Each fall, USC’s Orientation Leaders have a unique opportunity to grow professionally and personally. "The best part about being an Orientation Leader is seeing people learn," said Cherelle Greene, a third-year exercise science student.

"There are many things that I can do, but I cannot do everything. The red jacket is very symbolic for him, as well. Instead, it’s a lack of encouragement and motivation." Greene said that City Year volunteers serve as positive role models and Near Peers. Because most volunteers are younger than teachers and parents, they can relate to students who can look up to. The red jackets don’t just help students identify a volunteer, either.

"The red jackets are a symbol of unity and commitment. They set the standard for their program to City Year, all the things that make us different are just part of us, and we wear the jackets together." Greene said that the jacket is very symbolic, as well. "I wear the jacket, I am an activist, leader, soldier and activista. Carfolite said. "I was always a dreamer without equal access to health care and education," said Carfolite, a graduate from the religious studies program. "I can’t be a doctor, but I can use the skills I learned in school to help others." Nelson Greene, the development and recruitment coordinator for City Year, said volunteers are a great need in Columbia. "City Year is really great in areas like Richland 1 because so many are not getting a good education in the area," Greene said.

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What: Religious Studies Open House
Where: 1 — 6 p.m.
When: Tuttledge Chapel
What: Up!
Where: 6:00
When: Russell House Theater
What: The Taking of Bethan 553
Where: 9:00
When: RH
Saturday
What: Parent’s Weekend
Where: 8:00 a.m.
When: Blatt P.E. Center
Sunday
What: Sunday Night Show
Where: 2 — 8 p.m.
When: Nursing 103
What: Christ’s Student Church On-Campus Worship
Where: 8 p.m.
When: RH 303

LOCAL & WORLD NEWS
LOCAL Soldier dies of swine flu
A 23-year-old soldier from Florida who was in basic training is the Army’s first death from complications of swine flu, officials said Thursday.
The death at Fort Jackson, the Army’s largest training camp and just outside Columbia, may be the first such loss among the nation’s 14 million men and women in uniform.
Pentagon officials said they were saying Thursday morning to confirm details of the case. But as late as early Thursday, Pentagon defense spokesmen said no military deaths had been recorded since the virus broke out last spring.

NATIONAL
Retiredtook guns to campus
NEW HAVEN, Conn. — A retired Yale University employee who had complained about benefits showed up at the Ivy League school with a rifle, ammunition and a knife, but his attorney said he had no ill intent.
John Periotti, 61, of New Haven, was going to a campus on high alert Sept. 10. Two days earlier, a student graduate vanished and police were scouring the campus for clues. Her body was found Sept. 11.
Periotti was charged with breach of peace, threatening, carrying a dangerous weapon and illegally possession a weapon in a motor vehicle. In a hearing Thursday in New Haven Superior Court, he applied for accelerated rehabilitation, a form a probation that will see the charges dropped if he stays out of trouble during a one-year probation period. The judge did not make an immediate ruling.
On Sept. 10, someone called police to report seeing a man carrying a rifle on a bridge that looked like it might contain a rifle and attempting to enter a Yale building, police said. The building was the former home of the school’s human resources department.

INTERNATIONAL
Quake death toll at 1,100
PADANG, Indonesia — As rescue workers searched for survivors in the wreckage of a four-story school Thursday, Mirna Umata’s mother cried away, too — looking for the doors missing from her daughter’s body.
An army engineer carrying a school English book when the quake hit, retrieved the school in seconds and killing her week after her 16th birthday.
“We had planned to celebrate ... but she’s gone,” said her mother, Malina, weeping amid the wreckage where her mother had been looking for the shoes missing from her daughter’s body.

Harvard Fetes Weird Science at Ig Nobel
— Can you become famous through recital massage? Is Coca-Cola an effective spermicide? Is the sex of the drunkard determined by the time of day, or is it a coincidence? These are some of the questions explored in the annual Ig Nobel Prizes.
Scientists who have devoted their research to these burning questions, among others, are on their way to Harvard University for the 2009 Ig Nobel Prizes, the annual spoof for research that “cannot or should not be reproduced.”
Recession Doesn’t Hurt Stuntman School
SEATTLE — In this job market, people will do some crazy things. Syp, for instance, flailing around with their clothes on fire, plunging 10 feet into an enormous air bag, or being catapulted through the air headfirst like a human missile.
Today, students, we’re going to set ourselves on fire. Many aspiring stunt performers opt to get some formal training before attempting to launch careers in Hollywood, and they can get it at the International Stunt School in Seattle. Here, school founder David Bondy watches as a student braces the flames during a class on Aug. 10.

