

Students donate time, effort during breaks



LET'S GET TOGETHER: Amy Spagnoli, Burke Voekel and Katie Keith help remove trees and other debris from the yards of several victims.

Volunteers travel around the country, provide relief for hurricane victims.

BLAIRE KOBILSKI
STAFF WRITER

Are you tired of the same old overcrowded spring break vacation spots? Are you tired of fighting for a prime tanning spot on the beach, waking up covered in sand because someone's kids thought you actually wanted to be the king of their castle, or dealing with those USC fans who just don't get that Clemson will always win the Clemson versus USC game?

What if there was some sort of alternative? The Clemson University student affairs department is offering its students such an option. The Alternative Break Program, started at Clemson last spring break when 29 students and one staff member traveled to Gulfport, Miss., to help with the Hurricane Katrina relief effort.

While in Mississippi, students helped the victims of Katrina clean up debris, clean, sanitize and gut out their homes, as well as provided a shoulder to lean on for the victims of the 2005 hurricanes.

"My overall impression of the trip was very positive," Annie Zetler, a 2006 Alternative Spring Break team member, said of her time in Mississippi. "During our last leg of work, a number of us were already making mental plans to return sometime next summer. I brought back the feeling with me to Spartanburg and spent the weekend sharing stories and reprimorizing that which I appreciate."

This year students who participated in the Alternative Break Program used their Fall Breaks to help build a visitation garden and gazebo for at-risk youth. The students worked hand in hand with 12 to 17 year olds in the South Carolina Juvenile Justice System. They also had the opportunity to experience first-hand a day in the life of an incarcerated youth within the

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Phi Beta Kappa arrives

New honor society rewards Clemson with its own chapter.

CAROLINE RASH
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

A goal set seven years ago by President Barker is finally accomplished as Clemson became one of six universities to be awarded a chapter of the nationally acclaimed honor society Phi Beta Kappa (PBK) this year.

As one of Barker's 27 aspirations to launch Clemson into a Top 20 public university, Faculty and staff have been aware of the goal since 1999.

Gaining membership into PBK involves a rigorous three-year process and may only be initiated during three year cycles when the Society is accepting applications. In 2003, a committee of Clemson staff began



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LSAT undergoes two changes

Law school admissions process sees updates for new year.

ASHLEY CRISP
STAFF WRITER

For med-school hopefuls, it's the MCAT, for grad-school aspiring students, it's the GRE and for the potential law school students it's the LSAT.

What is "it"? It's the test that has the potential to determine the futures, and for better or worse students planning to take the LSAT in 2007 will face a newly re-formatted exam.

The LSAC (Law School Admission Council) announced that while the LSAT will be given this December and February in its current form.

Two changes will be introduced for the upcoming June 2007 exam. This marks the biggest change for the LSAT in 15 years.

The first change will be found in the reading comprehension section. The current edition of the LSAT contains four long passages in its reading comprehension section, totaling about 26 questions.

Each of these passages is followed by six to seven questions.

The new format of the test will eliminate one of those four passages, replacing it with two shorter passages.

Questions following the passages involve the comparison of the two passages.



STEPHEN LABEAU/staff

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The number of questions being will remain the same, carrying the same weight on the final score as in previous editions of the LSAT.

Another alteration will be located in the writing section of the test, which is not graded and does not contribute to a student's final score. The LSAT has always contained a writing sample that test takers must complete.

While it does not count toward the final score, it is sent to law schools in order to further evaluate prospective students. In the early years of the LSAT, all test takers received a decision prompt.

However, in 2005, the writing sample was altered. Test takers were randomly assigned one of two kinds of writing prompts: decision or argument. The new argument prompt involves evaluating a passage providing refute for one side of an issue.

The writer then must use their reasoning of logic to critique the previous statement.

Both of these prompts demonstrate to law schools roughly the same writing skills and thinking abilities.

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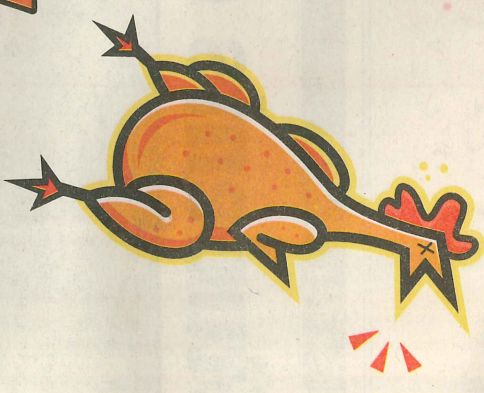


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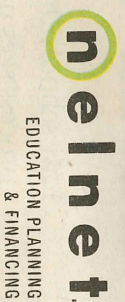
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TIGER BRIEFS

Swaja named new director, professor: The Bioengineering Alliance of South Carolina has named Richard E. Swaja as its new director. The Bioengineering Alliance is a Charleston-based partnership of Clemson, the University of South Carolina and the Medical University of South Carolina. It promotes unified biomedical research and translation of laboratory research to patient health. Swaja also accepted a position as a Clemson University professor of bioengineering. "Dick Swaja brings to us a tremendous background in research and leadership," Clemson bioengineering department chair Martine Laberge said. "The three major state institutions are fortunate to have him guide us through this emerging area of biomedical research." Swaja has held positions as senior science advisor with the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering and as director of the Life Sciences Division at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. He is a fellow of the American Institute of Medical and Biomedical Engineering and a member of several other national health organizations.

Italian exhibition showcases Clemson professors' project: Two Clemson professors earned a spot in one of the world's most prestigious exhibitions of art and architecture for their innovations in construction technology as a solution to post-Katrina housing problems in New Orleans. Doug Hecker and Martha Skinner, assistant professors in Clemson's School of Architecture, designed Dry-In houses, which provide a basic shell for residents to customize within the price parameters. The houses cost around \$60,000, the same price as FEMA trailers. The Nov. 19 exhibit "Searching for Resilient Foundations: The Gulf Coast after Katrina" in Venice, Italy will showcase their project, along with many others, to illustrate the theme of urbanization and architecture that addresses the concerns of the changing world. Hecker and Skinner plan to build a prototype Dry-In house in New Orleans this spring.

Clemson researcher awarded "Young Investigator" Grant: Clemson University researcher Jian Luo will receive \$300,000 over a three year period as part of the new Young Investigator Research Program from the Air Force Office of Scientific Research. Luo is an assistant professor of materials science and engineering who is studying the best fabrication recipes for nanometer-thick, quasi-liquid films, as they impact the high-temperature performance of aerospace materials. "It is well known that a nanometer-thick surface layer of ice starts to melt below the freezing temperature," said Luo.

"This phenomenon, known as premelting, is the reason why we can skate across ice." "Our research demonstrates, rather surprisingly, that a similar premelting can occur at the boundary between tungsten crystals when a small amount of nickel is added." The Air Force Office of Scientific Research selects promising researchers in order to promote creativity and increase opportunities for young investigators to recognize the Air Force's mission and other scientific challenges. Luo's research was done in collaboration with V.K. Gupta and D.H. Yoon at Clemson University and H.M. Meyer of the High Temperature Materials Laboratory at Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Clemson-Carolina Blood Drive arrives: Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity is organizing the 22nd annual Clemson-Carolina Blood Drive Nov. 13 through Nov. 17. The Blood Connection, AnMed Health Blood Center and Piedmont Blood Center will collect donations daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Palmetto Ballroom, Hendrix Student Center and Cooper Library. The National Bone Marrow Program will also be collecting names and information for the National Bone Marrow Registry. Donors will receive a free T-shirt, wristband, restaurant coupons and be eligible for prize drawings. Each unit of blood has the potential to save three lives. Although Clemson leads in number of wins throughout the competition's 21 year history, South Carolina has won every year since 2000.

Students' freedom of speech troubles administration: Members of several student organizations were reprimanded after group protests this past week. One group, the Clemson Conservatives, sat outside of Daniel Auditorium and protested Clemson University's Gay Straight Alliance, who were hosting the Marriage Amendment Rally at the time. The Clemson Conservative received speech zone violations claiming they did not follow the university's code while protesting at this location. Two speech zones exist on campus that contain all of the free speech events. The Clemson Conservatives did not stay within their speech zone, according to University officials, and now face punishment, including verbal admonition and losing activity privileges on campus, as well as losing University recognition from officials. "We are morally opposed to any attempt by the University to limit or abridge the fundamental right of Americans to freedom of speech," Clemson Conservative chairman Andrew Davis said. "As far as we are concerned, the entire university is a free speech zone, not just two small spots on campus."

HONOR SOCIETY: Department members receive award of high standards

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applying for membership by submitting a lengthy preliminary report explaining why Clemson is deserving of the society.

It is the responsibility of Phi Beta Kappa's Committee on Qualifications to examine the applications and decide which schools warrant a more detailed review.

Jens Holley, Clemson Libraries department chair and coordinator for establishing PBK at Clemson, said he believes that the Committee on Qualifications received 34 applications in 2003, eight of which were invited to submit a General Report — as Clemson did in 2004.

Following a review of the secondary applications, the Committee then narrowed their selection to seven schools which would receive visits from PBK subcommittees for further review.

PBK's representatives arrived at Clemson last March. "It was almost as intensive as an accreditation visit," Holley said. "They requested meetings with the president, the provost, the deans, students, the Phi Beta Kappa faculty and so forth, and examined innumerable documents."

Clemson impressed the board of judges for PBK with its overall quality of educational programs, the undergraduate research programs and the quality of student achievement.

Equally notable are the University's academic facilities, high standards in academic athletics and the campus atmosphere, according to the board. The site visit proved effective for Clemson, as afterward the University became one of six

to be recommended to the Phi Beta Kappa Senate, an executive committee that would make the final decision.

In December 2005, PBK's Triennial Council found all six schools to be worthy of receiving a chapter.

At October's Triennial Council this year, the official announcement made, allowing Clemson to check off yet another of its goals for excellence. Chapters of the Phi Beta Kappa Society are traditionally found in institutions where the liberal arts play a dominant role in the curriculum, making it slightly more difficult for a science and engineering university like Clemson to be granted a charter. However, other qualifications carry significant weight when the Society's committee is reviewing applications.

Because the chapter is awarded to the Phi Beta Kappa faculty in the institution rather than granted to the institution itself, 10 percent of the teaching faculty in the university's College of Arts and Sciences — or, as in Clemson's case, in various departments throughout the university — must be out the university — must be Phi Beta Kappa members.

The committee also looks at the quality of the university's programs and students, with careful consideration placed on the traditional liberal arts and sciences.

Graduation rates, general education requirements, faculty status, library holdings and institutional control of athletics are also on the rubric.

The board members of PBK feels it is necessary that the institutions that receive chapters of the society have goals

and resources consistent with Phi Beta Kappa's own high standards.

Founded as the country's oldest and most prestigious honor society, Phi Beta Kappa was founded in 1776 at the College of William and Mary with the aim of honoring students who demonstrate excellence in the realm of liberal arts and sciences.

For Clemson to receive a chapter is reflective of the "excellent programs Clemson has; it allows Clemson to formally recognize a segment of the student population that deserves attention," said Holley.

Students interested in becoming a part of the society must go through several steps before official induction can occur.

The chapter itself must first be integrated within the university, a task that requires bylaws and a chapter constitution, establishing financial records and a Web site, electing officers, and deciding which undergraduate courses qualify for credit in the traditional liberal arts and sciences.

After a Clemson committee has accomplished this, the screening process can begin with help from various colleges and departments to identify students eligible for election.

The induction committee will consider grades, number of credit hours in the liberal arts and sciences, honorable achievements, etc. when determining Clemson's first PBK members.

The final decision is left to the university's Phi Beta Kappa faculty members who will vote on which students are to be inducted.

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Weekly World Update

World Report

Panama earns seat on security council: Panama won a seat on the United Nations Security Council after Venezuela and Guatemala dropped out due to deadlock. After 47 ballots, no country had the 120 votes needed to win a seat, so the two countries dropped out, leaving Panama to win with 164 of the 192 votes from the General Assembly. The election was contentious partly due to leftist Venezuelan president Hugo Chavez's anti-Bush remarks and the U.S. backing of Guatemala. Peru and Panama will work together to defend the interests of Latin American countries, said Panama's U.N. Ambassador Ricardo Alberto Arias. The Security Council has five permanent members and fills the other spots in two-year terms.

Saddam Hussein sentenced to death: The Iraqi High Criminal Court sentenced former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein to death for the deaths of almost 150 Shiite Muslims. The murders took place after an assassination attempt in the town of Dujail in 1982. While a nine-judge panel reviews Hussein's appeal in the Dujail trial, Saddam and his lawyers will move into the Anfal trial, named for the military operation in Iraq's Kurdish region in 1988. After a Kurdish uprising in the town, Hussein offered villagers a pardon if they surrendered, according to witnesses. But after the villagers accepted his offer, he ordered his troops to round up the people, shoot them and dump their bodies in a mass grave.

Israeli tanks kill 19 Palestinian civilians: The exiled Hamas leader Khaled Mashaal called for retaliation after an Israeli attack early Wednesday. Israeli tanks fired into the center of the northern Gaza town of Beit Hanoun, killing 19 civilians, including seven children, according to Palestinian medical authorities. "It is hard to see what this action was meant to achieve and how it can be justified," British Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett said. However, rocket attacks by Palestinian militants "are also unacceptable," she added. The attacks came as part of an offense designed to find and kill Palestinian militants who have been firing rockets into Israeli camps.

National Report

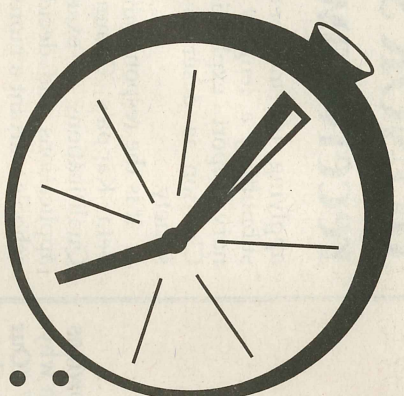
Donald Rumsfeld steps down: Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld resigned his position, President Bush announced Wednesday. The resignation comes amid rising controversy concerning the war in Iraq. Exit polls showed 57 percent voter dissatisfaction with the war, which was heavily influenced by Rumsfeld's policy-making. October was the fourth deadliest month for U.S. troops since the 2003 invasion, with 105 Americans killed. Rumsfeld, 74, served as defense secretary since the beginning of Bush's first term in 2001 and under President Ford from 1975 to 1977. Bush said he will nominate former CIA chief Robert Gates to succeed Rumsfeld. Gates is currently president of Texas A & M University in College Station, Texas.

Energy drinks surge in popularity: More than 500 new energy drinks were launched in the past year, increasing the industry by 80 percent, but Red Bull, Monster and Rockstar remain the top choices for the 31 percent of teenagers who drink the sugary and caffeinated drinks. Scientists have recently raised concerns about health issues concerning the high caffeine and B vitamin quantities. "Earlier this month, a new study found a surprising number of caffeine overdose reports to a Chicago poison control center," said Dr. Danielle McCarthy. Other researchers worry about alcohol-related problems, resulting from popular drinks such as Red Bull and vodka. In such a drink, the caffeine masks the effects of alcohol, causing people to overestimate their abilities, according to a Brazilian study.

Control of Senate goes to Democrats: CNN has not declared a winner, but the Associated Press has. Democratic challenger Jim Webb leads Republican incumbent Senator George Allen by about 7,200 votes in the Senate. If Webb wins, the new Senate lineup would consist of 49 Democrats, 49 Republicans and two independents. Bernie Sanders of Vermont and Joe Lieberman of Connecticut. A representative for Webb told CNN that Webb will hold a press conference Thursday to declare his victory. Democrats also received four other GOP-held Senate seats in Tuesday's election.

News By Numbers

- 3** age in months of a baby charged with robbery.
- 6** amount, in dollars, that a Chinese man tried to charge soccer enthusiasts for each bag of "World Cup Air."
- 10** time, in hours, that a 600 pound bell eluded police in downtown Newark, N.J.
- 35,000** number of "fried cokes," balled of deep-fried Coca-cola with strawberry syrup and whipped cream, that visitors consumed at the state fair of Texas.



:30 Seconds with...

Tim Wells
President, Central Spirit

Jennifer Salane: Why did you want to be the president of Central Spirit?

Tim Wells: I figured I could make an impact and do my part to make this great university even better.

JS: What does Central Spirit do besides blow up balloons?

TW: Basically we just try to get out there and support all Clemson sports. That and we get great seats for all sporting events!

JS: Solid Orange or Solid Purple?

TW: Solid Orange all the way! I mean, purple is cool, but this is Clemson, right?

JS: Why should anyone join Central Spirit?

TW: It is basically the most ballerest organization on campus. It is a lot of fun and a great way to get involved with athletics.

JS: What's the weirdest thing you've ever had to deal while serving as president?

TW: I guess when a couple of people wanted to get rid of balloons at football games altogether. It is just such a great game day tradition and poses little threat to the environment, since the balloons are as biodegradable as oak tree leaves.

JS: If Central Spirit could have a mascot, other than a tiger, what would it be?

TW: I would say a Liger, because it is very close to a tiger, not to mention it is bred for its skills in magic.

JS: What's your favorite thing about being in Central Spirit?

TW: Just getting to know other people who love Clemson and love sports in general.

