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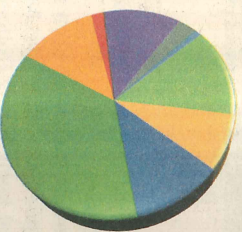
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Student designs appear on campus



MAX THOMASON/staff

THE HARVEST: Architecture students working in teams for “Super Crit,” developed the new design concept for a structure to be built joining Lee Hall and Lowry Hall.

Students compete to win first place position, rewarded with use of their design.

WHITTNEY FARROW

STAFF WRITER

Award-winning designs to make Clemson more carbon neutral are underway this semester in the grad tower of Lee Hall.

The school-wide competition was called “Super Crit”, and architecture students worked on projects in teams.

The students behind the three winning designs are bright and enthusiastic about the goals of their projects.

“Our brief study looked at the many ways in which we could alter our perception of the Clemson University campus in a sustainable manner,” explained Meg Chandler, one of the project team members.

PEER celebrates 20 years

PEER students and alumni gathered during homecoming weekend to recognize success.

CAROLINE GARMON

ASST. NEWS EDITOR

Among the homecoming festivities on campus last weekend, a top college academic program celebrated 20 years at Clemson University.

Programs for Educational Enrichment and Retention Office (PEER) hosted an anniversary dinner and tailgate for their alumni and current students.

Approximately 200 PEER students and alumni attended the dinner at the Madren Center on Friday, hosted by Eastman Chemical Company, and the PEER Homecoming Tailgate at the Cooper Library on Saturday.

Sue Lasser, director and co-founder of PEER said that the most entertaining part of the event was watching her students line dance to the music provided by 107.3-JAMZ



SUE LASSER/contributed photo

A GATHERING OF FRIENDS: Janet Pope (left), a 2003 graduate in computer engineering, stands with PEER Director Sue Lasser.

at the tailgate.

Clemson senior and chemistry major John Bonaparte is a member of the PEER, and he currently mentors nine students through PEER.

“My favorite memory of the dinner on last Friday was when some of

Science receives grant

Bioengineering Department earns monetary award to observe radiation techniques.

LEAH WORTHY

STAFF WRITER

Clemson University’s Department of Bioengineering received \$2 million in grants to conduct research on radiation-induced bone loss.

Dr. Ted Bateman, Professor and Director of the Osteoporosis Biomechanics Laboratory is leading a research team of five graduate and seven undergraduate students in an effort to better understand and treat radiation-induced bone loss.

Cancer patients receiving radiation treatment and astronauts exposed to radiation during space exploration suffer a similar deterioration of bone mass due to radiation exposure.

This problem goes largely untreated due to the lack of research that has been done on the topic.

A branch of NASA, the National Space Biomedical Research Institute (NSBRI) contributed \$1.6 million to the research project and the National Institute of Health contributed \$400,000.

Clemson’s department of bioengineering had been submitting grant proposals for over two years.

After finally attaining this money, the team will be able to make monumental strides in their research.

“It will let us really identify the cellular and molecular causes for this bone loss as it relates to both cancer patients and astronauts,” said Bateman.

In the course of the team’s research, the bones of mice are exposed to different amounts of radiation.

To study the effect of therapeutic radiation, the bones will be exposed to high doses of X-rays to emulate the experience of a cancer patient.

To study the effects of cosmic and solar radiation, the bones will be exposed to lower doses of proton radiation, the kind of radiation an astronaut is exposed to during missions in space.

This irradiation is taking place at Clemson and the cancer centers of Wake Forest and Loma Linda Medical Universities, both of which are project collaborators with Clemson University.

Once the bones have been treated, they are sent back to Dr. Bateman’s lab for analysis.

The researchers will study the resulting change in the bones’ structure and strength, looking to understand the molecular origins of radiation induced bone loss.

“Our microCT scanner lets us see structural changes within the bone at a resolution of 10 microns (1/100th of a millimeter),” said Bateman.

Currently, the team is working on the NIH project. Rats are being used to model the radiation treat-

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Nic Fonner points out, “[We] wanted to attempt to green the icon of Clemson University,” said Nic Fonner.

The Death Valley team is also considering ways to collect the millions of gallons of water that fall into the stadium each year.

“Maximizing Landscapes” looked at making the whole campus more sustainable by maximizing the natural environment and minimizing the consumption within the campus.

“We as a group realize the impacts that our student population has on the environment,” said Paul Kennedy.

They also looked at ways in which things we do every day can be altered to lessen their impact on the environment.

The third design, “The Harvest”, is an interesting plan that utilizes the resources we have on campus.

Inspiration came from items such as lumber that has been cut down and rots away because no one needs it.

“How can we use them?” asked Michael Ward of these trees.

Students who are familiar with Lee Hall and the grad tower know that getting from one to the other is a little confusing and aggravating.

The team decided to design a bridge connecting the two parts of the building.

They were inspired by the basket weaving done in South Carolina.

They created a similar design, keeping the extra lumber that is normally thrown away in mind.

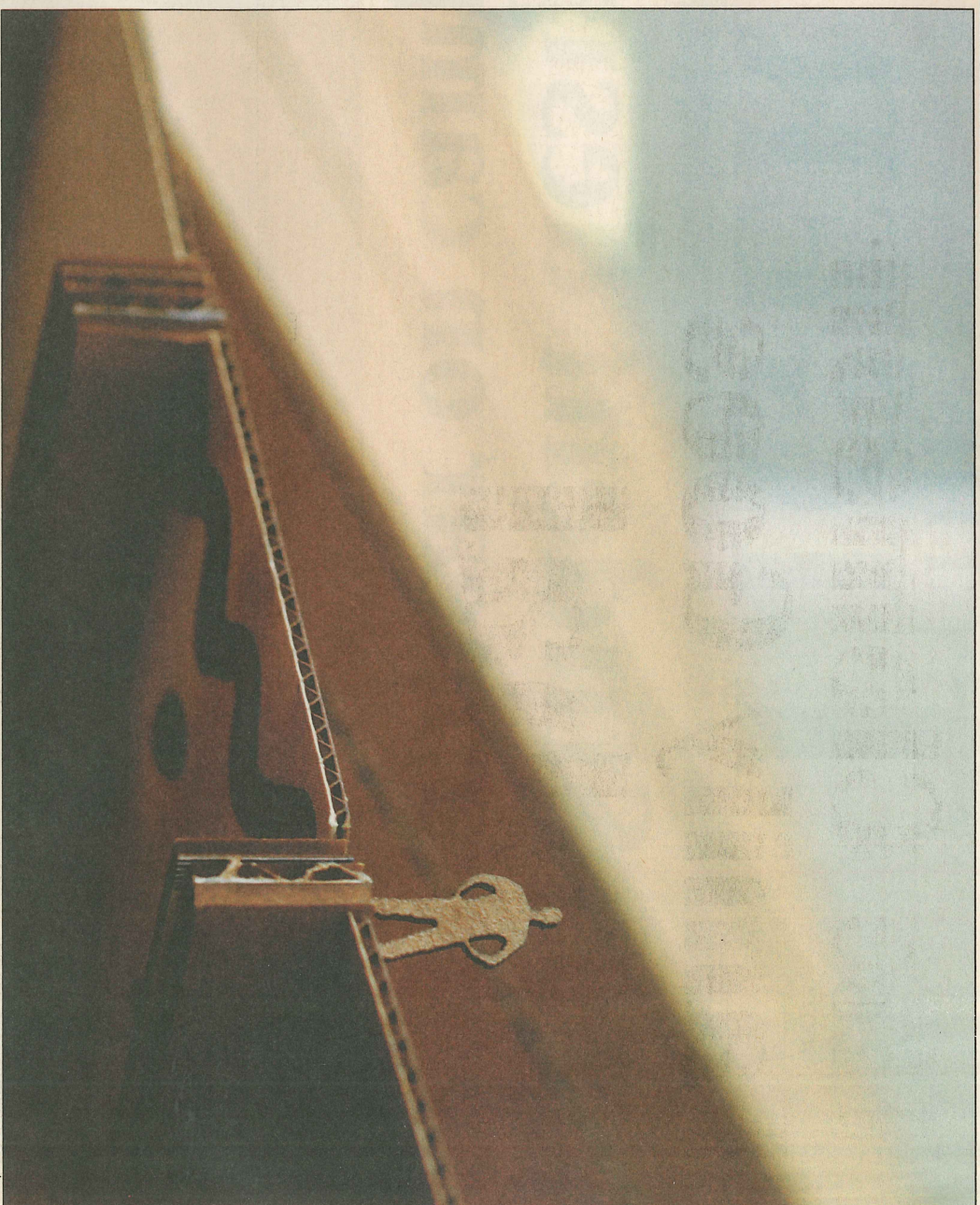
In addition to finding a use for our trees that are cut down, the latticework of wood would support vegetation and protect the building from ultra violet rays.

Along with the Solid Green spirit that Clemson has adopted, these designs could make a big difference.

Each individual team member is working on a different aspect of his or her design over the duration of this semester.

The final review of the project designs is on Dec. 6.

It is open to anyone interested and the admission is free. These new ideas can one day become a reality at Clemson.



