

# The Mariners' Log

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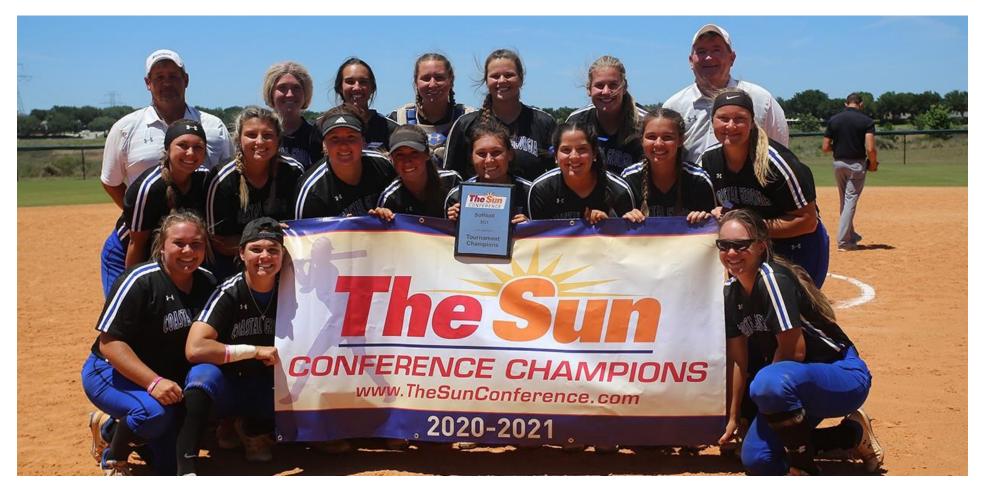
A newsletter for the alumni of the College of Coastal Georgia, Coastal Georgia Community College, Brunswick College, and Brunswick Junior College.





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**Red Hot Mariners Win Sun Conference Tournament Title** 



On May 8, the College of Coastal Georgia Mariners won their first Conference title after defeating Webber International 3-2 in the Sun Conference Tournament final. While the Mariners were named 2019 Sun Conference Regular Season Champions, this is the first time in the team's 11 year NAIA history that they have won a conference tournament title. With this win, the Mariners have clinched a bid to the NAIA National Tournament.

In addition to clinching their first tournament title, the Mariners have also set a new record in Coastal Georgia history. With this win, the Mariners have extended their winning streak to 11 games, the most in school history. Coastal Georgia had previously won 10 games in a row during the 2017 season. Read more about the Mariners' win <u>here</u>.



### Health Informatics Student Wins Scholarship

College of Coastal Georgia alum Edward Asanion ended his time at the College this May with not only his Bachelor of Science in Health Informatics, but also with the 2021 David Cowan Scholarship from the Georgia Chapter of Healthcare Informatics and Management Systems Society (GAHIMSS). GAHIMSS provides statewide leadership for the advancement and management of healthcare information and technology.

Asanion started at the College in Spring 2019. He moved to the region from the San Francisco Bay Area in California because he wanted a change. Asanion said he was drawn to the College because of "its great tuition rates, and reputation of having one of the best nursing programs in Georgia." His goal is to make the most of his degree in the health informatics field.

"I will try to reach the highest career point that my education and experience will allow and hopefully promote the health informatics program for the College of Coastal Georgia along the way," he said. "I think it's a great career field to be in for those who would like to work in a non-clinical healthcare setting."

The David Cowan Scholarship is a very competitive scholarship. Only eight scholarships are awarded to students enrolled in health information technology or health informatics programs. Applicants submit an essay that focuses on the area of health information management or health IT, and demonstrates a commitment to the future of health information. The essays are graded individually for a maximum of 100 points by a review committee. Essays need to receive a minimum of 80 points in order to be considered for the scholarship. Asanion became a finalist and won the scholarship worth \$3,000. He now joins the ranks of other health informatics students from the College who've won the same award. Erika Ward was a scholarship recipient in spring 2020, Felicia Baggs in spring 2016, and Alexis Bell in spring 2017.

Asanion was very surprised that he won. He was shocked that he was chosen out of thousands of students who applied. He said it's a great honor to be a part of Georgia HIMSS and to represent the College by earning the scholarship. Asanion plans to use the scholarship to cover student loan costs and intends to hit the ground running with his degree after graduation.

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



While many of the details are still to be determined, the College has received updated COVID-19 guidance from the University System of Georgia (USG) for Fall 2021 in accordance with the most recent recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Georgia Department of Public Health.

#### Maintain Health and Safety Behaviors:

Understanding that the COVID-19 pandemic is still active, all faculty, staff, students, and visitors are encouraged to continue to wash their hands and monitor health for any symptoms on a daily basis.

#### Social Distancing and Face Coverings:

Fully vaccinated (i.e., 2 weeks after the second dose of the Pfizer and Moderna 2-dose series, or 2 weeks

after the Johnson and Johnson single-dose vaccine) individuals may resume activities on campus without social distancing and without wearing a face covering.

Unvaccinated individuals should continue social distancing (at least 3 feet) and continue to wear a face covering. It is an individual's responsibility to follow distancing and face covering guidelines according to ones vaccination status.

#### Vaccines:

The College will continue to promote vaccination opportunities. Students and employees who have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19 are not required to quarantine if they have been fully vaccinated against the virus and show no symptoms.



Alumni, are you a Navigator? Navigators embody the mission and passion of the College by donating \$1,000 or more to our fund that directly invests in student success. Areas like training for our faculty and staff, so we always use the best and most high-impact practices; service-learning and undergraduate research that allow students to find solutions for real-world problems; student development programs outside of the classroom like our nationally-recognized athletics teams; and in our recently-launched blended career and academic advising model that is started on day one of the student journey.

As a Navigator, you will be helping to guide the College and reinforce our commitment to an "every student, every time" approach. Please consider making a \$1,000 donation, and remember, all gifts - no matter how big or small - will make a difference in our student's lives.

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Hail the Sail and Go Mariners!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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

- Juneteenth observation event hosted by the Office of Diversity & Inclusion. Follow @ccga\_diversity on social media for more details.
- Student Life will hosting a summer book club. Follow @ccgastudentlife on social media for more details.

### **STAY IN TOUCH**

We would love to stay in touch with you. Please tell us about yourself and what you've been up to after college. Update your contact information <u>here</u>.

Questions? Contact <u>alumni@ccga.edu</u>.

