Spring gets fresh with Farmers Market

Lauren Shirley

The sweet smell of kettle corn and the appeal of fresh fruits and vegetables drew an unusually large crowd to Greene Street on Tuesday.

It was the first Farmers Market of the spring, hosted by Healthy Carolina, and according to Mandy Feeks, the graduate assistant for Healthy Carolina and the coordinator of the Farmers Market, it was the weather they had to thank for the abnormally large turnout.

"Attendance was actually really high," she said as she handed out some of the reusable bags that Healthy Carolina had brought for shoppers. "I think it's because it's such nice weather.

At nearly every vendor booth, students lined the tables on Greene Street trying to get their fresh produce fix as well as learn about tobacco cessation, physical activity and heart health through this week's theme, "Gamecocks Thrive for Physical Wellness."

"Everyone has their favorite returners," Feeks said about the booths who had returned again for this season.

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Kevin Smarr

USC’s Fraternity Council is putting its best foot forward through a new partnership with the Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands (STSM).

Fraternity Council has partnered with STSM to make sure all fraternity members at the university receive sexual violence prevention education and know how to safely intervene as a bystander. The Fraternity Council has also decided to donate $10,000 to help support the Walk a Mile In Their Shoes event.

Walk a Mile In Their Shoes is held annually by STSM to help raise money for survivors of sexual assault and to educate the surrounding community about sexual violence and preventing it.

This year marks the sixth annual Walk A Mile In Their Shoes event for STSM.

The walk encourages women and children to participate and wear high-heeled shoes for one mile in order to show their support for the cause. It also prompts the community to talk about the often difficult topics of gender relations and men’s sexual violence against women.

Emily Grynchuk

The Columbia Museum of Art’s annual fundraising gala is a grand affair that draws attention to the museum’s critical role as a leader in arts education and appreciation in South Carolina.

The museum and Boyd Plaza will be transformed into a Victorian age party with sculptures, themed food and décor as well as elegantly draped party guests. As they arrive at the gala, guests will pass through tents reflecting the beauty of Charles Courtney Curran’s delicate and floral paintings. But once guests enter the doors of the museum, the world will change to evoke the same energy of life in 1893.

"The gala is always different because theme is different," said the Fraternity Council’s Elisabeth Noblet. "It’s amazing to see how the museum is transformed every year.

The gala is co-sponsored by prominent community members

Julie Bresan and Steven Ford and supported by a team of more than 80 volunteers who help to transform the museum and make the gala a successful fundraising event.

"Volunteers have been working for weeks on sculptures and décor for the gala," said development manager Elizabeth Wolfe. "Not even thanking them 20 times would be enough."

-The gala will feature performances by the USC Dance Company, music by The Rare Doctors and special entertainment by Extreme Illusions & Escape starring Josh Knotts & Lea. Another main attraction will be a "museum," a term that arose during the 1893 World’s Fair to describe the vast expanse of different attractions, including exhibitions from different countries around the world.

"We are incorporating the international theme in our cuisine and décor," Wolfe said. "It is sort of a multi-course meal."

The annual gala is the museum’s biggest fundraising event of the year. With the help of major sponsors like Jim Hudson Lexus and Lexington Medical Center, the Columbia Museum of Art is able to host an extraordinary evening to raise awareness and support for the museum’s community initiatives.

"Sometimes people see the museum and think of stuffy people walking through galleries with pretty paintings," Bresan said. "I think that
At the market, Healthy Carolina was offering free reusable bags to students, as well as pamphlets detailing how to stay healthy and active.

At the corner of the two streets, which led to the advisory.

The City of Columbia Water Works issued a boil water advisory for customers in the area should boil water for one full minute prior to drinking or cooking. Anyone in the area who has lost water or water pressure was also urged to boil his or her water and any ice made from non-boiled water should not be used for drinking purposes.

— Lauren Shirley, News Editor

Former SC State President amends lawsuit against university

Former SC State President Thomas Elzey has filed a new legal complaint that SC State has only paid him part of his salary since the university’s trustees put him on paid leave last month, The State reported. Elzey amended his breach of contract lawsuit to include this complaint on Tuesday.

Elzey was officially fired Monday night after the Trustees received the go-ahead from a judge. According to letters that were released from the Trustees, Elzey was fired after not communicating properly with them.

SC State Trustees are working to schedule a post-termination hearing with the former president.

— Lauren Shirley, News Editor

Boil water advisory issued for Harbison Boulevard, Bower Parkway

The City of Columbia Water Works issued a boil water advisory for customers of Park Terrace Drive, from Habison Boulevard to Bower Parkway, The State reported.