JS: If you could choose one spot for the Central Spirit members to sit in Death Valley, other than where they already sit, where would it be?

TW: I would say the West End Zone. I have wanted to watch a game from there since the renovation began and it would be awesome to sit together as a group.



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FALL BREAK: Students work for free *from page A1*

"Community Behind the Fence" program.

For spring break this year the Alternative Break Program is planning a trip to Philadelphia to work within the community with partners such as the National Student Partnership, Habitat for Humanity, as well as to visit the birth place of Thomas Greene Clemson.

This year will mark the bicentennial birthday of Clemson's founder. The Alternative Break program chose Philadelphia because of its astonishing level of K-12 students who are currently living in poverty.

But what is the Alternative Break Program? The Alternative Break Program is a unique opportunity presented for students at Clemson University to take a break from traditional break plans and have fun while joining other college students from universities around the country to serve the community.

How can you get involved with the Alternative Break Program? There are four ways that students can get involved in the program.

Students can choose to be student leaders and students can apply for several student leadership positions: president, VP (Program Coordinator), site leader, treasurer or secretary. Students can also become a trip team member, a staff/faculty trip participant or a donor.

The student leadership positions are crucial to the success of the trip's mission. The president is a student who oversees the entire Alternative Break Program.

The President also keeps records of the trip planning to help future teams plan effectively. The VP, or program coordinator, is a student who executes and plans one of the specific Alternative Break trips.

He/She is responsible for recruitment and training of the site leaders as well as assisting the leaders in finding the resources necessary for them to do their job. The site leaders assist the VP in coordinating logistics, site development, participating in recruitment and program planning for their specific Alternative Break trip. The Treasurer is responsible for tracking all account transactions, donations, fundraising results, and total trip balances.

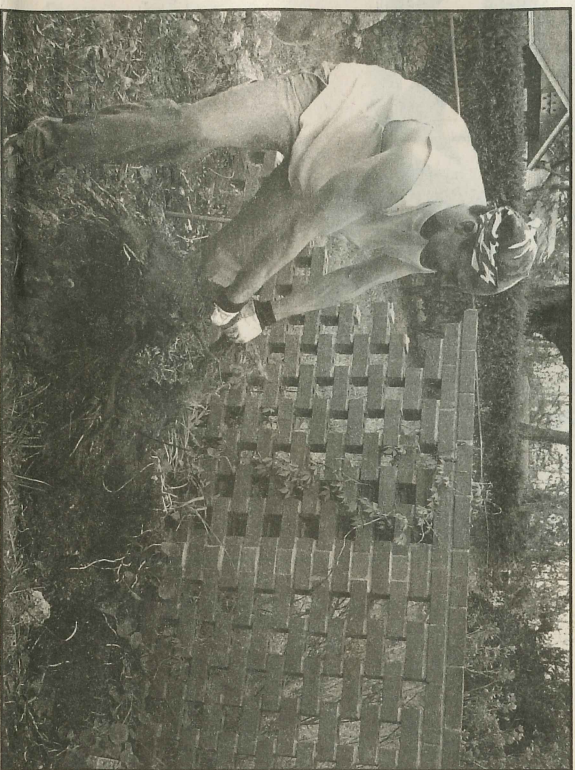
He/She will work with the other leadership positions to create an accurate budget for each trip and keep members updated. The Secretary is responsible for tracking fundraising events, meeting minutes and member participation. He/She will also

lead the efforts in marketing all events. A student doesn't have to fill a leadership position to help out.

Students can apply to be on a team to serve communities somewhere in the nation during fall or spring break. The Alternative Break program is also open to any university staff or faculty that would like to join the Alternative Break trips. Staff and faculty can volunteer to participate or become an advisor for any of the trips.

Financial and in-kind donations are necessary to make the Alternative Break Program possible. Clemson students, faculty, staff and alumni are asked to help out the alternative breakers in any way they can.

If you're tired of the same old spring break routine and want to help others, the Alternative Break Program at Clemson University provides different opportunities for travel around the country, fun and community service.



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YANK THOSE ROOTS!: Tyler Brown rips roots out of the grown in an effort to assist local residents with yard work.



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Campus Arrests

The following are arrests that were made by the Clemson University Police Department from Sunday, Oct. 29 to Tuesday, Nov. 7.

- Oct. 31
8:34 p.m., Andre Blue, trespassing after notice, Brackett, officer: Reidenbach
- Nov. 2
4:05 p.m., Jackie Vesey, harassment, Schilleter, officer: Harrington
- Nov. 7
12:41 p.m., Johnna Crowe, auto break in, Botanical Gardens, officer: McGill

Crime Report

The following calls were among those that Clemson University Police responded to between Sunday, Oct. 29 and Tuesday, Nov. 7.

- Oct. 29
1:47 a.m., minor in possession, Geer, officer: Cassell
- Oct. 31
8:16 p.m., damage to vehicle, R-1, officer: Cassell
- 8:34 p.m., larceny, Brackett, officer: Cassell
- 10:50 p.m., suspicious activity, Lightsey Common, officer: Tiller
- Nov. 1
8:31 a.m., suspicious activity, Student Union, officer: McGill
- 2:09 p.m., burglar alarm, Hanover House, officer: Ashley
- 2:43 p.m., suspicious activity, Hwy. 93, officer: Kaylor
- 3:32 p.m., petty larceny, P&A, officer: Young
- Nov. 2
10:12 p.m., malicious damage, Perimeter Road., officer: Schutt
- Nov. 3
1:40 a.m., minor in possession, Wannamaker, officer: Hughes

Fire Report

The following calls were among those that Clemson University Fire Department responded to between Sunday, Oct. 29 and Tuesday, Nov. 7.

- Oct. 31
3:46 p.m., fire alarm, Frontage Road, CUFD
- Nov. 1
3:59 p.m., motor vehicle accident, Cherry Road. CUFD
- Nov. 2
11:27 p.m., fire alarm, Bradley, CUFD
- 3:36 p.m., fire alarm, Lightsey Bridge, CUFD
- Nov. 4
4:31 p.m., fuel spill, Hwy. 93, CUFD
- Nov. 5
11:42 p.m., fire, Victoria Square, CUFD
- Nov. 7
8:27 a.m., fire alarm, Fike, CUFD
- 5:31 p.m., fire alarm, College Avenue, CUFD

Ten Thousand Villages opens market on campus

International Arts and Crafts Festival comes to the Hendrix Center and the Union.

CAROLINE RASH
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Next week, Clemson students and faculty can find a variety of hand-crafted gifts and decorations from more than 30 different countries in the Hendrix Student Center and the Union Loggia.

Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 15 through Nov. 16, the Gantt Intercultural Center and Americans for Informed Democracy (AID) will host a Ten Thousand Villages Festival.

The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. the first day and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the second day.

Ten Thousand Villages (TTV) is an organization based on fair trade principles that offers gifts, handcrafted jewelry and home décor with an international flair at more stores and festivals in the United States and Canada.

A few specific examples of the products are folk art, ceramics, textiles, baskets and musical instruments.

All of the products are crafted by underemployed workers in developing countries, bought by TTV and then sold to customers in North America.

TTV gives the workers up to a 50 percent advance, and then follows up with a payment in full after shipping.

"We will send our children to school with our earnings," Maya Halder, a palm leaf star garland craftswoman of Agulphara, Bangladesh said. "Also, we are able to purchase our food and clothing. From our profits, we plow our gardens and cultivate crops, we repair our houses and plant trees."

After the initial purchase, TTV continues to buy goods from individuals or groups of artisans and remains involved with the help of local nonprofit organizations.

Many of these organizations are brought together by the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), of which TTV is a member. MCC provides volunteers who form both relationships with the artisans and networking opportunities of fair trade.

What does fair trade mean? Ten Thousand Villages is a member of the International Fair Trade Association (IFAT), an organization that promotes the following fair trade principles: creating opportunities for economically disadvantaged producers, transparency and accountability, capacity building, payment of a fair price, gender equality, good working conditions and care for the environment.

The Clemson festival is not a fundraiser for any campus group; the proceeds, aside from small overhead costs, go to buy more handcrafts from artisans.

"This festival will be a great place to buy unique Christmas presents," said Emily Burchfield, president of Americans for Informed Democracy. "The best thing is that all of the artisans who make products for Ten Thousand Villages are paid a fair wage for their work. We'll have all kinds of stuff, from jewelry to musical instruments."

Artisans from Latin America, South and East Asia, Africa and the Middle East have been working with Ten Thousand Villages since 1946; this tradition of stable relationships has contributed to TTV's present growth into more than 160 stores.

"India is not to be found in its few cities but in the 700,000 village," said Mahatma Gandhi, in the quote that inspired the naming of Ten Thousand Villages.

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LSAT: New sections create challenges

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The LSAC believed this change would provide a better demonstration of a candidate's writing capabilities. Despite the reasoning behind updating of the test, the LSAC has decided to revert back to the one prompt writing sample.

In June 2007, only the decision prompt will be assigned to students, the argument prompt indefinitely eliminated.

The question is posed as to why the LSAC would alter its form of testing.

Ben Baron, the Vice President of Graduate Programs at Kaplan, Inc. explains that the LSAC is always looking to improve its testing methods.

Alterations in the test are made to better illustrate the extent of knowledge a test taker and improving the test allows law schools to have a more informed final decision on an applicant.

The changes appear simple, but any small alteration could make the difference in admittance or rejection by a law school.

The new section of reading comprehension could alter an LSAT score three to six points on a final grade scale of 120 to 180 points.

Baron explains that for some students, it could be very significant.

Most law schools base admissions on only GPA, LSAT scores and the poten-

tial candidate's application.

Professor Joseph Stewart, Political Science Department Chair sees this change as a chance to refine two important areas: facility of language and analytical capabilities.

"I expect the LSAC will produce some examples of the new types of questions, and as long as students are not surprised by the new format, the change should not lead to meaningful changes in scores," said Professor Stewart.

Fortunately for students, there are ways to study that can prepare one for the new changes in the LSAT.

The LSAC website will be posting practice tests and materials for those new sections of the test.

"In terms of preparation, students should continue doing what they should be doing now," Professor Grisinger, Pre-Law advisor suggests.

"Reading well-written books and articles on a variety of subjects, and thinking critically about them."

"Students should probably plan to take the LSAT whenever it makes the most sense for them," Grisinger said.

"Usually at a point where they feel they can spend two months or so ahead of time preparing."

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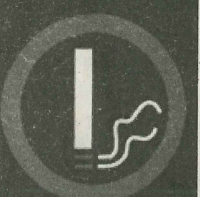
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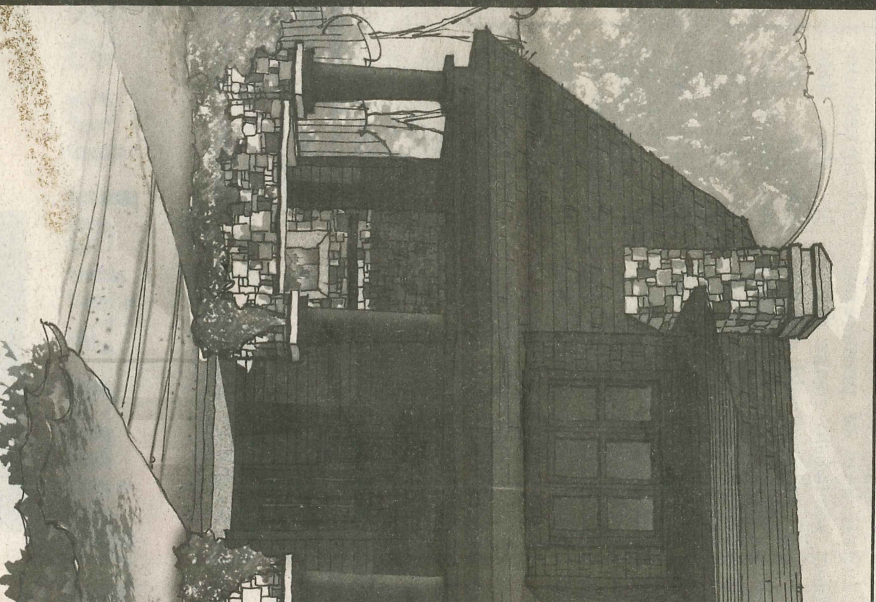
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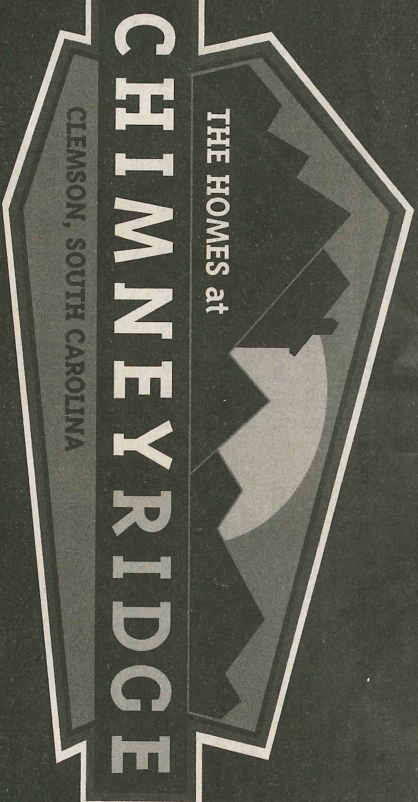
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PERSPECTIVES

Voters constitutionalize prejudice

On Tuesday, South Carolina voted to make same-sex marriage unconstitutional. "Marriage" will now be constitutionally defined as a union between a man and a woman. On the surface, this clarification seems hardly necessary; homosexual marriage is already illegal in the state. Proponents of the amendment, however, feel that the vote was essential to safeguard the status quo against any "activist" judges that may serve in the future. By passing the amendment, South Carolina has further secured the safety of institutionalized discrimination against other-wise constitutionally appropriate government actions.

If the amendment had not passed, South Carolina's existing laws would not have changed. Had voters not supported the amendment, homosexual couples would be no closer to legal marriage, benefits or recognition in the state. Tuesday simply instilled contemporary sentiments with a certain level of permanence. Voters wanted to ensure that a "radical" judge would not rule existing laws against homosexual unions as being unconstitutional.

The fact that such action was deemed necessary presents several problems. The judicial branch exists in order to maintain an adequate system of checks and balances; attempting to cut judges out of decision-making processes is contrary to the nature of American government. Put simply, there is a reason judges are able to assess the constitutionality of laws and it is highly improbable that South Carolina will appoint a judge who would be so rashly "radical" as to remove laws without reason anytime in the foreseeable future.

Perhaps more troubling is the fact that South Carolina felt that its



laws against homosexual unions were so potentially unconstitutional that voters were compelled to protect the policy by actually changing the State Constitution to accommodate the laws. This circumvention of the state judiciary carries the distinct implication that voters fear the laws may be abolished if judiciously evaluated by the pre-amendment Constitution.

Legislating the nature of marriage is overstepping governmental bounds. The separation of church and state is a fundamental element of American society. Homosexuality is viewed as sinful by several world religions and same-sex marriages are disallowed in their

THE ISSUE
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MAKING SAME-SEX UNIONS UNCONSTITUTIONAL IS INSTITUTIONALIZED DISCRIMINATION.

churches. The government can not limit these churches' teachings on the matter so long as they do not incite violence, disturb the public or cause harm to homosexuals. The government does not have the right to either force or disallow churches to marry homosexuals; doing so would be a breach of the separation between church and state. If a religion chooses to deny homosexual marital rights within their church, it has every right to do so without intervention. The government, however, must be separated from these beliefs. Churches and private institutions are not bound by the same obligations of equality as the gov-

ernment. Same-sex unions do no harm to society and are therefore not criminal acts. The only arguments against homosexual marriages stem from cultural discrimination or religious/moral beliefs. The government should do its best to dispel such discrimination and to be separated from any particular religious affiliation.

Laws denying civil marriages between African-Americans or Filipinos, for instance, would be immediately condemned as discriminatory, yet laws prohibiting homosexual unions exist because personal biases and beliefs have been allowed to permeate the government. Denying homosexuals the same rights afforded all other citizens impresses personal values onto society as a whole.

The amendment was passed under the guise of protecting the sanctity of traditional marriage. In a society where studies indicate a nearly 50 percent divorce rate, one is called to question what exactly is being protected. In a civil sense, marriage is hardly a sacred institution anymore. Opening civil marriages to homosexuals would not harm the institution of marriage more than heterosexual failures already have. Sadly, the amendment will likely be more successful at perpetuating ignorance and intolerance than protecting traditional marriage.

South Carolina has forgotten that its Constitution is the foundation of government, not a tool to further personal agendas or to beat the system and exempt laws from judicial review.

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Constitutional amendment forcing people to get married

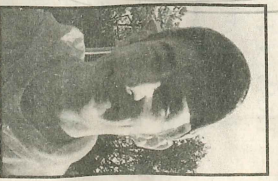
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Should same-sex marriages be unconstitutional?



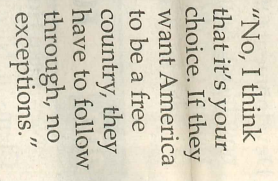
Heather Dover
agriculture education senior

"Yes, I think the country was founded on certain laws and that was one of them. We should stick to as many of those laws as possible."



Crosby Livingston
biological sciences freshman

"No, I think that it's your choice. If they want America to be a free country, they have to follow through, no exceptions."



