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Tag, you're it

Four Washington men started a game of tag while in high school together and they are still playing it -- 23 years later.

While the men have since moved all across the country, making the game a bit more geographically challenging, they live in a constant state of fear, all in the name of fun and keeping in touch.

They have been known to fly across the country, break into each other's houses, and even hide in the bushes for an entire weekend just so they no longer have to be 'it' and endure the ridicule that comes along with it.

It's alive!

After losing their pet turtle more than 30 years ago, the Almeida family of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil ended their search on a happy note this week when they found Manuela in a store room at the family house.

The Almeida children found Manuela after their father passed away earlier this year and they needed to clean his things out of their old house. The turtle was buried inside one of the many boxes and went unnoticed until a neighbor pointed her out to a member of the family. The Almeida family were very happy to be reunited with their long lost pet.

This particular species of turtle is able to go for long periods of time without eating; and it is believed the turtle survived by eating termites from the wooden floor.

Hey, I'm not dead yet

A family in the Guangdong province of China is happy this week after their grandmother, who was believed to be dead, sat up and spoke to them just before she was set to be put in a casket.

The woman, Peng Xiuhua, was found lifeless by her daughters after she experienced a fall in her home. The daughters bathed their mother and took her to an undertaker to be dressed in preparation for the funeral.

At the memorial service the grandmother sat up, looked around, and asked why there were so many people in her house. Luckily she woke up before they took her to the crematorium.
Although the days of having an assigned seat from a teacher are long gone, many students still choose a particular place to sit and claim it as their own for the semester.

Typically on the first day of class, a student enters the room, looks around for a seat and then sits down. In the process of sitting, it is almost as if the pupil signs a disclosed contract stating to everyone in the room that the seat they are currently occupying shall remain theirs for the semester.

But why do students do this? One would think the freedom of being able to sit wherever they please would be more appealing in comparison to sitting in a confined space for the remainder of the term. Perhaps it is because we are creatures of habit.

Krystin Santos, a senior English major at Coastal explained how she sits in the same seats in every one of her classes all semester long. “If someone sits in the seat that I usually sit in I get very thrown off. I can’t concentrate during that class period because everything feels different and foreign in a way.”

This idea of “foreignness” can even be applied to those who teach the class. After taking roll the first day, when the professors call your name the following class, often their head gravitates towards the seat you previously sat in. If you aren’t there, typically a comment is made about the change. While no other student is saying it, everyone is thinking it; “Why did he/she move?”

Much like Santos, junior Lina Leonard sits in the same seat in all her classes. “First off I have bad vision, so I need to sit in the front. But I also sit in the same seat because I like structure and routine.”

With something as simple as taking a seat in a college level course many students are up in arms about it. At Coastal it would seem as if the fastest way to ruin the start of the day wouldn’t be by missing your morning coffee, but by having someone else sitting in your seat.

-Samantha Riley
Tongy's Schmackhouse is a new restaurant and bar open in the University Commons next to Coastal Carolina. However, this isn’t your typical pub and grub place. Tongy’s throws in a bit of humor on the side of every menu item.

Tongy’s has something for everyone: from the picky I’ll-only-ever-eat-chicken-fingers kid to the oldies who only want food as long as it’s smothered in cheese and ketchup. Oh, but don’t worry fellow students, this place was made with you in mind.

Owner Dustin Leek says that he wanted to “cater to the college kids as well as businesses in the area.” He’s put a large amount of time and effort into Tongy’s in order to make it a fun and unique place for people to hang out, eat and drink during the day as well as night.

There are over 30 items on the menu to choose from. But be careful, it may take you longer than usual to decide what to eat, because each item is comically described in an equal tone of wit and offense that will make you want to keep on reading as if it were your favorite humor blog.

Tongy’s has four owners, three of them being brothers. Dustin and his brother Blake own the Tongy’s in Myrtle Beach while the other two are up in Ohio. He says that they’ve “been in the area for 12 years and have a good understanding of the bars and restaurants here.”

That’s why he says Tongy’s is so unique. It strives to separate itself from the typical bar by offering up mouth-watering fresh ingredients, with most of their food and dressings made from scratch. It may look like your typical bar on the outside, but didn’t your mother ever teach you that it’s what’s on the inside that counts? And the heart of Tongy’s is its food of course. Oh, but don’t forget about the bar. They have drinks too, a lot of them.

