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Gamecocks make Sweet 16 again, headed to Greensboro
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South Carolina moved one step closer to its goal of winning a national championship Sunday night in its last game at Colonial Life Arena for the season. The top-seeded Gamecocks manhandled eighth-seeded Syracuse, winning 97-68 in the second round of the NCAA tournament in front of 10,485 spectators and will now move on to the Sweet 16 for the third time under head coach Dawn Staley.

“I thought we came out ready to play and take on a very good Syracuse basketball team,” Staley said. “And just thought our players had a certain determination to get it done.”

Before the game, the big question was whether or not Syracuse would be able to dig the paint and make South Carolina earn its points from the outside. As expected, the Orange packed in its defense and left the perimeter open. South Carolina made them pay.

Led by junior guard A'ja Wilson's impressive three-point shooting, South Carolina's early success from outside forced Syracuse to extend its defense, exposing the inside. The Gamecocks exploited that and would go on to score 42 points in the paint. As a team, South Carolina shot 55 percent from the field in one of its most efficient offensive performances of the season.

“I would say it’s our most complete win,” senior forward Aleighsa Welch said of her last game at Colonial Life Arena. “We played a really good game, and we said in the locker room we played some of our best basketball at the best time of the season.”

South Carolina's defense made things tough for Syracuse, especially in the first half. Freshman guard Alexis Peterson led Syracuse with 23 points and junior guard Cornelia Fondren added 16, but the rest of the Orange added just 29 points.

South Carolina's impressive performance shooting the ball, coupled with Syracuse's ineptness when trying to score, made for a relatively easy victory for the Gamecocks.

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“Because of the support of amazing Gamecocks like yourselves ... children like me have a better chance at life” — Benjamin Brown, Miracle Child

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“We really are one team with one dream” — Katelyn Daley, Director of Family Relations

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USCDM breaks records in half the time

By the time 11:50 p.m. rolled around, dancers had been standing for 14 hours and feet were aching, but the smiles around the gym weren't going anywhere. The anticipation mounted even further as the cards were laid out on the stage, the very cards that would reveal that USCDM raised a record-breaking $501,528.

“There are literally no words,” Leslie Knight, the Executive Director of USCDM, said. “I knew it was going to be close, so to see that it actually happened is just incredible.

And that total was kept quiet until the very end of the closing ceremonies.

“We barely broke $500,000,” Alli Held, USCDM finance committee director, said. “We were talking about it, and we know that's because we pushed our participants and they pushed themselves so hard until the last minute and you know, it's those last minute donations, in the last 10 minutes that pushed us over.”

Held admitted she was a little nervous about making it all the way to their goal. Anyone would be with a

— Lauren Shifley, Executive Director of USCDM

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New portrait of Darla Moore revealed at business school

The Darla Moore School of Business unveiled its namesake’s 14-by-8-foot oil painting on Friday, according to a university press release.

Painted by renowned artist Ralph Hattersley, USC unveiled the portrait in the new business school building. The portrait sets Moore “standing on the stairs in the courtyard of the business school, looking out over the progress of the building.”

Hattersley is known for his large-scale portraits that explore subjects who are leaders in arts, academia, law, business, politics and philanthropy. He is most known for his portraits of Queen Elizabeth II for her Diamond Jubilee in 2012, Crown Princess Mary of Denmark and Russian pianist and conductor Valentina Lisitsa.

The painting was commissioned and gifted by the Greater Houston Community Foundation.

— Lauren Shelby, News Editor

Richland Police search for man involved in shooting

The Richland Sheriff’s Department is asking for the public’s help in obtaining information in regards to a shooting that left one dead Sunday, WLTX reported.

Deputies responded to the 5000 block of Blythewood Road at 11:30 a.m. in reference to the shooting, where they found a man in the road with a gunshot wound to the upper body. He was pronounced dead at the scene by the Richland County Coroner’s Office.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crimestoppers at 1-888-CRIME-SC or text “TIPSC” plus the message to 274637. Tips will remain anonymous and may warrant a cash reward.

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lead to halftime, a deficit far too large for Syracuse to overcome.

While South Carolina had to claw from behind to win 67-63 against Syracuse in November, Staley’s team put together a much more complete performance this time around.

Junior guard Tiffany Mitchell and sophomore center Alaina Coates each led South Carolina with 14 points. Welch and freshman forward A’ja Wilson added 13 points each, as well.

The Gamecocks had six players score in double-figures and the South Carolina bench outscored Syracuse’s reserves 51-11.

Moving forward, South Carolina will find out Monday night which team it will face on Friday in Greensboro, North Carolina, after fourth-seeded North Carolina plays fifth-seeded Ohio State. North Carolina defeated South Carolina twice last season, with one of the losses ending South Carolina’s season.

