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U.S. Senator Saxby Chambliss Visits Campus

Tony Wege's Thursday morning American Government class hosted a campus visitor Thursday: U.S. Senator Saxby Chambliss. The students were well prepared, had clearly learned their material, and asked some tough questions, according to Senator Chambliss.



Following the class, he met informally with the academic deans, program heads, and other members of the College administration. The state of the economy was a major theme. At one point, Senator Chambliss said, "Getting the economy on track is more important than the next election to me." He believes in invigorating the economy by encouraging businesses to re-invest and incentivizing capital to come back into the U.S. When asked about stimulating demand, his response included revenue enhancement through tax reform.

"Education is always a political issue in every campaign...then it gets lost in the shuffle when the election is over," Senator Chambliss said. He later noted that he voted for *No Child Left Behind*, but he recognizes "there are real issues that need fixing." He emphasized that money earmarked for education, in a climate of spending cuts, meant prioritization of program spending. He said he personally favors funding research as a high priority in order to retain our brightest minds and continue to attract new talent from abroad.

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College and Community Celebrate Campus Center Ribbon Cutting

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Mariners Scoreboard



In the words of Dr. Don Mathews, Professor of Economics:

"Our volleyball team is AWESOME and the games are a TOTAL BLAST! COME ON OUT!!"

September Home Games:

03 Southeastern University 2 p.m.

08 Allen University 6 p.m.

13 Voorhees College 6 p.m.

27 Brewton Parker 7 p.m.

[Schedule](#)

Go Mariners!

Read about our student athletes:

[Volleyball team hits road for opening matches](#)

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Tuesday morning, the lobby of the new Campus Center at 9 a.m. was almost as packed as the Mariners Galley at noon. Community members, civic leaders, representatives of the building's design and construction team, Foundation

trustees, College faculty, staff, and students gathered August 23 to officially cut the ribbons in celebration of the Campus Center opening.

Noting that the Campus Center is dedicated to all things student, College President Valerie A. Hepburn described the \$12 million building as the hub for student leadership, events, and recruitment and commented on the new energy, excitement, and engagement daily evidenced there.

To read more about the ribbon cutting, [click here](#).



Board of Regents Vice-Chair "Dink" NeSmith

Coastal Georgia Plans to Become the State's College for Service-Learning

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College of Coastal Georgia
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Calling 2011-2012 "The Year of Engagement," College President Valerie A. Hepburn, Ph.D., launched the 2011 fall term August 8 in a campus-wide meeting of faculty and staff. She introduced new staff and faculty, reiterated the College's vision and mission, reviewed progress on strategic goals, and highlighted key areas of emphasis for the coming year.

SACS Reaffirmation and QEP Implementation and Service Learning and Community Engagement topped the list.

Keynote speaker for the morning was Dr. Kirby Godsey, author, current Chancellor and former President of Mercer University, and former member of the SACSCOC Executive Committee.

"History is a platform for building something new," Dr. Godsey said,

[New volleyball team gets to work in preseason camp](#)

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[2011-12 Men's Basketball Schedule](#)

[Softball player wins academic award](#)

Save the Date

Founders' Day
Friday & Saturday
October 21-22
[Itinerary](#)

Summer Term 2011
Presidential Scholars
and
Dean's List

The Office of the President has listed the names of the nine Presidential Scholars for the summer 2011 term.

To be named to the President's List of Scholars, a student must be enrolled for twelve hours or more with a term grade point average (GPA) of 4.00.

Titinia Augustus
Brunswick

Mary Bryson
St. Simons Island

Leigh Crosby
Brunswick

Sarah Ingerson
Kingsland

Sean Irvin
Brunswick

Windy Meadows
Waycross

Tamara Peoples
Waverly

Sheree Richardson
Brunswick

"sometimes creating something that is radically new. So, standing on the precipice of a new year, the main issue is mustering the ingenuity and the insight to shape a College that helps people think better and act smarter." Citing the crippling cycle of ignorance, he asserted that the new class system was no longer based on wealth or race, but education - the educated and the non-educated. "If we want to build a future that makes economic sense, we have to free ourselves from the chains of ignorance." Dr. Godsey charged College faculty, staff, and administration "to rebuild and to enlarge this community's intellectual capital."

