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Students spend to win top spots in SG

Campaigns cost candidates between $10 and $2,800

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Campaigning for Student Government office is no cheap feat — for most candidates, anyway. To make their bid for office, this year’s 10 candidates for executive positions spent between $10 and $2,800, often with money from their personal accounts or from their parents, according to a survey of candidates by The Daily Gamecock. The survey included eight of the SG candidates. Presidential candidate Kenneth Bragg and treasurer candidate Caroline Hendricks declined comment for this story.

Courtland Thomas, a candidate for vice president, spent the most — $2,800 — for this story.

Hendricks declined to comment on the SG candidates. Presidential candidate Kenneth Bragg and treasurer candidate Caroline Hendricks declined comment for this story and are not included.

Author discusses overcoming anorexia

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Author discusses eating disorder in Russell House Tuesday

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Jenni Schaefer is no stranger to college campuses. Nineteen years ago, she was starting college at Texas A&M University. Now, she can be found on any of the hundreds of college campuses she visits each year, as she travels the country, giving talks about her struggle with anorexia nervosa.

And she’ll be the first to tell you that when she was in school, she would have never seen herself doing what she does now. She spoke in the Russell House Ballroom Tuesday evening sharing her story with an audience of strangers who were eager to listen.

Schaefer talked about her experience with an eating disorder, using songs to cap off her presentation.

Most courses approved for Carolina Core

Vice provost: Curriculum won’t keep students from graduating on time

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USC has approved nearly all the courses that will be a part of the Carolina Core, the university’s new set of general education requirements.

So far, the university has given 202 courses the OK to satisfy parts of the new requirements, said Helen Doerpinghaus, a vice provost and dean of undergraduate studies, who’s also the co-chair of USC’s Carolina Core committee.

“This is only 80 percent of the courses that will be a part of the program, she said, including heavily used courses like English 101 and 102.

“We’ve done all the big ones,” Doerpinghaus said.

Any additional courses to the university’s general education will probably come from faculty suggestions, she said.

“I hope we get new ones every semester — a handful all the time — just to add some choice and dimension,” Doerpinghaus said.

The new requirements establish 10 core areas, like “scientific literacy” and “values, ethics and social responsibility,” that students will have to take courses in.

To get the new guidelines out, the university “reviewed and refreshed” its general education courses, Doerpinghaus said.

That process mostly entailed minor tweaks to curricula, Doerpinghaus said, but others have been more substantial.

English 102, for example, has been updated to add information literacy, which includes

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Inmates write graphic novel with USC professors

Project hopes to curb spread of HIV, AIDS

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Suspect killed in shootout with deputies

Police have killed a man who started a shootout near Broad River and St. Andrews roads Tuesday afternoon, The State reported.

Adam Jurgen, 24, shot deputy Sheila Aull in the chest during the shootout at Farrington Apartments. Aull was wearing a bulletproof vest at the time, Capt. Chris Cowan, Richland County Sheriff’s Department spokesman, told The State that she was taken to a hospital but survived the shooting.

Deputies began searching for Jurgen Tuesday in connection to a domestic assault that was reported around 1:30 p.m. When they first made contact, he fired multiple rounds at deputies, according to The State.

He fled to the Farrington apartment complex, where he continued shooting at police until he was shot and killed around 2:45 p.m., The State reported.

― Sydney Patterson, Managing Editor

SC House to vote on strengthening FOIA

The House Judiciary Committee is sending a bill strengthening South Carolina’s Freedom of Information Act to the full House, The Post and Courier reported.

The committee approved an amendment to the bill that would stop state lawmakers from keeping records and other communications secret.

The proposal by Rep. Bill Taylor, a Republican from Aiken, would add the time officials have to respond to open records requests, limit fees for the information, set harsher penalties for not cooperating and create a new appeals process for disputes, according to The Post and Courier.

The Judiciary Committee defeated a separate proposal that would have allowed public officials to use personal devices and email accounts for public business without those communications counting as public records, The Post and Courier reported.

