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Carolina Collegiate Credit Union opens campus branch

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according to a police report, until shots were fired. Police found the gun, a 9 mm Taurus pistol, in a bedroom closet inside, after Anthony Day, 25, told an officer he’d fired one shot.

Brown, the 21-year-old victim, showed visible injuries, but the report did not elaborate on their extent. Brown opted not to press charges, according to the report, but Day was issued tickets for shooting a firearm within 200 yards of a dwelling and for simple possession, after a search found a grinder with a “green leafy substance” in his pocket, the report said.

That night, at around 11 p.m., a shot rang out in the Woodlands again. An officer saw a car, possibly a white Oldsmobile Aurora, speed into the apartment complex. He shined his flashlight at it and yelled for the driver, described as a college-aged white man with dark hair, to slow down. He shouted back at the officer, “F--- you,” according to the report.

According to incident reports, a security guard hired by the apartment complex pepper sprayed a man after he approached an apartment early Wednesday morning. A man was arrested Saturday morning for tearing a tree from the ground, and a soup can sailed through a sleeping resident’s window Sunday night, shattering it.

But the weekend’s pool party garnered the lion’s share of the attention, as some 500 people gathered Friday afternoon and a video of the booze-soaked affair that saw young women remove their bikinis tops went viral online. Police made one arrest as they broke up groups of revelers, according to a report released Wednesday afternoon.

An officer began telling passengers they would have to leave. One, a 21-year-old woman listed as a student, asked why. She refused, according to the report, using profanity and becoming “boisterous” as she refused to show identification or give her name multiple times. She was arrested and escorted from the pool.

On the way out, though, she began moving away from an officer, before trying to ram into him to knock him into the pool. She was taken to the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center, the report said, and has been charged with disorderly conduct.

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USC student arrests, violence go too far. The flurry of events, violence and drunken stupor that has shaken the USC campus over the past week necessitates a response from The Daily Gamecock. We feel that the line between fun and socially harmful behavior has never been more unclear. It again is time, once again, for us to take a step back and consider our recent judgment.

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Crowfield's band name may have been Coldplay and Ryan Adams.”

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me of its nine fraternities and somethings. Derrick Roberts, a fourth-year psychology student, and Ashley Silvera, a fourth-year history student, organized the annual event. Both serve on Fraternity and Sorority Council and service presidents of the NPHC.

“We wanted to introduce Carolina to NPHC greek life in a fun and informal way,” Roberts said.

The event started with an interactive red call, filled with each organization's rallying cry. Humility wasn't in play, as each fraternity and sorority attempted to out-do its predecessor, with the crowd rallying around their favorites. Sisters from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. wore black, white and red DMC-style shirts that read “Run the Yard” and suffered denim shirts. Layered and knotted pearl necklaces swung from side to side as the girls ran through their routine.

The Theta Gamma chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. in their step routine.

De'Earnte Adams was out of the moment decisions.

If you're not able to catch Crowfield in week, the band will return to Columbia later this fall and has a show booked at 3 Points Pub on Sept. 22.

Crowfield's New Brookland show is part of NBT's College Football Kickoff Party. The party begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $8. New Brookland Tavern is located at 122 State St.
lined up in baby pink jerseys for a performance of in-sync steps.

There was hip-hop, twerking and all kinds of hip movements. Pockets of the crowd broke into their own dance circles, building upon the featured, center-stage routines. Some groups worked spoken word into their routine to educate the audience on their chapter’s origins, values and pride.

“We’re trying to educate people on every organization and show society that we can come together in unity,” Adams said.

However, the performances, each entertaining in its own right, took work. In preparation for the event, Adams held more than 15 hours of dance practice with his brothers. The event rang through the second floor of the Russell House, with applause ringing from the packed ballroom. It’s a show, with each performance building a greater energy for a night of meeting each fraternity and sorority and its individual characters.

But for those students who crossed in years past, their place in Greek Life and “Meet the Greeks” is about more than just dancing with friends. “I always have my brothers to rely on,” said Rio Britts, a former USC student.
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**Thursday, August 30, 2012 at Vanderbilt Stadium**

“Winning record? Our goals have gone past a winning record.”

