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Students inducted into honor society.
**CALENDAR**

**MONDAY 1**
- Soles for Souls – Refuge Shoe Drive
  7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
  Campus-wide
- CPB Christmas Decorations
  12 p.m. to 1 p.m.
  Prince Lawn

**TUESDAY 2**
- Holiday Tree Lighting
  5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
  Atheneum Hall
- Students Holiday Potluck Dinner
  5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
  Lib Jackson Student Center

**WEDNESDAY 3**
- Men’s Basketball vs. Presbyterian
  7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
  Williams-Brice Kimbel Arena
- Jazz After Hours
  7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
  Wheelwright Auditorium

**THURSDAY 4**
- “Portfolios’ Opening Reception
  4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
  Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery
- Flute Studio Recital
  7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
  Edwards Recital Hall
- CPB Late Night Bingo
  10 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.
  The Commons

**FRIDAY 5**
- Play ‘The Dead Guy’
  7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.
  Edwards Building, Black Box Theater
- CPB Concert – Jessica Sonner
  8 p.m. to 10 p.m.
  Wheelwright Auditorium

**SATURDAY 6**
- Gospel Choir Seasonal Concert
  8 p.m. to 10 p.m.
  Wheelwright Auditorium

**SUNDAY 7**
- Discovery Day
  11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
  Wheelwright Auditorium

**CRIME102**

**November 12**
- Verbal Assault
  CCU DPS officers responded to the Woods residence area in reference to a fight. The officers did not observe anyone fighting. The victims were interviewed as well as the subjects. No one wanted to press charges and all persons involved were asked to stay away from each other.

**November 12**
- Assault
  CCU DPS officers responded to the University Place activity house in reference to an assault. The officers interviewed the victim and then located and interviewed the subject. The subject was arrested and transported to the Horry County Detention Center.

**November 14**
- Underage possession of alcohol
  While on patrol CCU DPS officers observed several subjects with alcohol in their possession. The subjects were interviewed, one was determined to be of legal age and two were not of legal age. The subject who was older than 21 was given a citation for open container in public, the others were given citations for underage possession.

**November 14**
- Possession of marijuana, Underage possession of alcohol, trespassing
  CCU DPS officers responded to University Place in reference to a possible marijuana use complaint. The officers located the subject apartment and interviewed the occupants. During the interview alcohol and marijuana were discovered. One of the occupants was not a resident and was given a warning for trespassing. The other subject was given a citation for possession of marijuana, and the alcohol was disposed of.

**November 15**
- Underage possession of alcohol, possession of paraphernalia
  CCU DPS officers responded to a noise complaint in University Place. While investigating the complaint they discovered occupants of the apartment were in possession of alcohol and paraphernalia. All subjects were referred into the Campus Judicial System.

**CORRECTIONS**

The Chanticleer is committed to accuracy. Please contact the editor to report mistakes at chanticleer@coastal.edu or (843) 349-2330.

- In volume 46, issue 5 of The Chanticleer, the article about the movie on page 11 should have ended with “Changeling will captivate you.”
- In the same issue, in the Be Heard section on page 15, the picture of Rachel Pedersen in the top left corner should have been of Carter Allen.
- In the same issue, the jump on page 13 should have read “Fashion.”
- In volume 46, issue 4 of The Chanticleer, the student who won the PGA tournament was Lindsay Reynolds.

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Upsilon Eta inducts students

CCU's communication honor society welcomes new inductees in recent ceremony and provides them with opportunities

JASON KULLMAN  For The Chanticleer

Upsilon Eta, the communication honor society at Coastal Carolina University, inducted new members on Nov. 18. Upsilon Eta is a charter of Lambda Pi Eta, which is the official honor society of the National Communication Association.

During the spring semester of 2006, the same semester communication became an official major, the first five students were inducted into Upsilon Eta. There are currently 22 members and another 20 joined them at the recent ceremony.

Deb Walker, the faculty adviser of the honor society, said Upsilon Eta "provides perks and benefits that stay with [members] for life."

Janelle Setzer, who was inducted into Upsilon Eta on Nov. 18, was excited to learn about the scholarships and awards that Upsilon Eta provides for its members.

"It's great to know that I have another opportunity to help pay for school," said Setzer. "With the way the economy is, the more options I have the better, especially since the scholarships can go towards graduate schools."

The possibility of going to

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CCU smoking legislation rejected

Proposal to prohibit use of tobacco products on campus recently vetoed by SGA president

CLAIRE ARAMBULA  Editor

On Nov. 17, Coastal Carolina University’s Student Government Association senate approved legislation to restrict the use of tobacco products on campus. While the proposal passed with 24 in favor and 12 opposed, SGA President Trevor Arrowood vetoed the bill.

Marianne Long, a marine science major and senator of SGA proposed that the community of CCU take up a healthier lifestyle and be completely tobacco free. The passionate student's motives proved to be bold, despite being rejected.

"I am disappointed that he [Arrowood] doesn't want to see CCU demonstrate our leadership as a leading college in the fight against cancer," said Long. She explained that rather than telling people they cannot smoke, CCU would be promoting healthier living.

Long is not a smoker. Arrowood's decision to reject the idea was fueled by the fact that previous projects have yet to be enforced and implementing new ones would be unwise.

"The [gazebo] policy is four months old," explained Arrowood. "We need to make this policy more efficient and effective. Also, there was not enough research done or a consensus of the entire student body for this to be considered," he said.

