**The Editor's Take on the Dangers of Commuting**

Upset?

As one of the many students who commute to Coastal, I have noticed a trend in the way students are traveling to campus. According to a recent study done by the American Automobile Association, it is estimated that 74% of students travel to campus, while 26% take public transportation.

One of the major concerns that students have is the amount of time spent commuting. According to the study, students who commute more than 30 minutes to campus are more likely to experience stress and anxiety.

Another concern is the environmental impact of commuting. According to the study, commuting to campus generates more greenhouse gas emissions than driving to a nearby university.

To address these concerns, Coastal has implemented several initiatives, including the Coastal Commuter program, which provides discounted parking passes for commuters.

In conclusion, while commuting to campus may have some drawbacks, such as increased stress and environmental impact, Coastal is taking steps to address these issues and provide a better experience for commuters.

**COMMUTING by Car? Consider alternative transportation**

It's an issue covered in The Chanticleer for as long as I can remember. Pickering. Everybody complains about it, but I'm not sure if it's one of the other issues, nothing ever gets done to it. This article and the corresponding photos are so meant as a solution to the parking problem, but the usage of a car is the problem, not the solution.

Instead of driving, you can take public transportation, such as the Coastal Commuter program, which provides discounted parking passes for commuters. This not only reduces the environmental impact, but also saves you money in the long run.

So let's take another look at the problem: too many cars on campus and not enough parking spaces. Let's address this issue and find a solution that works for everyone.
The Obama Party's Over
Youth voters are bailing on President Obama in 2012

JOSH PATZICK

The driving force behind Barack Obama's 2008 Presidential victory, young people and college students, is decreasing rapidly, according to a study released last month.

The study, which asked more than \(1,400\) likely voters in the "Rising American Electorate" group (unmarried women, young people, and younger voters) who they plan to vote for in 2012, among other things, found only \(55\) percent of youths would vote to re-elect President Obama, a drop of almost \(10\) percent from those who actually voted for Obama in 2008.

"The group that just graduated from college - who were in college for the first campaign - they have a little bit more cynicism back because they remember why they voted for them. They were stimulated by his campaign ideas of change and wanting to see a new type of government from this, and that didn't happen," of course," said Dr. Adam Chamberlin, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Coastal Carolina University.

The white youth demographic is particularly disenfranchised with President Obama, according to the report, titled "Creating a New Economic Narrative: Empowering the Rising American Electorate for 2012." In 2008, the Democrat held a \(16\) point advantage among low income whites; Democrats currently trail Republicans by \(3\) points in this demographic group. One reason for young people's cynicism toward President Obama is possibly the lack of job prospects for graduating college students.

The Jobs Report, released by The Bureau of Labor's Statistics on August 24, states \(18.1\) percent of American youths are currently unemployed. Also noted in the report is \(31\) percent of black youths are currently without work.

This, coupled with the fact that students are graduating with more loan debt than ever before, \(47\) percent more than they were graduating in \(2001\), and college graduates make on average \(\$10,000\) less per year than two years ago, according to The Wall Street Journal, could spell disaster for President Obama.

"Obama, if he is going to stimulate the youth vote, has to instill some confidence that the money being thrown around, that jobs will be available for them when they get out of college," said Chamberlin. "If he can't do that he is going to have a problem connecting with young people.

"The House of Blues Artline Line Up

CHRISTIAN GAMBLE

The Myrtle Beach House of Blues artist lineup for fall 2011 is expected to draw large crowds to the Myrtle area. With artists such as J Cole and Max Miller coming at a time when the Myrtle Beach area is heavily populated with college students, and House of Blues reps hope the events prove popular.

The first of the House of Blues in J Cole. Promotions Manager Anne Bailey is expecting this show to sell out.

"J Cole is a very popular artist who is coming out with a new album this month (Cole World)," stated Bailey. "He was raised in Fayetteville, NC, so we're expecting a lot of visitors for this show."

