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## Vista shooting alarms students

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Columbia woke up excited for football Saturday but was met with the worrying news of a shooting in the popular Vista district.

### What happened?

Eight people were injured just after 2 a.m. Saturday when shots rang out at the Empire Supper Club, located at 920 Lady St. Some victims, who range from 22 to 52 years old, are in critical condition, according to the Columbia Police Department.

One of the victims was visiting Columbia for the Gamecock football game against the University of Kentucky. Officials from both schools, including USC President Harris Pastides, say they are in contact with the woman's family.

Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin addressed the incident on Twitter, writing that he is "Sick & tired of this culture of senseless violence that grips our country."

Empire's business license has been revoked and the business has been deemed a public nuisance. Officials say there were prior incidents at the location, and they described the shooting as an "intentional act" between two parties who were targeting each other.

Four men have been arrested in connection with the incident. They face charges ranging from attempted murder to unlawful possession of a firearm and accessory after the fact.

Columbia Police said in a press conference Saturday they are working with the Richland County Sheriff's Department and other local law enforcement agencies to determine if there are any connections to other crimes in the area.



Mary Ramsey / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Gunshots rang out at Empire Supper Club Saturday.

### Surprised, but not deterred

The Vista, one of Columbia's largest entertainment districts, is popular with USC students and close to university facilities such as Colonial Life Arena. Many students knew of the incident and found it worrying, but not all are ready to blacklist the area when making their evening plans.

As an exchange student from Australia, Madeline Bolton says she plans to rely on the judgement of friends she's made on campus who know the area better. She admitted that the shooting made her feel "a little unsafe" and was atypical from her experiences at home in Australia.

But when asked if the incident would affect her plans for going out, she said "probably not," citing that others don't seem "that worried."

First-year sport and entertainment management student Dom D'auria heard about the incident at Saturday's football game, and he acknowledged the incident would make him think twice about visiting the district.

"I'd probably want to stay away from there," he said.

Grace Wilson, a University of Georgia student in town to see D'auria, expressed concern for her friend's wellbeing.

"I think it affects how I feel about him going to those areas," she said.



Valencia Abraham / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

A nightclub shooting in Columbia's Vista district injured eight people on Saturday morning.



Victoria Richman / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Deebo Samuel had surgery on his lower left leg Sunday.

## Deebo Samuel suffers leg injury

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South Carolina wideout Deebo Samuel will miss "an extended period of time" after fracturing the fibula in his lower left leg in the fourth quarter of Saturday's 23-13 loss to Kentucky, according to head coach Will Muschamp.

Samuel underwent surgery on Sunday morning and it went well, Muschamp said during his weekly teleconference.

While he stated Samuel was out for the season after Saturday's loss, Muschamp didn't want to estimate how much time Samuel would miss on Sunday.

"I don't want to comment much on the status part of it," Muschamp said. "You never know with these surgeries."

Conversely from what Muschamp said after the game, Samuel and his mother, Precious Martin, tweeted Saturday night that his injury is a low-ankle fracture and he will return after five to six weeks this season.

"Extremely disappointed for Deebo," Muschamp said. "He was having a fantastic year, really hurt for him right now. Unfortunately, we have to move on. Man down, man up. We are not going to have excuses in this organization."

Samuel scored his sixth touchdown of the year on the Gamecock's first play of Saturday's game, taking a slant 68-yards into the endzone. That was the beginning of a

five-catch, 122-yard night for the junior.

Muschamp said Samuel's injury came on the fifth and final catch, "on the curl right on their sideline, I believe that was when he got rolled up," he said. "He came off the field and tried to go again."

Whether Samuel is out for the full season or five to six weeks, like he insured his Twitter followers, quarterback Jake Bentley will have to rely on other pass catchers to help carry the load for the time being.

"He's an outstanding teammate and outstanding friend for me so it's going to be difficult," Bentley said. "It's next guy up mentality. He's gonna be hard to replace but we have a lot of other guys to go to."

Linebacker Ska Moore, who missed the entire 2016 season with a neck injury, said he had some advice to offer to Samuel in his recovery.

"I'mma definitely talk to him and get in his ear. Keep his head right," Moore said. "He got a bright future, so this is just a bump in the road for him. He'll be fine."

As for how the loss will affect the team, Moore said he and the defense will have to step up to replace Samuel's impact on offense.

"We've just got to play better defense, hold them to less points and tackle better," Moore said. "We've just got to play better as a whole on defense."

## Cocky statue unveiled outside Davis College

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The long-awaited bronze statue of USC's official mascot, Cocky, moved into its permanent home Friday in a ceremony outside Davis College.

A generous crowd formed to take in the unveiling alongside a performance by USC's Pep Band and speeches from prominent USC figures including President Harris Pastides, student body president Ross Lordo and John Routh, one of the first Cocky portrayals in the early 1980s. USC alumnus Robert Allison sculpted the statue, which Pastides joked will soon become "the most selfied" bird in the history of all avian culture."