Dustin and his brother Blake came up with the name after a long night of drinking and watching other people get totally “shmacked out”. What started as an inside joke between friends turned into an idea for a future restaurant and bar.

“We thought the phrase was funny and would make a good name for a bar one day,” said Dustin.

Tongy’s also takes to-go orders. If you don’t want anything to-go, at least just get the menu and you’ll be graced with the images of Tongy’s three dog mascots: Mr. Pants, Professor Riley, and Cooper.

Tongy’s only offers one dessert item on the menu but it’s the king of all desserts; one could almost say its “The Teets”.

“If I was going to do a dessert, I wanted it to go all out and make it completely awesome,” said Dustin.

Just imagine you’re at a carnival and you come across a fried Oreo, Twinkie, and Snickers stand all in one.

For all of you looking for a cool new place to hang out when you have nothing to do on a Saturday night, Tongy’s is the place to go. Also if you’re ever super hungry after a long night of “studying”, Dustin says that soon they’ll be serving a late night menu that will be available until 3 a.m.

Tongy’s is currently open Monday through Sunday from 11 a.m. until 2 a.m. but these hours are to be extended after the spring.

-Christa Dorsey
The gun control debate: Student NRA member sounds off

Since the tragic shooting at the Sandy Hook elementary school in Newtown, Conn., the nation has been deeply invested in the heated national discussion on gun violence.

In January President Obama released a list of proposals for new laws as well as a list of executive orders in an attempt to curb the violence. The proposals include an assault weapons ban, universal background checks, and investments in school safety and mental health reform.

In typical fashion Democrats followed his lead while, since the president still breaths oxygen, Republicans were immediately outraged. They claim these new law proposals are a direct violation to their Second Amendment rights.

Last Tuesday marked the first small legislative step for reforming America’s current issue with guns and gun violence. The Senate Judiciary Committee and a panel of invested Americans representing all sides of the issue gathered on Capitol Hill to discuss solutions. The main talking point of the day was universal background checks on all gun sales, 40 percent of which are made without any background check.

“Background checks work,” said Chief James Johnson of the Baltimore County Police Dept., who testified in front of the committee. “The best way to stop a bad guy with a gun is with a good background check.”

This was on the contrary to what National Rifle Association CEO, Wayne LaPierre’s testimony. He offered no specific reason as to why the NRA would oppose expanding background checks to all gun sales except, “The current system is a failure.”

Hours into the hearing, Illinois Senator and Senate Majority Whip, Dick Durbin’s patience finally ran out with LaPierre.

“The criminals won’t go to purchase the guns because there will be a background check. We’ll stop them from the original purchase. You miss that point completely,” he said.

Mr. LaPierre’s testimony offered no viable reason as to why the NRA would oppose background checks for all gun show sales with the exception of the inconvenience it causes to “hobbyists and collectors.” This is a measure the NRA supported back in 1999 and is currently supported by 74 percent of NRA members, according to the Mayors Against Illegal Guns website.

Marshall Sample, Coastal Carolina University senior, and lifetime member of the NRA has his own reasons.

“That tells the government who has guns and how many they have,” he said. “In a way, the government already knows through the ATF. They know through the state government but not the federal government.”

Marshall does not fully represent the Alex Jones’s of this two-sided discussion, regardless of his NRA membership. Marshall is an NRA Shotgun, Rifle and Pistol Instructor as well as a South Carolina Certified Concealed Weapons Permit Instructor.

Marshall does, in fact, support some of the president’s proposals in regard to mental health.

“Obama’s trying to regulate or control the mentally ill people. That I approve,” he said.

“That I like.”

Distribution is also far too lax. The state of South Carolina is one of a handful of states where gun sales do not legally have to be managed by a federally licensed dealer nor do they require a purchaser-waiting period.

“As long as you have the money for a gun and you get an ATF (Bureau of Alcohol, Firearms, Tobacco and Explosives) background check, you can walk out of the store that day with a gun,” said Marshall.

Marshall still has his reservations toward gun control. Marshall shares many of the same feelings towards guns and their uses that many other NRA members do which consists of the notion that ”a gun is a tool,” with a specific purpose but carries dangerous implications when used improperly or by the wrong person.

“It’s not the gun’s fault. You can put a gun on a table and it won’t do anything or a car in the driveway and will just sit there,” he said.

“But when a crazy man has a gun in his hand or a drunk man gets behind the wheel of a car is when it becomes a problem.”

-Zach DeRitis
Shagging to Stardom

On Friday, January 25th the 30th annual Shagging with the Stars contest took place at The Spanish Galleon in North Myrtle Beach.

