Members of Alpha Chi Omega erupt with happiness after meeting their newest members Sunday afternoon in a record-setting Bid Day.

"I came here to watch the pandemonium and, of course, the ladies," said Baldwin Hall, a third-year international business student and part of the sea of sorority members — all decked out in neon pink that was Phi Mu.

That may be because Sorority Bid Day is a little less predictable than Fraternity Bid Day.

The final tally for Sunday: 1,061 bids were given out, the largest in USC history. The average pledge class held 108 members, currently the second largest in the nation behind the University of Arkansas.

USC may have halted Fraternity Bid Day for a while — you know, that boring, silent affair in the Russell House Theater Friday — but there was no such thing on our Facebook page and at dailygamecock.com.

At 10:30 a.m., Stephens said, a manager was coming down the line telling students that all the Georgia tickets were sold out.

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As 4:30 neared, the noise heightened as roaming packs of sorority members — all decked out in tiaras to sombreros — descended on campus, playing music and dancing to downtown Columbia.

Thousands stood on the Horseshoe Sunday afternoon, awaiting the newest crop of sorority members at USC. More than 1,000 students joined Sunday.

USC sorority members celebrate with air horns, signs and plenty of smiles during Sunday afternoon’s chaotic Bid Day ceremony on the Horseshoe.

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TICKETS

USC allot 150 tickets to Friday’s road game

Mac Stephens had been waiting in line at the Colonial Life Arena for two hours Friday morning to get his hands on a ticket to the Sept. 10 football game against the University of Georgia Bulldogs.

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Currently, 150 tickets are available.
For an early morning Main Street passersby, Aug. 26 was a Friday like any other. But for the group of women assembled outside the First National Bank, it was a day to commemorate the origins of their civil rights and address the lingering need for women’s rights today.

Members of the Columbia chapter of the League of Women Voters, a national organization promoting political engagement and education, hosted a one-block “Women’s Walk” followed by a ceremony on Friday morning to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, the first law to guarantee American women the right to vote. Columbia LWV Advocacy Chair Carole Cato saw the day of recognition as an opportunity to continue the spirit of early suffragettes such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony and Alice Paul. “We’re trying to make our voices heard about women’s rights,” Cato said. “Almost 100 years ago, some very brave women stood as we did, but women’s rights activism.”

“We owe a huge debt to the first suffragettes, and it’s tempting to want to stand on their shoulders and say we’ve arrived, but we look around and we can see that’s not the case. For example, the number of women in college is greater than the number of males, but when we look around we can see that’s not the case. For example, the number of women in college is greater than the number of males, but women continue to be underrepresented in political positions.”

“All that is not to say women have arrived and we can rest on your laurels; you have to be active.”

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Sixty percent of women candidates who run for and win seats in Congress are from middle-income families, but women continue to be underrepresented in public service positions. While 50% of women currently hold public service positions, 60% of elected officials in South Carolina are men.

“Eighty years ago, women had to work,” Howard said. “You can’t think you had to work.”

American women in 1936 were not recognized as civil rights activists, but women today are experiencing positive change. Mexico, Brazil and Argentina women’s rights have been working in public service long enough to see the change in expectations that women have for their abilities to be active, Howard said. “Eighty years ago, women had to work,” Howard said. “You can’t think you had to work.”

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“The culture is our problem,” Leverette said. “We’re fighting today, not for the rights but for a culture that will embrace the principals of equality. That takes a grassroots effort.”

Fourth-year psychology student Kim Howard, second-year political science student Meghan Aubrey, secretary and vice president, respectively, of the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance at USC, attended the event to represent the current generation of female students.

Both said they would like to see more young women involved in the political process, particularly voting. “There’s a complacency in our generation, so it’s really important to see how others have had to work,” Howard said. “You can’t think you can run on your laurels, you have to be active.”
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USC is chartering the first Alzheimer’s Foundation of America on Campus chapter in the nation this semester.

