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Rosh Hashanah begins next Thursday at sundown.

Synagogues prepare for Rosh Hashanah

Tree of Life congregation expects over 500 people for Holy Week services

Katie Jones THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Rosh Hashanah, commonly known as the Jewish New Year, starts next week and Jews across Columbia will gather to celebrate.

Tree of Life Congregation, about 20 miles away from campus, is the spiritual home for 500 families. Rabbi Daniel Sherman says 500 people to attend the High Holy Week services.

“I think the Tree of Life has been an important part of Columbia’s history," Sherman, who is in his second year leading the synagogue said. "The Tree of Life Congregation was founded 111 years ago in 1896."

The Tree of Life Congregation is a Reform synagogue, which is the largest branch of Judaism, as well as the Liberal branch of the religion.

Compared to Conservative Jewish communities, Reform denotes more emphasis on the “essence of Judaism” and less on the letter of the law, Sherman said.

A conservative synagogue, Beth Shalom Synagogue, is down the street from Tree of Life Congregation.

“We have a nice relationship between the congregations," Sherman said.

Also nearby is The Jewish Cemetery of the Hebrew Benevolent Society. It was the first Jewish structure in South Carolina, built in 1822.

Although Sherman said he has never faced any difficulties being Jewish in Columbia, he believes “that whenever you are a minority, there are challenges that are associated with that.

College also adds to the challenge of adhering to one’s faith and being a minority in the Bible Belt region of the country.

“It is difficult to follow the Jewish teachings at college because I have to sometimes deal with the fact of holidays being during the week and I can’t just ignore school, but then again I feel guilty about not completely following my religion,” third-year criminal justice student David Teves said.

But Sherman sees a positive side to this.

“It’s OK for students to grow up, knowing they’re going to be studying computer to another because she was moving out of residence life coordinator at Carolina Global Community, talk aims to educate students about other cultures

Kathleen Kang

David Voros gave a lecture Wednesday evening on the merits of studying abroad for student members of the Carolina Global Community.

The event was the first in a series of events that will be hosted by the CGC.

Rebecca White, the residence life coordinator at South Quad, helped organize the event. She explained that the Carolina Global Community is made up of 24 American and 26 foreign students who live together in order to learn more about each other’s cultures.

The CGC tries to put two American students and two international students in each apartment, but, due to uneven male to female ratios, this is not always possible.

Each apartment, however, does have at least one of both students.

“We have students from France to Austria to England to Spain,” White said.

Renay White, a second-year business student, is an American who is participating with the Carolina Global Community for the first time. One of her roommates is French.

“It’s fun; there are some differences,” Renay White said, “for example, the [football] game. She was surprised by the cheerleaders.

Raghnah Mahbo, a fifth-year business student, is originally from Calcutta, India. While he has been very active in the international community at USC, in the past and served as president of the International Student Association last year, this is his first year in the CGC.

“It’s a good way to mix students," Mahbo said. “It’s good that it’s mixed because international students aren’t familiar with the area.

Voros shared his own experiences studying abroad, including a trip to Europe to see 16th-18th century Italian paintings after he graduated from the University of South Carolina.

He told of how he was walking by a travel agency and saw a sign that said “Frostbite, sleeping in a tent. He told of how he was walking by a travel agency and saw a sign that said “Frostbite, sleeping in a tent.”

He decided to sleep in a tent.

“I was fighting off frostbite, sleeping in a tent by somebody’s shrubbery,” Voros said.

Later in the trip, Voros walked by a travel agency and spotted a sign for Egypt. He decided to wait out the winter there and return to Europe when it was warmer, which he described as an unforgettable experience.

Voros also talked about traveling to Borneo to see the remains of a single painting to fulfill a childhood dream.

“That had a dramatic affect on me, painting a dramatic affect on my life," Voros said.

Today Voros is an art professor with a specialty in painting. He teaches several classes with study abroad components, including a class that goes to Fiji and another to Costa Rica.

While about 20 attendees attended Voros’s lecture, he was surprised by the turnout.

“It’s not known how many classes’ information was posted online or how many students the information was from, Lovell said.