According to Arrowood, only about 200 to 300 people on campus were surveyed about the smoking; this does not represent the entire CCU population.

"We're all adults and if someone wants to smoke and ruin their lungs, that is their choice to make. It's nothing illegal so why does it matter so much?"

Tony Cole
Nonsmoking student

"My job is to meet the needs of the entire student body," Arrowood stressed.

The president said that a survey is to be conducted next semester to take an accurate calculation of the campus population on making CCU a tobacco-free university.

In agreement with Arrowood's ruling, Daniella Clay, a senior smoking, continued on page 06

Professors earn national recognition for research

Two CCU professors share knowledge with campus and country

ELAINE URBAN  Features Editor

Two Coastal Carolina University faculty members have been nationally recognized for scientific research.

Terry Pettijohn, assistant psychology professor, and Jim Luken, associate dean of the College of Natural and Applied Sciences, have both received attention from noted publications including The New York Times, BBC Radio, Rolling Stone Magazine, The New York Post, Lincoln Daily News, NKY.com and Current TV, to name a few.

Pettijohn joined CCU's team in 2008 with an expertise in the science of relationship selection and formation, interpersonal attraction, love, dating and popular culture.

Pettijohn grew up in Ohio with his parents. His father, a psychologist, sparked his knack for the science of the mind. After fighting his fate of psychology, Pettijohn completed his undergraduate studies at The Ohio State University and spent his graduate years at the University of Georgia. Pettijohn was a professor at Mercyhurst College in Pennsylvania before choosing to teach at CCU, a larger public institution, at which he loves working.

"There is more opportunity to develop research [at CCU]," said Pettijohn.

Pettijohn's studies center on how social and economic conditions influence what people are attracted to and prefer. Two of Pettijohn's articles that have been

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The 2008 political campaign and election changed the course of history in America as we all knew it. For the first time, we had a man of African American descent run for the Democratic presidential candidate, challenged by a woman.

No one was sure who would win the Democratic Party nomination, but everyone knew it going to be very interesting.

Coming closer to the election time, it was indeed the African American man, Sen. Barack Obama, who would be running against Republican Sen. John McCain.

As a firm believer in women’s rights, I wanted to see a strong woman in a leadership position. My hopes weren’t completely dashed, as McCain chose Alaska Governor Sarah Palin to be his vice presidential candidate. America now has both minority figures in the spotlight, a woman for vice president and an African American for president. This was going to be revolutionary.

On a personal level, the election of 2008 marked the very first time that I would be able to practice one of the first rights American citizens have -- the right to vote.

Never before had I taken political elections so seriously than the last few weeks of this election. Nothing was more important to me than to exercise that right, and it just happened to be the most controversial election to date in American politics. Nothing could have been more thrilling.

Upon watching MSNBC and seeing which candidate won the electoral votes for each state, it become obvious to see the division that occurs in America time and time again. The northern states were blue and the majority of the southern states red, showing the classic clash of cultures.

At around 11 p.m. eastern time, Fox News was able to make its earliest presidential call in 12 years; Barack Obama would be America’s next president.

From the moment the election was called, there were immediate reactions of joy, and disappointment. The popular networking Web site, Facebook.com, was jammed with people bashing others, making rude

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statements about both nominees and the surrounding cultures.

Everyone was immediately in defense. According to many statuses on facebook, if you voted for McCain, you were "racist and a hick." If you voted for Obama, it was "only because he was black." The malicious attacks were sickening. This was history. This was a change.

The first place I sought to ask about the change would be for the ones it could directly affect: our military forces.

According to United States Marine Corps PFC Ryan Lancaster, most people in the Marines were surprised of Obama's win.

"Nobody here expected him to win. I think it's going to affect our deployments. If they pull us out of Iraq, it's going to upset a lot of people. They may also cut back on our funding if we aren't going to be deploying," said Lancaster.

Another Marine Staff Sergeant, who asked to remain anonymous for protection purposes, disagreed. "I think it's the greatest thing that could have happened. This country needs change," he said. "I just want to know what's going to happen, what his plans are for the military and Marine Corps in general," added Lancaster.

Both Marines have been on previous deployments to Iraq and are currently on leave. Assignment at Mojave Viper base out of 29 Palms, Ca. They are expected to deploy again in February.

29-year-old Katherine Williamson, who was born and raised in South Georgia, voted for Obama, mainly because she was a Democrat and doesn't vote outside of party lines.

"He was not exactly my favorite Democratic nominee, but I still had to vote party lines," said Williamson.

Hopefully in the next few decades, it'll all be Democrat. Actually, even South Carolina used to be a Democratic state, until Strom Thurmond went against integration. The state then switched over to a republican state," said Williamson.

Latasha Legree, 34, from Orangeburg, also cast her vote for Obama.

"I liked the issues in which he stood for, especially the economic stance, as well as what he talked about with the middle class and helping the medically uninsured become insured," said Legree, who doesn't vote outside of party lines.

As for her reaction to the election, Legree admitted she was very happy.

"I thought it was great. It's a historical moment for history, as well as minorities, everyone. He has supporters that are African American, Caucasian and Asian. It really didn't matter because he had all races helping," explained Legree.

As far as a woman becoming president, Legree said, "It could happen, undoubtedly it could happen."