The competition was filled with many of Myrtle Beach’s familiar faces but one was an important member of our Coastal community.

Dr. Debbie Conner, Vice President of Student Affairs took home the first place trophy with her partner, River Harmon. Harmon is a sophomore at Myrtle Beach High School and considers himself a Coastal enthusiast, he started shagging when he was 11 years-old. The competitive pair has been practicing for the competition since the week before Thanksgiving.

“We started practicing in River’s living room and then moved to different locations like Fat Harold’s and the Beaver Bar in Murrells Inlet,” said Conner.

One-hundred percent of the funds from the competition go to the National Shag Championship for the Beth Mitchell memorial scholarship.

Beth Mitchell was a shag champion who lost her life in a sudden accident while driving in North Carolina. Her car was picked up by a tornado and she was killed instantly. Mitchell was not only a lover of shag dancing but a school teacher as well. The scholarship was formed in memory of her.

Some of Conner’s favorite parts about participating in Shagging with the Stars was her ability to learn something new. She explained that she would have never attempted shag dancing if it wasn’t for the competition and plans on continuing to dance as much as she can. Conner and Harmon will meet again for next year’s contest where they will present the new winner with the trophy, as well as perform a shag number.

“The event was overwhelmingly fun and I thoroughly enjoyed learning the culture of shag in Myrtle Beach,” said Conner.

Conner and Harmon not only took home the trophy but also introduced a new dance move into the shag routine. The move is called, “The Chanticleer” to represent the love both competitors have for Coastal Carolina. Conner describes Harmon as a very patient and creative teacher. He encouraged Conner and reminded her that the whole point of the competition was to smile and have fun.

“I’m surprised by how my participation in Shagging with the Stars has sparked an interest in others to learn shag dancing, I’m hoping that this something that will come to the campus recreation department soon,” said Conner.

-Leah Barcellona

Have a great story you wish to write about?

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Cynthia Storer, a professor in the intelligence and national security program, was invited to the Sundance Film Festival for her role in Manhunt.

Manhunt, directed by Greg Barker (Koran by Heart, Sergio), is a documentary that follows the men and women of the CIA who were involved in discovering Al Qaeda and hunting for Osama bin Laden. Storer is featured in an interview during the documentary.

Storer worked as an analyst for 20 years with the CIA where she was a member of a group of women in the CIA called “the sisterhood” whose work helped in the fight against Al-Qaeda.

The film can be considered a real-life counterpart to the Oscar nominated film Zero Dark Thirty. Paste Magazine said Manhunt is, “hard not to watch without thinking of the Oscar-nominated narrative film.” Manhunt premiered in January at the Sundance Film Festival.

“I was really hoping to meet Robert Redford,” said Storer on her time at Sundance, “but that didn’t happen. I did have a run in with Nicole Kidman’s security, though. And I was supposedly in the same room as Daniel Radcliff, but I never saw him.”

After the première of the film, Storer said she began to experience a level of celebrity status. “I would be in the street or in a restaurant and people would know who I was. It was so weird.”

This didn’t stop at the festival, though, after Storer returned to Coastal’s campus people were still buzzing.

“My schedule is getting full of media people, which is so weird,” she said.

Storer began teaching at the university in 2008 as a teacher adjunct. At Coastal she began to develop the intelligence and national security program, and this is the first year that the major is available.

“The whole experience was so cool,” said Storer. “Exhausting, but fun.”

Manhunt will air on HBO later this year.

-Bobby Baldwin

James Storer’s Genre of the “Narrative Medicine”

James Storer is a Teaching Associate in the Department of English at Coastal Carolina University. Storer, who has taught at several universities, including ones in Cambodia and Hong Kong, joined the Coastal faculty in the fall 2012 semester. Although Storer’s background deals with English, he has taken an interest in the medical field. Storer said he had no interest in the medical field until he had to get triple bypass surgery that went wrong and put him in a coma for 10 days. He then realized how important stories dealing with illness and injury are.

He realized that writing was a part of the healing process for many people and as a result, he decided to edit “The Art of Medicine in Metaphors: A Collection of Poems and Narratives.”

The book, which is now available, is a compilation of stories and poems from people who have had to deal with injury, illnesses, or death in their life.

According to Storer it is all about the feelings towards things like illness and death and how to ultimately cope with it. Storer calls these stories pertaining to illness “narrative medicine.” Storer included his own personal story dealing with his triple bypass surgery in the book and how he felt as a result of what happened to him.

