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VETERAN’S DAY: WE NEVER FORGET

Coastal veterans share battleground stories from tours in Iraq and Afghanistan

As told by: Lance Cpl Chris Brinkley, Lance Cpl Brendan Donahue and Cpl Darren Doss.

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**Big Mac Coupon**
Coastal Carolina University students are invited to get their “Mac on” with a free Big Mac at participating Horry County McDonalds on Wednesday, Nov. 11. To take advantage of this free deal, students can sign up to receive the coupon at www.myrtlebeachmacattack.com. For future coupons, students can become a fan of the facebook part at participating Horry County McDonalds on Wednes.

**Relay for Life**
Every year thousands of college campuses across the country take part in the same fight against cancer through participating in Relay For Life. Coastal Carolina University has also taken the vow to “kick cancer in the face.” Cancer targets new people everyday, changing the lives of those around them forever. Everyday people affected look for motivation to fight this disease. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to find the motivation and join in on the fight against cancer by participating in Relay for Life at www.relayforlife.org/ccusc.

**Great American SmokeOut**
The Great American Smoke Out Awareness week will be held Nov. 16 through 20. The week will feature awareness events against smoking, and a forum will be held as well. The events are put on by the Colleges Against Cancer organization on campus, which is under the American Cancer Society.

**Rumor not true**
Reports of classes at Coastal Carolina University being completely cancelled after Thanksgiving break have been silenced by Provost Robert Sheehan. Rumors had been circulating that due to 70 students who have been diagnosed with the H1 influenza, the semester would be cut short. This is not true, and students are encouraged to get up to date information from the Student Health Service’s Web site, www.coastal.edu/healthadvisories.

**IMMUNIZATION**

**Purple Pinkies Prevent Polio**

**DANIELLE CAPRA**
Staff Writer

Members of the Carolina Forest Rotary Club will be assisting the Coastal Carolina University Rotaract Club to raise money for polio eradication on Nov. 11.

Polio has not been a problem in the United States for many years, but this is not the case in many developing countries.

"We are really dedicated to making people realize that this is a problem in other countries and we need to do anything to help," said Erika Pomeranz, a senior.

By partnering with the World Health Organization and other government and private groups, Rotary International has achieved a 99 percent reduction of polio worldwide. In 1985, Rotary International began raising funds in an effort to eliminate polio entirely.

Presently, through the Purple Pinkie Project, the Rotary club wishes to involve CCU students as part of the solution. Since $1 is the estimated cost to immunize one child from polio, each student is asked to donate at least $1. In return, the student will have his or her pinkie painted purple as a symbol of one child immunized from polio.

"We hope that this event will be successful in raising awareness of the polio virus," said Emily Drew, another senior. "We also hope to raise a substantial amount of money to send to the Rotary Foundation to vaccinate children from polio."

CCU urges students to come out and support the Purple Pinkie Project and help rid the world of polio.

**Moped fires concern officials**

**T'ARA SMITH**
Staff Writer

A report of fires in student apartments around the College of Charleston has sparked concern at Coastal Carolina University, Fire Marshal Steve Kelsey is especially concerned about the possibility of fires starting at CCU.

Currently, CCU does not allow students to bring mopeds into dorm rooms because they are hazardous and could potentially be the cause of a fire inside the dorms. Mopeds are to be parked in parking spaces, bicycle racks or breezeways at University Place. There have been no reports of fires happening at CCU due to mopeds or mopeds contributing to fires.

However, according to Kelsey, a fire was caused by a moped at a condo in Murrell's Inlet. "A man tried to start his moped on the porch of a condo," Kelsey said. "Instead, the moped backfired and caught fire. The fire spread to other condos."

Mopeds contain flammable gases. As a prevention mechanism, sprinkler systems were installed inside the dorms, but are designed to only put out relatively small fires. If a fire is started inside a dorm room, the moped could contribute to the fire and the sprinkler system would not be able to fully extinguish the fire due to the gasoline from mopeds.

If a student is caught with a moped inside their room, the student could be fined and the moped will be removed from the room before the fire marshal leaves. If there is a second offense, the moped will be confiscated and towed as if it were a car parked in a no parking zone, according to Kelsey.
Academic Integrity Committee finds alarming results

Based from survey results, committee looks to improve integrity on campus

MAEGEN SWEAT
Editor

Coastal Carolina University’s Student Life committee of Faculty Senate appointed an Academic Integrity sub-committee to study the issue of academic integrity on CCU’s campus last April. The specific points of the Academic sub-committee are to study several issues on campus including: reviewing national research and best practices related to academic integrity, surveying faculty and students regarding academic integrity on campus, conducting campus-wide conversations about academic integrity and recommending action steps that are appropriate.

In April, the Academic Integrity sub-committee administered a campus wide survey to students, faculty and staff asking for their input, opinions and experiences on academic integrity-based behaviors such as cheating and plagiarism. A survey was selected that is used by universities nationwide so CCU could be compared. Dr. Donald McCabe of Rutgers University administers the survey online on behalf of the university, collects the data and then gives a summary of results to the campus.

According to the results, CCU faculty and other national counterparts were similar, however there were a few findings that were alarming, such as the percentage of CCU faculty that perceive campus penalties for cheating as severe or very severe was much lower than that of other universities. The most frequent occurrence of dishonesty observed by faculty was plagiarism, inappropriate sharing on group assignments and cheating on tests or exams, and all of these instances were reportedly much higher than the national average, which is cause for concern and where the sub-committee is being called into action.