Norabeth Brown
nursing freshman



Mandy Duty
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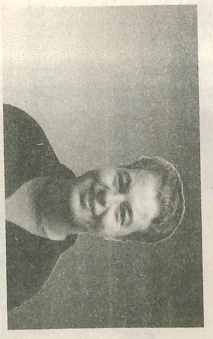
Dianna Alzate
architecture freshman

"No, because I believe that any two people who love each other should be married. I also believe in separation in church and state."



Alex Bushroe
communications sophomore

China vital to success of U.S. diplomacy



BRANDON HATHAWAY
Columnist

The most unpredictable member of the Axis of Evil has threatened invasion of its southern neighbor if it participates in sanctions against its nuclear ambitions. North Korea has tested a nuclear device and has also toyed with the possibility of detonating a second, which adds urgency to the desire to prevent Kim Jong-Il from successfully weaponizing his nuclear materials.

South Korea's recently engaging policy towards the North has added some complications to the political landscape because while they obviously don't like the prospect of a madman across their border, they also see an untapped market for their goods in addition to the nationalistic hopes of eventual reunification. United States policy is governed by its military, political and economic alliances with South Korea and Japan, and its complicated relationship with China.

China, of course, is the key to the whole problem. North Korea has been considered a sort of satellite state of the People's Republic of China, similar to the relationship between Cuba and Russia while the Soviet Union was

in place. This is more and more appearing to not be the case. North Korea is acting far more independently than any of the Soviet States would have. The primary cause for this leeway is that Kim is crazy enough to attack large population centers or military targets to make his removal from power very costly. If his regime were to collapse, a huge migration of refugees would run for the Chinese and South Korean borders, something that no country involved particularly wants.

There is no doubt, however, that China has the military and economic power necessary to control Kim. North Korea is heavily dependent upon China for energy and food resources. It is merely a lack of political will, largely because of the refugee problem and the advantage it gives the Chinese government by having a vocal anti-American player in the region. China is now a serious economic world power and cannot get away with the anti-American rhetoric that North Korea can, since trade is so critical to both sides of the China-U.S. relationship. The best way for the United States to control the North Korean nuclear proliferation is to put pressure on China. The good news is there are a lot of ways to do this. As a nation grows in economic influence, so does its dependence on other nations; that is the biggest reason why the United States needs to be nice to smaller countries — so they will continue to buy Big Maes and Jessica Simpson albums. China needs access to U.S. markets.

There are also lingering issues of resentment from World War II involving Japan, official visitation of shrines that memorialize war criminals involved in the Rape of Nanking, and the treatment of history in textbooks all aggravate the uneasy relationship between China and Japan. The United States could offer to pressure Japan to resolve those issues. Neither of these would be particularly difficult to implement.

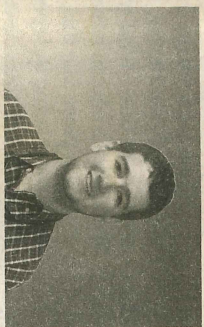
There are other avenues of influence that would be more serious. The United States is already an arms partner with South Korea, Japan and Taiwan, but none of those countries possess nuclear weapons. Providing such weapons to any of them would definitely be a strategic failure for the PRC.

The bad news, though, is that the United States also needs the Chinese markets and foreign investments. Economic slowdown could potentially result if we take any of these threats too far and the Chinese leadership is sufficiently offended. Possible shortfalls of heavy handed Chinese influence that would be required, though, could still result in a flood of refugees or even missile launches against China. To assuage China's fears in this regard, the United States should offer relief to China for the refugees and military support to limit the damage of possible missile launches and also further trade benefits. In so doing, we will be working to bring long term stability to the region, improving security of Americans, Koreans, Chinese and Japanese and also accelerating market reforms in the PRC.

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COMMENTARY

Book examines societal ideas



BRANDON JONES

Columnist

For a lot of us, "The spin stops here!" is an all too familiar line. It is the sign-off of the infamous Bill O'Reilly on his popular show, The O'Reilly Factor. Now, I know what some of you are thinking — a column on O'Reilly, why bother? This is not about his controversial show or even about his push for Jessica's Law. This is my review of his latest book, "Culture Warrior," which looks into the rise of Secular-Progressivism and calls on Traditionalists to recognize the problem and overcome.

O'Reilly is definitely an important figure in today's media. He has been in the business for more than 30 years, winning two Emmys for excellence in reporting. O'Reilly has certainly made a lot of people upset in the past and can sometimes be unfair on his program. Nevertheless, he is a champion for traditionalist thinking.

In "Culture Warrior," O'Reilly explains how the principles on which the United States were founded on have been under attack by Secular-Progressives that pervade the media, government and interest groups. O'Reilly says that the days of honesty, selflessness and respect for Judeo-Christian philosophy are over. We are beginning to see America transformed into a society bent on "what people can do for me." Through income distribution and government interference, America is slowly but surely becoming a socialist society. O'Reilly also takes a look at the past and asks what the founding fathers might think of America if they were alive today. Quite frankly, they would be appalled. Men like Thomas Jefferson, James Madison and Alexander Hamilton would have been shocked at our dire situation.

"Culture Warrior" explains that the idea of private property has been distorted from the Constitutional ideal. America has seen, through the Kelo case and others, that government has the power to take away someone's land for "public

interest." In a nutshell, O'Reilly thinks that is bologna. Our right to private property has dwindled to nearly nothing.

This book also delves into the fact that Secular-Progressives have skewed perspectives of religion (specifically Christianity) on a grand scale in recent years. Have you ever wondered why there was so much upheaval because of the cartoons that depicted Allah as a terrorist, but there was basically no mention of countless cartoons depicting Jesus just as offensively? O'Reilly also talks about how the New York Times refused to print the cartoons of Allah. However, according to O'Reilly, "in a sidebar article explaining the power of visual images, the Times printed a picture of Mary, the mother of Jesus, covered with dung." Where is the justification for that? O'Reilly goes on to write, "the Times had previously supported the exposition of a play called Corpus Christi that featured a gay, noncelibate Jesus. The paper called people objecting to the play enemies of 'artistic expression.'" It can be safely said that the Secular-Progressive vision of religion is out of whack!

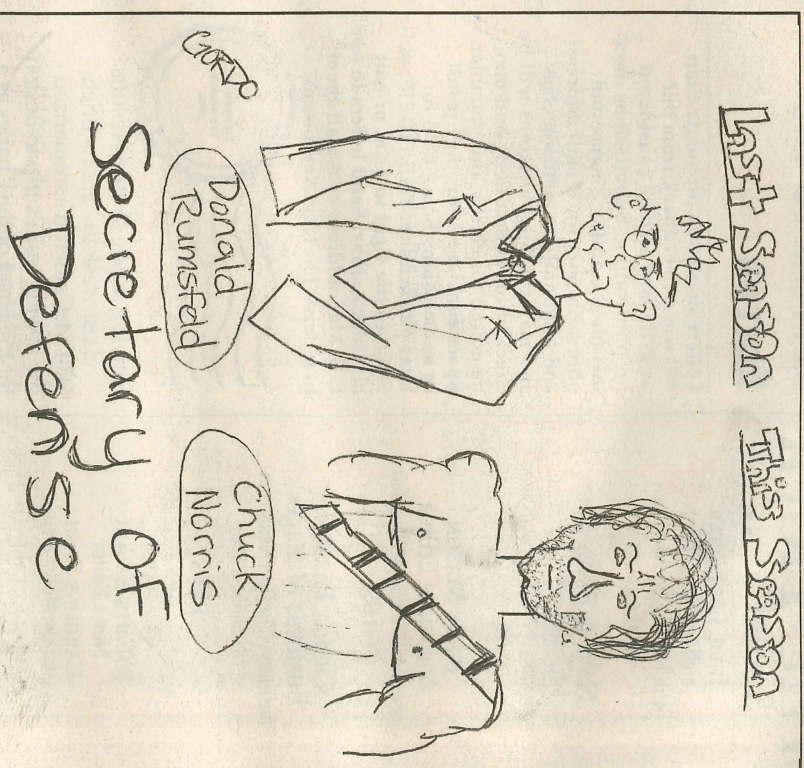
O'Reilly ends his book on a lighter note, giving the Traditionalists of America a call to action against the forces of Secular-Progressivism. In it, he explains how the citizens of this country need to revive the basic principles our nation was founded upon — life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

He lays out a 10-point plan advising Traditionalist thinkers to "Keep your promises, Focus on other people, not yourself, see the world the way it is, not the way you want it to be, understand and respect Judeo-Christian philosophy, respect the nobility of America, allow yourself to make fact-based judgments, respect and defend private property, develop mental toughness, defend the weak and vulnerable, and engage the secular-progressive opposition in a straight-forward and honest manner."

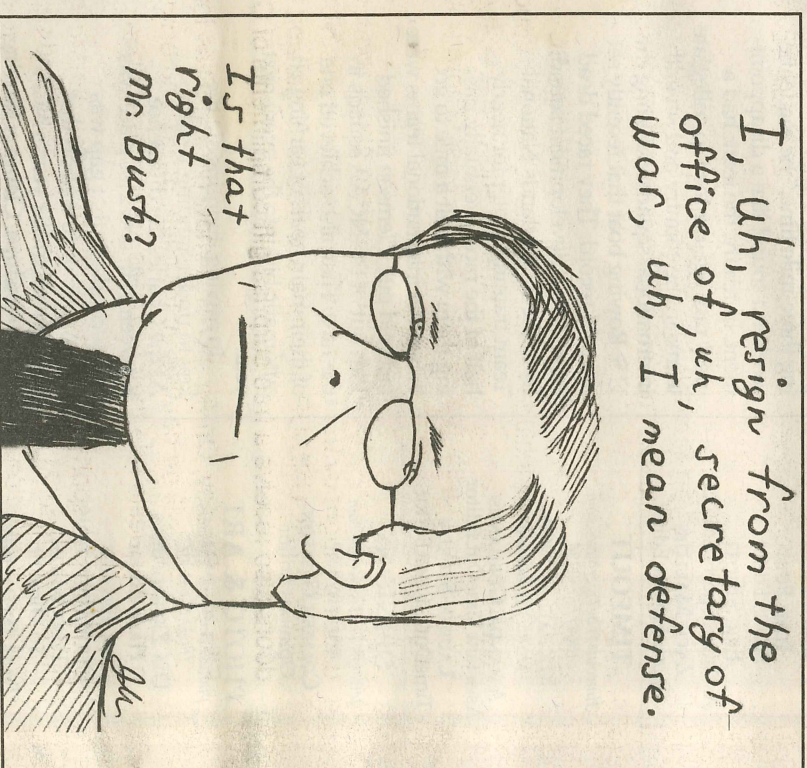
O'Reilly's new book is certainly a must read for Traditionalists and Secular-Progressives alike. With such short space, I have not done this book justice. It is an amazing read and a convincing look at American society today.

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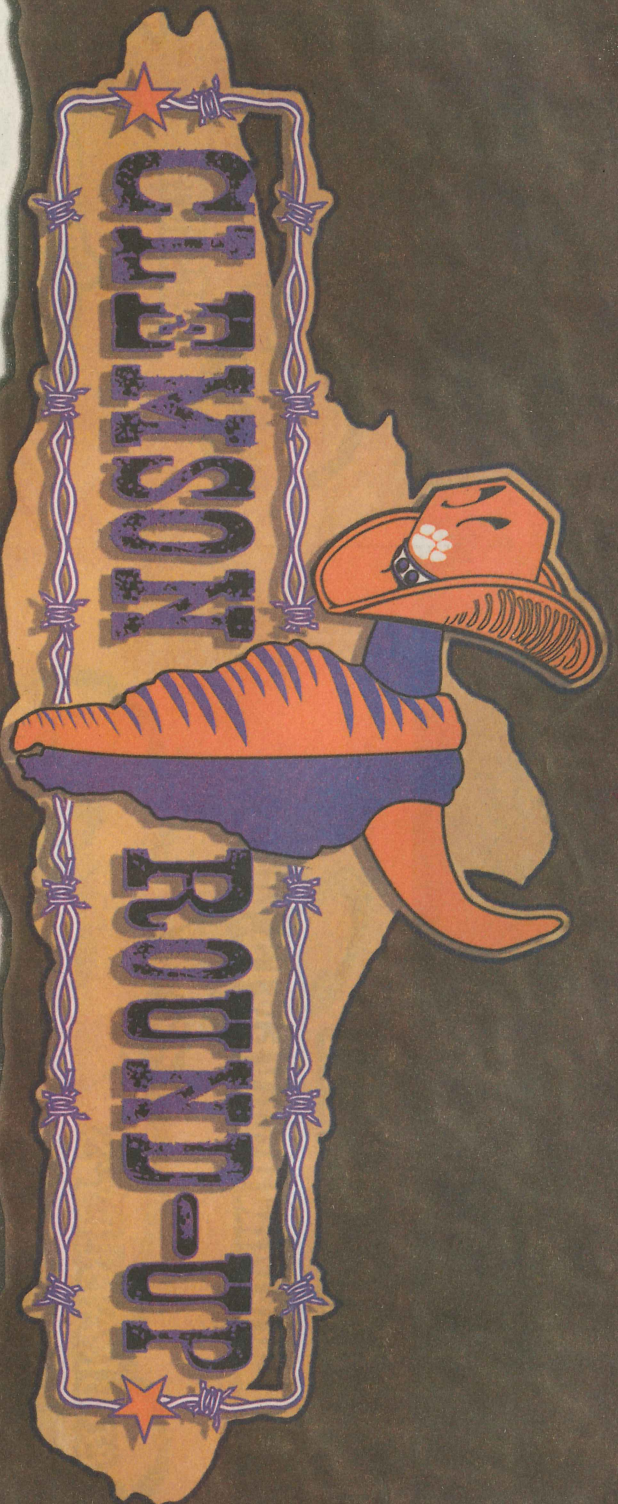
- Radio personality Rush Limbaugh poked fun at Michael J. Fox for his "uncontrollable shaking." Fox suffers from Parkinsons' Disease. 
- A West Virginia man painted a park bridge pink for breast cancer awareness. The mayor will allow the color to remain temporarily. 
- No good deed goes unpunished: A Florida woman attempting to return a found cell phone was carjacked by the phone's owner. 
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- Contributing to America's obesity problem, a Dallas man has created "fried cola." The mix of cola, syrup and strawberries is now for sale. 
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Sponsored in part by CLEMSONLIVE, WSSLWESC and TigerPaw Productions, the first ever Clemson ROUND-UP will include Country Western events throughout Littlejohn Coliseum. The theme is Western Night-Life and fans are encouraged to show up and show-off by getting into the spirit of the evening and decking out in hats, boots and western wear. There will even be a "Belt Buckle Contest," with prizes for the largest and most original belt buckles.

Other events include an old-time Western photo booth complete with props, costumes and backdrops, line dancing taught by the Clemson Dancers, mechanical bull riding and rodeo-roping demonstrations and games. All ROUND-UP activities are free to Sugarland ticket holders. The first thousand people in the doors also receive a free surprise gift compliments of CLEMSONLIVE and WSSL.

Ellis and Bradley, On-Air morning show personalities for WSSL, are hosting the GOYA chili cook-off. Local competition will be heating up for cash, prizes and bragging rights. Free samples will be available from 5 - 6 p.m. and guests rate their favorites to pick the winner.

Budweiser is sponsoring a beer tasting booth offering five free samples of their premium and seasonal brews for those 21 and older with valid ID. Beer and wine will also be available for purchase throughout the event. Littlejohn Coliseum patrons are expected to drink responsibly, Budweiser provides prizes and incentives to encourage patrons to utilize the Sound Attitudes Designated Driver program.

The ROUND-UP will begin at 5 PM and will last until the Sugarland concert at 7:30 PM. "We want to "round-up" country music fans new and old and everyone ready to have a good time from all over the Upstate for a wild Sunday night in Clemson," said Megan Masser, CLEMSONLIVE Events Director.

Sugarland released their much anticipated sophomore CD, *Enjoy the Ride* on Nov 7th, and early reports are that it is smoking hot. Their debut CD, *Twice the Speed of Life*, is the longest running country album currently on the Billboard TOP 200 Charts for 92 weeks and certified double platinum. Sugarland will be a featured artist on CMA awards and *Good Morning America* this week. The group was nominated for Vocal Group of the Year, Horizon Award and Musical Event of the Year for Jennifer Nettles' duet with Bon Jovi, "Who Says You Can't Go Home," at this year's CMA Awards.