He said he is now aware of how important it is to be in shape and stay healthy to help avoid illness. Storer is very excited that people wanted to share their personal stories with him. He said that over 140 people volunteered to share their experiences and were glad to.

The main purpose behind this idea of mingling the subjects of English and medicine are to show how writing not only helps heal, but uplifts others who have been through similar experiences. In addition, those who share get to be heard. If you are interested in the genre of narrative medicine, Storer will be teaching an online course entitled “Themes in Literature and Medicine” for the fall 2013 semester.

-Erica Smith
Last weekend a freshman student named Melissa became caught up in the new rules that constitute the university’s drinking policy.

Melissa’s roommate had her boyfriend come visit for the weekend and he brought beer with him, which, of course, is not allowed in the dorms. They proceeded to drink while Melissa was in the room, but she did not partake in the drinking.

“The next day the girl and her boyfriend cleaned everything up and left two beer cans in the garbage, another roommate of mine’s parents came and they saw it and called an R.A. to look at it,” Melissa said.

Since Melissa was the only one in the room at the time the resident assistant came to inspect it, she was held responsible for the beer cans in the trashcan.

“Later, in the hearing, only me and the girl whose boyfriend came got in trouble,” Melissa said. “My two other roommates didn’t get in trouble because they weren’t there when the alcohol was found.”

Melissa was forced to pay a $100 fine for the beer cans found in the trashcan.

This is a common scenario in the residence halls, and resident assistants are forced to just write down what they see and send it to their higher-ups.

“We have to document them because we have to make sure we know everybody that was in that room and they get documented and spoken to as well, because even though they may be designated drivers or something, you still don’t know if that’s the case,” said Justin McBride a resident assistant in the freshman dorms.

If one student’s roommates are drinking or disobeying other parts of the university’s alcohol policy but that student is not, they...
will still get in just as much trouble as their roommates who are breaking the rules.

“One good example is where the majority of the roommates were drinking and one roommate wasn’t, he’d still be documented because he’s basically not doing anything about it, he’s still going against policy in that way,” McBride said.

One way for students to avoid fines and trouble is to take advantage of the good samaritan policy which lets students report drinking and other dangerous behavior anonymously without fear of repercussions.

“The good samaritan policy protects students who are worried about their friends health, when they are responsible enough to call somebody to get this person help rather than, out of fear of being spoken to by [a resident director], just do nothing at all,” McBride said.

Students in the dorms should also be aware of what is and what is not considered ‘alcohol paraphernalia’ under the university’s alcohol policy. Though there is no clear cut definition for ‘alcohol paraphernalia,’ students can get in trouble for having empty alcohol containers in their rooms.

While beer mugs and wine glasses, which can be purchased by freshmen in the bookstore, are considered ‘alcohol paraphernalia,’ posters advertising and endorsing alcohol and empty beer boxes are not.

“I just learned Fall semester that it’s not a documentation worthy thing if they have posters or pictures, even empty boxes,” McBride said. “Like if you had a box of Bud, but there aren’t any cans in there, that’s fine. Which I think is really tricky, especially for new RAs, and also for the students themselves.”

-Josh Fatzick
Spring Highlights

The Intramural phenomenon returns in full force

The intramural season kicked off in the Kimbel Arena Wednesday night as the aspiring teams vied for the number one spot in the intramural leagues championship game.

It was all fun and games when team Boomshakalaka stepped on the court to contend against team Anteaters. This game immediately set the tone for the rest of the season for both teams.

Both teams put up 21 points in the first half, feeling very optimistic about their team’s victory. Then, the second half came.

Team Boomshakalaka continued to rally towards victory with the ball moving towards the hoop and put up another 21 points before falling to team Anteaters who put up 37 more points for a final score of 58-42.

During a post-game interview, Team Anteaters’ Michelle Dzuenda said, “I think our team played awesome. We are in our third year with this team and still have yet to win a championship. We picked up a few new players and I think we are going to do well this season.”

Be sure to keep your eyes out for this and other teams during this season of intramural basketball in the Kimbel Arena starting Sundays at 6pm.

-Darien Mack

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Coastal Men’s Soccer Star Taken By Toronto in MLS Supplemental Draft

39 Goals in two seasons, 2011 Big South Attacking Player of the Year, 2012 MAC Hermann Trophy Finalist, and Coastal Carolina University’s 6th All Time leading scorer. These are just a few of the accomplishments of Ashton Bennett in his sensational soccer career at Coastal Carolina.