Overall, faculty appeared to be the most concerned by the absence of a systematic process for handling issues of academic dishonesty. The students reported higher rates of cheating, and believe that cheating activities are not seen as serious at CCU as they are at other universities. CCU students are also less likely to report cheating by their peers.

Lynn Willett, Ph.D., Coordinator of Special Project/ Writing Center and University Academic Center serves as a co-chair on the Academic Integrity sub-committee, and she hopes to put a spotlight on changing campus culture and wants input from students.

“We really need to attack the issue of academic integrity and make some changes, there is a section in the handbook about dishonesty, but it’s cumbersome and not very highlighted," said Willett.

Willett believes there needs to be more attention given to this, and that students are very frustrated by peers who make better grades by cheating-and are getting away with it.

Many students and faculty are simply unsure of how to properly handle cheating and plagiarism, which is perhaps why many cases simply go unreported on campus.

Easton Selby, assistant professor of photography and a member of student life and the Academic Integrity sub-committee believes that the end goal is campus-wide clarification of what specifically happens for academic dishonesty and a known presence of an honor code, which will soon be implemented.

Other Academic Integrity news

Earlier in the semester, students and faculty were made well aware of the Academic Integrity Statement that was to be put up in buildings around campus to promote and encourage academic honesty on campus. According to Easton, an e-mail sent out a month ago halted the posting of the statement around other buildings on campus. Faculty Senate will be in further meetings to discuss concerns with the statement and further placement options.

Student panel

On Monday, Nov. 16 at 4:30 p.m. in the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards Recital Hall, a student driven and mediated panel will be held to further discuss the students’ concerns with academic integrity on campus. All students are encouraged to come voice their opinions and experiences with academic dishonesty at CCU.
**Calendar**

**MONDAY 9**

Nervous Breakdown Day
Prince Lawn
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Movie Night: "The Ugly Truth"
Wall Auditorium
7 to 11 p.m.

Paragon Reggae Orchestra
Wheelwright Auditorium
7:30 to 9:15 p.m.

**TUESDAY 10**

Benefit Concert
Wheelwright Auditorium
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY 11**

Graduate School 2009 Fair
Edwards Courtyard
Noon to 3 p.m.

"A Salute to All American Veterans"
Kearns Room 108
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY 12**

Flute Studio Recital
Edwards Room 152
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY 13**

Women's basketball vs. Southern Virginia
Williams Brice Gym
5 to 7 p.m.

Men's basketball vs. Coll. of Charleston
Williams Brice Gym
7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY 14**

Marine Corp Physical Fitness Test
Track and Field
8 to 9 a.m.

Football vs. Presbyterian
Brooks Stadium
12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY 15**

Movie: "Redemption"
Wall Auditorium
6:30 to 8 p.m.

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**Crime Log**

**Oct. 23**

**Assault**
The victim reported to a CCU DPS officer that while on the stairs at a University Place apartment he understood the victim assaulted the victim. The victim had visible marks on his/her body from the assault. This incident is under investigation.

**Noise ordnance violation, simple possession of marijuana**
CCU DPS officers observed a noise ordnance violation and warned the residents of the home. The officers later responded to the same location in reference to a noise complaint. The residents who were warned the first time were arrested. One of the subjects was found to be in possession of marijuana at the time of the arrest. Both subjects were transported to the Horry County Detention Center.

**Oct. 26**

**Larceny, forgery, financial transaction card fraud**
The victim reported to a CCU DPS officer that someone removed personal property belonging to the victim from the gymnasium without permission. Some of the property was found and returned to the owner a short time later. Other property was used to make a purchase soon after the theft. This incident is under investigation.

**Oct. 27**

**Liquor law violations**
A CCU DPS officer observed four subjects walking on Destiny Lane, three of the four subjects had cups commonly used at parties in their hands. The officer stopped the subjects and interviewed them. Two of the subjects were found to be in possession of alcohol and were written citations and released. This incident will be referred int the Campus Judicial System.

**Oct. 28**

**Assault, drunkenness**
A CCU DPS officer responded to the Rivers in reference to a fight. The parties had separated before the officer arrived on scene. The officer located and spoke to both parties involved in the incident. Neither party wished to pursue charges. This incident is being referred to Campus Judicial Affairs.

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Date auction raises over $1000 for cancer

Students and faculty at CCU put themselves up for bid in order to raise money for Relay for Life

MAEGEN SWEAT
Editor

Many people would shudder at the thought of standing onstage in front of a crowd. Many people would shake at the idea of being bid on by the crowd so the highest bidder could take them on a date. Many people would shout with joy knowing their stage raised over a $1,000 for cancer patients.

On Monday, Nov. 2 in Wall Auditorium, approximately 30 of Coastal Carolina University’s brightest students, athletes and volunteers stepped onstage looking for a potential date, as a part of the Student Government Association’s date auction with all proceeds going to Relay for Life.

Gregory Dukes, secretary of finance for SGA was in charge of coordinating the event.

“The event was very successful, $1,000 for Relay pays for the expense of sending one cancer patient to the Hope Lodge, which is where cancer patients go for temporary housing. It’s put on by the American Cancer Society,” said Dukes, who admits putting the event together was a bit stressful, but well worth it.