“We’re still picking up the pieces," he said. "Amber Anderson, who
Crime Report

TUE., SEPTEMBER 4

Grand Larceny-Laptop, 10:30 a.m.
School of Music, 1051 Assembly Street
The victim left her laptop case on a bench outside an elevator. When she returned, it was gone.
Estimated value: $500
Reporting officer: J. Call

WED., SEPTEMBER 5

Possession of Crack Cocaine, Possession with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of School, Possession with Intent to Distribute Marijuana, Disregarding Traffic Signal, 9:52 p.m.
Interaction of Main Street and Whaley Street
Officers pulled Edricka Powell over for disregarding a traffic signal. She appeared nervous, but consented to a search of her vehicle. A passenger, Gabrielle Lupton, was told to exit the vehicle and then Lupton hided in a bush, then ran at Officer Peter, who chased him. Lupton had outstanding warrants along crack cocaine, 12 grams of drugs, and $277.

Reported by: J. J. McLaughlin

Malicious Injury to Real Property, 5:00 p.m.
1500 Greene Street
An unknown person struck a chain post, causing $1200 worth of damage.

Reporting officer: J. Wildfield

Larceny of Bicycle
Capstone, 900 Barnwell Street
Sometime between 12:00 p.m. on August 20 and 10:00 a.m. on September 4, an unknown person stole a silver, red and blue Pacific DS2 bicycle.
Estimated value: $800
Reporting officer: J. Wildfield

Larceny of Books
Capstone, 900 Barnwell Street
Between August 25 and September 1, an unknown person took a purple Pelham bike by unknown means.
Estimated value: $800
Reporting officer: J. Wildfield

Simple Assault and Battery, 12:48 a.m.
Capstone, 900 Barnwell Street
Charles Clinkscales pushed the victim when confronted about a previous incident. Clinkscales left when he was asked and the victim would not press charges.

Reported by: D. Davis

Larceny of Bike
Capital, 900 Barnwell Street
An unknown person took a purple Pelham bike by unknown means.
Estimated value of bike: $800

Reported by: B. Greaves-Gooding

WASHINGTON, D.C.

WASHINGTON, D.C. (September 1, 2007) -- On September 1, the world lost a great teacher, a great writer, and a great human being. We are not the only ones who love and miss Philip L. Graham. We are the ones who will carry on his legacy. We will continue to teach, to write, and to live as he taught us to live. We will honor his memory by living up to his example.

Philip L. Graham was a man of many talents. He was a great poet, a great musician, a great artist, and a great teacher. He was a man of great compassion and great love. He was a man who lived his life according to his principles and who never failed to stand up for what he believed in.

We are somber today, but we are also filled with hope. We know that Philip L. Graham will never be forgotten. His memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. He will be remembered as a great teacher, a great writer, and a great human being. He will be remembered as a man who lived his life according to his principles and who never failed to stand up for what he believed in.

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Stars perform for Hokies

Matthews, Mayer headline concert at Virginia Tech

Sue Lindsay

BLACKSBURG, Va. - Amidst the crush of Virginia Tech students, faculty and out-of-towners cheered, waved their arms and sang along Thursday night at a concert conceived by rocker Dave Matthews and held in the days after the mass shootings on campus.

Fans, many clad in the school colors of maroon and orange, filled most of the 50,000 available seats and intermittently yelled "Let's go, Hokies!" between acts.

"My heart is with you," said hip-hop artist Nas, wearing a maroon T-shirt that said "We are Virginia Tech" on the back. "I am honored to come out here and support all of you."

The crowd was on its feet for most of his 20-minute performance.

"It's so great to come home to see Virginia Tech," said country singer Phil Vassar, a Lynchburg native who opened the show.

"We're moving on, " she said. "Whether we had this more families will retain lawsuits. Peter Grenier said he expects three or four more families will retain the firm. No lawsuits have been filed.

"I just wanted to show my support and express my sympathies," said Packer, who wore a commemorative sticker saying he got his start playing for the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, chose the lineup. "It was designed to represent the diversity of the student body at Virginia Tech," she said.

Families of those killed were invited and had seats in a section with students injured in the shooting at a concert conceived by rocker Dave Matthews and held in the days after the mass shootings on campus.