SPORTS SCHEDULE
FOOTBALL
TODAY
South Carolina State
Williams-Brice Stadium
7 p.m.
WOMEN’S SOCCER
TODAY
Mississippi
Ole Miss Soccer Stadium
8 p.m.
Tomorrow
7 p.m.
South Carolina State
Williams-Brice Stadium
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WEIRD HEADLINES
1780: During the American War for Independence, British Major John André is hanged as a spy by U.S. military forces in Tappan, New York. André had been found to have been in a silent meeting with U.S. General Benedict Arnold only 10 days before.
1836: The British naturalist Charles Darwin returns to Falmouth, England, aboard the HMS Beagle, ending a five-year surveying expedition of the southern Atlantic and Pacific oceans. Information from this trip was published in his 1859 work, “The Origin of Species.”
1867: Johnny Carson starts his new job as host of The Tonight Show. He stayed with the show for almost 30 years. Carson was the third host of the show, which first aired in 1953.
1967: Chief Justice Earl Warren swears in Thurgood Marshall, the first black justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. As chief counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in the 1940s and 50s, Marshall was the architect and executor of the legal strategy that ended the era of official racial segregation.
1985: Rock Hudson, 59, becomes the first major U.S. celebrity to die of complications from AIDS. Hudson’s death raised public awareness of the epidemic, which until that time had been ignored by many in the mainstream as a “gay plague.”

TODAY IN HISTORY
1803: The British naturalist Charles Darwin returns to Falmouth, England, aboard the HMS Beagle, ending a five-year surveying expedition of the southern Atlantic and Pacific oceans. Information from this trip was published in his 1859 work, “The Origin of Species.”

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University needs to watch out for walkers

When you are late, your parents tell you to look both ways before you cross the street. Pedestrians on this campus know this isn’t always enough, and sometimes not at all.

After the football victory at home against Florida Atlantic, Diana Skiles, a third-year exercise science student, was hit by a car while walking across the road. Barnwell Street, across from Capstone Hall, the Red and White Assembly and Sumter streets and the bridge across Sumter street are just a few of the risky areas students pass day on their way to class and activities.

By the hand-printed building where more and more students find themselves during the walk, there is a sidewalk only on one side of the road. And anyone who has wandered that way at any time should realize this exists, and must be addressed.

Even if you are cautious and attempt to look both ways, it’s easy to see either or see the vehicles coming toward you. Spreading out Summit Street.

While this is clearer about its priority on safety, these areas need addressing.

As a finance committee member who analyzes how much Student Organization is voted on for the funding for student organization, I was disappointed to have the funding request. Fortunately, we have sounded like fantastic ideas and trips that would improve the professional chances of USC students.

However, as representatives of our respective colleges and the University as a whole, I have to make sure that we are satisfying the number of students and the interest organizations that aren’t.

Students need to watch out for walkers.

I do not know the proper process. In some cases, if any pledge admits that he/she is pledging then they will either get beaten up or kicked out. In some cases they may even have to do others’ homework or do ridiculous things that may even get them kicked out of school, such as taking or destroying school property.

I once asked a girl who is pledging why she wanted to pledge. Her response was, “My mother had to do it to get money for us to go to college.” I thought I would change this. I told her, “What I go through is me getting embarrassed, like sometimes having to do things I don’t want to do, but once I’m a SISTER I won’t have to go through any of this anymore.”

Now, how low can people like her get? Is it really worth having to humiliate you to be a part of some bad? I will tell you the judge of that.

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New Ink club aims to help English students succeed

Professor, students expect recognition as organization in upcoming weeks

Clive Gould
THE WOLF EMBARK

"Avenue Q," the musical, says it best with its tale-telling number, "What Do You Do with a B.A. in English?"

This song, which strikes a chord with many English students here at USC, is not lost on anyone looking for inspiration behind undergraduate English Association, Ink.

"What we are really interested in doing is changing that stigma on campuses. English majors actually can do a lot. We do a lot, we are very creative, we are very relevant and we have a great faculty and staff in our department," said John Gulledge, second-year English major and president of Ink.

The soon-to-be student organization, which is set for approval in two weeks, is a new campus to this fall. However, the idea behind the group was developed at the end of last semester by English professors Gretchen Woertendyke and Nina Levine and a small group of students interested in planned meetings.

"There should have been an undergraduate English association at USC in the ’80s," Gulledge said. "It’s just something that has needed to happen, so that’s why they came together and made this group."

Ink, which meets the second Tuesday of each month in the English lounge of the Welsch Humanities Building, tackles the forever-expanding world of English through interest groups and area-specific writing workshops. Currently, Ink is up and running with a creative writing workshop every Tuesday at 7 p.m., led by third-year English students Caitlin Huggins and Brandon Truett.

"This workshop is an opportunity for us to talk about the creative writing we’re doing in class, as well as outside of class," Gulledge said. "You want to be able to bring your work to English majors who care about what you’re writing about and want to give you criticism and feedback."