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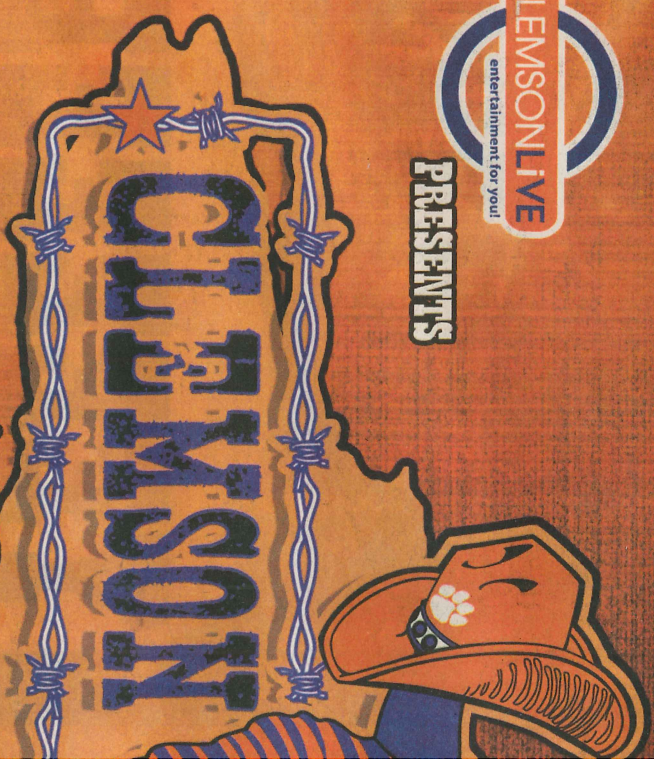
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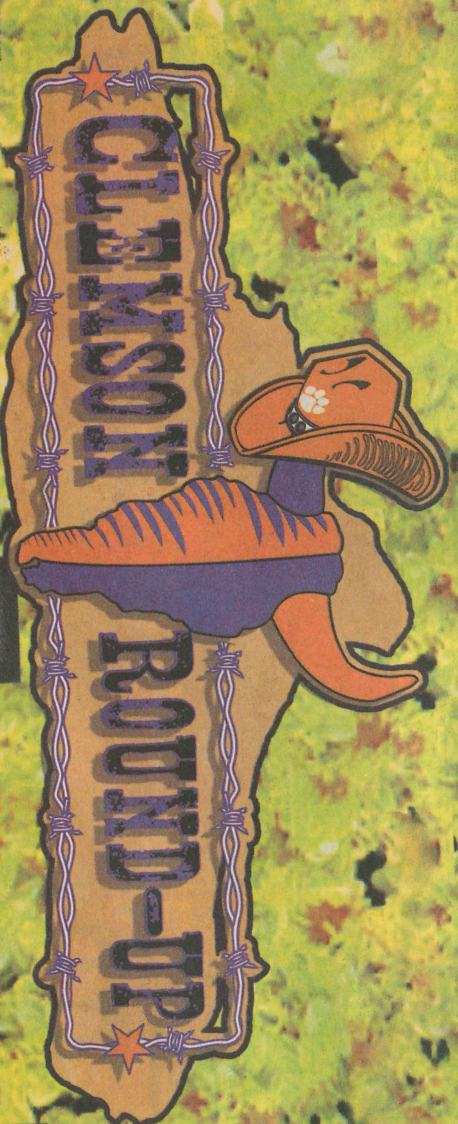
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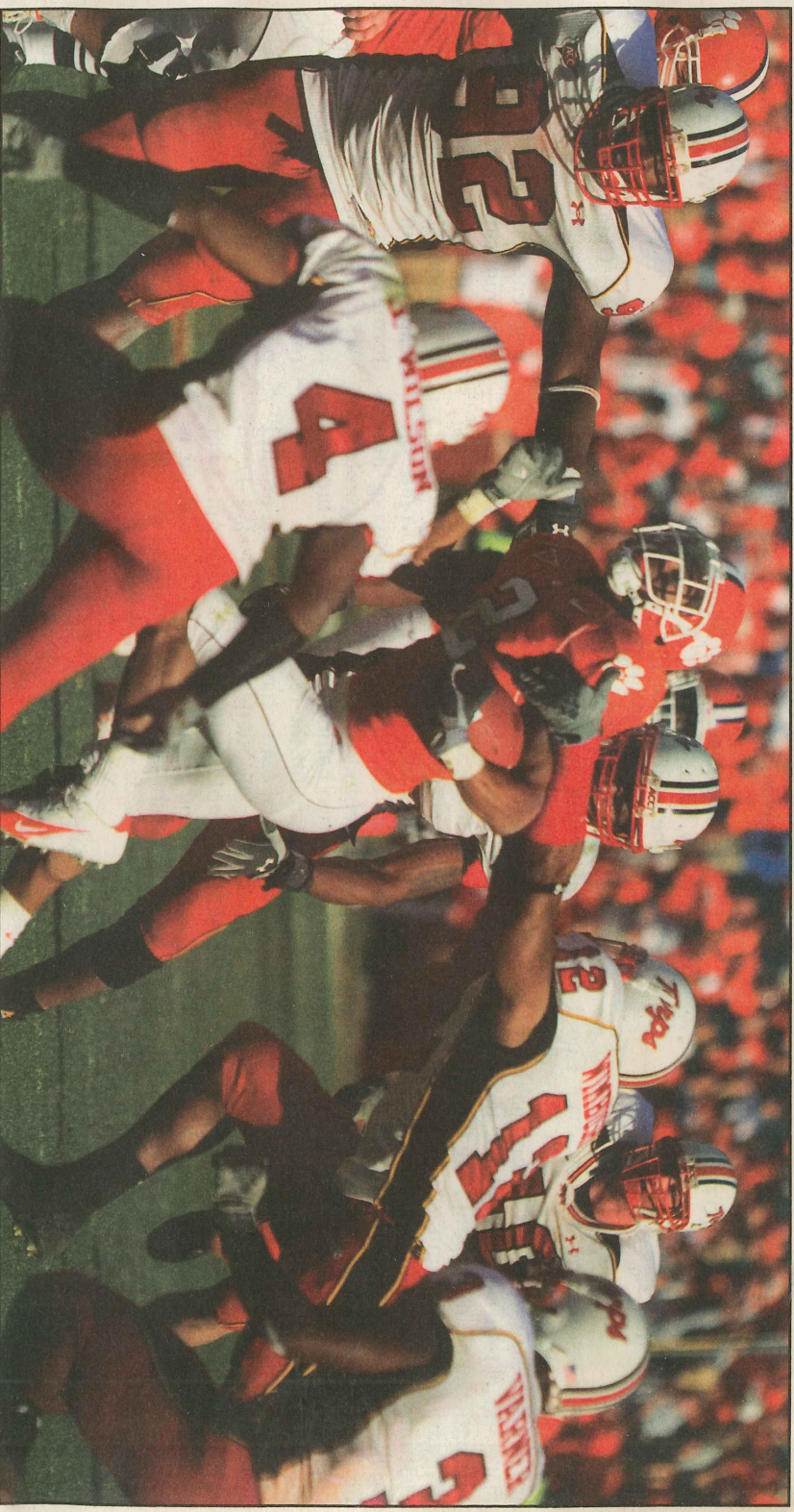
Ennis, Terrapins give Tigers the boot

Senior placekicker kicks game-winning 31-yard field goal as time expires.

ALAN SMITH
STAFF WRITER

With all remaining ACC Championship hopes on the line, the Clemson Tigers were dealt a crushing 13-12 loss to Maryland last weekend. Daniel Ennis kicked the game-winning 31-yard field goal for the Terrapins with no time remaining to stun the home crowd in Death Valley and end the Tigers' once promising chances of playing in the ACC Championship game.

Clemson's running game was held in check for the second straight week and the offense was unable to find the end zone, with Jad Dean kicking four field goals instead. However, it appeared as if the Tigers (7-3, 4-3 ACC) would be able to pull out the victory on their final drive after a bizarre series of events. With 7:27 left in the game and Maryland (7-2, 4-1 ACC) leading 10-9, Clemson started a drive at their own 10 yard line. During the first play, Will Proctor ran the ball up the middle to try to pick up the first down. As Proctor



BOTTLED TIGER: Maryland defenders surround Clemson wide receiver Chansi Stuckey in last Saturday's last-second Terp win.

was taken down, Maryland linebacker Erin Henderson stripped the ball, which rolled all the way back to the goal line. As the ball crossed the goal line, C.J. Spiller dove on it in the end zone and Maryland was initially rewarded with a safety. However, the officials reviewed the play and deter-

mined that Spiller was down about six inches outside of the end zone, and the safety was overturned.

Clemson still appeared to be in trouble facing a third and 19 at their own one yard line, but Proctor hit a wide-open Thomas Hunter down the middle with a pass, who ran it

all the way to the Maryland 28 for a 71 yard gain. The Tigers continued to move the ball, setting up a first and goal from the Maryland five. Two plays later, James Davis ran the ball in for a four yard touchdown, but Clemson was hit with a devastating illegal procedure penalty. The Tigers only had 10 players

on the field, so the touchdown was taken away. Clemson had to settle for a field goal as a result, but this one gave the Tigers a 12-10 lead with 2:25 remaining.

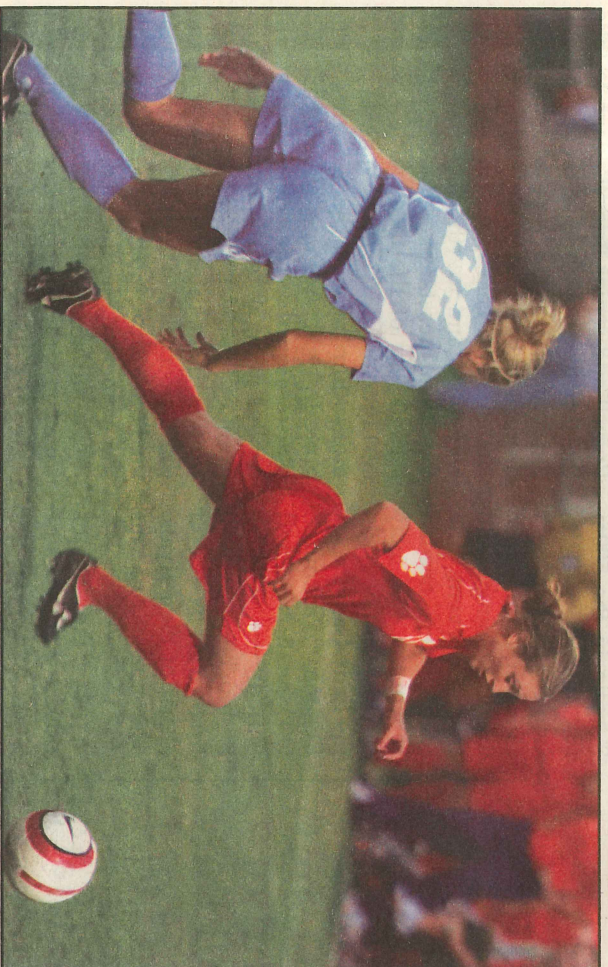
Maryland began the final drive at their own 34 after a

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Soccer teams earn home field in NCAA Tournament

Men open Wednesday against winner of GW-LIAB, women host Lady Commodores tonight.

JOSH FORT
SPORTS EDITOR



BRIAN SCHNEIDER/SAIF

Despite falling to Virginia 2-0 in the quarterfinals of the ACC Men's Soccer Tournament, the Clemson Tigers' season is still alive. The Tigers (14-4-2) received a bid to play in the NCAA Tournament on Monday, for the 26th time in the program's history.

Clemson was given a ninth-seed in the 48-team tournament and received a bye through the first round. Only the Top-16 teams are seeded and all of those teams receive first-round byes. This is the ninth time in his 11 years at Clemson that head coach Trevor Adair has led the Tigers to the NCAA Tournament. Last year the Tigers made it to the Final Four and finished the season ranked third in the country.

The ACC flexed its muscle in the NCAA's selections once again this year as seven conference teams were selected including Duke (one-seed), Wake Forest (two-seed), Virginia (four-seed), Maryland (five-seed), North Carolina (14-seed) and Virginia Tech (unseeded). Leading the team offensively this year are international seniors Dane Richards and Frederico Moojen. Richards, a native of Montego Bay, Jamaica, has 10 goals and eight assists for Clemson this year, for a total of 28 points. Richard's 28 points over the Tigers' 20 games gives him a 1.56 ppg average. That average ranks 22nd in the country.

Keeping pace with Richards is Moojen who has 10 goals and two assists for 22 points this season. The economics major from Bahneario, Brazil transferred to Clemson from Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tenn. While at Lincoln Memorial, Moojen was 2004 and 2005 Gulf South Conference Player of the Year.

The Lady Tigers' soccer team has also been chosen as a host for the NCAA Tournament this weekend following a 3-0 loss in the ACC Tournament semifinals match to eventual champion North Carolina.

This will be the program's 13th appearance in the NCAA Tournament, which matches the number of years that Clemson has fielded a women's soccer program. This also marks the eighth time that they have hosted the Tournament at historic Riggs Field.

If Clemson (11-7-2) is able to advance see **NCAA**, page C3

TIGER SCHEDULE

FRIDAY 11/10

Women's Basketball
vs. Arkansas — Clemson,
S.C. — 7 p.m.

Volleyball
at North Carolina — Chapel
Hill, N.C. — 7 p.m.

Women's Soccer
vs. Vanderbilt — Clemson,
S.C. — 7:30 p.m.

Men's Basketball

vs. Arkansas State —
Norfolk, Va. — 9 p.m.

Women's Tennis
at Miami Invitational
— Miami, Fla. — All Day

SATURDAY 11/11

Football
vs. NC State — Clemson,
S.C. — Noon

Volleyball
at NC State — Raleigh, N.C.
— 6 p.m.

Men's Basketball
vs. Mommouth — Norfolk,
Va. — 6:30 p.m.

Women's Tennis

at Miami Invitational
— Miami, Fla. — All Day

Men's Track
at Southeast Regional
Championships —
Louisville, Ky. — TBA

Women's Track
at NCAA Regionals —
Louisville, Ky. — TBA

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Tigers look to bounce back against Wolfpack at home

Clemson tries to find a cure for offensive woes while searching for an end to two-game losing streak.

ERIC SPROTT

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

After a resounding victory over Georgia Tech on homecoming three weeks ago, dreams of Clemson's first ACC Championship in 15 years and a return to the site of the school's lone national championship, the Orange Bowl, ran rampant across campus.

It may be fair to say that everyone, including the team, began to buy into the hype, writing off the remaining four games as just pit stops along the road to Jacksonville and Miami. All of that has changed now, as the Tigers have looked pitiful in consecutive losses to Virginia Tech and Maryland.

Clemson (7-3, 4-3 ACC) will have a chance to get back on the winning track against NC State at home tomorrow. The Wolfpack have yet to win on the road this season in three tries, and are currently suffering through a four game losing streak. Despite the losses, NC State has been competitive down the stretch, losing those four games by a total of 23 points.

For the Tigers, the biggest problem over the last two games has been the anemic offense, which hasn't scored a touchdown since the first quarter of the Virginia Tech game. James Davis and C.J. Spiller have been held in check for the most part, and quarterback Will Proctor has regressed dramatically after his steady play earlier in the year.

Proctor completed several big passes in last week's loss to Maryland but looked unsure of himself for most of the contest. His poise has been way down the past two games, and

many fans have been calling for his backup, Cullen Harper, to relieve the senior. However, head coach Tommy Bowden has been adamant about sticking with Proctor, emphasizing that the senior gives the Tigers their best chance to win.

On the bright side, the Tigers' defense has been every bit as solid as Howard's Rock this season. The unit ranks 10th in the nation in scoring defense (13.7 PPG) and 11th in total defense (247 YPG). All of that has been accomplished despite numerous injuries this season, which speaks volumes for the outstanding depth of the squad.

Senior Gaines Adams recorded a sack for the eighth consecutive game against the Terps, extending his already impressive school record. That sack also moved him into third place on the Clemson all-time sacks list, leaving him only one behind William "The Refrigerator" Perry and two behind the other Perry brother, Michael Dean, for the record.

The special teams have really come around in recent weeks, with place-kicker Jad Dean making nine of his 10 field goal attempts over the last seven games. Punter Cole Chason is also having an impressive senior season, averaging 41.4 yards per punt which is fifth-best in the ACC.

NC State (3-6, 2-4 ACC) has had their share of success this season with victories over Boston College and Florida State but has also struggled at times as evidenced by a loss to the lowly Akron Zips early in the year.

The Wolfpack should test the Tiger secondary often this week, as leading rusher Andre Brown has struggled in the Pack's last two games. In their 31-23 loss to Georgia Tech last week, quarterback Daniel Evans attempted a whopping 53 passes, completing 21 of them for 270 yards.

Tomorrow's game is scheduled for a noon kickoff and will be televised by the Lincoln Financial Network.

Basketball teams set to open season

Men play in tournament this weekend in Virginia, women host Arkansas tonight.

HOKÉ HILL

STAFF WRITER

The Clemson Men's basketball team will open the season in Norfolk, Va., this weekend as a part of the Cox Communications Classic. The event is being hosted by Old Dominion University and will feature a four-team round-robin format. The Tigers will face Arkansas State at 9 p.m. tonight, Monmouth at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow and Old Dominion at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday.

The game will be a trip home for head coach Oliver Purnell. Purnell played point guard for the Monarchs when they won the 1975 Division II National Championship and is a member of the Old Dominion University Sports Hall of Fame. The Monarchs, coming off a 24-10 season in which they reached the NIT semifinals, will provide the toughest challenge for the Tigers this weekend.

Clemson has a strong team this year despite the loss of seniors Akin Akingbala, Steve Allen and Shawan Robinson. Junior guard Vernon Hamilton and sophomore Cliff Hammonds will lead the team as captains for the 2006-07 sea-

son. The team will also benefit

from the return of junior James Mays from ineptibility last season. The Tigers have added a strong squad of freshman that will make an immediate impact this season. Trevor Booker and Karolis Petrunkonis will contribute in the post as a bruising rookie frontcourt duo. Forwards David Potter, Travis Price and A.J. Tyler will also see playing time as freshmen in the backcourt.