SOLID GREEN: This cardboard model shows solar panels architecture students will design to fit into the upper deck of the Memorial Stadium to be used the 360 non-game days of the year. **MAX THOMASON**/staff

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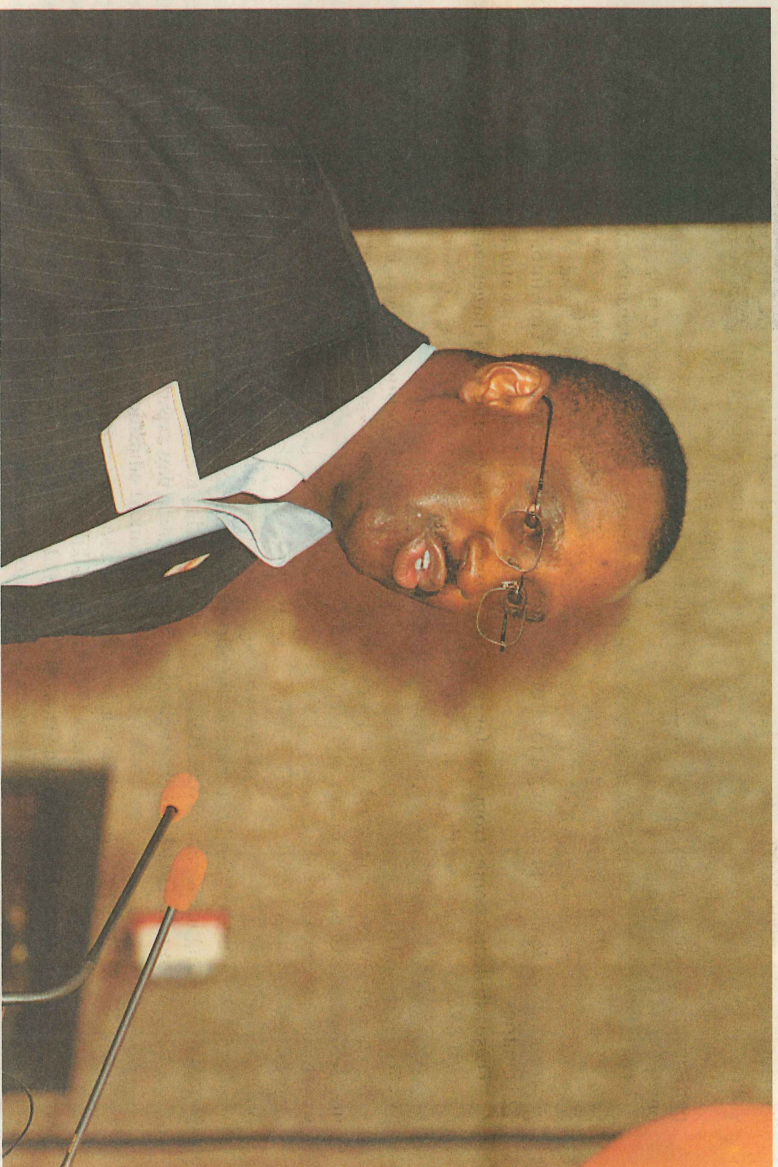
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LISTEN UP: Paul Montgomery speaks to PEER Organization attendees.

chance to meet some of the first mentors and mentees of the program.”

Sue Lasser and Dr. Robert Snelshire started PEER in 1987, and the organization is comprised of approximately 350 students at Clemson today.

Both Lasser and Snelshire recently received Clemson’s Martin Luther King Award for Excellence in Service.

PEER serves all African-American and Hispanic/Latino American students in the College of Engineering and Science (COES).

The organization provides a multitude of services, including a mentoring program, personal and academic counseling, the Math Excellence Workshop and the PEER/WISE Study Hall.

“PEER connects new minority students in the college of engineering and science with experienced, successful upperclassmen in their majors who are also minorities,” said Lasser. “We also offer counseling, study skills and time management help, and any other assistance a student may want.”

According to Lasser, Clemson University ranks seventh in the nation for graduating African American engineering students among predominantly white schools, and Clemson’s African American students maintain a significantly higher grade point average than the national average.

“PEER has been a catalyst for my success in college,” said Bonaparte.

“This program has helped me develop in so many ways. PEER provided the comfort needed when I first left home and needed someone to turn to for advice.”

Over the years, PEER’s programs have been duplicated not only at Clemson, but also at other colleges

and universities.

“Our story has even attracted interest from as far away as South Africa,” said Lasser.

“Along the way, PEER and its staff have been recognized by the National Science Foundation, the Noel-Levitz Foundation, and here at home by the College of Health Education and Human Development and by the Martin Luther King Celebration awards committee.”

PEER member and Clemson industrial engineering major Miranda Montgomery also attended the PEER events last weekend.

“It was awesome being able to see old friends that had already graduated, and seeing that they were so impacted by PEER and were thankful enough to show support of the PEER program and of Sue’s dedication,” said Montgomery.

“The event was full of excitement, smiles and tears of happiness!”

Over the past two years, Montgomery has mentored 20 students.

She says that the organization is beneficial because it encourages underrepresented minority students at Clemson and promotes academic achievement through teamwork.

Montgomery said the PEER program has meant so much to her throughout her years at Clemson because of the “family” aspect of the program.

“Not only has PEER given a great environment for learning and excelling academically, but it has made me feel so comfortable at Clemson by providing a healthy social environment,” said Montgomery. “I know I can always go to Sue or anyone else in the PEER office for help, advice, to share a laugh, or to just have a shoulder to cry on.”

The Clemson Family Goes Global

By Louise Goodman
Photos By Rachel Glenn

For all of you students that sat through the Clemson new student orientation your first year, I am sure you are familiar with the term "the Clemson family."

Don't limit your interpretation of the phrase to orange clothing, football-loving and die-hard tiger fans.

The Clemson family makes room for all types of students.

In the 2004-2005 academic year, Clemson University introduced the Cultural Exchange Community, also known as the CEC.

The Cultural Exchange Community is intended to connect American and international students. Living together and interacting in daily life helps to complete the living/learning experience.

Originally located in Clemson house, it moved in the 2006-2007 school year to Calhoun Courts.

This on-campus location allows CEC participants to conveniently engage in campus life, and daily events.

The Cultural Exchange Community is called home by 102 participants, 98 of them students. Of those students 48 of them are international students, representing a total of 12 countries.

These students come from as far as Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, China, France, Germany, Japan, Korea, Spain, Sweden, and the UK.

American students interested in exploring another culture may find it a convenient way to brush up on a foreign language, as well as get a taste of some exotic cuisine once in a while.

American student Emily Crocker, a freshman majoring in global politics, finds it is a great way to gain first-hand experience with her major.

International students can find living in the Cultural Exchange Community is a great way to interact with the English language, as well as share this new experience with other international students to relate to.

Robert Tseng, a student from Taiwan, chose to participate in the Cultural Exchange Community in order to meet other people from foreign countries.

All around, Robert finds the program has been very rewarding.

"You get a different experience living with someone, and their culture, rather than just hearing or learning about it," said Tseng.

It is amazing that people from all over the world choose Clemson to further their education experience.

Stephane Weisshaupt, a mechanical and electrical engineering student from Belgium, came to Clemson on the basis of a positive recommendation.

"I have some friends that came to Clemson previously and really enjoyed it and described it as a great community," said Stephane.

He would also recommend the Clemson Cultural Exchange Program to others, as it had been to him.

He also hopes to take everything he learns from the program with him back to Belgium, including things he learned outside of the classroom.

"Thanks to the experience to live here with other people, I hope when I go home I can live and accept others in my daily life, as I learned to do here," said Stephane.

The Cultural Exchange Community pro-

vides much more than just a place to crash between classes currently a monthly "cultural night" is held, where food and celebrations are showcased by a group of international students.

Some of the favorites themes are "Belgium Night," "Japanese Sushi Night" or "The Aussies are in".

Students can also take advantage of movie nights, game nights and even some international holidays.

The CEC makes a point to provide cultural experiences on and off Clemson University campus; the group makes trips both local and further.

Last year, the CEC expanded by becoming a partnership between the department of languages, the Grant Intercultural Center, University Housing and Study Abroad.

In addition to the internal growth of the CEC they are expanding the opportunities the program has to offer to a larger group of students. This was the first year freshmen were eligible to participate.

Freshman global politics student Emily Crocker was ecstatic when she heard of the program.

"Seeing the Cultural Exchange Program on the Web site when looking for housing options was exciting," said Crocker. I was drawn to learning about students from other countries being a global politics major."

"The day to day experience is so rewarding, much more educational than just sitting in a classroom or reading from a textbook."

The CEC is using this expansion to continuously progress the program.

"Right now we are just working on improving programming for the students and seeing what they want out of the CEC," said Sara Milani, the CEC's main advisor.