The workshops, which allow members to share their work and receive a few fresh perspectives, are also out to develop new skills and abilities that will work in the future.

"I like having the themes, because when I don’t have any ideas, it gives me something to work off of. It’s like having an assignment, basically, and it helps me write better," said fourth-year English student John Jackson. "But, if we have another piece of our own, then that’s nice to have that option too."

Currently, Ink is looking to promote this creative expression and the whole process of peer review. This approach, which creates a more open atmosphere, allows for students to bounce ideas off of one another.

"Our adviser is absolutely amazing, and she will do anything for us. She needs to help us in any way possible to keep a step ahead and keep that growing," Gulledge said. "I think of it as kind of a way for us to come together and to support each other and make friends."

However, there is plenty of interest and input on behalf of prospective members of the group about what they would want the group to represent.

"It is definitely a way we can bring in professors from all different areas of English, but also bring in different aspects of English," said Abigail Agati, a second-year English student. "But, if we have another piece of our own, then that’s nice to have that option too."

Agati said that being a part of Ink, in terms of school and the creativity it has to offer, is a big plus for its members.

"I think that’s something that a lot of people in Ink who I know are really interested in, and that’s one avenue we can go in," Agati said.

Creative Writing workshops are one of the unique aspects of Ink, which plans to meet in Humanities once a month.

"Ink, although dominated by English majors, is open to anyone interested in English, writing or the arts. And we are an English student and vice president of Ink. "Whether it’s aspects of English," said Abigail Agati, a second-year English student. "We have a lot of people in Ink who can speak Spanish as well. So, basically, that is one avenue we are interested in exploring."

Ink, therefore, is not only a means for those enrolled in an upper-level English course or interested in majoring in English to explore the English department further. It is also a form of writing that can be done by anyone with an interest in the arts.

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Q & A with Nora Dillard, a second-year advertising student

Q. How would you describe your style?
A. Comfortable, not too out there, but I like to be fashionable I guess. I like simple colors — blues, grays, creams and black. I am way more into skirts with cute tops than dresses. I am not much of a dress person. I’m really into high-waisted skirts.

Q. What do you like to wear to football games?
A. I love the whole dress thing. I feel like not a lot of schools do that. I feel like most of the girls here work hard to wear fashionable clothes that also show school spirit. It’s really fun, because everyone always on a mission for a garnet dress! My favorite outfit I’ve worn to a game was a black high-waisted skirt and a garnet tank top, with a long garnet beaded necklace. Simple but fashionable.

Q. Any pieces you want to buy for winter?
A. I want to get more scarves, I am a big scarf person. I love wearing tights in the winter with boots and fashionable coats for when it gets cold. I like pea coats, I think anybody with any style can wear them. They kind of go with everything.

Q. What stores do you shop at?
A. My favorites are Urban Outfitters, Forever 21, American Apparel, H&M or Anthropologie, if there’s a deal. There’s some local thrift stores that I sometimes and some deals at, like one or two pieces. They just opened Stepping Stones, which is kind of like Goodwill — you have to dig and look for stuff, but all the dresses are like a dollar.

Q. Any trends you wish would die out?
A. Crocs! I use mine as shower shoes but that’s it! I’m kinda sick of those clubby, bubble dresses. I have one but I never wear it. And the “Bumpit” for hair — no. The “Bumpit” is awful. I don’t like the poof look at all, unless you are dressing up for something elegant.

Q. Do you have any beauty tips you want to share?
A. I guess keeping it simple with makeup. Accentuate what you think is your best feature and go light on everything else. I accentuate my eyes a lot but leave out lipgloss. I like to switch out between wearing my hair natural and straightening. It’s pretty damaging to straighten it every day.

Q. If you had one day to shop in a certain city, what city would it be?
A. Probably Paris or Tokyo, which sounds ridiculous, but it’s a really big fashion city. I discovered Tokyo is a nice place to shop when I went there. Their stores have the most ridiculous clothes, but they sort of inspire me to branch out a little bit with fashion. The kids our age there care a lot about standing out and they take their appearance very seriously. It kind of opened my eyes to fashion.

Dillard says she’s inspired by Tokyo and Paris fashion.
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**HOROSCOPES**

**ARIES**
Go straight for the bottom line in every conversation. Skip recriminations. Follow your heart.

**TAURUS**
Someone gets in your face today. Listen to their advice and compare it to your own understanding.

**GEMINI**
An older person shows you the error of your way. Don’t compound the problem by quitting.

**CANCER**
A lot of people say a lot of things they don’t mean. Sift through remarks carefully and preserve the gems.

**LEO**
What you need to know is right in front of you. Look around, pay attention and document everything.

**VIRGO**
Talk things over with younger people first, then seek advice from an older mentor whose judgment you trust.

**LIBRA**
Take a break from the ordinary. Go outdoors and enjoy the Fall atmosphere. There will be time for work later.

**SCORPIO**
Start the day by writing yourself a note. Share it with whomever you meet, but act appropriately to each situation.

