme of the first part of the Republican convention was that of service and country first. Moreover, McCain’s own story of service is one of the foundations of the campaign that is stressed.

Many of McCain’s opponents spoke during the convention, and highlighted his consistent stand against politics. Fred Thompson’s speech stood out for the fact that he emphasized the struggles McCain faced in his life while a prisoner of war, and the sacrifice he made for this country.

The first several days of the convention allowed McCain to distance himself from an unpopular Republican President, while introducing many Americans to the struggles and successes of his life. He also began recasting the image of the Republican Party.

Sara Palin, McCain’s vice presidential selection, spoke to small town Americans who desire reform.

The following day, McCain’s message was centered on bridging the differences between Democrats and Republicans so the nation can meet the challenges of the 21st century.

While both parties had well-structured conventions, Obama’s post convention bounce was completely eliminated by McCain’s convention and vice presidential selection, according to the polls. The polls in states that typically vote Republican have solidified while battleground states have begun to lean toward McCain.

The recent tightening in the polls is not the final say in how people will vote, but rather an indication of who has the momentum.

Regardless of where the election stands at the moment, there is much campaigning still to be done.
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Vegetarian diet: a new trend within meat-eating community

Maegen Sweat
Assistant Editor

Vegetarianism is a growing popular trend among society. Whether for health reasons or for taking a stand against the killing of animals, more people are giving in to a non-meat diet.

According to the Vegetarian Society's Web site, www.vegsoc.org, a vegetarian is someone who does not eat meat, fish, poultry or any slaughterhouse by-product such as gelatin. Vegetarians live on a diet of grains, pulses, nuts, seeds, vegetables and fruit, with or without free-range eggs, milk and dairy products. Vegetarians who do not eat anything containing dairy products or eggs are called vegans.

To the average American who lives off of a carnivorous diet, the concept of not eating meat may seem very impractical with today’s fast-paced and fast-food eating society.

There are many new alternatives and resources for the vegetarian as more people are catching on to the trend.

Coastal Carolina University student Amanda Kraft said she has been following a vegetarian diet for almost seven years.

Kraft, a junior English major, says she first became a vegetarian for animal rights, but upon further research she realized it was an environmental issue and possibly a solution to world hunger.

“When I first started, no one around me was a vegetarian. I asked my mom if I could and she said no because she didn’t think I was old enough. She told me to read more about it,” said Kraft.

With the troubles of starting a new diet, Kraft said it was not easy at first.

“I felt hungry every hour. It took me a month to get used to it. You just find out what things you can have and then you get used to it,” continued Kraft.

There are a lot of substitutes for chicken and turkey that are mostly made of soy protein, said Kraft.

“Soy is something Asian markets have been using for centuries. The food also depends on the brand and how you cook it. Tofu, if you know how to cook it, is quite remarkable,” said Kraft.

Many people are also learning more about the different lifestyle from the New York Times bestselling book, “Skinny Bitch” by Rory Freedman and Kim Barnouin.

“Skinny Bitch,” a no-nonsense approach to being a vegan, really influenced Kraft and many others.

Another book Kraft recommends is “Skinny Bitch,” which is a no-nonsense approach to being a vegan. Kraft said it’s the most outlandish book she has ever heard about.

“My test of faith, journey and understanding faced me with every rising sun. I relaxed, I loosened up and I lived my time there to the fullest. I stepped way beyond a comfort zone that I never knew even existed. I made friends from all over Ecuador, I tasted any and every food that I wanted and was recommended not to eat.

Living there was a daily journey that took me for a ride from the points of mystery to the ever so wondrous discoveries. I went to many places in Ecuador, in every region, except the Galapagos Islands. That was a tough decision to make, but in the end served as an amazing trade for the beautiful Incan ruins of Macchu Picchu, quaint delightful towns and surf-filled beaches. I traveled to different parts of the Amazon Jungle on three separate occasions, teaching me of the lives of the native indigenous people, how to sleep on wooded floors in the depths of vast luscious and pitch dark forest by night, bathing in mud filled rivers and how to admire the beautiful nature in a vast Amazon.

I drank chicha the most awful tasting prized possession they have to offer you when you enter their home. I laughed; I cried and was

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see Travel page 15
Spotlight: thang is going here after all blah blah blah

Elaine Urban
Features Editor

Coastal Carolina University's faculty has some of the brightest people in the nation teaching students.

One of the new artistic faculty members of the Thomas W. Edwards and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts at CCU is John Schiro.

