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In an email sent out Friday to the student body, USC President Harris Pastides announced several university-wide initiatives that will combat racial tension, instances of prejudice and deal with inclusiveness issues on campus.

Following Creed and Diversity Week during the week of Nov. 2, Pastides announced that Chief Diversity Officer John Dozier will work on an initiative to deal with issues of race called the South Carolina Collaborative on Race and Reconciliation. Pastides also announced Dozier and Provost Joan Gabel will be looking to incorporate more diversity into university life.

Terrorism, tragedy strikes Paris

University of South Carolina President Harris Pastides confirmed via Twitter Sunday morning that all USC students in the Paris area have been accounted for following the multi-pronged terrorist attack that crippled the French capital Friday evening.

“It has been confirmed that all USC students in Paris are accounted for and safe,” Pastides’ message read. “We stand in solidarity with the people of Paris.”

The Associated Press reports that one American college student, 23-year-old Nohemi Gonzalez of California State University, Long Beach, was killed in the attacks. The U.S. State Department has acknowledged that there are multiple American citizens among the 130 killed.

Who is Jim Gilmore?

Among the many 2016 Republican presidential hopefuls is Jim Gilmore, former governor of Virginia, a lesser-known candidate with big ideas.

On Nov. 12, the Conservative Leadership Project continued their presidential forum series, this time featuring candidate Gilmore.

Presidential candidate Jim Gilmore spoke at a forum hosted by the Conservative Leadership Project.

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Last Tuesday, Nov. 10, at around 9:45 p.m., officers responded to a call from a 47-year-old African American man reporting a burglary at his home. The suspects threatened him and forced him at gunpoint to let them into his apartment and onto the floor. They took several of his electronic devices, including a Samsung tablet and a 47-inch flatscreen television. After the suspects left, the man remained on the floor until his wife arrived. She told the police that her nephew had threatened to rob them in the past.

At midnight Friday, Nov. 13, police responded to a report of an assault on two people, a 23-year-old African American woman and a 26-year-old African American man. The woman's father had come to her home and accused her of being "an unfit mother" before attempting to take the child away. The man attempted to separate the woman and the suspect sustained several scratches along his torso. The suspect left before the woman called the police.

Early in the morning on Saturday, Nov. 14, staff at The Cotton Gin in Five Points requested police action in dealing with a 26-year-old Caucasian man, who was badgering the staff. They had refused entry to the suspect several times, and he became increasingly unraveled and aggressive. One of the staff feared for himself at one point during the suspect's babbling and punched him in the face once or twice, giving him a bloody nose. The suspect was taken to Richland Memorial Hospital and then to Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center by police.

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amongst the injured, but no specific numbers have been given. In total, 129 casualties have been confirmed with hundreds more still hospitalized. More than 80 of the confirmed casualties occurred at the Bataclan Arts Center where a hostage situation at a rock concert ended with multiple suspects killing the hostages before killing themselves with explosives later. Additionally, there were multiple suicide bombings outside the National Stadium where France and Germany were playing a friendly match. French President Francois Hollande was in attendance at the game, but he was evacuated to safety without harm. There were startling reports of another shooting in the city Sunday afternoon, but they have since been dismissed by authorities as a false alarm. In total, seven suspects are dead and a warrant has been issued by French authorities in pursuit of an eighth.

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to hide their impending divorce. Meanwhile, the couple’s unemployed son, Hank (Ed Helms), a newly single father, attempts to discipline his unruly children, especially his toddler daughter who, following the trend of almost every child in almost every family drama, has recently discovered four-letter words and makes great use of them throughout the Cooper family Christmas fiasco. Also attending is Sam and Charlotte’s black sheep daughter, Eleanor (Olivia Wilde), who, single yet again at the holidays, has spontaneously enlisted the help of Joe (Jake Lacy), a soon-to-be-out soldier she met at the airport. Throw in a kleptomaniac aunt (Marisa Tomei), a lonely, aging family patriarch (Alan Arkin) and his favorite also-lonely waitress (Amanda Seyfried), and the cast of characters with excessive emotional baggage is complete.

The flatness of the humor, largely dependent on toilet jokes, a few off-color Christmas-y puns and raunchy gingerbread cookies, is disappointing, especially when delivered by such an experienced and varied cast. Written by Steven Rogers (writer for “P.S. I Love You”), the film’s script is lackluster at best, and limits the acting skills of seasoned comedic pros like Goodman and Keaton. The scenes that carry the movie are mostly those between Eleanor and Joe. The chemistry between Wilde and Lacy is phenomenal, and, when cast in the contrasting roles of Eleanor, a staunchly liberal atheist and Joe, an equally staunch Republican Christian and soldier, the “opposites attract” principle is made believable. Their relationship in “Love the Coopers” has potential to extend a deeper romantic plot — perhaps, if not the most groundbreaking Christmas film, “Love the Coopers” at least discovered a solid future onscreen couple in Wilde and Lacy.