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A fuel tanker parked at a gas station rolled away and crashed into a house across the street Thursday, injuring a man at the home, authorities said. The tanker was carrying 8,000 gallons of fuel. None of it was spilled, authorities said.

The house, about 300 feet from the gas station, was pushed off its foundation, Highway Cpl. Bryan McDougald said.

The man was taken to Wallace Thomson Hospital, said Chief librarian Michelle Vieyra on unusual behavior in Spring 2006. She had taken a lab with Michelle Vieyra on unusual behavior in Spring 2006.

Vieyra said she hasn't been contacted by USC at all. Anderson said she's worried her identity could be stolen. McKinney and Lovell said the school is setting up a Web site and a phone hotline for students whose information may have been posted.

loved all said the material in question has been removed from the Web server. McKinney said USC contacted major search engines today and they removed cached versions of the material.

"It's still floating out there," Titus said. Title also serves as director of the information privacy program and is the former Charleston law school professor.

The site and hotline would help students find out what about them was leaked online and would give links to Web sites that have copies of the information.

"It just rolled across the street from that little house," Knox said. Knox's name and detailed information was posted online in a file along with 68 other student records.

"I know lots of people involved in the leak, but I don't know yet if she would be reprimanded.

First-year medical student Rose Coasley's Social Security number was posted online in a file along with 68 other student records. Coasley remembered having Vieyra as an instructor, but couldn't remember which class it was. The information was from fall 2005 or spring 2006, according to SSNbreach.org.

"I do know how many people had the information and said copies of it could still exist. Nobody knows," he said.

McKinney said he did not know if any other Social Security numbers had been posted on other department Web sites. He said the school's tech department "ordinarily" looks for "this sort of thing," but couldn't explain why they had missed Vieyra's Web site for eight to nine months. "We're looking into it," he said.

McKinney said he couldn't discuss any possible disciplinary action that might be taken against Vieyra for posting the information. She said she didn't know if she would be reprimanded.

She had taken a lab with Da Vinci, and discussed their connection to international travel.

"I think some people in Washington are "better than nothing," he said. "But it was my decision and I'm completely happy with it."
Breach needed quick administrative action

Identity theft is not a novelty anymore. The Federal Trade Commission estimates that 10 million Americans have had personal information accessed and used to open illegal bank accounts or credit cards.

Just last summer, the Department of Veterans Affairs announced that it had lost track of a laptop containing medical and insurance data for some 18,000 veterans.

Leaking thousands of students’ personal information on the Internet is inexplicable in this day and age. A security breach of this magnitude should not sneak up on anyone, particularly a university like USC.

That the grades, social security numbers and names of students were floating around on the Internet for nearly a year is disturbing enough, but in the days since administration was informed, no public announcement was made.

Some affected students had no idea Daily Gamecock reporters interviewed them.

While the breach had not happened, the lack of a reaction made the administration look flat-footed.

The only secret this school can keep is its students’ private information, we may have a problem.

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 Don’t lose yourself in college atmosphere

 People say that when you go off to college you become the person you really are; that college is the time when you find yourself. I look around at the people who have turned over these personal characteristics upside down since coming to school. Apparently they thought you were supposed to actually create yourself minus the old baggage.

 Students stumble into a new world with new people, and none of the people that you were before you stayed with you once you stepped on this campus. People think that it is the perfect opportunity to be completely over the best part, all of your new friends will be burnt out, miserable and none of you and all of your old friends will have a keg stand at the time and save all of us from the people that you want had you discovered the obvious.

 A religious proct can be found in a car wash, but a boy tries to knock her from running all over hot by because she can’t handle the pressure. And then there are the people who want to be the partiers, the ones who “do college right.” But they know deep inside they aren’t the kind of people who can go out and have a good time. They were just burnt out, miserable and none of you and all of your old friends will have a keg stand at the time and save all of us from the people that you want.

 When you started pretending that you were somebody that the act might fool everyone for a little while, and you might even be fooled yourself, but by the end of the year you will be burnt out, miserable and lonely because the person everyone around you has gotten to know is a fake. You are friends with people around you, they will be confused about who you really are, and your old friends will have a keg stand at the time and save all of us from the people that you want and none of you and all of your old friends will have a keg stand at the time and save all of us from the people that you want.