Schiro, originally from Texas, attended Houston Community College for a short time and then received his bachelor's in Fine Arts from University of Texas. However, Schiro did not always aspire to be a painter. Instead, he was passionate about another type of art – classical dance.

Schiro was a dance instructor for 15 years, involved in an array of styles from ballet to jazz. Metamorphosing from a dancer to a painter was caused by a bittersweet incident.

Being impacted head on by a drunk driver compelled Schiro to end his dance career. Still ambitious, Schiro returned to school and received his master's in Fine Arts at Rutgers University.

Schiro is now a flourishing artist of five years with well over 200 pieces of work, some pieces having been sold as commission work to art collectors. Schiro takes a different approach to abstract painting by eliminating the use of a brush. His art is created by pouring paint by process. The fluidity of the paint is not random, but there is meaning to the pouring.

"He is a really good teacher who can teach a lot about art and some new techniques," said sophomore Katie Remmel.

Schiro hopes that his students will have a greater appreciation for art and a realization of discipline after completing his courses.

To art majors at CCU Schiro advised, "Learn as much as you can about previous artists and art history, work hard and make a ridiculous amount of work."

BUSINESS

World events, economic changes impact globalized community

Shawn Sines
Business Writer

In the past year, the world has been subjected to strenuous events that have impacted nearly everyone in the globalized economy. Consumers and financial institutions made poor decisions that have created a domino-effect of rapidly decreasing wealth, held both by individuals and corporations.

In Europe and Asia, political disagreements and instability have led to an immense amount of losses – monetarily and in casualties.

Month Long Conflict Still Not Resolved

Russian troops are finally following the terms of their agreement with Western leaders. In an interview with The Wall Street Journal, Georgian Security Council Chief Alexander Lomaia stated that the Russian military had "fulfilled the commitment" to withdraw from certain areas of Georgia by Monday, Sept. 15. However, Lomaia estimated that another 1,200 Russian troops are occupying regions of Georgia outside the parameters of the cease-fire agreement enacted between the leaders of European nations and Russia; with the support of the United States.

The separatist regions of South Ossetia and Abkhazia, over which the conflict began, are still being subjected to a vast Russian military presence. Nearly 7,600 Russian troops still occupy those regions – a blatant disregard for an important facet of the cease-fire agreement, which clearly states that all Russian troops must return to their positions held prior to the declaration of war on Aug. 7.

Change at the Helm in Japan

It has been only 11 months since Yasuo Fukuda was selected as the Prime Minister of Japan, and now the country is in search of a successor. First reported in the Washington Post on Sept. 1, Fukuda's resignation will signal the second time in a year that the Japanese have witnessed their political and economic leader step down. Shinzo Abe resigned as prime minister in September of 2007 after failures to establish a collaborative parliament.

Not only is Japan facing a time of extreme political instability, its economy is also steadily declining. Japanese citizens have experienced an inflation level that is at its highest point in over nine years; along with an economy suffering a 2.4 percent decline in production. A week before his resignation, Fukuda attempted to counteract the difficult circumstances facing all Japanese by declaring a government spending increase of $18 billion to help with increasing food and fuel prices.

The Prime Minister's actions were seen by many as far inferior to the actual needs of the economy; which had a direct impact on his decision to resign. The inability of Japan's Parliament to act as a unit, and the dire situation of the country's economy, leave the next prime minister in an unenviable position.

Economic Woes in the U.K. and EU

Inflation is constantly on the minds of central bankers around the world. However, none may be caught in such a situation as Mervyn King and Jean-Claude Trichet; governor of the Bank of England and chairman of the European Central Bank(ECB) respectively.

In the U.K., declining home values and increasing prices of necessities are coinciding with inflation of 3.8 percent. The eurozone – the 15 nations that use the euro as currency – is experiencing an even higher rate of inflation. At 4.1 percent, it is more than double the ECB target rate of an annualized two percent.

The losses realized in the stocks of American homebuilders and financial institutions have precipitously affected their counterparts in European nations. As reported in TIME in conjunction with CNN, Taylor Wimpey, the U.K.'s largest homebuilder, has seen an 80 percent decline in its market value in just 11 months.