“I work at that [stressful] level, I make stress look good, and I loved it. Raising over a $1,000 for Relay was great,” said Dukes.

Junior communication major and member of Phi Sigma Sigma sorority Ashley Jones won the highest bid at $100.

“I went up there, and [the bid] just kept getting higher and higher, and I was pretty stoked. I’ve worked for Relay for Life before, and I volunteered [for the date auction] because I’m passionate for Relay for Life and I’m philanthropy chair for my sorority,” said Jones.

“The majority of people who participated in the date auction wanted to do it just for Relay, and that’s the best part; the campus came together to raise money for a great cause,” said Dukes.

The Relay for Life kickoff will be held Thursday, Nov. 12 at 6 p.m. in Wall Auditorium. Awards from last year’s Relay for Life event will be given, and the theme for the upcoming event will be announced. All students and faculty are highly encouraged to attend.

Distance learning courses offer alternatives

BYRON BROWN
For The Chanticleer

With the onset of more students, less classroom space and a busier campus, more and more classes are being offered online, also known as distance learning courses, to give students an alternative way to learn.

According to www.coastal.edu, “In fall 2001, the Distance Learning Implementation Committee was charged with developing a formal plan for the implementation of a Distance Learning program at Coastal Carolina University. This program was to serve two key purposes: to expand the options of study and flexibility available for students who desire to complete programs and/or course work at CCU, and, through the availability of programs and course work via distance learning delivery, increase the opportunities for access to CCU to individuals who might not otherwise have opportunities for such access.”

As with the implementation of any new program, distance learning has both pros and cons. It can be useful for students who find it difficult to sit in classrooms and focus on sometimes mind-numbing lectures, or those who simply can’t find the time.

Online courses allow students the flexibility of choosing their own hours.

“I can just roll out of bed and flip open my laptop. Class is always more fun in pajamas anyways,” says Dustin Moore, who is currently enrolled in a distance learning course.

Studies have also proven that many students are more successful in courses online, but this is not confirming the common misconception that online courses are easier. They require the same amount of work that an on-campus class calls for, if not more. The independent nature of distance learning also ensures that everyone’s voice is heard in group discussions, instead of only the opinions of the “talkative” students in class.

Many professors like this because students take more time with their responses and generate more in-depth discussions without being led by the professor.

On the contrary, many students oppose the lack of personal attention that they are used to getting in the classroom.

“I need that one-on-one connection with my professor, and I just can’t get that online,” says Christina Casano, a senior at CCU who recently dropped an online course.

There is also a lack of personal connection with other students, which can be detrimental to the process of making new friends that every college student should have the opportunity to do.

Online courses may also not be suitable for students who tend to be procrastinators. It is easy to put off homework and miss crucial deadlines. Professors post assignments on Blackboard that are inaccessible after the closing deadline and there is rarely opportunity for make-up assignments.

Blackboard is rapidly becoming more prevalent even in on-campus courses, students enrolled in online courses at CCU must know how to properly utilize the program. This also means dealing with any technical difficulties that may happen with Blackboard.

Ultimately the decision is up to the student. Students should take the time out to speak with advisors and research for themselves if distance learning will be beneficial to their personal needs. A distance learning self-assessment can also be found online (http://www.coastal.edu/assessment.html), to help determine if distance learning is right for you.
Students give smashing performance for Pop 101

Students sing their hearts out to the tune of their favorite songs

CCU students perform smashing concert with just three rehearsals

On their feet, dancing, clapping and singing. That’s what the audience should have been doing, especially with the amount of time the cast had to put together this year’s show. The cast of Pop 101 had three weeks and three rehearsals to put a phenomenal show together this year. Even with the short amount of time, they managed to pull off a show that wowed almost everyone in the audience, especially the students. The Wall Auditorium was full, about 75 percent parents and 25 percent students.

Smoky rooms, drums and guitars and microphones were set up for the show to come. The crowd waited in anticipation, not knowing what to expect next. As the cast filed out, their energy was catching. The student section mirrored their energy right back with cheers and whistles.

Rachel Swindler, a senior and musical theatre major kicked off the show with “Proud Mary” by Tina Turner. She’s not black, wasn’t wearing a tight, short sparkly dress, and doesn’t have wild, crazy hair, but if you close your eyes for a minute, Tina Turner could have been there herself. The amount of energy and stage presence that Swindler translated across the stage and hit the audience right in the face. When she performed her favorite song, “Vehicle,” she hit every note on cue. She never had to say it was her favorite song, it was written all over her face. You can tell she feels the music, there is no act involved and she is simply in the moment.

On stage she’s smiling the entire time and seems to be in pure heaven. When she does her version of “Purple Haze,” there were cheers and clapping. The crowd needed a few hippies, a couple joints, and some shag carpeting on the floor and it would have been the 70’s all over again. Swindler could only attend two rehearsals before the show, but the audience would never know it.

“I love Pop 101; it’s a great experience to learn stage presence and learn to work with a band,” said Swindler.

Adrienne Griffiths, another senior musical theater major slowed it down with a little Journey, then some Jewel and a crowd favorite “Rhiannon.” The lights go down and she is on stage seemingly alone. She closes her eyes and she uses her entire body to push her voice to its limits, hitting every note. She has a higher voice than Stevie Knicks, but her interpretation is great.

