Funaki, an exchange student from Nagoya, was notified of the disaster when her professor asked if her family had survived the disaster. "I didn't check my computer that morning, but my teacher asked me if my parents were okay but I didn't know what he was talking about until he explained what happened," said Funaki. "I cried when I went back to my room. I didn't like seeing my country being torn apart."

Though Funaki's home in Nagoya was 2 hours away from the epicenter of the 9.0 magnitude quakes and suffered no damage, some of her friends weren't so fortunate. Miki, a friend of Funaki's, went missing for three days after her home was destroyed by the tsunami and other friends homes were also destroyed by the disaster.

"My family's car and house were gone," said Funaki, "she found shelter, but she didn't have food or water. She has electricity now, but no water. When I heard from her, she told me she wanted to take a shower. My family didn't feel the quake; they were okay. But my mom called and asked me if I was okay over here."

Miki is safe but her best friend was killed in the disaster. Another friend of Funaki's, a former CCU Japanese exchange student from Nagoya, felt the quake but had no damage done to her home. Because Funaki is attending CCU, she had trouble believing such a disaster happened in her country.

"I saw so many videos and pictures, but I wasn't there so I don't feel like it's really happening. I don't feel like it's a reality," said Funaki. "There's no problem here so I don't think it's happening in Japan."

As the Japanese disaster filled newspapers, websites and controlled airtime on multiple news outlets, Funaki stopped watching the coverage. However, she didn't deal with the jokes and comments by fellow students and classmates.

"Someone said it was paraback on Japan for Pearl Harbor," said Funaki. "I was angry but even sadder that people think like that. Someone else said that the Japanese don't need to go to the beach because the beach came to them. It's not funny. So many people are dying and missing and I don't understand how people can say that kind of stuff."

Funaki doesn't believe the Japanese government is doing its best to help its citizens. She says government officials are feigning and only trying to keep up appearances for the rest of the world, but she's grateful her country has the technology to help its citizens in the midst of disasters.

"I think some people are doing things as a performance to get more votes," said Funaki. "So they don't think about the victims or the people who really care. But they think of themselves for their future and political careers. It's like a performance to seem like they're making some effort."

Though Japan's earthquake and tsunami shocked Funaki, senior marine science instructor Erin Benfer wasn't surprised about the magnitude of the quake and the strength of the tsunami.

"I wasn't surprised that the earthquake and tsunami happened in Japan," said Benfer. "I wasn't really surprised that it was as big as it was. Heartbreak over, yes, but knowing what I know about the situation of the world and the plates, that are just beneath them, the country is in a bind as an island that formed because of the plates colliding. So it shouldn't be a surprise to anyone who understands how the movement of the Earth works for them to have earthquakes. They do have them all the time, just not that bad. So it was very unfortunate they had such a bad one, but not surprising."

Reports from multiple news sources stated Japan was overdue for an earthquake, as strong as the one that occurred. However Benfer says it's difficult to predict the magnitude of an earthquake because "it depends on the pressure of the plates that sit underneath Japan."

"It's all kind of guesswork," said Benfer. "The plates are constantly moving and if they're stuck, the guess is how long is it going to take for them to break loose. And if they're stuck for six to eight years, you can plan within a twenty-five year time span. So I'm not surprised to hear if they said Japan was due for an earthquake."

When Funaki returns to Japan in May, she plans to donate materials and volunteer to help those affected by the disaster.

"I can't stand seeing my country being destroyed anymore," said Funaki. "Right now the things I can do are make donations and pray for them. When I go back there, I want to go to areas affected by the earthquake and tsunami to help them out. But I'm not professional enough to volunteer and disrupt what they're doing, but I'm going to do what I can."