April Johnson, a 25-year-old employee of a South Carolina financial institution admits to being "disappointed" in Obama's election. "John McCain was more in touch with American people. He had more life experiences, being a prisoner of war and being a senator. I agreed more with his moral issues, such as abortion and homosexuality," said Johnson.

"I liked Palin as well; she was a more down to earth person," continued Johnson, who does not follow party lines when voting.

As the opinions of many American varied greatly, one thing is for certain: Change is here.
TRAVEL

Travel abroad opens doors to career future, world

Students are encouraged to see the world despite the cost

VANESSA JEMMOTT • Staff Writer

Travel is an experience that opens one's eyes to the world around them. To begin with, there is so much that one learns when they see what another part of the world has to offer other than their own "comfort zone." There is something special, scary, exciting and different when discovering the world beyond the United States, and television does not count as a virtual journey either.

For one, it opens the mind to how other people are viewed and allows observations of the way these people think, live and view the world.

Students need to understand the importance of seeing the amazing world beyond the windows of their homeland so rich in freedom not many are able to experience in many other countries worldwide.

In order to make these travel experiences possible, students will need a few things.
First, students will need a passport. Once this is obtained, the process is quite easy.
How can students afford a trip like this? Well, start with what money is had, and even if it isn’t much that’s

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PERFORMANCE

Winter ballet comes to beach

Fairy tale ballet of ‘The Nutcracker’ is presented locally

“'The Nutcracker,' and this year’s performance by the Coastal Dance Centre and Coastal Youth Ballet Theater promises to deliver.

“The Nutcracker” follows the story of Clara Stahlbaum and her family at their Christmas Eve party, when the young girl is gifted a nutcracker soldier from her toymaker godfather. Her jealous brother Fritz breaks it, but the godfather manages to fix it before midnight.

After the midnight bells chime, Clara runs to the tree to check on her beloved toy and enters a dream world with the nutcracker and the toys that come to life. They defeat the evil Mouse King and join the Sugar Plum Fairy in the beautiful Land of Sweets and Land of Snow.

A familiar musical score that has been part of the Christmas tradition for years accompanies this ballet.

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Recognized

Exhibit leaves prints in hearts on Veterans Day

"Eyes Wide Open: An exhibition on the human cost of the Iraq War" at CCU

Memorial honors lost lives of soldiers who fought in the war in Iraq.

MAEGEN SWEAT ■ Assistant Editor


The exhibit was sponsored by the politics, geography and history departments of CCU, as well as the Globalist Club, the Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery and the Five Rivers Friends Meeting of Conway.

The exhibit is a memorial that honors lives lost in the Iraq War, as well as call attention to the financial cost of war. For each service person killed, a pair of boots is displayed as well as their name, age and hometown.

Grace Gifford, clerk of the Five Rivers Friends Meeting who was working the exhibit, said there have been 53 South Carolina casualties since the beginning of the Iraq War alone, excluding the casualties in Afghanistan.

Gifford explained that while the event is sponsored by several CCU departments and organizations, it was friends that brought up the idea of having the exhibit on campus.

“The Five Rivers Friends, Quakers and the American Service Committee are the groups that came up with the concept of it. It started out being a national exhibit, with [representation of] all soldiers from all states. Over a period of time, installing an exhibit of that size just got too expensive and cumbersome. Each state took their own collection to their area,” said Gifford.

According to Gifford, the exhibit at CCU was just the second installation in South Carolina.

“The first one was in June, as part of the Florence Exhibit Center annual Methodist Conference,” she said.

Jason Silverman, another representative from the Five Friends Community who also volunteered his time to work at the exhibit, said he is completely opposed to the war, explaining why he is so connected to the project.

“I don’t think this war should have started in the first place. It was a mistake and I just don’t think there really is meaning to it. We can’t even get anything out of it,” said Silverman.

“We’re just trying to get the word out by telling the people that this is not a very good idea and we should bring our troops home,” he continued.

As far as the response from the students and community, both Silverman and Gibson agreed that it was for the most part very positive and encouraging and they appreciate the opportunity.

“Students have been very respectful. It’s just an opportunity for people to have a moment to think about this and hold it in their hearts, and we’ve had a lot of different responses. We had one retired Air Force gentleman who saw it on TV last night and he came by and said it was ‘better than hanging up a wreath,’” Gibson said.

There was a notebook for students and community members to write their thoughts and praises on one of the tables at the exhibit.

“Right now the people have really in-depth comments about a personal connection with a family member or their own experiences in Iraq. It means different things to different people, and we just appreciate that we have the opportunity to have it up here, especially on Veterans Day,” said Gibson.

One of the students who signed the comment notebook was junior psychology major Danielle Joe.

To Joe, the exhibit sparked a lot of emotions as she has ties to the military.

“My boyfriend is actually in the Air Force and my little brother is signing up for the Marines,” said Joe.

“It’s just amazing that people actually care about other people than themselves. I went by and read some of the people’s [information on the boots] and they were actually real people with real families. What if that was us, my father or my brother,” she explained, “I just really appreciate this.”

Business

Budgeting crucial to financial future

Planning: essential to success of young professionals

SHAWN SINES ■ Business Writer

The importance of budgeting monthly expenses has never been as evident as it is today. With uncertainty in the world marketplace, as well as rising costs of necessities, many people are faced with the tough decision on what to sacrifice.

