LEAH BARCELONNA

A 30-minute long video has been flooding social media news feeds over the past couple of weeks, bringing awareness to the troubles that Central and South Africa have been facing for over 20 years, but the biggest questions everyone’s minds are: Who is Joseph Kony and what is "Kony 2012?"

Kony abducts children to be his soldiers or "sowers" for his officers. After forcing the children to kill their own parents, he encourages them to rape, mutilate, and kill civilians.

Jay Turner, the creator of the "Kony 2012" grassroots campaign, said Turner. "At night, we are going to post flyers all over campus in places where students can not miss them." The reason Invisible Children Campaign wants the people involved is because the U.S. military advisors that are currently deployed in Central Africa are on a "limited time" to disarm the LRA. If the U.S. doesn't think the people care about the campaign then they will remove their troops, and the only way people will care is if they watch the video and understand the cause.

Word of mouth is very underrated," said Turner. "On a college campus if an event is hyped up for long enough then there is an actual turnout. Between the Facebook group, word of mouth, and flyers around campus, I hope to raise enough awareness that Kony 2012 is the buzz around campus come April 20." The Invisible Children campaign wants Kony to be famous in that when he is stopped, he will be a visible, concrete example of justice. They want other war criminals to know that theiratrice will not go unreported. They have used the number 2012 and broken it down into 20 culture makers such as Lady GaGa, George Clooney, Jay-Z & Angelina Jolie; 12 policy makers such as George W. Bush, Condoleezza Rice, Bill Clinton, and Mitt Romney, to raise awareness for the campaign as well.

I think the interest of celebrities will encourage their fan base to also 'hop on board', these celebrities have an extremely large following," said Meghan McGovern, a junior Communication major. "If they are able to help spread the word and use their celebrity status to help change the world they believe is called for." To learn more about "Kony 2012" Coastal Carolina University, join the group on Facebook and download the posters for free from www.Kony2012.com.

get the instant gratification of supporting a cause by simply clicking "like" on Facebook or tweeting about Kony.

A popular question that has been raised through the video's virality, however, is whether social media really helps stimulate change for causes such as this. The New York Times recently ran an article analyzing the impact of social media on issues, titled "Do Social Media Campaigns like Kony 2012 Stunt or Stimulate Real Change?"

The article talks about how social media outlets can serve as a dangerous tool if those in the social media world are misguided. According to the article, it is "impertinent that we don't hijack the voice of those we are trying to help." People are so quick to share the link or retweet about it without really digging deeper. They watch the video and fall in love without questioning other sides or..." said junior Marketing major Christian Dumes. "Also, I don't think 90 percent of the people who are ‘passionate’ about it could point out Uganda on a map."
MEET THE STAFF

ZACH DERITIS
As junior Marine Science major James Marinochrushed forward while staring at his computer screen, he is trying to decide what to do with his schedule for next semester.

"There are only two versions of biology open? This is ridiculous," he yells in extreme frustration.

"When do you expect me to graduate? Never?"

It is now time for Coastal Carolina University students to register for their fall semester classes, a time of year that many dread for numerous reasons. Students being unlikely enough to have to register at 6 a.m., the biggest complaint students have is not being able to register for the classes they need. The system of the classes offered by some of the more popular majors tend to fill up after a week or two into the registration period. This has left some students frustrated and fearful they won't graduate as early as planned.

The cause of this issue has been an ongoing struggle between Coastal students for the past few years, but the issue at hand is merely a side effect. The issue is maintaining the rapidly expanding number of students that come to Coastal each year and trying to find somewhere to put them all.

Since 2007, Coastal has seen a 10 percent increase in the total student population as well as a 21 percent increase in the total number of incoming freshmen. Considering the student body is growing each year by about 300-400 students and the campus has to try to keep up. Having more students than classrooms and faculty means registering for classes becomes a bit of a rat race.

Many students in biology and other majors of the sciences have experienced issues with finding enough available sections for entry-level classes. Between biology and marine science alone, there are over 1,200 students to place in many of the same classes. Having only a few available sections for labs and lectures makes scheduling incredibly frustrating for students. The problem seems to be that the 5 hour labs take up a lot of classroom space and time during the day. Therefore, there is less time for other students to take other classes.

What is the solution to this problem you may ask? The solution is has been all around campus all year long but students have not noticed the contraction. Coastal just is not yet big enough for all of these students. The issue, however, does not involve entirely academic space department. Almost every academic college is affected. Just last year, the Department of Communication experienced the same issue and hired four new faculty members to accommodate the students for the upcoming semesters. While reviewing the statistics of the overall growth of the school over the past few years, Chris Men, executive director of the Office of Institutional Research, noted a rather interesting spike in the class of 2010.

