Greek event benefits Childress

Not so Thirsty Thursday features free concert

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Proving to be much more than just a Seventy-Six and Sunny concert, more than 1,500 students came out to USC’s “Not so Thirsty Thursday” event yesterday evening.

In efforts to promote a safer Five Points environment, the USC security and fraternity community chose to come together to dedicate this event to the speedy recovery of Martha Childress, the first-year business student who was left paralyzed after being shot in Five Points on Oct. 15.

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Acap-toberfest rocks courtyard

A capella groups perform pop favorites at outdoor concert

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Blankets were spread out, marshmallows were beginning to melt in steaming trays of hot cocoa and the Swearngen Engineering Center courtyard was full of a-goofiness.

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Police seek driver who hit house, fled

Man sought after crash that sparked blazes

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The S.C. Highway Patrol has issued warrants for the arrest of a driver who fled police, crashed into a house near USC’s campus, sparking a blaze and ran from the scene on foot.

Lance Cpl. David Jones, a highway patrol officer, said James Johntava Eberhart, 28, is wanted for failure to stop for blue lights and a second offense of driving without a license.

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Five Points shuttles to run 2 routes from campus

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Free shuttles will run along two routes between campus and Five Points this weekend.

From 9:30 p.m. to 3:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday, shuttles will pick up and drop off students on campus at the Dodie Anderson Academic Enrichment Center on Hayward Street, Rice P.E. Center, Captone House, Russell House and Greek Village.

In Five Points, the shuttles will pick up and drop off at the fountain.

“The safety measure comes in response to criticism of lengthy waits for the university’s free cab service after first-year business student Martha Childress was hit by a stray bullet while waiting for a cab near the Five Points fountain earlier this month. The free cabs will continue to operate this weekend, according to Ryan Bailey, student body vice president.

“While I am guardedly optimistic about the prospects for a safe and enjoyable weekend, the security issues that exist that exist in Five Points after midnight cannot be fixed in two weeks,” Pastides said.

He added that the city plans to increase the “security infrastructure” in the popular nightlife district, and “USC will do what it can as part of installing additional cell bases and improved lighting on selected routes between Five Points and campus.”

Student Government began a process last year of gathering funds to install free or a new emergency call boxes for a “Safety Pathway to Five Points” project at Barnwell, Greene and Gervais streets.

Thursday, Oct. 17, Bailey said, but the process has slowed down and is now only focusing on Greene Street. USC is still looking for money for the boxes.

But even the shooting has not served as a “catalyst” to move the Safety Pathway project forward.

“We are always going to be in a constant state of looking for ways to make campuses safer for all of our students,” Bailey said.

Salsarita’s debuts CarolinaCard

After years of unfulfilled promises by Student Government candidates, the CarolinaCard will make its official debut in Five Points.

Salsarita’s Fresh Cantina on Gervais Street today becomes the first off-campus business to accept Carolina Cash as payment.

Ricardo Toche, who follows by early November are:

— CVS (1000 Assembly St.)
— Palmetto Pig (510 Devine St.)
— Zushi (410 Meeting St.)
— Marble Slab Creamery (1001 Gervais St.)
— Tiff’s Tiny Cakes (810 Harden St.)
— Harper’s (700 Harden St.)
— Papa John’s (delivery)
— Domino’s Pizza (delivery)

Compiled by Sarah Ellis, Assistant News Editor
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arranged themselves on the stairs to begin singing “Wagon Wheel,” the audience applauded and cheered, “Yeah ladies!” As the song reached its climax, students began clapping along and keeping the beat with their hands. The Cocktails then sang “Stand by Me” by Ben E. King, “I Need Your Love” by Ellie Goulding and “Natural Woman” by Aretha Franklin, with different soloists taking over each song. Lou Grant, a member of the group, thanked the crowd for coming out and supporting the a capella groups of USC. She also encouraged students to attend the upcoming Jungle Jam A Capella Fest on Dec. 4, which will feature the group “Committee,” known for winning NBC’s “The Sing-Off.”

The Carolina Gentlemen, formally known as SoundCheck, then took the stage to a chorus of cheers and applause. Performing “Little Lion Man” by Mumford and Sons with soloist John Bureau, the men entertained the audience with well-timed movements and snaps. The Gentlemen then began singing the opening chords to Rihanna’s “Stay,” when the audience began screaming for soloist Casey Berry to enter the spotlight. As Berry started to sing, they snapped pictures on their cell phones and recorded his solo. The a capella men performed renditions of “Allston Delight” by Starland Vocal Band and “Unfazed Obsessions” by Muse. Finishing their set with “We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together” by Taylor Swift, Bureau changed the lyrics of the song to say, “And you would hide away and find your peace of mind / with some a capella group that’s much cooler than mine,” to huge applause.