The events of the past year are effective refutes to the decoupling effect; a theory centered on the belief that the U.S. and EU are not affected by one another's actions. In an increasingly globalized world, we are all subject to the consequences brought about by distant occurrences.
**CONCERTS**

Show of the Week

Irish band, Flogging Molly, rocks the House of Blues in Myrtle Beach

Kyle Drapeau
Business Manager

I've been to a lot of concerts over the years and seen countless bands put on some special performances, but no band has the synergy of Flogging Molly. Before the band even took the stage, the intercom was playing “Blitzkreig Bop” by The Ramones. Everyone in the room, including those sitting in the second level seats, was singing every word. That's how pumped the crowd, including myself, was for Flogging Molly. I've never seen a band with the stage presence that these guys had. The crowd hung on their every word.

Dave King, the band's vocalist, only needed to say the title of the next song to send every single person on the floor into a frenzy. He told jokes between songs and kept the crowd going for the entire hour and a half they played. The band played all the songs you'd expect, including “If I Ever Leave This World Alive,” “What's Left of the Flag,” and “Rebels of the Sacred Heart.”

There were points during the show where you couldn't hear the band because of the crowd singing. This was most true during what I arguably the band's most popular song, “Drunken Lullabies.” You could feel the ground shake with all the people dancing as they played that song. Flogging Molly put on one of the best shows I've seen in a long time and if they come back anytime soon you can expect to see me there again.

As I heard someone say on my way out the door, “Everyone was Irish tonight.”

**SHOPPING**

Store of the Week

Abrams family offers diverse shopping

Elaine Urban
Features Editor

Abrams, a unique store in downtown Conway, has much to offer that other stores would not typically have. Shopping today in corporate stores can sometimes be considered a hassle. It's difficult just to find an item that isn’t a duplicate of everyone else's. Students around campus can look like carbon copy Hollister clones simply because there is not a different place to shop.

Coastal Carolina University’s community is lucky because they are not only conveniently located ten minutes away from Myrtle Beach, but they are also the same distance from Historic Downtown Conway, where the hopping is a little different.

Owned by Sam and Eileen Abrams, the store dates back three generations and is older than the depression. Abrams' grandfather owned many similar stores spanning North and South Carolina. However, due to the depression many of his stores were forced to cease business, the Abrams in Conway was the only one that prospered. Abrams is actually in the National Historic Register.

“We are a family, personal type business. We aim to please everyday and it's a lot of fun because the customers are our friends,” said S. Abrams. Although this store has been around for quite some time, its merchandise has changed immensely.

Their exclusive lines include Sid Dickens, department 56, Vera Bradley, Vineyard Vines, Lacoste, Lily Polister and much more. Abrams often attracts patrons from six hours away just to see what a variety they have from men’s snazzy dress shoes. Abrams sells many collectors items as well such as the original Snow Village or perfect conditioned Barbies.

“We have more Disney than Disney world,” said E. Abrams. Even thought the Abrams sell a great deal of things, the one thing that they have that other stores may sometimes lack, is there pride in their customer service. They will even make special orders for shoppers if they don’t have what they are looking for.

“We take care of the people best, we make each customer feel like they are very important,” said I. Abrams.

From the outside of Abrams, it is hard to decipher what they sell, so passersby shouldn’t always judge the store by its window.
MUSIC
Album of the Week

Girl Talk, a random music mix

Ashley Stevens
For The Chanticleer

Girl Talk’s “Feed the Animals” is almost a full hour of pop, rock and hip hop mash-ups that will be sure to make you move your feet.

Greg Gillis, who goes by the stage name Girl Talk, is a self-proclaimed pop music enthusiast and wants to keep his music as mainstream as possible. Girl Talk has mixed songs that are unexpected, but when you listen closely it’s almost as if they were always blended together.

In “Feed the Animals” you will find Lil Wayne’s “Lollipop” infused with Red Hot Chili Pepper’s “Under the Bridge.” With more than 300 samples of songs almost anyone can recognize, Avril Lavigne with Jay-Z, The Band with Young Joc, and The Jackson 5.

Girl Talk has an endless track that requires no changing songs, and sometimes it’s hard to even know when one song ends and another begins.

By visiting Girl Talk’s myspace page (myspace.com/girltalk) you can simply click on a button to download the full album and pay as much as you want.

Greg Gillis is an artist who is all about the art of music, and “Feed the Animals” is an album full of the tracks you know and love.

MOVIES
Film of the Week

Jackson brings tension to the big screen

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“Lakeview Terrace” is a decent movie, with its biggest strength being the attention it calls to the issue of racism.