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More artists coming to the Myrtle Beach area include; Pepper, the Expendables and Black Star on October 1, O.A.R. on October 26, Gobie Gallault with Andy Grammer on October 25, All Time Low with The Ready Set. sun on November 12, and the Mix on November 30. For more information on the entire artist lineup coming to the House of Blues visit webmaster.com/myrtlebeach or friend them on Facebook at HOBMyrtleBeach.
South Carolina is an Important Stop on the 2012 Election Trail

Rick Perry announces his candidacy for President at a Red State gathering in Charleston on August 13. He also visited Conway recently, hosting a town-hall type meeting with Rep. Tim Scott last week at Horry Georgetown Technical College.

Ron Paul participated in a debate in Greenville and spoke to the Greenville Tea Party May 5. He also held a grassroots event in Columbia on Labor Day, before participating in Jim Demint’s “Palmetto Freedom Forum” with the other republican candidates.

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Proud to be Alumni
Do you know what it means to be an alumni?

LINDSEY RYON

After graduation, CUC students can remain involved with the campus community through the Alumni Association.

It feels great to be a CUC graduate and still an Alumnus, especially since the job I landed is right here in Myrtle Beach,” said Zac Ludvink, a Financial Representative at Northeastern Mutual Financial Network, in Myrtle Beach.

“Being in a college town, clients are usually familiar with CUC, so when I mention that I am a Coastal Alumnus it allows me to break the ice and become more familiar with my clients.

But what does it really mean to be alumni? Founded in 1976, the CUC Alumni Association is a product of the improvement and growth of the university. There are many benefits offered for joining the Alumni Association, such as access to Career Services and Kinsley Library, discounts on merchandise from the bookstore and golf, participation in a discounted Quail Creek Golf Club Membership, as well as invites to CUC special events like tailgating and five alumni parking to name a few.

Heritage Hall also held a heritage event at Jack’s Grill in Mount Pleasant August 19.

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College can be considered one of the most stressful times in a young adult’s life. Dealing with classes, relationships, coursework, work, studying and keeping an active social life can be incredibly overwhelming. Many college students between the levels of stress and anxiety. In fact, Perry saidexample is someone who not only has a job but need to help their family support the university.

“Learning time is usually a task,” Perry says. “But it should provide a great activity to maintain mental health.”

Life mentor and peer leader Jamil Brown feels similarly and shares, “Take a break and be around friends and just laugh. It can be a perfect way to reduce the stress of school.”

Students are often complain that time is limited and effective activities do not fit into a hectic college schedule. With simple planning and time management skills, it is more than possible to find time for fun. If time management is a struggle, the counseling center can provide students help dealing with a chaotic schedule and learning how to make room for stress-relieving activities. There are various types of relaxation methods provided by Coastal Carolina University.

"I met with a guy the other day whose office is on mine, but he actually lives in Quail Creek. So to get on a personal level, I talked about how great Coastal is and really connected and were able to talk business," said Ludvink.

Coastal Carolina University is in its prime time for growth and improvements, but need to Charleston family friends. In order to continue the university’s progress, CUC Alumni are vital.

To donate or learn more about the Alumni Association, visit http://support.coastal.edu. You can also find the Alumni Association on Facebook and Twitter.

Safe Stress Solutions

CCU Offers Healthy Alternatives to Stress Relief

KRISTA CIGLACH

The Chanticleer asks that you

Thank you!

Photo by Julie Harner

“The main problem is people try to do everything,” said CUC Counselor Sean Pierce. In actually, these forms of stress can overwhelm students further down the wrong path. It’s common thought that alcohol can relieve the weight of a bad day, or as something to ease anxiety. However, alcohol is a depressant and can cause more problems than it solves. Despite it, it is often said that marijuana can calm nerves, when it actually brightens anxiety levels.

It is best to avoid drugs and alcohol, as they are unhealthy and many are illegal. For students left questioning which way to turn, Pierce provides several effective op- tions on how to reduce stress.

Staying active and exercising regularly is a statistically proven way to reduce toxins that build up in the body.