Which team would the Gamecocks prefer to face? Welch doesn’t care, personally.

“We always say, whoever we face, it’s an opponent in the way of our main goal,” Welch said. “So, we just take whoever comes to us.”
There are no limits to what some people will do to fund childhood cancer research — some will even go bald for it. Jillian’s in the Vista was packed full of laughing families Saturday afternoon, dancing, playing arcade games and waving cash at a stage where several barbers’ chairs were set up. The chairs were rarely empty, as countless individuals stepped up to have their hair shaved off.

St. Baldrick’s, a charity organization dedicated to donating money to find a cure for childhood cancers, works like a walk-a-thon — friends, family and willing community members pledge to donate money as participants lose their hair, much like the money as participants lose their hair, much like the money as participants lose their hair.

The surprising thing about the participants was they were quite literally from all the ages and walks of life. From elderly women to toddlers, parents, siblings and close friends, everyone was inspired to shave off their hair. At each new “shavee” sat down, the host “shavee” sat down, the host "shavee" sat down, the host "shavee" sat down, the host knew that we are helping to make a difference," Eckrote wrote. “We are helping to put the money in the researchers’ hands so that they can develop the drugs to make a difference.’’

The event’s coordinator, Kreye Eckrote was one of the most passionate participants. Her involvement with the organization reaches down to a personal level, which is why she cares so much about it.

Two extremely important family members in his life passed away because of cancer," Eckrote said in an email. “These two amazing people were my best friends, and it was extremely difficult time to go through. I feel like I am honoring them in a way, by helping raise money for cancer research.”

Brady plans to use her unique degree to work with non-profit organizations including St. Baldrick’s in the future.

While you might be familiar with San Diego-based Nathan Williams from his fuzzy-surf rock band Wavves, you also might be familiar with his brother Kynan, they sample anything their faces or even their newly-shaved eyebrows shaved if donors were willing to give more cash. Then, they could have more experimental and strays away from the lo-fi sound that Wavves is so comfortable with. Some tracks worth listening to are “Stone,” “The Great Bay Origins” and “From the most mellow and mystic, it explores more existential ideas, producing eerier material. Some of the highlights are “From the Greatest Origins” and “Seer Stone.”

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Entry Level Bands: Sweet Valley

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Maybe you want to unwind after an exhausting day, or maybe it’s 2 p.m. and you’re not in your usual walk or run to study at the library. Maybe you just want worthless, instrumental music to keep you mellow and concentrated at the same time — Sweet Valley provides for all of those needs.

What you’ll find from Dog Haus is a shoegaze band with “Raw” sound or “Convertible Balloon” sound similar to sounds on Sweet Valley’s first mixtape, “Stay Calm.” Fuzzy and lo-fi, there are beach-rock elements on tracks such as “Midnight Games” and “Sickwaw Subic,” while “Eternal Charm,” Sweet Valley’s second mixtape, is probably their best one. Blending hip-hop samples with fuzzy, melodic beats makes for great daytime walking-to-class music. “Eternal Charm” is more experimental and strays away from the lo-fi sound that Wavves is so comfortable with. Some tracks worth listening to are “Stone,” “The Great Bay Origins” and “Where Will I Go.”

“Jenova,” continues the path that “Eternal Charm” set out. More mellow and mellow, it explores more existential ideas, producing eerier material. Some of the highlights are “From the Greatest Origins” and “Seer Stone.”

Sweet Valley is worth a listen. They might not be suitable for a dance party, but you just might find your new soundtrack for everyday life.

Scheduling of Events

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Doggie Fashion Show 5 p.m. at Davis Field Free

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This annual event has raised over $500,000 for childhood cancer research in the last eight years.
In first inning the Gamecocks scored two of their three runs with help of senior centerfielder Kristen Stewart's double and sophomore outfielder Victoria Williams two-out single. Redshirt sophomore second baseman Lauren Mavenis lead-off the fourth inning with a homer giving the Gamecocks their third run of the game. The game was over as Holbrook hit a walk off homerun over the right field fence bringing the final score to 4-3.

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Pitching:
Redshirt senior Julie Sarratt finished the series taking all three losses. At the end of the weekend, Sarratt's ERA stood at 3.85. Aggie senior Rachael Fox pitched the first game, allowing only two runs. Fox started Sunday's first doubleheader game, but sophomore Abby Donnell relieved her in the fifth inning, picking up her second win of the year. Sunday's second game was pitched by former Gamecock sophomore Kate Marks, who allowed just two earned runs.

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BASEBALL PAGE

and earned the win to move to 2-0 on the season. If Murray stays consistent, he will be another key part of South Carolina’s already deep bullpen.

Holbrook noticed. “(Brandon Murray) was terrific,” explained Holbrook. “He gave us a chance to win and he is probably the MVP of the game — His curveball was outstanding, slider was good. It was a big-time performance for a freshman.”

