

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.



HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

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Alumni Spotlight: Andrej Tomic '16 Coastal Alumnus Makes An Impact in Herzegovina

By Val Every

College of Coastal Georgia Alumni Andrej Tomic of the men's basketball program is making an impact in his home country. Tomic helped the United Nations of Bosnia and Herzegovina celebrate International Youth Day by helping underprivileged children.

Tomic, a native of Banja Luka, Bosnia-Herzegovina played for the basketball team in the 2014-15 and 2015-16 seasons. Following his two years on the court, he graduated and is now described as an athlete, entrepreneur, and activist.

To celebrate International Youth Day, Tomic helped introduce young people to different projects being done by UN agencies.

"We had the great honor of working with youth who are struggling tirelessly with advocacy, activism and engagement in their community for the progress of BiH", Tomic said. "On this occasion, we asked them what change they wanted to see for the young people in Bosnia and Herzegovina."

Tomic played professionally in Europe and in the US. Today, he works in the IT sector at Atomic Solutions and launched a platform that allows companies easier access to improve their business by monitoring employee progress. The basic benefit of the platform supported by EU4Business is significant savings in a companies' human resources and finance departments. Tomic also dedicates his time to charity events, such as building homes for those who have disadvantaged life situations. He had dedicated his charitable efforts to working with children with special needs.

"I am so proud of this young man," said Coach Jesse Watkins, "He started with his heart and was strong in his core. He wanted to make a huge impact within his hometown."

Lucy Wynn Fendig Women's Tennis Scholarship

The family of Lucy 'Lu' Fendig has established the Lucy Wynn Fendig Women's Tennis Scholarship in memory of one of the top women's tennis players in Glynn County history. The scholarship will benefit deserving student-athletes on the women's tennis team.

Lucy Fendig accomplished much throughout her life. She was a standout athlete at Glynn Academy, winning tournaments and reaching state finals; was one of the first female athletes to receive a scholarship at the University of Georgia, where she played for four years; and became a professional tennis player, traveling the world. Lucy was a certified teacher by the United States Professional Tennis Association and had her own shop on St. Simons Island, where she gave lessons and shared her knowledge and experience with up-and-coming tennis players. Her achievements earned her a spot in the Glynn County Athletic Hall of Fame in 2014. Outside of tennis, Lucy enjoyed playing bridge and loved photography, which got her published many times in several international publications, such as National Geographic.

The Fendig Family was delighted to support the future of other talented female tennis players at the College.

In a statement from the family, they said, "A lot of people helped Lu to achieve many of her lifelong goals, and our family hopes to do the same for others."



A Time to Reflect: Remembering Dawana Gibbs

Earlier this month one of our beloved nursing faculty, Associate Professor of Nursing Dawana Gibbs passed away. She was a champion of nursing students and made a lasting impression with her creativity in the classroom and innovative teaching strategies. Her

tireless energy, compassion, and unwavering dedication leave an indelible legacy for students, alumni, colleagues, and others who knew her.

The faculty in the Nursing Department are creating a memory book for Dawana's family highlighting her extraordinary contribution to others. Please email any favorite memories or stories of personal and professional experiences with Dawana to Ashley Barnes (abarnes@ccga.edu), who is compiling all submissions from faculty, staff, current students, graduates, and community partners.

For those wanting to give to the Dawana Gibbs Nursing Scholarship, visit: www.ccga.edu/Dawana.

More information will be coming soon about a memorial service on campus to honor the life of Dawana Gibbs.

We will cherish Dawana's memory and honor her legacy that will live on through our faculty, students, and alumni, as well as the values of excellence and patient-centered care that she instilled throughout our community.



Alumni, don't forget about the Third Annual Mariners Golf Challenge at Sea Palms Golf Club on October 17.

Clinic/registration: 12:00 p.m.
Shot Gun start 1:00 p.m.

Click [here](#) to register or be a sponsor.

HOST	DATE	PURPOSE	CONTACT
SEAPALMS	Sunday October 17th 1:00pm	Support the Coastal Georgia Golf Programs	vevery@ccga.edu 912-279-4546



Alumni, we want to know what you've been up to after graduation. Please share with us your good news, job promotions, career changes, accomplishments, awards, marriages, birth announcements, and new businesses. We want to celebrate with you!

Contact us at alumni@ccga.edu and provide your name, year you graduated, and share your news which will be featured in the newsletter.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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

- Mariner Volleyball vs. Keiser University Oct. 9 @ 2 p.m. at Coffin Gym

- Mariner Softball vs ABAC Oct. 10 @ 1 p.m. at Brunswick HS

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

- Hispanic Heritage Month. Sept. 15—Oct. 15

- Third Annual Mariners Golf Challenge Oct. 17 at Sea Palms Club.

Click [here](#) to register or become a sponsor.

- Mariner Fest Oct. 9 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the SAC Lawn.

- First Friday Alumni & Friends event: Nov. 5 at Port City Park

1311 Newcastle St., from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

- 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.