Though measuring 6-foot-5 and weighing 773 pounds, the bird resting on the bronze bench is unmistakably Cocky, donning Carolina's elusive #01 with his left hand eternally held to the sky in the "spurs up" manner. The right hand rests atop a short stack of reading material to symbolize the 116,017 books Cocky's Reading Express has given to South Carolina school children since 2004.

The State reported the project's budget to be \$85,000, all of it privately

funded. A crowdfunding campaign organized by USC earlier this year raised over \$30,000 toward the statue's construction through April 30.

While overseeing the festivities from the Melton Observatory lawn, third-year broadcast journalism student Allen Harter said he saw the statue as a "testament" to Carolina pride.

"It's definitely something just to show how big our school spirit at USC," Harter said.

Third-year public relations student Michael Matheny attended the ceremony because he saw it as a "special moment to witness," given Cocky's importance in the USC community. A transfer from Winthrop University, Matheny moved to Columbia for the atmosphere that a larger university could afford.

"I craved this," Matheny said, regarding the crowd. "I craved the big school, the big school spirit, the community that loved its university. So far I've definitely gotten it."

Cocky received an official shout-out at Saturday's football game against the University of Kentucky. John Routh, the first Cocky mascot ever, began the "Gamecocks" cheer at the start of the game.

After the first quarter, several past Cocky mascots sporting the feet of their old costumes took the field in honor of what was rightfully called "Cocky Weekend."

Matheny also said the new statue in particular is a representation of the "big school spirit" for which he came to USC.

"I think this is a huge part of it," Matheny said. "The school I came from, there was no focus on the mascot or even the athletic program, and so that sense of community and school spirit just didn't exist."



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Students celebrate the unveiling of a large, bronze Cocky statue on Friday.

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### IN BRIEF



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**“We all feel for those who came here or were brought here without their willingness or without their understanding that this was going to happen, but I also think we have to remember the United States is a country of laws, and we have to always follow those laws.”**

— Nikki Haley, U.S. Ambassador and former S.C. Governor, on Congress's steps toward a legislative solution to the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) during CNN's "State of the Union" on Sunday

### Shooting on Garners Ferry injures 15-year-old

A 15-year-old girl was shot late Saturday night on Garners Ferry Road, according to report from WLTX19. Richland County deputies reported a gunfire exchange at a Citgo gas station near the location from

which they had received a shots fired call. The victim is in stable condition.

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## Students enjoy cultural food, experience at Columbia's annual Greek Festival



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The annual Greek Festival brought together people from all over the city to celebrate Greek culture with art, food and dance.

Columbia's 31st annual Greek Festival was held this weekend at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral. This annual event pulls people from all over the area together to enjoy Greek culture.

The cathedral transforms for a weekend into a completely different space, allowing for vendors, food and entertainment native to Greek culture. Community members of all ages come to volunteer and share in this festival each year. Events include everything from a marionette show to craft beer tastings. This year included self-guided tours through the church, a Greek cultural exhibit, live Greek music and dancing and even a Greco-Persian battle re-enactment.

Kristin Shipley, a second-year international business student, went to the festival for the first time this year. She enjoys learning about different cultures, so the Greek folk dance performed by children was especially fun for her.

"I really love food, so it was really fun to be able to watch the dancing and eat delicious Greek food," she said.

The little shops set up around the festival sold handmade items, including ceramics and charms, as well as items that rep popular colleges. A buzz of people strolled from one to the next, looking for the best trinket to take with them.

Anna Friedman, a fourth-year global studies communications student, was at the festival for the third time. Friedman keeps coming back because she loves the event as a whole and enjoys its unusual activities.

"I love the food and all the shops are really unique and it's just a fun atmosphere to come over the weekend," she said. "It's different because it gives the community something to do together, that I normally would have never come down here, but it brings me to the Greek Church."

The Greek Festival continues to bring in hundreds of families and students every year, including foreign exchange students such as Lobna Naguib, a fourth-year computer science and business double student from Egypt. Having already been immersed in American culture for a

few weeks, Naguib was excited to experience Greek culture as well.

"I thought it was very interesting in general," Naguib said. "I wanted to see the cultural aspects of the festival and how people from Greece carry their culture to the U.S. I also wanted to have some Mediterranean food because it's close to Egyptian food."

With at least seven outside dining options and special food choices including gyros, salads, burgers, baklava ice cream and more inside the cathedral, food is one of the biggest appeals of the festival.

Travis Zuidema, a fourth-year chemistry and art history student, returned to the festival for the third year in a row specifically for the gyros and craft beer.

"It's definitely for the food, it's all for the food," he said.

With so many things to enjoy, from artisan items to music to food, this year's Greek Festival was a success for shoppers, dancers and eaters alike.



Courtesy of Two Sisters Needlepoint

**College logos are popular at Two Sisters Needlepoint.**

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Preston Lynch is a third-year history student at USC who doubles as a businesswoman.