The co-ed Cockapella group was the last to perform, with energetic renditions of songs including “Bills, Bills, Bills” by Destiny’s Child, and “This Love” by Maroon 5. The group succeeded in getting the audience to laugh and interact with them as they sang.

Seth Brown, a fourth-year advertising student and member of The Cocktails, said she loved being a part of academia thor.

“Alive to gather all the groups together for concerts, because we all bring something different to the table, and it’s great to be able to showcase that,” Brown said.

Leah Grubb contributed reporting.

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Shutle service practical start to late night safety

Shuttles will run between Five Points and campus.

Our stance is that a late-night shuttle service might be worthwhile for USC.

In response to the recent violence in Five Points, USC is bringing back free shuttles between campus and the popular entertainment district this weekend.

Service begins at 9:30 p.m. and will run until 3:30 a.m. on Friday and Saturday next week.

Students can board the shuttle at the Greek Theater, at the Capstone House, at P.E. Center, Dodie Anderson Academic Enrichment Center, Russell House and the fountain in Five Points.

Obviously, the shuttles have been added to add to the reliable, safe transportation to and from Five Points and to thin out some of the crowds that grow late at night. In short, it seems as though the street will discriminate.

We're encouraged to see USC taking a direct step to improve safety in Five Points.

It's not perfect, but it's a start, and a solid one at that.

We also encourage the administration to continue to reinvent the wheel: Students might prove pricey, but they're not a problem in an area it doesn't solve.

Obviously, the shuttles are a solid first step in making Five Points safer, it only serves a portion of the student body, benefiting those students who live on campus more than the upperscholars that are scattered throughout the city.

Of course, there are ways to get to Five Points and shutle can't, including the off-prased and hugely popular Carolina Cab program that was created a few years ago who already hop on a shuttle to Five Points dumped.

But its popularity has led to long waits, making the program impractical for many students, and ruling out as the rejection of the mode of transportation.

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GUEST COLUMN

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The Spartanburg Soup Kitchen decided last spring that it would not allow atheists to volunteer with them.

Louis Landrum, the kitchen's director, pinned the barring of atheists to her Christian faith and the principles of God. Now, Upstate Atheists, the group that was denied the opportunity to help at the kitchen, has decided to set up across the street to hand out care packages to the homeless and any interested passerby.

I find it interesting that a soup kitchen based on Christian principles then the soup kitchen would want to be able to help as many homeless people as possible.

To the end, we have no real religious beliefs in the way.

Landrum is so focused on only allowing through the door of this kitchen that the kitchen that is unwittingly hurting the homeless that she might have the net.

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WHAT'S YOUR TAKE?

Do you have an opinion you want to see voiced in The Daily Gamecock? Contact viewp@dailygamecock.com, or submit regular columns or letters to the editor.
Models strutted their stuff down the runway in recycled fashions using materials like newspaper and plastic bottles in Thursday night’s Reclaimed Runway show.

Ecological and fashionable, the show featured a black short sleeve shirt with mesh on the back. The designs were all innovative and creative, designed to use sustainable materials.

The show started off a bit late, as fashion shows are notorious for doing. However, after the introductions, the models came out for a finale walk, and it was time for the winners to be announced.

The winner of the show was a presentation of 11 different designs, each showcasing the creativity that can come from sustainable materials.

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Tragic story evokes raw emotion

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Award-winning television star Grant Show, best known for his work on the Broadway stage and on "Melrose Place," is starring as Count Dracula and is a recent addition to this production. Although the 12 dancers of the Columbia City Ballet have been rehearsing for about a month, Show was added to the production a little over a week ago. Specializing in theater and television, Show is noted for his presence, not his dance skills. "I'm a big fan of the book, and I'm looking forward to using my physicality on stage in a new way," Show said in a release.

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Award-winning television star Grant Show, best known for his work on the Broadway stage and on "Melrose Place," is starring as Count Dracula and is a recent addition to this production. Although the 12 dancers of the Columbia City Ballet have been rehearsing for about a month, Show was added to the production a little over a week ago. Specializing in theater and television, Show is noted for his presence, not his dance skills. "I'm a big fan of the book, and I'm looking forward to using my physicality on stage in a new way," Show said in a release.