— Steve Spurrier
When the Gamecocks take to the field Thursday night against Vanderbilt, Lattimore will be running onto the field for the first time in 18 months. It has been a long road since he has prepared for anything, Lattimore said.

While USC, want to use him, in Lattimore’s absence last season, the return of the Duncan, S.C., native is good news for a Gamecock team that has experienced a considerable thinning at the halfback position lately.

Redshirt freshman Shon Carson (wrist) is expected to be out six weeks, and sophomore Brandin Wilds (hip) is expected to miss the first two or three weeks of the regular season after suffering a sprain. Both will be back for the remainder of the season.

Marcus Lattimore (21) is expected to get 25 to 30 carries in Thursday’s season opener against Vanderbilt.

Lattimore to make return

Vanderbilt quarterback reminds Gamecocks of Shaw

When asked for his thoughts about South Carolina’s season opener, sophomore defensive end Jadeveon Clowney offered an unusual assessment of Vanderbilt.

“They are smart, they are a very smart team. You have to be smart to go to Vanderbilt,” Clowney said. “They know how to count numbers. Wherever the ball is, they will find it. And they try to use it against us.”

Numbers indicate that Vanderbilt’s offense improved significantly in the second half of last season. The Commodores averaged 32 points in the final seven games after averaging 22 per game in the season’s first six contests.

Despite the improvement the Commodores made, the Gamecocks will look to duplicate their success against Vanderbilt from last year and shut down its offense on Thursday night. USC’s defensive effort against Vanderbilt in 2011 was possibly its best all season. In the Gamecocks’ 21-3 victory, they held the Commodores to 77 yards of offense, including just four rushing yards.

But Vanderbilt opens the 2012 season with senior Jordan Rodgers as its starting quarterback. The senior, who is the younger brother of Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, started seven games last year, leading his team’s offense to a 4-3 record.

In the Commodores’ 21-3 loss to South Carolina on Oct. 15 against Mississippi State. However, the wait is at least six weeks, and summer camp injuries.

regular season after suffering the first two or three weeks of the season opener. Mike Marus and redshirt sophomore Cody Gibson that will play out into the game against the Commodores. While Marus will likely play on the mod, offensive line coach Shawn Elliott isn’t ruling out anything.

That (battle) is going to dictate Thursday night,” Elliott said. “Marus may walk out there and try one more time. If he looks good, we may have to get Cody out there in the next series. We have a plan, it’s a feel thing. If Mike is playing well, he will probably go. If he isn’t playing well, we’ll make substitutions.”

Nevertheless, one thing is certain, and that is the Gamecocks will kick off the 2012 season in Nashville Thursday night, 241 days after the team last took the field, and 290 days since Lattimore collapsed in Starkville, Miss.

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Tyler Hull gets starting nod at punter

Special teams

Adam Yates named field goal kicker

Isabelle Khurshudyan

South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier can be somewhat of an innovator in the college football landscape. He was one of the first coaches to suggest playing college football players. He revolutionized the down field passing attack when he was the coach at Florida, implementing the Fun ‘N Gun. Now, he’s found a way to legally disguise which punter he will have in the game.

“We’re doing something interesting, that you guys may get a kick out of — both punters are wearing No. 11,” Spurrier said. “They both can’t stand right next to catch each other and be out there. Long as only one plays, they can have multiple numbers ... It’s just a way to have a number, to tell you the truth. We’ve got 105 guys; somebody’s got to double up. We can only have multiple numbers ... It’s just a way to...”

The No. 13 was particularly lucky for redshirt sophomore Tyler Hull, who Spurrier said would be the first punter out, though Patrick Tish will also play. The depth chart lists Landon Ard as the kick off man with Adam Yates as the field goal kicker. Special teams coach Joe Robinson said Yates was able to win the job because of his consistency through the season.