She and her younger sister Grace run Two Sisters Needlepoint, a company born out of skill and creativity, that essentially creates canvases for other stores to sell to their customers.

# Student follows family's lead, runs needlepoint company

It will be a year ago this October that she and her sister first bought the company from an older woman who was retiring from her needlepoint business.

"We bought her company, so we adopted all of her designs, but we've added our own," Lynch said.

Both the craft of needlepoint and business ambition run in her family, and Lynch says she's focused on both for as long as she can remember.

She noted that it is typically a hobby for "moms and grandmas," but that it's something her family really enjoys. Lynch's dad owns a larger needlepoint company, so he is able to help out his daughters with their smaller one.

Earlier this month, Two Sisters Needlepoint traveled to Dallas for a hotel show. These kind of shows and conventions are great ways to get publicity and get their name out in the world.

"So basically all the needlepoint designers from all over the country go ... and stores from all over the country come and they buy the designs to stock their stores."

When asked if the show was a success, Lynch replied

with an enthusiastic, "It was!"

"I had never been to a hotel show ... and it went really well," she added. "My dad's company did good, my company did good and it was a lot of fun."

Even with the recent success and opportunities for growth, it is difficult to find time to needlepoint. The designs vary in complexity, and Lynch is a full-time student with two jobs.

Needlepoint may be something generally associated with women of older generations, but the Lynch sisters bring a youthful, popping element to the world of needlepoint canvases.

"It's a lot of bright, fun colors because we're aiming it towards people my age, people my sister's age — rather than older stuff," Lynch said.

The needlepoint patterns reflect the Lynch's influences, as most artwork does. There are sea life designs — indicative of their time spent on the East Coast — college logos and cute catchphrases.

You can check out Preston and Grace Lynch's crafty talent on their company website, Facebook page or Instagram.

# Head to Head: How should students dress for class?

## CASUALLY

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At the University of South Carolina, the typical college uniform includes a comfortable T-shirt, pair of athletic shorts, and tennis shoes. Some students dress more casual, but rarely is anyone seen in professional business clothes. Many argue that students are more productive if they are dressed nicely for class, but comfortable clothes are more practical for this stage of life.

The weather is an important factor in determining what students decide to wear because many walk to class. It's easy enough to sweat through a t-shirt on one of Columbia's hot afternoons. Imagine wearing a button-up shirt and a pair of pants. The point of wearing professional clothes is to look presentable, but that is no longer an option after walking through the heat.

Broke college students are not willing to spend money on professional clothes. Having a few business outfits for interviews is

necessary, but buying a whole closet full would be too costly. It's easier to wear the casual clothes that are already in your closet.

Students are busy enough trying to fit class, outside organizations, and studying into their schedule. Throwing on a T-shirt and shorts is the quickest and easiest option.

As long as students make it to class and engage in the discussion, the professor is not going to care what they wear.

College is a transitional period between teenage and adulthood, so it can be hard to define what is appropriate to wear. There are ways to be presentable without wearing professional clothes. For many, college is the last time there won't be a certain dress code to follow, so students should not feel the pressure to dress up for class when gaining an education is the most important aspect of college.



## PROFESSIONALLY

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Professionalism is lost in the fashion lives of college students. Sweat pants and work out wear have replaced a sense of dressing to impress, especially for class. College fashion seems to be made up of Nike shorts and T-shirts for females, and T-shirts and shorts for males. When is the last time you wore a professional outfit to class?

Many students, often including myself, just roll out of bed in the morning and throw on some clothes that are comfortable and stylish. Style, especially for girl, seems to be weighted more on how expensive the clothes are and not necessarily the clothes themselves. There are many popular brands that do not look professional but are expensive. Comfort Colors T-shirts or Nike shorts, ranging from 25 to 35 dollars. "Chubbies" a brand of guys shorts that come in highlighter like colors, ranging from 35 to 60 dollars.

All this being said, you could be wearing \$80 worth of clothing and still look unprofessional. A reoccurring theme in college style is the disheveled look wearing a full-face of makeup. If you had time

to make your makeup perfect, why did you throw on a T-shirt?

College students should care more about the way they look because of the connections they make as college students. They are surrounded by professors and peers who can network them into their next job. They pay money for their classes, and though I can definitely understand how comfortable and relaxed a tank and some shorts can be, I go to classes five days a week where professors see me that way. Many of my professors' work in the field I am looking to enter.

What would happen if I dressed professionally every day, and my 8 a.m. professor saw me in a dress or jeans and a casual shirt instead of a shirt big enough to be a dress. More likely than not, my professor would just notice that I am starting to dress for the real world instead of for my comfort, or for the twisted fashion brains of college. Someone decided that you're only fashionable if you fit the trends that include expensive but unprofessional clothing. I disagree with that, especially because our professors, our mentors, and our employers meet us daily with professional clothing in professional settings.