A monthly budget enables people to gain a sense of their financial stability, as well as providing a helpful reference when deciding on what to expect in the future. The concept of planning is directly related to financial success – for both corporations and individuals alike.

To formulate an accurate and helpful budget, one must first keep a detailed record of every expense for a particular month. Without correct information to begin a budget, any potential planning for future expenses will not be useful.

Also, an accurate representation of monthly income is just as essential when determining the affordability of a particular expense, as is the correct cost of the expense itself.

By setting appropriate amounts for expected income and cash-flow, one is provided the possibility of reaching any financial goal. Especially for students, when money is scarce, the idea of creating a monthly budget can help to ensure against missed payments, or against constantly asking their parents for “monetary benefits.”

Kiplinger.com, a personal finance Web site, offers a free budgeting worksheet. Just input the values that it request and a monthly budget will be created instantly.

When most people are formulating a budget, often the most difficult task to do is to predict future expenses that may be variable. While a rent or car payment is typically fixed, other expenses, such as electric and water/sewer can be manipulated. Also, the “miscellaneous” expense column should not contain a large percentage of one’s projected budget.

If possible, attempt to detail every expense that you foresee encountering – from going out to restaurants, to movie theaters, even what is spent of newspapers and magazines.

‘Detailing every expense enables one to gain a sense of where they are able to cut back to provide room for future goals.’

Dr. Robert Burney, Professor of Finance at the Wall College of Business, believes that planning is an essential skill to learn for young professionals.

“The past has shown that the most successful individuals are those who take the time to plan for future expectations,” he explained.

Creating a budget is the first step to planning for financial success.
CCU digs Open Mic Night

TOP LEFT: Michael Kea gets poetic and reads "Untitled" to an audience in the CINO Grille. TOP RIGHT: Professor Scott Pleasant plays "All Night Long" by AC/DC on his ukulele. BOTTOM LEFT: Brandon Wolf shares words. BOTTOM CENTER: Dave Weber, president of Sigma Tau Delta English honor society, reads the poem "Apologies" for a small audience. BOTTOM RIGHT: Caleb Labarre plays an acoustic version of a Reliant K song.

Photo courtesy of CCU Athletics
FILM

‘Role Models’ is hilarious

Scott stars in a comedy film that will have viewers roaring in laughter

Kari Vander Weit | For The Chanticleer

“Role Models,” a comedy written by Paul Rudd and directed by David Wain, tells the story of two energy drink reps who are sentenced to 150 hours of community service at a big brother program for destroying a company truck on school property. They choose the community service over 30 days in jail, thinking they received a get-out-of-jail-for-free card. However, the duo has no idea what they are getting themselves into.

Wheeler, played by Sean William Scott, and Danny, played by Rudd, are very entertaining as they try to mentor two kids who are more than hard to handle. After they spend just one day with the kids, they feel as if jail time might not really have been that bad.

Christopher Mintz-Plasse and Bobb’s J. Thompson play Augie Farkas and Ronnie Shields, the two boys who are in desperate need of role models. Ironically, the role models they end up with are just as troubled as the kids themselves.

Jane Lynch, plays a remarkable role as the director of the facility delivering a variety of one-liners that contribute to the hilarity of the film. The relationship between the kids and their mentors deepens throughout the film giving this movie a meaningful plot.

In other films Rudd and Scott have played roles very similar to their characters in “Role Models,” but the interaction with the two boys they are mentoring makes this film extremely entertaining.

“Role Models” is one of the funniest movies this year, along with “Pineapple Express” and “Forgetting Sarah Marshall,” and is worth the price of a ticket.

MUSIC

‘A Fine Frenzy’ sings of love

Debut album encompasses every relateable facet of love

Ashley Williamson | News Editor

Everybody can appreciate songs about love. This point, most of us have loved, probably lost and loved again and, chances are, there are quite a few love songs everyone can relate to.

Alison Sudol, better known as “A Fine Frenzy,” not only encompasses every expected aspect of a love song in her album, “One Cell in the Sea,” but she does so in every single track. This CD is not just a compilation of a few love songs, “One Cell in the Sea” is a complete love album.

Sudol, along with her piano, is the only member of “A Fine Frenzy.” The 22-year-old singer-songwriter originally from Seattle, Wa., released the album in 2008, and tracks from the CD have been featured on numerous television shows as “The Hills,” “Army Wives” and “One Tree Hill.”

Most likely, you haven’t heard of Sudol or “A Fine Frenzy” because her album only debuted at No. 91 on the Billboard charts, so none of the tracks from “One Cell in the Sea” get too much airplay via the radio or television.

However, if someone were to play “Almost Lover” or “You Picked Me,” from the album, the songs might just ring a bell due to their common use on soundtracks for various movies and TV shows.

The poetic lyrics and emotional ballads combined with Sudol’s gracious playing of the piano make this album one that sets itself apart from anything else like it.

Sudol has this phenomenal, almost enigmatic ability to set herself apart from any other female artist ever to hit the music industry at such a young age. She has been noted to best describe her album as “a fairytale soundtrack” in several interviews, and she couldn’t have chosen a better description.