**SAGITTARIUS**
This is a good day to say what you mean and mean what you say. Then act like you mean it.

**CAPRICORN**
You think you know what you’re doing. Check the details to be sure. Then, full speed ahead with the plan.

**AQUARIUS**
Accept feedback graciously. You actually get more than you want. A practical response is desirable.

**PISCES**
Unique material and ideas fall into your hands. Oh, goody! Now you can really get something done.

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**Crossword**
Edited by Wayne Roberts Williams

**SOLUTION FOR 10/3/09**

ACROSS
1 Cryer of “Two and a Half Men”
4 Bartok or Lugosi
8 “How... Your Mother”
12 “...Gabor
13 “__ a Name”; Jim Croce song
14 Long and Peeples
15 “The... Robert
16 Animated
18 “...Gondor”
20 “Med About...”
21 Whitney, Lettermann or Ferguson
24 “...Standing”
26 “... in Seattle”
32 Hawaii’s Menea’s
33 Japanese
34 __ Lazy River
35 Reper
36 “How the West...”
37 Popular game show
39 SeaWorld
41 Jacob’s twin
42 Judging...”
44 Role for Edward Asner
45 Perry Mason’s occupation: abbr.
48 Two cents’ worth
9 __ Farrow
10 Listener’s need
11 Disapproving click of the tongue
17 Role on “Bonanza”
19 “...the Sheriff!”
22 Insulting remark
23 Cone-shaped dwelling
25 Robert of “The Sopranos”
27 “Hide and...” De Niro movie
28 Stitches
29 Actress Remini
30 Lioness in “Born Free”
31 Tools with teeth
36 “How the West... Won”
38 Comic strip “Steve__”
40 Title for Barry Bostwick’s character on “Spin City”
42 “The... Ranger”
43 Still-laden evergreen trees
44 “Unhappily... After”
45 Nighttime host
46 “Photograph”
47 “Widow and...” De Niro movie
48 Actress Thurman
49 Space
50 Caustic substance

DOWN
1 “... Foxworthy Show”
2 Skating rink, usually
3 Dog in “Peter Pan”
4 Joey of the “Rat Pack”
5 Sense of self-esteem
6 Role for Edward Aarre
7 Perry Mason’s occupation: abbr.
8 Tax cuts’ worth
9 “... the Sheriff!”
10 Vael’s need
11 Disapproving click of the tongue
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**THE SCENE**

**THE KING AND I**
8 p.m., $15
Town Theatre, 1012 Sumter St.

**MIXXD DJ DANCE NITE**
8 p.m., Free
Art Bar, 1211 Park St.

**CYRANO DE BERGERAC**
8 p.m., $16
Longstreet Theatre, 1300 Greene St.

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**TOMORROW**

**WORLD’S GREATEST DAD**
3, 6 & 8 p.m., $6.50
Nickelodeon Theatre, 937 Main St.

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New Brookland Tavern, 122 State St.

**MUSIC DANCE PARTY AND FUNDRAISER**
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**THE SCENE**

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**Today’s the 50th Anniversary of Charles Schulz’s Peanuts**

**MAN, I HE TOTALLY PROPOSED THE FOUR PANEL STRIP, NOT TO MENTION MADE SOME OF THE MOST BELIEVED CHARACTERS IN THE HISTORY OF AMERICA.**
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"Each game I try to put myself in situations be-fore the game mentally like making a game-winning kick, or making a kick from a spot and just try to get mentally focused on everything I'm trying to do," Lanning said. "Then I get out there and just have fun. I feel if you're not ready before the game, then you're not going to get ready during the game."

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KICKIN’, INTO GEAR

Junior kicker surpassing expectations in first full season starting after replacing fan favorite

Rodney Gray & James Kratch

THE JARVIE GAMECOCK

Spencer Lanning trotted out onto the field at Carter-Finley Stadium, jilted by holder Stephen Flint, and took his steps. The goalposts, and the first field goal of Finley Stadium, lined up by holder Stephen Flint, and punting. So far, so good.

And Succop also has been impressed with Lanning's ability to handle both the kicking and punting duties.

"It is a little different [than Succop], but I would say the biggest thing is just being able to focus on the task at hand. When you're punting, it's a little bit of a different leg swing, and you just have to mentally prepare yourself," Succop said. "Spencer is doing a great job with it, and there aren't too many people that can do it as well as he can, punting and kicking. I'm proud of him."