To continue, click [here](#). Reporter Terry Dickson's view of the [community service fair](#). *The Brunswick News* reports the College is [reaching out](#).

National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Representatives Visit Campus

By Kevin Price, Sports Information Director

The four-person membership evaluation team for the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics visited the College of Coastal Georgia campus on Thursday and came away with a good impression according to the group's leader.



"I certainly can say we very much enjoyed the people and our visit here," said John McCarthy, NAIA liaison. "You can tell it's an exciting time to be on this campus."

To continue Kevin's story, [click here](#). To read *The Brunswick News* report, [click here](#).

College Selected by Governor to Participate in Complete College America Initiative

One of only two USG institutions selected

Governor Nathan Deal announced on August 4 that the College of Coastal Georgia is one of two University System institutions of higher education that will pilot innovative remediation programs as part of the one million dollar program grant awarded to the State of Georgia by Complete College America.

**COMPLETE
COLLEGE
AMERICA**

The College will receive \$150,000 over 18 months to develop innovative teaching methods in Learning Support. Innovation in English is centered on an accelerated learning program, in which some Learning Support students are placed into regular college-level English courses and receive additional instruction designed to help them complete both the Learning Support and the college-level course in one semester. In Mathematics, a modular teaching strategy will be employed and students will work at their own pace

John Vigilante
Brunswick

An additional 30 students achieved Dean's List.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be full time with a term grade point average (GPA) of 3.25 or be enrolled for at least 10 semester hours with a term GPA of 3.50.

[Roll of Dean's List students.](#)

Upcoming Birthdays



August 29 - Ann Crowther

August 31 - Karen Johnson

September 2 - Michael Butcher

September 10 - Vanessa Bell

with individualized faculty instruction.

"Our end goal at the College of Coastal Georgia is not simply to bring young adults onto campus, but to provide them with a successful pathway towards graduation," said Dr. Valerie A. Hepburn, College President. "This grant will play an integral role in continuing our effort."

To read more, [click here](#). To read *The Brunswick News* story, [click here](#). For the *Georgia Times-Union* article, [click here](#).

New Address for College

ONE COLLEGE DRIVE

The College of Coastal Georgia has a new address, not because of moving, but because of growth. Effective July 26, the official address will be 1 College Drive, Brunswick, GA 31520.

With the expansion of the College, including the student residence complex, new Campus Center, and expanded academic facilities, 3700 Altama Avenue was no longer sufficient to serve as the address for shipments of books to the campus bookstore, soon to be 3 College Drive, or letters from home to students who will be living on campus.

The campus street running from the light at 4th Street, between the Southeast Georgia Conference Center and the new Health and Science Building, to Altama will become Mariner Way. The address for Lakeside Village, the student residence hall on campus, will be 100 Mariner Way. Mariner Way salutes College alumni and the school's logo.

Radiologic Science Graduates Succeed Due to Healthcare Community Support



The College of Coastal Georgia Radiologic Science Program graduated eleven students July 29, 2011. Since graduation, 100% of the students successfully passed the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists credentialing examination and are now nationally recognized as registered radiologic technologists who can safely perform medical x-ray procedures.

"On behalf of the students and faculty, a note of gratitude is extended to the technologists, staff, and physicians at our clinical education sites," Bonnie Tobias, Program Director and Assistant Professor of Radiologic Science, states. "Our stellar pass rate would not be possible without the support of our community healthcare partners at the Southeast Georgia Healthcare System - Brunswick, Camden, Summit Brunswick, Summit Camden, Glynn Immediate Care, MRI & Imaging - and Southern Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine."

Pictured (front row, left to right): Roshni Patel, Chasity Lane, Sarah Gunnells, Bridget Wilkes. Back row, left to right: Courtney Holder, Dave Talany, Rebecca Hayslip, Jonathan Stephens, Elena Thornton, Lydia Nave, Natalie Tyre

Nursing Programs Receive National League for Nursing Accreditation

The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) has granted the baccalaureate program of the College's School of Nursing and Health Sciences initial accreditation through spring 2016 and the associate nursing program continuing accreditation through spring 2019. According to Dr. Patricia A. Kraft, Southeast Georgia Health System Distinguished Dean of



Nursing and Health Sciences, this is the maximum length of accreditation granted to any nursing program.