 Realizar, witholding does not mean anything.

 Getting a $5,000 refund doesn’t say anything about the taxes you owe. It only means you made a $5,000 investment in the government for a few months. Does this mean you should go ahead and do the same two years in a row?

 There are tricks to both plans. There will always be tax brackets.

 The point here is not to let two biwhards convince you everything under the FairTax will be completely paid for. We won’t have to leave our current system of taxation behind.

 Withholding is necessary for honesty in taxpayers

 The FairTax Book (It’s your right)

 While reading a book about who to blame last week I flipped through to the back and found it’s even worse when he slaps your on the face in the face by claiming to give an alternative to the FairTax plan and then leaving out the plan.

 The book inside looks like a gift for those who grub it酿 your preconceived political notions. Don’t get me wrong—it one open up a check and see a large chunk missing. That is not a balanced tax and a kill and doing a job.

 What saw that withholding was bad system but camouflaged the actual tax burden pressed on the people and camouflaged the further their political dream and the power of the federal government.

 In 1913 a law was passed allowing the US government to withhold taxes from workers’ paychecks in 1917, and according to the Federal Reserve Bill went back to taxing their income in lump sum.

 One half of the people would pay nothing back to not paying taxes if as a tax system and national’s defense. Withholding seems to have been in 1943, as funding for the war was going right. Prior to WWII, 6 percent of people income was being withheld; 75 percent.

 One way more than one paying taxes is my neighbor NOT paying tax, I lived in upstate New York, I would eat every meal in Canada and make countless trips before leaving pay withholding tax. 75 percent.

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Hot shows of fall television line up

Programs have potential, offer variety from drama to gripping reality

Tea Agnew/ THE GOLDFiSH

Fall is always the start of some great new television programs for the 2007-2008 season. So, here is a list of some of fall’s most (and least) promising TV shows that you can add to your list of things to watch instead of studying.

NATIONAL: Wed., Sept. 19, 8:00 p.m. on NBC
A new reality TV show that features forty kids, from ages 11 to 15, live in a pseudo town. They have to create their own rules, cook their own food and basically take charge of their own lives for forty days. The kids can leave whenever they want, and no one is voted off. What I am wondering is if there are any adults around, who is filming the show?
Gossip Girl: Wed., Sept. 19, 9 p.m. on NBC
Based on the hit book series, Gossip Girl circles around the life of Serena Van Der Woodsen (Blake Lively) who has arrived back in town. Her closet friend Blair (Leighton Meester) isn’t ready to give back her title of popularity queen yet, and the perverted blogger “Gossip Girl” is there to reveal all of these It Girls secrets. Catty teen drama ensues, promising a great guilty pleasure for any girl. Don’t be ashamed, you know you want to see this.
Chuck: Mon., Sept. 24, 9 p.m. on NBC
From the producers of “The O.C.” comes a comedy about Chuck (Jesse Lee), your average electronics store employee turned secret agent. One day Chuck reads email encoded with confidential government secrets and now everyone is after him. I admit, the premise sounds a little hard to believe, but if paired with witty dialogue and some well-executed humor, this series (according to my roommate) has the potential to be a great comedy.
Route 66: Tues., Sept. 25, 9 p.m. on CW
This show is based on the premise that his parents sold his soul to the devil before he was born. Now Satan is ready to claim what is his. His parents sold his soul to the devil before he was born. Now Satan is ready to claim what is his.
My Name is Chuffy: Wed., Sept. 26, 9 p.m. on the CW
Kid Nation, explores a suburban town. They are cavemen. Enough said.
TV show out of them. Neanderthals Jamie, Joel, and Nick live in a modern southern suburban town. They are cavemen. Enough said.
“March of the Cavemen” episode of Cavemen.