When Chris (Patrick Wilson) and Lisa Mattson (Kerry Washington), a newly married interracial couple, move into their first home in upper class suburban Southern California, everything seems to be perfect. Enter Abel Turner (Samuel L. Jackson), an L.A.P.D. officer and actions go from simple insults and implications regarding the couple’s actions and races to outright indignities and veiled threats against their home and lives.

Trouble is also afoot at home where Abel’s actions are causing the young couple increasing levels of marital strife. The tension between the couple themselves and with Turner rises and rises until it boils over at the movie’s violent end.

As far as acting goes, I’ve seen worse from Jackson. He does pretty well as the angry policeman with a palpable distaste for the couple’s intermingling of races, though it felt like something I’ve seen him do before.

Wilson and Washington were at times difficult to buy into as a couple and didn’t share the kind of chemistry needed for this movie. In their defense, neither performed so poorly that the movie as a whole was bad.

All in all, “Lakeview Terrace” is a movie worth seeing at least once, if for no other reason than its social commentary.

ACROSS
1. Nike symbol
4. Brown in color
9. German fairy tale
14. Khan title
15. Duration of life
16. Game of 1456
18. Band Circa ___
19. Horse drawn carriage
21. The “I” of an person
23. Tennis sensation
27. Antonym of despise
29. Lip service
30. Artist Bon ___
31. Curious monkey

DOWN
2. 1780 “Beggar’s ___”
3. Goddess of dawn
5. Indivisible
6. Facial spasm
7. The Iliad, for example
8. Juliet said “O happy ___!”
10. Canaan’s grandfather
11. Errs and Esses
12. Sweetener and endearment
13. “Get up, stand up”
17. Hawaiian town
20. Caucasoid nomad
22. Praise
24. 06/06/44
25. To check for accuracy
26. Naval prison
28. Independently owned
29. Pan’s opponent

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Surfers charge in wild conditions

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It was dark and drizzling – not exactly beach-going weather – and yet there they were, running down the beach in their bathing suits.

Decked out in tattoos and wetsuits, they carried their boards like shields as they charged the surf. The ocean roared its battle cry as it heaved itself upon the sandy stretch – it was enough to make a weaker person rattle their knees. While most people would stay away from the beach when a tropical storm is approaching, the few adrenaline junkies were looking for big waves and a good ride.

On Friday, Sept. 5, Coastal Carolina University was closed due to the incoming tropical storm Hanna. A little rain and wind didn’t stop CCU students and locals from rushing to the South Carolina coastline when Hanna grewl up the East coast of the United States.

Storm surfing isn’t something entirely out of the ordinary. Most surfers follow the weather for the sole purpose of catching those big storm swells that make surfing fun.

The surfers were attracted to the area around 64th Ave. alongside North King’s Highway.

In this area, it is known that the crashing waves are slower and larger because of the topography of the beach. The slope of the beach is at a steady incline around 64th Ave. The beach is at a steeper incline by the hotels, which means the waves have less room to travel and break quickly.

People hit the water when it was clear to surf.

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Student loans prove beneficial

Maegen Sweat
Staff Writer

College is very expensive. Unless a student is on full scholarship, chances are a loan will be taken out sometime during a college career. It is very important that all students understand what types of loans are available and can benefit them the most.

As listed on Coastal Carolina University's financial aid Web site, www.coastal.edu/financialaid, there are three types of loans that students can take out themselves.

The two most common loan are Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loan.

In order to receive either of the federal loans, a student must complete the FAFSA forms to see how much aid he or she qualifies for.

There are, however, two big differences in the loans. In the subsidized loan the government pays the interest while the student is in school. In the unsubsidized loan the student pays the interest, although the payment can be deferred until graduation.

Regardless of need, all students are eligible for Unsubsidized Stafford Loans. These federal loans do not require credit checks of collateral, and have very low interest rates.

Kevin Perry, senior assistant

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guidebook to healthy eating, has even convinced some CCU students to consider what they are putting into their mouths.

Senior communication major Shannon Brady said reading the book has changed her outlook on meat diets and she is even considering a vegetarian lifestyle.

“When you eat burgers, steaks and grilled chicken, you are disconnected from what is actually happening. We call it chicken and pork, but it’s actually dead animals and that’s disgusting to me. In (“Skinny Bitch”) you make a connection with what is actually happening. The treatment of these animals makes me want to vomit. Think about what you are actually eating: decomposing carcass flesh,” said Brady.

Brady said in changing her diet, she is taking it one day at a time.