What’s even more amazing than his achievements is the short amount of time he accomplished them in. Bennett began his Coastal career in 2011 and played in only 47 games in a Coastal soccer uniform. Since coming to Conway in his Junior Year from Cincinnati State Technical College, Bennett started every game for the Chanticleers, and Coastal has seen success since day 1.

Bennett’s efforts led the Chanticleers to the post season each year he was with the team. With Bennett, the Chanticleers have twice appeared in the NCAA Tournament and recorded 3 NCAA Tournament Wins, as well as two Big South Regular Season Titles. His exceptional collegiate career has earned him the opportunity to continue his success in the big leagues with the MLS franchise, Toronto FC.

Bennett was taken by Toronto in the first round of the MLS supplemental draft. If you don’t know what that is, the supplemental draft is basically a continuation of what the MLS calls the Superdraft. Which is just the regular draft.

Most professional sports leagues have supplemental drafts in order for teams to find that last bit of left over talent that was passed over in the regular draft. Normally players that are found in such drafts are along the lines of players with conduct issues or Players that had success at smaller schools, as is the case with Bennett.

Unlike most professional sports leagues that usually do a supplemental draft every year, the MLS does it off and on. Each of the 19 MLS Soccer Clubs participate in this draft and select their players via conference call.

The draft lasts 4 rounds with a 3 minute break between rounds. Each team gets three minutes to select, and if they fail to choose within those 3 minutes, the next team in line gets to pick immediately. Basically, if you snooze you lose.

Bennett was selected 20th overall (1st overall for Toronto) and is the 8th Coastal player to ever be drafted by an MLS team. The Chanticleer super star has been selected by a franchise that is coming off of a disappointing 5-21-8 season. Bennett and Toronto open their season March 2 when they host Vancouver in their home stadium in Toronto, Canada.

-Kyle Jordan

The Chanticleer Men Bounce Back

The men’s basketball team played in games against two big teams this week, Winthrop and Radford.

Wednesday The Chants played against Winthrop at Rock Hill. Unfortunately, the men were outscored by 13 points, with the final score of 61-48.

Coastal lead by 8 points in the first half, and finished with a 1-point lead, 26-25.

The lead disappeared just 3 minutes into the second half as Winthrop opened with a pair of 3-pointers. Number 2, Anthony Raffa, lead the team with 16 points, and Kierra Greenwood added 11 points. This was the first time the Chants were outrebounded by double-digits.

To end the game Winthrop finished with a 3-pointer making the final score 61-48, boosting Winthrop’s record to 3-5 in the Big South and dropping the Chants record to 4-4 in conference play.

The men were looking to bounce back with a win Saturday afternoon at the HTC Center when they took on Radford.

The Chants wishes were granted when the men won the game by 10 points, making the final score 62-52.

Radford started the game off with a 3-point shot by R.J. Price, but that would be the last time they would see the lead. Raffa and Uros Ljekovic, answered back with a pair of 2-pointers. The Chanticleers would keep the lead for the rest of the game by an average of 8 points.

Thanks to the 4 turnovers, 1 steal and 2 blocks the Chants ended half time with a 6 point lead, making the score 26-20.

The men never let go of the lead going into the second half. Radford tried making a comeback by fouling the Chants, but that strategy did not work.

Raffa lead the team once again with 22 points, and close behind him was Greenwood with 15 points. With many rebounds, steals, turnovers, blocks, and 62 points the Men take away another win making their record 10-11 and 5-4 in the Big South.

-Madison Warren

Women’s Basketball in action

The Lady Chants had a busy week starting on Thursday night against Longwood and then against Radford on Saturday.

Both games were true testaments of the Chants skill, prowess, and determination to win the games. On Thursday, sophomore guard Shatia Cole scored 20 points while junior forward Alexx Puckett and Junior Guard Kayla Cook both put up 10 points. They were the top 3 scorers for the Chants. This game was televised on ESPN3.

At the half, Longwood outmuscled the Chants by 1 point making the score 28-27. The Lancers fought hard and put up 34 points before falling to the Chants who scored another 39 points to make the final
score 66-62.

Junior Forward Alexx Puckett spoke briefly about her feeling of her team’s performance. “I feel great. It’s been a long time. We should have beaten them the first time, but it’s been a great victory for us,” she said.