"Unlike a typical class, only classes of by almost 200 students. This year it dropped by only 83," she noticed as she crunched numbers on her calculator.

"This type of increase is very interesting but is not expected."

Proost and Senior Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs, Robert Sherban, is completely aware of the fact that with a growing student body a school has to have a growing campus, hence the recently added 7th congressional district run in preparation for the upcoming construction on a new building. Sherban has 13 new classrooms and 100 new faculty offices. Along with a massive increase in classrooms, Sherban hopes to have 30 additional faculty members by the end of this year and 100 within the next few years. This is to even more up more time during the day. A few years ago, the school's earliest offered classes were at 8 a.m. Now, the student classes offered will soon be at 7 a.m., and even more will stay open into the evenings. This gives students more flexibility and more time to use throughout the day.

"We are moving as fast as we can," said Sherban. "All of this progress should help even out this problem.

Sherban advised students who experience issues with registering for classes should contact their academic advisor. There are plenty of things we can do to help anyone who has a problem," he said. "We can make class substitutions or overload a section or even open up a whole new section. Students may not get the classes they want, but advisors should help keep students from falling behind in credit hours.

The students have to deal with the over-expanding campus as best as they can. This is, however, all in the name of progress and excellence for Coastal and we might as well get to it. Sherban has no intention of slowing down this growth anytime soon.

"My next goal is to have 10,000 students as soon as possible and hopefully 12,000 by 2020," said Sherban.
STUDENT LIFE 3

IS THIS FINE OR UNFAIR?

JOCELYN ALMODOVAR

With the arrival of spring work last week, students are getting ready to soak up the good weather and shift to party mode. Although the sunshine has brought more smiles on campus, there are still students who definitely don't have spring fever.

Before students left for break, University Housing conducted room checks at all Coast Guard dorms and apartments. These room inspections, however, left many students unhappy.

A student, who wishes to remain anonymous, said he received an offense for having a shot glass in his room at University Place.

"How can the school fine me for having a shot glass in any room, when they sell them in the University bookstore on campus? It's not like they card you, so whether you lie or even ask if we are on campus," said the University Place resident.

To University Director Jennifer Simpson, this point has been brought up before.

"Many parents have called and argued this. But the way I explain it is we do have students that attend Coast Guard that are 21 and can go off campus and use them," said Simpson.

Students say there are different uses for the shot glasses, toothpick holder, used to clean ring or belly button rings, so we have these rules to keep them consistent across the board."

DREW TAYLOR:
BACKSTAGE BIO

KRISTA GIERLACH

Originally from LivKatz, Illinois, Drew Taylor is a junior BFA Musical Theatre major that recently starred as one of the leading roles in CUC's "Lost in Yankees."

This show ran at Atlantic Stage on 7th Avenue in North Myrtle Beach and was directed by Theatre Manager Thom Penn. In this production, Taylor played the role of Jay, a fifteen-year-old boy who's father left him and his younger brother with their strict grandmother while he tries to make money. Taylor claims he got his inspiration for the character from his fifteen-year-old brother, Evan. "He is the exact opposite of my character and I based a lot of my work in the show off of him," Taylor said.

Taylor chose to go to Coast to specifically for the theatre department. "I really loved the school when I came to visit," says Taylor, "and after I met all the professors in the theatre department I knew this is where I wanted to go."

Throughout his three years at General, Taylor has performed in "Spring Awakening." "The

THE WEEKLY GREEN

ZACH DERITIS

According to a statistical analysis conducted by the Associated Press, there has been no correlation between how much dancing we do here in America and how much we pay at the pump over the last 36 years. If what politicians are saying is true, then we should not be playing as much as we are for gasoline. In the last three years alone, US oil drilling has increased to almost 30 percent and is still growing. So why are we about to be paying a national average of $3.00 per gallon?

The issue is that the US is exporting more oil than we are keeping for ourselves. The oil market needs to stay within American borders so that we are able to rely on gasoline and we will not go bankrupt.

People are sitting on their own oil supplies in this very country along with a natural supply of oil in Colorado that can sustain the US's demand for the next 100 years. There needs to be more investment in renewable and environmentally friendly sources of energy such as wind and solar energy.