Viva Laughlin: Wed., Sept. 26, 9 p.m. on CBS
A grand new casino in Laughlin, Nev. When Ned (Lee Pace) was a child he found that he could bring the dead back to life through his touch, but if they were ever touched by him again they’d be dead forever. As a grown man working as a private eye’s aid, Ned hears about the murder of Chuck, a girl he used to love, and so he brings her back to life. With an electron transportation of a chick flick, Ned can never come into contact with Chuck. So Chuck will become so buried beneath communism and brilliance, the less observant viewer will hardly notice its meaning. With such a startling introduction the last thing you expect in this series is comedy, but reality comedy is what The Kingdom is all about, but when seasoned comedic actors like Fox and Bateman begin with the wires, it is impossible to restrain.
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Film balances message, humor

“The Kingdom” addresses current world issues while Fox’s performance shines

The Kingdom” *** out of 4 stars
Mark Killan
THE GOLDFiSH

You know those articles in the newspaper every other day about random car bombings in Iraq? The ones that always seem to get pushed to the back pages while Paris Hilton’s latest antics get plastered all over the front? Action- narratives director Peter Berg aims to remind you of such events in his best film so far.

During the making of “Black Hawk Down” Berg pitched the idea for this to me early in the process. The moment the Universal Pictures logo vanishes from the screen you are given a crash course in the history of America’s dealings with Saudi Arabia. From there the movie progresses directly into an unprecedented car bombing on an American Embassy in The Kingdom, also known as Saudi Arabia. From there it is up a group of four veteran FBI agents to travel to The Kingdom and show the Saudis how to catch a terrorist. One of the key players on this crew is led by Agent Ronald Flury (Academy Award winner Jamie Foxx) and comprised of Agents Vestal, Carter, and Barton (Jennifer Garner), Leavitt (Jason Statham), and Choo (Garrett Gamble). With such a startling introduction the last thing you expect in this series is comedy, but reality comedy is what The Kingdom is all about, but when seasoned comedic actors like Fox and Bateman begin with the wires, it is impossible to restrain.

But the beauty of sports humor, Fox prevails yet another powerful captivating performance. Its spectrum of emotions ranges from humorous to serious at the drop of a grenade is instantaneous.

In writer Matthew Michael Carnahan’s defense, a very valuable lesson remains stuck amongst the rubble like the picture found of a Highlights Magazine. Unfortunately, this lesson becomes so buried beneath communism and brilliance, the less observant viewer will hardly notice its meaning. What could serve as a strong political statement like 2005’s Three Kings, turns into a commercials will bring an entertaining Middle-Eastern conflict movie like 1999’s Three Kings. Unfortunately, this lesson becomes so buried beneath communism and brilliance, the less observant viewer will hardly notice its meaning. What could serve as a strong political statement like 2005’s Three Kings, turns into a

The problem with “The Big Dirty” is not that they have abandoned writing great riffs. These are still manifest. But with the loss of the connotation and spontaneity so evident in “Hott Damn!” the riffs do not have the same effect. Regrettably, Keith Buckley has never been a better front man than on “The Big Dirty.” His vocals are no longer simply another noteworthy facet of the music, which, disappointingly, is lost for good.

Re:Hot fans of “Hott Damn!” if you have not already watched Every Time I Die after “Gutter Phenomenon,” it’s pretty likely that this album will be a favorite of yours.

However, this is not to say that the album is completely devoid of merit. Every Time I Die has a knack for writing unique and stimulating riffs. Their way generally consist of three or four noteworthy riffs pulled together to form a song. This was most evident on “Hott Damn!” but in “The Big Dirty” it is all but abandoned. Regardless, Keith Buckley has never been a better front man than on “The Big Dirty.” His vocals are no longer simply another noteworthy facet of the music, which, disappointingly, is lost for good.

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Every Time I Die may be over with their newest album.

“The Big Dirty”: Every Time I Die’s fourth and most recent LP, “The Big Dirty” released on September 4th on Ferret Records, seems to be aptly titled. The first track, “No Son of Mine,” begins with a dirty, dirty riff, made so by an arrangement and sequencing mixture of dissonance and distortion that has come to characterize Every Time I Die’s signature sound. “No Son of Mine” is a terrific opener in that it immediately draws the listener and sustains his interest throughout the entirety of the track. Unfortunately, such an effective beginning tends to prevent a similar degree of quality throughout the album. Instead, it essentially leaves the listener as a device to spark interest in the rest of the album,
Inside the Box  
By Matthew Lemoine / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Macaulay Culkin is no stranger to the spotlight. The 28-year-old actor and singer has been a part of the entertainment scene for over 20 years. In that time, he has played a wide range of roles, from the middle-class family man in “Home Alone” to the troubled teenager in “My Girl.”

