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Illegal downloading raises eyebrows

Complaints from the Residence Hall Association (RHA) revealed that the increasing number of illegal music downloads at USC, the RHA says 914 copyright infringement notices to USC this year, compared to 71 notices sent to Clemson and 45 to South Carolina, compared to the 71 notices to USC this year, is unfair because we are a much bigger school than other neighboring rival state universities.

"Honestly, I think that representation is somewhat unfair because we are a much bigger school than other neighboring state universities," said fourth-year exercise science student Keri White. "Unfair or not, USC will have to take action against the campus."

"The institution was embarrassed for our students," said Dennis Pruitt, vice president of Student Affairs. "We are taking several steps to repair this situation. First, we want to re-educate and re-infuse students about the laws pertaining to music piracy. Second, we would like to provide legal downloads for students next year, which we are in the process of researching. Third, we are going to take steps to more closely monitor the students and take more severe action against those students who participate in illegal downloading.

USC has placed a bid on Ruckus, a legal file-sharing service, and until that time, USC is working to lessen the amount of downloads. Pruitt said the university is going to institute a technical literacy exam. Before students can access the network, they have to take the literacy exam and agree that they will comply with the rules, laws and standards that apply to those who use the university services.

In October 2006, the Residence Hall Association addressed the complaints from the RIAA during a meeting. At that time, there had already been 600 reports of piracy from the RIAA. The RHA hopes the students will keep students up to date and informed on current university issues quickly and easily. He
S.C. governor determined to improve budget efficiency, protect public lands

Nick Neidham
Metro Editor

In an exclusive interview with The Daily Gamecock, Gov. Mark Sanford said he would continue his fight to reform the state’s government and create a competitive economic environment to attract new businesses to South Carolina.

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Sanford presser savings

Gov. Mark Sanford talks with The Daily Gamecock about tuition costs, pet projects and saving taxpayers’ money.

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Clemson probes students accused of mocking blacks

Susanne M. Schueler  The Associated Press

CLEMSON — Clemson University President James Barker on Tuesday decried a party at an off-campus location that appeared to mock and disparage African Americans. Barker said that “I was appalled, angered and disappointed when I learned that a group of Clemson students participated in activities at an off-campus party that appeared to mock and disparage African Americans.”

“Many people have been offended and deeply hurt,” said Barker, who is working on his master’s in student affairs, said he came out to get the word in the field.

“People want to know how sorry we are and that we are willing to do anything to make things right later,” the letter said.

“Lois Randolph, president of the South Carolina chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said the party wasn’t just “harmless fun”.

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Clemson University students have reached a new low, even lower than the cow pastures that surround their school. While students mockingly celebrated Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday at a “gansta” bash in which partygoers guzzled down 40s and strutted around in costumes that included gold tooth grills, the Seneca Daily Journal reported. At least one clever student wore blackface.

Clemson students have demonstrated an incredible talent for poor taste.

Racist parties such as this aren't going on only in Clemson's cow pastures. Students at schools in Connecticut and Texas have thrown similar events. Although these parties are happening off campus and without any official organizations' support, this kind of behavior looks terrible for these institutions, and we're thankful it didn't happen here. The kind of behavior looks terrible for these institutions, and we're thankful it didn't happen here.

One Clemson student told CNN they were just perpetuating that Southern “idea.” Next time a student offends an entire race of people.

**FAIR, BALANCED AND MISBEHAVED**

Arguing the organization of being politically active is a folly and not a requirement for classification.
Don’t forget Paris

The Eiffel Tower is one of 21 nominees to become one of the New Seven Wonders of the World, as well as one of our picks for the final seven. You can vote for your favorite wonders at New7wonders.org.

What
Tallest structure in Paris
World's most visited monument and most recognizable

Why
Engraved with 72 names to recognize scientists, engineers and other notables.
Has two restaurants: the Jules Verne (private) and Altitude 95
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Open framework
Begin construction
Painted every seven years for upkeep

When
Built between 1887-1889
Opened to the public May 6, 1889

The Dr. Style
Tending to Your Fashion Wounds

Dear Dr. Style,
Do leggings require some kind of rituals? Should I wash her leggings without any water because I am the other day — just leggings and a sweatshirt — and I started to say something but stopped myself for obvious reasons. I thought it looked very good at all. Is this something that I need to bring up with her, or do I just need to let her wear what she wants to wear?

Besideired in Belk

Dear Bewildered,
I am all for the boundaries of personal style, but I do think it is your responsibility as a good boyfriend to tell her that she doesn’t look her best. I know at the beginning of my career as a fashion columnist I told that girls should stay out of their boyfriend’s clothes, but I do think that both parties of a relationship should keep each other looking good.

Buying clothes for your significant other is taking it a step too far, but telling them that they need a different belt or should change their shoes isn’t that much of a problem. You absolutely should tell your girlfriend that she doesn’t look as good as she could, but you do have to be very careful about how you do it.

Ask her politely why she didn’t have a skirt on, because a skirt is usually the garment of choice when wearing leggings. Then ask her whether or not she thought it was a good look. She will undoubtedly ask you what you thought of the outfit, which opens you up for giving her your truthful opinion, which she may or may not appreciate.