“I’m a pretty healthy eater and I would eat grilled chicken and veggies. When I would go out I would always have filet mignon, and I would put chicken on everything,” said Brady.

Brady also explained that there are many good substitutes to eating meat.

“Boca burgers taste just like regular burgers. You make vegetarian tacos where it’s all veggies. Morning Star makes very good corndogs. There’s plenty of alternatives, it’s not a necessity to eat meat,” continued Brady.

In fact, many of these alternatives can be found in CCU’s dining hall, The Commons.

Steve Escott, location manager of The Commons, said they currently serve one vegetarian offering with each meal, and if they had the proper space there would be a “Vegetarian Corner.”

Escott said that they try to keep the vegetarian food in theme with the rest of the offerings.

“If we have stir fry, we have stir fry tofu as well,” said Escott.

As far as students eating the vegetarian foods, Escott claimed they do not have to make as much during meal times, but they are open to any new suggestions students may have.

“We don’t make as much of these foods as we do non-vegetarian items, but we probably have 25 percent of students look for vegetarian foods and choose them. We try to keep it in the same area each time. Today we had bacon cheese burgers so we offered a vegetarian garden burger as well, which was suggested by a student,” said Escott.

“Our goal is to make sure students have choices. We have different offerings at the salad bar; they can put together pasta, salads, and cheeses. Anybody can be as creative with what we have available.”

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“Perhaps we should see these men in a tragic light, in that they had bad moral luck,” concluded Spitzer.

The presentation proved to be a hit amongst students and the community, as many were left to contemplate moral character and virtue.

“I think he did a good job of opening up the students’ minds and making them think of ethical decisions of sex that they make every day,” said Morgan Stout, a senior communication major who stated the turnout was bigger than he expected.

Another senior, Claire Holmes, thought the seminar was very interesting.

“I thought it was better because he spoke of Spitzer. It was over all a very good discussion.”

Students are encouraged to attend the next Tea and Ethics seminar put on by the Jackson Center for Ethics titled, “Environmental Ethics: If Trees and Polar Bears Could talk.”

Phil Schneider of the philosophy and religion department will be speaking along with Dan Abel from the Department of Marine Science.

The event will be held Oct. 21 at 4:30 p.m. in the Edwards Recital Hall.
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confused many times. I hiked the beautiful snow capped mountains in Ecuador. I lost my breath several times. I saw some of the most beautiful pristine waterfalls in my life. I almost died white water rafting. I was ripped off several times, pissed off and rarely remembered that a woman needs to walk with her own toilet paper when using most public facilities. How could I forget my numerous adventures at the Pacific Coast, lying half naked in the water. I almost died white water rafting. I fell in love with the affectionate sweet talking Latino boys, the reggaeton music, the language, the people and the food. There is nothing more exhilarating and powerful than learning and seeing life through another culture and societies eyes. I would do this all over again instantly and regret nothing. I lived and discovered beyond what I imagined. With my love and passion for Latin American culture and now Ecuador I say, travel to this gorgeous gem at least once before you die. If you have never been and forget about what life may mean to you in the United States for just the moment.

Photo by Brandon Lockett

Local surfers and CCU students from left to right: Jim Anderson, Anna Troy, Chelsea Vanadia, Brittany Oxley and Ben Compton test the rough oceans.

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that Hanna was coming close to the Myrtle Beach coastline.

The reason for heading out during, before or after a storm is because the high winds that accompany a storm build up waves to heights that are perfect for riding.

During a tropical storm such as Hanna it can be expected that wind speed reaches 20-40 mph. While this is good for 6-10 foot waves, it wasn’t enough to make the monsters that you see off of Hawaii’s.

The conditions were still good enough to have some fun, as freshman Alex Mayer pointed out, "Yeah, [the waves] were about 5-6 foot; we were expecting about 9 footers later," explained freshman Nick Taylor.

"It was definitely one of the better days surfing out here," said junior Ben Compton. "As good as Myrtle Beach is going to get."

The hurricane season isn’t over yet so there will be more storms to shred; Hanna won’t be the last storm to roll around.

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director of financial aid, said the majority of students are eligible for subsidized loans.

With the majority of students counting on loans to get through the hardships of college, Perry said the average CCU student will leave college with a debt of around $30 to $40 thousand.

"Loans are a necessary evil of college. You don’t want to be frivolous [with the money] but you have to decide what is more beneficial to you, to enhance the academic experience and abilities," he continued.