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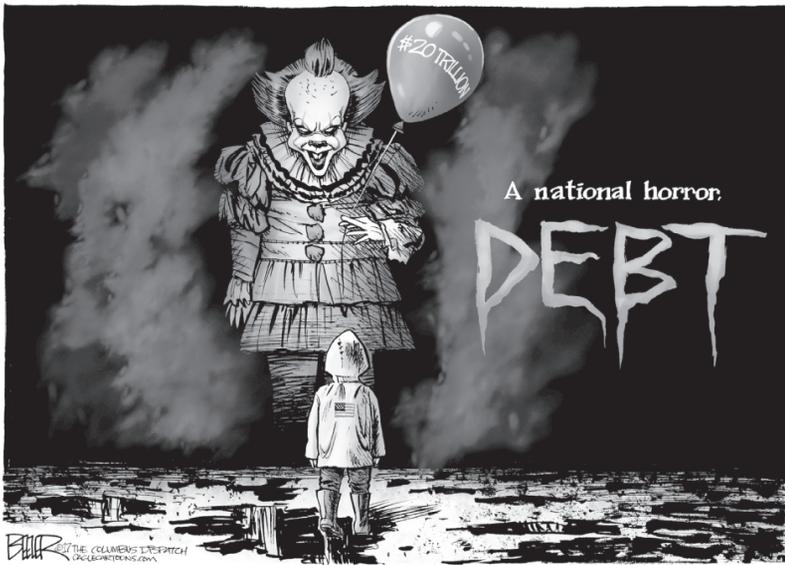
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## Trump neglects traditional duty to unify



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Once upon a time, in a land seemingly far, far away, there lived a president who actually cared about unifying his country during times of tragedy and crisis. Whether it was shedding a tear after innocent children lost their lives at school or singing “Amazing Grace” at a funeral after countless other innocents lost their lives at church, our last president always had the American people in his heart and mind.

Gone are the days of the U.S. president acting as America’s father figure. Instead, our president now acts as something more closely related to America’s unstable second cousin. Just within the past seven months, every crisis or tragedy we as a country have faced has been met with half-hearted tweets or irrelevant rants about cracking down on immigration.

Pretty much any third-grader could tell you what being president means and what formal responsibilities come with it. Drafting policy ideas, meeting with fellow world leaders and even pardoning a Thanksgiving turkey are all things that come to mind immediately. But what about those things that may not be formal or written, but are definitely equally important?

Well, President Trump has failed in this latter category.

Every time our country faces some sort of disaster — a hurricane, violent rally, or anything of the sort — an opportunity arises for the president to use his platform to unite the nation.

In times of such polarizing hate, we all need him to bring us together. But Trump has never even tried to do this. Rather, he just adds fuel to the fire.

Just this past Friday after a terror attack in London, we all felt our hearts both ache for the people who were injured and fear for the future. Trump, however, used this horrible situation to push his anti-immigration agenda. Using his all-time favorite word, “loser,” to describe the perpetrator, Trump went on a Twitter rant about why we need tougher protection. I’m sure the people of London really appreciated that insensitivity literally hours after having the scare of their lives.

This summer when an alt-right rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, turned deadly, people around the country needed a leader to condemn those who were truly to blame. Instead, Trump practically endorsed the white-supremacists by saying that there was “blame on both sides” as well as good people on both sides. After an innocent person died, he really needed to console his country and assure us that this bigotry and hate will not be tolerated.

But, as usual, he disappointed.

When you’re the leader of a country as diverse and dynamic as the U.S., there is no room to play politics in light of tragedy. We need to see comfort coming from the White House.

We need to feel assured that our leaders will not let “violent” become synonymous with American.

America used to be the epitome of strength and unity. It used to be the “shining city on a hill.” But with our current president’s neglect of the very important informal responsibility of bringing his country together after tragedies, we no longer show the strength we once did.

## Bipartisanship best option for Trump



**Nick Sembrat**

International business graduate student

Why don’t we just let Donald Trump build his wall? I know that it is an unpopular idea to a lot of people. The wall that Trump envisions, which more than likely won’t become a reality, would be a physical symbol of our attitude towards immigration and our neighbors to the south. It would show our isolationism, our unwillingness to accept immigrants or otherness. Also, like other great walls before it, it would not succeed in its intended purpose. Many of the illegal immigrants in America today are people who overstayed their visas and arrived predominantly by plane. Unless this wall reaches up to the stratosphere, I don’t think it’s stopping them.

But it seems clear at this point that nothing is going to stop Trump from trying to get that wall, so why don’t we give it to him? Have Americans forgotten that compromise is required in the legislative process? Democrats could gain a huge victory in keeping the DACA program if they can make a deal

with Trump.

Republicans should be chomping at the bit to make a deal before that happens. The fact that the wall hasn’t been made yet shows that it is not universally popular. Republicans that don’t want a wall should be trying to make a deal with the Democrats before they get shut out, or give in to Trump’s demands. It would look far worse if Trump abandons the party.