Another piece of advice from the CUC counselor is for students to make time for things they enjoy. It is important to indulge in leisure time and experience some health relaxation.

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Let Your Colors Shine

SHANE NORRIS

Coastal Carolina University is an excellent school. Sure, it has its problems, but so does every other college...no one is perfect. The point is though, CCU is incredibly unique. There is an excellent instructor to student ratio, something responsible to find at major universities. We boast one of the top marine science programs in the country, as well as an excellent POM program and an upcoming communication department. Our theatrical program is nationally renowned as well.

Also, Coastal has one of the most unique mascots in the nation. Just listen to how much they talk about a Chanticleer as if we are making up ESPN...Oh yeah, we can't forget that Coastal has some excellent athletic programs too. Our football team made it to the NCAA tournament and even graduated a few prominent players to the NFL, men's soccer went to the NIT, and the volleyball team went to the NIT, the basketball team went to Omaha two years ago, track and field sends numerous athletes to the NCAA regionals, and the list goes on.

With so many great things going on in our ever-growing university, you would think students would be overflowing with pride. However, when I'm on campus, it's often a chore just to find a teal shirt. I see so many students wandering around campus in other school's clothing, clothing...I don't see a teal shirt. I see the Ramah shirt on campus. Supporting CCCU isn't just about going to sporting events, it's about living CCCU. If you go to Mabahese or Penn State or Southern Cal or Texas or any other big university, you wouldn't find students walking around in other school's clothes, so why is it so prevalent here?

You don't have to wear Coastal gear every day, but just be conscious of your attire. Swap that faded USC hat or that old Purdue hoodie for some fresh Coastal gear. Bottom line...be proud to be a Chanticleer!

We want you!

As a new staff, we are currently working as many contributing writers as possible. This fall, we encourage any prospective writers to attend our 6:30 PM Monday meetings in the Lib Jackson Student Center 206. The meeting is free and open to all, is a great way for prospective writers to acquire published material and gain valuable experience for possible internships and job opportunities. Story ideas can be submitted to The Chanticleer Newspaper. We look forward to hearing your articles and welcoming you to our staff!

WHAT'S THE WORD?

Each week The Chanticleer asks its readers... "What's the WORD?"

We asked a question to three random CCU students...

"Here's what they had to say:

How are you going to choose your candidate for the next President and why?

Patsy Baker, Elementary Education

We need a president who can take care of real issues. President that we have now is ok, but we need someone that will help with the issues facing the university. Everything that is happening is not all the president's fault, but the congress as well. I think that we should give Barack Obama another chance, but get some new members into congress.

Cassey Patterson, Middle Level Education

We need someone who's economically sound and who can help us get out of the economic disaster that we're currently in. Also, we need someone who will strive to increase spending for educators and other local government resources.

Emma Lautridor, Special Education

I think that Brahie should run for president because she is an asset in everything that she does. I would vote for her if she ran for president.
How do you get to campus?

I drive 17
I use the shuttle 6
I walk 4

poll question of the week...

Contagion
The thriller focuses on an international team of doctors contracted by the CDC to combat a new disease outbreak. With stars like Matt Damon, Jude Law, Gwyneth Paltrow and Kate Winslet, it’s sure to interest viewers.

Warrior
Two brothers confront many years of family squabbles as they prepare for an all-out brawl in the ring. Directed by Pride and Glory’s Gavin O’Connor and starring Tom Hardy, Joel Edgerton and Nick Nolte, will no doubt evoke fights and emotion.

Shark Night 3D
In this Lake Placid meets Jaws thriller, special effects filled, gory flick, you’re sure to find the best acting of the year. But re-

PAPER DAY!

What's coming from the headphones of The Chanticleer staff?
Ryan
90’s R&B and rap
"The new stuff is garbage."

Chad
The Anthem by Eminem and Tech N9NE
"Eminem kills it in his vers. Too bad he only has one, though."