Culkin’s latest project is a new album called “Macaulay.” The album, which was released in August, features a mix of pop, rock, and hip-hop music. Culkin’s vocals are raw and emotive, and his lyrics touch on a variety of topics, from personal struggles to social issues.

“I think this album is a reflection of where I’m at as a person,” Culkin said. “It’s a mix of what I’ve been through and what I’m currently going through.”

The album’s lead single, “It’s Over,” is a powerful anthem about leaving a toxic relationship. The song’s chorus, “It’s over, it’s over, it’s over,” is repeated over and over, building to a climactic breakdown.

“I wanted to capture the feeling of being stuck in a bad situation and finally realizing that it’s time to move on,” Culkin said.

The album’s other songs, such as “Nothing” and “Don’t Look,” explore similar themes of personal growth and self-discovery. Culkin’s voice is often accompanied by pounding drums and brassy horns, creating a driving, upbeat sound.

Overall, “Macaulay” is a strong album that shows Culkin’s growth as an artist. While some of the songs may be a bit repetitive, the raw emotion and honesty in his performance make them resonate with listeners.

“Macaulay” is available on all major music platforms, including Spotify and Apple Music. It’s a must-listen for anyone interested in pop-rock music or Macaulay Culkin’s journey as an artist.
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There is a lot of excitement surrounding the South Carolina football team this week. Conference play begins this Saturday with a trip to Georgia. The Gamecocks are looking to beat the Bulldogs for the first time since winning 14-9 in 2001.

A win against the Bulldogs would not only grant USC bragging rights, but would also be the first step towards winning the SEC East for the first time. UGA is the only team in the East that South Carolina hasn’t beaten since Spurrier took over in 2005. This is something the Ol’ Ball Coach is eager to fix. It is well documented that Steve Spurrier doesn’t particularly care for UGA. Spurrier went 11-1 against the Bulldogs as the head coach of Florida, and he has gone out of his way to run up the score on the Bulldogs in the past. A big road win early in the season will help convince any skeptics that USC is capable of winning the SEC’s eastern division.

To some of the players on the USC roster, winning the UGA game would mean more than a good start to the season. There are 15 players on the Carolina roster that played their high school football in the Peach State. This list includes Blake Mitchell, Kenny McKinley, Jared Cook, Carlos Thomas, Eric Norwood and the Brinkley twins. These players will have a huge impact on the outcome of the game. Also expect to see Georgia natives Yvan Banag, V andaral Shackleford, Ladi Ajiboye and Jonathan Williams get some reps on defense and special teams.

“I treat it like any other game, but deep down inside you’ve got that feeling that you want to beat them, because it’s your hometown, and you’re not on their side of the ball,” linebacker Jasper Brinkley said of this weekends coming, “It’s also our next game, and you always want to win your next game. It’s the first stepping stone to winning the SEC championship.”

“This game is no more important than any other game,” quarterback Blake Mitchell said. “Not other than I have friends that go there and I have to hear it from them.”

A win in this game would be a huge step in the Gamecocks’ effort to earn a spot in the SEC Championship game in Atlanta. A loss would send Carolina down the familiar path of late December bowl games. A defeat would be tough to overcome in the SEC race as Carolina faces road trips to Tennessee, LSU and Arkansas.

The Bulldogs have more question marks than the other SEC contenders. Georgia has very little experience on the defensive side of the ball. UGA returns only three full time starters from last season. Kade Weston and Jeff Owens return as starting defensive tackles. Kelin Johnson returns as starting strong safety. Johnson is by far their most experienced defender. He has played in every game for the past three years.

That being said, Georgia still has a wealth of talent. “Yeah, they do a good job though [despite being inexperienced]. They’re fast, they’re always good. They always have really athletic players,” Mitchell said. “I know there are some new guys in the secondary and on the defensive line, but from what we’ve seen, they’re fast and physical, just like they always are.”