Making a deal with the Democrats, ironically, is also the best political move for Republicans at this point. In the past few weeks, Trump has been shifting blame for the government’s inaction to Mitch McConnell and Paul Ryan. These two represent the establishment and traditional Republicans. If Trump succeeds in making a deal with the Democrats, he could prove himself right in a lot of people’s minds. Then many traditional Republicans could see a challenge from more Trump-friendly candidates.

We all love to talk about bipartisanship, but we don’t even know what that word means. It almost seems to me like we want to have a bipartisan bill that only gives our side what we want. We have to return to the give and take of politics. That’s the only way that anything will get done in Washington.

## U.S. territories deserve to not be forgotten



**Olivia Harris**

Fourth-year biology student

When Houston flooded during Hurricane Harvey, there was strong media coverage and a strong national response. The National Guard and FEMA were active in Houston’s preparation and recovery.

“It is imperative that we do everything possible to protect the lives and safety of people across the state of Texas as we continue to face the aftermath of this storm,” said Texas governor Gregg Abbott. Most Americans would read that and be filled with national pride. However, after Irma’s destruction, many U.S. territories are wondering why the same didn’t apply to them.

There is real concern that Hurricane Jose could beat relief efforts to the U.S. Virgin Islands. The Secretary of the Department of the Interior, the agency under which the U.S. island territories fall, has not released anything about the islands after the storm. St. John and St. Thomas are nearly destroyed. In a letter to the editor of the Washington Post, an author said, “Many people in the Virgin Islands are terrified and feel forgotten and abandoned.”

While visiting Florida, Trump said that the islands were next on his list for visits, but his response in getting to the continental states was late, so who knows when he’ll make it there. Where is FEMA now? Where are the GoFundMes and congressional statements?

Many islanders feel ignored by the continental United States. They pay taxes, they serve in the military, and they are often used as

a bargaining tool in U.S. elections. They are citizens by birth — just as American as anyone born in South Carolina. So why is it that all storm updates, awareness and relief efforts have gone to Texas, Florida and Georgia? It can’t be because they sustained more damage, because the islands got hit by the highest winds and worst floods. Close to one-third of U.S. citizens in Puerto Rico are without power. And though more people live in the affected areas of Florida than live in St. Thomas, the islands themselves are not nearly as well-funded or prepared for disaster and were hit with the worst the storm had to offer.

And that was just Irma. Jose is hot on her heels, with other tropical storms brewing, and people are still without food and water on harder-to-reach islands. The President of France arrived in French territories last Tuesday, and while France didn’t have any other disaster areas to worry about other than the islands, they also had a lot farther to go, and still their president got there.

Meanwhile, though not a U.S. territory, evacuations from St. Martin were reported to have “prioritized white people.” With America’s long history of racism, it’s not unthinkable that this would extend to our own island territories. Fewer than half of Americans know that Puerto Ricans are U.S. citizens. It’s easy for Americans to rally behind continental states like Florida and Georgia, but the islands are left out and ignored even though they’re getting the brunt of the storms.

So what is it, America? Do we not care about the islands because they’re poor or because they’re brown? Because they’re just as American as the rest of us, and just as deserving of aid.

## Teachers should limit required textbooks



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I have been trying to get one of my textbooks since the first week of school.

Every time I walk into the University Bookstore, the line is either out the door, or the book is out of stock. I have been frustrated time after time until I realized something. I have been doing well in the class for almost a month without the book. In fact, my professor hasn’t mentioned it since the first day of class when he said it was required for the course.

That got me to thinking. How can a textbook be classified as required if it is never directly used in the coursework?

I understand that reading a textbook can aid in understanding material taught in class but if it is not directly used or referenced in class, it shouldn’t be listed as required. If a professor wants to tell students about a textbook that will help them learn but is not immediately needed for success in the course it should be listed as supplemental.

The sad truth is college students barely have time for homework, let alone reading tedious chapters of textbooks. Professors need to realize

that some students will never open a textbook if they aren’t ever directly told to.

Another unfortunate truth is that the price of textbooks is absurd. It is not uncommon to spend upwards of \$500 on textbooks for five courses. The price of textbooks needs to decrease, but that is a complicated topic for another time. Right now, let’s focus on having professors comb more closely through their syllabi and make sure that all the textbooks they have listed under the required materials section are truly required.

School is expensive enough as it is, students don’t need to pour more money into books they won’t ever open. Maybe a few years ago textbooks were absolutely needed to learn material for a course, but now, in the age of such advanced technology, it is easy to access material from free sites or PowerPoints made by professors. I often find that textbooks explain concepts in a more complicated way than sources online or videos on YouTube.

The bottom line is that textbooks need to be more closely inspected by professors in relation to their coursework. If they aren’t undeniably needed, list them as supplemental. To all the students out there on a tight budget like me, wait until after the first class or two of a course before deciding whether or not the textbook is needed. You will be surprised at how many “required” materials aren’t used once.