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"Spencer's doing great for us right now."

With nine field goals through four games, there are whispers that Lanning could break Collin Mackies' school record of 25 in a sea-son. The junior's also just six field goals away from tying the all-time record for consecu-tive field goals made — also held by Mackie. But no matter what happens, he's going to just keep doing things his way.

"We're just conditioning and training. We do that out here day in and day out; try to make everything as game-like as possible in practice," Lanning said. "When you get out there on the field, you're not thinking about anything else but making a good stroke on the ball and making it."

"We talk probably once a week; just kind of see how everything is going. He asks me questions and I ask him questions, just try to help each other out," Succop said. "He's doing a great job, really helping out the team a lot, so it's been fun watching him."

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Saunders eyes increased offensive role

Wesley Saunders

The Carolina Gamecocks enter this week’s contest with S.C. State with a healthy offensive unit.

Junior offensive tackle Travis Robertson wore the team’s starting uniform against the Terriers.

The running back remains on the sideline due to suspension relating to an offseason arrest. He has not practiced this week.

The offense has been limited due to injuries, but Saunders is ready to step up.

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GAMECOCK STUDENT REWARDS

UPCOMING GAMES

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL VS TENNESSEE
FRIDAY, OCT 2 AT 6 PM

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL VS KENTUCKY
SUNDAY, OCT 4 AT 1:30 PM

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL VS FLORIDA
WEDNESDAY, OCT 7 AT 7 PM

MEN’S SOCCER VS FURMAN
WEDNESDAY, OCT 7 AT 7 PM
Coach Steve Spurrier shakes hands with S.C. State coach Buddy Pough prior to the 2007 contest at Williams-Brice. Carolina won by five touchdowns in the two teams’ only meeting.

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In-state matchups plus for Carolinas

Cheap payouts, growing rivalries prove favorable to all parties involved

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Harris looks to rebound against Sooners
Nonconference matchup of Top-25 teams highlight of wild weekend

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No. 4 LSU @ No. 18 Georgia
No. 8 Oklahoma @ No. 17 Miami

Both teams are coming off near losses and will try to make sure that this week does not render similar results. UGA has been able to throw the ball this season behind QB Joe Cox. However, his spark has also brought turnovers, as UGA has had at least three turnovers in every game. LSU will look to get their running game back on track. By doing so the Tigers will control the clock and keep UGA's offense off the field.

Score: No. 4 LSU 31, No. 18 Georgia 21

Miami will have the chance to regain some supporters if they can defeat an OU team without the services of Sam Bradford. The reigning Heisman winner will be unable to go, leaving the offense in the hands of freshman Landry Jones. Miami will be angry after getting embarrassed last week and will look to take that aggression onto the inexperienced quarterback.

Score: No. 17 Miami 27, No. 8 OU 20

Florida State @ Boston College

In case anyone was wondering where Gameday is this week, no need to look at the premiere games, as the bus will be parked at Chestnut Hill to chronicle the story of BC linebacker Mark Herzlich. The Eagles have struggled this season, especially on the offensive side of the ball while FSU is a team that confuses on a weekly basis. Against Miami and BYU, the Seminoles looked like a Top-15 team and against South Florida they looked like Florida International. The 'Noles cannot afford another conference loss — especially against an inferior Boston College team.

Score: Florida State 21, Boston College 10

This week marks Lane Kiffin’s home introduction to the SEC, as a surprising Auburn team invades Neyland. While Auburn has a powerful offense this season, Tennessee has struggled to get great play out of the quarterback position. The Volunteers also seemed to struggle on defense last week against Ohio. Auburn has averaged more than 40 points a game this season, but has also not faced a defense with the talent of Tennessee. If Auburn were to win Saturday they would certainly send a strong message about their postseason aspirations. As has been the theme for the Volunteers this season, expect a bounce back game after a disappointing victory last week as Lane Kiffin gets his first SEC win as a head coach.

Score: Tennessee 24, Auburn 21

No. 7 So. Cal @ No. 24 California

Before the season most experts viewed this game essentially as the Pac-10 Championship game. But both teams have already managed to record one tally in the loss column. Cal was taken to the cleaners by Oregon last week. USC has lacked their traditional offensive firepower, struggling to score points this season. Adding to USC’s offensive woes is the season ending injury to running back Staffon Johnson. This should be a low scoring game as both teams look to control the ball with their running games. In the end, USC will prevail, winning one for their injured teammate.

Score: No. 7 USC 17, No.24 California 16

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Staff answers burning thoughts of South Carolina faithful

James Kratch
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Can Brad Lawing continue to work his magic?