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Historical warehouse to be demolished

The Palmetto Compress building near the intersection of Blossom and Pulaski streets is set to be torn down by its owners, The State reported.

One of the owners told The State the operating expenses of the storage business have exceeded income for years, and they could no longer afford the property.

Ohio-based Edwards Communities has sought approval from a city commission to build an 818-bed private housing complex on the site, but that process was stalled by appeals, Free Times reported.

Demolition is not a condition of the sale of the property. Because of its association with local African-American history, historic preservationists are trying to stop the demolition, The State reported.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Ashley Pullen on her Sorority Woman of the Year

Ashley is involved in many ways on campus:
- Kappa Kappa Gamma’s Panhellenic Chairman
- Active volunteer for Reading is Fundamental (RIF)
- Intern at Ronald McDonald House in Columbia
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Jenni Schaefer recently published “Life With Ed,” in which she discusses overcoming an eating disorder. Schaefer explained that “genes load the gun (and) environment pulls the trigger,” meaning that perfectionism or high anxiety may come about genetically, but the surroundings can cause a full-fledged eating disorder.

When speaking about accepting one’s body, Schaefer mentioned a friend who keeps asking her to get Botox. In response, Schaefer said that Botox gets rid of laugh lines, and she’d like to keep those, because laugh lines show that you have lived a full and happy life. “If I have wrinkles, it’s because I smile a lot,” she said.

To close her talk, Schaefer sang a song that encompassed her journey to recovery and her realization that she could accept herself and be happy. “When I look in the mirror and like what I see, maybe then I’ll be happy,” she said toward the beginning of the song.

As the song progressed, she began to sing things like, “It’s OK to be happy” and “I’m just doing my best in this beautiful mess.” She said although she has overcome much in her life so far, she knows she still has a ways to go. “I like to say that I’m fully recovered from my eating disorder,” she said. “But I’m not fully recovered from life.”

Students, faculty and staff were evacuated from the Horizon I building on Main Street Tuesday afternoon for a suspected gas leak, but it was a false alarm, according to Capt. Eric Grabski, spokesman for USC Division of Law Enforcement and Safety. He said a test done by a hazardous materials team came back clear, but not before a firetruck and several police cars were sent to the scene.

— Compiled by Sydney Patterson, Managing Editor
and education strategies in AIDS prevention in Uganda. “[Albright] had an epiphany moment when she heard about my background and contacted me about making this happen,” Gavigan says.

The duo is working with the Richland County Public Library to survey the novel’s readers and see if the book meets its education goals.

The goal, Gavigan said, is to test the book in at-risk schools and publish it nationally and internationally. The book has already garnered attention— a reporter at The New York Times has a copy, and it was featured in an article on the USA Today website, according to Gavigan.

USC students think the book can be a positive force in education, especially for teenagers. “It’s a good idea to have something out there about AIDS prevention,” third-year public health student Beth Tulington said.

Fourth-year criminal justice major Brady Suit said he wasn’t sure the novel is the proper form of media to educate youth about HIV and AIDS. “However, if it helps children relate to the material and understand the subject matter better, then I am in full support of it. If it spreads awareness, then why not?” Suit said.

“It is so powerful to see these young men who have gone through some struggles come together on this,” Gavigan said. “It is has been one of the most rewarding experiences to see them take ownership of this from beginning to end.

“I hope others think in terms of these kinds of projects and work with similar students in positive ways to help create a great experience.”

Applications are now being accepted for the University of South Carolina’s Outstanding Senior Award. Students already selected for Who’s Who will also be considered for the Outstanding Senior and the Algonquin Sydney Sullivan Award. To be considered for selection, the student must meet the following criteria:

- The student must graduate between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013.
- The student must complete at least 75 academic credit hours.
- The student must exemplify scholarship, involvement, citizenship, and leadership in academic and co-curricular activities.
- The student must have the potential for future achievement.

