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Crime Blotter for April 5 - 12

Drunkness — 1

Traffic/DUl — 1

Larceny of moped — 1

Larceny/Theft from building — 6

For/Other ID use — 1

Assault/Simple assault — 1

Harrassment - Telephone calls — 1

Vandalism/Destruction of property — 2

Burglary/Breaking and entering — 1

Assault/Aggravated assault — 1

— An officer was dispatched to the headquarters of USC’s Division of Law Enforcement and Safety in response to a report of harassment. A student said that her ex-boyfriend, also a USC student, had been texting and calling her and her current girlfriend making “harrasing comments” and sexual remarks, trying to break the couple up. He said that she had been doing this for at least 15 months and it was “revenge on her for not being with her.” Police advised the man to screen shots of any further harassment.

— An officer responded to Bates House early Wednesday morning in response to a possible assault on the Bates Bridge. The victim had no marks, injuries, apparel dismembered and had trouble answering questions. He told police that he was approached by two black men, two white men and one Hispanic man on the bridge around 3 a.m. He said the men punched him and kicked him several times in the head. He was unable to provide further descriptions of the men and said that they didn’t steal anything from him. The victim was evaluated by paramedics and transported to Palmetto Health Richland for further treatment.

— An officer responded to Bates House early on the morning of April 7. The resident who allegedly started the fight was awakened by his roommate, who wanted to bring a woman into the room and have the first roommate leave. The first roommate objected, saying he wanted to sleep. He began shouting and pushing each other before a resident mentor intervened. Both men opted not to press charges and spend the night in their room.

— Compiled by Amanda Coyne, Assistant News Editor

Brief doesn’t exclude every incident from the last two weeks, and suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty. Information could change as investigations continue.

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Columbia sees first murder of year Sunday

Many would-be trustees connected to legislature

A big proportion of the candidates for trustee positions at South Carolina colleges have ties to the state legislature, which appoints them. Of the 70 people vying for 32 seats on boards, a dozen or so are connected to legislators or served in the Statehouse, The Post and Courier reported.

State law doesn’t set many rules or criteria for trustees. The only one: The Citadel board members have to be graduates.

And while the jobs don’t pay well, save for football tickets for USC trustees), The Post and Courier reported that they can launch political careers and carry social clout.

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Ari Lindenbaum

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Art Lindquist

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Leila Heidari

Outstanding Service Award

Outstanding Student Volunteer Award

Lessa Dunnau, Carolina Rotaract

Outstanding Student Service Organization Award

College of Art Cancer

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L. Dequincy Newman

Student Organization

Outstanding Student Award

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Anthony Gom, Association of African American Students

Erik Telford, Carolina Productions

Alicia Fruin, Carolina Service Council

Jillian Kraig, Dance Marathon

Richard Ainsworth Minis, Fraternity and Sorority Life

Jordan Odom, Garnet and Black Magazine

Kathryn Webber, Residence Hall Association

Sheila Long, Sport Club Council

Riley Shippam, Sorority Council

Kenny Tracy, Student Government

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Once the individual routines had finished, it was time for the mandatory pose-off. Standing in a single-file line, the judges called out directions until two winners were named: second-year exercise science student Devon Redholm took first in the heavyweight division, while first-year business student Ryan Finn took lightweight. After one final flex-off, during which the tension was almost tangible, Finn appeared on the stage.

In his first ever bodybuilding competition, Finn said he had worked hard physically in the gym, but there was also a mental aspect to the sport. “It’s more mental stress than physical,” he said. “You have to plan everything out right to your disadvantage. In all of the excitement, Finn’s crowning moment was a whirlwind of cheers and flashes as admirers took pictures and chanted his name. “I don’t even hardly remember happening,” he said. “But it was all worth it. It was definitely all worth it.”
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“I think it’s in a great place right now,” Campbell said. “It’s got really great people who are well-positioned not only to continue its tradition of excellence but to make it even better.”

The Gamecock’s recent accomplishments include a new website, smartphone application and training program and a partnership with SGTV that has improved its multimedia offerings, but Campbell emphasized that its focus was still on the content it produces daily.

“I would say the accomplishments are the journalism we put out together, from all the sections,” Campbell said. “When you flip back through the papers from the past year, there’s a lot to be proud of from everyone.”

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Pseudoscience in documentary tries too hard

Hollywood trend fails to captivate viewers

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Donning a Connor Shaw jersey, country star Chris Young took the Carolina Coliseum stage on Sunday night, playing to an enthusiastic crowd of students in cowboy hats.

The amps pumped up, everyone flew to their eyes. As the lights went down and over magenta, green and brown cowboy hats Nashville-native, performed a free crooner's opening song.

Everywhere "Charlie Todd. The country concert until you've seen a pack of country-rooted opener Chris Lane took the stage with an odd choice, led by his lead guitarist Joseph Pope: "Lose Your Mind" by Nelly and "Get Low" by Lil Jon's Top's "Sharp Dressed Man." And, a few songs later, an even better one: the "Fresh Prince" theme song. He took his guitar strap from colleagues just off the shoulder and began an impromptu version of the theme song, before he started a new song "Attention." "Vickie," "You" and "Who's Going To Take Me Home." Young's set ended on over an hour in a rare Sunday night country Kosovo showing, and it all led up to the single that this week he made his career, "Tomorrow." The lights turned back up, shining light on the singing crowd in a kind of honest moment that perfectly lent itself to the lyrically beautiful song. It was a house full of Young fans, though, and as the set drew closer and the stage switched out for the headliner, students sat on lungs and two-to-a-seat to claim their spot as close to the crowd.

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In the Major League Baseball world, today marks Jackie Robinson Day, the day when baseball personnel and fans alike honor the memory of a MLB legend by wearing the number “42.”

And just in time for Jackie Robinson Day comes “42,” a biopic about Robinson’s rise to becoming the first black baseball player in major league history.

However, “42” may not be what some people expect. How should I put this? The movie tells the “Jackie Robinson story” without telling Jackie Robinson’s story. This film documents a point in history where a desire for change in sports dealt a blow to traditional prejudices. But with the slate script and conventional approach, this feels more like sitting through a high school history lecture.

There’s also the matter of how the film presents the baseball legend, portraying a noble athlete instead of the realistic, true-to-life character. This is a mythologizing biography, the “Remember the Titans” of baseball films on the big screen; fans can still get a kick out of seeing baseball legends on the big screen. But the romanticized portrayal of Robinson and screenwriter Brian Helgeland only hasten Robinson’s acceptance by his teammates but tolerate the course among moderate ball fans.

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Offense dominates in annual spring game

Sophomore Mike Davis had 40 yards and a touchdown on just two carries in the annual Garnet and Black spring game. Davis said he is stronger and faster than last year.

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Clowney said. "But it was pretty fun.

getting back on his feet and running for

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Florida allows Gators to score 10 runs in sixth inning en route to win

Tied as four going into the bottom of the sixth inning on Saturday, South Carolina was trying to avoid being swept by Florida. However, the Gators scored 10 runs on eight hits in the sixth to pull away from the Gamecocks for a 14-5 win.

USC (27-10, 8-7 SEC) completed its second weekend sweep

Of course, the Gamecocks will get another chance to avoid being swept by Florida when the teams meet again on Sunday.

"Both of them are tough, they don't shy away from

"I'm just glad to be here,

"We had a lot of fans out and that was great,"

Thompson said it was fun to get out there and

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"We all feel like we have the best

Spartanburg says halftime show "highlight of spring game"

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Clowney participant in annual trick play

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coming to a close after Saturday’s Garnet

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