As far as repayment, Perry said that there is a six-month grace period from the time you graduate until the first payment is made.

"Student loans have more flexibility in repayment. They have different payment plans available and it is always good to stay in contact with the lenders."

Senior communication major Nathan White has taken out loans to help alleviate the cost of tuition every year.

White said that that took out alternative loans (loans through an independent lender not with the school) and said they helped to relieve financial stress. However, as he has gotten older he has learned.

"If I continued to take out alternative loans I will be paying a lot when I graduate," said White.

"I look at it as an investment, you are going to use this money. You have to spend money to make money," he continued.

Another CCU senior, Bridgette Rowe, said she did not take out loans until her last year of college.

"I lived at home for my first two years, and I had the LIFE scholarship, so I didn’t need loans," she explained. "My junior year I got a condo and a new car, so I started having a lot of bills. This year, I took out an unsubsidized loan, and my goal is to work the summer after I graduate and pay it off."

According to Perry, loans overall are very beneficial to students when used responsibly. They are an excellent resource, and in this day and age, a necessity.
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Chauncey Showdown

Who is the lesser of the two evils, Barack Obama or John McCain?

Barbara Astrini
Staff Writer

We have heard every Obama and McCain schmoeil that has been rammed down our throats for the past year.

In a recent CNN poll, the economy is the most important issue for the sample of registered voters at a ranking of 36 percent, followed by the Iraq war. As trite as that may sound, this is extremely significant to our generation.

Take the Wall Street crisis and the government's plan to spend $700 billion to bail out these large companies that have gone bankrupt. Who's going to cover that cost? We are; the taxpayers. Additionally, the unemployment rate is at a five-year high, at 6.1 percent.

The current war in Iraq costs millions per day. Sure, as college students, and potential graduates in the upcoming four years, we feel more comfort about getting a job straight out of college, but with these statistics, it's hard not to panic.

This is where Obama comes in: this Democratic nominee wants to fix this warped tax plan, which gives the wealthy a cut, and wants to give that benefit to the middle class, with a cut of $1,000 for each working family.

In other words, the more broke you are, the less taxes you pay. Sounds good, right? And with the bailout, he wants to either use no taxpayer dollar to "helmet" the disaster, or payback strategy for taxpayers who are footing the bill and aid to innocent homeowners who are facing foreclosure.

Obama wants change, and that was clear from the beginning. As far as the GOP - maverick shmaverick. The McCain/Palin ticket just equals another four years of the Bush administration. And it is extremely important for us to focus on the right issues and disregard the asinine mudslinging going on at this rate of the election. Who cares about pigs or pitbull wearing lipstick? It's time for us to look at the candidate who's concentrating on what he needs to do to fix a country in a crisis, and that guy would be Obama, the real ticket for change.

Dave Ward
Staff Writer

The challenges that face the next President of the United States will include ensuring America's continuing military, economic and diplomatic preeminence while maintaining the American people safe. Sen. John McCain is the man for this job.

Years ago, while Al Qaeda's power was on the rise and Iraq slid closer to the abyss of anarchy, McCain implemented the strategy he had advocated since the start of the war. That strategy, which became known as the surge, has been universally credited with restoring security and stability to the Iraqi people, while crippling much of Al Qaeda's network in Iraq.

McCain took this stand even though it was politically unpopular, asserting that he would rather lose an election than have America lose a war.

The next president will have to sustain the progress we have made in Iraq while charting a new course towards success in Afghanistan. McCain has consistently demonstrated that he has not only the knowledge and experience, but also the determination to lead our nation.

McCain advocates that the U.S. remain on the offense in the war on terror. Moreover, with the international order in transition, the next president will have to deal with emerging powers like Russia, China, India and Brazil. These countries will challenge American interest on the world stage. McCain knows the players and understands game.

During the past decade, while both parties went on a spending spree, driving our nation deeper into debt, McCain stood alone, arguing for responsible stewardship of the taxpayer's dollar.

With energy costs soaring and environmental concerns growing, McCain knows that he needs to reduce the tax burden on American workers, small businesses and corporations, which spurs investment in industry and jobs.

McCain is a maverick who has repeatedly bucked his own party, and fought the entrenched special interest, always putting his country first.

How did the rise in gas prices affect you?

Angel Rowech
freshman, biology major

"Interestingly I'm a commuter student from North Myrtle Beach. Twenty dollars to put a quarter tank of gas is incredible! When it was really high, around $4.10 a gallon, I still did just the same amount of miles, but got so much less gas!"