The Tigers will open their home season at Littlejohn Coliseum next Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. against the Furman Paladins.

The Lady Tiger basketball team will be opening their season today as well, facing Arkansas at 7 p.m. at home. This will be the second season for head coach Christy McKinney after finishing 8-21 overall last season. Carrie Whitehurst will return as the only senior on an extremely young team. Christy Brown, D'Leshia Lloyd, and Tasha Taylor return as part of a strong guard set, and freshman Lele Hardy will make an immediate impact at the forward position. Starting at center is Adrienne Bradshaw, a 6'4" junior who averaged almost six points a game coming off of the bench last season.

The Lady Tigers will play two other home games in the upcoming week, against College of Charleston on Monday and Chattanooga on Thursday. Both games will start at 7 p.m.

Clemson swimming and diving team beats Gamecocks

Both men's and women's teams take down South Carolina in Columbia for the first time in four years.

SARAH PORRI

STAFF WRITER

After a long day of hard fought racing, it all comes down to the last event.

That was the case as the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving teams faced off against intrastate rivals, the University of South Carolina Gamecocks.

The Gamecocks were fresh off a win against 18th ranked Kentucky, and the Lady Gamecocks were looking for a win after losing to both Tennessee and Kentucky. The Tigers went into the meet confident after defeating both Penn State and Virginia Tech, and the Lady Tigers were also looking for a win after losing to Penn State and Virginia Tech the previous weekend. This was the first time in four years Clemson was able to put the Gamecocks in their place on both the men's and women's side.

"I have friends that don't know a lot about swimming, but at the end of the year all they ask is 'How did you do against Carolina?' That's the rivalry," senior captain Jay Crout said of the Gamecocks.

The meet started off very tight as the Tigers and Gamecocks traded wins on both the men's and women's side. For the women, the Lady Tigers looked to their depth to even the score when the Lady Gamecocks won an event. This proved valuable as the Lady Tigers were able to take second and third in the opening medley relay. The relay of Ashley Clay, Alex Barasanti, Jen Grove and Rachel Regone took second with their teammates Sarah Ceflau, Katrina Obas, Mary Paulson and Lauren Sindall coming in less than a half second behind. After the excitement of the relay's, the

Lady Tigers sent out sophomores Cassy LaRussa and Summer O'Donnell for the 1000m freestyle. LaRussa and O'Donnell placed first and second, respectively, a full three seconds in front of the field.

"On the women's side, we are extremely young," Coach Chris Ip said of the Lady Tigers. "Our upperclassmen have really taken control and educated our youngsters quickly. Our freshmen and sophomores

have really adapted and learned what the ACC and SEC are all about and how fast they have to swim during the season."

Other highlights from the meet included a 1-2-3 punch in the 100m backstroke as sophomore Michelle Parkhurst, Clay and senior captain Mary Paulson took the top three positions away from the Lady Gamecocks. This was Parkhurst's second win, as she took the top spot in the 200m freestyle with teammate LaRussa taking third after swimming back-to-back events. Parkhurst's third win came in the 200m backstroke as she and teammate Clay took over the top two positions. In

the sprint freestyles, sophomore Rachel Regone took first with a time of 23.52 seconds and teammate Sindall placed third with a time of 24.34 seconds. Senior Kallie Deters came in fourth for the Lady Tigers, adding to the overall depth of this young team. Regone and Sindall went on to place first and third again, this time in the 100m freestyle. In the butterfly events, the Lady

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Jay Crout
Senior Captain

Mark Vahle teamed up to win the 200m medley relay. Junior Sean Geary posted a season best time of 9:30.39 in the 1000m freestyle with a second place finish. Crout, senior Joel Johnson, and junior Taylor Thompson took first, second, and fourth for the Tigers in the 100m backstroke. This depth was also equal in the 100m breaststroke as Ruzsaka, junior Andy Bergen, and Patrick Raisor placed

second thru fourth for the Tigers.

"On the men's side, we are the opposite. We have a really strong group of upperclassmen that have taken hold of the team, and everyone's been able to follow very easily," Coach Ip said of his Men's Tiger team.

The Tigers also had their 1-2-3 blow to the Gamecocks in the 50m freestyle. Vahle teamed up with junior Stephen Russell and senior Brian Regone to take the top three spots. Freshmen Thomas Recko touched the wall two one-hundredths out of first place, but had Matt Angelini and Thompson backing him up with third and fourth place finishes. In the 200m breaststroke, Ruzsaka took his second win of the meet with a season best time of 2:03.71. Mark Vahle kept this momentum alive as he won his 100m butterfly with freshmen Jason Chatlosh placing fourth. The Tigers were still behind going into the final individual event of the meet. Ruzsaka came through for the Tigers, catching and out touching the Gamecocks in the 200m individual medley with a time of 1:51.52. As with the women's side, the men's meet came down to the last relay. In order to win, Clemson had to be at least second and third. The Tigers stepped up and pulled through to edge out the Gamecocks 150-148.

"We pulled together as a whole Tiger team for the same cause and never backed down once," senior captain Sarah Ceflau said of her fellow Tigers. "I will never ever forget this win."

As for the rest of the season, things slow down for the Tigers. Next week, they head to the Nike Cup Invitational in Chapel Hill, N.C., where the men's team won just one year ago. As they look to the final dual meet fun in January, Coach Ip is hopeful:

"We are very pleased that second semester closer to ACC's, the majority of our meets are home. We will be able to showcase our talent in front of a home crowd. They are very comfortable here, swimming fast in our home pool."

Friday Fantasy Football Roundup

BUCKY BERLIN
STAFF WRITER

Can we indeed say that Peyton Manning is the best quarterback in the league now that he has beaten Tom Brady and the Patriots again this year? Maybe, but watch how easily that game is forgotten if the Colts don't win the Super Bowl this year. If you really care about comparisons that much, then fine, Manning played much better than Brady on Sunday. It would be kind of hard to argue with his two touchdowns against Brady's four interceptions, besides grossing 326 yards passing more than Brady's 201 yards on the exact same number of attempts.

What you should be more interested in is how the running back situation has played out in Indianapolis. Everyone, including myself, thought that the Bill Polian and the Colts made a huge mistake letting Edgerin James go to the Cardinals in the off-season, but comparatively speaking again, the 8-0 Colts have not been too bad off. Rookie Joseph Addai has 490 yards and two touchdowns, with Dominic Rhodes adding 312 yards and three touchdowns; and not to mention that Peyton Manning has been praising Addai's ability to pick up the pass protection scheme which was one thing that the Colts most feared about losing Edge. What about James? Down in Arizona, he has 516 yards and three touchdowns, but he only averages 2.8 yards a carry (compared to Addai's 4.7 yard average), and the Cardinals are 1-7.

Turnovers doomed the previously undefeated Chicago Bears against Joey Harrington and the Miami Dolphins (man that sounds strange!), and the same story was true again for the defending Super Bowl champion Steelers, who drop to 2-6 with their third straight loss. Statistically the Steelers are playing good football, but the turnover margin definitely seems to be the consistent factor in their uncharacteristically poor play.

The New Orleans Saints remain on top of the NFC

South, defeating Tampa Bay 31-14 in Week 9, with the pre-season favorite Panthers sitting in third place at 4-4. Carolina will look to regain momentum coming off their bye as they face Tampa Bay as well for the Monday night game. The Bears travel to New York to face the Giants in what will be another crucial NFC match-up.

Only one undefeated team remains heading into the Week 10 action.

QB

David Garrard — Jacksonville vs. Houston — Well, there is a quarterback controversy brewing in Jacksonville following Garrard's two victories in Byron Leftwich's absence due to injury. Head coach Jack Del Rio has projected Garrard as the starter this week against the Texans, which is great for fantasy owners who need to pick up a solid free agent for this week and possibly the next few weeks. Garrard completed 12 passes for 177 yards and three touchdowns in a 37-7 victory over the Titans last week, posting a 120.6 passer rating. Not bad for the fifth-year pro out of East Carolina who could find himself the permanent starter in Jacksonville or elsewhere next season. Another situation to watch is in Kansas City: Damon Huard has been playing quite well this season, leading the Chiefs to a 5-3 record in Trent Green's absence. Head coach Herm Edwards has yet to say what will happen upon Green's return, but he has stated that "The one thing you can never count on is chemistry on your football team, and that is very important."

Jon Kitna — Detroit vs. San Francisco — I have yet to mention Kitna this season, but after watching him throw for 321 yards and a touchdown en route to defeating the Falcons 30-14 on Sunday, I must admit I was impressed. His fantasy points have been in the double digits every week except the first, and he has a good matchup this week against San Francisco. Do I expect Detroit to make the playoffs? No, but that does not matter in fantasy; only

productivity and consistency do. Start Kitna this week against the 49ers.

Michael Vick — Atlanta vs. Cleveland — Two weeks ago I sung Vick's praises after his incredible play against Pittsburgh, and he followed up well in his victory over Cincinnati. He had a bit of a hiccup last week against Detroit, as previously mentioned, but his fantasy value puts him in third only to Donovan McNabb and Peyton Manning with 1,362 yards passing, 576 yards rushing and 13 total touchdowns. Pretty good company to be in, I would say. The Browns travel to the Georgia Dome this week and I expect Vick to find rhythm again at home.

RB

The Best of the Best: LT vs. LJ — This week I am devoting my running back section to the two best in the league: San Diego Chargers stud LaDainian Tomlinson and Kansas City Chiefs young gun Larry Johnson. They sit at numbers one and two, respectively, atop the running backs in the league in terms of total points. LT has 828 yards and 12 touchdowns on the ground with 323 yards receiving and two touchdowns through the air. He has even thrown for one touchdown. LJ has 816 yards and nine touchdowns on the ground, with 329 yards receiving and two touchdowns through the air. The stats aren't too different, although LT has four more touchdowns to his name. It should be noted that LT has been in the league doing his thing for six years, gaining more than 1,200 yards on the ground in each of his previous five seasons, while LJ was behind Priest Holmes for a few years until 2005 when he broke out with 1,750 yards.

Why am I bringing all this up? Well, San Diego is 6-2 and Kansas City is 5-3, and both teams find themselves behind Denver in the AFC West. So much has been made about who are the best players in the league, and I am here to agree that both are the best backs on the field, but what is more important to both of them, I

can assure you, is getting their respective teams to the playoffs. San Diego still has to play Denver twice and Kansas City again having lost to them earlier this year; and Kansas City will face Denver on Thanksgiving.

If you have either one of these guys on your fantasy team, I am sure you have been handsomely rewarded for their productivity. Continue to start them and you will not be disappointed, but do realize how key their play is for the remainder of the season.

WR

Roy Williams — Detroit vs. San Francisco — Williams appears to be on track to having his best season yet with 719 yards and four touchdowns to date. The season is only half over, and continued performances like he had against Atlanta (138 yards and a touchdown) should warrant his continued start in all fantasy formats.

TJ

Houshmandzadeh — Cincinnati vs. San Diego — Opposing defenses have devoted so much time and energy to shutting up Chad Johnson that they have almost forgotten about TJ Houshmanzilly, or is it Whosyourmomma? Whoever it is, he leads the team with 488 yards and five touchdowns. I'm not saying to bench "Ocho Cinco;" he does have 483 yards and two touchdowns. I'm just giving credit where credit is due. This is a tough matchup against San Diego, but how the Chargers divide their attention between Johnson, Houshmandzadeh and Chris Henry will prove critical to who gets the receptions.

TE

Tony Gonzalez — Kansas City at Miami — Gonzalez has not received the attention this year that he usually does, and I think that is easily accounted to the change-up at QB. However, he was a big part of the Chiefs' victory over the Rams with 63 yards and two touchdowns, comprising a portion of his 504 yards and three total touchdowns on the season. I would expect Huard to start looking

Gonzalez's way more often, so expect the duo to fair well in Miami.

Ben Watson — New England vs. N.Y. Jets — If you have watched the Patriots play lately, it seems like big Ben Watson is all over the place. He is still a developing tight end, but I do believe he is highly underrated. Tom Brady frequently looks his way, and he will definitely be utilized against the AFC East rival Jets this week.

K

Matt Stover — Baltimore at Tennessee — Stover's four field goals and two extra points led Baltimore to a 26-20 victory over Cincinnati last week. I don't know if that fits into Brian Billick's play calling, but regardless, Stover is perfect on the season having converted all 14 field goal and 20 extra point attempts. The Ravens will probably convert in the red zone more efficiently against the Titans, but expect Stover to still see some attempts.

DEFENSE

Injuries have taken their toll on some of the top defenses across the league, preventing me from making a solid educated pick this week. If I had to guess, I would go with the Jacksonville Jaguars defense vs. the Houston Texans this week, and of course if you have the Baltimore Ravens defense, they are a must start in Tennessee against the Titans.

GAME TO WATCH

Battle for the NFC West: St. Louis Rams (4-4) at Seattle Seahawks (5-3), Sunday Nov. 12, at 4:15 p.m. — The absence of Matt Hasselbeck and Shaun Alexander seemed inconsequential against Oakland on Monday night, but Seneca Wallace will face a tougher challenge against the Rams this week. The Seahawks won the earlier match-up this season 30-28 on Oct. 15, but Marc Bulger and company come to town looking for revenge following three tough losses. This game could be a big factor in who gets the divisional playoff bid atop the NFC West.

LOSS: Tigers fail to reach end zone as Terps win with last-second kick

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short kickoff, and quarterback Sam Hollenbach did not waste any time, hitting Danny Oquendo with a 12-yard pass on first down. Dorrell Scott sacked Hollenbach on the very next play, but Hollenbach completed his next two passes to set up a fourth and one at the Clemson 45. Hollenbach proceeded to sneak the ball to the right side and pick up the first down for the Terrapins. The next play put the dagger in the hearts of Tiger fans, as Hollenbach completed a pass to Isaiah Williams to put Maryland in field goal range. Maryland continued to move closer and ran time off the clock until Hollenbach was forced to spike the ball and stop the clock with three seconds left, setting up Ennis's game-winner.

Early on, it appeared that Clemson's offense was going to break out after struggling against Virginia Tech the week before. On the Tigers' first offensive play, Proctor hit Chansi Stuckey with a 60-yard pass. However, the offense stalled afterwards and Clemson ended up settling for a Jad Dean field goal. Maryland responded with a play drive concluding with a seven yard touchdown pass from Hollenbach to Oquendo, the only touchdown of the game for either team.

Clemson gained 394 yards of offense, a vast improvement from the Virginia Tech game, but

was too inconsistent. The Tigers had several big plays that put them in scoring position, but were unable to convert them into touchdowns. In the second quarter, Davis broke a 42 yard run to put Clemson in scoring range, but the Tigers could not find the end zone. Davis finished with 90 yards on 22 carries, but struggled to find holes to run through.

Proctor improved by throwing for 251 yards and no interceptions, but was unable to lead touchdown drives. The return of a healthy Chansi Stuckey was a major boost to the much-maligned passing game. Stuckey was one of the few bright spots of the game, catching eight passes for 129 yards. The defense also played well for most of the game but unfortunately, could not stop Maryland's passing game when it mattered the most.

Just a couple of weeks ago, Clemson was riding high after blasting Georgia Tech on national television and entering the top 10, but now the Tigers are hurting after two straight losses, falling out of the ACC Atlantic Division title race.

However, Clemson can earn back respect with two big games left against N.C. State and South Carolina. With a bowl game to follow, the Tigers still have a good chance of finishing the season with 10 wins.

NCAA: Both Clemson soccer teams host

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from the first round, they will find themselves playing host yet again in the second round.

Sixth year head coach Todd Bramble will look to improve from last year's appearance in the NCAA tournament when the Lady Tigers were eliminated in the opening round of competition. That team finished with a 9-9-2 record and was the first Bramble team to not finish in the Top 25.

This season, Bramble's squad closed out the season by going undefeated in their final five games (4-0-1) and went on to win against Boston College in the ACC

Tournament before the loss to UNC. His leading scorers this year are Meghan Smith who has five goals and five assists (15 points) and Molly Franklin who has five goals and four assists (14 points).

The Clemson regional will open tonight when UNC Greensboro and Oklahoma State face off at 5 p.m. at Riggs Field. The nightcap will feature the Lady Tigers taking on the Vanderbilt Lady Commodores at 7:30 p.m.

The winner of each game will have the day off Saturday, and those two will face off for the right to advance to the second round Sunday at 2 p.m.

Look for our basketball preview next week.

Lady Tigers win two in Florida

Volleyball team sweeps Lady Seminoles, then takes down Hurricanes in Miami.

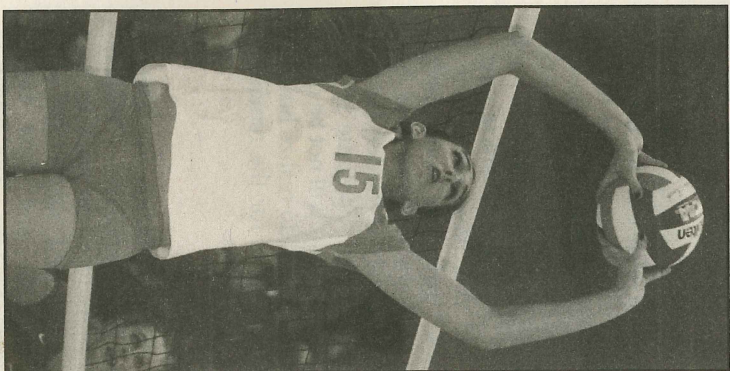
LINDSEY MELESKI
STAFF WRITER

The Clemson volleyball team recently swept Florida State 3-0 (30-16, 30-21, 30-21) in Tallahassee giving the Seminole their fifth conference loss. The Tigers then went on to beat the Miami Hurricanes 3-1 (30-18, 23-30, 30-27, 30-28) improving their overall record to 16-7 and 11-4 in the conference.