They are clean, cause little to no environmental problems and most importantly; they are cheaper.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ALEX ALTMAN

Only a few months of classes are left until the class of 2012 will graduate from CUC. The hectic task of finding a job in the "real" world may start to sink in, as well as the reality of not being so young anymore. With the economy in its current state and the pressure to find a job, students are starting to further their education.

On the other hand, going to school again may not be essential. "I don't feel like I need to go to grad school because I am majoring in graphic design," said Stephanie Williams, junior Graphic Design major. "I think I will get the real world experience and practice then and maybe I will need it eventually."

Statistics show there is a $5,500 boost in sal-

CARI NOGAS

Julia Giganti

Where are you from?

Ampolus Maryland.

What are your commitments outside of Gamma Phi Beta?

I have a full time internship at Infocus Studios and the Myrtle Beach Economic Development Corporation as the marketing assistant.

Have you held any positions within Gamma Phi Beta?

I was the activities chairwoman, Membership Vice President (in charge of recruitment) and then Public Relations Vice President. I've also been on Greek Week and Homecoming committees.

Have you learned anything about leadership?

I've learned that you have to keep going no matter what is thrown at you or obstacles you encounter. You need to keep your head up and keep moving forward. Everyone faces struggles but you have to keep improving and people will notice your hard work.

What is your favorite part about Gamma Phi Beta?

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WHERE HAVE ALL THE MANNERS GONE

CHAD VATES

Hey everyone, hope you had a good spring break. I know I sure did. Besides an unpaid amount of driving, I enjoyed my time off. The highlights of my break though was definitely my 3 day expedition the "happiest place on Earth" - Disneyland. I got a chance to go a few months ago when I went to Orlando for a conference with the paper, but it was only for a few hours because I only had a little bit of time away from the conference. Needless to say, I didn't really get to experience all of the magic land has to offer. This time, I got to really go on everything I wanted to go on the last time in the three days. While I fully enjoyed myself on all the rides, I couldn't help but notice the lack of manners some people showed during their vacation. One example that comes to mind really upset me. I was in line waiting to go on the Haunted Mansion, and there was a group of six people in front of me. This group was a mother, father and their four young children. The line was moving slow, and the family was struggling frantically to get their kids in order. They just had a bit on their plates. I mean, I was there with just my girlfriend, and it's even difficult to stay in line with just one other person in my party at times. I can't imagine how difficult it can get with tired, cranky and hungry kids in such a large crowd of people. The line moved up probably about ten feet, but the family was so preoccupied getting their affairs in line that they failed to move up immediately. To me, it wasn't a big deal. It's not like those ten feet was going make a difference in the line. All of a sudden, the guy behind me, who was riding alone, leaned over the railing and yelled at the father "Hey man, move it! Some people are trying to get on the ride sometime today!" The father respectfully waved in apology to the guy behind me and ushered his family up in line. I turned around and didn't say anything to the guy, but shot him a look that made it clear how I felt about his comment. It wasn't a huge deal, but it just really bothered me the lack of manners used when the guy was just trying to keep his FAMILY in line. In my opinion, I don't think the fact that you are on vacation justifies you throwing all your manners to the side. No matter where you are, manners are important, and that isn't something that should be forgotten in any situation.

A LOOK AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES

SHANE NORRIS

Over spring break I chose to take a not so typical trip for a college kid. I went to Atlanta with a group of good friends. We went to the Georgia Aquarium, one of the top aquariums in the world, to the World of Coke and to the Olympic Park. The aquarium was epic. I'm no Marine Science major, but I've been a nature geek my whole life. The live dolphin show can't wait for this summer. The father respectfully waved in apology to the guy, but shot him a look that made it clear how I felt about his comment. It wasn't a huge deal, but it just really bothered me the lack of manners used when the guy was just trying to keep his FAMILY in line. In my opinion, I don't think the fact that you are on vacation justifies you throwing all your manners to the side. No matter where you are, manners are important, and that isn't something that should be forgotten in any situation.
8 brainbuster

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TRIVIA

1. Who attained the highest altitude for a woman astronaut in 1995?
2. Who went on trial for the Oklahoma City bombing after Timothy McVeigh was sentenced to death for the crime?
3. What U.S. state gave the world Louis Armstrong, Fan Domini, Mahalia Jackson, and Jilly Roll Martin?
4. What country was created in 1920 from the remains of the Hapsburg Empire?
5. What sitcom's scripts were penned with the help of an Army handbook and map of Korea?