Nomination and application forms can be found online at: https://www.usc.edu/students/algonquinaward

The deadline for submitting applications is Monday, March 4, 2013 at 4:00pm
Russell House, Suite 112

A graphic novel written by juvenile inmates in South Carolina with professors in the School of Library and Information Science focuses on preventing the spread of HIV and AIDS.
years that current Student Body President Kenny Tracy said has changed the game of SG campaigning. It allows candidates to advertise for free and inundate students with their messages, he said.

“It’s been littering everyone’s (Facebook) timelines and Twitter feeds,” Tracy said.

The other game changer: In 2011, SG removed its cap on campaign spending. Previously, candidates were only allowed to spend $1,000 for the campaign and another $500 if they make it into a runoff.

While Tracy said the fundamentals of campaigning are still the same without the spending cap — it’s about building networks with organizations and students around campus, he said — the unlimited spending has allowed candidates to buy much more handouts and materials.

Without the cap, Tracy spent nearly $2,500 last year, which bought T-shirts, sunglasses and color-changing cups, he said.

This year, five of the eight candidates in the survey, including Thomas, said they spent more than $1,000:

—Ryan Bailey has spent $2,000 of his own money to run for vice president, including $800 for sunglasses he handed out to students.

—Will Fortanbary spent $1,100 in his vice presidential bid, including more than $600 from an NFL team he wouldn’t name and another $300 from his family.

—Chase Mizzell, now the president-elect, spent $2,200 on his campaign, including $200 of his own cash, after raising money from family, friends from Palmetto Boy’s State and local business owners.

—Brandon White, who ran for treasurer, spent $1,272 from his savings and stock portfolio for posters, T-shirts, chocolate coins and flowers for Greek organizations, among other expenses.

Since SG removed its spending cap, it hasn’t required candidates to file any documentation about their campaign expenses, said Meghan Aubry, the elections commissioner.

“We don’t see any of that,” Aubry said. “We don’t see any finances or anything.”

But Aubry said the elections commission still manages to keep candidates in check because it maintains “fairly strict rules” about how, when and where candidates campaign.

Still, the candidates who spent less found an uphill battle, they said.

Josh “Otter” Moore spent $250 out of pocket to fund his presidential campaign, and he focused on getting his name out with posters, candy and a sign on Greene Street he made with a shower curtain and spray paint. Moore eventually won 11.2 percent of the vote for student body president to Mizzell’s 82.6 percent. Bragg received 6.2 percent of the vote.

“T-shirts and koozies, when all you have is candy and handmade signs,” Moore wrote in the survey.

Upon their election, winning candidates will get some of that money back from the positions’ stipends. The student body president is paid $5,320 over the academic year and summer, the vice president $4,940 and the treasurer $4,560, according to SG codes. The president also receives four football tickets per season for parties and a parking pass that’s valid across campus, said Theresa Sexton, USC’s coordinator for Student Government.

But before they get there, they run into the steep cost of campaigning, a challenge Haley Guyton knows well.

Guyton led in last week’s results for treasurer, winning her a spot in a runoff that ends today and extending her campaigning by a week.

Her parents are paying for her to campaign and told her she could spend up to $500. But after she got into the runoff, those costs kept racking up.

“$500 turned into a few hundred bucks over, and we just stopped totaling it and just started asking for the card,” Guyton said Tuesday. “Today, my mom finally said, ‘This is a lot of money.’”

A bingo cage filled with numbered balls was set up in Russell House Tuesday to determine the order representatives from student organizations would get to participate in a space lottery for the fall semester.

Numbers were drawn for each representative in four sessions over the course of the day, and in that order, they met with Joe Johnson, event services coordinator for Russell House, to choose dates, times and rooms to reserve space in the university union for one large event and one regular meeting for Fall 2013.
SG campaign spending should be made public

A few years ago, all Student Government candidates had to adhere to a spending cap. Why, then, does the cap not exist? Why are rich or poor candidates the same, or how much or little money they could or couldn’t spend couldn’t be regulated or monitored in any way? This has been the case in our campaign, and it is only right that all candidates’ spending cap has been abolished and that candidates are now given free reign to do as much as they can afford.