As Mark Juroko, a sophomore dramatic arts major at CCU comes on stage, he is dressed the part of the rocker, but one wonders if his voice will deliver.

As soon as “Susie Q” comes on and Mark begins the first few lines, it’s clear that he can and will. His voice has just the right amount of pain, grit and beauty simultaneously to turn the heat up on this classic.

During the riff, he rocks out and headbangs to the delight of the crowd. The student section goes wild as he sways his long hair back and forth in true rock star fashion. Creedence Clearwater Revival would not be disappointed by this performance.

“I like the way you walk, I like the way you talk,” he sings, then he dug deep. “Oh Susie Q, ohhhhh Susisssisee Q, ooooohhhhh Susie Q, baby I love you, Susie Q.”

“I’ve never had any professional training,” Juroko said. “I do my thing and people seem to enjoy it!”

Juroko wants to focus on all of the arts here at CCU and “delve into a little bit of everything in order to get the most out of the experience.” Kwawon Porter, a sophomore at CCU, is a presence on stage. He has a deep, mellow voice, and has his shades on the entire time. “With a little help from my friends” by Joe Cocker was a perfect transition.

The lights went down and there was a spotlight on just him, then when the chorus began and the background singers chimed in, the lights would go up. He almost teases the crowd, showing little by little what he can do. He built a slow steady fire throughout the song, then towards the end brought it home.

The cast only had three rehearsals and very short notice. Although they picked songs from previous performances, it is amazing the talent and professionalism all of them showed. The band had many solos and as far as anyone in the audience knew, they nailed them all. Bass, drums, keyboard and harmonica; it was all magnificent.

This is just a taste of what’s to come though. In the spring, there will be a full Pop 101 concert with a “Celebration of Beach Music” theme. The cast will include everyone from this one and probably include even more talented singers. So everyone who’s coming to the spring performance, be ready to get on your feet and clap and dance. These performers work hard and deserve the support of the audience they are on stage sweating for. Get our tickets soon and mark your calendar, for Pop 101 always proves to be a smashing hit with the CCU community.
FOWLER: More than AP style and inverted pyramids

CORRIE LACEY
Assistant Editor

Gwen Fowler, a native of Columbia, is a teaching associate in the communication department at Coastal Carolina University. Before instructing courses, Fowler worked for the Sun News since 1990. She was also editor of Vitality since its beginning in late 2004. Before becoming Vitality editor, she served as interim editorial page editor, deputy managing editor and metro editor. Fowler also previously worked for the Greensboro News & Record in Greensboro, N.C.

Fun Fact: Fowler started running in summer 2005 after about 10 years of not running. She ran the Myrtle Beach Marathon in 2006, 2007 and 2008. Her average pace was a 9:45 mile.

Food - Chocolate
"Chocolate. Anything chocolate."
Drink - Diet Coke
"I would say water but that wouldn't be true."

Flower - Daisies
"I love flowers."
Book - A Confederacy of Dunces
"I love reading. But I never go back to a book although I always intend to."

Mac or PC - PC
Shoes - Running Shoes
"I wish I could afford a shoe fetish."
Wings - Honey Mustard

Cell Phone - T-Mobile
"I had the oldest phone ever before this one."
Coffee - Regular
Snack Food - Popcorn

Photo by Corri Lacey
Caffeinated drinks create buzz

MAEGEN SWEAT
Editor

Energy drinks have become prominent staples at gas stations, grocery stores and even in school dining halls and cafeterias. In today’s faster paced world, drinks that give that extra boost of energy have become very popular especially among teens and college-aged students. According to www.healthlearninginfo.org, in 2005 energy drinks earned more than three billion dollars in retail sales in the United States alone. The figure continues to climb, and with the onset of many new types of energy drinks and new flavors, the market doesn’t seem to be declining anytime soon. While the health aspects of these caffeinated drinks may be debatable, several popular energy and sports drinks facts are compared.

Full Throttle
Active Ingredients: Taurine, Caffeine, Ginseng, B-6, B-12, Carnitine
Price: $3
Full Throttle is a Coca Cola product and has widespread distribution, the regular drink size is 16 ounces and it also comes in a sugar free version.

Red Bull
Active Ingredients: Caffeine, Taurine, B-Vitamins, sugar
Price: $2.50
Often said to be the “original energy drink,” Red Bull is well known for it’s humorous television commercial claiming “Red Bull gives you wings?” The regular can size is eight ounces and there is a sugar free version as well.

Beaver Buzz
Active Ingredients: Caffeine, Taurine, B-Vitamins, Ginseng
Price: Around $3.50
Big Buzz is one of the first Canadian made energy drinks, and while it may not be very prominent here, it is interesting to see what our northern neighbors are making these days. Big Buzz comes in several sizes and flavors, including Green Tea, Saskatoon Beaver Buzz Berry Energy and Beaver Buzz Citrus Energy.

5-Hour Energy
Active Ingredients: Caffeine, B6, B12, Taurine
Price: Around $3
5 Hour Energy is one of the first energy shots to hit the market. It comes in small two ounce bottles and has the “energy” of more than some of the regular sized drinks; it also has less sugar and calories.