QUOTES

"Once you say you’re going to settle for second, that’s what happens to you in life, I find."
- John F. Kennedy

"Insanity in individuals is rare--but in groups, parties, nations, and epochs, it is the rule."
- Fredrich Nietzsche

"A man should not strive to eliminate his complexes, but to get into accord with them, for they are legitimately what directs his conduct in the world."
- Sigmund Freud

"I speak the truth, not so much as I would, but as much as I dare; and I dare a little more, as I grow older."
- Michel de Montaigne

CRIME LOG

3/19
Simple possession of paraphernalia
CCU DPS officers responded to University Place in reference to paraphernalia found during a breath and saliva inspection. The officers interviewed the suspect and the complainant at the scene. The subject admitted to possession of paraphernalia and was found to be in possession of marijuana. The subject was issued citations and transported to the Horry County Detention Center.

3/19
DUI
While on patrol, a CCU DPS officer observed a vehicle being driven in an unsafe manner and stopped the vehicle. The driver was interviewed and given an opportunity to attempt NAST. The driver was issued a citation and transported to a breath testing facility. The breath test confirmed the subject was over the legal limit. The driver was transported to the Horry County Detention Center and the vehicle was towed.

3/19
Driving under suspension
While on patrol, a CCU DPS officer observed a vehicle make an improper turn. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was interviewed. The driver was found to be driving under suspension, issued a citation and transported to the Horry County Detention Center. The vehicle was released to a licensed driver.

3/19
Student Conduct Violation
A CCU DPS officer responded to University Place in reference to a contraband. The officer interviewed the complainant at the scene and collected the contraband. The subject was not present at the time. This incident is being referred to the Student Conduct Process for the University.

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WHAT'S THE WORD?

CHAD YATES

Each week the Chanticlereer ask our readers a random question.

We asked CCU students...

How do you keep yourself motivated towards the end of the semester?

“I tell myself that with finals coming up, it’s best not to get slack because if your grades get too low you may not pass.”

Luana Washington, Junior
Middle Level Education

“I think about how mad my parents would be if I failed.”

Gaeli Smith, Freshman
Biology

“I think about how mad my parents would be if I lost my scholarship.”

Laura Hocobien, Freshman
Biology

CHAUNCEY'S CINEMA

The editors weigh in on upcoming movies

The Island President (March 28)
This film follows the Maldives President Mohamed Nasheed in his first year in office as the survival of his country, one of the most low-lying countries in the world, rests in his hands. If the water level rises as much as three feet, the 1,200 islands that make up the country would be all but uninhabitable.

Wrath of the Titans (March 30)
A decade after Perseus' defeat of Kraken, the gods and Titans clash in a battle for supremacy. As the gods are slowly losing control of the Titans, Perseus, who is trying to live a quiet life as a fisherman, can't ignore his true calling. This film is sure to be action-packed and full of adventure.

Mirror Mirror (March 30)
The classic tale of Snow White is coming to theaters in this remake of the famous Disney story. Lily Collins stars as Snow White, as she's faced with the task of escaping exile from the evil Queen (Julia Roberts) and winning over her Prince. Snow White isn't alone, however, as she of course gains the help of seven courageous dwarfs.

TEAL TUNES

What's coming from the headphones of The Chanticlereer staff?

Shane
Gettin' Down in A Pirate Town
Flea Circus
"Really, who doesn't wanna be a pirate?"

Chad
Butterfly Effect
Kinetiks & One Love
"Just can't get it outta my head. Deep song."

Jenna
I Like Drinking Cause it's Fun
Chase Rice
"I agree!"

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SENIORS (90+ CREDIT HOURS) & GRADUATE STUDENTS
Group 1 - Beginning 6 am Wednesday, March 21 via WebAdvisor
Group 2 - Beginning 6 pm Wednesday, March 21 via WebAdvisor
Group 3 - Beginning 6 am Thursday, March 22 via WebAdvisor
Group 4 - Beginning 6 pm Thursday, March 22 via WebAdvisor

JUNIORS (60-89 CREDIT HOURS)
Group 1 - Beginning 6 am Wednesday, April 4 via WebAdvisor
Group 2 - Beginning 6 pm Wednesday, April 4 via WebAdvisor
Group 3 - Beginning 6 am Thursday, April 5 via WebAdvisor
Group 4 - Beginning 6 pm Thursday, April 5 via WebAdvisor

SOPHOMORES (30-59 CREDIT HOURS)
Group 1 - Beginning 6 am Monday, April 9 via WebAdvisor
Group 2 - Beginning 6 pm Monday, April 9 via WebAdvisor
Group 3 - Beginning 6 am Tuesday, April 10 via WebAdvisor
Group 4 - Beginning 6 pm Tuesday, April 10 via WebAdvisor