The Tigers hit .348 in their match against the Seminole, led by Meghan Steiner's .636 percentage, a career best. Jeannette Abbott had a match-high 17 kills in the contest with a .500 hitting percentage. The Tigers also posted a total of 10 team blocks with Steiner and Danielle Hepburn each recording five. Freshman libero Didem Ege tallied 16 defensive saves.

Clemson won easily in the first game by a 30-16 margin. After the teams were tied at 9-9, the Tigers scored four straight points to take the lead. Clemson then went on a seven point run with Kelsey Murphy's service to lengthen their lead and eventually take game one.

The Tigers had four rallies of three points or more in the second game, but they held the Seminole without a run of more than two points to clinch their 30-21 victory. Clemson took an



BRIAN SCHNEIDER/Staff

SET-UP: Clemson freshman Kelsey Murphy passes the ball to a teammate at Jerey Gym.

early commanding lead in game three, but the Seminole fought back to tie the game at 9-9. The Tigers responded by scoring the next five points and eight of the next nine for a 17-10 advantage. They then went on to win the game, 30-21.

Ege set the school single-season record for digs by a freshman in the Tigers' victory over Miami and finished the match with a career-high 32 digs, to push her total to 396 over the year. Abbott also led the Tigers with 15 kills in the match, while Hepburn posted 13 kills and eight block assists. Clemson

earned a total of 13 team blocks in the contest.

After trading the first few points in the opening game and falling a few points behind the Hurricanes, Clemson utilized two five-point rallies to gain a 10-point lead at 24-14. The Tigers closed out the game with kills by Freshman Lia Proctor and Hepburn.

Miami fought back by taking game two, 30-23, as they scored 10 of the first 12 points in the game. The Hurricanes continued to gain momentum edging their lead to 24-14. Clemson tried to narrow the gap scoring seven of the final 10 points, but it was too late as the Hurricanes took game two.

The Tigers jumped out to the early lead in game three with a six-point run that included three kills by Proctor and put them ahead 7-3. Clemson increased its advantage to as many as seven points at 13-6, 15-8 and 17-10 and 28-21. Miami rallied to cut the gap to just two points with a five-point run and avoided game-point with a kill, but the Tigers claimed the game, 30-27, for a 2-1 lead in the match.

Game four was tight as Clemson triumphed by a narrow 30-28 margin. The Tigers led 16-9 early in the game. The Hurricanes brought the game within just two points after a six-point run at 22-20. Miami then tied the game at 24 apiece before Clemson responded with two points of its own. The teams then traded points for the remainder of the game, but the Tigers would not allow the Hurricanes back within two points.

Track and field teams begin 2006-07 season

Tigers return ACC champions in several events for 2006-2007 season.

TYRONE GAYLE
STAFF WRITER

It's another year and another quest for an ACC title and a chance to remain among the elites. The men's track and field team opens up their indoor season Dec. 1-2 at the Clemson Opener, and is poised for what could possibly be their best season ever. They are coming off a year where they finished second at the ACC Indoors, second at ACC Outdoors and 26th overall in the country at the national championships.

They will be anchored by an explosive and veteran bunch that includes returning ACC champions sophomore Travis Padgett (100m), seniors Adam Linkenauer (High Jump, 6 ACC titles), Ryan Koontz (decathlon) and junior Mitch Greeley (pole vault). The supporting cast isn't too shabby either. Redshirt Corey Brown is on the verge of a breakout year after being injured for most of the 2005-2006 campaign.

The Tigers will also finally get the support needed from their distance crew from the likes of ACC cross country champion Itay Magidi, and all ACC runners in Matt Clark and Bryce Iverson. The addition of football

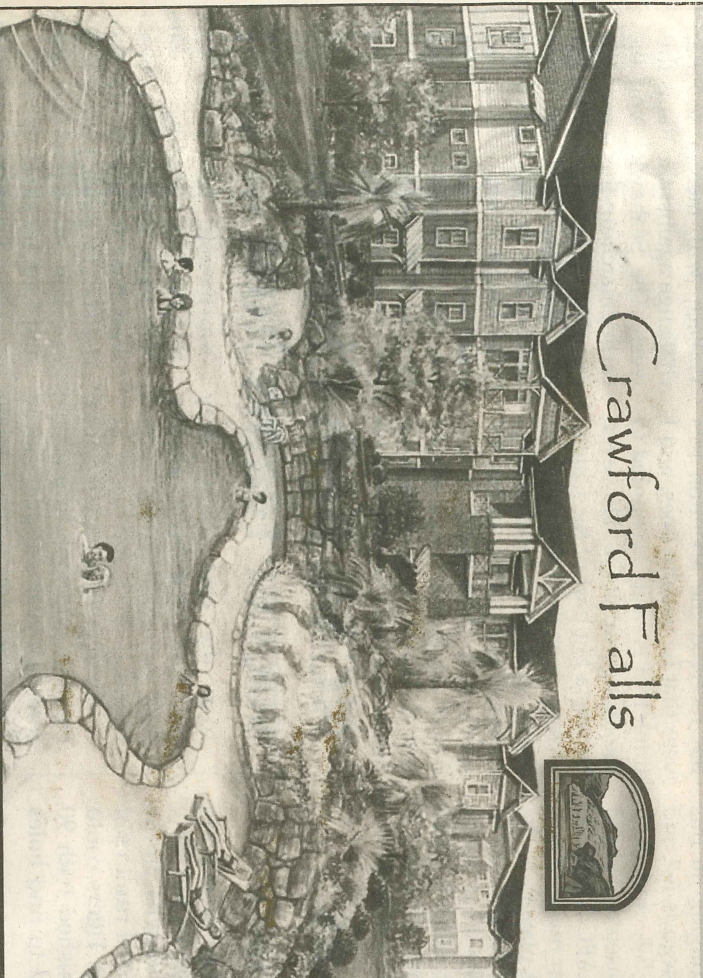
standouts CJ Spiller and Jacoby Ford will give the Tigers the depth they will need to overtake Florida State, the defending national champions, and return the ACC crown to Tigertown. The freshmen recruiting class will likely be one to look out for as well with an abundance of talent all around.

The women's track and field team looks to return their program to the glory days, and may have found the missing pieces in what looks to be like a stellar recruiting class. The class includes Kristine Scott, Caroline Kennedy, Michaylin Gollady, Bethanie Wachna, Ashley Good, Nakeisha Wineglass and Emily Barlage.

Scott, a 100m/200m specialist posted times last year as a senior in high school that would've placed her in the top 8 at last year's ACC championships. Kennedy set the Florida state meet record in the pole vault. Wineglass was a two-time state champion in the triple jump, and the rest of the class is solid as well.

They will be led again by Head Coach Marcia Noad, and will receive veteran leadership from accomplished seniors in Patrice McMillian and Della Clark. The Lady Tigers are coming off a season where they placed 11th at ACC Indoors and 10th at ACC Outdoors.

Expect both squads to be ready to roll come Feb. 22-24, the date of ACC Indoors, which the Tigers will host.



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Time Out

SECTION I

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Greenville hosts fresh talent

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The Peace Center in Greenville hosts many different types of shows. They range from musicals to orchestras to Improv troops. Other upcoming performances include "Romeo and Juliet," "Whoopi Goldberg" and Kenny Rogers. Recently, "Annie" and comedians Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood premiered at The Peace Center.

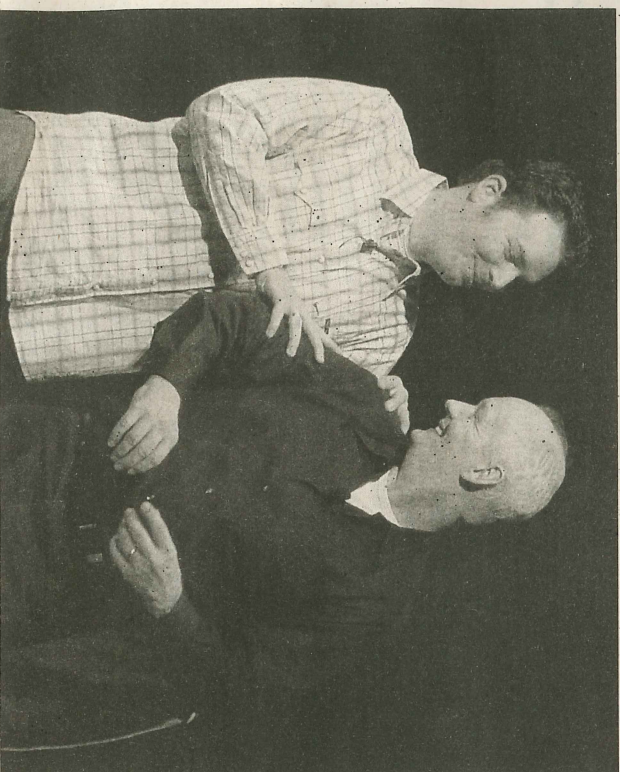
The Peace Center adopted the national touring production of "Annie" last week, Oct. 31 through Nov. 5. On the evening of Halloween, tickets were sold with a deduction of half the regular price for children. It appeared that the special deal

was taken advantage of by many parents because the theater was flooded with tired but excited young children dressed festively in their Halloween costumes. The majority of audience members who attended the play that evening fell either under the age of seven years old or over the age of 30 years old.

The show featured a versatile and well-known cast, including Conrad John Schuck as Daddy Warbucks and Marissa O'Donnell as Annie. Schuck is well known as a Klingon ambassador in several "Star Trek" movies and versions of the television show. The director, Martin Charmin, is the original "Annie" lyricist and has had a long history in Broadway productions, including playing one of the original Jets in "West Side Story." Actress O'Donnell has had a successful career in theater (she played Little Piglet in "Winnie the Pooh") as well as success in movies such as "Lucky Dog" and "Cast of Shadows."

Martin Charmin's adaptation of the musical "Annie" was a strong one that left the theater in a state of serenity. The cast was accompanied by a live orchestra, which was impressive. Live orchestras are always expected and present on Broadway (unless they are on strike); however, professional touring companies do not always have them.

Marissa O'Donnell wowed the children and adults with the musical's trademark song "Tomorrow." One of the most impressive elements of the show was the talent and concentration displayed by all of the young actresses, who played the other



COURTESY THE PEACE CENTER

IMPROV MASTERS AT WORK: Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood, improv superstars, graced the stage of The Peace Center. Sherwood, improv superstars, graced the stage of The Peace Center. The professionalism of those young girls was enthralling, and the director set up most of the scenes to focus most of the audience's attention on the children on stage. All of the adults were equally impressive, articulate performers.

The next performers, Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood also pleased a packed house at the Greenville Peace Center two Thursdays ago. Improv comedy kings from the American version of "Who's Line Is It, Anyway?" gave a performance which provoked many laughs.

Peering across the audience, the age groups ranged from children to the elderly. The audience sat eagerly awaiting the two most admired improvisers in main stream American society. Much to the audience's immediate dismay, Brad Sherwood had been delayed on his way from L.A. to Greenville. Mochrie announced to the crowd that he had a "funny story" for them. To appease the laughter-hungry crowd, Edwin McCain saved the night by performing a few of his popular songs on guitar and entertaining the audience with stories of life as a had-been artist and as a father of two young kids.

When Mochrie and Sherwood did finally perform together, it was hilarious. The audience roared with laughter throughout each game. Most of which included help from the audience, which happens to be the nature of most short form improv. One crowd favorite was a very long scene game called Blind Line. Before the show,

Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood asked the audience members to write down lines on pieces of paper. Throughout the game, the two improvisers pulled many lines from the basket of paper pieces and incorporated such wacky lines as, "I love the Atlanta traffic!" and "It's a chocolate-covered turd!" into their scene.

The show lasted for about an hour, and the audience was absolutely pleased. Prior to the final event, Mochrie asked two audience members to come to the stage and told them to play an improv game called "Do Whatever You Want." Turns out, the guy selected was planning to propose to the girl pulled onstage. The audience paid for a terrific improv performance, but also a very surprising engagement proposal.

The final shebang was the "Most Dangerous Improv Game Ever." Mochrie and Sherwood placed 100 live mousetraps on the stage. They removed their shoes and their socks. They wore blindfolds, and then, they did a scene. The snaps of the mousetraps really seemed to cause them pain, but they knew the audience was on the verge of tears from laughing so hard. The comedy was worth it to them. Finally, the two started bending over and chucking live mouse-traps to where they thought the other might be. Eventually, it became a sneaky war to see who could snap a mousetrap on who's crotch.

The improv kings of America got what every royal performance deserves: a standing ovation. Mochrie and Sherwood will be back next year, and this is a show you don't want to miss.

Death Cab cruises to Clemson venue

ANITA CHEN

STAFF WRITER

One of Clemson's most highly anticipated musical events has finally arrived. Death Cab for Cutie is scheduled, for the first time in history, to perform in South Carolina on Saturday, Nov. 18. The band, formed in Bellingham, Wash., in 1997, has been featured on the soundtracks of various acknowledged television shows such as "The O.C." and "Six Feet Under," as well as hit movies like "Wedding Crashers" and indies such as "Mean Creek."

It can be seen as an immense deal that Death Cab is coming to Clemson, seeing as they typically play in small venues. This show is their only play in the Carolinas, the only one ever in South Carolina and one out of four plays for universities on their current tour. "Death Cab has been one of, if not the most requested band to come play here on the Virtual Request Online." Blair Slusne, PR/Marketing Intern for Littlejohn Coliseum and the Union, said. "[Clemson and Littlejohn] have been trying to get the band to play here for a couple of years, and they finally wanted to."

The band's Clemson performance will feature Ted Leo and the Pharmacists, an indie band from Washington, D.C., formed in 1999, who have since released four albums. Of the four albums released, their most recent, entitled "Shake The Sheets," has been shaking

since October 2004.

This tour will be Death Cab's third and final tour to support their album "Plans" in North America. Death Cab has released five albums, on Barsuk and, most recently, Atlantic Records. "Plans" received a nomination for the Grammy Award for Best Alternative Album in 2005.

Tickets can be purchased online at TicketMaster or at the Littlejohn Coliseum East Box Office from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Tickets are \$35 (for floor seats) and \$28 (bowl seats). Clemson students receive a \$5 discount with valid University ID.

So come all ye faithful music lovers, for this is a time to listen to bestselling, critically acclaimed music right here at Clemson's Littlejohn Coliseum.

For those of you wondering how the band formed their distinct name, it actually came from the song title by '60s group Bonzo Dog Doo-Dah Band. Death Cab rose to national attention in 2004 with their best-selling "Transatlanticism," which had hit singles with "The New Year," "The Sound of Settling" and "Title and Registration." The group's popularity also rose with lead singer Ben Gibbard's side project, the electronic pop band the Postal Service, whose song "Such Great Heights" was included in everything from "Grey's Anatomy" to a commercial for M&Ms. The two bands have a distinct acclaimed style all their own. Nov. 18 - be there.



COURTESY LITTLEJOHN COLISEUM

WHAT A CUTE CAB OF DEATH: Hot alternative rock band Death Cab for Cutie will serenade Clemson audiences.

November 12th

"Silent Killer—The Unfinished Campaign Against Hunger" will be screened in Hardin 100 at 7:30PM as a part of International Education Week.

November 14th

Want to be on TV? CTV is Clemson's own student-produced television station, and we need new members! Join us on Tuesday at 8PM on the 3rd floor of the Hendrix Student Center for free pizza and to learn how you can get involved.

November 15th

The Golden Key International Honour Society's Induction will be held at 7 p.m. in the Madren Center.

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ON THE WHEEL P R R O W L

by ORSON SWELLES

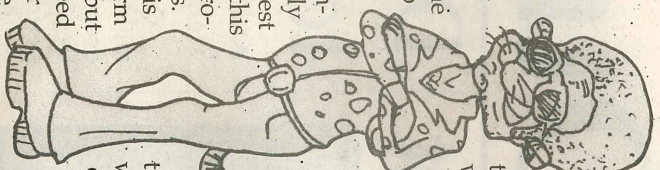
Since I'm writing for college students, I don't have to twist anyone's arm to get them to participate in some kind of money-making scheme. I mean, I've seen a man eat his own mustard-covered feces for a mere \$50 skateboard (and it was French's mustard for those of you who were wondering). I've once said that for \$100,000 I would eat my own waste matter, knowing that it would give me dysentery, the catch being that while I had dysentery, I would have to eat another bit of poop (as long as that wouldn't kill me).

I know that this essentially makes me a whore, but there are other ways to get paid that don't involve scatological delicacies. What if I told you men that you could get paid \$75 every time you masturbated? I know, calculate it up. Some of you are already throwing away upwards of \$300 a day by not knowing this piece of information. Well, the truth is, there is a way to capitalize on this endeavor, and that wonderful slice of heaven is known as a sperm bank.