Endorush
Active Ingredients: Endorush Proprietary Matrix Sp: NOX Fusion, Caffeine
Price: Around $4, at local gyms and health clubs
Endorush is not a typical energy drink; it is produced by BSN, which manufactures sports drinks, protein supplements and body building products. Endorush is made to give explosive energy during gym workouts and comes in 16 ounce bottles, however one is cautioned to only take in four ounces in a serving. This energy drink is more of a fat burner.

Transfer students consider the options

ERIN CORLEY
For The Chanticleer

Coastal Carolina University junior, Michele Mangera transferred to CCU after her sophomore year at Charleston Southern University for a number of reasons.

“I didn’t feel like the money was worth staying there all four years and I didn’t like being forced to go to convocation [church] because it was like they were forcing their religion on me. I couldn’t finish my college career at a school like that,” said Mangera.

Students transfer schools for a number of reasons; such as applying to a top-choice school after raising their grades at a smaller college, monetary issues, program or major changes and even an improper fit with the school.

The decision to transfer should not be taken lightly because some schools do not accept many transfer students. Transfer students may have a hard time fitting in and bonding with students who have gotten to know each other already.

The welcoming atmosphere and not too intimidating population of students at CCU was what brought Jamie Graves, a former University of South Carolina student to CCU. “My other school was too big and I couldn’t concentrate in classes,” said Graves.

Students must also make sure that they are transferring for the right reasons and not for a “trade up to a more prestigious bumper sticker” says Eric Furdy, dean of admissions at The Pennsylvania State University. Entrance essays and the difficult process of getting class credits transferred will weed out some students.

According to CCU’s Web site, www.coastal.edu, the number of students who transferred to CCU in 2007 was 658, an increase of six percent from 2006. Also in 2007, of the in-state transfers to CCU, about 54 percent were previously enrolled at Horry-Georgetown Technical College. The number of males and females transferring to CCU is almost equal, with 52 percent female and 48 percent male. In the fall of 2008 CCU had 50 percent in-state transfers compared with 47 percent out-of-state and three percent international students.

Students who plan to transfer or are considering transferring should research to find schools that offer transfer students help with finding campus housing and other accommodations. Furdy suggests that transfers quickly get involved in campus activities and clubs so students can bond with other students and not miss out on that aspect of college life.

Transferring schools is not generally in the plan when entering college, but one should always realize that life can be unpredictable and take an unexpected turn.

CCU VETERAN’S DAY CEREMONY

When: Wednesday, Nov. 11
Where: Spandoni Park
Time: 3 p.m.
What: Recognizing veterans

Open to Coastal community

Contact: Mason Campney at macampne@coastal.edu with your name, rank and branch of service if you would like to be recognized in the program.
FEATURES

VETERAN'S DAY SPECIAL

FROM THE BATTLEGROUND

CORRIE LACEY
Assistant Editor

Amazing stories of heroism and victory would have been on page one of every newspaper in the country during World War II. Just 30 Marines giving eight hours of hell to 250 insurgents is the kind of story that would make a good movie - if that kind of movie could still be made.

These stories remind the jaded anti-war crowd that they were wrong. We're winning. It reminds a self-centered nation that some Americans are making sacrifices much bigger than a loss in their 401Ks.

The following three stories are told by true United State Marines: jarheads, leathernecks, devil dogs. Their voices are real and their courage inspires.

These stories are raw. These stories are war.

“Our vehicles came under enemy rocket propelled grenades (RPG) and machine gun fire and one of our humvees was disabled. It was an intense eight-hour battle. We desperately fought to recover our comrades. After recovering the Marines trapped in the kill zone, the platoon fought house to house and trench to trench in order to clear through the enemy ambush site. The biggest thing to take from that day is what Marines can accomplish when they’re given the opportunity to fight. A small group of Marines met a numerically superior force and embarrassed them in their own backyard. The insurgents told the townspeople that they were stronger than the Americans, and that day we showed them they were wrong.”
- Cpl Darren Doss, 23

“My platoon and I hadn’t slept more than three hours in three nights. We were exhausted but we pressed forward on the ten-mile hike back to base. Sweat was dripping into my eyes and insects were all in my face. But I climbed to my feet and lifted the two 8 lbs M16s over my head and finished off the warm water from my canteen. A boy in my platoon had gone down some miles back so me and another Marine carried him. We promised we wouldn’t let him quit. We promised we’d all make it back to base together and alive. Twelve weeks of intense training had gotten us this far, and we wouldn’t stop until we saw our families again.”
- Lance Cpl Chris Brickley, 20
Submit your photos to The Chanticleer, and it may show up in the [CCU] Expose Yourself weekly spread!

E-mail photos in original size to thechanticleer@gmail.com. Photos may be in color or black and white. Photos may be edited for color format and/or size.

Thanks to Easton Selby and his black and white photography class for providing photos. Thanks to all the photographers for submissions.

