

# The Mariners' Log

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A newsletter for the alumni of the College of Coastal Georgia, Coastal Georgia Community College, Brunswick College, and Brunswick Junior College.





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### Student Profile: Anja Bailey '22 "Coming into Her Own"

By Tiffany King

\*Anja Bailey graduated a few weeks after this story was published, and is now an alum of the College of Coastal Georgia.

Exploring the streets of Porto, Portugal, with her older sister wasn't originally a part of Anja Bailey's plans. It was supposed to be a study abroad trip for psychology students in 2020, but with the on-set of the pandemic, her trip, like so many others, was cancelled.

With an Iberia Airlines voucher that was about to expire, Bailey decided to step outside her comfort zone and go to Porto with her sister Adiah on their own in December 2021—and what an awesome idea that turned out to be. If you had asked Bailey a few years ago if she was up to trying something new, she would've probably said

no. Now, she considers herself a go-getter—ready to tackle new challenges and new experiences.

Bailey is graduating this December with a bachelor's in psychology, with a concentration in community and organizational leadership, and a minor in business. Bailey is a native of Brunswick. She attended Brunswick High School and was a dual enrollment student at the College. When it came time to decide her next steps after high school, she wasn't sure what she wanted to do. Her sister and parents all attended out-of-state colleges, but one of her goals was to graduate debt-free.

"Since I didn't know what I wanted to do, and didn't want to go to a college where I would have to pay a lot of out-of-pocket costs, and have to apply for loans, I decided to go right across the street from the high school and complete at least another year," she said.

Through dual enrollment, Bailey had completed her freshman year of college before her high school graduation. Her plan to stay at the College for just another year soon changed into her earning her bachelors at Coastal.

"I was originally going to major in interdisciplinary studies, with a minor in communication," Bailey said. "Then, I changed my mind and decided on psychology instead, especially since I wanted to go into human resources."

She's getting great insight into the field of human resources as a student worker for the College's Human Resources Office.

"I've had so much fun. The women I work with are just phenomenal. I've worked there for three years and this is the longest position I've ever had. Everyone is amazing. I learned a lot through HR," she said. Read more about Anja <u>here</u>.





### DR. WILLIAM "BEE" CARLTON ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT AFTER 13 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO COASTAL GEORGIA

With the new year in January, the leadership of our Athletics program will transition. Dr. William "Bee" Carlton has announced his retirement after 12 years at the College. Since his arrival in January 2010, Dr. Carlton has overseen two national championships, has transformed our program from only two sports in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) into eight successful teams in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA), has overseen the design and construction of the Torrey Tennis Center and renovations to the Coffin Building, and has recruited personnel and student-athletes who have contributed greatly to the College and community. During his tenure, 188 of our student-athletes have received Conference All-Academic honors and 51 have been recognized as NAIA All-Americans. Dr. Carlton's impact at Coastal also reaches into the classroom where he served for 11 years on the faculty of our School of Business and Public Management.

Zack Rogers will serve as Interim Deputy Director of Athletics, beginning January 1. Coach Rogers brings 10 years of collegiate athletics experience, with six of those leading Coastal's tennis teams, to this important role.

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## WISHING EVERYONE A HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

There is always something going on at the College of Coastal Georgia. Here are some upcoming events:

- Basketball
  - W. Basketball vs. Webber International: Jan. 5, Coffin Gym at 5:30 p.m.
  - M. Basketball vs. Webber International: Jan. 5, Coffin Gym at 7:30 p.m.
- Spring 2023 Semester Begins: Jan. 9.
- MLK Commemorative Walk: Jan. 13, Campus Center at 12 p.m.
- MLK Day Observance: Jan. 16. Campus closed/no classes.
- Check out the College of Coastal Georgia Calendar for all events.

### STAY IN TOUCH

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