- Earthquake hit a 9.0 magnitude on the Richter scale
- It's estimated that more than 10,000 people are dead
- More than 250,000 people are living in shelters
- Some 17,500 people are missing
- Repair costs are estimated to reach more than $235 billion

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Feeling the impact 7,000 miles from home

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ASST. EDITOR

REPORTS TO RECYCLE THIS ISSUE AFTER READING.
AP. Days after announcing a deal with Green Mountain Coffee to make K-Cups, Starbucks revealed it will soon offer single-serve brewing machines that will rival the popular Keurig system. At its annual shareholder meeting, the coffee giant said it would expand on its previously announced relationship with Starbucks Products, the nation’s leading provider of in-room coffee service to hotels, via a new brewing system that would be priced lower than Keurig, the market’s leading brand, according to the Wall Street Journal. Krewig machines run as high as $49.95, though it offers several others across a wide price range, with its mini system costing $99.99. The company currently holds more than 40% of the market share. The new machines by Starbucks will make single cups of Starbucks and Seattle’s Best coffee, as well as Tazo tea. Details of the deal are still to be formally announced next month that Yahoo! was working with Green Mountain Coffee, maker of the Keurig single-serve machines, to sell part of Starbucks and Tazo coffee to hotels. At this time Starbucks did not see a use for those machines.

AP. A fire that burned about 30 acres and threatened the same amount of homes started from an illegal household trash fire in Little River, according to state fire officials. A ticket was issued in Wednesday’s blaze, which spread over the N.C. state line from Little River, but details about the ticket were not immediately available. Scott Hawkins, spokesman for the S.C. Forestry Commission, said the blaze was injured and no structural damage was reported. No one was injured and no structures were burned.

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Financial aid to grow despite tuition increase

T'ARA SMITH ASS'T. EDITOR

Million at Coastal Carolina University is expected to increase 4.8 percent next semester, $439 for in-state students and 6.37 percent, $2,390 for out-of-state students. However despite tuition rising, financial aid will be able to award students more money than previous years because of the University's growing population. On average, CCU offers more than $100 million in financial aid.

"Financial aid awards have grown nationwide annually as students and parents become more dependent on student and parent loans," said Gregory Thornburg, director of financial aid. "I've been in financial aid for 24 years. Students can max out the amount they can borrow, but parents don't really max out until they hit the cost of attendance. Parents can borrow more than students because the government allows them to and parent loans aren't subsidized like student loans. But the amount of financial aid would continue to rise with the growth of CCU."

Annually, financial aid awards $12.7 million in Pell Grants to 5,302 students, $60 million in federal and private loans to 4,826 students, and $23 million in scholarships to 2,780 students. Though financial aid is available to all students, CCU student Jenna Otten says she's not satisfied with CCU's financial aid program.

"I get very little in financial aid," said Otten, a sophomore psychology major from New Jersey. "It's expensive to be an out-of-state student and it's hard on my parents to pay for me to go here. I feel like the University doesn't offer enough scholarships for all types of students and only offers scholarships for a few majors and in-state students."

Thornburg said even though all students have an equal opportunity for scholarships such as the Dean's Excellence award, a scholarship awarded to a student by the dean of their major, CCU's scholarships are given by private donors who set the standards of their scholarships.

"It's not Coastal Carolina University money, it's from private donors, companies or groups. We test it and it fulfills the application," said Thornburg. "The university has to decide by the donor's wishes for who gets the money. I don't know what the amount would be, they set for their scholarships, I haven't seen any indications that certain majors get additional scholarships over others. Now if somebody in that particular building is paying 20 percent interest rate after I graduate." The amount of financial aid I get definitely help pay for my education, but I think they should try to get students low interest rates," said White. "I don't want to start spring 20 percent interest rate after I graduate."

Though the amount of financial aid will increase, Thornburg says Congress will not be lowering the Pell Grant and has not set a budget for next academic year. Congress intended on passing a budget on October 1, 2010 and a budget on Pell Grants for summer classes, however, both have yet to be passed.

"Congress is apt to lower the Pell Grant, that's what we're facing," said Thornburg. "When the Republicans take control of Congress, generally speaking in their first year in office, they recommend decreases in federal student aid, domestic programs and educational programs. We have no indication on what federal student aid will look like next year until Congress passes a budget."
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Be Heard

What are your thoughts on the disaster in Japan? Should we be doing more to help? Should our nuclear power stations make changes to procedures?