Starrett said Show adds dimension, presence and energy to the performance. "Dracula: Ballet with a Bite" will be presented in the Koger Center for the Arts at 7:30 p.m. from Oct. 24-26.
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**THE SURPRISE OF THE LAST WEEK**

**Missouri on top of division after catchup game, SEC wins last season**

The Gamecocks are trying to regroup from a devastating 2-1-1 lose-second loss to Tennessee last week. However, the team knows that they can’t think about the past.

“We didn’t play quite our best last week,” Spurrier said. “Our offense probably has its worst game of the year but gave Tennessee credit for playing some dang good defense. We turned it over a couple of times and didn’t get any and they won the game. But that one is history.”

Mistakes, particularly on special teams and defense, finally came back to bite the Gamecocks against the Volunteers. South Carolina has had its share of close calls this season, with five of the seven games it has played being decided by 13 points or less.

But sometimes the breaks don’t come your way in close games and this past Saturday was a result of that. “One or two plays caused us to lose,” Spurrier said. “We’ve won some games (like Tennessee) this year. We have flirted with disaster several times and it worked out for us. But it didn’t work out the last game.”

The Gamecocks can ill-afford another slow start against the Tigers, particularly in an environment that will be rocking thanks to the newfound success Missouri has had this season.

Despite the Tigers quick rise to fame, players and coaches aren’t surprised that Missouri is where it is. “They always had the talent to do it,” Spurrier said. “They were just getting used to the SEC,” sophomore linebacker Marcus Roberts said.

Spurrier added that Missouri has “really come around this year.”

Tigers coach Gary Pinkel, who is in his 13th year at Missouri, has used his recent successful recruiting class to bring the team to where they are now.

“I didn’t really know much about Missouri before the Gamecocks started preparing for them this week. Linebacker Skai Moore (10) said he didn’t know much about Missouri before the Gamecocks started preparing for them this week.

Marcus Roberts has come in and proved he is more than capable of leading the team.

Mack threw for nearly 19,000 yards in his four years of high school and accounted for 278 total touchdowns before taking a redshirt year last season. In his first start against Florida, Mack threw for 291 yards and recorded one touchdown and one interception.

So while both teams are without their starting quarterbacks, both also have reliable backups.

Due to the circumstances, this weekend’s game is one that will make or break South Carolina’s season.

“It’s a game that’s going to decide if we’re in the division hunt or not,” Spurrier said. “Simple as that.”

**THE BLITZ**

Linebacker Marcus Roberts (23) said he knew Missouri could compete in the SEC. The Tigers , ranked No. 5 nationally, are 7-0 this season after going 5-7 last year.

The Gamecocks first trip to Columbia, Mo. will be the biggest game of the season so far for the team.

A win and South Carolina remains in the picture for a SEC East division title. A loss and they are all but eliminated.

Ten teams see, two places, three games to go, and they won the game. But that one is history.”

“Missouri is the team that I guess has everybody by surprise the first half of the season, everyone knows about them now. Everybody by surprise the first half of the season, everyone knows about them now.

Missouri is ranked No. 5 in the initial BCS Standings and has an unblemished 7-0 record.

While the Tigers may have caught everybody by surprise the first half of the season, everyone knows about them now.

South Carolina and Missouri have faced each other three times and only once in the regular season. That was a 10-10 Gamecock win at Williams-Brice last season. The Tigers came away with wins in both of the bowl matchups to take the 2-1 series lead.

For many players, this is the first time they have been to Missouri and for some, the first time that they have learned about the Tigers.

“I didn’t really know much about Missouri football,” freshman linebacker Skai Moore said. “This week will be my first week watching any type of film on them… so in my first week really getting to know about the Tigers.”

Spurrier said and spoke to his team a little bit about the importance of this game, so they know what’s at stake.

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Top-ranked Alabama prepares for UT

Texas A&M tries to get back on track this week against Vanderbilt

Vanderbilt @ No. 16 Texas A&M, Sat. 12:21 p.m., ESPN3

As Vanderbilt gets ready to walk onto Kyle Field, the question remains: Can Texas A&M sophomore quarterback Johnny Manziel play, and if he does, how effective will he be? Against Vanderbilt last Saturday, the former Heisman Trophy winner was taken out and then put back in. Manziel played well after coming off the field, completing all seven of his passing attempts, but afterwards, he told the media that when he was throwing the balls, his shoulder was feeling the effects. The Aggies lost 45-41 to the Volunteers, and will now look to find themselves ranked 11th on the SEC program.

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Oregon State hopes to upset No. 15 Stanford at home

Salvador Costa

Defensive coordinator Nick Coe said this week that he believes Oregon State's offensive line is strong enough to pressure Stanford quarterback Kevin Hogan.

Hogan led his team to a 24-10 win over a tough Oregon State defense. Hogan completed 17 of 30 passes for 220 yards and a touchdown.