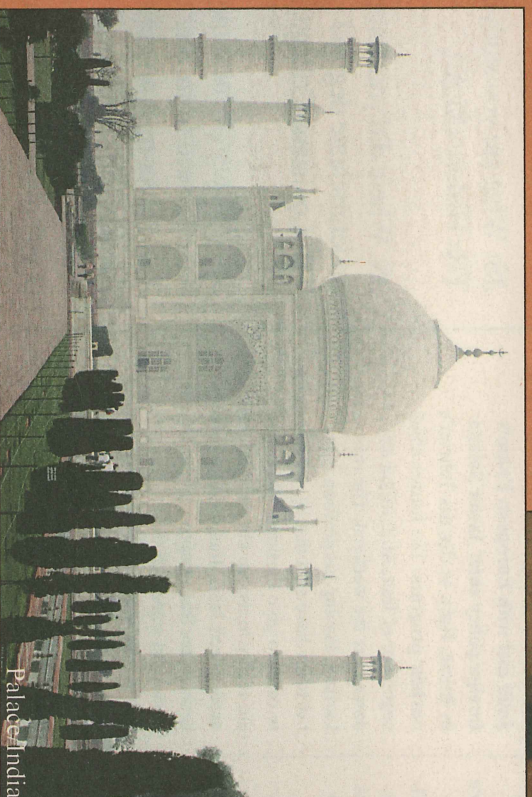
Another improvement the CEC will be making this year is helping future CEC participants conveniently move in and get comfortable.

They will be accepting donations of old furniture that past students will not be taking with them.

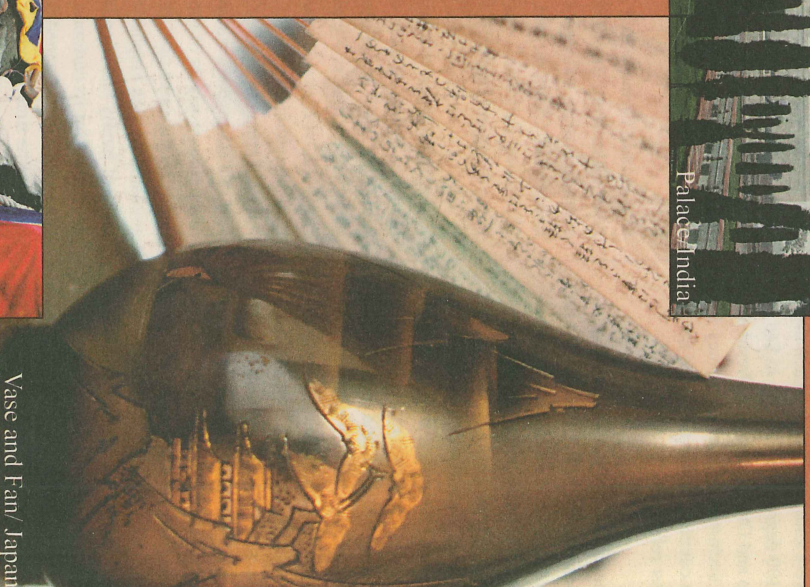
Clemson University is joined by other colleges around the nation in introducing cultural learning environments.

Top cultural programs are hosted by University of Texas at Austin, University of Miami, New York University, George Washington University and University of California at Berkeley. Another big name to mention is Purdue University, who has found their famed college of engineering attracts international students to their ISSP-International Students and Scholars Program.

Students interested in participating in the Cultural Exchange Community can find out more information or request an application on the Clemson University Web site.



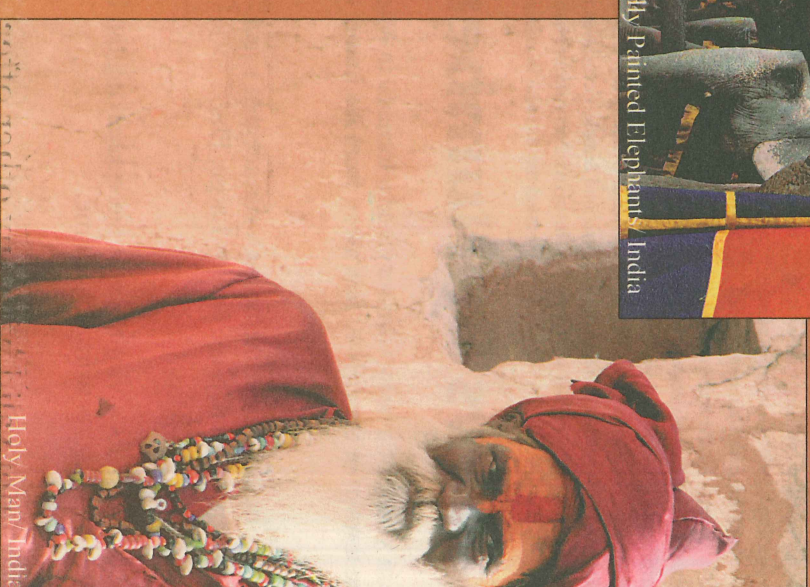
Palace/India



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Weekly World Update

National Report

■ **The woman accused of killing an expectant mother by cutting the baby from the womb was found guilty on Monday, Oct. 22.** Lisa Montgomery, 39, was convicted of kidnapping resulting in death in the Dec. 16, 2004 attack on 23-year-old Bobbie Jo Stinnett in Skidmore, Missouri. The infant was a month shy of her due date but survived and is currently living with the Stinnett family. Jurors rejected Montgomery's insanity defense after deliberating for about four hours. The defense attorneys claimed Montgomery was suffering from pseudocyesis, causing her to believe that she was pregnant and exhibit external signs of pregnancy. Prosecutors plan to seek the death penalty. The penalty phase of the trial is scheduled for Wednesday.

■ **Wildfires have destroyed more than 1,200 buildings and displaced almost 300,000 people in the Southern California area as of Tuesday.** Since the start of the fires on Sunday, Oct. 20, the wildfires have left 245,957 acres in flames. Evacuations were announced as firefighters battled gusting winds up to 70 miles per hour. The wildfires have already killed one person in San Diego County. At least 16 out of 42 injured people have been firefighters. The temperatures in Southern California were approximately 10 degrees above average and were anticipated to approach more than 100 degrees by Tuesday in San Diego and Orange counties. President Bush declared a federal emergency for seven counties, which amplified the disaster relief efforts.

■ **The exiled Tibetan Buddhist spiritual leader and Nobel Peace Prize laureate, the Dalai Lama, became a faculty member at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. on Monday, Oct. 22.** He encouraged the audience to look beyond money and recognition for true happiness in his first speech to the Emory faculty. The Dalai Lama discusses peaceful resolution to military conflicts alongside spiritual leaders from the world's major religion including Rajinohan Gandhi, son of Mohandas Gandhi. This week, the Dalai Lama travels to India to Bloomington and West Lafayette. The Dalai Lama is the distinguished pre-identical professor at Emory University and will provide private sessions with students and faculty during Emory's study-abroad program in Dharamsala, India.

■ **United States Senator John McCain said that a new message from Al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden proves the U.S. efforts in the Middle East are succeeding.** In the audiocape, bin Laden scolds his followers for lagging behind and their errors in Iraq. He also reprimands his followers for putting their allegiances ahead of their opposition to the American military forces. While greeting voters at a country store in New Hampshire, McCain commented about his strategy for the war in Iraq. McCain said he is the only Republican who criticized the conduct of war under former Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and believes the increase of American troops over the past year has been effective.

World Report

■ **Fidel Castro wrote a letter on Tuesday, Oct. 23 to President Bush, stating that Bush is threatening the world with famine and nuclear war.** The letter was written a day before the White house had planned to announce strategies to transition Cuba away from communism. The brief essay was titled "Bush, Hunger, and Death" and alleges that Bush threatens a World War III and that the president plans to utilize atomic bombs. According to White House spokesman Tony Fratto, Bush plans to highlight the importance of democracy for Cuba and emphasize the role of the international community as Cuba transitions towards free speech, free elections, free assembly and the release of all political prisoners.

■ **Iranian top nuclear negotiator Saeed Jalili met with European Union's foreign policy chief Javier Solana in Rome, Italy, to discuss Tehran's nuclear program.** The former chief negotiator of Iran, Ali Larijani stepped down over the weekend. The reason for Larijani, leaving his position is unclear, but many have said that he stepped down in order to give President Ahmadinejad the ability to dictate his views to the less experienced Jalili. Iran secretly trying to develop nuclear weapons by the United States and some U.S. allies. Allegedly, Iran is enriching uranium, a key element in the production of atomic weapons. Tehran states that the program is for peaceful purposes, such as generating electricity.

■ **A classic Chinese Red Army propaganda film from the 1970s has been remade into an animated film and debuted in China on Oct. 1.** The film, "Sparkling Red Star" was released in Hong Kong on Thursday, Oct. 25, and is about a young boy who helps the Red Army fight an evil landlord who has taken charge of their village. The film is the result of collaboration effort between the Chinese People's Liberation Army's Bayi film studio and a mainland animation company. Chairman of Puzzle Animation Studio Chin Yiu Tong said that filmmakers watered down the revolutionary aspect of the 1974 action movie by the same title. Instead, the 2007 animated version emphasizes the importance of family and friendship. China is not known for its cartoons, and last year, Chinese officials banned foreign cartoons from prime time television to protect local animation studios.