Shane
Pinch Me by The Barenaked Ladies
"Classic 90’s...taking me back."

Julie
Faint by Linkin Park
"It gets me pumped."

Michelle
Show and Tell by Al Wilson
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Taylor Eubanks
Senior - Political Science Major
Kappa Sigma
LINDSEY RYON

Taylor Eubanks is recognized for his leadership and motivation as a member of the CCU community. Eubanks is a senior Political Science major and a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, as well as carrying an executive position in the Student Government Association (SGA) for a little more than three years. He hopes to take on the Vice President position for his fraternity and plans to graduate in May 2012.

"I have a passion for helping people and making an experience better for people," said Eubanks. "Whether to day-to-day situations on campus or member of Kappa Sigma, I want people to have the best possible time to learn, the most and be prepared for when they leave and the future of their lives."

Eubanks is involved in many organizations on campus. To maintain a role, he helped develop the Smart Ride program on campus that offers discount taxi services for students. He is also a member of multiple CCU Honor Societies. A major accomplishment for Eubanks is his position as Chair of the South Carolina Legislature for CCU. During his time as Chair, the organization won the 4-star designation two years in a row.

"Whatever you are passionate about, don’t lose that passion, stick with it," said Eubanks. "Don’t get discouraged; always try to find the positive in situations when you can. It makes your life much more rewarding."

Ashley Jones
Senior - Communication Major
Phi Sigma Sigma
CARI NOGAS

Many students hold leadership roles, but this individual stands above others. Ashley Jones, a junior Communication major and current President of Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority, takes on more roles than the average girl. Since she came to Coastal, she has become involved with the Student Government Association (SGA), as Vice President of Public Relations, just as the Student Life Committee, helped start the Smart Ride program, and was part of Campus Outreach.

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Ultimately, these two roles, as well as others, have helped shape who Ashley Jones is today. She plans on working in sales and marketing in the future of her career.

THE HISTORY
BEHIND THE LETTERS

CASEY RUTKOWSKI

Chapters all around the United States wear different letters, but are united and come together in their quest to be prestigious and elite among their peers. When joining a Sorority or Fraternity, it is essential to learn about the men and women who created the foundation of the chapters. Each member learns the specific values, beliefs and traditions that make their chapter unique.

"By joining a Sorority, I was able to find the true meaning of interrelated through our four founders and live my life to the highest expectations through our four core values of love, labor, learning, and loyalty. I try to live at the woman that my founders would have wanted me to be," said Beverly Hummel, a member of Gamma Phi Beta.

As a member of Greek Life, you are viewed as leaders on campus. Sororities and fraternities promote academic excellence and work their hardest to achieve their goals. Chapters work as a whole to maintain the highest GPAs on campus to even further emphasize how important knowledge and education are in their lives.

The organizations can mold individuals and can make them successful in the future by seeking the benefits of leadership. Members come to realize what their roles are and the significance role their brothers and sisters play in their lives and experiences. Greek organizations can influence their members in positive ways and impact the rest of their lives.

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Trivia

Courtesy of triviaplaying.com

1. In the Peanuts cartoon and comics, what color is Woodstock?
2. What is the main color of the UN flag?
3. During the first six months of life, what color are a zebra’s black stripes?
4. In 1900s what color was the “fever” discovered?
5. Litmus turns what color when dipped into an acid solution?
6. What kind of legume provides the colored inks used in most U.S. daily newspapers?
7. In its pure state, what color is topaz?

A man who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life.

-Charles Darwin

All life is an experiment. The more experiments you make the better.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

A man begins cutting his wisdom teeth the first time he bites off more than he can chew.

-Herb Caen

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COMMUTE cont from front page

学期 Did you know that in the equivalent of almost 22 Big Mac’s from McDonald’s? Walking, I would burn 14,850 calories, equaling nearly 28 Big Mac’s.

Now, I understand not everybody lives close enough to bike or walk to campus every day. It’s your only option.