THE CHANTICLEER’S WEEKLY PHOTO CONTEST

1. Kelly Brown
   “Honeymoon”

2. Leilani Derr
3. Dani Brass
4. Alicia Rancier
5. Tracy Daniska
6. Jessica Emig
CHANT-ARAZZI

Homecoming Parade - Nov. 4 by Deanna Rizzi

Mary Burrouns, Katie Hanula, Jamie Savitsky, Jen Dawson, Caroline Hancock, Courtney D’Alessandro, Kathryn Shuford, Alyssa Randazzo, Jen Mara

Hunter Novak, Luke Maslow, Brandon Renborn, John Santoro, Kevin Magoon, Dan Schoonmaker

POP 101 - Nov. 3 by Meghan Smith

Michelle Adam, Heather Witt, Jennifer Swink

SGA Date Auction - Nov. 2 by Kevin Young

Mason Campney, Samantha Cannon

Kelly Cant, Taylor Eubanks

Ashley Jones, Laura Porth, Gregory Dukes, Joshlyn Wilson
During his visit to his buddy George Dubia in the Southwest, John checked out the Live Music capital of the States. This culture-filled tour included visits to the Mexic-arte museum (pictured on the bottom right), the Chuck Close exhibit at the Austin Museum of Arts, and the University of Texas's showcase of Edgar Allen Poe's work and Gutenberg Bibles (pictured below). He shopped at the trendy South Congress (SoCo) district and took the very affordable public transit around the city. Only blocks from downtown is 6th Street, the poppin' bar and entertainment scene of Austin that hosted a Halloween for more than 10,000 people (including Obama, pictured).
As we prepare this edition of The Chanticleer for Veteran’s Day, a sense of overwhelming pride comes over me. I can’t help but think of my daddy.

In 1964, just a few months shy of his 18th birthday, he signed up to be a part of the United States Army during a time of extreme turmoil for our country: The Vietnam War. In stead of being drafted, he volunteered to go overseas and risk his own life and health to help our country fight, even though the majority of the country was opposed to the war.

Many of the young men and women that were risking their lives during the Vietnam War were shunned by society. Coming off the planes into familiar territory, they were spit on by the people they were fighting for. Regardless, some young people decided to go into it whole-heartedly, and my dad was one of them.

He wanted to do something different with his life, to get away from home and also for educational purposes. His younger brother, my uncle, also went into the war as well. Growing up, I remember looking through the photo albums from Vietnam, and seeing my dad as a handsome, young man holding a huge gun and being in a warzone. I remember seeing the Purple Heart ribbon he received for being wounded. I was, and still am, very proud to say my dad served in the Vietnam War.

Now, in his early 60’s and as he is retired from his job in the automobile industry, he has been diagnosed with several health issues such as diabetes. It was later found out that Agent Orange, a herbicide and defoliant that was used by the U.S. military during the Vietnam War is to blame for many of the disabilities caused later in life for the young soldiers that were exposed to it. Even when you think something is over, years later many devastating health effects can still be discovered.

This issue is dedicated to all soldiers, those who have served in years passed and those who are currently fighting. Many lives have been lost, and many families have been touched. It is important that we never forget, and to always be thankful. And thank you daddy, for your bravery and service to our country, I will always love you.
VIEWPOINTS

Parking

The Bitchin' Column

CORRIE LACEY
Assistant Editor

Watch your back, Ms. Giant Lincoln town car;
This is a college campus. Parking is obviously not a premium and the transportation department has thankfully attempted to maximize spaces, however in doing so has made parking spaces as small as possible therefore minimizing convenience. However, the lot we park in is designated for off-campus students, and when we arrive each morning at 8:45 a.m., there are actually lots of empty spaces. So please answer me the question: Why do you insist on backing into the space directly next to me at the exact moment that I am trying to exit my car every freaking day? Why?

Do you enjoy pinning me in, making me wait to open my door until you have backed up and pulled forward fourteen times in a futile attempt to position your motorized behemoth in the exact center of the space that no one opening their car doors beside you will ding your precious paint? Are you a sadist, or do you honestly not realize that there is no parking space on campus wide enough to accommodate your wish for a ding-free vehicle? Can you move down one space from me where there are no cars, and you may tweak your parking to your hearts content without inconveniencing anyone? Do you enjoy looking at my face everyday when, after finally coming to a stop, you fling wide the door of your Lincoln and ding the side of my SUV?
I can only conclude that you are evil, Lincoln Town Car woman.

The Bite

MySpace band rocks HOB

ANGELA BETTWY
For The Chanticleer

Hollywood Undead got their start back in 2005, blowing up on MySpace with their perceptive, intelligent and sarcastic raps that go against mainstream popculture. It didn’t take long for them to capture the No. 1 spot on MySpace’s music chart.

In 2008 Hollywood Undead released their first album, which can be described as a blend of hip-hop, rock and screamo. Six men make up Hollywood Undead. Johnny 3 Tears, J-Dog and Charlie Scene are the main singers and songwriters of the group. Deuce is in charge of making the beats, Da Karlzz is the rapper, and lastly there is Funny Man who works as the hype man and gets the crowds pumped. Hollywood Undead’s lyrics talk about parties, girls, and their firsthand accounts of the grittier side of their hometown of Los Angeles.

When asked to describe the band’s music, J-Dog said, “It’s different genres mixed together with no holds barred. The rap songs are straight-up club songs. The rock songs are in your face and industrial. It’s a collaboration of six people with different thoughts coming together and not holding back.” Charlie Scene added, “It’s the truth about what average, suburban teens are thinking. No one else is rapping about how those kids party and what they go through, but we are.”

On Sunday, Oct. 25th Hollywood Undead made a stop on Myrtle Beach at the House of Blues. They are currently touring with The Sleeping, Escape the Fate, and Atreyu. The concert began with The Sleeping who immediately had the crowd separate down the middle and then charge each other to start off the moshing. The excitement and energy intensified as the concert continued. After The Sleeping, Escape the Fate did their set followed by Atreyu.