■ **An official reported that a U.S. Navy sailor shot and killed two female sailors in their barracks Monday morning at an American military base in Bahrain.** The shooter was allegedly critically wounded when he turned the gun on himself, at the U.S. Naval Support Activity Bahrain base. According to the U.S. Navy, the shootings occurred at about 5 a.m.. An official from the State Department in Washington said the incident appeared to have been the result of a love triangle, but now seemed to be a case of a boyfriend killing his ex-girlfriend. Officials say it is unclear if the second female victim was romantically involved. Navy spokesman Lt. John Gay stated the incident is under investigation.

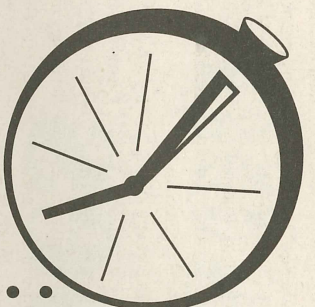
News By Numbers

1 age, in years, of a baby who survived a tornado in Michigan after being thrown in his crib 40 feet away from his home.

30 distance, in feet, under the ocean's surface that a jack-o-lantern carving contest took place in Key Largo, Fla.

183 number of t-shirts a Virginia man wore, breaking the U.S. record for the most t-shirts worn at one time.

920 number of calories in a Hardee's new Country Breakfast Burrito.



:30 Seconds with...

Tom Richey
President of Graduate
Student Government

Jennifer Salane: What made you want to run for president of the graduate student government?

JS: Favorite Clemson sport?
TR: FOOTBALL!

Tom Richey: There's a funny story behind this; I inherited this office when the elected president graduated in August. I was hoping for a much more laid back year as graduate senate president.

JS: Favorite bar in Clemson?
TR: Well, 356 has sushi, and Backstreets has Pabst Blue Ribbon on tap. One day, I hope to frequent a bar that has both.

JS: What are you studying?
TR: History (M.A.).

JS: If you could change one thing about the graduate program at Clemson, what would it be?

JS: Where did you complete your undergraduate degree?
TR: Louisiana College.

TR: It would be great if graduate students could substitute student government service for their thesis requirement, but that's not going to happen.

JS: What is the most important thing you have learned from your time at Clemson?
TR: Never miss an opportunity to make friends, and there's no better opportunity to make friends than by going to LeaderShape. If you don't know, ask someone.

JS: Favorite United States president?
TR: I don't think I have a favorite president, but I have some favorite Roman consuls if anyone's interested in hearing about them.

Grant supports health study

Professor and researcher uses award to facilitate survey for female freshmen.

RACHEL CARTER
STAFF WRITER

Martie Thompson, research professor of Public Health Services and director of the Center for Research in Collaborative Activities, gets awarded a grant of \$225,000 from the National Institute of Health.

This grant enabled Thompson, along with her research team, to study sexual violence victimization among first year female students.

All freshman females were invited to participate in a survey at Redfern Health Center. This survey determined risk factors and the consequences of sexual victimization among the female students. 720 women completed the survey which lasted approximately 30 minutes.

All information was confidential and done anonymously. Thompson said she focused on first year students because "it is a key transitional time for students who have moved away from home for the first time."

Survey questions were created to determine the risk factors including but not limited to alcohol and other forms of substance abuse. Attitudes, perceived norms and perceived control over one's behavior were other risk factors. Based on scales, the students answered questions about their expectations, what alcohol did for them and what they expected from it.

They also answered questions concerning their sexual assertiveness and the confidence they felt about their refusal skills. Thompson hypothesized that the higher the confidence in refusal skills, the less likely they would be victims of sexual abuse.

Consequences evaluated in the survey included post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, suicidal thoughts and alcohol-related issues such as hangovers.

Thompson focused only on female freshmen for this grant, but she acknowledged that "In terms of partner violence, males are just as likely to experience emotional abuse and physical abuse, but less likely to experience sexual abuse. The physical abuse is not as severe for males."

The grant will not only go toward research, but it will provide students with the opportunity to learn how to conduct health related research, data entry, literary reviews and data analysis.

This two year grant will end in February 2009. Thompson plans on spending the rest of the year analyzing the data and gathering the results. Based on the results, her team will be able to design preventative intervention strategies.

On campus, an intervention and prevention program for students to unwanted sexual contact, sexual coercion, attempted rape and completed rape."

saffected by sexual violence is CU CARES.

This organization offers education for students on prevention and safety techniques related to sexual violence.

CARES stands for Counseling, Advocacy, Referrals, Education and Support, which are the services students will receive.

Education is an important part in understanding what sexual victimization is.

Thompson attributes some instances of sexual victimization to a sense of misunderstanding.

"Some females who meet the requirement of sexual victimization would not consider themselves a victim," Thompson said.

"Sexual victimization is defined in the study using responses to a 10-item Sexual Experiences Survey. Women can be classified along a continuum from least to most severe victimization.

"This can range from nonvictim to unwanted sexual contact, sexual coercion, attempted rape and completed rape."



RACHEL GLENN/staff

VIOLENCE STUDIES: Martie Thompson conducted survey and met with females to gather feedback about sexual abuse.

TIGER BRIEFS

Clemson University graduate student Scott

Iacono was chosen as one of six finalists for the 2007 ICI Student Award in applied polymer science. Iacono will travel the ICI Awards Symposium in Boston and present his work titled, "Facile Preparation of Fluorinated Conjugated Polymers Possessing Tunable Photoluminescence and Chemical Sensing". Awards for the overall winner include a plaque and \$1,600 from the Joint Polymer Education Committee of the ACS Divisions of Polymeric Materials, Science and Technology and Polymer Chemistry. Iacono collaborated with his research advisor, Dennis Smith, and Clemson chemistry professor Rhett Smith. Together they developed new photoluminescent materials, specifically fluorescent sensors for chemical warfare agent detection.

Rounder and first president of the Center for Academic Integrity Donald McCabe spoke on Wednesday in the BallSouth Auditorium at Clemson University's Madsen Center. McCabe lectured on the

role faculty and administrators have in ensuring academic integrity. His lecture was part of a series, "Ensuring a Culture of Academic Integrity" and was sponsored by Clemson University's graduate school, the Rutland Institute for Ethics at Clemson and the University's division of undergraduate studies. McCabe is regarded as the leading researcher and authority on cheating at the high school and college level, and he is a professor of management and global business at Rutgers University. McCabe has surveyed more than 150,000 students at more than 150 colleges and universities in the United States and Canada, and he has surveyed 40,000 high school students throughout the country.

The author of "Last Child in the Woods"

Richard Louv received the Walker T. Cox Award delivered at the annual George B. Hartzog Jr. Lecture at the Brooks Center on Oct. 23. The lecture was part of the Clemson University Environmental Seminar Series and awards program to recognize the individuals who contribute to park services at the state and national level. Louv's book, "Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children From Nature-Deficit Disorder" sparked a national movement among national park employees and outdoor professionals. In his book, Louv points out how society sets many children and adults at a distance from nature. According to Louv, outdoor organizations play a role in separating children from nature, and he also finds schools and families at

fault for sheltering children from the outdoors. Louv also presented a new body of evidence that demonstrates how outdoor activities play an important role in a healthy child's development, cutting down on deficit hyperactivity disorder to child obesity.

A former 4-H member gives \$100,000 to

Clemson University to help fund a new 4-H leadership camp. Pauline Thrift of Westminster, S.C. gave the money to Clemson in memory of her late husband in an effort to kickoff the Wayne G. Thrift 4-H Beef Leadership Memorial Endowment. South Carolina 4-H strives to facilitate young people in communities across the nation to embrace leadership, learning, citizenship and life skills. "The skills and training they will receive will help them become productive members and leaders of the livestock industry," said Harold Hupp, professor in the animal and veterinary science department at Clemson. "I believe they will have a better understanding and appreciation for the beef industry thanks to this gift." Thrift's donation is the largest gift that has ever been given to a Clemson 4-H group that is designated for animal projects, such as beef cattle. "Wayne had a passion for beef cattle and the cattle industry," Mrs. Thrift said.

Ron Paul will come to Clemson University for a speech and rally Friday, Nov. 2 at 1 p.m. The venue is unconfirmed.

Russian president criticizes U.S.

Campus sidewalk chalk parallels controversy between U.S. and Russia.

LOUISE GOODMAN
STAFF WRITER

All it takes is a quick stroll around campus to see that Clemson University students are decidedly divided on the issue of the United States' presence in Iraq.

The statements written on sidewalks about the cost and relevance of the war in Iraq often sparks controversial conversation just as Russian President Vladimir Putin's live television and radio broadcast criticizing U.S. foreign policy.

Putin went as far as to describe the wars as "pointless."

The live broadcast that aired Thursday, Oct. 18, was the sixth

broadcast Putin has made since obtaining office in 2000.

The Russian president further explained his position.

He stated the U.S. war in Iraq was "useless" and "totally counterproductive" because it was only against the Iraqi people, and the main goal was to gain oil reserves.

Putin acknowledged that it was necessary for U.S. presence until power was restored to the Iraqi government, but expressed his desire for the U.S. to set a pullout date.