When asked how the team played, Puckett responded confidently, “The team played really well. Our defense was on, we worked together, and that’s what won us this game. This season is going well for us so far, we are playing every team twice, we are working together, and we are going to go in with a lot of energy and continue to fight for those wins.”

Saturday, the lady chants were back in action against Radford in a double header. The game turned out to be a very intense and very defensive one as the Chants were down at the half 29-26. AJ Jordan led the team with a total of 14 points, while Katelyn Connor recorded the sixth Chants double-double as she was able rack up 10 points and grab 10 rebounds. Angelica Henry also scored 10 points for the team.

The Highlanders put 22 points on the board before the chants rallied from behind. A costly mistake by Radford and a reversed call on a made basket that would have given Radford the win gave the Chants the 52-51 victory.

Be sure to cheer your Chanticleers on as they play the Blue Hose of Presbyterian on Valentine’s Day here in the HTC arena at 7pm. -Darien Mack

Men’s Tennis drops both contests; Women lose season opener, have a match canceled

It was a rough week for both Coastal Carolina tennis teams. The men’s team lost both of their matches and the women’s team lost their match on Thursday and had their match on Saturday interrupted by snow.

The men’s team traveled up to Greensboro, North Carolina last Friday to take on UNC Greensboro. In the singles matches, Coastal went 2-4. The two wins came from Coastal’s Yusuke Kusada and Ted Nilsson. Kusada defeated UNC Greensboro’s Ahmet Sarioglu 6-4 and 6-2 in their matches. Ted Nilsson would win both of his matches 7-6 against UNC Greensboro’s James Dougferty. Garik Yedigarian, Matia de Pasquale, Leo Christofides, and Hunter Whalen would suffer defeats. UNC Greensboro came away with a 3-2 win over the Chants.

The men’s tennis team would not have much time to recover from their loss. On Saturday February 2 they would travel up to Virginia Tech University. The match was originally scheduled for 1 PM but it was moved back to 11 AM. The Hokies dominated the match and were able to put together a 7-0 sweep of the Chants. The Coastal Men’s team is currently 1-2 this season.

Coastal’s Women’s Tennis Team would drop their season opener 6-1 to Furman University in Greenville, SC. Freshman Libby Scott recorded the only win for CCU. She was defeated 3-6 in her first set against Furman’s Alexa Moreno-Kaste but would win the second and third set 6-3 and 6-2. The Lady Chants match on Saturday at Western Carolina University would be interrupted by snow. Play was cancelled.

The men’s team and women’s team will be back in action this week in their home openers. The men will play Friday February 8 at 1 PM and host USC Upstate and the women play Saturday February 9 at 1 PM and host Savannah State. -Kyle Jordan
Tempering Chocolate

Companies and chefs alike over charge significantly for chocolate covered strawberries you can make at home by using a double broiler.

- Get a pot about 1/4th or less full of water and throw in a dash of salt. Now you want it to get boiling. Not the sadistic hellish bubbles, but the very soft bubbles. Think of a happy lamb.
- Then get a glass bowl and set it on top of the boiling pot. Pour about 1/8th of the milk chocolate in there and you will watch it slowly melt. Because the heat will become hotter when a bowl is on top of the pot, be careful that the chocolate doesn’t burn. When it becomes rich and creamy, dip the strawberry in and lay in on wax paper. If you want to decorate with white chocolate repeat the same process, but add a little cream. Dip a fork in the white chocolate and drizzle on the milk chocolate.
- Now that you know how to temper chocolate general baking gets much more fun. You can dip virtually anything in chocolate that hardens: a topping for ice cream, fruit, peanut butter, pretzels, nuts, or popcorn. Anytime you want a layer of chocolate, do this. Tempered chocolate can also help in making fun gifts. Also, you can put food coloring in white chocolate. Girl’s Birthday? Pink chocolate covered pretzel with white sprinkles. Easter? Peanut butter dipped in yellow chocolate. Gag gift? Blue nuts.
Top 5

Obnoxious Classmates

**The Ponytail:** The Ponytail sits in front of you and tilts her head back just enough so that her hair rests on the top part of your notebook. She lacks the decency to move her desk up a few inches.

**The High School Kid:** He's that overachiever that is taking more college classes than high school classes and always seems to know the answers. He sits in front of the class, laughs all the professor's bad jokes and eavesdrops on your conversations. Go ahead, make fun of him all you want, but he just scored higher than you in the class and is the professor’s favorite.

