

Community College, Brunswick College, and Brunswick Junior College.





HOMECOMING WEEK!

HOMECOMING FEBRUARY 18TH **JOIN US FOR AN ALUMNI:** REID'S APOTHECARY'S EVENING SOCIAL 1618 Newcastle St, Brunswick Ga

CALLING ALL

achievement. Help us by nominating a superhero

year's theme is "Superhero."

We know that many of our alumni

have gone on to become

superheroes in their own right, and

we want to celebrate this

alum to be featured during

homecoming week.

Nominate a Superhero Alum here! FRIDAY FEB. 17

SPEAKEASY—THE STUDY

Student Profile: Vance Lewis '23

"Archives Unlock a Future Career"

Imagine being among boxes of documents and

artifacts that captured life as it once was years

long past to educate others is where he found his

majoring in interdisciplinary studies with a minor

in history. Lewis' wife, Skye, studied environmental

By Tiffany King

5:00 p.m.

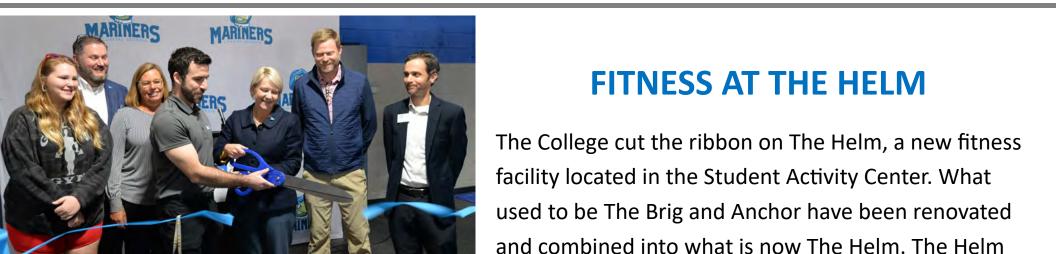
Read more about Vance <u>here</u>.

ago. Aerial photos of undeveloped land that now boasts houses, streets, and businesses, and letters that communicate the simpler times of life in Glynn County. This is where Vance Lewis found his happy place—sifting and organizing items of days

passion and future career as an archivist.

Lewis is a College of Coastal Georgia senior,

science at the College and had the opportunity to gain field experience and do internships. She did an independent study on Little Cumberland Island, and presented her research at conferences. Lewis wanted a similar experience, so he approached Dr. Robert Bleil, chair of the Department of Arts and Humanities and professor of English, about internship opportunities. Lewis thought he would do an internship at a historic site or museum. Instead, Bliel suggested the Marshes of Glynn Libraries. Lewis met with Library Manager Hesper Montford of the St. Simons Island Library about what his internship would involve, and then he and got started. He never expected that an internship would lead to an interest in archiving.