I've seen sperm banks advertised in some free newspapers and on Web sites, but I never knew something so beautiful could exist on this planet. I decided to delve a little deeper into the world of spooage peddling by e-mailing some questions to a California sperm donation facility. Here is some of the information I received.

First of all, you can't just be a random dude on the street with a need to share your seed. The acceptance process is extremely long and complicated, ensuring only the strongest and smartest sperm are admitted to this wondrous world of frozen man-juice popsicles. The first thing they do is make sure that your sperm count is high enough, but along with that, they need to see how long your sperm can survive. The former is relatively easy to accomplish, but the latter is what narrows the playing field. Many men have a high enough sperm count, but a large number of those men just don't meet the Gloria Gaynor requirement.

Of course, the sperm is tested, but the banks want to make sure that behind every microscopic bundle of genetics is a strong, worthwhile, larger bundle of genetics. They require a family health history all the way back to your great-grandparents to see if there are any health issues that may be a deterrent to recipients. Most banks ask for athletic ability, height, eyesight and even SAT scores. The bank I e-mailed will only allow you to donate if you are in a four-year college or have, at a minimum, a Bachelor's degree. We can get into the whole nurture versus nature debate, but at least these children are being brought into the work using scholarly spunk.



I know you are wading through this info dying to get to the money discussion, so here is the rub. If you are accepted as one of the chosen 10 percent, you will get paid \$75 for each deposit as long as you can fill two small vials. If you can only fill one, you get \$25, and a partial fill gets you \$10. You can donate up to three times a week, which amounts to \$900 a month. What if I told you that every year you flush \$10,000 down the toilet? Up until now, you would have thought me to be crazy (unless you crap your weight in gold every year).

So are you guys ready to go get that easy money right now? Well, much like anything else that pays you to masturbate, there are catches. You can't have sex or masturbate within the 48 hours before a scheduled deployment. This makes it very tough if you have a significant other (be it a woman, hand or rubber orifice) when it comes to scheduling. Also, sorry to the homosexual entrepreneurs, but most banks only accept hetero-semen. It's not because recipients are against getting well-dressed sperm that loves to shop; it's just another strict screening process to prevent from potential sexually transmitted diseases.

The other big hot-button issue is the fact that you could spawn a multitude of children who are able to contact you when they turn 18. The sperm bank requires you to do a minimum of one visit with any child who you sorta, kinda bore through no fault of your own but a lack of college funding. Most importantly, be extremely careful that when you have a midlife crisis at age 40, you don't go seeking out 18 to 22 year olds. You never know if that girl at the bar with the very familiar-looking nose is actually much more off-limits than you could ever know.

In some court cases, sperm donors have been forced to pay child support. While this is rare, be sure to read your contract very thoroughly. For once in your life, the Cliff's Notes version of something may turn around to bite you in the ass. The banks will allow roughly one to two years of donation, which at a rate of two vials three times a week comes out to be more than 600 lifetime donations. I'm willing to bet that the \$20,000 you earned won't really help feed and educate hundreds of obnoxious children that you last saw as an adhesive between two pages of a Hustler magazine. On that topic, the banks do have a small library of Hustler, Playboy and Penthouse magazines, along with a number of DVDs for your viewing pleasure.

If locking yourself in a small medical room with previously used porno rags while you get paid to father children that you may see in 18 years sounds like a good business plan, then go get tested to see if you are worthy. Remember that during this time, there is no recreational sex, no drugs, and frequent blood tests and physicals.

Oh, and did I mention that part of the physical involves a doctor, a rubber glove and your anus?

To me, this scheme seems to have too many long-term ramifications, so all I have to say is that I'm hungry and my nose is stuffed up so please bring on the plate of poop.

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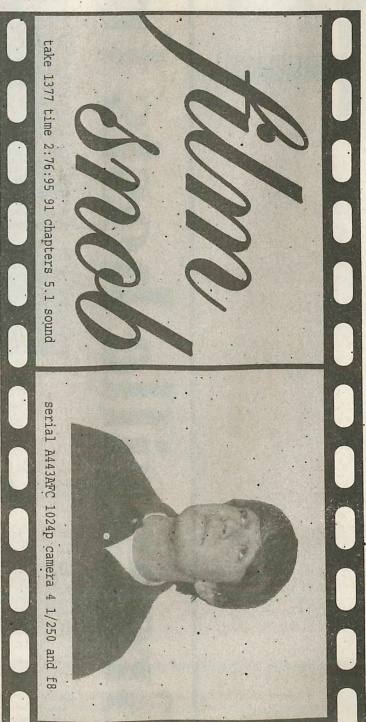
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CHRIS JAYNES
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A few weeks ago, I tried to put into words the greatness of Wes Anderson's films. It was something I kept putting off, because, really, how do you describe greatness? Oh, people try, but justice is never done for the thing being praised. So with all my ineptitude at making a coherent argument, I kept shying away from it out of fear of tainting the films. But my worse fears did happen: I stuck my foot in my mouth.

How could a snob (of anything) stick a foot in their mouth? Well, I still stand by what I said about Anderson's films, but while trying to describe them, I did make a faux pas. I said, "There are great highbrow directors like Darren Aronofsky and Sofia Coppola, but even their works lack some essential element that will add them to the hal-lowed halls of remembrance." It was as if Aronofsky read my article and said, "Nay, I will be remembered," and then proceeded to make "The Fountain" in two weeks, or at least set into motion an elaborate plan to prove me wrong, since that film had been in production for almost two years.



COURTESY WANNER BROS.

My sister, who goes to school in Atlanta, magically got two tickets to the sneak preview of "The Fountain" last Thursday. The screening was free, so I reluctantly embarked on the two-hour journey to Atlanta. Once I arrived, my sibling informed me that after the screening there was going to be a Q&A. But not just anyone was going to be answering questions — Darren Aronofsky was going to be conducting the post-film events.

If you are not familiar with Aronofsky, he is a Harvard Graduate engaged to Rachel Weisz and has directed two films, "Pi" and "Requiem for a Dream." These first two films have been praised critically, but not well received by the majority of the movie-going public. "Pi" is about 3,14159... (yeah, that pi!) while "Requiem for a Dream" is a dark tale of drug addiction. Both of these films employ great cinematic style, but like I stated before, they are just missing something. "The Fountain" has what these two films were missing, though. It is still hard to put my finger on it, but having two huge stars like Hugh Jackman and Rachel Weisz, with an equally fantastic supporting cast doesn't hurt. The com-

plex story of love that spans thousands of years is played enthusiastically by Jackman and Weisz. The empathy that Jackman commands is in stark contrast to his typical "Xmen" character, Wolverine.

Love forms when Queen Isabella (Weisz) sends her conquistador Tom (Jackman) to find the Tree of Life. In Genesis, the Garden of Eden had two trees, the Tree of Knowledge and the Tree of Life. Spain, the new kid in world power at the time, wanted to gain the saps of immortality. The pressing urgency for their quest was a cancer that grew within the borders, a cancer that we have come to know as the Spanish Inquisition.

Jump to 2006, with the same actors playing new characters. Tom is now a doctor who is researching cancer. The cancer that was affecting Spain is more tangible now — Isabella, now Izzi, has a brain tumor. Tom is driven by his wife's illness and will stop at nothing to cure her of the disease, much like the conquistador of a thousand years before.

And there's yet another tale! The future story is surreal at best, only makes sense within the context of the plot and can't be revealed without spoilers, feel assured, though, that from this part of the story comes some of the most beautiful scenes of the movie. Sound confusing? It is.

These stories run more in parallel and not in continuation of the lives of Tom and Izzi: through the centuries, the three stories can represent the archetypes of love. Life and death are a huge part of this film and will leave most people, instead of questioning what they believe, receiving a great catalyst to discussion. What drives the story to the hearts of the audience is the love shared between Tom and Izzi. Jackman proves he can act without knives popping out of his hand; Tom is ultimately helpless, despite his deep love to Izzi. The intensity of this will make the most masculine person shed a tear (I'll admit it, this Snob wept like a baby). This emotion is hard to find in the current cinema, as is the brilliant look of the film. So I stand corrected. Darren Aronofsky will be admitted to the hall of remembrance ... along with Wes Anderson. You are up next, Sophia.

Chris Jaynes is a senior majoring in computer science. He shook Darren Aronofsky's hand. Send comments to timeout@theintgenews.com

by Alex Lay



Top 50 Things to do before
you graduate:

#25. Take a road trip to Atlanta to party and live the dream for the weekend.

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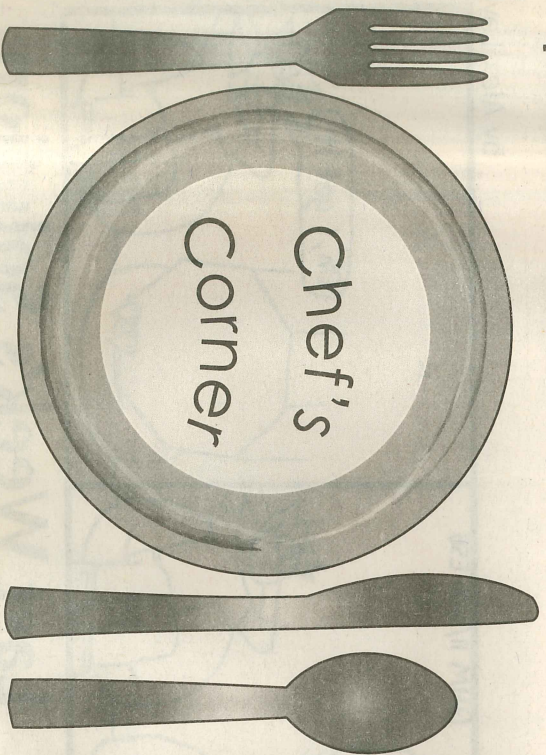
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THE TOP

THINGS TO DO ON A RAINY DAY

LISA BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Waking up when your room is still dark and hearing that pitter-patter of rain on your roof can certainly put a damper on your day. Rainy days make everyone feel sluggish and want to remain in bed for the day. Just thinking about going outside makes you shiver, even cringe. Before you step foot out of bed, you may think it would be better to just stay in, watch movies and pop popcorn. However, there are much more enjoyable things to do on a rainy day:

1. If the temperature is warm enough not to catch a cold, consider going outside. Outside? In the rain? Yes, branch out from that "need to stay inside" mentality. Wear some grungy old clothes and play in the rain, run around and splash in puddles. Grab a couple of friends and go mud sliding on Bowman. It may sound silly, but we're still all kids at heart.
2. If the mud pit doesn't spark your appetite, you should consider actually making one of the dishes from TimeOut's Chef's Corner. Most of the dishes are vegetarian-friendly and offer many alternative ingredients. And don't complain that you don't have a kitchen to cook in; no matter what down you live in, there is a kitchen somewhere (make sure you check in the basement). If those kitchens aren't up to your standards, I bet you can visit a friend's apartment and use theirs. Who wouldn't want you to cook for them? Make it a party and invite friends to enjoy a much-needed evening together without the stress of schoolwork. If your friends are skeptical of your cooking, ask them to help; too many cooks also make for comic relief. Don't like the Chef's Corner? Find a recipe online or even ask your mom for the recipe to your favorite home-cooked meal.
3. Sick of where your comfy chair sits or the same row of pictures on your desk? Then this is the perfect opportunity to rearrange your room. Experiment with placing your furniture in different places until you find the right fit. Swap out old pictures with different ones. Even consider buying or making new curtains to spice things up a bit. While you rearrange your room, you'll be cleaning it at the same time without even realizing it.
4. If you're up for the drive, why not experience more water than just rain? Drive down to Atlanta and visit the Georgia Aquarium. General admission is only \$24 to see one of the largest tanks in the world, the Ocean Voyager. The Georgia Aquarium includes more than 120,000 animals from both fresh and salt water. You'll have the chance to touch rays, shrimp, starfish, sharks and many other marine animals. It's definitely something to do besides sitting around all day.
5. How does crispy honey chicken or ribs that fall off the bone sound? Try a new restaurant for dinner. You can find many restaurants outside of Clemson. Longhorn Steakhouse and Olive Garden are a quick 15-minute drive to Anderson. Greenville has many different restaurants to check out as well. If you like Chinese, try P.F. Chang's in Greenville; if you prefer barbecue, perhaps try Longhorn or Sticky Fingers. Whatever your taste buds crave, find a restaurant to suit your needs.

NIKI AMATO
STAFF WRITER

With the summer heat gone and the cool fall weather winding down, it is nearing the time when we all pull out the fleeces, scarves and gloves to warm ourselves up. Winter also marks the time when nothing warms the body better than a steaming hot bowl of soup; homemade or in a can, it always does the trick.

A favorite soup recipe of mine is not only tasty but quick and easy to prepare: Spicy Black Bean Soup. It is a vegetarian-friendly recipe, naturally low in fat and high in protein, black bean soup is a great meat substitution.

For the skeptics out there crinkling their noses at the thought and image of black bean soup, give it a try before you write this soup recipe off. Not to sound overly confident, but I have many friends who disliked the idea of black bean soup and changed their minds soon after having a bowl of mine.

Ingredients needed: two cans drained black beans, two cups vegetable broth, one small can tomato sauce, half a cup diced red bell pepper, half a cup diced green bell pepper, half a cup diced onion, one-fourth a cup frozen corn, salt, pepper and Tabasco for taste.

Sautee the bell peppers, onion, and corn in a large pot until slightly tender. (The ingredient list calls for fresh pepper and onions; however,

grocery stores often sell a "Tex Mex" bag of frozen bell peppers, onions and corn, and this is a suitable substitute.)

Add two cups of broth to sauteed vegetables and stir. (Tip: To increase or decrease the amount of soup you want to make, you need one cup of broth for every can of beans, so just add or subtract what you will need based on the amount of beans.)

When broth and vegetables come to a boil, add two cans of drained beans, one small can of tomato sauce and seasonings. Reduce heat, allow to cook for 45 minutes or until beans are soft and tender. Midway through cooking time, ladle half of the soup mixture into a blender. Blend the beans thoroughly and then add it back to the pot.

Garnishes that go well with the soup are freshly diced tomatoes, sour cream, cilantro, sliced avocados and tortilla chips. Also, if you are a busy, busy bee and do not have loads of time to devote to cooking, soup is easy to store. Make an extra large batch of the soup of your choice, ladle it into bowl-size Tupperware and freeze it. All you need to do is take the soup out in the morning and it will be thawed before dinner. Just heat it up and enjoy!

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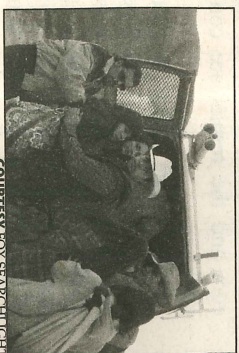
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PREVIEWS

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MOVIES

"Fast Food Nation" (11/17)
Remember when "Super Size Me" came out and everyone was all like, "Ohmigod, I'm never going to eat McDonald's again," but then I picked up some Taco Bell driving home from the theater? Yeah, so this film might finally persuade you to put down the fast food and run far, far away. "Fast Food Nation," adapted from the best-selling non-fiction book, is an expose on the sketchy business of a fast food company much like the



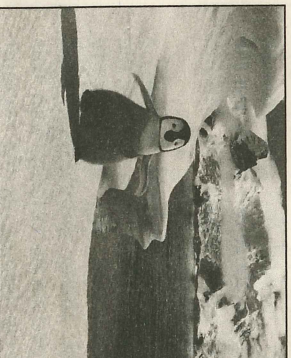
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Almighty McDonalds and the chance that it might (keyword is might) contain fecal matter from cows.

"Casino Royale" (11/17)
Secret Agent 007 is back, and this time he's legally blonde. Daniel Craig takes over the role from Pierce Brosnan for the 21st Bond film, which is a prequel of sorts, detailing Bond's first job trying to stop an evil banker. Early critical reviews praise the film, saying that it's a return to form for the otherwise flaccid franchise. Craig's performance brings an added depth to the role. And, of course, the most important tidbit of the film: The name of the film's Bond girl, which is Vesper Lynd. Yeah. Not quite as creative as Pussy Galore. But whatever, TimeOut's just going to see Craig.

"Happy Feet" (11/17)
Who doesn't love penguins? For those who didn't raise their hands, that means you have no soul. But for all those who adore the flight-

challenged birds, be sure to check out the new animated comedy "Happy Feet," from one of the filmmakers of the "Babe" series. The film focuses on an Emperor Penguin who, instead of singing to attract his mate like the other birds, expresses himself through tap dance. And man, can that penguin dance! It features the voice talents of Elijah Wood, Nicole Kidman, Hugh Jackman and Robin Williams (voicing three penguins).



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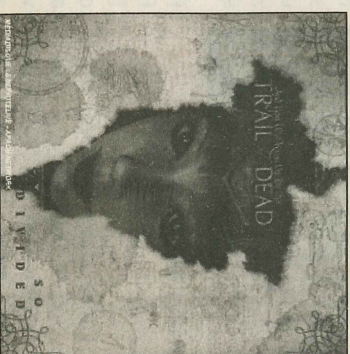
DVDs
"The Da Vinci Code" (11/14)
What is the Da Vinci Code? TimeOut doesn't know. Nor do we care. But the film was a huge box office success

and the book sold a bajillion copies, so there is obviously an audience for this type of stuff. Ron Howard directs this adaptation of Dan Brown's bestseller, with Tom Hanks (sporting what looks like a wicked greasy mullet) and "Amelie's" Audrey Tautou, who investigate a murder in the Louvre and discover some secrets about Jesus (we suspect that he was not a fan of "The Passion of the Christ"). Not a fan of this type of stuff? Well, tough!