**Your “Best Friend”:** It should be obvious that you two are going to be best friends, you are in the same group after all. By the time the class is over, they have your phone number, they are your Facebook friend, they follow you on Twitter, and you have been invited to the party he is throwing in his dorm room. Be sure to set ground rules, or expect to get calls and texts at 2 am.

**The Seat Jumper:** She throws the unspoken courtesy of eying your own seat that you picked the first day. She moves around like she is not screwing with your perfect texting seat in the corner. You notice her moving about like a bumble bee. She is not a problem until you walk into class one day and she’s moved into your vicinity of the room. Next week, kiss your seat good bye.

**The Greek Herd:** They decided to all take the same class because they obviously do not get enough of each other outside of scholastics. The Greek herd consists of three or more fraternity brothers or sorority sisters. They are easy to pick out because when they are not in their letters they are decked out in Southern Tide attire in the brightest shades possible. They tell you about all of their philanthropy events and they will always make sure to talk just loud enough so that you can hear all about their party last week and which are prominent members of the Greek community.

- Bobby Baldwin

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Netflix Pix

- Russell Alston

"A Complete History of my Sexual Failures"

Is it a documentary or a mockumentary? You'll be asking yourself this question during "A Complete History of my Sexual Failures." Director/Star Chris Waitt needs to know why he is single and why have all his relationships ended with him being dumped. He tries to answer these questions by attempting to interview all of his past girlfriends. After initially failing, his mother sets up his first interview up with Julie. Julie claims their relationship just fizzled out, with the two of them getting into different things. They were 11-years-old.

Mom arranges a second interview with Dawn, who Waitt met at 5-years-old. Their reunion takes place at her home, with the mother of two dumping Waitt for kissing another girl at a wedding, her mother.

A date with the ex he didn’t know was a nympho and an interview with the ex who uses a computer to remain anonymous (while in the same room) are standout scenes that blur the lines between fiction and reality.

The ambiguity of the acting works both ways. The performances are real and not overtly done. The British accents and first person camera screams documentary, while the interlude type scenes crack the true story feel at times.

Waitt rarely, if ever shows emotion. His perpetually look of confusion and monotone voice is another trait of the film that keeps you guessing. At times, the film is honest and funny; other moments can be unflinchingly painful to view. Deciding if it's real or not may be the hook, but that becomes secondary.

Music Review

- Russell Alston

**A$AP Rocky 'Long.Live.A$AP'**

A$AP Rocky invites listeners into his hedonistic and eclectic way of life with his major label debut "Long.Live.Asap." The New York City native showcases all the cultural hip-hop influences that have shaped his style.

"LVL" defies categorization. Trippy chants interrupt a pulsing beat that appears to be techno, until the bottom falls out on a thunderous 808 that's pure Southern hip-hop. A flow that plays with internal rhymes, screwed ad-libs and a cocky attitude stamps this track as a banger.

"Wild for the Night" feat. Skrillex is a muddled mess of styles. A$AP delivers screwed bars for half the verse and a double time flow the other half. The schizophrenic dubstep beat just adds to the confusion.

"Train" makes up for the previous ill-advised collabo. Six of the rawest newbies in the game come together over violin strings, piano chords and drum licks. The result is a cipher track where each rapper is battling to up the previous one.

A$AP proves with his first album that he's not like other rappers laying tracks these days, and that's a good thing for hip-hop.
Horoscope

For Feb. 3 - Feb. 10, 2013

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Wishing won’t make problematic matters disappear. Serious issues must not be treated with indifference, especially if they involve others.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- No matter how strong the urge, don’t attempt to impose on any clique where experience tells you that you won’t be welcome. Turn to true friends only.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Don’t despair if you face tribulation because even weighty matters can be worked out. If you remember to think positively, you’ll be able to take your challenges in stride.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) -- Before opening your mouth, stop and count to 10 if you find yourself in a conflict of opinion with another. Only when you’re calm should you venture to talk things out.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) -- Although it might not live up to your fullest hopes, something profitable could develop from a situation engineered by a friend. Be happy with what you get.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) -- Don’t think you have to stick to a particular procedure because of tradition when an associate has what could prove to be a better idea. Be flexible.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) -- If you happen to make a few mistakes at the start of a project, instead of panicking, you should stop and catch your breath. Most problems are more easily rectified than you realize.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Even if conditions initially look as if they are going against you, don’t freak out. Surprising twists could occur, enabling you to snatch success from the jaws of defeat.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Tying too hard to get the approval of your peers can work against you. However, if you relax and just be yourself, you will easily gain the endorsement you’re seeking.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Be smart and downplay some advice given to you by a well-intentioned friend. You’re better equipped to evaluate certain personal matters than he or she is.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Some periodic, extravagant inclinations could be stirring within you, and need to be checked as soon as possible. Enjoy yourself, but do so as inexpensively as possible.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Provided you treat all of your friends equally, this could be a rather pleasant day. If you show any partiality, however, it might not be so hot.