On Tuesday, the water works company experienced a 10-inch water main break at the corner of the two streets, which led to the advisory.

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Heather’s Artisan Bakery brought freshly baked breads, Gun’s face offered fresh squeezed fruit and vegetable juice and Sustainable Carolina offered Biosoap, fresh herbs and kelp, and compassed soil.

“Students recognize the need to support local vendors and by doing so are also giving back to their community,” Shauna Rouse, the coordinator for Healthy Carolina, said.

The market offers students an opportunity to increase their consumption of fruits and vegetables as well as gives them a chance to access locally raised agriculture. According to Rouse, that’s the reason that so many USC students participate.

The Farmers Market will be held every Tuesday of the current spring semester until the end of the school year.

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With the obsession in today's culture to be unique and artsy, many members of society have been successful in exploiting that last. Whether it's faking that flowers come to make you seem like a hippie or buying combat boots because you want to seem edgy, going to a big name music festival will definitely make you the token hippie of your friend group.

Not all festivals are like this, but many of the more prominent ones like Coachella or Bonnaroo are definitely a copse of people who just want to craft an image for themselves. The integrity of going to actually see a bunch of artists present awesome concerts has diluted. Many websites offer tutorials on "festival looks" as if you have to maintain a certain aesthetic in order to go to these huge events. This makes the initial concept of going and having a fun time null and void.

Going to Bonnaroo or Coachella has essentially become a fashion statement. Contrary to their own slogans (including "Be Yourself," "Relieve Positivity" and hunted of the same degree), if you're wearing something different, don't know a certain underground artist or don't partake in psychedelic drugs, you're an outcast. The same people wearing tie-dye shirts embroidered with those slogans are in fact not practicing what they preach.

Many of these festivals also promote the usage of intoxicating agents or substances. With a college student mindset, you might be up for experimenting anything and everything, despite the fact that this could entail an experience that you probably spent over $300 to attend. Not only do they promote unhealthy choices in order to enhance the experience for their younger fans, it also widely affects other members of our culture.

While I was watching the set of Of Monsters and Men at Bonnaroo 2013, my friends and I were astounded when overhearing a conversation. Two intoxicated parents lost their young child somewhere on "The Farm" — but didn't look for him because they were going to miss the set. Another annoying aspect of large festivals that isn't taken into consideration is the heat. Dehydration is a serious thing at these events. Who wants to be cramped in a claustrophobic stage that you can easily get trampled on? Or even worse, seriously injured?

Is going to a huge concert festival worth it? If you want to prove to your friends that you're cool, then go for it, but remember this isn't high school anymore. I'm not saying that any of these events have bad music, but the experience as a whole has a dark side to it.

Sweet "Froot" refreshes Diamandis’ fans

**Froot**

Release Date: March 16
Artists: Marina and The Diamonds
Label: Neon Gold Records
Duration: 53 minutes

Marina and the Diamonds released their third album, "Froot," on Monday, March 16.

While continuing to embrace her feminine persona, Welsh singer-songwriter Marina Diamandis throws out her oversaturated lyrics and stays from her commercial pop tone to reveal her more intimate side in this new album.

In her last album in 2012, "Electra Heart," Diamandis paired with popular pop-culture songwriters such as Dr. Luke, who writes for Katy Perry, and Rick Nowel, who writes for Madonna, to create the overplayed, heartbreakingly "Primadonna" that stays destroying the radio waves with pop pollution. However in "Froot," Diamandis has toned it down to create a more personal and realistic album that shows the real Marina. All of the songs were written by Marina and just one co-producer, David Kosten. The lyrics came straight from her heart and experience to capture the true spirit of Marina and the Diamonds.

Although her tone may resemble other popular pop artists such as Lana Del Rey, several of the songs in this album strive to make powerful statements, whether it be lyrical comparisons about finding happiness and love or describing her disappointment in relationships and mankind.

She starts her album off with the song "Happy," stripped down to vocals and instruments layered with simple lyrics about love, optimism and peace. She leverages her sophisticated verses for reformed metaphors of dead flowers in a fruitful garden to represent the loveless relationships of her past in her song "Weeds." Diamandis also sings about more intense topics like domestic violence and the inevitable destruction of man through distrust. She writes about her wariness of men through distrust. She writes about her wariness of men and the thriving rape culture that can be seen more and more frequently in the media today.

With the juvenile audience, Diamandis has generated from her past albums, Marina has the potential to stimulate younger generations to think deeply about superficial topics with an enlightening and new perspective. Thanks to her more touching lyrics and sound change, it seems the Diamandis that captivated pop culture just three years ago has undergone a worthy makeover.