Her asking for your opinion should absolve you from any serious punishment.

Leggings in general are somewhat of a perplexing phenomenon. They enable one to wear a skirt in cold weather, but I don’t really understand what the appeal is. Sure they can be cute, but I don’t see the point in wearing them just to wear a short skirt. There are so many more respectable ways to put on a skirt when the temperature drops. Knee-high boots with a pencil skirt is always a viable option, as is hierarchy. Oh, if you’re particularly crazy, even pants!

People tend to get stuck in these kinds of nonsensical trends that make everyone else has on currently.

There are other things to wear beside what everyone else has on currently. Trends he don’t like! Pray your girlfriend for her wardrobe because that is her decision, but if you think it looks bad then, again, don’t be afraid to tell her so.

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Responsive web design
How to fight hunger with fire

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Subs are by far the best way to go. With names such as "Hook and Ladder," "Hero," "Engine Company" and "Engineer," the variety of meats and cheeses piled on top of a large white bun make these sandwiches live up to their firefighting names.

The "Hook and Ladder" sub features turkey and ham topped with melted Monterey Jack cheese. The "Engine Company" combines turkey breast with roast beef and Monterey Jack cheese. If you’re looking for a bit of culture, try the Italian Sub, packed with salami, ham, provolone cheese and Italian dressing. The "Firehouse" sub is a hearty way to cure your empty stomach with roast beef, turkey, ham, and melted provolone cheese.

All sandwiches come with the option of being “fully involved.” This means they are loaded with mayo, mustard, lettuce, tomato, onion, and a dill spear on the side.

A medium sub runs for a little over $5 and a large goes for $7. Combos include a sub, a fountain drink and a cookie or chips for between $7 and $9.

After such a large helping of toasted goodness, it’s hard to think that anyone could need anything else, but the unlimited drink refill makes more than up for the halitosis bag of chips.

If subs are not your favorite lunch, Firehouse also offers chili and salads.

The menu brags that the chili is "award-winning" and "soon to become one of your favorites."

And if you don’t have enough time to stop in for a meal, the chained-up pick-up service allows you to take your favorite sub with you to fight the remaining fires in your day.

Two-house builds crowds quickly during the lunch hour. On cold days the windows are steamed from the amount of hot subs and people filling the tables.

The staff remains friendly during the most crowded times, shouting "Welcome to Firehouse!" to every hungry patron who enters.

Keeping with the firehouse motif, the tables have a Dalmation print and the walls are lined with fireman tools such as axes, heavy jackets and red hats. Firehouse lacks the fireman’s pole, but that might he a good thing because it is against the doctor’s orders to slide down poles for up to one hour after inhaling in large tasty sandwiches.

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Who
Architect/Engineer — Gustave Eiffel
Structural design — Maurice Koechlin

Where
Paris
Along the River Seine, on the Champs de Mars (a public park)

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The scene at USC

This Day Is Ours

Cheerleaders show their support for the USC basketball team at last week’s game.

Quigmans • By Buddy Hickerson

“We’re sorry we didn’t invite you to our ginormous mind-scorching party at Dodger Stadium, but we were trying to keep it small.”

Heads & Tails • By Jonathan Hughes / The Daily Gamecock

HOROSCOPES

Aries Allow events to transpire naturally. You’re in for a pleasant surprise.

Taurus The more you study, the more you see the value in having good friends. Now is a good time to have them help you carry a heavy burden.

Gemini Gather up as much as you can, graciously of course. More money and status for doing less manual labor are your objectives.

Cancer You can solve an old problem simply by trying something you’ve never done before.

Leo Follow through on the project investigated yesterday. Once that’s done, it’ll be easy to see what you need to do next.

Virgo Continue to encourage your teammates to advance toward the goal. They can accomplish amazing things with your direction and support.

Libra Concentrate on understanding exactly what’s requested. Then, provide something the client will like even better.

Sagittarius Do something nice for others, even if you don’t like yourself. They’ll think you’re wonderful, and you’ll gain points.

Capricorn If you get nothing else done today, let people know how much you appreciate them.

Aquarius Nobody’s going to tell you what to do in this situation. You get to take all the risks, and you’ll get all the credit.

Pisces The people who know you best believe you can do just about anything. Don’t argue; that would be disrespectful.

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14. Ringless earring
15. Action James
16. Do one’s bidding
17. You’re welcome!
20. Islamic temple
21. London lift
22. Heavenly bear
24. Light, shedding beam
25. Compartment
28. Zip about
30. Little devils
31. Tiny winners
35. Old-used-
36. Spanish lady
38. You’re welcome!
41. Mt. airy- state profile
42. On the level!
43. High tennis ball
46. Low-age artist
46. Reply of the accused
46. On our guard
47. Beatles’ motor maid
50. Hook’s aide
52. Beach property
56. Cylinder head valve
60. You’re welcome!
62. DEA agent
63. Muse of poetry
64. First garden party
65. Eye problem
66. "I lay lady lay," song
67. Nineteen Jazz

DOWN
1. Leaping wedge
2. "Hold the Line" band
3. Depression


How to Play

Complete the grid so each row, column AND 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9.