Hollywood Undead was the last to take the stage and well worth the wait. The band played a great mix of old, current, and unreleased music written by the band. Funny Man kept the crowd pumped with his liveliness and wisecracks, even giving away his own hat to a kid in the crowd in exchange for his other shoe after his first one was thrown onto stage. Hollywood Undead performed a new song called Dove and Grenade giving their fans high hopes for their new album.

Desperate Measures: CD/DVD is the name of Hollywood Undead’s new two disk album that consists of six new studio recordings, six live recordings and a full 60-minute live performance on DVD. The album will be released Nov. 10.

Status Quo What’s your Facebook status?

Lee McCarthy - My grandmother just text me and told me she bought 48 bottles of wine at the duplin winery today. Now I know where I get my love for wine from...haha

Mike Murray - Nice... Ex-NBA referee Donaghy released from jail today, it just so happens he and his family live 3 houses down from me! wtf

Cameron Hooper - Sorry campus edge, but we have to have band practice tonight...

Braden Pate - “Crawl into a hole and die.” - I don’t have beef with Comic Sans and Curitz. They are perfectly fine when they are left in their alphabetized order and seen but never heard. What I have a problem with is you. Who am I?

Taylor Callahan - Mmm a breakfast/lunch of pop-tarts and ramen noodles...living the dream

Justin Grimes - Can’t help but laugh at hearing an entire table having a group discussion in CINO about Star Wars...i fear if I tried to offer input, they would give me paper cuts with their Magic the Gathering cards...p.s. supposedly “Darth Vader is stronger than Voldemort”, FYI...

Lindsay Mozingo - “quick! What’s the number for 911? How should I know?” Little Rascals make the world a better place.

Julie Hile - If today was a fish, id throw it back.
CHAUNCY SHOWDOWN

Is coffee better than the popular energy drink?

Nicole Holley
Feature Editor

Yes | Greedily I grab the piping hot coffee out of the woman at Java City's hand. "Thanks, I really need this today. It's so cold outside, and I have so much homework I need to do," I try to explain.

I guess I am just an old-fashioned coffee type of girl. Every time I need a little kick in my day, I grab that sweet, dark brown liquid and gulp it down. I just don't get the new obsession with energy drinks.

At least you can add milk, cream, and sugar to coffee if you don't like the taste. Red Bull tastes worse than the cough medicine my mother gave me when I pretended to be sick to stay home from school. That was punishment, but I see people on campus drinking them all the time.

I realize that everyone is looking for some sort of edge in our fast-paced society today, especially college students.

We have late night study groups, term papers due, midterms from hell, teachers who don't seem to realize we have other classes besides theirs and finally some sort of life outside of school.

Many people end up drinking energy drinks to simply stay on top of everything. But the taste is not the only harmful side effect to many popular energy drinks out there. Things like high sugar and caffeine content can disrupt the gastrointestinal process and have a laxative effect. Also they are very bad for athletes and people working out as they make it hard to rehydrate your body.

There might be a few that have some healthier ingredients, but most use high levels of sugar and caffeine to give your body a rush of fake adrenaline and then a resulting crash.

Many can become addictive as well. Why would anyone put themselves through the torture of drinking a disgusting mixture of chemicals in order to stay up for one test?

Coffee may not be the answer either, but it has actually been proven that coffee, in small doses can be beneficial to health because of its antioxidants.

Water is the best bet to fuel your body. Remember that all natural, clear, unflavored drink? Reach for water most of the time, a coffee some of the time, but never a Red Bull, Monster or Rockstar next time you require a boost.

Maegen Sweat
Editor

No | I'll go ahead and throw this out there about myself, I'm a night owl. My schoolwork is done late at night, usually the night before it's due. If I have no schoolwork to do, I'll stay up listening to music, facebooking it, or anything else you could think of to avoid hitting the sack at a fairly decent hour.

Now here is the worst part; I have 8 a.m. classes this semester. I myself cannot even fathom as to why 8 a.m. classes were created, and I'm still puzzled as to why I, the night owl, am enrolled in classes at this ridiculous hour.

What has helped me get by throughout my college career? You guessed it. Energy drinks.

I've gone through many "stages" of my love of energy drinks; first starting off with Red Bull. I got into such a habit of drinking my Red Bull every morning in class it was sort of soothing. It was almost like having a beer, but it was Red Bull, and I wasn't drunk. I couldn't explain it.

Then I realized the sugar content and calories in that one drink I was consuming every morning was alarming, and I had to change it up.

The solution was a perfect 2-ounce energy shot known as 5-Hour Energy, and it was amazing. Low calories, no sugar, awesome energy.

Then I got into the sports energy drinks, which are the ones that are sold at gyms and stores such as GNC to help improve your strength training and calorie burning abilities. Even better, one bottle of these types of drinks contains four servings, so literally I buy one drink, pop it in the fridge, then use it the next day. Great way to save money that we college students are so short on.

While some people may say the long-term health effects of these energy drinks is not known, I have learned to use these drinks in moderation, and for the most part I just try to use the sports energy drinks during my workout.

I am always sure to read the recommended dosages of the drink, as well as the caloric intake, the sugar content and how much sodium is in it as well.