Jail Woods
freshman, biology major

"I'm a commuter student, so it affected me a lot. I drive here every day from Little River. Some places have cheaper gas, so I take a different route to go there on my way to campus."

Stevie Martinez
senior, music major

"I'm a music student, so I paid more money out of pocket, but it still hurt. To go where I had to go, I made a point to save the extra money."

Devin Anderson
freshman, musical theater major

"I had to drive less to save gas and start carpooling more. I made sure I went out for a necessary, not just because I wanted to."

Tammy Trefler
senior, physical education major

"It affected me really bad because I live in Garden City. It was cheaper there at the time, and I got gas before it went up. I mean if you got classes, you got classes."
Chanticleers defeat Towson Tigers for second season victory; 31-3

Nick Mamary
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Coastal Carolina University Football hosted Towson University during Family Weekend, with a substantial number of fans in attendance to witness the Chanticleers’ second season win.

The visiting team had possession at the start of the game, and after being forced into a third and 15, Towson quarterback Sean Schaefer’s pass was deflected into the hands of his teammate, junior wide receiver Dave Newsome.

After gaining a few more yards, the drive stalled and Tiger’s kicker Mark Bencivengo was called onto the field. The 25-yard attempt was good, giving Towson the first points of the game on a drive that lasted 7:39.

CCU took the field for the first time, and the offense was faced with a third and 10, following two incomplete attempts from quarterback Zach MacDowall to wide receiver Marquel Willis. A draw play to running back Eric O’Neil only gained seven yards, and kicker Ben Erdman booted a 45-yard punt.

CCU was able to force Towson off the field without any points on the next drive. Line backer Chris Walls had an eight-yard sack, which helped put Towson in third and long. CCU’s offense moved the ball efficiently, and O’Neil ran eight yards.

Coach David Bennett went for it on fourth and one. This paid off as a MacDowall option-keeper put CCU ahead 7-3. Neither team would score again until CCU kicker Justin Sitton’s 28-yard field goal capped off a six-play 79-yard drive.

Defensive back Mario Lowrie’s deflection in the end zone stopped a Towson attempt to tie the game.

Big plays by running back Arthur Sitton helped to spark an offensive explosion. Two MacDowall touchdown passes pushed the CCU lead to 24-3.

Senior running back Jaime Fordham reached a milestone in the third quarter when he passed 1,000 rushing yards in his career. The running game tallied more than 300 yards.

With less than two minutes left in the game, O’Neil pulled off a 49-yard touchdown run to make the score 31-3.

CCU ended up winning by that margin.

“I can’t give enough credit to the defense and how they played today. Offensively, we struggled a little to begin with, but we knew we had to come and finish these games, and we did that,” said MacDowall.

According to Norman, the defense has improved over the last two games.

“We came out with a high level of intensity, swarmed to the ball a lot better, and had more fun,” said Norman. Sitton felt the same way.

“We needed this win, and the offensive line played well.”

A proud Bennett later remarked, “The defense played great all night [to hold] Towson to three points, a field goal on their first drive. The goal line stand was outstanding.”

Bennett continued, “I’m proud of them [the players]. They are growing, they came together tonight, let’s see if they have the intensity play like that every week.”

During play, junior safety Dominic Davenport dislocated his elbow and is expected to miss a few weeks, according to Bennett.

CCU improved to a 2-2 record with the win, while the Towson Tigers dropped to 1-3.

MLB predictions promise exciting 2009 season

Kyle Ward
Sports Writer

The Boston Red Sox appear ready to defend their World Series title as the postseason is a few weeks away.

Red Sox fans have another season to gloat as the old and oft-injured New York Yankees will be vacationing in October; their season is squandered.

Though the Rays are currently ahead, the Sox should make a formidable run through the Pale Hose from the Windy City of Chicago.

Even without the services of JD Drew and Mike Lowell, their rookie tandem of Jed Lowrie and Jacoby Ellsbury have kept them strong in the September push towards the postseason.

The Rays and Angels would make a compelling series, while the Red Sox should handle the White Sox.

The National League is harder to figure out as the Cubs and Dodgers appear to have their divisions won. The Mets, Marlins and Phillies are still fighting it out for the NL East and Wild Card.

More remarkable for Florida, for the first time in MLB history, the team’s entire infield has each hit more than 25 home runs this season.

The Brewers canned their manager in the middle of a pennant race, which has not been done in quite a long time.