Just when all appeared to be returning to normal, Lawing’s defense again lost line got shaken up Thursday night when defensive tackle Travian Robertson suffered a season-ending ACL tear in the upset of Ole Miss. The line is definitely in a better state than it was a few weeks ago with Ladi Ajiboye back from suspension and Nathan Pepper from an injury, but any depth they gained was immediately lost when Robertson went down. Lawing has done wonders with the depleted line so far this season and, once again, has a lot of questions in his unit. They’ll have to be sorted out rather quickly.

Will Tori Gurley score a touchdown that actually stands?

Will this be a “dogfight” of a game?

Is Stephen Garcia ready to go?

Who will get the bulk of the carries?

Four games into the season, no one knows who to expect from the Carolina running game on any given Saturday. Kenny Miles, Brian Maddox and Jarvis Giles have all taken turns in the featured back and succeeded, and Eric Baker and Bryce Sherman have looked good in limited duty. Steve Spurrier said this week that the plan was to give the ball to Miles and Giles early and to Maddox late, but beyond that it’s anybody’s guess what could happen. That’s probably the way it will go, but don’t be shocked if somebody gets hot and gets more carries than expected; don’t sleep on “Sherm the Worm” finally breaking one on Saturday night and giving Gamecock fans what they’ve been wanting since summer practice.

Garcia took a beating against the Rebels and has been nursing bruised ribs all week at practice, which has limited his throwing all week. That being said, after watching Garcia continue to compete against Ole Miss despite getting knocked to the ground almost every play, it’s hard to believe he won’t be up for this one. Expect Garcia, sore ribs or not, to have a great game against a suspect S.C. State secondary.

The freshman has been the recipient of some tough breaks in his first four games — four times he has caught apparent touchdowns and four times those scores have been called back because of penalties. If those go the other way, Gurley is probably heralded as one of the best freshmen in the nation. With an undersized secondary that the 6-5 receiver should be able to succeed against, look for Gurley to get one or two of those touchdowns back this weekend.
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Parents live weekend as Gamecocks

USC offers variety of activities for family visitors, students

Josh Dawsey
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

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In two nights, you have all these options and more at Parents Weekend, the one weekend each year when thousands of family members descend on campus to see what life is really like as a Gamecock.

Almost 5,000 people have registered for this year’s event and offerings have expanded to more than ever before, Director of Parents Programs Melissa Gentry said.

“In years past, we really haven’t had that much involvement from the academic side,” Gentry said. “That’s been our goal this year, to get more colleges involved.”

Most colleges are hosting open houses on Friday, when parents can meet with administrators, professors and other staff while touring facilities. Parents can also attend classes with students.

Educating parents about other parts of life at Carolina is also key this year. Gentry said her office has set up dozens of information sessions inside the Russell House, where parents can learn about meal plans, Greek Life, student ticketing, university technology and more.

“We have many more educational sessions than we’ve offered in years past,” Gentry said. “We want our parents to understand life here when they talk to their students.”

Gentry said her office sends out multiple newsletters every year about different aspects of campus, but parents still want to know more when they come and visit.

For an entire year, Gentry and her staff plan different events, including a parent’s tailgate that brings thousands of parents to USC’s practice fields prior to the game for food, drink and socialization with USC administrators, cheerleaders, band members and Cocky.

“Cocky even has parents this weekend,” Gentry said.

The football game itself is quite an experience for some parents, Gentry said, because many have never attended a Southeastern Conference game before, and the intensity is often surprising.

“We have a lot of parents that come from the Northeast area, and football just isn’t the same there,” she said. “It’s almost a way of life here.”

The attendance numbers are a little deceptive. Hundreds, if not thousands, of other parents will be on campus this weekend, even though they didn’t pay the $60 registration fee for the school-sponsored weekend.

Regardless of how parents choose to spend the weekend or whether or not they take part in University activities, Gentry has a goal for all parents.

“I hope they have one of the best weekends they’ve had here,” she said. “We want parents to love Carolina.”

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PARENTS WEEKEND: AT A GLANCE

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The school colors, for those of you oblivious or just plain colorblind, are garnet and black. The mascot, Cocky, is a cultural icon at this campus. Even though no one knows his (or her) true identity, Cocky can be seen anywhere and everywhere. His larger-than-life persona has won the National Mascot of the Year for three years, 1986, 1994, and 2003.

Carolina Football inspires even the faculty and staff here on campus.

“Tailgating and watching the games with excitement, all while having season tickets, just completes my employment here at USC,” said Frank Mitchell, media technician for School of Journalism.

Students in their last years of college think it’s a great experience for everyone to come together.

“Camaraderie is what it’s pretty much about, and the games relieve all the school-related tension throughout the game,” said Kendra Samuel, a third-year English student. “It’s a chance to enjoy yourself with peers even if you don’t know them.” Students who don’t even know each other are known to join together and yell, usually because of all the hype, or maybe too much drinking. Even arriving freshmen are enjoying the Carolina-based atmosphere.