The formulaic plot, choppy dialogue, and faux-Kodak-moment sentimentality in “Love the Coopers” all combine to form a family reunion that falls flat. The film rides on established cast members and the single authentic plotline of Eleanor and Joe, with some cute kids, awkward teens and senile elders thrown in to provide a few laughs. Moviegoers should stay cozy this holiday season with festive reruns on TV, count on their own family festivities to provide all the drama they need and go ahead and cross “Love the Coopers” off of their Christmas movie lists.
We must stand with France after attacks

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Our university, much like our state, participates in coupe-r under-the-rug politics. As long as we can present the façade of diversity, then we stay out of the limelight. It is no coincidence that the Confederate flag came down only after South Carolina made the national news. Concerns have historically been met with phrases like "my hands are tied," "help me help you" and "if you bring us solutions we'll try to make them happen." Each round of complaints or issues ends with the creation of a new committee on diversity, a forum or an email from our president that promises change, when historically, the only promise that gets kept is that we will have ongoing discussions on the issues.

These discussions did not stop Gramon Tilton. These discussions have not added goals or checklists to our campus. They have not increased minority enrollment or recruitment, and homeownership is still only meaningful to a homogenous group of students. It needs to change. I love this school. However, in 1955 James Baldwin said, "I love America more than any other country in this world, and, exactly for this reason, I must on the right to criticize her perpetually." This is how I feel about USC. For all the wonderful experiences, and opportunities that we have access to by nature of our status as students, minority students have not been afforded the necessary protections and resources in order to thrive without having to create our own spaces, programs and opportunities that others are given inherently.

We should no longer struggle to provide for ourselves in this nation and should rightfully be provided for as well. We should show the university the power of programming, policies and actions that are for all of us but are insufficient for many. Certainly the events of Columbia, Missouri, mirror the frustrations of us here in Columbia, South Carolina. But to be clear, these frustrations did not come from theirs. For months we have sat on committees, attended forums and waited for change to come. Unfortunately, it is beyond evident that these things only do lip service for the purpose of keeping up appearances. Some of us have been working hard to find solutions to the issues that plague us. But this work is not our responsibility, rather, it is the responsibility of the administration to provide available resources to all students.

There is never going to be a perfect time for us to stand up and say that we need to be heard. There will never be a better time than the present for our university to ensure that all students are afforded equitable experiences without limitations. Instead of a "Stand with Mizzou" demonstration, our solidarity should be in the form of fighting for our own justice.

To our friends at Mizzou and colleges across the country— we hear you, we see you and we stand with you. Right now, we have an opportunity to change the landscape of college campuses for historically marginalized groups and individuals for generations to come. But in order to do that, we must work on our own campus first.

— Written by Karli Wells, fourth-year African-American studies student and President of Students Involving Change
Aries
Creativity flourishes naturally; Romance blossoms through communication. Enjoy meaningful conversation. Friends are a big help today and tomorrow. Show them your appreciation. Celebrate together.

Taurus
Career opportunities show up over the next few days. Keep your eyes open. Forge ahead. Take advantage of an unexpected windfall. Learn by doing. Pay off bills before buying toys.

Gemini
The next two days are good for travel, exploration and studies. Your friends bring out the best in you. Don’t rely on an unstable source. Use humor with a heckler. Disagree respectfully. Creative negotiation wins big.

Cancer
A startling revelation today awakens you. Pay attention to what’s going on. Someone is noticing. You're especially confident. Push past old barriers.

Leo
You’re especially charming now. Someone’s noticing. Fan and passion hold your interest today and tomorrow. Try exciting new flavors without breaking the bank. Cook together. Dance in the kitchen and catch some pretty eyes.

Virgo
Get into the details of your work over the next few days. Organize and track who’s doing what. Changes may require adaptation. Travel could be included. Dress the part. Get expert advice for the tricky parts.

Libra
Relax and play today and tomorrow. Enjoy time with family and friends. Practice your favorite games, arts, crafts or sports. Teach someone younger than you. Watch where you're going to avoid accidents. Distractions abound. Ponder and ramble.

Scorpio
Family matters need attention. Fix up your place over the next few days. Paint renews level with an amazing wave. New friends open new possibilities.

Sagittarius
Communication means doors over the next few days. Offer assistance, and let people know what you're up to. Let go of how you thought it had to be. Anticipate changes, and roll with them. Clean messes later.

Capricorn
Abundance can be yours, over the next few days. Discover another treasure. Work and make money. Get terms in writing. Invest in home, family and real estate. Some fixing up may be required. You can clam up.

Aquarius
Easy does it. You don’t know your own power yet. Prepare to launch an operation regarding deadlines for the tricky parts. Get terms in writing. Invest in home, family and real estate. Some fixing up may be required. You can clam up.

Pisces
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South Carolina's only points scored in the game was a season high in the fourth quarter of 14 points against Florida.

Gamecocks lose despite 4th quarter comeback

Despite a 26-23 win over the Gators in the fourth quarter, the Gamecocks could not overcome an 18-point deficit in the first half. The Gamecocks scored 14 points in the fourth quarter, but it was not enough to overcome the deficit.

During Sidy's coach team has become famous for quick runs that create separation. The Gamecocks had a big play midway through the first half. The Gamecocks had eight with 15 seconds left in the first quarter.

Sophomore guard Bianca Phones has been a go-to performer and the buster and the Gamecocks pulled away from there. The Gamecocks scored three points in the first half and were on the second quarter, the Gamecocks had another Sturtz 2-15 and cruised to the win.

The team is used to big runs and big games. They scored 28 points in the third quarter. A few tough drives on the clock. However, the Gamecocks did not put the ball inside the end zone.

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