"Froot" focuses on new subject matter, potentially opening the minds of the band's younger audience.
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said. “We’ve got three true linebackers and four down linemen that’s our base set.”

Last season, co-defensive coordinator Lorenzo Ward ran a 4-3-5 defense with a hybrid linebacker-safety call.

This year, Hoke will most likely move the defense to his signature zone blitz system, using a 4-3 base.

Ward will coach the front seven, while Hoke will lead the secondary and call plays.

“(Hoke’s) a good guy,” Spurrier said. “He fits in everywhere he goes ‘cause he’s a good person, a good guy. He’s been around a lot of really sharp coaches, and I think he’s sharp, too.”

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This season is certainly not a hoax, though. Atlanta owns one of the deadliest rosters in the league behind Kyle Korver’s historic three-point prowess and Jeff Teague’s dynamic in the coming weeks.

Questions answered. More to come.

The Hawks are back in the NCAA tournament for the second straight season.}

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“Those guys seem a little little bit raw right now,” Moore said. “There’s still some rawness in there. Those guys seem to be doing some things, but not alone!”

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Fraternity Council right to be preventive, not reactive

University wrong to expel SAE members for racist song

While we were home on spring break, a video depicting members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) fraternity at the University of South Carolina making a racist cheer made the rounds on social media outlets. The chant was ignorant, unapologetic, indifferent, unforgivable and everything else we care about what many of us would like to think is a bygone era rolled into one video clip. For all the awful things it was, the song was also a stark reminder of the importance of a sense of community in this country.

The first amendment of the United States Constitution unequivocally protects the freedom of speech, even (especially) the speech we don’t like. The importance and degree of protection afforded by our freedom of speech has been upheld again and again by our highest court; National University Press v. Richard J. Helvering (1935) even held that the right to speak freely did not give individuals the power to parade down the streets of a community of Hallicout; Brandonburg v. Ohio (1969) held that the right to free speech does not guarantee the right to free speech in a public university.

The University of South Carolina or University of South Carolina, as defined is as much because it receives governmental funds that support it. While the university does have the authority to discipline students for their involvement with this video, they do so within the protection of free speech. When Oklahoma University or University of South Carolina, the protection of free speech is so broad because there is no other way to allow truly free speech. To borrow the words of Sir Salmon; “freedom of the press is the most important of all human rights. It is the right to limit free speech, it is not free speech. The point Sir Salmon was trying to make was that the freedom of speech should be left with a terrible stepmother. Day after day she did endless chores and never complained. She was left with a stepmother. Day after day she did endless chores and never complained. She was left with a stepmother.

The story of ‘Mulan’ also plays in ancient China. Mulan teaches girls to do drastic things for the people they love and to help others. She completely goes against gender stereotypes and takes her father’s place in the army. The story of Mulan is a Grimm fairy tale. Today, many modern feminists criticize this movie because she fell in love after one night and had to dress up to get the man. She was definitely the one who shows the most determination. "Gendertly", the original rags-to-riches story, is one of the most iconic works of Disney even though it was originally a Grimm fairy tale. Today, many modern feminists criticize this movie because she fell in love after one night and had to dress up to get the man. She was definitely the one who shows the most determination.

Disney characters serve as role models for young girls

Disney's leading ladies are a great way to send hidden messages to young girls. Who doesn’t want to see brave, determined and bold? Disney should be applauded for giving women certain personalities in a man's world. There's not a better way to show girl power than defying the odds. These bigots do not deserve to be punished by their government for their ideas.

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Aries
Confide in your team. Obligations can get heavy, but today and tomorrow. Push your boundaries meets your standards. A new project is on the table, but only if it meets your emotional as well as financial standard.

Taurus
Keep tight reins on your schedule to avoid overlapping projects. Stay on track, but don’t work too hard. Keep your long-term vision in mind. Work and play with others over the next two days. Talk about dreams. Listen to your friends.

Geminis
Your new or challenge project requires patience over the next two days. Take it slow, and watch your step. Reach for the stars. Career matters demand your attention. New evidence threatens current models. Follow a dream.

Cancer
Sign off emotionally as you weigh the pros and cons. Your current situation may not be as good as you’re built. Discover a structural problem. Redefine your goals.

Leo
Revisit your dreams. Focus on finances. Fantasy becomes reality with practical actions. Coast all the way to pay bills over the next two days. Look for new strategies. Redirect a compliance to someone logical and efficient with new opportunities. Imagine. Breathe. Be present.

Virgo
It’s all about partnership. Talk and write about dreams. Share some of your insights. Pay attention to someone who’s been holding back. You have a project that gets off the ground. Put in the work. Start jumping in.