Senior first baseman Kyle Martin continued his great play on both offense and defense, going 4-5 from the plate and making a series of solid defensive plays. His four hits tied a career high and extended his hit streak to 11 games. It was his fifth career four-hit game. Martin now leads the team in runs, hits, RBIs, doubles and slugging percentage.

Senior leftfielder Elliott Caldwell added two hits and an RBI in Sunday’s win. The Easley, South Carolina native extended his on base streak to 18 games. Hitting in the heart of the order, Martin and Caldwell have been the constant performers for an erratic Gamecock offense.

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Senior Jeannelle Scheper of the Gamecocks made her season debut count as she matched her long-awaited debut out strong.

Scheper started her 2014 outdoor season and without competition. After redshirting the program record in the high jump debut count as she matched her Gamecocks made her season debut count as she matched her
**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Now at first I was up in arms that a journalist would disregard the public rights of writers and state his opinion. Every journalist knows that when it comes to writing, their opinion does not matter. I did a little research and saw that you were writing in the opinion section, so I can't hold you there. Then I did some more digging and found out that you aren't even anjournalist, so I can't expect you to spot the errors in your articles. Is that fair? You have some points in your case you plan to write some more in the future. I saw that you reformed free speech to defend those you should not have been expelled. Knocks to you for not making the right names of cases and everything. I'm going to give you my goal of $500,000 at the passed to me from the brilliant and eccentric: Erik Collins and his media law class. Free speech does not protect hate speech. How speech — aka that little chunt that SAE boys were singing so enthusiastically to — is speech that offends, threatens or insults groups based on race, gender, ethnic groups, disability or sexual orientation. The reason that it's not protected is because hate speech can often incite prejudicial action, like not allowing qualified young people into a bigger chapter of an organization based simply on the color of their skin. Glad we got that cleared up. If you have any questions you can catch me at the next Hip Hop Wednesday on Greene Street or a National Association of Black Journalism meeting; with a little fine tuning you could be a great writer. — Shana Bethea, fourth-year broadcast journalism student

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR REQUIREMENTS**

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Aries
Get into some profitable teamwork today. Friends help you stick to the plan. Remember that old school strategy. Talk about visions and dreams while handling concrete, even mundane matters. There’s a learning curve. Keep at it.

Taurus
Treat yourself with restful, peaceful activities. Write, draw, or paint and try to get by without fantastical images from a dream. Let your mind wander. Unplanned obstacles could slow the action. Verify reservations before you leave for dinner.

Gemini
Stay close to home while making plans for a great adventure that may take you on or over water. Confer with family. Read lots. Print rest. While you plot and schedule. Cancer
Figure out how to use what you have without wasting a lot of energy. Don’t take risks. Share resources as necessary. Someone else has what you need. Plan a gathering or meeting. Consider grandma's wise words.

Leo
A professional test or challenge arises. Take it in stride. No fair cheating. Take one step at a time and focus on the deadline. Consider the expert. Consider ethics, justice and fair play. Nurture your team member’s spirit.

Virgo
Your educational journey will progress more quickly than anticipated. Believing you can do the job helps. Don’t get cocky, though. Things may not be as they seem. Watch for hidden obstacles or expenses. Others rely on you.

Libra
Avoid waste or financial speculation of any kind. Focus more on budgetary priorities, find a ground to minimize tension. Remember your manners. Love is the foundation. Build from there. Slowly. Superego results of necessity. Scorpio
You have less than expected for enough to get by. Work together to get a big job done. Count corners where necessary. Be respectful but unyielding. Recycle or up-cycle and save money.

Sagittarius
Get into a fun game tomorrow. Household repairs could drain resources. Cash in coupons. Turn down an expensive invitation. Working at home is profitable. Old assumptions get challenged. Play for the gold.

Aquarius
Home has a magnetic kind. Work from home you can. Avoid problems or unexpected expenses. Stay out of an argument that doesn’t concern you. Stick to basic facts and common sense. Cook simple fare. Take it easy.

Pisces
It’s easy to think you’re all alone but really you have a tribe. You have to do the work, too, after all. After a crafting a plan. Open your heart and your mind. Expect nothing from Postmodern paperwork. Don’t spend more than you can afford. Get help building your dream.
No. 6 South Carolina (18-6) battled and competed and "They had a chip on their very badly today," Head coach Chad Holbrook started his team since he really wanted to win earning a 7-5 win.

The Gamecocks finished the job this go around, earning a 1-0 win.

"I have some good kids that really wanted to win very badly today," Head coach Chad Holbrook said. "They had a chip on their shoulders after how the first two games went. We battled and competed and at the end of the day that is all you can ask them to do."

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