ACROSS
1. Shoe mender or fruit pie
2. “Scrambled eggs for . . .”
3. The total morphemes of a language
4. “The First”
5. Song title by Sublime
6. Scrambled eggs for
7. To encourage in wrongdoing
8. Place of worship
10. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
11. Local Brazilian steakhouse
12. Harvest festival in December
13. Makers of the Kit-Kat
14. Campus smoking structure
15. Last recorded album by The Beatles
16. “Road”
17. Japanese linked verse
18. Cause of overeating
19. “Billy”
20. Period of excessive indulgence
21. Negative
22. “Red”
23. “Affleck”
24. Chinese sect of Buddhism
25. “White garment worn in martial arts

DOWN
1. To deceive by trickery; to
2. Song title by Sublime
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 Courtesy of dailysudoku.com, answers on page 19
CCU swabs for later
Students become future bone marrow donors in one easy step

CCU students sign up to donate bone marrow if ever needed to save someone else's life.

ASHLEY WILLIAMSON □ News Editor

Coastal Carolina University held its first bone marrow drive on the Lib Jackson Student Center Deck on Nov. 12, to increase awareness of the dire need for marrow donors across the nation.

The drive was hosted by the Students Taking Active Responsibility organization in conjunction with The National Marrow Donor Program, and allowed students, faculty and staff to register for free with the NMDP to be a bone marrow donor.

The process of registering took several minutes, but members of STAR and volunteers for the program were there to help. Candidates filled out necessary paperwork and used Q-tips to gather DNA from the inside of the mouth.

Tarsha Rivers, account executive for the NMDP, is one of only two representatives in the entire state of South Carolina. Rivers said she enjoys traveling all over the state hosting drives because she gets to be a part of such a rewarding cause.

"You feel like you're making a difference, and you're having an opportunity in the long run to help and save a life," said Rivers about those who sign up for the program. "Someone that is a perfect stranger can save a life. To actually be a part of that, I think it is just awesome," she said.

STAR, an organization known best for its dedication to community service on and off campus, organized the event after Chris Martin, a former CCU staff member, contacted the NMDP about having the organization come for a marrow drive.

Two years ago, Martin was working as an administrative coordinator in the Wall College of Business when she was diagnosed with leukemia and therefore had to retire, she said. Today, thanks to bone marrow aspirations and blood work, she is cancer-free.

"It was just two years last month I had my new second birthday," said Martin, smiling and showing off her survivor pin fastened to her bluse.

"I feel so fortunate to be alive. I feel it is my mission now to give back and to do everything I can to help other people who have to go through what I went through," she said.

Signing up and providing a DNA sample does not necessarily obligate one to go through with the process, said Martin. The NMDP keeps the individual's information and if a patient finds a bone marrow match with anybody registered in the program, the potential donor is then called and asked if...

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arrival, the student is better off showing up in business attire. A little personality can be added to an outfit with a unique tie or fun jewelry, and students should be sure to have clean and manicured nails.

Another tip from Dyer: "make sure you know where you are going beforehand, arrive early and get background on the company before you enter the interview."

Being sure of the location of the interview site is important. If the interviewee gets lost trying to find it and shows up late, it looks bad. Arriving 15 minutes early allows for some breathing time and gives a few minutes to rehearse what is being said and to check overall appearance before entering the interview.

Another tip: bring necessary documentation, including extra copies of 'your résumé, passport, driver's license, Social Security card and a portfolio of writing samples or other professional work. The applicant should make sure to sell themselves in the interview. The individual should develop a 25-second sales pitch that explains what he or she is capable of. In the business world this is called an "elevator speech."

Finally, students shouldn't neglect to ask questions. If confused about something, ask. After the interview, the applicant should send a handwritten note or friendly e-mail thanking the person who did the interviewing during his/her time. If no word comes after a week, the student should follow up with a phone call asking when they can expect to hear a final decision.

"The best thing to do after graduation is to apply for as many jobs as possible," said Dyer. "Try to get many interviews and prepare yourself for all of them. That way, if one company doesn't accept you, you will always have a backup plan."

TRAVEL, from page 07

ok. Think of the study abroad programs that are available through Coastal Carolina University, such as Maymesters abroad. If the student has scholarships or financial aid these can be used towards such programs. If the student does not have these, there are always loans.

Despite the hassle of paying it off, taking out a loan to travel is strongly encouraged. The experience that students take away from a trip abroad gives so much more value to the perspective on life than taking a loan out for a car.

If the student can look beyond the worries of where the money comes from, it is a guarantee that it is all the more worth it in the end. By seeing the values of the world beyond those minor details, the student's opinion and outlook on life could mean the world of difference. The student may even find a call in life.

Potential companies that may hire the student in the future may also be quite impressed and appreciate candidates who have studied or traveled abroad. When travelers who see the world differently, return home, they often have a new sense of appreciation for their home and life.

Students without a doubt should take the plunge; take the opportunity to make a difference in the life of another, and in their own lives.

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he or she is willing to donate some of his or her marrow.
“It isn’t like you’re giving away one of your organs, it’s bone marrow that in four to six weeks will grow back,” Martin pointed out. “They [donors] could be called in a year; they may never be called; but at least they’re attempting to try to save somebody’s life,” she said.
Co-coordinator of STAR Marianne Long feels good about hosting the drive that collected an impressive number of potential marrow donors.
“It was great to see such a large number of students come out with the intention of helping those they don’t even know,” said Long. “As an organization, we felt it was a successful event and it accomplished our goal of raising awareness for the National Marrow Registry.”
Anybody who missed the marrow drive can log onto http://www.marrow.org for further information on registering with the NMDP.