Peach state natives Mitchell and Kenny McKinley could be USC’s keys to the aerial attack this weekend. With the departure of Sidney Rice, Mitchell’s favorite target from last season, McKinley will assume the role of the No. 1 aerial threat.

The junior wide receiver started the season with a solid performance against Louisiana-Lafayette (six catches, 44 yards, TD). McKinley, played high school ball at South Cobb high school, which is just over an hour outside of Atlanta.

Another key for USC could be Suwanee, GA native Jared Cook, who, with his 6-foot-6-inch frame and 40-
When the Gamecock offense takes the field Saturday against the Georgia Bulldogs, they will most likely be led by their fifth-year quarterback:

LaGrange, Ga., native Blake Mitchell is expected to return to the field after sitting out the first game due to suspension.

“There’s a good chance that [Mitchell] will start but we don’t want to announce that just yet, we want to keep Georgia in the dark a little bit,” USC coach Steve Spurrier said.

For Mitchell the return to the lineup is a welcome change after being on the sidelines for the opening game.

“I mean it’s definitely no fun just to be sitting there watching. But those guys did a great job, Smelley and Beecher did a good job out there for us.” Mitchell said of the team’s season opener against Louisiana-Lafayette.

If Mitchell does start, the quarterback position should be efficient, if not productive.

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1. Are the Gamecocks really as bad as they looked against Louisiana-Lafayette?
After the first two drives, USC looked like they had switched jerseys with Dutch Fork High School. There were missed tackles, missed assignments, dropped passes and general mediocrity. The more I think about it, the more this weekend’s game scares me.

The good news is that Georgia is completely different from Louisiana-Lafayette. Yes, they are bigger, stronger and faster than the Ragin’ Cajuns, but they run a completely different offense and defense, one that USC is more accustomed to facing. At least that is what I keep telling myself.

2. Are the Bulldogs really as good as they looked against Oklahoma State?
Oklahoma State was calling their offense the “World’s Greatest Offense” this off-season. Wow, Cowboys, you might want to re-think that campaign. Georgia made them look like what they really are—the second-best offense in the state of Oklahoma and the third-best (behind Oklahoma, Texas Tech and Texas) in the Big 12 South. Another disturbing development is that Georgia quarterback Matthew Stafford looked less like the chubby, curly-haired freshman of last year that threw interceptions like he thought they were touchdowns, and more like an All-SEC quarterback. Georgia is no joke, and the Gamecocks will have to play roughly 6,000 times better than they did against Louisiana-Lafayette to win.

3. Will the return of Blake Mitchell make a big difference for USC’s offense?
Blake Mitchell’s return will be a bigger deal than most people are willing to admit. His ability as a passer is severely underrated, and he is the most prepared quarterback to audible at the line of scrimmage. This will be a big deal because Spurrier’s ability to audible from the sideline will be limited in Athens.

Also, his giant facemask will give the kids something to play on between quarters and during TV timeouts. Good times.

4. Will the atmosphere in Athens affect USC’s play?
Since Spurrier came to Carolina, his teams have been 3-5 in SEC home games and 5-3 in SEC away games. For some reason, the atmosphere hasn’t really been a problem. Winning at Clemson last year proved that the Gamecocks have no problem with drunken rednecks screaming at them for the duration of a game. Athens shouldn’t be a big deal.

5. Will the potential return of a Lindsey twin make all things right in the Gamecock world?
After watching the missed tackles last weekend, Spurrier hinted that linebacker Dustin Lindsey might see some playing time this weekend because he is big, tough and loves hitting people. Lindsey is somehow already returning from the ACL injury he suffered in April, and having him actually play football without his knee falling apart on national television would be a small medical miracle.

Even if he isn’t completely healed, he will bring attitude, intensity and toughness to a defense that will need it to stop the Georgia offense. Jordin Lindsey is still in academic purgatory, but one Lindsey is better than none.

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Aside from Appalachian State's stunning upset in the Big House over Michigan, the opening weekend of college football was relatively bland. Those 10 matchups in week two that are the most interesting
take place on Saturdays.