Libra
Level up your game. Finish work early today and tomorrow. An agreement is still under. Don’t get it stopped by regulations. Things could get chaotic and uncontrolled. Don’t be too busy or wrapped up in theory or speculation. Imagine beauty. Think about love while you work.

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Sagittarius
Your projects hold your thoughts today and tomorrow. Research a reformation idea for better price and quality. Consider water elements. Make plumbing repairs before you need to. Put something together that’s not as real as you’ve been dreaming about.

Capricorn
Experiment and try new methods. Your ability to conceptualize gets enhanced marvelously over the next two days. Use common sense rather than emotion. Get straight with yourself. Grab an opportunity to come closer to a wish.

Aquarius
A brilliant idea leads to profits. Work now, and then play in a few days. Don’t live this life at work. Don’t keep some of yourself from getting the job done. Put compassion into action.

Pisces
Have faith in your own abilities. You’re more confident (and more confident) than you think. You have to think about romance. Have fun ... or bring the hunch. Take on a new responsibility. Enjoy the sense of freedom.

Check out our fashion blog: www.dailygamecock.com/fashionapp!
The arrival of warm weather in SEC country signals the beginning of outdoor football practices. After a long offseason of weightlifting, cardio workouts and individual drills, the Gamecocks began spring practices Tuesday.

Practices conclude with the annual Garnet and Black spring game, the inter-squad scrimmage held on April 11, which gives fans a chance to see the team in a game setting. The spring game is often highlighted by a celebrity appearance, most recently a touchdown catch by women's head basketball coach Dawn Staley.

The most intriguing position battle this spring is the tight end, with the addition of junior Skai Moore loading a revamped defense in a new scheme brought in by co-defensive coordinator Jon Hoke.

Will Holcomb playmakers

For the starting quarterback battle to resume,Connor Mitch remains the frontrunner. This spring, however, a walk-on Perry Orth will take the snap behind center this season, but redshirt freshman Michael Scarnecchia and junior Brennan Nossowich will also be in the mix.

Both Mitch and Orth impressed today, standing in the pocket with poise and hitting their receivers with solid accuracy. "Connor Mitch [has] tremendously improved from when he first came here," Spurrier said. "He seems to have a lot more confidence and seems to know what to do now. Perry Orth throws a beautiful pass." Orth remains the frontrunner.

The Gamecocks entered the spring thin at receiver having lost four top targets from last year's championship team. Junior Pharoh Cooper and senior Shawn Geary caught passes last season.

Redshirt freshman Deebo Samuel looked sharp in drills Tuesday, running crisp routes and catching just about everything that was thrown his way. He and several other unproven wideouts will have the chance to compete for a starting job this spring.

Tuesday was also the first look at Jon Hoke's new defensive scheme. Even though the Gamecocks only practiced one coverage type today, junior linebacker Skai Moore says the scheme will change from last year's defense.

"It's more so a 4-3," Moore said. "It's not exactly the same in how we line up or how we play it, but it's still a big difference."

Around the SEC: NCAA tournament edition

Brennan Obertcy online exclusive

Hopefully you’ve filled out your brackets, because March Madness is finally here. The NCAA men’s tournament began Tuesday night with two of the First Four games, but the real action begins on Thursday and Friday and carry throughout the weekend. Here’s a look at which SEC teams are participating and what they can expect in their upcoming games.

NCAA men’s tournament No. 1 Kentucky vs. No. 12 Wofford

Led by sophomore forward Robby Portis, the SEC player of the year, Wofford will look to advance past a tricky Wofford team. Every year, there’s a good chance that at least one 12-seed will upset a five-seed, and Wofford has a chance to do so against the Retrievers.

No. 7 Michigan State vs. No. 16 Georgia

Georgia has had one of the most injury-plagued seasons in the country, yet the Bulldogs have bucked in the NCAA’s tournament for the first time since 2008.

Led by senior forward Marcus Thornton, Georgia has a balanced scoring attack, but they will have to face Michigan State, the unranked Big Ten tournament runner-ups.

No. 8 NC State vs. No. 9 LSU

Like Georgia, LSU is another SEC team that has ended an NCAA tournament drought. The Tigers are playing in the competition for the first time since 2009, and their matchup with NC State should be one of the more entertaining games early on in the tournament. LSU and NC State have been inconsistent this year, with both teams showing glimpses of great play while unexpectedly struggling at other times.

No. 6 Xavier vs. No. 11 Ole Miss/BYU

Ole Miss is just 1-4 in its last five games entering Tuesday’s First Four matchup against BYU. If the Rebels earn a win against the Cougars, they’ll then face Xavier, one of six teams from the Big East to make the tournament.