This reality is a huge problem in campaign spending. With spending ranging from $0 to a domain name for a candidate, we fail to see what all candidates’ spending is. If you find an error in today’s edition of The Daily Gamecock, letters should be made public to the University of South Carolina and posted on dailygamecock.com. Letters must be 200 to 300 words in length and must conform to the legal standards, edit and condense submissions for space, and use every day. This will allow students to fully utilize this mostly unperturbed resource.

Notable students have蹚ed promotion by celebrities, very few have figured out how to make a living from social media without owning the sites themselves. It’sleet celebrities tweeting about their favorite social media site or reaping the benefits of websites we pay for every day.

It’s about time a university took a step outside, looked around at its business environment, and took the initiative to teach something that’s become such a huge part of the country’s life.

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There is an art to pampering a pup. Some stick with milk bones and a monthly bath, while others are a bit more elaborate with their puppy love — tutus and bathing suits and pink-frosted cupcakes.

Brenda Flood, the owner and baker of Ruby’s Naturals pet treats, sticks to a much simpler pampering plan: all-natural diet.

Flood, who founded the company in Massachusetts, makes completely natural dog, cat and horse treats — down to freshly squeezed, organic apple pulp — in her kitchen in Winnsboro, S.C.

She sells them online to clients across the country and internationally and spends Saturdays at the Soda City Farmers Market on Main Street. They are also at Rosewood Market and in the process of being carried at the Columbia Whole Foods.

Her mission is to share the importance of good nutrition and get good, healthy treats to Columbia pets.

“It’s just like us: If you eat better, you’re going to feel better,” Flood said.

Flood bakes three flavors of Ruby’s Naturals: beef liver and sweet potato, chicken liver and pumpkin and vegetarian delight. The signatures list is short — that’s part of the appeal.

“I’ve always had an interest in the good nutrition of animals because I recognize the benefits of it. Their coat, their teeth, their eyes, their skin — It affects everything.”

— Brenda Flood

She buys the chicken and beef liver, boils and tanks it. The kale in the chicken and pumpkin treats is from Flood’s personal garden and all of the eggs come from her cage-free chickens, which are on a strict fruit and vegetable diet.

Flood and her family live on a 10- and-a-half-acre farm in Winnsboro with horses, chickens, a bunny, a Jack Russell terrier and three Great Danes.

Ruby, of Ruby’s Naturals, was Flood’s “heart and soul dog,” a Great Dane. Ruby died four years ago, but the breed has long been a part of Flood’s story.

“They’re kind of like living with a huge 3-year-old child all the time,” Flood said.

At one point, she showed Great Danes professionally. She has champions as far as Finland and Nova Scotia, and when she started baking the all-natural dog foods, she sent out about 50 bags of test treats to her gaggle of reliable, ruby-palated show pups.

But Flood’s love of animals began way before the champion’s circle. She started rescuing birds and reaching out to abandoned animals in the fourth grade.

“I would save everything,” she said.

Flood went to an agricultural high school for animal science and worked at a paradise for 10 years before she graduated from a two-year program for canine nutrition in July 2011.

“I’ve always had an interest in the good nutrition of animals, because I recognize the benefits of it,” Flood said. “Their coat, their teeth, their eyes, their skin — It affects everything.”

After graduating from the nutrition program, Flood started doing consultations on dog nutrition. Owners would reach out to her with dogs with severe skin allergies or diseases like pancreatitis. She even had people who just weren’t satisfied with the quality of commercial dog food. The consultations were rewarding, but not satisfying, Flood said.

“I wasn’t able to get out there, meet the people and see the happiness,” she said.

That is when Flood decided to combine her love of cooking and her love for animal nutrition. She opened the Divine Canine, a 3,000 square foot all-natural pet supplies store in Massachusetts. It was everything she loved under one roof, but as the owner and baker, she was spending 80 hours per week at the shop — away from her family.

Flood moved to South Carolina a year and a half ago. At first, she loved Great Danes from Winnsboro, but last March, she delivered her litter and relocated on Ruby’s Naturals.

Each batch of treats takes between two and three hours to make, and then the greater bunch is dried into four-ounce, freeze-dried bags.