Those concerned by Putin's direct comments might be hoping for a little more explanation as to why they were made.

Putin has been in favor of a warmer relationship between the U.S. and Russia in the past, according to Clemson Professor Steve Marks, a Russian studies specialist in the history depart-

ment.

However, the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks have put a strain on the relationship between the two countries, primarily because the U.S. is not in favor of the Russian government's authoritarian tendencies.

Other desires the U.S. has been pushing for since the fall of communism in Russia include oil pipelines that circumvent Russia and missile defense systems on Russia's border.

The relationship between the U.S. and Russia causes the country to deal with issues together, such as North Korea and global terrorism.

Putin's cooperation often revolves around the U.S.'s willingness to negotiate on other issues such as the proposed oil pipeline or the missile defense system.

"He (Putin) will work with us

on many different issues, but only at a price," said Marks.

Russia deals with issues in the Mideast very delicately, since it borders Iran and has its own issues with the immigrating Muslim population.

Strong action against Iran could cause some serious problems within Russia.

"So in some ways Putin's policies toward Iran have less to do with us than they do with solving problems facing Russia closer to home," said Marks.

Despite the strong comments made by the Russian president, there is little indication that they will have serious impact on United States presence.

"No matter what its stance on the issue, Russia wouldn't have much of an influence on the actors who matter in Iraq, namely the Iraqis, the Iranians and al-Qaeda," said Marks.



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ARRESTS

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17 AND TUESDAY, OCT. 23,
OCT. 20

2:57 p.m., William C. Arrnfield, disorderly conduct, Memorial Stadium, officer: Schiraldi
3:15 p.m., Jasen G. Reeder, motor vehicle accident, Perimeter/Lot 4, officer: Harrington
11:56 p.m., Jimmie E. Whitner, disorderly conduct, Highway 93, officer: Durham
OCT. 21
1:44 a.m., Carter E. Downing, disorderly conduct, Mauldin Hall, officer: Lehmann

CRIME REPORT

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17 AND TUESDAY, OCT. 23,
OCT. 17

10:10 a.m., grand larceny, Kinard Hall, officer: Moore
9:49 p.m., traffic stop, Highway 93, officer: Cassell
OCT. 18
10:52 a.m., damage to vehicle, R-3, officer: Henriksen
11:00 a.m., minor in possession, Manning Hall, officer: Lehmann
12:12 p.m., larceny, Rhodes Hall, officer: Moore
9:39 a.m., motor vehicle accident, P-3, officer: Jones
6:51 p.m., grand larceny, Riggs Hall, officer: Cassell
OCT. 19
1:13 p.m., motor vehicle accident, Gentry Hall, officer: Kaylor
OCT. 20
3:00 p.m., assault and battery, Sanders Hall, officer: Lehmann
6:24 p.m., assault and battery, gravel lot, officer: Cheeks
OCT. 22
11:35 a.m., damage to vehicle, C-4, officer: Young
OCT. 23
7:29 a.m., suspicious activity, Edwards Hall, officer: Henriksen
5:26 p.m., suspicious person, Brackett Hall, officer: Harrington

FIRE/RESCUE

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY FIRE DEPARTMENT
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17 AND TUESDAY, OCT. 23,
OCT. 17

12:14 p.m., fire alarm, 221 Brooks Street, CUFD
OCT. 18
4:21 a.m., transformer explosion, 216 Wyatt Avenue, CUFD
OCT. 19
10:24 p.m., fire alarm, Clemson Downs, CUFD
OCT. 20
9:03 a.m., fire alarm, Lightsey Bridge, CUFD
11:54 a.m., fire alarm, Comfort Inn, CUFD
OCT. 21
11:04 a.m., elevator entrapment, Hendrix Center, CUFD
OCT. 22
7:22 p.m., fire alarm, 150 Downs Blvd., CUFD
OCT. 23
2:40 p.m., fire alarm, 500 Downs Loop, CUFD

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1774: The First Continental Congress adjourned in Philadelphia.

1825: The Erie Canal, connecting Lake Erie to the Hudson River, opened.

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2005: The Chicago White Sox swept the Houston Astros to win their first World Series in 88 years.

CUSG kicks off new philanthropy events

Students join oversea contacts to collect school supplies for Iraqi children.

MELISSA WHITSON
STAFF WRITER

The Clemson University Undergraduate Student Government (CUSG) has established itself as a prominent force on campus.

Though the undergraduate CUSG is most often associated with the policy-making and event-planning that goes on behind closed office doors, it sponsors events such as the Miss Clemson pageant, proposing new procedures and regulations and representing students of all backgrounds and interests.

One of their newest committees strives to work on making an impact in other areas, as well.

The Student Government Philanthropy Committee (SGPC) has grown in both size and responsibility since becoming a formal part of CUSG in 2005 when its first director was elected.

According to the Student Handbook, the SGPC takes on the duty of liaison between recognized organizations, the student body president and the student body itself, consisting of students, faculty and staff.

Not only does the committee seek to get as many students as possible involved in philanthropy events on campus, they also aim to represent the undergraduate student government during times when disasters warrant aid anywhere in the Clemson community.

Philanthropy Director Brian Park is dedicated to and currently

working on strengthening the committee's campus presence.

"I would like to see the committee continue to support existing philanthropies," Park said.

"I would also like to see students take a more active role in the Clemson Community by volunteering with local initiatives."

The SGPC has not hesitated to show support for local charitable endeavors.

Throughout August and September of this year, the undergraduate student government teamed up with Clemson University's Graduate Student Government and Air Force ROTC.

They joined together to collect school supplies in an effort deemed, "The Classroom."

All donated supplies were shipped to Iraq and distributed to new schools on Oct. 22.

"The US troops are working hard to make sure the children of Iraq have the opportunity to go to school," Park said.

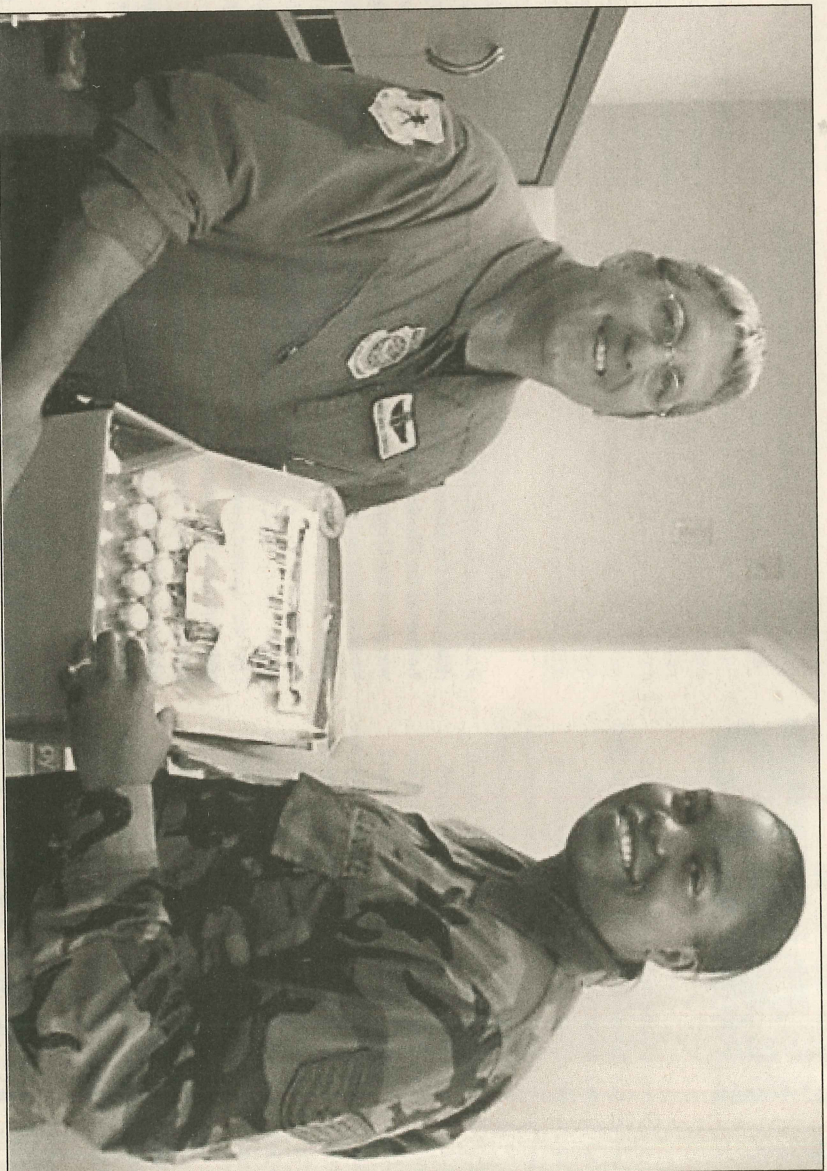
"They are doing so by providing a safe environment for learning."

In order to avoid expensive shipping charges, Colonel Lance Young and Sgt. Beverly Bennett of Clemson University's ROTC enlisted the help of Charleston Air Force Base.