“It really says something about the team and its performance if they can keep everyone crazy and on their feet for the entire time,” said first-year engineering student Sean Brown.

Bradley Fanning, a first-year environmental science student, says that he likes the “game” and the “cock” cheer, which is a universal yell that only USC fans can fully enjoy. Similar to the wave, it only takes a few people to shout out “game,” and then a whole section of people will...
respond with “cocks.” “The student section is exciting and exhilarating. I’ve never had more fun at a football game and can not wait to see us destroy Clemson,” he said.

USC also plays the soundtrack from “2001: A Space Odyssey” whenever the game or fourth quarter begins, which has given Carolina fame for having the most phenomenal and awe-inspiring pre-game session. USC was rated the most exciting entry of all college football by “The Sporting
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The South Carolina Fight Song
“The Fighting Gamecocks Lead the Way”
Hey, Let’s give a cheer, Carolina is here,
The Fighting Gamecocks lead the way.
Who gives a care, If the going gets tough,
And when it is rough, that’s when the ‘Cocks get going.
Hail to our colors of garnet and Black,
In Carolina pride have we.
So, Go Gamecocks Go - FIGHT!
Drive for the goal - FIGHT!
USC will win today - GO COCKS!
So, let’s give a cheer, Carolina is here,
The Fighting Gamecocks All The Way!

About the Fight Song
The tune is from the musical “How Now, Dow Jones” and the original song is titled “Step to the Rear” (composed by Elmer Bernstein with original lyrics by Carolyn Leigh). The sheet music is copyrighted to Carwin Music, Incorporated in 1967. The music was chosen as a USC Fight Song by former football coach and Athletic Director, Paul Deitzez. Mr. Deitzez wrote the lyrics to this USC Fight Song.

The Alma Mater
“We Hail Thee Carolina”
We hail thee, Carolina, and sing thy high praise
With loyal devotion, remembering the days
When proudly we sought thee, thy children to be:
Here’s a health, Carolina, forever to thee!
Since pilgrims of learning, we entered thy walls
And found dearest comrades in thy classic halls
We’ve honored and loved thee as sons faithfully;
Here’s a health, Carolina, forever to thee!
Generations of sons have rejoiced to proclaim
Thy watchword of service, thy beauty and fame;
For ages to come shall their rallying cry be:
Here’s a health, Carolina, forever to thee!
Fair shrine of high honor and truth, thou shalt still
Blaze forth as a beacon, thy mission fulfill,
And crowned by all hearts in a new jubilee:
Here’s a health, Carolina, forever to thee!

About the alma mater
The alma mater was written in 1911 by George A. Wauchope, an English professor at USC, and set to the music of Robert Burns’ “Flow Gently, Sweet Afton.” It was written as a result of the need for this type of school song. Although it was several years before the song written by Dr. Wauchope
became known as the Alma Mater of the University, it was apparently the most popular one as soon as it came out. Ever since Professor George A. Wauchope penned the words to Carolina's Alma Mater, its singing at athletic events has been one of the University's most revered traditions. Over the years the custom has arisen of raising the right hand, with fingers cupped, when the phrase "Here's A Health, Carolina" occurs, as if offering a toast. To many alumni, the "toast" is synonymous with events on the athletic field. -- From Remembering the Days: An Illustrated History of the University of South Carolina (Institute of Southern Studies; R.L. Bryan Company, 1982) -From USC's Web site

Cocky, USC’s mascot, breaks out during the song “2001: A Space Odyssey” in the football pregame celebration.

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Parents Weekend is a lively and exciting time for South Carolina students to show off the wonderful school they attend. With such a large Greek population on campus, there is no doubt parents of members of sororities and fraternities will have plenty of exciting events planned for them.

Most of the Greek organizations plan at least one event to entertain their members’ parents, whether it is an evening cocktail party or a brunch before the football game. Events like these allow parents to get a look into what their son’s or daughter’s organization has been doing so far this year. It also allows them to meet with other parents and fellow sorority or fraternity members.

This year, the sisters of Alpha Delta Pi will host an entire weekend of events for their parents, starting with a Parents Cocktail on Friday night at the Marriott in downtown Columbia. President Morgan Brown, a fourth-year exercise science student, said the night will be filled with a presentation of awards and a performance of their formal recruitment slideshow dance.

The next day, the sisters and their parents will enjoy a

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brunch at their house in the Greek Village. Parents will get the opportunity to tour the Alpha Delta Pi house and enjoy some delicious tailgate food from Chick-fil-A.