However, one can see countless cars pulling out of University Suites, which is just more than a mile away from campus, heading to class every single day. Those who drive to campus when it’s not needed leaves many students baffled.

“It’s stupid for them my roommates) to not take the action to walk when it’s just as easy, if not easier, than driving,” said Junior Communications major Kyle Dickson. “Obviously, walking to class is better for you, but the main reason I do it is because of the parking.”

MATCH cont from front page

schools. Instead of interested potential new members choosing an organization, each potential new member must go into each organization’s room. Recruiting new members this way gives potential new members an open mind and allows them to meet each sorority, but it can also cause a great deal of stress on the girls.

Formal Recruitment at the University of South Carolina and Clemson allows sororities to hang banners with letters on them. Here at Coastal Carolina, hanging banners before recruitment with letters and selling girls to rush is forbidden. Strangely, the rule does not apply to fraternity. Rules for recruitment are different for each council.

Relay for Life is a great example of how well each organization supports one another. It is not a competition to see which sorority or fraternity can raise the most money. Instead, the organization combine together and raise money as a whole.

Answers

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09/09 at Catawba
09/17 vs. North Carolina A&T

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09/04 at Richmond
09/07 vs. George Washington
09/11 vs. VCU
09/16 vs. Appalachian State
09/18 at Ohio State
09/22 vs. Gardner-Webb
09/25 vs. UNC-Wilmington

WOMEN'S GOLF
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09/09 vs. Old Dominion
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09/16 at Tennesse
09/25 vs. Florida Tech
09/25 at Liberty

MEN'S GOLF
09/18 Gene Miranda Invitational
Colorado Springs, Colo. (Eisenhower Golf Club)
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09/30 vs. Campbell

MEN'S & WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
09/02 Gamecock Open
09/17 CCU Cross Country Invitational
09/30 Paul Short Run

TJ'S TAKE
with T.J. SUNDBERG


Well, it's that time of year again. Along with the controversy of the current BCS system, there's another BCS issue to consider. This one stands for Big Conference Syndrome.

Let's review the big six BCS conferences in college football so we all understand what I'm talking about.

The PAC-10 became the PAC-12 and now hosts a conference championship game, yet the best team in the conference can't even play in a bowl. Moving north, the Big 12 consists of 10 teams, no conference championship game, its own ESPN network for one team, and everyone and their mother wants to leave it. Moving north, the Big 10 consists of 12 teams, a conference championship game, two weird division names, a Fickel and Hoke rivalry, and no exciting teams. The Big East will gain a team from Texas entering next season, football you don't want to watch, a degrading nickname (The Big Least), and an automatic bid. Moving more, the ACC boasts two ranked teams in the AP Top 25, one team that always seems to find their way to the BCS bowl. Last, but certainly not least, is the SEC. Their dominance overshadows the scandals, they keep on winning, and everyone wants to join.

Now there are talks of depopulating the Big 12, making a PAC 16, and putting everyone else in other conferences.

Like there wasn't enough confusion in college football already.

Bottom line, these proposed super-conferences are a terrible idea. If the NCAA is going to allow them, they might as well make the six BCS conference teams go independent and make them duke it out for the National Championship every year.

Seems like this is just another problem the NCAA is going to have to tackle. When they get around to it, of course.

Put me in Coach!

Each week The Chanticleer goes into the locker room for a sit-down with the coaches and trainers of Coastal Carolina University.

TS: What got you into coaching?

CP: I got into coaching right after my years as a player. I was a three-year captain at Furman, and I loved the leadership role on my team, so that just seemed like a natural transition. In my first year, I was so fortunate to earn a graduate coaching position at a top 25 Division 1 program and learn from one of the great coaches in the game at the University of Alabama (Jenny Jones Thompson) before her retirement. I am almost fifteen years into my coaching career, and it still feels new and exciting to be a college coach.

TS: Is coaching any different than teaching?