"Unfortunately, [the schools] lack essential school supplies like paper and pencils, not to mention the types of supplies that foster creative learning, such as string, markers, scissors and glue for crafts," Park said.

The base volunteered to help with transporting the collected items.

An Air Force aircraft was flown overseas, delivering all items safely. The undergraduate student gov-



BRIAN PARK/ contributed photo
COLLECTION FOR GOOD CAUSE: Sgt. Bennett meets with another army representative to deliver some of the supplies that were collected by the undergraduate CUSG members.

ernment collected a final total of over 257 pounds of supplies.

These supplies were delivered directly to the Iraqi schools.

"I think this project was absolutely incredible," Park said. "I am so excited about the student response."

No matter how a person feels about the war in Iraq, this has been a great way for civilians, more specifically [for] students, to impact a situation half way around the world, according to Park.

"In the United States, we often say that knowledge is power," Park said. "I think that this is a great step in helping empower the Iraqi leaders of tomorrow by helping them gain the knowledge they need to shape their country."

Most recently, the SGPC sponsored the GuluWalk during homecoming week.

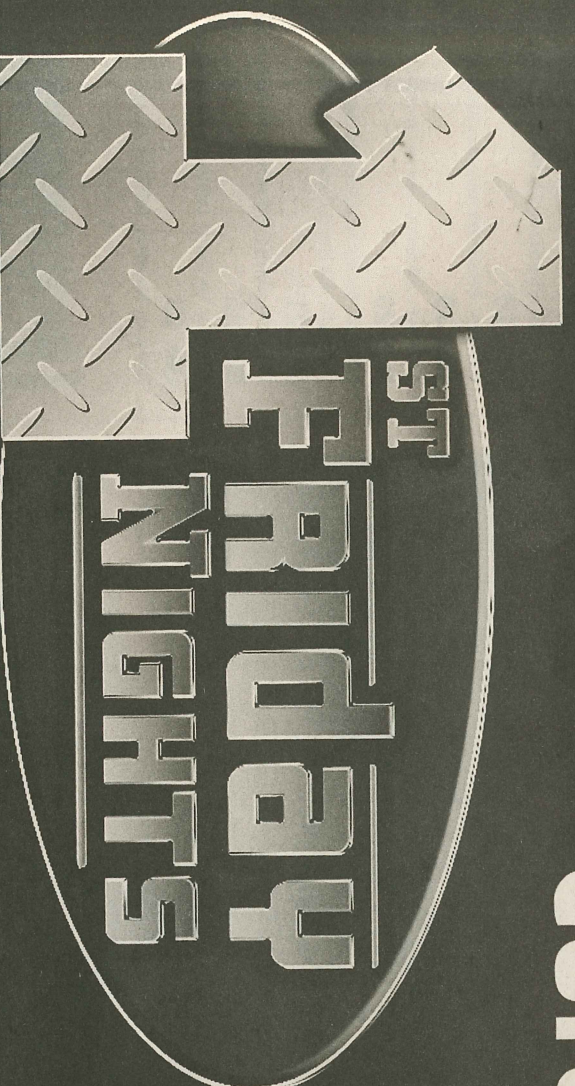
This event was held to raise money and awareness for the genocide that plagues the African nation of Uganda.

In the upcoming weeks, the Undergraduate Student Government and the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) will co-sponsor a canned-food drive.

Later in the semester, CUSG members will be taking time to visit local elementary schools.

CUSG members also plan on volunteering with Country Santa.

Country Santa is an organization that collects toys for underprivileged children across the upstate of South Carolina.



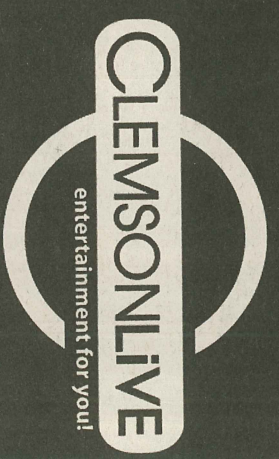
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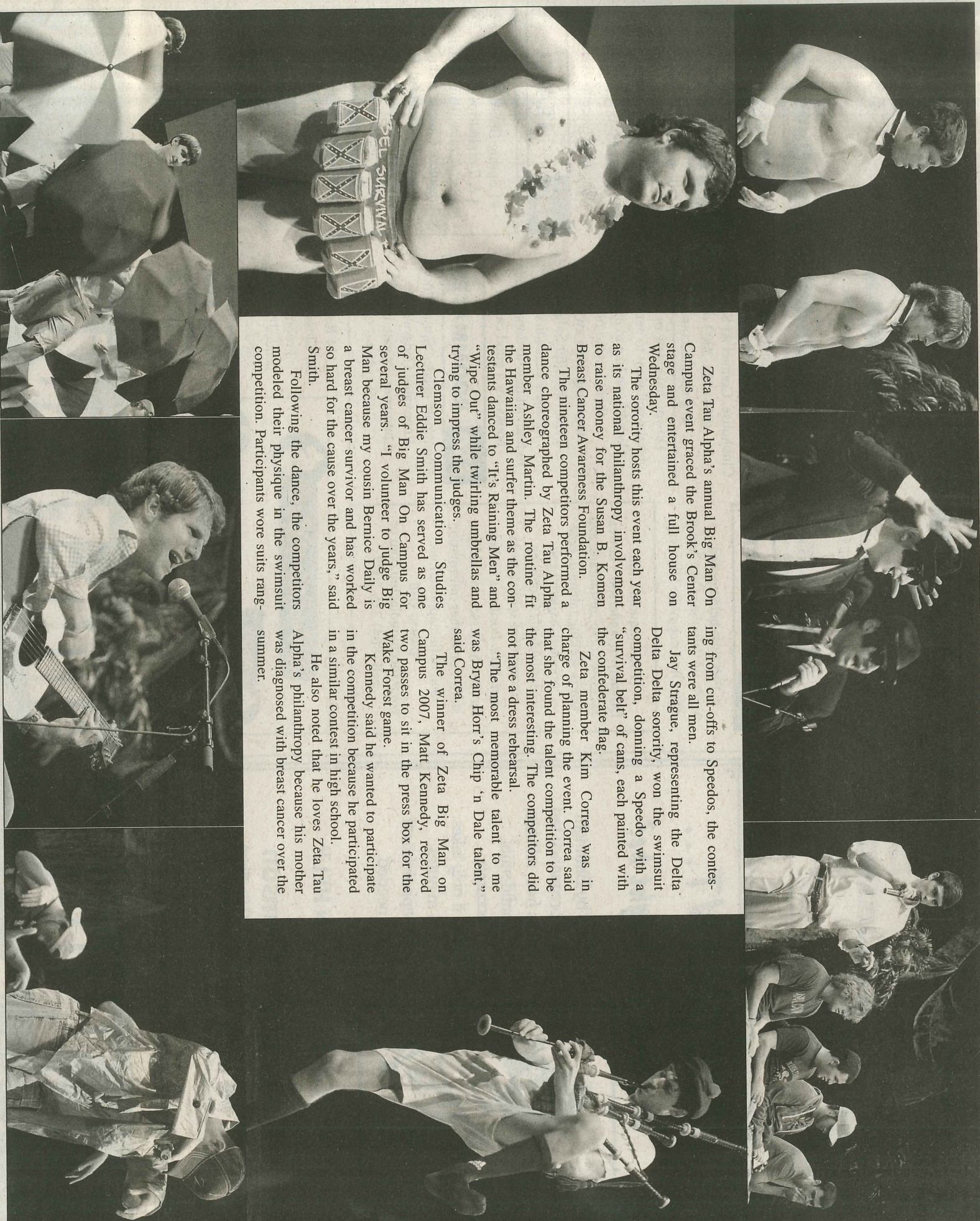
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CLEMSON
STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

ZTA's Big Man on Campus strikes again

By Caroline Garmon

Photos by Dia Zaferopoulos



Zeta Tau Alpha's annual Big Man On Campus event graced the Brook's Center stage and entertained a full house on Wednesday.

The sorority hosts this event each year as its national philanthropy involvement to raise money for the Susan B. Komen Breast Cancer Awareness Foundation.

The nineteen competitors performed a dance choreographed by Zeta Tau Alpha member Ashley Martin. The routine fit the Hawaiian and surfer theme as the contestants danced to "It's Raining Men" and "Wipe Out" while twirling umbrellas and trying to impress the judges.

Clemson Communication Studies Lecturer Eddie Smith has served as one of judges of Big Man On Campus for several years. "I volunteer to judge Big Man because my cousin Bernice Daily is a breast cancer survivor and has worked so hard for the cause over the years," said Smith.

Following the dance, the competitors modeled their physique in the swimsuit competition. Participants wore suits rang-

ing from cut-offs to Speedos, the contestants were all men.

Jay Stragure, representing the Delta Delta Delta sorority, won the swimsuit competition, donning a Speedo with a "survival belt" of cans, each painted with the confederate flag.

Zeta member Kim Correa was in charge of planning the event. Correa said that she found the talent competition to be the most interesting. The competitors did not have a dress rehearsal.

"The most memorable talent to me was Bryan Horr's Chip 'n Dale talent," said Correa.