Zeta Tau Alpha has also planned an exciting weekend. The sisters and their families will be having their Parents’ Cocktail on Friday night at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. Guests will enjoy a performance by the band Pseudo and will also see the presentation of several awards. These awards include “Mother and Father of the Year,” and awards will also go to two senior sisters who have showed continued dedication to their sorority. The activities will continue on Sunday, when the families enjoy a brunch at the Zeta Tau Alpha house, including a ceremony for mothers of sophomore members and fathers of seniors.

Carolina’s fraternities have great plans for their parents as well. Members of Phi Sigma Kappa will be hosting a cocktail party for their parents on Friday night at the USC Inn. One of their national representatives will be coming to give an informative speech to the guests about general information regarding the fraternity and what it has been accomplishing so far this year.

Phi Sigma Kappa President Ray Curbelo, a third-year global supply chain and operations management student, said their national representative will be there to support and foster continual growth by addressing the brothers, their parents and alumni attending the event. On Saturday, the brothers will treat their mothers to a spa day at a local beauty spa, where they will able to get treatments for a reduced rate and get to know each other better. The weekend will come to a close with a Sunday golf outing at a local course, where parents will also receive a reduced rate.

Other fraternities, such as Alpha Tau Omega, will host a more low-key event this Parents Weekend. On Friday evening, they will be having a Parents’ Cocktail at their house in the Greek Village. Their goal for this event is for parents to relax, get to know each other and see their house. Alpha Tau Omega’s guests will enjoy the entertainment of a band, catered food and refreshing beer and wine.

Whether Greek organizations are pulling out all the stops for their parents this weekend or providing them with a fun yet low-key function, all members and their families are sure to have a memorable Parents Weekend.

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BEST BITES IN COLUMBIA

Downtown restaurants provide options for students, families to enjoy weekend

Ellen Meder
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Within hours parents will be swarming campus and consequently every restaurant in Columbia. Though catching up with the folks is the main objective of the weekend of fun, it is also about letting them stock your pantry, fawn over your room and all it lacks and most of all fill your stomach with no cost to you. This Parents Weekend we recommend that you stick to the tried and true Columbia classics that are well-equipped for the extended Gamecock family. Trying out weird fancy restaurants can be a bad call when all your parents want to do is enjoy their time with you after traveling. The key to dining this Friday and Saturday is either make reservations or get to a restaurant at the time when your grandparents would eat. Most important of all, though: order large and bring home leftovers! Happy dining!

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Jim Petrus, business manager of the USC Athletic Department, estimated that Parents Weekend usually brings about 2,000 to 5,000 additional people to the game. Rather than fighting your fellow Gamecocks and their parents for a parking spot, consider taking the Gameday Shuttle.

“We encourage parents to attend the game by using the shuttle that leaves from the Colonial Center,” Petrus said. The shuttle also leaves from Russell House and Blowfish Stadium, and the drop-off is on Rosewood Drive by the main gate of the South Carolina State Fairgrounds.

Free to students with a CarolinaCard, the shuttle begins running three hours before the game and continues for an hour and a half after the game. Non-students can also ride for $3.

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likely to accumulate quickly. Beat the rush by getting to your tailgating spot early.

For those who do not have reserved parking, it is important to get an early start. One option is to park at the Capital City Stadium lot, which is located on the west side of Assembly Street, less than half a mile from the stadium. At $10 per car, this is the least expensive choice.

The Farmers Market, located on the southwest side of the stadium just off of National Guard Road, also provides parking on a first-come, first-served basis. This is open to anyone looking for an individual parking spot.

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can’t go wrong with a juicy burger stacked high next to a pile of some pretty irresistible fries. Even the turkey burgers are juicy and delicious. With pizza that far surpasses most sports bar fare, and sandwiches like the Carolina Dipper or Ale House Reuben, you will not leave this place hungry.


Seemingly as old as Columbia itself, the Five Points reigning champion of food is perfect to give the family a real feel for the city. Very Southern favorites like collards, chicken &-n- grits, Confederate fried steak and homemade meatloaf will give you that home cooked feel, without letting on that you only eat Ramen in your apartment. The sides are really killer and make a veggie plate a viable option with macaroni and cheese, green beans, black-eyed peas and potatoes with some serious gravy.

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California Dreaming — 401 Main St. (803) 254-6767. Takes reservations.

This is one of Columbia’s upscale dining hot spots and after one visit you’ll see what the hype is all about. Starting off with the delectable honey croissants is the only way to begin the experience. Chances are you’ll order a second round. Though there is a lot of buzz about the chicken strips, try something you’ll really like. The grilled salmon is simply melt in your mouth, while the salmon wrap even adds a little lobster cream sauce to up the ante. The New Orleans shrimp Po Boy is great as are the ribs. Once again, if steak is on your hit list, make California Dreaming your stop. They are very reliable about cooking it to customers’ likings and will fix it if it is not.

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