CP: Yes and No. I try to remain positive with my players and students at all times. It is really important to me to enjoy each journey whether it is a new class or season rather than placing too much emphasis on the final destination. Every day is a blessing, and I know we are all lucky to be part of such a special place like Coastal Carolina. However, as a coach, I spend a lot more time with the guys so those relationships are generally more personal. It is also a much more competitive environment than the classroom.

TS: How do you try to improve yourself as a coach each and every year?

CP: After fifteen years, I learn something about myself as a coach with each passing season. I lost my first captain, Andy Carees (age 25), two years ago. It was really tough season for me and I think I put a little more pressure on myself this past season, a little too much pressure on my team trying to win for him. I wish I would have been able to trust our players a little more instead of putting the onus on the team. On that same note, I want my players to understand how fortunate they are to play and study at Coastal Carolina. I want them to give their best everyday while they still can and before this part of life is over. I know Andy didn't have any regrets, and his legacy inspires me every day.

TS: Where do you see the Chanticleer men's tennis team at the end of this season?

CP: I have no idea. I have a very young team. No one on my roster has played more than one year at CCU so this is year with a lot of question marks. Everyone needs to step up as a team leader. Before he graduated, my lone senior needed to put the team first and give back to the sport which has done so much for him. There is certainly the talent to do special things, but this team needs to want it as a unit. More than so than in previous years, Coastal Carolina Tennis will re-define itself again this season.
Off on the Right Foot

CCU XC starts the season off well at USC’s Gamecock Invitational

SHANE NORRIS

The last 1,000 meters of the Women’s 3k at the Gamecock Invitational was a mad sprint. Sophomores Emily Marchini took off, chasing down one competitor after another until none stood between her and the finish line. Marchini’s exciting finish marked just one of the feats pulled off by Coastal Carolina at the annual cross-country meet, hosted by the University of South Carolina on Friday, September 2.

The women placed second overall with Marchini taking first in a time of 18:36, senior Christian Johnson in sixth, junior Jess Dennison in eighth, junior Joey Denison in 11th, and freshmen Briana D’Amato in 25th.

“I think once we get everybody healthy, we’ve got the potential to be a good, strong team.” Sophomore Shelby Nicolas, Seanna Kazut, and Stef Taylor sat the meet out due to injuries.

On the men’s team, not only did the Chanties swing a number one finisher, but they won the meet overall. Freshman Joe Downey — Men’s Soccer Senior — Finance Major

TS: Where are you from?
JD: College Station, Texas.

TS: Why did you attend Coastal Carolina?
JD: I chose Coastal Carolina because of the Men’s Soccer Program and because it also had a business school that was growing in national reputation.

TS: What is your fondest memory as a Chanticleer athlete?
JD: My fondest memory as a Chanticleer Athlete is winning the Big South Tournament at High Point last year and being on the field when the final whistle blew.

TS: What will you miss the most about Coastal Carolina University?
JD: The thing about Coastal Carolina I will miss most is the daily interaction I have with my teammates and all the good and difficult times that I have been through with all of my current and past teammates.

TS: How can your team build off last week’s tournament victory?
JD: Our team seems to be gaining confidence and chemistry with each game that we play. We have to keep working and continue to get comfortable playing alongside one another, but also use this past weekend’s success to continue building momentum to play some top teams over the next few weeks.

Coastal Carolina vs. Georgia: Game Preview

DAVID TENEIRA

Every year for the past few years, the Men of Play deals off the juice of the big boys. This year, it’s our neighbors to the south, the Georgia Bulldogs.

In previous years, Coastal did not fare too well against their FBS foes, but perhaps this is the Chanticleers’ year. The Bulldogs are coming off of a 5-6 season in which they struggled both on and off the field. It was Georgia’s first losing season since 1996. The Bulldogs also lost head wide receiver A.J. Green to the NFL as he was a top-10 pick to the Cincinnati Bengals.

On the other side of the field, your Chanticleers are poised to steal the spotlight. With Georgia’s first two games coming against tough opponents (#4 Boise State and #12 South Carolina), the boys in red and black may be wiped out by the time the Chants come riding through Athens.

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