NUTCRACKER, from page 07
CYBT’s young, but very talented dancers.
Lead by artistic director Liza Mata, performers of “The Nutcracker” range from age 4 and up and come from all over Horry, Georgetown, Florence and Columbus counties.
According to Mata, the ballerinas might be children, but they are very serious about their craft. They perform very challenging roles and practice yearlong for nine hours every Saturday at the Dance Centre.
“There is no way these kids are there just for fun. They are very serious about what they do,” said the director. “You will be very surprised; these kids are up to par with professionals.”
The latter include other (older) dancers from the Centre and from the prestigious Cuban Classical Ballet of Miami.
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SQUAWK IT OUT

WARNING: students exercising rights

Recent proposals to prohibit smoking on campus leaves many angrily wondering, 'what about what we want?'

CHANTICLEER STAFF Editorial

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS: Coastal Carolina University has banned the wearing of sandals and open-toed shoes for the winter months of class.

While the majority of people do not wear these kinds of shoes, there is a small population of student and faculty misfits who prefer to parade around with their bare feet showing and who don't stick to the seasonal trends.

Sure, these people mind their own business, refrain from flaunting their crusty, frozen toes and have yet to push their bad choices on us, but the University feels they can make better choices for these unfortunate souls.

The reason CCU has decided to do away with sandals in the winter is because wearing them is detrimental to health. There is a high risk of health issues related to the wearing of sandals in low temperatures, including weakening the immune system, which may lead to the contraction of the common cold, flu or other winter time illnesses; frostbite hazards during record lows, and even rare cases of death.

While these sandal-wearers are fully aware of the risks involved in wearing these kinds of shoes, they continue to do it - almost out of habit...

Okay, okay. You're right. CCU is obviously NOT banning the use of sandals in winter months. Wouldn't that just be ridiculous? Absurd? An invasion of personal preference?

It's kind of like the smoking issue on campus, isn't it?

Yeah, it's kind of lame to compare smoking to wearing a certain type of foot apparel, but maybe it's not so lame. Bottom line: the freedom of preference is not something that should be taken away, and smoking is legal.

Smokers on campus don't bother anyone, now that the gazebos have been installed. They mind their own business and only a very small number of people - if any - have received tickets for violating the new smoking rules.

Additionally, smokers are aware of the risks involved with cigarettes. They know they could fall ill or lose their life due to this habit, but still they puff away and take it for what it is.

If CCU's campus were to go completely smoke-free - while it would be helpful in promoting a cleaner campus and aiding in the quitting of smoking - we don't think it's right or fair to take it away from those who have just as many rights on this campus as non-smokers.

BE HEARD

Why should or shouldn't CCU be a smoke-free campus?

RONALD OTT
senior music major:
"It should not be because if you don't get the Nicotine that you're used to, you're at a disadvantage."

PATRICK SQUIRE
sophomore communication major:
"It should not be because we're old enough to purchase cigarettes and students have the right to smoke."

DANIELLA CLAY
senior computer science major:
"We should be allowed to smoke because it's our choice, not theirs."

MARK HANSELMAN
junior early childhood education major: "It should be because I don't want to suffer from secondhand smoke."

What about America's needs?

SARA MCCALL Staff Writer

When will we stop helping everyone else in other countries and finally help the people here, who really need help?

There are more than three million people in the United States who are homeless. So why do we keep helping other countries when we have so many needs right here in the U.S.? We are at an economic and financial crisis right now and we are still flying over to foreign countries to help others.

There are many diseases, cancers and illnesses here in the U.S. that need a cure. America should care for its own, instead of helping foreign countries who keep having children when they do not have the food or resources to feed and care for them.

Don't get me wrong, there are many reasons for helping poor countries.

First of all, there are humanitarian reasons. Like individuals who give to charity, many countries feel it is their religious, social or moral duty to help people in other countries who are suffering from famine, drought, war or disease. However, many rich countries also donate money for political or diplomatic reasons. They want to maintain a relationship of dependency with the recipient, or simply to influence the government and direction of the country.

Another reason why many countries help less fortunate ones is for economic reasons. The donors may want to control the supply of commodities such as oil, water or wheat. Alternatively, the richer country may want to ensure markets for their own products, whether these are planes, computers or shoes.

However, I believe aid is not necessarily the best way to help a foreign country. Billions of dollars of aid often goes missing, into corrupt governments or inefficient administration. The money lost could do wonders in the U.S. for the less fortunate and homeless.

Many foreign aid projects are unsuitable for the target country. Many agencies build huge industrial projects that fail after a few years or that do not involve the local people. Much of the aid returns to the donor. This can be in the form of expensive specialized equipment and experts from the donor country.

I think there are many other ways we can help poor countries. Opening up trade barriers, so that poor countries can sell their goods is one way. Another is to remove subsidies so that imported goods from poorer countries can compete fairly. Maybe even forgiving debts as many poor countries have huge interest repayments on old loans.

Although we want to help eliminate poverty, we must examine the real needs of poor countries and implement solutions that will benefit everyone without ignoring our needs first.
Should smoking be banned on Coastal’s campus?

ASHLEY WILLIAMSON | News Editor

I hate cigarettes. The stench that the cancer-causing lollipops leave on smokers’ clothing, hands and breath is enough to make a nonsmoker gag.

