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English professor: Literature saved my life

Priyanka Juneja

English professor Paula Feldman’s growth up amid extreme mental, emotional and physical abuse. She credits literature for saving her life.

“Given the nature of my childhood, voracious reading, she managed to through literature. Through her confines and trauma of her life and found that she could escape the managed to find the light. She contemplated suicide daily.”

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At the age of 13, Feldman found that she didn’t want pity for her humor that peppered the lecture, childhood, it was clear by the this was really bought any pie but we dollars,” she said. “No one has excited about the awareness that student, Megan LaTorre student body vice president; Claire Kimpson, president of No Kid Hungry; and Patrick Hickey, Captone faculty principal — would be “paid,” and Mizzell won.

Students and faculty had the chance to either buy a pie or discount offers. Most vehicles. Up is not valid with other coupons, specials or discount offers. Most vehicles. Up to 5 quarts of conventional oil. Visit JiffySE.com for participating locations. Offer Expires: 11/30/12

IN THE FACE: Mizzell pied for charity

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Community geared towards students who aren’t pursuing any special interest, has replaced the application form. This interest form is open to students and has been for nearly two weeks.

The timeline for the housing assignments process has also been moved up; students are submitting their interest forms earlier and will be notified whether they will be given an assignment on Feb. 1. Last year, students had to wait until late February; at that point, popular off-campus apartment complexes were filling up fast, leaving some students frustrated.

Fortune said his timeline is intended to make finding alternatives easier.

“We want to give them more time to be able to secure off-campus housing should we be unable to offer them campus housing or if we offer them something they’re unhappy with,” Fortune said.

University Housing is already anticipating a surplus of demand for housing, especially in popular residence halls like East and South Quads.

“We will not have enough beds in apartment-style to meet demand for the current student population,” Fortune said.

University Housing has also worked with Off-Campus Student Services on this change in order to help students who are seeking off-campus housing most.

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Lindenbaum’s interviews featured one homeless man who said he had tried to work but was laid off because of illness and was no longer eligible to collect government disability assistance. Another man said he had been without a home for six months; he was an alcoholic who said he was “still trying to find my way back to the real world” after his divorce had devastated him 10 years prior.

Lindenbaum has since continued to build relationships with members of the homeless community and is involved with the Columbia advocacy group Homeless Helping the Homeless.

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There were many raffles at the event to raise even more money for Make-A-Wish, including gear from Southern Proper, Southern Tide and Rockstar Energy. Alana received gifts from the sorority, including snap bracelets and a princess crown, and the happiness was clear on her face — as well as those of her family members and others gathered at the event.

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University Housing changes welcome

As we look toward the next academic year, University Housing has given returning students both good and bad news. On the positive side, the university will now use a lottery system for returning students to reserve a room and receive housing offers. On the negative side, returning students will no longer have priority over new students, so they may end up competing with them to secure a room on campus.

An additional improvement to the system – which is still a work in progress – is that there will be no wait list for housing next year, and returning students will have the same priority as new students. This means that there won’t be any more waiting for housing or paying large application fees. Overall, these changes make the process of getting housing much more fair and transparent for everyone.

University Housing changes welcome

Gamecocks should stay

Williams-Brice’s student section should be full at last home game of the season

USC students often claim to have one of the top student sections in the country. However, throughout this season, a disturbing trend has emerged. Before a recent game, a student who attended many football games here at Carolina and I never saw the student section half empty by the third quarter, especially during SEC games. However, this year, in almost every game, the student section has exhibited mass departures at halftime and throughout the entire fourth quarter. Even against Georgia, the No. 1 team in the nation at the time, I saw students leaving at halftime.

For years, Gamecock fans wanted to see the football program showing a consistent, winning product on the field. Now we finally have one; the football team is 19-4 since 2011, and has lost only one home game since 2011. Halfway. We’ve currently ranked No. 9 in the BCS standings, and our team is playing some of the best football in the nation.

Initially the new ticketing system caused some confusion among students who were not aware of the changes. However, after the initial concern, some students were left out of the student section on game day. In both the Tennessee and Arkansas games, many students who were not aware of the changes were still available — hours after being released. I suspect top teams such as Alabama, LSU and Oregon do not have any students who go unused. However, while students are leaving at halftime the rest of Williams-Brice is far from empty, essentially full until the end. It just makes us look bad to have an empty student section only half full in the middle of the third quarter. This is especially true because the student section adds so much life and noise to the atmosphere at Williams-Brice.