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#### Gemini

Fix up your place today and tomorrow. Verify the investment of time and money first. Profit from a dreamer's vision and research options.

#### Cancer

Read, write and mess around with words. Communications bring fine benefits. Your creative muses sing to you; capture their song and share it.

#### Leo

There's potentially more money coming in. Avoid distractions or silly arguments. Your dreams reveal a major change; anticipate and profit from new opportunities.

#### Virgo

Get into action and do what you've been talking about. Reject a far-fetched scheme in favor of a practical solution. Gain strength and options.

#### Libra

Find a peaceful setting to review and revise your plans. Make choices and determine your upcoming course. Rest and take care of yourself.

#### Scorpio

Community action goes much further than solo efforts. Write down great suggestions. Get people talking, and come up with team priorities.

#### Sagittarius

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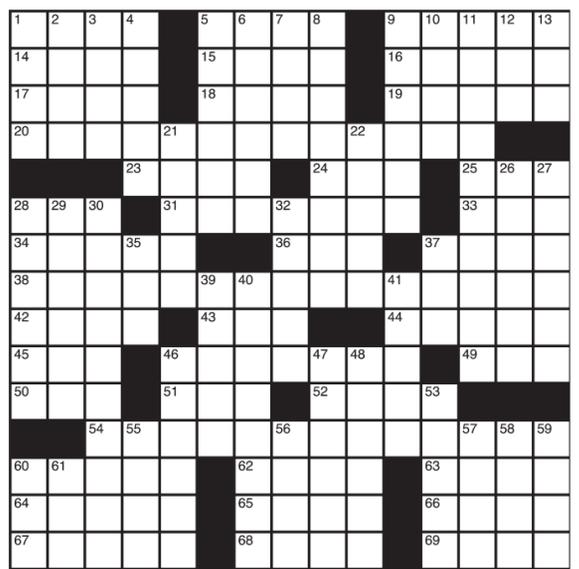
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- 1 British bloke
- 5 Title for a fictional fox
- 9 Pancake syrup tree
- 14 Prefix for "six"
- 15 Coleridge's "The \_\_\_ of the Ancient Mariner"
- 16 Partners of pains
- 17 Many Manet works
- 18 Like a grand-scale fail
- 19 \_\_\_ Islander: small-state resident
- 20 Earnings before the government's cut
- 23 End in \_\_\_: come out even
- 24 French street
- 25 Cops' orgs.
- 28 Fave pal, in 67-Across
- 31 German pastry
- 33 Question as to technique
- 34 New Haven collegian
- 36 Cribbage piece
- 37 Gossip columnist Barrett
- 38 Words on a "No Trespassing" sign
- 42 Rockers' sound machines
- 43 Speck in la mer
- 44 Coloring cosmetic
- 45 Chessmen and board, e.g.
- 46 Squeaky clean, as hospital supplies
- 49 Alternative to grass seed
- 50 "No seats" initials
- 51 Big \_\_\_: trademark burger
- 52 Gunk
- 54 Invention that revolutionized book production
- 60 First appearance
- 62 Promises at the altar
- 63 \_\_\_ Hari
- 64 Smidge
- 65 "Me neither"



#### DOWN

- 1 Lamb serving
- 2 Will beneficiary
- 3 Rod on which wheels turn
- 4 Rotini or rigatoni
- 5 Secession approved in a 2016 U.K. referendum
- 6 Jack the \_\_\_
- 7 Arab leader
- 8 Piccolo relative
- 9 Actress Hemingway
- 10 German eight
- 11 Element in matches
- 12 Conducted
- 13 Language suffix
- 21 On the Caribbean
- 22 En \_\_\_: on a hot streak, angrily
- 26 "Stick around"
- 27 Influenced
- 28 Road that avoids the city center
- 29 Crop raiser



- 30 Container with an attached cover
- 32 Michigan's \_\_\_ Peninsula
- 35 Drips in a hosp.
- 37 Classic roadster
- 39 Giant
- 40 Putting in office
- 41 Surg. holding area
- 46 Workers with anvils
- 47 Pay no mind
- 48 Begins a computer session
- 53 Ad agency guys responsible for 20-, 38- and 54-Across?
- 55 Oxidation damage
- 56 Beloved star
- 57 Roof gutter locale
- 58 Like short, clipped notes, in mus.
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2	6	7	3	1	5	8	4	9
5	1	6	4	7	8	3	9	2
4	5	8	2	9	7	6	1	3
6	3	2	1	5	4	9	8	7
9	7	1	8	6	3	2	4	5

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# Specialists key in loss to Kentucky

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While the South Carolina football team came into the season with two kickers competing for the starting job, neither delivered when the Gamecocks sought a win over Kentucky on Saturday.

Place kickers Alexander Woznick and Parker White went a combined 0-for-3 on field goals, and Woznick missed an extra point in the Gamecocks' 23-13 loss to Kentucky at Williams-Brice Stadium.