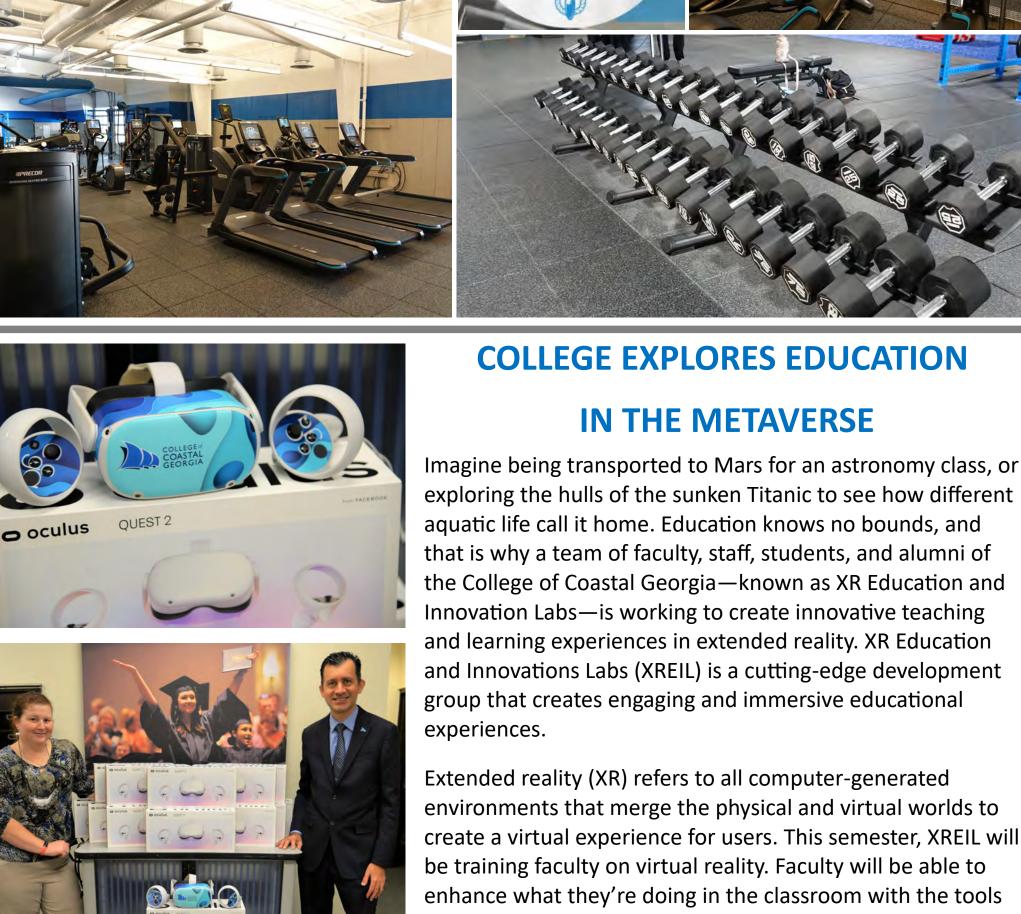


"Once there, I was like 'I love this.' I never saw my career going in that direction," Lewis said. "History is

something that I've always loved. I was originally a middle school education major, but once I had that

internship and spent time in the archives, I fell in love with it. This is what I want to do."

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educational platform to learn in the metaverse.

Read more about XREIL here.

some upcoming events:

Home Games

Basketball

Softball

COLLEGE EXPLORES EDUCATION

IN THE METAVERSE

features more treadmills, new weights, Peloton bikes,

and other exercise equipment.

Innovation Labs—is working to create innovative teaching

and learning experiences in extended reality. XR Education and Innovations Labs (XREIL) is a cutting-edge development group that creates engaging and immersive educational experiences. Extended reality (XR) refers to all computer-generated environments that merge the physical and virtual worlds to create a virtual experience for users. This semester, XREIL will be training faculty on virtual reality. Faculty will be able to enhance what they're doing in the classroom with the tools provided by virtual reality. "Engaging students in the Metaverse is not a reality that we must address in the future—it is a reality that we need to address now," said Assistant Vice President for Academic Student Engagement Dr. German Vargas. "Our freshmen students have grown up participating in metaverse activities where they have learned and socialized in digital environments, and we need to be equipped to meet them in this new space."

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! There is always something going on at the College of Coastal Georgia. Here are

. Alumni: Evening Social: Feb. 17 at Reid's Apothecary's Speakeasy—The Study, starting at 5 p.m., 1618 Newcastle St, Brunswick, Ga.

W. Basketball vs. Warner University: Feb. 9, Coffin Gym at 5:30 p.m. Thomas University: Feb. 18, Coffin Gym at 2 p.m. M. Basketball vs. Warner University: Feb. 9, Coffin Gym at 7:30 p.m.

vs. Thomas University: Feb. 18, Coffin Gym at 4 p.m.

• February is Black History Month. Click here to see the month's events.

• Superhero Homecoming Tailgate: Feb. 18 on the SAC Lawn, starting at 11 a.m.

To help meet this need, VictoryXR has partnered with Coastal Georgia through XREIL to provide 25 Meta

Quest 2 virtual reality headsets thanks to a donation from Meta. VictoryXR offers immersive classrooms

and campuses through virtual reality. Along with the headsets, students will have access to the VictoryXR

vs. Middle Georgia State College: Feb. 28, Brunswick HS at 2 p.m. . Golf M. Golf to play in the Coastal Georgia Men's Winter Invite: Feb. 13-14 at the

vs. Brewton-Parker: Feb. 11, Brunswick HS at 2 p.m.

Sanctuary Cove Golf Club in Waverly, Ga. W. Golf to play in the Coastal Georgia Women's Winter Invitational: Feb. 13-

14 at the King & Prince Golf Course on St. Simons Island.

- 4th Annual Mariners Classic: May 9, Frederica Golf Club. More info to follow.

We would love to stay in touch with you. Please tell us about yourself and what

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you've been up to after college. Update your contact information here.

• Check out the College of Coastal Georgia Calendar for all events. STAY IN TOUCH