If South Carolina students wish to have a student section to ever become regarded as one of the best in the nation, then cheering our Gamecocks on for the entire game, no matter what the score is. It just makes us look bad to have a student section that is empty for two seconds, according to the Wall Street Journal, the United States could overtake Saudi Arabia as the world’s largest oil producer by 2020 to meet rising demand.

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The comedians hated on South Carolina Production hosts the annual Comedy Open Mic Night Wednesday, and brought a crop of completely opposite, and so inclusive racist — and sexist and completely vulgar. They were adorkable and cocky and oblivious. Farag was, arguably, the favorite of his Comedy Open Mic Night. As the night drew on, it of the 40-member crowd. He started unwinding strings. As the hour and a half of comedy comedic team thought Alaska was right next to the previous night’s sexcapades just was vulgar. The audience howled a running theme in the stand-up talking pictures at the Martin Stage. Of course, this was the Comedy Night: an 80s show their face and their ankles” and every Wednesday night, an “80s first USC football game: “You heard about all these girls passing starred — he loudly recounts on his Egyptian his去世. He joked about his big dream funny. It wasn’t offensive, but a bit disparate. “Tragedy is when I cut my finger. Comedy is 2. Bella Vista Bridal Fashion Shows — 7:05 and 8:05 p.m. 5. The Mobros at 911 Lady St. — 7:30 p.m. 6. Next Door Drummers at Lewis + Clark — 6 - 8:15 p.m. 7. DJ B Sam at Post No Bills 8. Brian McCollough (violinist) at Nonnah’s 9. Steve Spurrier Show at Wild Wing 10. Under the Sun at Carolina Ale House — 7 to 11 p.m. 11. Cathy Jansen (guitar, vocals) at Regions Bank 12. Robert Gardiner (saxophonist) at World of Beer — 6 to 9 p.m. 13. Zach Bingham (electric guitar) at River Runner — 6 to 9 p.m. 14. Chris Condon Brass Duo at Ristorante Divino — 6 to 9 p.m. 15. DJ and Artist at Saktium. — Compiled by Chloe Gould, Mix Editor
Let me take this moment to ask this: Why don’t we ever see very many films about Thanksgiving anymore? These days, the holiday season gets bombarded with a multitude of action films, animated films and Christmas movies even though Christmas is more than a day away. This year is no exception. Here’s what to expect over the Thanksgiving break:

1. “Red Dawn”

Apparently, Twilight isn’t the only movie over the break boasting a cast of Hollywood hotties. “Red Dawn” casts such young stars as Chris Hemsworth, Josh Hutcherson, Adrianne Palicki, Josh Peck and even Tom Cruise’s son Connor Cruise. A remake of the 1984 film of the same name (only with North Koreans to be more politically correct), a group of ordinary youngsters battle against North Korean paratroopers that declare guerilla war on their hometown. This would be the part where I joke “nothing says Thanksgiving like a high octane action film.” But when I think about it, “Red Dawn” would actually be a fitting Thanksgiving film. Why? Because nothing says Thanksgiving like a movie about a group of foreigners invading foreign land and looking to take it. I’m kidding.


For fans, it’s been like a dreamboat ride around Fantasy Island. For haters, it’s been a viewing experience worse than watching the Nicole Westbrook “It’s Thanksgiving” video on YouTube. Nonetheless, the final chapter of the Twilight movie series is finally coming to a close. The movie will focus on how Bella is adjusting to her new life as a vampire as well as the highly-advertised climatic battle between the Cullens and the vampire elders who wish to claim the couple’s baby. Posed to no doubt break some box office records, the “Twihards” will take over the cinemas all next week, so look out for all the fangirls and get ready to cover your ears for all the screaming.