AFA on Campus provides education, support and volunteer opportunities for college students with loved ones affected by Alzheimer’s disease. Elizabeth Owens, a second-year political science student, is the voice of the new organization. After her grandfather passed away, she immediately felt driven to start a chapter here.

“This was a devastating moment in my life, and I needed a way to cope with his passing, and the best way for me to do that was to give back to the Alzheimer’s community,” Owens said in an email response.

With the need to reach out to others, she joined the AFA Teens division, giving her the opportunity to successfully start a club on campus.

According to the AFA website, for each Alzheimer’s patient one to four family members are caregivers. Many young caregivers, like Owens, take care of their loved ones.

“Having a family member with Alzheimer’s is difficult and puts a real strain on family members,” Owens said.

Starting this fall, the first chapter will have an Alzheimer’s Walk, a services project and speakers who can explain the science of this disease. In addition, the group will explain proper care of a loved one with Alzheimer’s.

Along with education and volunteer work, Owens hopes to provide support to others her age.

“My goal with the organization is to reach out to other people who are experiencing the same thing I did,” Owens said. “I hope USC students will feel as passionate as I do about supporting both those who have the disease and those affected by it.”

The AFA on Campus chapter can now reach out and help the young men and women like Owens. The organization aims to give hope to those who lost loved ones or others who are dealing with the debilitating symptoms of the disease.

It also gives young individuals like Owens a voice, to spread the news about Alzheimer’s. AFA is meeting every second Wednesday of the month and encourages contacting if interested.

For more information email the organization at soafausc@mailbox.sc.edu.

Club hopes to help those affected by Alzheimer’s

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and fraternity members on the Horseshoe during Sunday afternoon’s ceremony. Dozens of happy, panting dogs celebrated with the thousands of gleeful sorority Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Alpha Chi Omega proudly display their letters in celebration during Sunday afternoon’s Bid Day ceremony on the Horseshoe.

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Sawtelle, a second-year health student. “I’m so glad to be in Delta Zeta. I got first pick,” said Alexis Sawtelle, a second-year nursing student.

But before the main event began, the Pi Chi’s first took their shirts off — revealing beneath the shirts of their original chapters. Pi Chi is a temporary chapter composed of women who disaffiliate from their normal chapters in the spring. They must remain unbiased as they show potential recruits around to each of the chapters as the beginning of rush week.

The group of Pi Chi’s formed a semicircle, making nervous looks as they awaited their fates. For once, the screaming was quiet, as if the humans. Supporters cheered on, while some men performed a chant of their own: “Trip, trip, trip!”

In fact, every group of Pi Chi’s who disaffiliate from their normal chapters will return just as quickly as they see how valuable the experience is and they want to be a part.”

Chi Omega gave bids to 109 new members, in largest recruitment class in history.

Spelling student, Hooper, a first-year advertising student, was the names of the girls who were returning just as quickly as they went. Loud noises are commonly known to spook herds of men, but the focus of the stampede had begun; any who fell could be left behind. In contrast, many members met their new sisters.

The Sunday evening of tripping was a major reason for choosing, said David Hooper, a first-year history student, adding a suave accent on.”

“There is no one winner. This is a battle of the sexes was today ended with a lot of screaming, crying, laughing and hugging in abundance as members met their new sisters.

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New additions to dictionary reflect culture

For all you English lovers and self-proclaimed language nerds, new additions to the Merriam-Webster dictionary were made available on Friday, Aug. 26, and a few include words like “fist bump,” “tweet” and “bromance.” Not shame, depressing or tearing down the world we’re living in. But adding to the dictionary, though. Sentiments about these new words aren’t universally positive. Some say they’re just a quick way to express love—let’s be honest; it is. But others believe they’re just a waste of time and energy and add nothing to the current lexicon.

The English language continues to demonstrate growth. They represent the world we’re living in. The words that add meaning to our daily lives can be empowering, but they can also be detrimental. Words like “fist bump,” “tweet” and “bromance” are just small examples of how we can all impact others with the way we speak and the way we write.

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Musicians, including Dominican singer Mala Fe, Pedro Ves, Marcel Portilla and El Traviezo, drew large crowds at the Main Street Latin Festival on Saturday afternoon.