Woznick's extra point miss came after Deebo Samuel's 68-yard touchdown reception on the first play of the game, leaving the Gamecocks with only a 6-0 advantage. A few plays later, White was sent out to try a 52-yard kick that sailed wide right. He was sent out again before the end of the first half for a 49-yard attempt. This time, his kick was successful, but the Gamecocks were called for a delay of game penalty.

Did he make the re-kick from 54 yards out? No. "Disappointed," head coach Will Muschamp said of the play. "Delay of game that shouldn't happen. That's my fault, we've got to do a better job of coaching."

While White struggled from 50-yards plus, Woznick missed a 42-yard kick early in the fourth quarter to try and put the Gamecocks within single



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Alexander Woznick missed an extra point and a 42-yard field goal attempt in Saturday's loss.

digits. His kick fell well short of the crossbar and could be his last field goal attempt of the season.

When asked if White is going to be the starting placekicker going forward, Muschamp said, "Absolutely."

The missed kicks spoiled not only big plays by the South Carolina defense, but also long drives by the offense. In a game where the Gamecocks lost by 10 points, the USC kickers left 10 points on the board. Quarterback Jake Bentley put the blame on himself for not being able to finish the drives with touchdowns.

"[It's] extremely difficult, to have a good drive put together and then not get any points," Bentley said.

"But don't put any of that on our kickers, we've got to execute our game-plan and get touchdowns."

Conversely, from the Gamecock specialists, Kentucky kicker Austin MacGinnis was perfect on the night. The senior nailed all three of his field goal attempts, including a 44-yarder and both extra points, scoring 11 points for the Wildcats.

The Kentucky special team also put together a solid strategy to combat Samuel's kickoff return game. The Cats kicked away from Samuel, forcing A.J. Turner and other Gamecocks to receive. The strategy kept Samuel from adding to his tally of two kick-off return touchdowns and helped seal the Wildcats' third win of the season.

# Smith reaches career milestone

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Entering Friday's match against Alabama at Stone Stadium, the South Carolina women's soccer team was solely focused on earning its first conference win of the season.

The Gamecocks not only accomplished that feat, shutting out the Tide 1-0, but also helped head coach Shelley Smith reach a career milestone.

The match marked career victory No. 250 for Smith, who is the program's all-time leader in wins. The 16-year head coach at USC has earned 209 of her 250 wins with the Gamecocks, leading them to 12 double-digit win seasons, according to GamecocksOnline.

"That was a surprise to me," Smith said. "I don't count the wins. It is an accomplishment for sure. I'm just happy about the win tonight and thinking about moving forward to the next game now. Excited about tonight, what we did to battle Alabama. They came out and gave us a great battle. That's what happens in the SEC."

Friday's win came via a game-winning penalty kick from Lindsey Lane in the 76th minute after senior striker Savannah McCaskill was fouled. It was Lane's eighth career goal and made her the sixth Gamecock to record a game-winner this season. The Gamecocks have won nine of their 10 home matches against Alabama dating back to 1997, according to

GamecocksOnline.

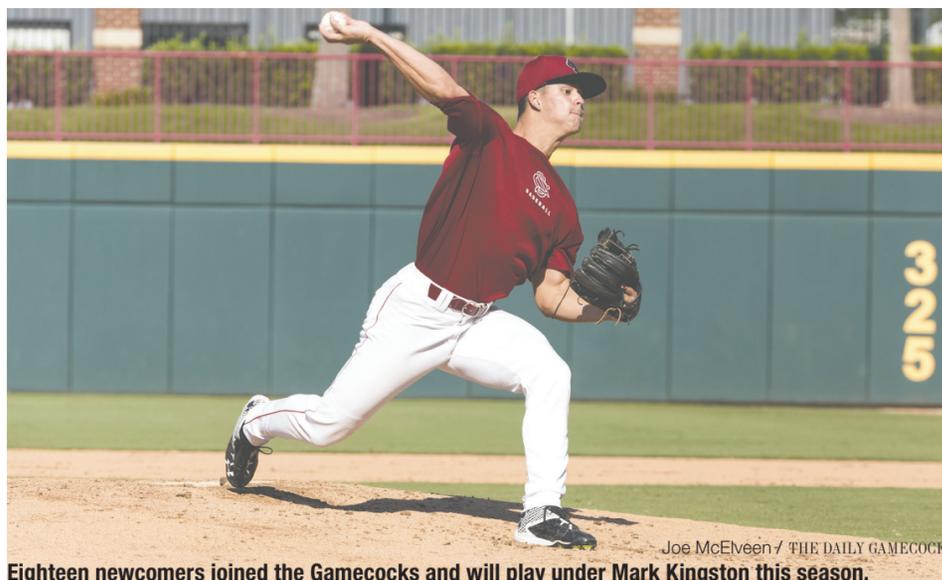
Smith reached 200 wins during the Gamecocks' 2014 season, the same year McCaskill was named SEC Freshman of the Year. McCaskill reached a career milestone herself on Sept. 8 against Clemson with an assist that gave her 100 points on her career.