Crossword

ACROSS
1. Leading the pack
2. New to the scene
6. Pop in the mouth
10. Took to the air
14. Fellini’s "La Vita"
15. Horse’s hoof sound
16. "Thumbs up way up!"
17. Humped ozen
18. Large fruit
19. Group of soldiers
20. Monthly periodicals, checked-out library books, etc.
23. Be inaccurate
24. Rabbit’s tail
25. Patches between tinnitus
28. Glasgow hats
31. Mold in relief
35. Sound made when passing the sound barrier
37. 22 pounds
39. Unoriginal
40. Currently warning
43. The A in WASP
44. A fan of
45. Computer command
46. New World pyramid builders
47. Make a blunder
50. Burst a bubble
51. Sign of impact
53. Captain, for one
55. What one may reveal on Facebook
56. Prefix with “dynamic”
58. Common test answer
61. Winter
66. Malady
67. Biblical birthday party?
68. Part of some juice-blend names
69. Eldick
70. Yellow
71.冠状的
72. Argument in public, e.g.
76. Summer or Reed
77. Much more than most
78. Call-length skirt
79. Broken arm support
80. Ready to serve, as beer
81. Sentry’s impervious
82. Loud
83. Argument in public, e.g.
84. Alleged
85. E.G.
86. Turn of Hollywood
87. More than bad
88. Freshly applied, as paint
89. The man from St. Francisc
90. Dance of Cuban origin
91. Cereswise on a ship
92. Summer or Reed
93. Much more than most
94. Call-length skirt
95. Broken arm support
96. Ready to serve, as beer
97. Sentry’s impervious
98. Loud
99. Argument in public, e.g.
100. Alleged

DOWN
1. Wood-shaping tool (Var.)
2. Made a row on the ground
3. Temporary home for Napoleon
4. Not chronic
5. Low-rain region
6. Bath-water residue
7. "Eugene" O’Neill girl
8. Knuckleheads
9. Individually
10. Flying foxes

THE DUXGL- Glenn McCoy

Happy 100th Birthday!
Weekend Best Bets

The weather temperatures may be unpredictable, but grueling class schedules are consistent and weekend activities are always highly anticipated at Coastal. This weekend offers a variety of events that can peak anyone’s interest.

*The House of Blues* will celebrate its *20th Anniversary* by presenting the 9th Annual Flogging Molly Green 17 Tour featuring Skinny Lister and Dave Hause on Friday, February 8th beginning at 8pm. Celebrate 20 years of live music at the beach’s favorite concert venue and come meet punk rock band Flogging Molly at their official after party at Crossroads restaurant with more live performances. Ticket prices range between $26-$63 and can purchased online or at The House of Blues box office.

*Carolina Improv Company* presents *Whose Beach Is It Anyway* at the Uptown Theater in Myrtle Beach on Saturday, February 9th beginning at 7:30 pm. The interactive comedy show will include suggestions from the audience about funny things that pertain to Myrtle Beach such as all you can eat buffets, beach stores, snow birds gone wild and much more. Ticket prices range from $12-$14. For more information about the show, contact the Uptown Theater at 843-272-4242.

The 3rd Annual South Carolina Underground Music Awards will be held on Sunday, February 10th at 6pm at Club 2001. The red carpet event will include live music by DJ Tron, free food, great performances and much more. For more information about sponsorships or performing, contact the club at 843-449-9434.

-Demarcus McDowell

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**WHAT'S THE WORD**

What’s the most memorable Super Bowl moment that stands out to you?

*Jen Darmsall*  
"The Janet Jackson wardrobe malfunction."

*Marques Ligons*  
"Madonna’s halftime performance last year was memorable because she lip sang which proves she’s way past her prime."

*Monet Heyward*  
"The commercials are always memorable because they are not your average everyday commercials."

*Aljere Sadler*  
"When the Pittsburgh Steelers won Super Bowl XLIII because they’re my favorite team."