3. “Rise of the Guardians”

Action and adventure films will be filling up the movie theaters over the break, there is still a movie that the entire family can get together and see: “Rise of the Guardians.” The movie works like a computer-animated “Avengers,” but features a team-up of children’s icons instead of superheroes. Through Christmas is still a month away, viewers will see a fighter-tanux-Santa Claus (Alex Baldwin), a teenage Jack Frost (Chris Pine), a grumpy Easter Bunny (Hugh Jackman), a goggle Tooth Fairy (Isla Fisher) and an old-school Sandman team up against The Boogeyman (Jude Law).

4. “Life of Pi”

“Life of Pi” is one of the films this fall that people are saying is in the Oscar race. From watching the trailer which boasts a high-definition adventure film with vividly colored visuals and astounding cinematography, it’s easy to see why. “Life of Pi” is a survival picture about an Indian inseposer’s son Pi Patel, who is stranded on a lifespan with a ferocious Bengal tiger after a near-death ship wreck accident.

5. “Lincoln”

I have already talked about this movie in a previous entry to this column, but it looks too good not to mention as a movie released over Thanksgiving break. “Lincoln” was released to a limited number of theaters recently, but will feature a wide release this weekend. The film will not only tell the story behind one of America’s most iconic historic figures, but it will also unveil the vulnerable side of an aged man who fights to free his nation from slavery. Playing the role of Abraham Lincoln will be acclaimed method actor Daniel Day-Lewis, while fellow veteran Tommy Lee Jones will play Radical Congressional leader Thaddeus Stevens.
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**Aries**

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**Leo**

Save more than you spend. Be sure you know what you can afford to do. Without, you can get into serious trouble. A female makes an interesting liaison. You may feel a need to protect your personal space.

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**Sagittarius**

Do not go with the flow. Learn about sound investment plans, and pick one. Enjoy sweet victory. Turn down a unreasonable engagement for a personal one. Encourage your partner. Avoid a fuss that doesn’t concern you. Do more research before launching.

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**Scorpio**

Don’t believe everything you hear. Maintain objectivity, and wait for the right moment. Taking the philosophical high road. A smile will add to your IRA.

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**Cancer**

With other benefi ts. Love grows, along with other benefi ts. The end result provides substantial beneﬁ t. The end result provides substantial beneﬁ t.

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**Leo**

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1 Skating speed

2 1950s R&B group

3 German crowd?

4 Dilapidated

5 Secretive org.

6 Lash __: attack

7 Like Vegas losers, so they say

8 Drafted

9 Prefi x with xen-

10 Rely

11 Like Vegas losers, so they say

12 Program fi le suffi x

13 Mus. Gotchen

14 1962 Rat Pack

15 Liquor

16 In the past, in the past

17 End with __: drama

18 Ending with __: drama

20 1968

21 Lash __: attack

22 Belgian river

23 Ending with __: drama

24 U.S.’s Ryder Cup

26 The past, in the past

27 Not at all colorful

28 1968

29 As a companion

30 __ this world:

31 Bamboo lover

32 Members of the __

34 Onetime Ritz

35 Per se

37 Aquarium fi sh

38 Once-in-a-blue-

39 FOSSIL

40 Society page

41 Assured way to

42 High card

43 Moved, as a

44 1940

45 Get Paid

46 Franklin heater

47 Gets the lesson

48 Game

49 Riddle

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51 Pier gp.

52 Circle segment

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54 Gives up

55 1962 Rat Pack

56 End with __: attack

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58 Can’t stand

59 Secretive org.

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63 Island goose

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66 General __

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Gamecocks to host Morgan State

Wednesday, November 15, 2012

Pamela Benchwick

FRANK MARTIN TALKS TEAM IMPROVEMENT, SLOW START FOR 2012

"I think we're just more of a team," Major said.

Two years ago, the South Carolina equestrian team finished the season in 12th place of 34 teams. The team claimed one national championship but also had one of its more challenging seasons. Now, the Gamecocks have improved over the past two years and are sitting as the No. 1 team in the country.

Jewell Carter, a junior from Okolona, Ky., has been one of the keys to the Gamecocks' success this season. Carter was named new No. 1 team in the country for the first time this season.

"I think what we do in practice is what we'll be doing at the national championship," Major said.

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"I sure wish they would make a national championship," Major said.

The Gamecocks improved over the past two years and are sitting as the No. 1 team in the country.

"I think she has come a long way," Major said.

The freshmen are growing up and learning what I call them to do for the first time."

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