


# 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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*Congratulations to Coastal Georgia Alum Brett Baxter!*

Brett was named Teacher of the Year for Golden Isles Elementary School

"The one thing that I learned that has stuck with me was relationship building leads to student achievement. 'Children do not care how much you know, until they know how much you care,' "

- Brett Baxter '17

On what he learned at Coastal Georgia:



## Help Us Plan the Future of the College

**Mariner Alumni!**


You are invited to provide input for our **Strategic and Physical Master Plans** being developed during this academic year for implementation beginning in Fall 2022.

Please click [here](#) to access the survey.

The survey responses will be used to create a vision of what the College should be in the 10-year horizon. These plans are essential for many reasons, including our work in making the case for future investments by the University System and by donors. Your input as alumni is important for us in getting these plans right.

Please leave your email address at the end of the survey for a chance to win a prize. Your responses are confidential, as the email addresses will be kept with the consultant and only used in identifying prize winners.

Thank you so much for your involvement in these important planning efforts!



## School of Business and Public Management Alumni Spotlight: Kerdansky Besson '16

College of Coastal Georgia School of Business and Public Management 2016 graduate, Kerdansky Besson works as a Strategic Account Analyst at Availity in Jacksonville, Florida. In his time at Coastal Georgia, Besson served as a Career Services Student Ambassador and Rotaract Club President.

When asked what made the largest impact on his life from college to the professional realm, he responded,


*"The biggest lesson that I gained during my time at CCGA was realizing that every single situation was simply a building block for individual growth. For example, have you ever been in a group project with people you may not agree with or even like? That is a challenge that translates into real life where you need to learn how to work with difficult people while still being responsible to find a way to accomplish the overall team goal..."*

Read more about Kerdansky's experiences [here](#).


## LOOK WHO CAME TO CAMPUS!

October's Third Thursday Job Fair featured over 50 job seekers and 20 employers—some of which were College of Coastal Georgia alumni.

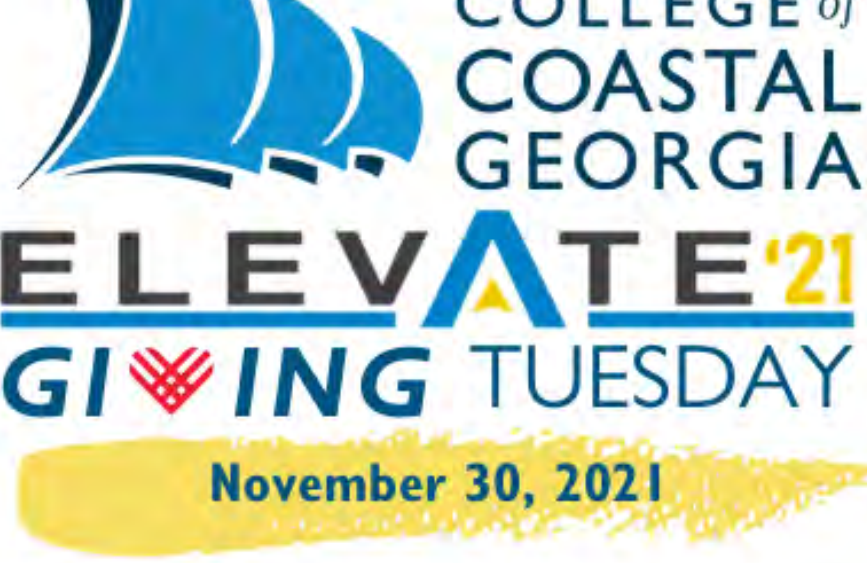
Thank you to our alumni who are giving back by helping current students find jobs.



Alumnae Rachel James (pictured on right, 2016—Biological-Coastal Ecology major) and Ashley Stevenson (pictured on left, 2020—Biology-Biomedical Sciences major) recruited for the Georgia Dept. of Public Health.



Alumnus Tyler Fair (2017—Public Management), recruited for the Georgia State Patrol.



November 30 is Giving Tuesday at the College. Last year through a matching gift from Foundation trustees and alumni support, the College reached and surpassed its goal. With your participation, we can do the same this year. All support will go on to enrich the college experience of students on campus.

We will share more information about Giving Tuesday soon.

## ALUMNI & FRIENDS

### First Friday Party

**Nov 5, 2021**  
5:00 - 8:00 PM  
Port City Park  
1311 Newcastle Street  
Brunswick, Ga

### Happy Birthday to Us!

This year marks our 60th birthday and what a journey it has been!

Thank you to our wonderful community, supportive friends, awesome alumni, and dedicated faculty and staff for 60 great years and many more to come.



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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

- Mariner Volleyball vs. Warner Univ Nov. 3 @ 7 p.m. at Coffin Gym
- M. Basketball vs Edward Waters College Nov. 10 @ 7 p.m. at Coffin Gym

Check out the Athletics [calendar](#) for more upcoming sporting events.

- First Friday Alumni & Friends event: Nov. 5 at Port City Park 1311 Newcastle St., from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Thanksgiving Break: No classes Nov. 22—Nov. 26. Campus closed Nov. 25—Nov. 26
- Giving Tuesday: Nov 30
- 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](mailto:alumni@ccga.edu).