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USC looks to continue win streak

Gamecocks to face SEC foe Auburn Tigers at home tonight

Michael Aguilas
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

The USC men’s basketball team has been improving exponentially since last season. A streak of five losses started off the season and was highlighted by losses of as many as 34 to 38 points. Two Gamecocks, who entered the season with high hopes but were letdowns, performed well in a game against Arkansas. Freshman forward D.J. Mullaney said that he has made big contributions to the 6-6 win.

The Gamecocks out-rebounded the No. 5 team in the SEC for the rebounding margin. Even after that game, the Gamecocks still committed more than 100 penalties against one of the toughest frontcourts in the SEC, and the Gamecocks held the 66-65 win.

The Auburn Tigers are coming to the Colonial Center to try to end a 13 game losing streak. For the Gamecocks, it’s a question of which Auburn team will show up. There is the team that shot nearly 60 percent from the field and 46 percent from the three-point line and out-rebounded the opposition 12-3 in the Alabama game. On the other hand, there is the Auburn team that showed up against Florida. That team shot 66 percent from the floor but only 7 percent from behind the arc, and was out-rebounded 17-27.

The key to the game for both teams will be for the entire team to play solid defense. The Gamecocks have been out of foul trouble. Auburn boasts a defense that is strong in front of the net and has four players in double figures in scoring. The first combined an average of 60 points per game. That’s a big difference from the previous game where the Gamecock squad averaged just 62 points per game.

The offense will have to perform the same way the last two games. USC has got to give the high-powered Auburn offense a run for its money. In the last two games, USC has scored 40 percent from the field and has been greatly aided by senior guard Tre Kelley, who has averaged 22.2 points in the last two games. Kelley leads the Gamecocks in his playing attitude. Auburn will most likely stink him with double teams that will leave other USC players open. Most importantly, junior forward Breyon Sheldon and freshman forward Evaldus Baniulis can expect many kick-out passes from Kelley and their three-point shooting will be pivotal to pushing the Gamecocks to victory.

Auburn’s record does not show it, but they are a tough SEC team that should not be taken lightly by USC.

A win in this game could spring USC back into SEC competition and help them finish with the type of season they expected to have when it was first begun.

The game tips off Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Colonial Center. Comments on this story? E-mail gphy@usc.edu

Columbia keeps in Check

Inferno comeback falls short in shootout 3-2

Cory Burkhart
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

In three previous meetings, the Charlotte Checkers (21-13-5) left no doubt that they were better than the Columbia Inferno, winning all three games by a combined score of 17-4 including an 8-0 shutout in Charlotte on Jan. 2. Sunday night, the two teams met again for the fourth of nine meetings, and the Inferno came from behind twice to tie the game, but the Checkers proved to be the difference maker and they fell to the Checkers 3-2 in front of 2,445 fans at the Colonial Coliseum.

“I thought we played great tonight,” said Inferno head coach Troy Mann, whose team dropped to 11-21-7 following the loss. “I thought overall we had some really great chances.”

The Checkers scored with 3:42 remaining in the opening period when right wing Hugh Jessiman got a pass in front of the net from defensemen Bryan Reinhart and was able to score to the high side on Inferno goaltender Todd Ford.

The Inferno’s best chance to score during the second period came when referee Shane Warschaw awarded the Inferno a penalty shot after right wing Jeff Miles was tripped up in front of the goal. Miles missed his attempt.

The Checkers took a 2-1 lead 5:40 into the final period when defensemen Corey Porter shot the puck from the red line without an Inferno player around him, and Ford, caught off guard by the shot, did nothing but watch as the puck went in the left side of the net.

Columbia finally scored four minutes later on a goal by center Brad Ralph from defensemen Derek Marin.

With just under three minutes remaining in the game, Warschaw gave the Inferno a second penalty shot opportunity when center St. Jacobs was taken down from behind, but St. Jacobs shot off the right pad of Holt.

Charlotte’s radio broadcaster, Tim Donnelly, did note with Warschaw awarding the penalty shot. “You have got to be kidding me… I mean, that last one, there’s no way that was a penalty shot,” he said during the broadcast. “I don’t know what that ref is thinking.”

With Charlotte acting the Inferno kindly in their own in with less than a minute to go, the Inferno weren’t able to pull Ford for the extra skater until there were 23 seconds left, and it appeared to be too late for Columbia. But following a rebounded shot that Holt was unable to cover up, Inferno left wing Funsee somehow managed to tuck the puck in with 2.6 seconds remaining to send the game to overtime and then to a shootout.

In the shootout, the Inferno got two goals from Funsee and left wing Anthony Batoraga, but the Charlotte netminder got the shutout and the Inferno were defeated yet again.

It’s just frustrating,” Mann said.

Columbia’s home record drops to 6-12-4. Since the game went to overtime, the Inferno picked up a point in the standings. Friday, the Inferno head to Providence for a game against the Ice Pilots and return to the Colonial Saturday to host the South Carolina Stingrays.

The Inferno drops yet another game to Charlotte at home.