The winner of Zeta Big Man on Campus 2007, Matt Kennedy, received two passes to sit in the press box for the Wake Forest game.

Kennedy said he wanted to participate in the competition because he participated in a similar contest in high school.

He also noted that he loves Zeta Tau Alpha's philanthropy because his mother was diagnosed with breast cancer over the summer.

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ment of patients with pelvic tumors, which includes cervical, prostate, colorectal and bladder cancers.

Next week, the team will begin work on the NSBRI project.

This study will take into account both radiation and microgravity in order to examine the effect of the combination of radiation exposure and weightlessness on the skeletal system.

This research is one of NASA's top medical priorities.

According to NASA's Web site, "The potential for loss of bone mass is one of the most important medical concerns for long- duration manned space flight with regional losses of 1-2% per month in spite of the fact that crewmembers exercise while in space."

The goal of both of these projects is to improve existing bone loss therapies or develop new methods.

The first step in treatment is to understand the molecular causes of bone loss.

"To really optimally treat any biomedical problem we need to understand the causes at the cellular and molecular level," said Bateman.

"Simply understanding the time course of the bone loss will help us know when/how we need to treat the patients."

The most shocking find of this research thus far is how minute amounts of radiation can severely damage skeletal structure.

A report from Bateman's research shows that a 2Gy dose of radiation, which is equivalent to a single treatment for a human patient, caused up to a 39 percent loss of interior bone mass in mice.

Typically, a cancer patient receives about 80 Gy of radiation in their full course of treatment.

A cancer patient is at extreme risk of severe bone loss during a full course of radiation treatment.

According to Bateman, "What makes this a concern for astronauts is that it was not previously thought that the lower doses we are examining caused bone loss, and it may exacerbate the bone-loss we already know microgravity will cause."

After such bone loss, people are more prone to fractures that are life threatening to some patients.

Therefore, Bateman's research is extremely important to both the medical world and NASA.

The importance of the research has attracted fellowships and grants for several of the team members.

NASA awarded graduate student Jeff Willey a postdoctoral fellowship to continue his research in this after his graduation in December.

Eric Bandstra received a graduate fellowship from NASA's Kennedy Space.

Two undergraduate students, Erica Anderson and Leidamarie Tirado, received undergraduate research fellowships from the South Carolina Space Grant Consortium.

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The Islamo-Fascist group al-Qaeda slaughtered nearly 200,000 fellow Muslims between 1990 an 2002. In fact, they've murdered more Muslims than any other group in history.

These groups not only oppress women in radical states such as Iran, they routinely and cold-heartedly execute them in front of their families.

Islamo-Fascism Awareness Week is an effort to give moderate Muslims support against the dangerously radical forces that have hijacked their religion.

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University of North Carolina
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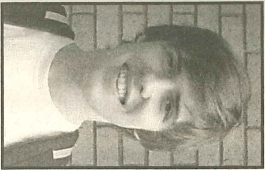
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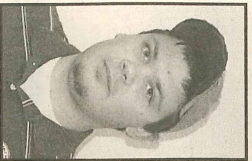
SPEAKING 2

Should middle schools offer their students birth control?



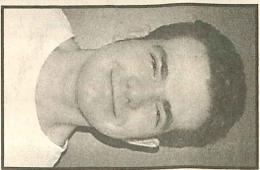
"Yes. Even if the schools didn't supply birth control, people would still have sex."

Sean Kitch
biological sciences senior



"No. It really influences bad decision making."

Shawn Schneider
mechanical engineering senior



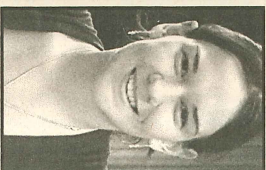
"Yes. I think it is better than having pregnant middle-schoolers, but abstinence would be the best option."

Nic Hanks
electrical engineering freshman



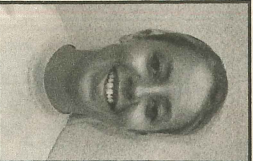
"Yes, definitely. Children are already engaging at sexual activity at that age."

Kelly Rebkovich
biological sciences senior



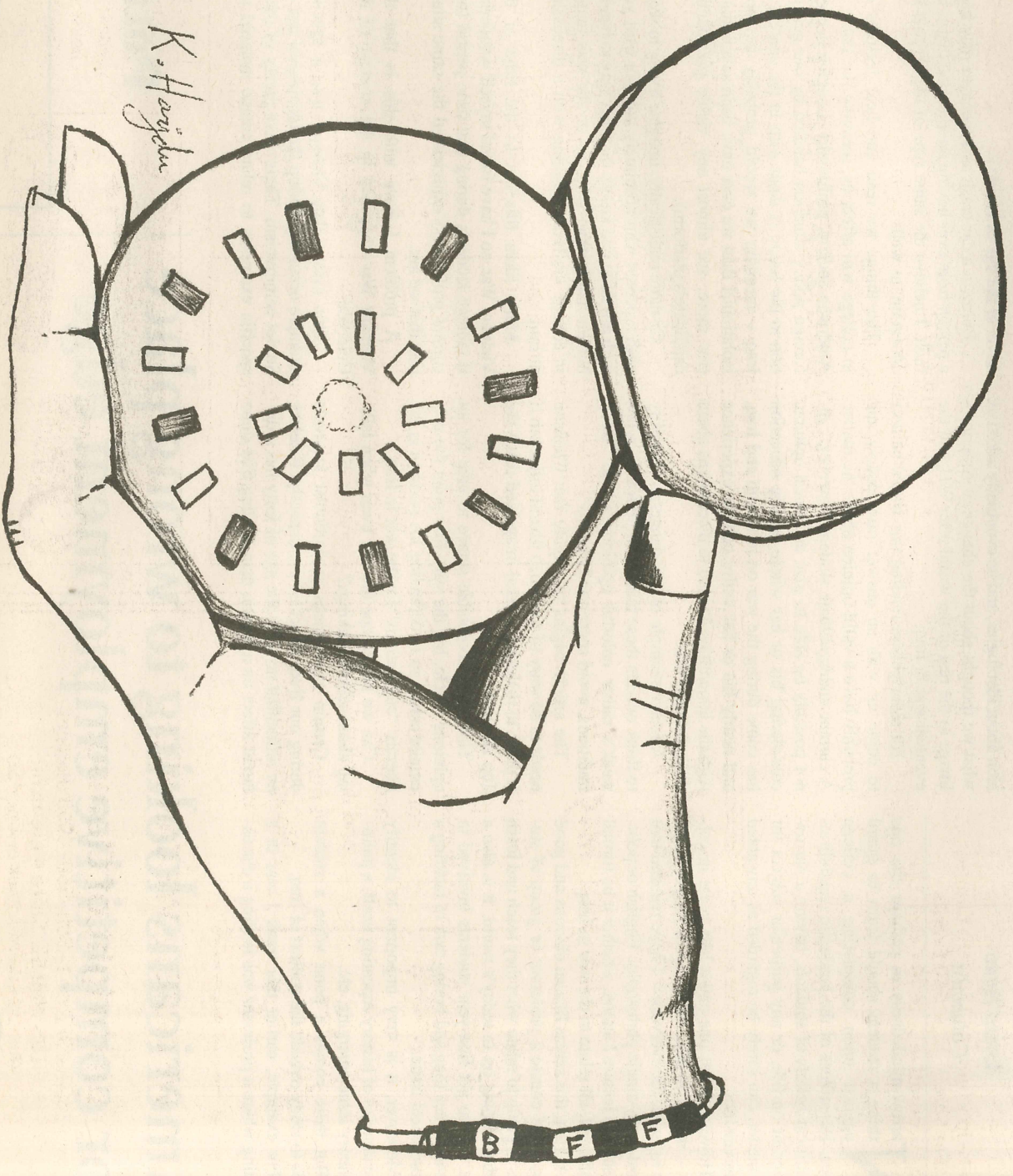
"I think they should implement classes teaching kids sexual education to prevent kids from having sex."

Jenny Garrison
wildlife and fisheries biology junior



"It should be up to the parent. The kids are not old enough to make that decision. The parents should promote abstinence instead of birth control."

Anna Wilbanks
biological sciences sophomore



Portland middle school offers birth control

Students who are sexually active should have the chance to learn to protect themselves.

A Portland middle school is now providing its students with birth control. This might not seem so strange (after all, many schools provide birth control to their students) if the school involved the parents in this decision, but the independent clinic at King Middle School does not require students to have parental consent in order to get the birth control medications.

The school board voted nearly unanimously to approve the plan, a plan which included immunizations, basic physical checkups and extra counseling for sexually transmitted diseases along with the birth control.

There was no shortage of disagreement, though. Parents and community members packed the school board's meeting room last Wednesday to discuss the plan, many voicing concerns about the rights of parents and what role the school's clinic was assuming by going directly to students.