"Areas of strength identified by the commission included strong community partnerships that fiscally support the Nursing Department," Dean Kraft said, "including partial funding for the Health and Science Building, the Distinguished Dean of Health Sciences position, and the Miriam and Hugh Nunnally Center for Nursing Education."

To continue reading, [click here](#).

Student Receives Entrepreneurship Scholarship

Senior Darby Chancey has been selected as the inaugural recipient of the Arthur and Lindee Lucas Scholarship in Entrepreneurship for the School of Business and Public Affairs at the College of Coastal Georgia. Pictured left to



right: Dr. Craig Gentzle, Director of Administrative Operations in the School of Business and Public Affairs, Dr. William "Skip" Mounts, Dean of the School of Business and Public Affairs, President Valerie A. Hepburn, and Lucas presented the scholarship to Chancey (center) in early August.

Dr. William Stewart Mounts Named Dean of the School of Business and Public Affairs

Dr. William "Skip" Mounts joins the leadership team of the College of Coastal Georgia this month as Dean of the School of Business and Public Affairs and Professor of Economics.

"Coastal Georgia's School of Business and Public Policy stresses excellence in undergraduate education," Dr. Mounts said. "I'm excited to be working with such a strong foundation. Our goal is to become the best undergraduate business school in the South.



"With his distinguished career as a professor of economics, his experience as a dean and director of a respected MBA program, and his success in business school accreditation, Dr. Mounts brings a wealth of talent to Coastal Georgia," College President Valerie A. Hepburn, Ph.D., commented.

Read [more](#) about Dean Mounts. Click [here](#) to read his recent column in *The Brunswick News*.

Faculty Member and Students Co-present at APA

Dr. Carla Bluhm, Assistant Professor of Psychology, co-presented with a team of students at the American Psychological Association conference in Washington, D.C., during the first week of August: "Webkinz World: Children as 3D Designers."

Education major Mary Bryson and psychology majors Elizabeth DeSalvo, Janet Dominy, and Mark Taylor participated in the presentation. Psychology major Rahma Alghafri did not attend, but provided project support and research.



"Bringing this group of students to the American Psychological Association was simply fantastic," Dr. Bluhm says, bubbling with enthusiasm. "From a professor's point of view, to have undergraduates not only attending, but co-preparing a paper for a premier psychological conference, is just remarkable. I have to admit, their level of professionalism was outstanding. They engaged the other convention speakers in conversation - something difficult for even the most seasoned graduate students - yet they did so with great aplomb."

Pictured at the conference (left to right):

Foundation Announces HOPE & Dreams Scholarship Recipients



HOPE and Dreams recipient
and varsity tennis player

Victoria Holloway

Determined to support the College of Coastal Georgia's

objective of keeping higher education affordable, the College Foundation awarded 56 scholarships of \$1,000 to students who qualified for HOPE scholarships and applied for the bridge scholarship to help cover any gap between HOPE scholarship funds and actual college expenses.

"Scholarships are gifts that keep on giving," College President Valerie A. Hepburn, Ph.D., observed, "Especially when you consider the impact of these students volunteering throughout the community as part of our service-learning initiatives and graduating with degrees addressing economic development locally. Recruiting, retaining and graduating talented, committed students is not only good for us regionally, but it's good for Georgia and the national economy as well."

HOPE & Dreams scholarships were awarded for fall term 2011 by competitive application and will be applied, \$500 per semester, with successful matriculation. The scholarships may also be renewable annually, based on application.

List of [scholarship winners](#).

Foundation Annual Fund Campaign Update

As of August 23, annual fund campaign efforts had achieved 81% - over \$1.7 million - of the 2011 goal.

The big news is that the Alumni challenge and Major Gifts have exceeded 100% of goal. The Alumni challenge has more than doubled their goal of \$5,000, reaching \$11,301, with a \$5,000 gift from Dr. Charlie L. Nutt, Ed.D., '76, for the Joyce Jackson Memorial fund to benefit faculty and staff professional development opportunities. Major Gifts has achieved 115% of goal and the community campaign is at 60.3% of goal.

Faculty and staff contributions have reached 27.9% with \$8,373 collected on a \$30,000 goal for 2011.

[Click here](#) to contribute to the 2011 campaign.

Photo Finish: Move-in Day at Lakeside Village