Manny Ramirez and the Dodgers have a good chance of winning the NL pennant.

They have great talent at all the skilled positions and they have a great manager in Joe Torre.

Men’s soccer suffers: Chants take one to the net

Amanda Kelly
For The Chanticleer

The Coastal Carolina University men’s soccer team continued a downward fall with a 4-0 shutout to Virginia Commonwealth University at home Sunday, Sept. 21.

VCU (4-3) earned a No. 5 ranking in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) rankings because of their heavy schedule playing the best teams in the country headed into the weekend game.

For the Chanticleers, it was a game of few opportunities and missed chances. CCU was down 2-0 after the first half, and VCU had taken four shots on goal to CCU’s two missed attempts.

The Rams out of Richmond, Va. added two more shots (out of three attempts) before the end of the game.

Chanticleer goalkeepers Matt Smith and Phillip Latham stopped seven shots on goal while allowing two a piece to fall in the net. In the goal for VCU Andrew Dykstra and Ryan MacArthur blocked all five tries by CCU.

The men head to Virginia to battle VMI Sunday at 12:30 p.m. to try and add a win to their 2-6 record and end their three-game losing streak. The game against VMI is the first of their Big South Conference games.
Lady Chants return to winning streak after early blows in season

Amanda Kelly
For The Chanticleer

The Lady Chanticleers (4-3) are on a roll with a four-game winning streak after defeating East Carolina University on their own grass in Greenville, N.C. last Sunday, Sept. 22.

CCU scored the first goal 13 minutes into the game with a 20-yard shot from senior Emily McColl that was assisted by junior Samantha Teijelo.

Four minutes later, ECU added a goal to tie the game 1-1. The ladies remained tied in their first ever game against the Pirates until senior Ashleigh Gunning scored a game winning goal with 11:29 left in the game.

The Chanticleers lead the scoreboard and had 12 shots on goal to ECU's 10 tries.

The Lady Chanticleers opened the season on the road losing their first three matches, first falling 2-3 to University of North Carolina, Greensboro in double overtime, then a nine goal shutout to Duke University and finally a 2-0 shutout to Furman University.

The ladies have come back from the early blows to shut out Wofford University 2-0, defeat both the Citadel and Austin Peay State University 4-1 and finished with the 2-1 win over ECU.

The ladies finished up an eight-game road-trip yesterday and return home to play Gardner-Webb University Saturday at 6 p.m.

Just like the men, the women will open the Big South Conference play this weekend.

Former CCU athletes put up stats in NFL

Kyle Ward
Staff Writer

Former Coastal Carolina University football players Jerome Simpson, Mike Tolbert, Quinton Teal and Tyler Thigpen have all made open day rosters in NFL season.

Thigpen recently had his first NFL start for the Kansas City Chiefs against the Falcons in Atlanta. He got his first TD pass of his career to Tony Gonzalez as he was 14 for 33 for 151 yards against the Oakland Raiders.

He ranks second all-time in the Big South in total offense with 8,236 yards, while also helping CCU to a 34-11 (30-8 as a starter) during his four years with the Chanticleers.

Thigpen was the first-ever Big South player to be nominated for the Walter Payton Award and he finished seventh in the balloting. He set nine conference season records in 2006 in total offense (3,952). He played in week two as Brodie Croyle suffered a shoulder injury against the New England Patriots.

Mike Tolbert is listed as the No. 2 fullback behind fellow rookie Jacob Chester for the San Diego Chargers. He finished his career with 1,670 rushing yards (third best at CCU) with 21 touchdowns and 6.03 yards per rush. After Week 2, he was the Chargers' fourth leading receiver as he will help pave their way for LaDainian Tomlinson.

Jerome Simpson is the Big South's all-time leading receiver in yards (2,720) and touchdowns (44) and ranks fourth with 161 career receptions. He was the FCS leading active career touchdown receiver (and fourth in FCS history) with 44 touchdowns. He made no catches through week 2 in the season for the Cincinnati Bengals.

Quentin Teal contributed on special teams for the Carolina Panthers in 2007. He appears to be in the same role again in 2008. He recorded 19 tackles, 17 solo and recorded two assists last season. After week two, he has one tackle and an assist. For CCU in 2006, Teal was a two-time First Team All-Big South selection, is the league's all-time interception leader with 17, and leads the conference in single-season picks, this time tying with four. He led the league with 13 passes defended and had 81 tackles, ranking second for CCU and twelfth overall in the league.

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