Unfortunately though, truth be told: I am one of those smokers who walks into class every day reeking of cigarette smoke - unless, of course, I spray some of my delectable Paris Hilton perfume on before entering the classroom. Then I smell really good. Mmmmm.

But back let’s get back to the point here. I am no longer a smoker by choice, but by addiction.

I began smoking just for fun at 13 years of age and, by age 16 I was smoking a pack a day. It wasn’t just for fun anymore. The nicotine had done what it does best: conditioned my brain cells into believing I needed it to get through the day.

Today, I still smoke a pack a day. Go ahead and add that up; a pack of cigarettes, on average, costs $4. Therefore, a smoker who smokes a pack a day will spend $1,460 a year on the harmful and awfully unappealing habit.

Asinine? Absolutely. But as long as I am still addicted to the disgusting cancer sticks, I will be smoking them, and I’ll be damned if I lose my right to smoke them on campus, especially given the fact that we are living in a county where smoking has yet to be banned in public.

I do realize that several states and even certain cities and counties in South Carolina have banned smoking in public, and for that, I applaud the government. Hey, if I had it my way, cigarettes would be made illegal and therefore, I’d have no choice but to quit smoking.

I’ve tried several times to quit but to no avail, unfortunately. If I’ve got four bucks and a gas station nearby, I’m buying myself a pack of smokes. I just need them and any smoker can empathize with that.

This is how I see it: sure, Coastal Carolina University has the right to ban smoking. We do have a Student Government Association for a reason.

However, I don’t think it’s fair to single out CCU amongst all the other public institutions in the county when it comes to smoking laws.

We’ve already implemented the freaking gazebo, have we not? And if I’m not mistaken, it has been clearly identified that these gazebos are being utilized to the fullest extent.

So give us smokers a break.

We’re no longer crowding around in front of buildings, we’re no longer smoking wherever we feel like and we’re definitely not polluting the air any more or less than drivers do every day as they drive their cars down University Boulevard.

Until a law is passed in Horry County regarding the public use of tobacco, let us maintain our right to head to a gazebo, light up and take our well-deserved smoke break between classes.

MAEGEN SWEAT | Assistant Editor

Let’s just say, on the average college campus, one fourth of the students, faculty and staff are smokers. Not only are these people allowed to smoke on campus and around other nonsmokers, they also choose to pollute the air around those who find it extremely unpleasant.

Smoking is a personal preference. If you want to smoke and cause harm to your health, be my guest. However, there are many people who want to keep themselves looking good, feeling good, and of course, smelling good.

Who are smokers -- who represent a small portion of the overall population -- to take those wishes away from everyone else?

While Coastal Carolina University has implemented new rules saying smoking is only allowed in designated gazebos, everyday I see people ignoring that rule. They smoke anyways, wherever they want.

Since smoking has been restricted a good deal this year from previous years, perhaps CCU should ban it from school grounds altogether.

If you want, smoke in your car off campus. Smoke at your house. Don’t bring it to school.

You never know who may be watching you either. Many people think smoking is disgusting and it changes their attitude and opinions on someone when they see them-smoking.

Do you really want your professors and that hot potential date see you puffing on a smelly, cancer stick? Perhaps that hot date won’t have so much “potential” anymore.

Let’s put this into another perspective.

If smokers can bring their tobacco to public places and school grounds, then why shouldn’t alcoholics be allowed to bring a beer with them, to drink whenever ‘they feel the urge’?

Granted there are a few legal distinctions, but it’s the same idea. Legally, you must be 21 to drink alcohol, and you must 18 to smoke tobacco. If one is banned in public places, shouldn’t the other be as well? Why should a smoker be allowed to bring their tobacco around others, if an alcoholic can’t bring his beer. Maybe this is something to think about.

The best solution, is to keep your smoke at home. Don’t bring it to the public and force them to indulge in your dirty habits.

In recent months, CCU has been trying to become more environment-friendly. With new recycling methods, the utilization of solar power at the bus stops and the implementation of bike paths, banning smoking on campus would definitely make CCU a more sustainable campus.

If CCU enforces a 100 percent non-smoking campus, perhaps we’d all be just a little bit healthier, and be able to breathe cleaner air.
Season ends with shutout loss
In-state rival CSU stomps on CCU football team in final game of the regular season, 24-0

CSU's No. 99 tight end Tyrese Harris stumbles past a Chanticleer defender and scores the first touchdown of the game to begin his team's winning streak in CCU's final match.

CCU ATHLETICS ■ For The Chanticleer

In one of the coldest games in program history, the Coastal Carolina University football team struggled to find the end-zone and dropped a 24-0 in the regular season finale against in-state rival Charleston Southern University on Nov. 22 at Brooks Stadium. With their first-ever shutout loss, the Chanticleers finish the season at 6-6 and 1-4 in the Big South Conference.

The first half was scoreless, with the Chants having the best opportunities and dominating the time of possession, holding the ball more than 20 minutes. However, CCU missed a pair of field goal attempts, including the last with just more than a minute to go in the second quarter.

CSU scored on its first drive of the second half after getting the ball on its own 16 on the opening kickoff. The Bucs marched 84 yards in just six plays, capped off by quarterback Tribble Reese hitting tight end Tyrese Harris with a 17-yard touchdown pass.