The Oregon State defense, which allowed 17.3 points per game, will be tested against a Stanford offense that averages 41.3 points per game. The Beavers have allowed only one 100-yard rusher this season.

Point differential has been Oregon State's Achilles heel. The Beavers have scored 26 points per game, but have allowed 37 points per game.

The Beavers have won their last two games, including a 21-14 victory over Arizona State last weekend. They have scored 26 points in five of their six games this season.

Oregon State has not won a game since losing to Washington State on Sept. 21. The Beavers have been outscored 177-84 in their last three games.

The Beavers need to play a better game against Stanford to have any chance of winning.

"It's a national game," Coe said. "Any time you play a national game, you have to be at your best. We've got to play Stanford as well as we can."

The Beavers are 2-0 against Stanford in the last two seasons.

Academic Record:

Oregon State is a selective institution and emphasizes academic excellence.

Tuition:

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Financial Aid:

Oregon State offers a range of financial aid options, including scholarships, grants, and loans.

Admission Requirements:

To be considered for admission, applicants must submit standardized test scores, a high school transcript, and a personal statement.
1. Both teams’ quarterback situations are eerily similar. Both starters are out with injuries, but both teams have backups that are capable of killing it. How impressed was Missouri with the performance that Maty Mauk put on against Florida, and was it better than anticipated?

You could say it was better than anticipated. Coach Gary Pinkel said after the game he gave Mauk a hug and told him he was proud of him, but not impressed. I guess Pinkel saw something in the team that the rest of Mizzou Nation didn’t. This said, Mauk put up gaudy numbers in high school, so I suppose he could get away with airing it out against any defense.

2. Everyone outside of Missouri is surprised by the fact that the Tigers are leading the SEC East as we near November, but I’m assuming the people closest to Mizzou knew this could happen. With that being said, what is the atmosphere like around Columbia concerning the No. 5 Tigers?

That would be a poor assumption. People thought the Tigers would be headed back to a bowl game, but the SEC East crown? You’re kidding me. Columbia (Mo.) is buzzing about this team. This is a football town and the home team is expected to be winning, so I suppose he could get away with it.

3. What do you think has been the key to this 7-0 start for the Tigers, and do you think Mizzou will be able to handle all of the sudden attention they are getting after shooting up to No. 5 in the BCS and AP polls?

Probably the element of surprise. Mizzou wasn’t supposed to be here. Players say the team’s goal coming onto the season was making a bowl game; now, it’s to run the table. The defense might be the best in the conference, and the Tigers have takeaways in their last 37 games — the longest streak in the BCS. Quarterback play has been off the charts. No one expected this out of Missouri, and it might be too little too late for the rest of the conference to catch up.

4. Would it be safe to assume the rest of the conference will be able to handle all of the sudden attention they are getting after shooting up to No. 5 in the BCS and with a win over South Carolina, would they almost guarantee themselves the SEC East title, so how important is this game against the Gamecocks? Would it be safe to assume that there hasn’t been one as important as this in quite some time?

In terms of the SEC East title, that’s most important. Even if Mizzou loses to USC, if the Gamecocks drop a simple East game (and remember, they still play a talented Florida team), the Tigers take the East. Plus Mizzou still has two more East games after this Saturday — against conference bottom-dwellers Tennessee and Kentucky.

5. Everyone who faces South Carolina has to deal with Jadeveon Clowney. Last week, Tennessee left one man on him for a large part of the game, and the junior responded with five tackles, including 2.5 for loss, and he was constantly in the backfield. How do you think Missouri will handle Clowney, and has there been a lot of talk surrounding him this week?

The media have really been the only ones talking about Clowney. Pinkel discussed him a little bit at media day and so did center Evan Boehm, but otherwise, the game plan doesn’t seem to be changing too much. I think Mizzou’s up-tempo spread will neutralize Clowney (we’ve all seen his conditioning or lack thereof). Look for offensive coordinator Josh Heupel to get the ball out in the first half and run hard to the second. The Tigers’ trio of tailbacks — Henry Josey, Russell Hansbrough and Marcus Murphy — are all healthy this week.

Prediction: Missouri Tigers 42, South Carolina Gamecocks 24

I picked against the Tigers at Georgia and paid for it. At home against Florida, too. Not this time. Mary Mack wins the quarterback battle over Dylan Thompson by leaps and bounds, in part because Thompson spends a good quarter of the game on the ground and turns the ball over twice. Clowney tires by mid-third quarter, and Josey runs it down the Gamecocks’ gullet. When it’s all said and done, Mizzou will have its season on cruise control, and USC will lose its top-25 ranking.