FRESHMEN (UP TO 29 CREDIT HOURS)
Group 1 - Beginning 6 am Wednesday, April 11 via WebAdvisor
Group 2 - Beginning 6 pm Wednesday, April 11 via WebAdvisor
Group 3 - Beginning 6 am Thursday, April 12 via WebAdvisor
Group 4 - Beginning 6 pm Thursday, April 12 via WebAdvisor

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SEBASTIAN SODERBERG
Men's Golf

The junior earned medalist honors at the Furman Intercollegiate March 15-18. Soderberg shot three consecutive rounds of 68 to take the individual title. Soderberg has two prior runner-up finishes in his career and is the first Chanticleer to claim individual honors since Dan Obremski in 2009.

CHELSEA PINEDA
Softball
Catcher

The senior has five home runs on the season as the Chanticleers are off to a hot 22-9 start this season. Pineda ranks second on the team in home runs and RBIs, as well as leads the team in walks with 19.

KIM SHERAYKO
Coastal Carolina Baseball ended their Spring Break by hosting the CC Classic tournament. The Chants swept their competition, going 4-0 and extending their winning streak to six games. OCU opened the tournament on March 16 with a 7-3 victory against Michigan. Starter Tyler Herb took the hill for the Chants and struck out a career high eight batters over 6.2 innings of work. Alex Buccilli led the team at the plate, driving in three runs. Aaron Burke closed out the victory by earning his first career save.

The Chants began Saturday with game one of a day-night doubleheader with a 6-2 win over University of Connecticut. Josh Conway pitched a two-hit six-inning outing, while Ryan Connolly pitched the final three innings, earning his fourth save of the season. Buccilli, once again, delivered at the plate by driving in three runs.

Coastal completed the doubleheader with a familiar 6-2 victory over Michigan. Relief pitcher Patrick Corbett earned his first career victory, while Burke got his second save in two days. The Chanticleers chased Michigan's starter from the game when the first five batters of the game successfully reached and pushed two runs across the plate. Tucker Psewy led the Chants at the plate by going 4 for 5, in addition to top-notch defense with an important pick-off play in the second inning.

The baseball team closed out the CC Classic with a 7-0 victory over UAB. Coastal's senior-standout Daniel Bowman hit his 42nd career home run to break up a no-hitter in the bottom of the sixth inning. Freshman Chris Sweeck also stood out, driving in three runs and making two impressive defensive plays in the victory. Relief pitcher Devos Bradley, who took over for starter Austin Wallace, earned his first victory with the Chanticleers.

The Chanticleers continue to be impressive both at the plate and on the mound. Senior captains Rich Witten and Frawley have reached base safely in 16 consecutive games, while the Chants' pitching staff has played a major part in bouncing back from the team's shaky start. Coastal pitchers lead the NCAA with a 1.94 ERA and rank fifth nationally in hits allowed per game at 6.51.

FLANAGAN BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD

SHANE NORRIS
Senior javelin thrower Jason Flanagan stepped out on the runway on Fri., March 16 with the intentions of doing big things. In the first showing of his senior season, Flanagan hefted a throw of 71.20 meters or 233 feet and 11 inches. That throw not only broke the all-time Coastal Carolina record by .33 meters, but it also tied the Big South Conference record. The throw also ranked Flanagan as the sixth best javelin thrower in the NCAA so far this year and meets the "B" standard for the 2012 U.S. Trials.

When interviewed by GoCCUSports.com Flanagan said he plans for more success to come.

"I just knew it was a matter of time, so I'm gonna break it a few more times this season hopefully," said Flanagan.
CAROLINA PANTHERS WELCOME HOME FORMER CHANTICLEER

KIM SHERAYKO

The Carolina Panthers came to terms with former Chanticleer Mike Tolbert on March 19. "Mike is a very versatile player who can do a lot of things for us," said Panthers General Manager Marty Hurney in a team-issued statement. "He plays fullback, catches the ball well out of the backfield, plays running back and is an outstanding special teams player." Tolbert has been a standout in the San Diego Chargers' backfield the past two seasons, while accumulating over 1,200 yards and 11 touchdowns. His best season occurred in 2012 when he rushed for 753 yards and scored 11 times.