After a missed field goal on its second possession, CSU again mounted a 10-play, 80-yard drive and found the end zone again. This time, Reese hit Markus Murry with a 21-yard touchdown pass in the right corner of the end zone to go up 12-0. The Bucs went for two and converted with Reese again finding Murry in the end zone, making it 14-0 CSU with 1:19 to go in the third.

A CCU fumble gave CSU the ball at the Chants 9-yard line and the Bucs again put points on the board. The defense held them out of the end zone, forcing a 26-yard field goal by John Paglia to go up 17-0 with 13:54 to go in the contest.

The Bucs sealed the win after capitalizing on another Chanticleer turnover, getting the ball at the CCU 28. On the first play of the drive, wide receiver Gerald Stevenson picked up the ball on a trick play and scampered the distance for the touchdown.

Six turnovers (three fumbles and three interceptions) were significant for the Chants, as well as the lack of offense in the second half without quarterback Zach MacDowall, who was injured in the first half. The Chants managed just 95 yards of offense in the second half, including five of the six turnovers.

Due to the injury, CCU utilized three quarterbacks, who combined to go 21-of-30 for 180 yards with no touchdowns and three interceptions.
Basketball falls to Coker in opener, 80-59

CCU men's basketball team starts season off with loss to Coker College due to missed shots, turnovers and controversial calls

The night of Nov. 15 set the stage for the 2008-2009 men's basketball team home opener upset.

The last time Coker College and Coastal Carolina University met, the Chanticleers won 70-35. This time, however, the score was 80-59, Coker at the final whistle.

Prior to the game, CCU led the series between this match up 13 games to 1, with that one loss in 1988 by two points. Nov. 15 ended with a final score of 80-59, Coker.

Steven Sexton’s 3-pointer put CCU ahead by three, at 16:00 left in the first half Coker regained the lead and clung to it executing good fundamentals. CCU was plagued by controversial calls and turnovers. To add to the Chant’s defeat was their lack of shooting. Good team chemistry showed in Anthony Breeze and Joe Harris combining for half the team’s total points. Approximately, 1015 people were in attendance to witness promising talent that is new to CCU’s team.

This season begins Cliff Ellis’ second year as CCU head coach and this particular game could be considered a learning experience for the seven new players.

CCU’s worn out defenders allowed 14 points off fast breaks in comparison to CCU’s three points off fast breaks. In addition, Coker scored 23 points off turnovers alone, if CCU were to eliminate turnovers and fast break points, they would have won by 16 points.

Coach Ellis is tied for 11th in Division I wins by an active coach heading into the 2008-09 season with 547 wins.
Chants defeated

The CCU men's soccer team fell to Winthrop in the Big South Men's Soccer Championship

Mitrovich helped preserve the lead in the first half as he stopped a penalty kick with 3:40 remaining. Rob Hunter took the shot and Mitrovich came up with another big save.

The two teams went back and forth in the second half with each team having quality chances to take the lead. Winthrop nearly went up 3-2 with 25 minutes to go in the game. CCU had a great chance when Hunter broke into 18-yard box and ripped a close range shot, but Mitrovich stood his ground to keep the match tied.

CCU was the team that broke through late in the game as it was awarded its second penalty shot of the game. It was Hunter again and this time he buried it in the 67th minute. It looked as if it might be over for the Eagles, but Skonicki came through big with 21 seconds to go in the game as he hammered home a rebound off the shot of Henry Kalungi. The Chanticleers were whistled for a foul just outside the box and a free kick was hit by Rafael that was saved.

Kalungi attempted a shot off the rebound and after it kicked over to Skonicki, who squeezed it by a CCU defender.

Winthrop finished with 22 shots while CCU had 19. It was a physical game as the two teams combined 37 fouls.

Skonicki finished the game with two goals while Revivo had a goal and an assist. Miles finished with a goal and an assist as Hunter, Recinos and Phelps had a goal each.

Mitrovich finished with four saves and improved to 14-4-1 on the year CCU's Phillip Latham falls to 10-9-1. A defeated CCU Head Coach Shaun Docking kept a positive attitude after the loss.

“I am very proud of the way we played today,” he said. “I thought we did everything to win today. We were 30 seconds away from the NCAA Tournament. I thought we did everything we needed to win, but Winthrop proved to be too much for us.”

Skonicki was named Tournament MVP for his play in Winthrop’s three wins. Joining Skonicki on the All-Tournament Team were teammates Revivo, Otto Loewy and Cameron Alksnis. Kyle Russell, Hunter and Ross Kelly from runner-up CCU also earned All-Tournament honors.

Liberty and UNC-Asheville placed two players on the squad. The Flames’ Joshua Boateng and Cameron Chastian were joined by the Bulldogs’ Patrick Tate and Alex Morrow. VMI’s Brian Harding, Gardner-Webb’s Bradley Morrison, Devin Cooley from Radford and Karo Okiomah of High Point round out the squad.

Winthrop improves to 15-5-1 on the year, while CCU finishes at 10-10-1. It was the fourth meeting between Winthrop and CCU in the Championship game.

After the game, Winthrop’s head coach, Rich Pospisil, gave credit to the team’s less fortunate opponent.

“Winthrop and Coastal have been at this for awhile in these type of games and we’ve been on both ends of it. We had to battle through some tough decisions that were made on the field and never gave up or lost sight of our goal for the season,” he said.

The coach continued, “All the credit to Shaun Docking and Coastal Carolina for making it a great college game to watch.”
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