"She's probably the most all-around player we've ever had here," Smith said. "She can play anywhere on the field. We've made her a forward primarily and she's blossomed in that role and obviously done a great job to get points ... It's phenomenal and she's on a very short list of players in our program who have gotten to that goal and that number and deservedly so."

With McCaskill and Smith leading the charge, the Gamecocks have won their SEC opener in each of the last four seasons. The team's perfect regular season and postseason run under Smith in 2016 contributed 21 wins to her career total.

While surprised to hear about her milestone, Smith ultimately credited her players for helping her reach it.

"I was proud of our girls to find a way to win that game and keep another shutout," Smith said. "The fact that the team held it together; It wasn't always maybe the best game we've played. Again, we backed each other up, we found a way to win and that's what's important."



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Eighteen newcomers joined the Gamecocks and will play under Mark Kingston this season.

# Gamecock baseball begins fall practice

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The South Carolina baseball team had a chance to showcase its highly-touted 2017 recruiting class with two free scrimmages at Founders Park on Friday and Saturday.

The class was ranked No. 5 in the nation by Baseball America on Sept. 12, trailing only Vanderbilt, Florida, Arkansas and Arizona State with the fourth-highest ranking by Baseball America in the SEC.

According to GamecocksOnline, this is the eighth straight season the Gamecocks' recruiting class has been ranked by Baseball America, including four top-10 rankings in that span.

Eighteen new players joined the Gamecocks this fall to play under first-year head coach Mark Kingston, who was hired on June 30 after three years as the head coach at South Florida. While in Tampa, Kingston and the Bulls made two NCAA Regional appearances and were 100-78-1 overall.

The Gamecocks opened their fall practice schedule Thursday, and Kingston said he was eager to help players fine tune their skills.

"To this point, I'm very pleased with what I've seen from a talent standpoint," Kingston said. "Now, it's a matter of getting them on the field, starting to teach them how we want to do bunt defense, how we do cuts and relays, how we go about preparing for a game offensively. Just a lot of great things."

Kingston said he had an introductory meeting with his players on Wednesday,

discussing their approach for the season and plan for action. He said the biggest thing he's noticed from his players is their anxiousness to get better.

"They've asked good questions," Kingston said. "When we've asked them do something, they've gone overboard trying to do it, so I've been very pleased with their approach and their desire to try to learn and to understand we all want to take that next step."

According to GamecockCentral.com, 10 newcomers played in Friday's scrimmage, including pitchers Carmen Mlodzinski, Eddy Demurias, Hunter Lomas and Corey Stone. Each freshman pitcher threw two innings and combined to allow zero runs. Mlodzinski and Demurias put on solid performances, allowing just one hit and striking out one batter each.

This is Kingston's third time taking over a collegiate baseball program as a new head coach, giving him experience figuring out how new players will fit into the equation during the season.

As for which players Kingston is excited about, he listed Noah Campbell, Kyle Jacobson, Ridge Chapman, Mlodzinski and Stone off the top of his head.

"There definitely is some good young talent in that class," Kingston said. "What we need to figure out now are which of these guys are ready to help us right away. To me, that's the biggest factor. They're talented. Are they ready to help you win ball games at this level?"

Kingston added, "We need to figure out what is

at a level that can help us have the success we want to have and what areas need improvement ... At this point in the process, there's a lot for me as the head coach and our staff to figure out what needs to be improved, what is solid."

**2017-18 Gamecock baseball newcomers:**

**Elijah Bowers** (Matthews, N.C./Weddington HS)

**Noah Campbell** (Cary, N.C./Cardinal Gibbons HS)

**Logan Chapman** (Liberty, S.C./Liberty HS)

**Ridge Chapman** (Spartanburg, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College)

**Parker Coyne** (Suwanee, Ga./North Gwinnett HS)

**Eddy Demurias** (Miami, Fla./Miami Dade College)

**Gage Hinson** (Spartanburg, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College)

**Jordan Holladay** (Sumter, S.C./Sumter HS)

**Kyle Jacobson** (Acworth, Ga./Allatoona HS)

**Ian Jenkins** (Suwanee, Ga./Collins Hill HS)

**Hunter Lomas** (Blythewood, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College)

**Carmen Mlodzinski** (Hilton Head, S.C./Hilton Head HS)

**Shane Roberts** (Palm Beach Gardens, Fla./Dwyer HS)

**McClendon Sears** (Sumter, S.C./Sumter HS)

**Jack Stamler** (Greenville, S.C./JL Mann HS)

**Corey Stone** (Prosperity, S.C./Mid Carolina HS)

**Mason Streater** (Duncan, S.C./Boiling Springs HS)

**Cam Tringali** (Columbia, S.C./Cardinal Newman HS)



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Smith earned 209 of her 250 career wins as head coach at USC.