10. #16 Nebraska vs Wake Forest (12:00 p.m., ESPN)

The Demon Deacons opened up the defense of their ACC title last week with a loss to Boston College in Chestnut Hill. With since he arrived in State, Tyrone Nix has had to work the starter against Penn to Georgia Tech, Notre
Washington 31 game, and the Bronco's with Boise State coming to good start, but the Huskies' the Carrier Dome was a bowl game for the fi rst time over Syracuse last week in to get Washington back to a Husker road win.

9. #22 Boise State at Washington (3:30 p.m.)

Baylor's Art Briles and Matt Ryan lit up Wake Forest last week for over 400 yards. Expect Kpel to do the same this week at Estadio de futbol in Boise.

8. Notre Dame at #14 Penn State (3:30 p.m., ESPN)

After last week's 11-3 loss to Georgia Tech, Notre Dame's defense has named stud freshman quarterback Joel Ewanick the starter against Penn State.

7. South Carolina at #24 Tennessee (7:00 p.m.)
The Volunteers have yet to prove improvement against a dangerous Southern Miss team. The Golden Eagles are more than capable of pulling off this upset, but they won't be able to outscore Tennessee if Erik Ainge and the offense are clicking.

6. Oregon at Michigan (3:30 p.m., ABC)

Loosing to Appalachian State at home is unacceptable for the University of the Michigan. The Wolverines will be out for redemption this weekend against a high-scoring Oregon team. Michigan's recent struggles against mobile quarterbacks should be over exploited once again by Oregon quarterback Dennis Dixon, but it's hard to imagine Michigan losing back-to-back home games to open the season. Chad Henne and Mike Hart will not let that happen.

5. Miami at #5 Oklahoma (12:00 p.m., ABC)

Oklahoma looks awesome last week against an overmatched North Texas squad, racking up over 650 yards of total offense. Miami's defense is always solid, but they won't keep the Sooners' offense in check the whole game. Hurricane quarterback Kirby Freeman is going to have to be much better throwing the ball, or Miami's one-dimensional offense will get shut down. TCU's defense is much better than the Miami's secondary, but Freeman is going to really struggle to score in this one.

4. #19 TCU at #7 Texas (7:00 p.m., FSN)

This game puts TCU's stifling defense against Texas' high-flying offense. TCU went into Norman and beat Oklahoma two years ago to open the 2005 season, so they are expecting nothing less this year. After back-to-back season opening performances, both teams should be ready to go. TCU's defense will put up a good fight, but they'll score enough to get the win.

3. #1 Virginia Tech at #2 LSU (9:15 p.m., ESPN)

The Hokies vs. Tigers battle in Chestnut Hill. Things opened up with a loss to Boston College that beat Virginia Tech in their ACC title last week. The Tigers will win in a close one.

2. Auburn (9:00 p.m. ESPN)

This week's pick is Auburn over Alabama. Don't expect to see that happen either. Auburn has the SEC's best QB-WR duo in Chris Snelling and Jason Campbell. LSU has a tough week against a high-powered offense. But many of those will be out for redemption as they open the season, so they are expecting nothing less this year. After back-to-back season opening performances, both teams should be ready to go. TCU's defense will put up a good fight, but they'll score enough to get the win. The Tigers will win in a close one.

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The TN Horn Frogs are 5-0 against Big 12 teams going into their game with Texas. The 2007 season's first match-up of top-10 teams features two of the nation's best defenses. The Hokies and Tigers both look great on defense last week, but the offense struggled at times. Virginia Tech only scored 17 points so far, and because of the high-powered offense, the Tech will have a hard time scoring.

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The deepest defensive front that defensive coordinator Tyronis has to look to has the game will be against Stack's new first year.

That means that players like Lindsey who are fresh out of our offices will be splitting time with those players who have a solidified starting spot. Sophomore Rodney Paulk and Lindsey will most likely see the same number of snaps this weekend.

The youth of Carolina's line is a blessing in disguise. Without the likes of Matt Ryan, Christian Matthews, Ladi Ajiboye and Trayan Robertson should see more than their fair share of the line on the field. The Gamecocks are confident, no doubt. The only thing left to do is to go out there and hit somebody.

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