Tolbert thrives at the fullback position as well, thanks to his exceptional running blocking skills. He also has proven to be a threat in the passing game with 199 career catches and six touchdowns. He is expected to improve the Panthers' special teams play, where he led the Chargers with 12 tackles last season.

Tolbert jumped at the chance to get back to the south when the Panthers were willing to bring him home to the Carolinas.

"It was a good fit and gave us a chance to add another weapon on offense," said Hurney. "We are excited about bringing him back to the Carolinas."

SOUTH CAROLINA WARRIORS MAKE STATEMENT IN INAUGURAL SEASON

TJ SUNDBERG

The South Carolina Warriors wasted no time making their mark on the ABA in their first season. After a season that consisted of three area championship and an ownership change, the Warriors find themselves on the cusp of an ABA championship. Pending their game last Saturday, the Warriors could find themselves booking a trip to St. Petersburg, Fla. for the ABA Final Four.

Led by Hall of Fame Bobby Knight's former assistant, Head Coach Chris Beard has led his team to great success in his first season. The Warriors were the only undefeated team in the ABA regular season, earned a number one ranking, Beard is the ABA All-Star coach and beat the Jacksonville Giants in their own arena (no team has ever done so).

If you've ever been to a Warriors game, you've probably noticed some familiar faces. Joseph Harris, Mario Edwards, and Jack Lemon are just a few Chanticleers greats to dribble the red, white, and blue ABA ball this season with the Warriors. Along with Coach Beard, Tom White Jr. of College of Charleston and Mike Vogler from Tiny University earned themselves trips to the all-star game as well. Majority owner Jason Warren is so enthusiastic as an owner in basketball. Warren started as a sponsor of the team and seized his opportunity.

"Jason talks about this team. His passion for them is unmatched," said Carlos McDouough, who works for Warren at his tanning salon in Carolinas Forest.

SOUTH CAROLINA WARRIORS

2012 MARCH SCHEDULES

BASEBALL

3/28: North Carolina
3/30: Radford
3/31: Radford

TBD

3/29: Charleston Southern
3/30: Charleston Southern
3/31: Gardner-Webb
4/21: Gardner-Webb

HOCKEY & WORKER'S OUTDOOR TRACK MEET

3/30: North Florida Invitational
3/30: Raleigh Relays
3/31: North Florida Invitational

3/30: Raleigh Relays

MEN'S BASKETBALL

3/31: Administrative Augusta State Invitational

MEN'S TENNIS

3/30: UNC-Wilmington
3/31: UNC Asheville

MEN'S SOCCER SPRING

3/31: Wake Forest

I'LL TAKE

TJ SUNDBERG

A lot of Chanticleer fans may hate me after reading this column, but I'm a man of principle. I'm talking about the guy that sits on the first seat on our bench. Yes, that's head coach Cliff Ellis.

Now, before you roll up the newspaper, find me and smack me with it, just hear me out. Coach Ellis has done a lot of great stuff in my three years here. I'm not going to argue that. However, with the good comes the bad. And we've had some bad things happen under him. If you know Coach Ellis past, this shouldn't surprise you. Trouble always seems to find him, then subsequently finds us. If you don't believe me, look up our player arrest record from this season or call up the NCAA, and ask about their lovely little stacks due last year that almost stripped us of postseason play in our sport. From that perspective, it seems like most of our troubles start with our transfer players. Don't get me wrong, I've seen some great ones (see Chad Gray and Anthony Effa), but I've also seen some horrendous ones (see Denmond Holloway and Mike Holms). Not saying Holloway and Holmes were bad basketball players, because they were great talent, just no question about it, but they weren't what I would call team players. You are not that have been here since their freshman year like Kieyre [Greenwood] and Sam [McLaurin], guys like that are about the team because they came in together. They're here not only to play good basketball, but also to play good basketball for Coastal Carolina.

My whole point about these transfer students is it's great if they can play good basketball, but it doesn't build a consistent program. If Coastal wants to succeed as a mid-major program, we're going to have to build our program with players that are going to be here for four years. It's hard to consistently win and get noticed when players come here, sit out for a year, play a year, and leave because you never know what to expect in year and year out. Look at a school like Butler. Their star player led the NCAA but they still made the National Championship last year.

One of my friends once made a great point, "Coach Ellis is the type of coach you want at any established program. He's proven himself elsewhere, he can get the recruits, he doesn't really do much in game from a fan point of view, but he finds a way to win." Maybe we shouldn't fire Cliff after all. But if we're not going to fire him, maybe he should start changing his recruiting ways. Hey, it's just a thought.
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