Murice Hinson
Freshman communication major

“The disaster was very sudden and unexpected. We should absolutely be doing more. But I guess there is only so much we can do. ‘Yes,’ we should make changes to the nuclear power stations because we need a solution to the problem that is going on.”

Danielle Hurdley
Junior psychology major

“The situation, disaster, in Japan was very unfortunate. I do think that we should support them in every aspect because it is morally right. With this country’s problems happening summer months. It’s hard to see it all happening at once. I hope that the people of Japan will come together to help each other get through these tough times. The United States will do its best to help the people of Japan and move their country forward. I believe the UN should get involved in solving their nuclear power issues.”

Sean Lynn
Sophomore computer science major

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FROM THE EDITOR

Advance at your own risk

I’ve been hearing a lot about baseball lately. My boyfriend has played baseball his whole life and is an avid fan of both professional and collegiate ball. And with the start of spring training, I’ve been hearing more and more about baseball everyday. And it got me thinking about the infamy of fly balls.

I’ve decided I love that rule. It assumes the worse of everyonae. It says, “Sorry, but you’re a smuck for poppin’ up with runners on and infielder, you just got the ball out of the air.”

CORRIE LACEY
EDITOR

You shouldn’t throw rock(ets) if you live in a glass house

JOSHUA PATDICK

President Obama decided to take a break from his moonlighting gig as a college basketball analyst for ESPNU this weekend to do what we have come to expect from our president, read sanitized statements off of a teleprompter and declare unconstitutional war in the Middle East.

The “USS V Harrison Ford has more than 100 tons of hawk missiles into Libya Saturday, without the consent of Congress, killing numerous people and signaling the beginning of our humanitarian effort in the country.”

The strikes in Libya, which were carried out by the U.S. and a broad multinational coalition including France and Great Britain, came in conjunction with the exact same day as our military, along with the coalition of the willing, commenced its humanitarian effort in Iraq eight years ago on March, 19, 2003.

In his mission to “enshrine the word of the International community” President Obama has apparently forgotten the oath he made to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States," and since again failed to follow through on his empty campaign rhetoric.

In his own words: "The President does not have power under the Constitution to unilaterally authorize a military attack in a situation that does not involve stopping an actual or imminent threat to the nation," said Obama in a 2007 interview. "It is always preferable to have the informed consent of Congress prior to any military action."

The president’s subversion of the Constitution, the massive debt facing the United States, and the dangerous precedent set by preemptive wars for peace has some members of Congress famous over President Obama’s decision to get involved in Libya.

There is blood shed all over the world, and we can’t control it, we can not be the policemen of the world. Dennis Kucinich (D-OH) told Fox News: “As tragic as the situations are, the United States cannot afford not to do what is the necessary to protect our military and interests.” He went on to pose the question: "If we don’t have enough money for education and health problems or for creating jobs, how is it that we have endless money for war?"

The tonhawk missiles launched from U.S. Navy ships cost around $1 million each, adding up to about $200 million spent on missiles alone in the first day of bombing. The money spent on these missiles could have fed at least 2,400,000 homeless children their two meals a day.

While President Obama and Hillary Clinton are trying very hard to sell the military action in Libya as an effort to protect Libyan civilians, Congressman Ed Markey (D-MA) may have blown their cover.

According to Markey, “Well, we’re in Libya because of oil.”

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MY ABS ARE MADE OF A PRECURSOR THAN A SITUATION.

STATUS QUO: WHAT'S ON OUR FACEBOOK?

Joshua Myers Whether or not you like quiet hours, it's a permanent rule and it's not that hard to go in your room or be mature. Come on people, act like you're an 18+, not 6. Or at least pretend after 10 p.m.

Kirsten Corley The day Snooki becomes president I am leaving the country.

Elijah Black It's been an interesting day... Some chick sent me a message saying "u gotta sexy tongue." WTF. Is comments like this hot in the streets?