“Now that I have been doing it a while, I have it down to a science,” Flood said.

She makes the treats every week, and unless you make your own, you’re not going to get anything fresher for your dog, she said.

The fresh-squeezed apple juice is the best story of the baking process. She cuts and juices organic apples for their pulp, and then gives the juice to her kids to drink.

“It’s a win-win,” Flood said.

She not only tested the treats with her former show dogs, but her horses as well.

“My horses have to be at the pickiest horses alive,” Flood said.

She would have to give herself pep talks before sticking out a fork on her horses’ pets: “If they don’t like it, it’s OK. Just keep trying,” she remembered telling herself.

Once she found the pleasing treat, she knew she had gold.

“Twenty minutes later, they were still licks what they’re lips,” she said.

Flood said her “return rate” is 90 to 95 percent — that many pups come back for more Ruby’s Naturals. There is one lab, in particular, that comes to the Soda City Market: Parker.

“No matter where I am, he will drag his parents over to my table,” Flood said. “He just stays.”
Josh Ritter keeps cool on break-up album

Josh Ritter, best known for tracks like “Girl in the War,” “Change of Time” and “Harrisburg,” offers up 11 tracks about his recent split from wife Dawn Landes, also a musician.

Even though the entire album is focused on his equation, Ritter doesn’t seem bitter or angry. He says true to his musical roots, channeling folk heroes like Bob Dylan with his light, soft voice and gentle guitar style, and shows off a sweet, compassionate side instead of a vindictive one. He’s reminiscent, wistful — looking back on simpler, happier times but forging ahead with an optimistic spirit and the dream of a new start for both himself and his former lover.

Listening to the album, you’ll learn he remembers her best qualities and he’s even found them in new partners, but his new ladies don’t totally add up to the full package. He worries about her — her health, her happiness — but swears he’s happy “for the first time in a long time.”

You don’t have to have experienced a divorce or even a breakup to sympathize with Ritter’s lyrics. He can load a song with specifics (“I say she’s sticking him with pins” and “I drink what they pour me / the cups of ‘Who cares?'” are among his most poetic lines) and spit out rhythms at paces that rival many rappers (though he reserves that for special occasions — check out the verses on “Hopeful”). “The Beast in Its Tracks” has the power to make listeners smile and cry simultaneously, maybe even eliciting a swing in emotions over the course of one listen to one track.

Even when he makes you sad, it’s only temporary. The promises of better days are plentiful here.

Lead single “Joy to You Baby” is definitely the standout in the collection and possibly the crowning jewel of the artist’s entire songbook — This is his seventh album, mind you. Ritter debuted the song during his summer tour in a solo acoustic arrangement and fans couldn’t wait to get their hands on it. Ritter has been banding out teasers to the album throughout 2013, releasing the catchy “New Lover” on Valentine’s Day and getting broader exposure with the inclusion of “In Your Arms Again” in a recent episode of “Grey’s Anatomy.”

Ritter’s band, dubbed the Royal City Band — a reference to his song “Thin Blue Flame” — sounds tight-knit here. It’s clear the musicians have worked with the singer for several years and the result is a polished, well-rounded sound.

The album hits stores March 5, but you can stream the entire thing free on npr.org. In addition to MP3 and traditional CD format, Ritter is selling the album on vinyl, too.

Ritter and the Royal City Band are on the road now through summer. They will play at the Orange Peel in Asheville May 13. The Felice Brothers are opening on that date. Tickets are $17 in advance and $21 on the day of the show. All tickets to Ritter’s tour dates include a digital download of the new album.

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Indie singer sticks to sweet sounds on latest ‘The Beast In Its Tracks’

Josh Ritter’s latest album chronicles his recent divorce from musician Dawn Landes.
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the closer’s role, Beal said the best role for him is pitching multiple innings to set up for senior Tyler Webb, who earned his third save of the season against Furman.

“Webb” is a veteran guy, and he has really good experience,” Beal said. “I don’t feel like I’m really competing for it. We’re just going out there and showing Coach how versatile we are. Versatility is one thing that we strive for on the pitching staff.”