CDs
"So Divided," ... And You Will Know Us By the Trail of Dead (11/14)

One of the most acclaimed, eccentric indie bands to be currently working (and with a wicked cool band name) releases their new album "So Divided," their fifth album since 1998. The album was leaked online earlier in October, causing emos everywhere to rejoice in sullen joy. But for those of you who are waiting to buy the album on Tuesday, its official release

date, all 46 minutes of indie rock goodness will be available.

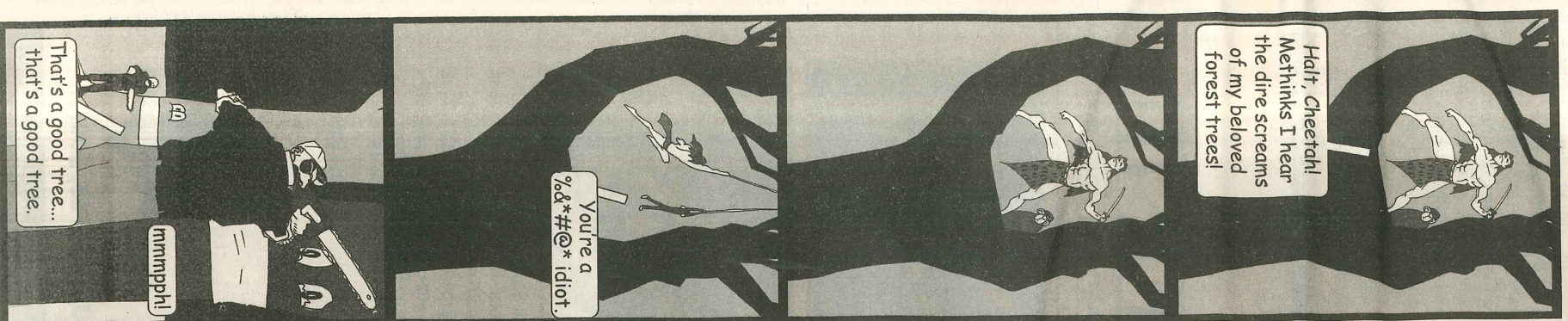


LOCAL INTEREST

The Peace Center in Greenville welcomes esteemed comedienne Lily Tomlin to their stage on Wednesday, Nov. 15, bringing her dry, sharp observational wit along too. Tomlin, an Oscar-nominated actress, has made a name for herself with thoughtful, provocative and very funny stand-up shows, as well as her comedic characters in "Laugh-In." Tickets for the show at the Peace Center, which begins at 8 p.m., range from \$35 to \$55, depending on where you sit.

Lollipop King

by Alex Lay



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Memoir shears big screen



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COPY EDITOR

These days it seems that the art of literature is out, and movies are in. No longer bound (pun intended) by the restraints of hundreds of pages, booklovers and loathers alike have more opportunities these days to see bestsellers on the big screen, such as "Little Children," "The Devil Wears Prada" and even "Marie Antoinette." "Running with Scissors," popular since its publication in 2002, still remains on the bestseller list, and though the book reads as smoothly as any novel, it is actually the memoir of author Augusten Burroughs and the outlandish tales of his childhood and upbringing.

Though the all-star cast thrillingly brought Burroughs's vivid characters to life, even their acting prowess could not save this poor film adaptation.

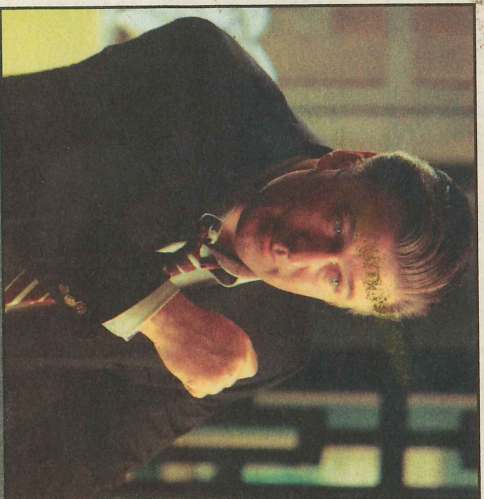
The film follows Augusten from the age of six (played by the heartbreakingly adorable Jack Kaeding) through his late adolescence, where he is played by the talented Joseph Cross. Near the beginning of the film, Augusten's parents (Annette Bening and Alec Baldwin) split after a period of destructive fighting, which is not surprising considering his mother is an emotionally disturbed, aspiring poet and his

father is an alcoholic. Finally, his mother drags Augusten, suit- and tie-clad, to the home of her therapist, Dr. Finch, and Augusten's mother gives her shrink custody over her son.

The Finch house is as dysfunctional on the outside as the family that lives on the inside. First, there is Mrs. Finch, the disheveled but loving matriarch of the family who nervously nibbles on dog food, admonishing young Augusten that he shouldn't be afraid to try new things because it's "just a little kibble."

Gwyneth Paltrow plays the favorite daughter, Hope Finch, who perpetuates the family's habit of "Bible dipping," which is asking a question and then randomly "dipping" into the Bible to point to a word to answer it. She also takes her thrills later in the movie by digging up the days-old corpse of the family cat and putting it into a stew to get back at her sister, Natalie.

Finch (Evan Rachel Wood), who happens to be an accomplice of Augusten's, Bening and Cross convincingly portray mother and son; Bening's manic episodes wherein she eats toothpaste sandwiches and bathes in tubs with water and glass were devastating to watch, and Cross's Augusten fatherly instincts in "Running with Scissors."



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WATCH SCISSORS RUN: Baldwin shows Cross's Augusten fatherly instincts in "Running with Scissors."

wrenching abandon. Seeing the characters from the book played by real people made the absurdity of the whole crazy-mom-gives-son-to-dys-functional-and-equally-crazy-therapist scenario even more so. However, the film never finds its footing, and awkwardly details Burroughs's wacky childhood; all of the wit and acerbic bite of the book is lost. It is a really bizarre story, and one hopes the filmmakers fact-checked this one because frankly, there are many people still bitter about "A Million Little Pieces" being a lie.

It can be hard to hate a movie when you loved the book, and it's most likely that many moviegoers had expectations coming into this movie (seeing as the memoir was a huge bestseller). But if one looks at it strictly as a film instead of as a literary adaptation, it can be an entertaining way to spend an evening.

"Borat" produces nice moviefilm



MICHAEL HUNLEY

TIMEOUT EDITOR

Made popular from the hit comedy "Da Ali G Show," which ran in the U.K. and the States, Kazakhstan reporter Borat is more than ready to "make sexytime" with the American movie-going public. In his first film, "Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan," Sacha Baron Cohen unleashes one of his most popular creations, who, along with his morbidly obese friend Azamat, comes to the "U.S. and A." to observe our culture's customs. And along the way, the audience is able to get a foreigner's point-of-view of America and all its prejudices.

The much talked about satire, which faced controversy before its release from the Kazakhstan government and the European Center for Antiziganism Research, has garnered rave reviews and dominated the American box office, despite opening in less than 800 theaters.

With Azamat, Borat travels across the nation, starting in New York to Washington, D.C.

and even meeting some South Carolina locals. Along his journeys, Borat catches his first episode of "Baywatch" and falls in love with Pamela Anderson, who he decides to meet in California, marry and deflower her.

Cohen has no trouble making a fool out of himself for the sake of comedy. As Borat, Cohen's tall, lanky figure, enclosed in a tight suit and "Magnum, P.I."-esque moustache, stumbles from one wacky situation to another. Whether destroying an antique store of Civil War memorabilia or getting in a graphic nude wrestling match with Azamat, Cohen throws himself into any situation as his clueless, bumbling alter ego, and the results are comic gold.

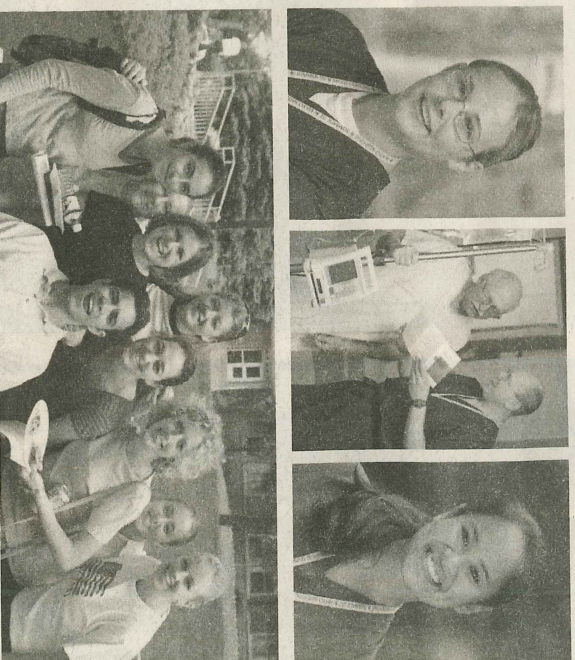
Unlike the crazy, mindless antics of "Jackass," the silliness in "Borat" actually has a point. This is wicked, sharp and very observant social satire, some of the best since 1999's "South Park" movie. As innocent as Borat appears, he is actually an incredibly racist and sexist man; he regularly talks about how the inferiority of women and has a deep fear of Jews and Gypsies.

In doing this, Cohen is actually bringing to light the shocking, intolerable behavior of Americans. It's remarkable to see the real nature of Americans, which is slowly brought to the forefront by the actions of a "foreigner" like Borat, who subtly goads the worst out of his American subjects.



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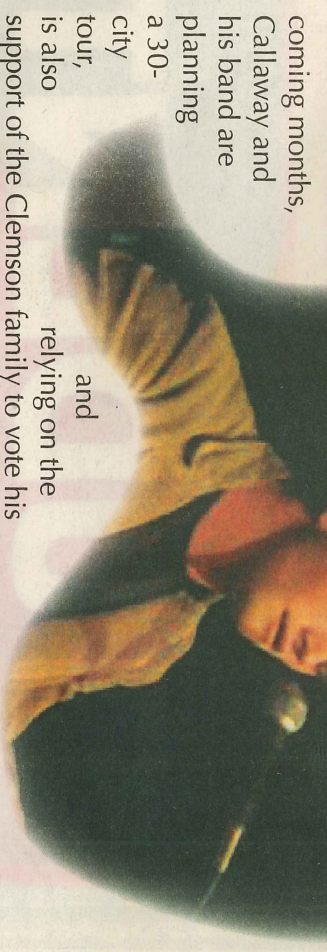
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Local bands



by John Callaway and Graydon Tomlinson

Now it's time for something a little different. Graydon Tomlinson and John Callaway are two students right here at Clemson trying to make it in the ever-evolving music business. In TimeOut's coverage of local bands, we decided to try letting these two musicians interview each other to get a perspective on their rival's approach to the concert scene; here are their thoughts about Clemson and music in general. Make sure to check these guys out on Myspace and find out when they are playing next.

John's Interview with Graydon

John Callaway is a graduate student at Clemson planning to graduate in May, but in the meantime, this songwriter is bringing his music to the local scene. After fronting the band One Day Away for a couple of years, Callaway released his acoustic guitar/mandolin driven debut solo EP "Drive" in February of 2006. He quickly hit the road in support of "Drive" and in July he formed a band to tour with, which includes Clemson alum Michael Costa on the mandolin and Will Tucker, a current Clemson student, on bass.

"There is nothing like playing on stage, watching people sing along to songs you have worked so hard on, and having a band onstage to feed off of adds so much to the experience," Callaway said. "The bad parts of a band are coordinating schedules and, of course, having to split the money five ways."

Though pursuing a career in music is always difficult, Callaway thinks that the local music scene makes it even harder to succeed in this area.

"[Y]ou have to succeed in other areas before the local venues will give you a shot," Callaway said. "I think the local venues, and especially the university event planners, should do more to encourage the local scene and give more help to the local artists."

Despite the roadblocks of the Clemson music scene, Callaway has still played in some of the South's premiere venues, like the The Handlebar in Greenville. The Windjammer in Charleston and Jammin' Java in Columbia.

"I've played a few shows around the area, and the overwhelming support of the Clemson folk is amazing," Callaway said. "Most of the people at The Handlebar show were Clemson students, and it was definitely my favorite venue."

So, the local support is strong, but the support from the local venues, especially the Clemson Major Events planners, is extremely weak, which makes it almost impossible for a local musician to have an outlet." Despite challenges Callaway and his band face, he feels confident that his music can reach an audience. "I write

songs about relationships, and I try to keep them open enough so anyone can insert their own

story into a song and connect to it," Callaway said. In the

coming months, Callaway and his band are planning a 30-city tour, and is also relying on the support of the Clemson family to vote his band onto the lineup of the Gimme Three Days cruise. One can vote everyday and each participant is entered each time to win a cabin for two on this cruise, which features musical acts Corey Smith, Lynnyd Skynnyd and John's major influence, Sister Hazel. The competition ends Nov. 15, so visit <http://www.johncallawayband.com> to vote, and visit iTunes to buy John's EP "Drive."

Graydon's Interview with John

Graydon Tomlinson is just your average finance major who plays in a piano-driven rock band all over the southeast with Corey Smith, Josh Kelley and other national acts. With influences such as Elton John and Ben Folds, Tomlinson has delved into the underground singer-songwriter scene in the South and, along with two other Clemson students, Chandler Van De Water on drums and Jeff Dill on bass, Tomlinson released his album "Learning to Try" in September at a release party at The Handlebar in Greenville.

"Getting the band together and then being asked to play at The Handlebar gave me a little bit of hope that things can happen, but I don't get ahead of myself; you can want a lot but you have to take it step by step," Tomlinson said. "Many musicians try to get from here to there with nothing in between."

Even though every musician has the ultimate big dream of landing a killer record deal, Tomlinson enjoys being an independent artist, and it would take a lot to change that.

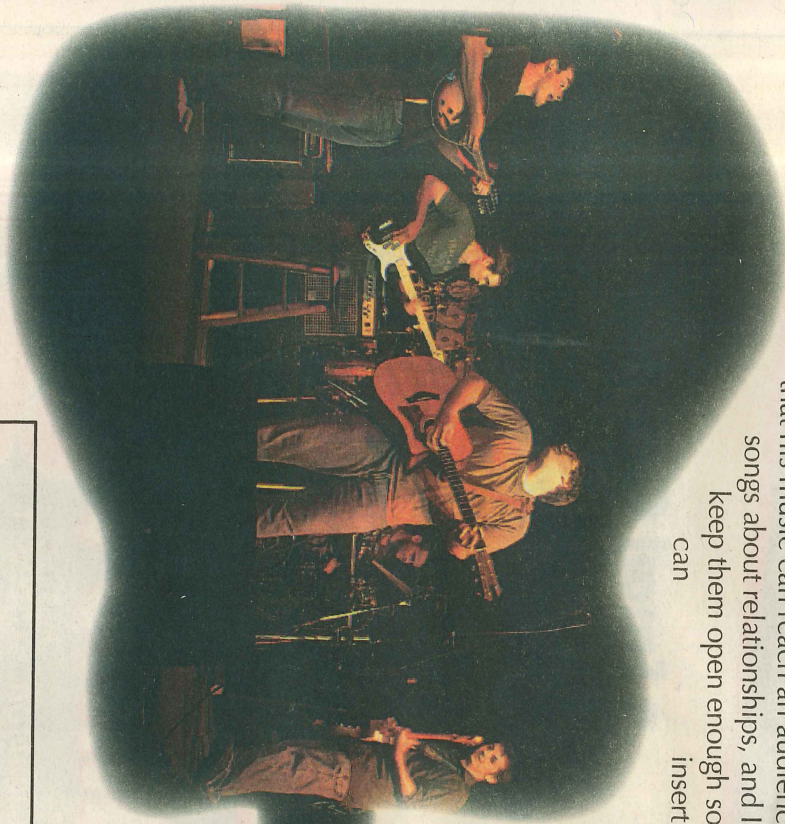
"People can connect more to an independent artist, and there is more creativity," Tomlinson said. "The industry needs a push back to where music is meaningful."

Representing Clemson is also something that hits close to home with Tomlinson. He would really like to see this town become an open arena for singer-songwriters.

"Knowing that a college town like Athens has a great music scene where bands can be successful speaks a lot about the town and the university," Tomlinson said. "We don't really have that same thing at Clemson, and we could be put on the map so easily, just like Athens."

Musicians like Corey Smith, REM, Michael Tolcher and even John Mayer found the Athens scene as a great place to begin. Tomlinson has been playing with a full band since January of this year, but still plays some solo shows.

"Although it is hard fitting everybody's schedules together, it is a lot less pressure with the band, and it's great to feed off of each other's energy," Tomlinson said. You can catch Tomlinson and his band Nov. 18 at Anderson University and at the new Familiar Ground Coffee House in downtown Clemson on Dec. 1. Go check out www.graydontomlinson.com and his Myspace site. "Learning to Try" can be purchased on the site for \$8 or at any of the shows. Be sure to check it out!



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