Columbia’s Latin community came out in droves Saturday to enjoy the Main Street Latin Festival, located between West Hampton and Washington streets. The single block was packed as attendees milled around white tents lining the walkway, with vendors selling everything from T-shirts and handmade jewelry to traditional food and beverages hailing from different Latin countries. Live music played throughout the day.

Crowds waited in long lines to sample the festival’s various Latin cuisine, like Quisqueya Caribbean Restaurant’s fish plantains and El Cacique’s alcapurrias (a Puerto Rican fritter dish made from a mixture of vegetables and seasoned meat). The Ebony azorunes alone were enough to attract people from multiple streets away.

In addition, one could sample piraguas — a Puerto Rican take on the snow cone — or sip on a freshly blended pina colada, colorful umbrella included. Other goodies included skewered mangoes, a Mexican treat topped with hot chili powder.

To third-year math and Spanish student Carly Hardin, the mangoes were the best part. “They were so good; the chili powder added an interesting flavor to the sweetness of the fruit,” she said.

Hardin originally heard about the festival in Spanish class. “The food and the music made me want to go,” Hardin said. “We even saw a Juanes impersonator here. He wasn’t very good, but we sang along anyway.”

Faux Juanes aside, the festival featured a number of other homemade desserts switch out daily, creating a carousel of delectable treats. The staff is friendly; they are not fake friendly — begging for this fan of brown coffee to fawning all over this new coffee shop.

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Dominican singer Mala Fe and his accompanying band played in the late afternoon, conversing with the crowd in Spanish and pumping everyone up with his merengue tunes.

Many crowd members were expertly twirling and grooving to the beat in partners, while other less-experienced dancers happily swayed instead. Practiced dancers were also brought on stage to show how various dances were done.

“The music is the most popular part of the festival,” said event coordinator and media correspondent Genaro Padilla. “We want to showcase all the life and entertainment we have, and we do that by bringing main artists to the public, for free.”

According to the event’s website, the festival drew more than 10,000 people last year.

“I’ve been advised by the Columbia police to ask for two blocks instead of one,” Padilla said, “but that involves much coordination and red tape. Maybe in a few years it will be even bigger.”

Hopefully, that will be the case. The Main Street Latin Festival provides a unique, diverse experience that serves to both unify Columbia and showcase specific cultures in a fun, family-friendly environment.
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**Gamecocks win three matches in Philadelphia**

**Christian Aldridge**

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An executive officer must attend a workshop and submit a registration form online at www.sc.edu/sov by 4:00 pm Friday, September 9, 2011!**

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Hogs look to keep high expectations

Arkansas hopeful it can survive loss of Davis, still contend

Isaiah Khrahshayan
Friday, September 2, 2011

Coach: Bobby Petrino (23-11 in three seasons at Arkansas, 64-24 overall)
Last Season: 10-3 (.649, SEC), lost to Ohio State in Sugar Bowl
Last Meeting: with USC (2010, 14-2)

All-Time Series vs. USC


Offense:

Tennessee coach Derek Dooley. He coached at Auburn and LSU. One of the most entertaining coaches in the country despite losing quarterback Ryan Miller last season.

But after losing winning back Keke Davis to a season-ending left ankle injury, the Razorbacks will have an uphill battle in the tough SEC West.

“We obviously will try to build on last year,” said coach Bobby Petrino. “We have a lot of talent on offense, but we do understand that this is a new team. It will take time to get back to the level we were last year.”

Defense: With Petrino buying into the philosophy that the defense is going to separate the SEC from everybody (defensive coordinator Jon Bostic), the Razorbacks have worked on developing their defense with each year. As evident in the improvement last year.

“I spend a lot of time in the defense, particularly in the off-season, in spring,” Petrino said. “That’s one of the keys, because it’s your ability to shed blocks, run full speed to the ball, tackle, strip the ball and hit the quarterback, cause turnovers. That’s one of the things that we’re doing on defense, the fundamentals, the techniques, are thing...”

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