I mean really, caffeine is caffeine. And coffee? Heck, that nastiness stains your teeth, and makes you shorter.
CU proves to be more than a game

Coastal Carolina University football players make an entrance onto the Clemson University football field known as "Death Valley"

Head Coach Dave Bennett has special emotional ties to CU

NICK MAMARY
Sports Editor

Despite trailing by 49 points, Coastal Carolina University drove to kick a field goal in the team's 49-31 loss to the Clemson University Tigers at Clemson Memorial Stadium on Oct. 31.

The trip to Clemson marked a homecoming for CCU Head Coach David Bennett.

Bennett attended CU games as a child and in 1986, serving as a graduate assistant for the University. The position helped Bennett take the head coaching job at Catawba College in 1994.

About 71,500 fans from both teams were in attendance to support their teams. CU displayed their signature entrance as cannons were launched and the Tiger walked down from the hill through a wall of smoke and balloons.

As the game began, CU won the coin toss and decided to start with possession. The Chants attempted to catch CU off guard by trying an onside kick.

CU recovered to officially start the contest. The Tigers drove deep into Chant territory, as CCU sophomore corner Marcus Lott intercepted CU's Kyle Parker.

CU's first chance on offense was extended by an illegal participation on a punt. CCU held the Tigers off the scoreboard until there were about two minutes remaining in the first quarter.

From that point, CU dominated the contest. After holding a 21-0 advantage at halftime, the Tigers retained the shutout until the closing minutes of the contest as Justin Durham made a 31-yard field goal with four seconds remaining.

Cornerback Josh Norman totaled six tackles, and one interception.

Jaime Childers made the start for CCU, as Zach MacDowall entered in relief. During the entire game, CU out gained CCU in total yards 400-172.

For many members of the team, this was unlike anything they encountered, and it is something they will never forget.

"It was fun, it was exciting, and unlike anything I've experienced except from Penn State," said junior tight end Ben Collins.

Though CCU struggled in all three phases of the game, there are positives for the Chants to take back from Death Valley.

"All of us bonded together really, and getting that 100 percent effort out of everyone is what is most important," said junior defensive lineman Robert Balkunas. "Clemson knew they were playing Coastal, they weren't sky-high like they will be next week against Florida State, but I'm proud of our kids' effort and proud of their fighting."

The loss drops CCU to 3-5 overall. CCU will try to remain in the Big South race as they return home to face Gardner Webb Saturday, November 7 at 12:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball begins

CCU women's basketball team has high hopes for a Big South title

NICK MAMARY
Sports Editor

Coastal Carolina University Women's basketball team finished the regular season 16-14 overall, and 8-8 in the Big South Conference last season.

"We have a veteran team, four of them I've had for four years, and three of them I've had for three, so we're really an older basketball team," said CCU Women's Basketball Head Coach Allan LeForce.

The team feels that they have a real chance of competing in the Conference in the 2009-10 season.

"We have a lot of seniors and juniors, a lot of experience, so I'm looking forward to playing the games," said senior guard Amanda Stull.

Among the players and coach, there is confidence the Big South title is in reach this year.

"Liberty, the defending Conference Champions, graduated a lot of people, so I think it's wide open," said Stull.

In a pre-season poll conducted by Big South Conference coaches and media members, CCU was selected to finish fourth in the conference, behind Liberty University, Highpoint University and Gardner-Webb University.

CCU received this spot despite returning every starter from the team who was eliminated in the first round of last season's Big South Tournament.

"I think we'll actually be really good this year," said senior forward Kendra Reynolds. "We have six seniors and five juniors, so think this year's going to be our year in the Big South."

Reynolds is currently sidelined with an MCL sprain, but hopes to be ready for the season opener.

CCU's women's basketball team begins the 2009-10 season by hosting the University of Southern Virginia on Friday, Nov. 13.

Weiss not always a wise choice

For those who were wondering, Notre Dame Head Coach Charlie Weiss is not the second coming of Knute Rockne, the legendary coach who led the Irish to six National Championships during 13 years at South Bend.

Coming from that hallowed Bill Belichick Coaching Tree, Weiss was selected to replace Tyrone Willingham in 2005. His mission was to return Notre Dame to their glory days.

Unfortunately, he and his Irish have not shown up in the biggest games. To this university, one of the most important contests on the schedule every year is USC, the west coast version.

Yes Weiss came close to defeating the Trojans in 2005 when Reggie Bush had his now infamous "push play." They also came within a few yards to-taking back the Jeweled Shillelagh this season. However, close is not good enough in college football.

The two and a half seasons prove how Weiss is not an excellent motivator. In 2007, the Fighting Irish suffered through their worst year ever, when they finished 3-9. 2008 was an improvement, but a loss to Jowly Syracuse demonstrated that under this coach, the team does not always seem prepared.

Quarterback Jimmy Clausen is an excellent prospect with poise, accuracy and good arm strength. However, he and that potentially explosive offence can not flourish with this terrible environment.

Weiss is an accomplished offensive mind, and had a contribution in the emergence of Tom Brady, however he is not a Head Coach, not at a major university anyway. He performed well with Bray Quinn, who did not even recruit. Notre Dame's seasons are assessed by BCS wins. It doesn't appear that either are realistic this year. This season is the end of the road for the big amen in South Ben.
Write for us. Do it.

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