Holbrook said Beal’s performance gives him confidence in his pitchers.

“It makes me feel even better about our bullpen, which I already felt pretty good about,” Holbrook said.

“I think my teammates look at me as a good competitor,” Adams said. “I always need to keep that up so they can see me and try to do the same thing on the court.”

For now, Adams said he will keep doing “lots and lots of rehab” and focusing on details to make sure he is always on the court.

“For me, it’s all mental,” Adams said. “I have to deal with it for the team.”

Adams is living at home this semester, and called his family’s support with the injury “awesome.”

Even with the injury, Goffi’s expectations for Adams haven’t changed.

“He sets a high precedent for himself, and we hold him to a high standard,” Goffi said. “If he doesn’t go out there and give everything he has to win, no matter how he feels, no matter how he’s playing, then that’s a letdown, because he has the ability to do as well as anybody in the country.”
Aries
Love can help you evolve.
Postpone a meeting with friends and get to work. Diversity plays an important role in your long-range career. You don’t need to explain a thing.

Taurus
Consider the consequences, as the possibility for mistakes is high... but don’t let that stop you. Through playfulness and creative thinking you will come out on top.

Gemini
Draw energy from those who love you and reflect some back so that the relationship’s sustainability. Add an exotic ingredient to the recipe and a generous dash of optimism.

Cancer
The money is following you, so you must be doing what you love. Avoid wasting a lot of energy on a person easier than you think. Instead, offer them the care they deserve. It takes compromise.

Sagittarius
Keep up to date on the latest information, but don’t get sidetracked from goals. Possible conflicts may appear for the next two days. Call ahead to avoid running all over.

Aquarius
Review financial arrangements to increase income, now and over the next month. Keep focused to find opportunities. Be gracious toward a jerk or, even easier, just ignore them.

Scorpio
Sure find yourself with friends who are curious and inspiring. Consider all possibilities, identify the core belief and the final objective. Newspaper leads to extra profits.

Pisces
It’s getting interesting. Put your money where your mouth is when it comes to work. Get out of the way of your own success. Don’t overanalyze it. Build a solid foundation.

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Because he knew his bullpen was well-rested and he pitches for strikes. Holbrook said he pulled Wynkoop series against Liberty. But Tuesday, he threw 39 of 55 pitches for strikes, particularly after a challenging fall season.

Sophomore Evan Beal, who ended the threat with a strikeout and a flyout. The starter benefitted from strong defensive play by the Gamecocks in the top of the third inning, when left fielder Graham Salo threw out Simpson when he tried to score from second base on a single. But in four of the first five innings, Wynkoop retired three straight batters.

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Adams motivates USC

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A will to compete and family support have kept Andrew Adams motivated.

The sophomore tennis player had surgery on his left hip in high school and his recovery reportedly took two years. In the fall of his junior year, Adams exhibited soreness in his hip. He was limited to just three matches his freshman year. Adams missed a total of 13 matches over the past two seasons. Adams is finding his groove.

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“Andrew has returned to last year’s strength, despite his being in and out of practice for four months. What makes him so great is his ability to fight through any type of adversity,” Goff said.

“Joey Pankake has his hip and that really helped,” Schrock said. “I struggled with a few throws today. I haven’t been taking many throws in practice, but I feel like I can take some more. I will be all right.”

Sophomore shortstop Joey Pankake did not play Tuesday. He has been dealing with a hip flexor strain.

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Shelbretta Ball, student

The feel of the ball as it leaves her hands, the familiar spin of its flight and the swish as it goes through the net have been a part of Shelbretta “Brett” Ball’s life since she was five. But before she could score any points for the Gamecocks, a medical condition put her on the bench. However, Brett’s never-give-up attitude and the support of USC kept her in the game. “Ballin’ with Brett,” her successful video blog, is her way of assisting her teammates. It’s no mystery how she stays on top of her game. Brett lives by the motto, “Don’t let your situation determine your destination.”