Saturday event offers up to 4 loyalty points

This weekend, South Carolina students will have an opportunity to earn four important loyalty points.

The university is holding a tip-offSignals party at Colonial Life Arena for both men’s and women’s basketball on Saturday beginning at 5 p.m.

Frank Martin and Dawn Staley’s portraits will be unveiled and sign autographs before a watch party for the football team’s game at Missouri at 7 p.m.

There will also be free food at the event. Students will automatically get two points for attending, and if 2,000 students show up, everyone will get two more. In addition, the first 2,000 students will get a free T-shirt with the name of the new student section, which will be revealed at the party.

Five of the first 500 students will be chosen to have lunch with Martin and Athletic Director Ray Tanner. One student out of the first 1,000 will have the opportunity to be “catching for a day” — one of the first 1,000 will receive $200 of Under Armour apparel, and one of the first 2,000 will get a framed copy of the South Carolina women’s basketball jersey.

Finally, one student will have the chance to make a half-court shot for a prize of $100.

— Compiled by Kyle Heck, Sports Editor
In the early moments of last weekend’s tough loss at Tennessee, No. 21 South Carolina’s defense looked more like a force to be reckoned with than it had all season.

But the 23 points the unit allowed proved to be too much in the end, and coach Steve Spurrier said that when the Gamecocks line up against a No. 5 Missouri team that scores 44.3 points per game, they will need to play their best game of the year.

“They’re outstanding,” Spurrier said. “They’ve done some really good recruiting there at Missouri, which you have to do if you’re going to be a top team.”

The South Carolina defense allowed its third-fewest points of the season in last weekend’s losing effort, giving the unit a reason to be optimistic despite the loss. But redshirt sophomore linebacker Marquis Roberts said the defense is far from where it would like to be.

“We had a pretty good game last week,” Roberts said. “But it wasn’t good enough, so we’ve got to keep getting better.”

While the Volunteers’ offense proved formidable, the offensive unit South Carolina will face in the other Columbia this week will make the task of getting better a tall order.

“When the Tigers’ star quarterback, senior James Franklin, injured his shoulder in a win over Georgia, Missouri’s future looked bleak,” Spurrier said. “But redshirt freshman Maty Mauk dazzled in his first career start last week against Florida, throwing for 295 yards and a touchdown and adding another score on the ground.

Despite the change in quarterback for the Tigers, Spurrier doesn’t think the Missouri offense will look much different than it did with Franklin under center.

“I think they’re running their offense with this young man, who’s a very good player, Mary Mauk,” Spurrier said. “He’s a very good player, and they throw it down the field.”

The receivers down the field are an intimidating bunch in their own right. The unit is headlined by the class of 2012 No. 1 recruit, Dorial Green-Beckham, at wide receiver and L’Damian Washington, who is tied for the ninth-most receiving touchdowns in the nation.

As secondary coach Grady Brown prepares his defensive backfield for a Missouri receiving corps with a serious size advantage, he is stressing the importance of playing tough to his cornerbacks and safeties.

“It’s really mental. I don’t think we can teach anything differently,” Brown said. “We can’t go into the game playing timid or anything like that. You just have to have a mental edge.”

The only significant injury in Brown’s secondary is redshirt freshman Chaz Elder. The strong safety was inactive for the Tennessee game and is questionable for Saturday’s contest.

The South Carolina defensive line is slightly more banged up, as junior Kelcy Quarles and redshirt sophomore Gerald Dixon are uncertain after they sustained injuries last weekend.
Thompson in charge of offense this weekend

Elliot says Missouri defensive line best he’s seen in long time

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The talk all week on the South Carolina offense has been the injury to South Carolina senior quarterback Connor Shaw.

His teammate looks to keep him out against Missouri on Saturday, but head coach Steve Spurrier said there is a chance that Shaw will dress for the game.

Quarterback coach G.A. Mangus said after Wednesday’s practice that Shaw was throwing the ball around a little bit. Mangus said that nothing surprises him about Shaw’s ability to overcome injuries and if he makes large strides in his healing, he may be used in an emergency backup.

If Shaw does not suit up, redshirt freshman Brendan Nnauoashi took a number of reps in practice this week and will come in if needed.

Stepping into Shaw’s place as the starter is redshirt junior Dylan Thompson.

This is from his first time out. He beat Clemson on the road last season and also came into the game to beat Michigan in the Outback Bowl on a last-minute touchdown pass. The pressure of winning this game against a top-five opponent to keep the Gamecocks in the SEC East race does not faze him.

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