“He’s an older guy, he’s got some experience and he’s been very consistent,” Robinson said. “I think most coaches are still not inclined to roll the dice with a good returner.” Robinson said. “If you can achieve the touchback, you’re pretty excited. There’s been a lot of talk of people sky kicking and kicking the ball down to the 1-yard line. I’m sure there’s going to be a lot of people who are going to try that. We’ve got a plan right now with our kickers, so we’ll see what happens.”

Robinson said the average start in the conference last season was the 25-yard line, so with the new rule, a touchback would put you at the same position as the average starting point for last season.

The new rule also allows a fair catch on an “outside one-hopper” kick attempt, unless there are any legal big collisions there. Robinson said more outside kicks will be disguised to combat that.

Robinson said essentially taking the kickoff out of college football:

“Do you like being unemployed?” Robinson said. “I don’t want them to take the kickoffs out of the game. I’m just kidding. I’m all for player safety.”

Returners: Wide receiver Ace Sanders will handle the punt returns. Sophomore Bruce Ellington will be the kickoff returner.

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Gameday 411

WHERE: Vanderbilt Stadium in Nashville, Tenn. (capacity of 40,550)

WHEN: Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. ET (6 p.m. CT)

THE LINE: USC by 7 points

SERIES: USC leads 17-4

Last meeting: USC beat Vanderbilt 21-3 in 2011 at Williams-Brice Stadium

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I’ve been watching Vanderbilt football my entire life, and never has there been more excitement and energy around the program than there is right now. The fact that James Franklin has brought any kind of national prominence to Vanderbilt is a minor miracle in and of itself. He is incredibly charismatic and has not turned down a media request that has come across his desk since arriving in Nashville.

Through recruiting (Vanderbilt’s 2013 class is currently ranked No. 15 in the country, according to Rivals) and public relations efforts (the video of former walk-on Marc Panu receiving a scholarship made plenty of headlines, and he was interviewed on “Fox & Friends” with Franklin), the school is actually becoming a story in college football circles for the right reasons, not just as the punching bag of the SEC.

2. What is the feeling around campus about how good the team can be? Are students and alumni excited about the football team in a way different from before?

The difference in the expectations for this season is that Franklin’s current success actually feels sustainable. Even in 2008, when the Commodores rose as high as No. 13 in the polls and hosted ESPN’s “College GameDay,” everyone knew that the next year would be a falling back to earth. It was, as Bobby Johnson’s team went 2-10 and 0-8 in SEC play. This year, anything less than a second straight bowl game (which would be the first time Vanderbilt has ever done that) would be considered a major disappointment. No longer is the goal to win a few games and play someone good with a close score; the goal is (don’t laugh) to win the SEC East.

3. How will Jordan Rodgers fare against South Carolina’s defensive line? What’s his strength at quarterback?

Jordan Rodgers is fairly similar to Connor Shaw from my observations. Both are decent passers but better runners. Rodgers is going to need to use every bit of his scrambling ability Thursday against South Carolina’s terrifying defensive line. Last year, South Carolina sacked Vanderbilt quarterbacks six times in a 21-3 loss for the Commodores that wasn’t really that close. Rodgers is going to need to halve that number if Vanderbilt is going to win this game.

4. Can the Vanderbilt defense stop the combo of a healthy Marcus Lattimore with quarterback Connor Shaw?

Can any defense really stop a healthy Marcus Lattimore? Vanderbilt’s defense actually did a relatively good job containing Lattimore on the ground last year, allowing only 77 yards on 20 rushes. Where Lattimore killed us was in the passing game, taking three receptions for 73 yards and a touchdown. The Commodores return seven starters on defense, but lose last year’s biggest playmakers in Casey Hayward and Chris Marve (who combined for three of Stephen Garcia’s four interceptions last year).

Connor Shaw scares me because he isn’t the turnover liability that Garcia was, so if he can effectively manage the game while getting the ball to Lattimore early and often, the Commodores might be in trouble.

5. Prediction time — who ya got?

I’ve been known to make wildly optimistic predictions about Vanderbilt in the past, and this week won’t be any different. I think that the combination of Vanderbilt’s most raucous atmosphere in recent memory and the thrill of opening up the college football season in Nashville will be enough to lift the home team in what should be a close game anyway. Give me Vanderbilt winning 24-17.