Ursula Hockman god forbid a female pops the hood on a car, I can't even change my own wiper fluid without some dude trying to make sure I'm doing it right; my dad taught me well thank you very much eff off!

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PLAYERS REFLECT ON SEASON, LOOK TO THE NEXT

After falling to reach the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) tournament and falling to Alabama in the National Invitational Tournament (NIT) on March 15, Coastal Carolina University's men's basketball team are already looking ahead to next season. Sophomore guards Anthony Raffa and Danny Nieman, along with sophomore forward Sam McLaurin, give their thoughts on the team's successes, adversity, questionable recruiting methods, and expectations for next season.

SAM MCLAURIN

"Right now we only have two guys coming in, one guy is a transfer and one is a high school graduate so they're going to be much younger than all of us. It's mostly going to be juniors and seniors so they're going to be looking for leadership and guidance.

You have to see how good we were this year. We stayed healthy and if all of us stayed together, who knows what would've happened. But next year everybody's coming back so we're going to be that much better. Sometimes people come up to me telling me this or that and we've happened we might've gotten there, but things happen. We have a lot more veteran guys, so next year will come down to leadership. This year we only had one senior, so it was kind of hard to place Chad [Gray] as the leader we wanted because he wasn't the most outspoken guy but he was definitely a leader by his actions on the court and I think finding a leader will help us get over that hump.

You have to move on [after the Alabama loss]. That Alabama game was tough and we can't get it back, yeah we wish we could've done things differently but it's done."

DANNY NIEMAN

"We had a good season, we worked hard, we had the longest winning streak in the nation and I thought we were doing the right things and we were on the path to go to the NCAA tournament and fall short but got to the NIT again and won the regular season so it's not all failure, you have a little success in there. We're just going to get ready and gear up for next year. I'm sure everybody [wonders what could've been] but should have, could have, would have. It didn't happen. Things happen a certain way and I believe things happen for a reason so I'm just going to focus on next year and try to figure out how to get all these pieces together and move on.

[After the past few years, I feel this program is] on the rocks. We've had the nation's longest winning streak, we've won two regular season championships in a row, we haven't been to the NCAA tournament, which is the goal. But it's on the rocks, look at the last three or four years that we've had and we've had a couple of good years on the buzz but I feel that [head Coach] [Cliff Ellis] has elevated to another level.

We realize we can play with any of the [NCAA] teams when we play with all of our players at full strength, but those are good teams and we had to do what we had to do with the team we had and that team wasn't NCAA bound, so it's fine. I like just watching the games, I don't think about the stuff that much.

We're going to have a lot back next season. We're going to have Chris [Grady] back, who's a great player and Willie [Kirkland], a great player. You're going to have some key ingredients to what we already have coming back and I feel at the end of the day we're going to be better next year than we were this year. That's what we want last year and we were. We were better this year at full strength than last year and I think we'll be pretty good next year.

I think we'll get to the NCAA tournament next year, you never know what can happen. Look at this year with the injuries, you never know in this type of game what can happen so I think we'll have a chance and we'll be really good next year. We have a lot of guys coming back, we'll be experienced and we've been there a couple times so I think we'll be good (in regards to Desmond Holloway), we're right with you we have no idea what's going on with Desmond or what's going on there so we're just going to wait and see what happens."

ANTHONY RAFFA

"There are a couple things I remember about this season: the nation's longest winning streak, that's going to go with me the rest of my life, and winning the regular season championship. We've accomplished things teams have never done in this conference, obviously [winning straight] 16 games in the Big South History was going 9-0. One lesson is to come to work and don't worry about anything else that happens. That's what we did when we faced adversity. That went by us, we just came to work every day and we came a lot stronger with our eight players and when somebody went down everybody was trying to help them up. We needed everyone to push through to get to the NCAA tournament and obviously we fell short of that. We put ourselves out on the map this season, and at one point we were pretty good in the middle of the season and everyone put a lot of press on us. We're going to work as hard as we can this summer and get ready for next year."

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