

The Mariners' Log

Charting the Course Since 1961

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

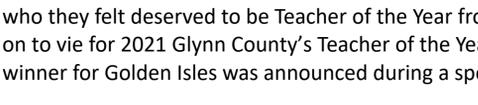


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Alumni Profile: Brett Baxter '16 Now a Teacher, Still a Student

By Tiffany King

Congratulations to Brett Baxter, the 2021 Teacher of the Year for Golden Isles Elementary School. The College of Coastal Georgia alum and kindergarten teacher truly embodies what it means to be Teacher of the Year—excellence, compassion, and innovation in creating a great learning environment for children.



Being selected as Teacher of the Year for his school was a great honor for Baxter. His colleagues voted on who they felt deserved to be Teacher of the Year from a list of eligible candidates, with the winner going on to vie for 2021 Glynn County's Teacher of the Year. The list was narrowed down to three, and the winner for Golden Isles was announced during a special ceremony in September.

"It was a wonderful ceremony here. It was on the morning news, and my wife got to be here," Baxter said. "She's been a big support system for me. She's been absolutely amazing."

The Glynn County School district recently selected Paige Browning of Glynn Academy as its Teacher of the Year for the county. Even though Baxter wasn't selected, he's proud to represent his school and was happy for the other candidates who made the top five and the eventual winner.

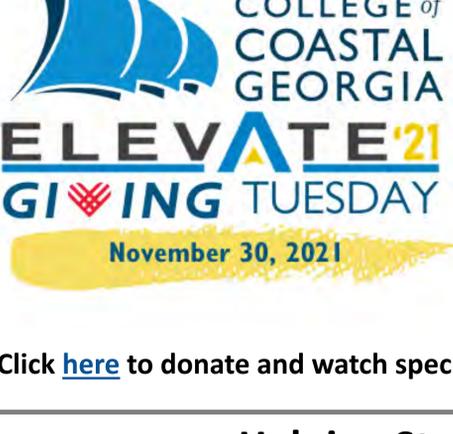
"We've not had a state winner from Glynn County since 1996, but we have some good candidates this year. They're all very well-deserving," he said.

Baxter was born in Brunswick, where he lived until he was two. He and his mother moved to North Carolina, and he's been back and forth between North Carolina and Brunswick, visiting family every summer and Christmas. In 2005, he moved back permanently and was on his way to becoming a teacher.

Read more about Brett Baxter and his love for teaching [here](#).

Please join us tomorrow, November 30 for Giving Tuesday at the College.

Our focus this year is on elevating the number of donors. It's all about expanding the Mainer family! Our goal is for at least 150 donors to commit \$60.00—or some multiple of \$60.00—in honor of the College's 60th anniversary, but any amount will make a difference.



Click [here](#) to donate and watch special messages about Giving Tuesday.

Helping Students in Need



We have so much to be thankful for at the College—a dedicated faculty and staff, and especially the hard working students who come to campus and the Camden Center every day motivated to earn their degree. That's why The Deck, the College's clothing and food pantry was opened to help students in need. Students facing food or clothing insecurity can stop by The Deck to get what they need, allowing them remain focused on their studies and personal goals.

Here are some donation ideas for The Deck:

Claudia Phillips, founder and CEO of On My Mother's Shoulders, came to the College to restock toiletry products at The Deck. Phillips was joined by Hedy Smith, a volunteer from AT&T Northwest Metro Pioneers. They restocked toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, soap, wash cloths, razors, and feminine hygiene products.

On My Mother's Shoulders is a nonprofit organization that establishes toiletry pantries on college campuses. They are presently servicing 25 college campuses in Georgia, and since 2017 has distributed over 84,000 hygiene products to students.

If you want to donate to The Deck, here are the locations of donation drop boxes on the Brunswick campus:

- First floor of the ACN Building
- Campus Center next to Mariner's Galley
- First floor of the Correll Building
- Library

- Canned food
- Canned drinks
- Water
- Snacks
- Cereal
- Old Clothing

For more information on how you can help, contact the Student Government Association at sga@ccga.edu



THE CLASS OF 2021 IS NOW COMPLETE

Fall Commencement is on Saturday, December 11, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at the Jekyll Island Convention Center.

We will be hosting a traditional in-person ceremony, with enough seating to allow for social distancing.

Commencement will be livestreamed on the College's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

If you would like to volunteer, please email Kendra Lloyd at klloyd@ccga.edu.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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

- Giving Tuesday: Nov. 30
 - Last Day of Class: Dec. 6
 - Finals Week: Dec. 7—Dec. 10
 - Fall Commencement: Dec. 11 starting at 11:00 a.m. at the Jekyll Island Convention Center. Ceremony will be livestreamed on the College's Facebook page and YouTube channel.
 - Winter Break: Campus will be closed Dec. 24—Dec. 31
 - W. Basketball vs. University of Mobile, Dec. 11 @ 2 p.m. at Coffin Gym
- Check out the Athletics [calendar](#) for more upcoming sporting events.
- Check out the College of Coastal Georgia [Calendar](#) for all events.

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 [here](#).

Questions? Contact alumni@ccga.edu.