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Arkansas State @ No. 5 Oregon, Saturday, Sept. 1, 10:30 p.m., ESPN

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Northwestern vs. Syracuse, Saturday, Sept. 1, noon, ESPN2

Both of these teams come off sub-par seasons from last year, but Syracuse did have the more troubling season. As it was in position to earn a bowl bid before a five-game losing streak at the end of the season ended their hopes. Quarterback Ryan Nassib is back to lead the Orange after passing for 2,683 yards and 19 touchdowns last year. However, halfback Antwan Bailey is gone after rushing more than 1,000 yards in 2011. Northwestern had a rather solid end to the 2011 season, winning four of its last five games in 2011 to earn a bowl bid. Quarterback Dan Persa is gone after leading the Wildcats to only an average of 14 points per game in each of the last two years. Junior Kevin Cullin takes over for Persa after throwing for 471 yards and six touchdowns in his first six games last season. Southern Cal transfer Kele Patea will likely help out the receiving corps for the Wildcats after the loss of Jeremy Ebert, who had 1,025 receiving yards and 11 touchdowns in 2011. Northwestern had a respectable 3-2 record on the road last season.

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The Blitz
Arkansas

The Crimson Tide will begin the quest to defend its national championship, a journey that will land them in the SEC on Saturday night. Michigan’s quarterback, senior Denard Robinson, led the Wolverines to a 7-10 game in 2011, finishing second in the SEC. Last season, Robinson led his team to a 10-2 regular season and a bowl win over Virginia Tech, totaling 1,712 passing yards on the season. Arkansas’ senior quarterback, junior Tyler Wilson, has been a consistent force for the Razorbacks. The senior quarterback led the team in rushing yards last year with just two touchdowns but six interceptions. Wilson will have a huge hole to fill with the transfer of running back Isaiah Crowell, who led the team in rushing yards last season with 850.

Missouri

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Jacksonville State @ No. 10 Mississippi State, Saturday, Sept. 1, 7 p.m.

The Bulldogs will miss leading rusher Vick Ballard, who was drafted by the Indianapolis Colts after running for 1,229 yards and 18 touchdowns last season. Mississippi State returns its top two receivers in Arreli and Chris Humphrey. The Bulldogs will miss leading receiver senior Tavarres King. But the Bulldogs will have to overcome the loss of senior quarterback John Brantley last year. Both quarterbacks are to make any improvement this year.

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Arkansas team that lost coach Bobby Petrino in the wake of an offseason scandal. Redshirt senior Tyler Wilson began his season as a starter after leading Arkansas to 11 wins last season and being named to the All-SEC First Team. With coach Bo Ryan leading the way, the Razorbacks will miss last year’s leading receiver, Jarvis Wright, who was drafted by the Minnesota Vikings.

Texas A&M @ Louisiana Tech Thursday, Aug. 30, 7:30 p.m.

The Aggies open their season on the road against Louisiana Tech. The first SEC game this season is a must-win for the Aggies to get off to a good start. Coach Kevin Sumlin called the offensive line the strength of his program, which should help freshman quarterback Johnny Manziel as he adjusts to a new level of play. Sumlin said the defensive line was a work in progress, and the unit may have its hands full against Louisiana Tech. Last year’s Western Athletic Conference champion, and its senior quarterback, Coleby Cameron.

No. 14 Clemson vs. Auburn Saturday, Sept. 1, 7 p.m.

Clemson won the ACC’s last season but finished the year on a low note, with a 70-33 rout at the hands of West Virginia in the Orange Bowl. Junior quarterback Tajh Boyd returned to lead the offense, which also relied on him to lead the defense. But with arguably the conference’s best defense returning, the Tigers will have to overcome the loss of senior defensive back Robert Lester, the season. Alabama’s secondary, led by senior defensive back Robert Lester, totaled 2,173 passing yards on the season. The Tide last season, but the team will miss leading receiver Marquez Munoz and backup quarterback Brad Smelley, as well as running back Trent Richardson, who was drafted by the Cleveland Browns.
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