Indeed, the plan raises several concerns, not the least of which is the age of the children. Kids in middle school typically range from 12 to 14-years-old, a shockingly young age when one considers that these 12 to 14 year-olds are going to be able to get birth control without parental consent. Birth control is not simply a one-time deal: when you go on birth control, it is a regiment that must be maintained. Even college-age students sometimes slip up and forget to take the pill one day. Multiply this forgetfulness by a 14 year-old's attention span and nearly boundless energy, and the answers are not reassuring. Kids of that age need parental guidance not only to direct their choices but to help structure and engrain the routines and habits that will be part of their lives. The absence of parental "nagging" does not bode well for the Portland school's plan.

But no matter how much one might object, the access to birth control and supplemental counseling is appealing for many. It's no secret: Kids in middle school already participate in risky behavior, whether any kind of sexual protection is available or not. Advocates of the program claim that they are trying to provide these students with the tools they need to take better care of themselves. Coupled with strong counseling programs about the dangers of sexually transmitted diseases and the benefits of sexual responsibility, the clinic at King Middle aims to give kids who are already sexually active a chance to learn to

protect themselves. By allowing students to get help without parental approval, the program offers a level of anonymity — anonymity that might encourage those who are afraid that their "wrong" behavior might bring about the wrath of parents to come forward and seek help. Not requiring a guardian's consent also sidesteps the problem of a child being disallowed medical care because of the parents' beliefs and convictions, religious or otherwise involving issues of birth control and pregnancy.

One concern that is often mentioned is the idea that providing "a way out" only encourages children to become more promiscuous. When this point was mentioned at the school board's meeting, defenders of the proposal cited studies showing that increased availability of birth control did not necessarily lead to increased promiscuity when coupled with counseling programs about sexual responsibility.

Whether you place much faith in sociological studies or not, the question that this concern brings to light is a legitimate one: What does it mean to be sexually responsible?

There is also a strong sense that sexual education, especially the education of middle school students, should be about responsibility. However, defining the term "responsibility" can easily become a messy job. Many feel that sexual responsibility for kids of the ages 12 to 14 equates to sexual abstinence. Kids that young simply do not have the ability to handle the same sort of responsibility that society grants adults every day. However, the problem that faces King Middle and many other schools is that whether kids are able to handle the responsibility or not, they are engaging in the act. Schools and their health care providers are simply trying to provide children with the chance to be safe and seek help. Though a true sense of self-responsibility may only come with time, kids are having sex, and programs like those at King Middle are only trying to offer them the opportunity to learn how to be safe and, hopefully, how to one day make responsible choices for themselves.

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COMMENTARY

Iraq war not the only worthy topic of conversation

LUCAS HURD

Columnist

Narrow-mindedness is perhaps the one thing a student should learn to guard against upon completing a college degree. Regardless of the academic capabilities or political beliefs of students, having a narrow viewpoint on life, or any particular subject for that matter, can safely be regarded as unwanted by universities.

However, after one and a half years in college — which is admittedly not a long enough time to speak for everyone — I have realized that almost every single philosophy, English or political science lecture I attend, whether it be formal or informal, all relate to the war in Iraq.

At first, this seems like an obvious and good thing — of course a professor or group of students is going to relate what they teach and learn to what's going on in today's world. It is also a great way to get first-year students involved in the sometimes long and boring task of tackling a philosophical issue.

Moreover, it is very important to identify real examples of history repeating itself, a political theory issue emerging, etc.

But there comes a point when a student needs to study outside the context of Iraq.

For example, earlier this week I was at a meeting where a professor was leading a discus-

sion about ideologies, and he eventually asked us what we thought about the change of America's image to the rest of the world after 9/11 and the eventual war in Iraq.

An older person reading this would be able to come up with an answer immediately and probably have a valid opinion about the matter. A current undergraduate student, however, cannot possibly be able to give an honest opinion, considering his or her whole mature education has come during the war on terrorism and Iraq, and nearly his or her entire college experience with the humanities has led to discussions about this particular war.

Another example of our dangerous inability to think outside these terms can be found in last week's rather colorful opinions article "Keep traditions, avoid soccer and liberals".

The article begins by saying that Clemson needs to be wary of too much liberal influence if it plans to maintain a good image and reach the Top 20 mark.

This is an acceptable stance to take for an opinions article, but the very first point the columnist comes to in defending his position is the liberals' "suggestions" for the war in Iraq.

Can we not escape the war even when talking about school rankings?

Certain experiences at particular intervals during our lives affect us permanently. Reading an influential novel at the age of forty has a different affect on a person than reading that same

novel at the age of twenty.

Being in a car crash as a teenager may keep a person from ever having another one that is his fault. I believe the same type of idea is true for education, as well.

The things we read and hear lectures on in college will affect us, meaning the future of American society, profoundly. Imagine if every foreign policy situation handled by our generation in the future is dealt with in the context of Iraq — meaning we would probably be more isolationist than we ever have been as a country (for more, see almost any viable presidential candidate's platform).

Or more realistically, imagine trying to work with a person who absolutely will not trust you with anything and knows no other way to handle human nature than what he or she was taught in college via lecture ending with a discussion of Iraq.

Many liken this era to the time of the Vietnam War, so I have found myself wondering if college students during that time period (our current professors) experienced the same situation that we are.

A problem I have with this is that the Vietnam War happened in the context of the Cold War.

This means that Vietnam was a specific example occurring during the ideological age of Soviet communism. There were plenty of other specific examples to relate course material to:

Cuba, the Middle East at that time, etc.

Today, the war in Iraq has become the ideology to discuss. Politicians can claim that it is a general "war on terror," but we have been in Iraq for a long time, and I do not believe that anyone seriously sees us leaving anytime soon.

The only other headlines in the news concern Paris Hilton or Bono.

This means that professors and students are going to have to become aware that there was once a time in history when most college students probably could not point out Iraq or Afghanistan on a map and learn what objectivity is again in order to teach the subjects that are supposed to make all of us engineering and science students "well-rounded".

In other words, objectivity is not just a religious manner — it involves political, historical and even temporal biases that must be overcome in order to teach and truly to learn a subject.

It is of note that after I read back over this, I realized that in an article attempting to inform of the dangers of always relating everything to the war and personal opinions concerning it, I myself had to state no less than three opinions on Iraq.

I am still not sure if this further proves my point or makes me a hypocrite.

Lucas Hurd is a junior majoring in physics.

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Americans looking to wrong place for competitive employment edge

BRYAN COCKFIELD

Columnist



John F. Kennedy had the key to solving all of our nation's problems. If we had only listened, we'd know that the key to American prosperity, as Kennedy tried to explain in a 1962 speech at Rice University in Texas, was letting the federal government babysit its citizens:

"We choose to go to the moon. We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard."

In case Kennedy's obvious point from the excerpt from the climax of his speech was missed, the "other things" he was talking about were keeping the Mexicans out of this country so American workers wouldn't need incentive to better their lives. Clearly.

Well, maybe Kennedy wasn't talking about saving American jobs. In Kennedy's day it was more common for Americans to make up their mind to do something incredible, like go to the moon, rather than bicker and complain that the government doesn't give them the things that they are "entitled" to, like a job or health care.

After all, it was Americans who built a canal through Panama, developed energy from splitting atoms and traveled to the moon, but today it seems that Americans are only claiming that the federal government owes them the things that they used to work for.

This attitude is why Americans have completely lost their competitive edge. A big part of the reason this attitude exists is because we no longer have a real power or eminent threat, like the Soviet Union, to compete with. Sadly, the problems of illegal immigration and outsourcing are today's equivalent of the space race.

One aspect of the illegal immigration debate is that illegal immigrants are "doing the jobs that Americans just don't want to do", as the popular cliché goes. But many worry that they don't pay taxes while using the benefits that taxpayers fund.

This concern could easily be solved simply by passing the FairTax. With a national sales tax and no income tax, illegal aliens would certainly pay taxes to the United States without receiving the benefits American taxpayers pay for.

But the benefits aren't the real issue; otherwise the FairTax would be on the fast track through Congress.

Americans want to protect their jobs, but not by working harder or improving themselves. They seem to want the infallible federal government to step in and do it for them.

The practice of outsourcing jobs to other countries has come on the political scene, but even more so than immigration, outsourcing is freeing more Americans to take more important jobs.

The opportunity for the United States to be a leader in the world is more readily available to us because of outsourcing, but we can not win this race without the desire to better ourselves.

This is not a race the United States can win if its citizens and representatives continue on the path they are headed.

We won the first part of the space race, but our space program, once the peak of human achievement, has become a symbol of dwindling willingness to be the best at everything. Four Soviet-era gliders with the menacing name "shuttle" don't really strike awe into the hearts of other nations.

Immigration and the space program are just superficial examples, however. Our lack of a rival superpower has created a lack in engineers, and the State of South Carolina is taking action to help fill this void.

The first steps to relieving this problem were to raise the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship around \$3,000 for students majoring in engineering, science, math and computer science. Now, the state has given students more of an incentive to major in something that South Carolina, as well as every other state and private company in this country, desperately needs.

Granted, it's no guarantee that a student who graduates from Clemson stays to work in South Carolina, but it is extremely likely. Even if they leave the state, they're still in high demand elsewhere.

But an electrical engineer from Clemson or The Citadel is much more likely to work for South Carolina Electric and Gas just like an electrical engineer from North Carolina State University is much more likely to work for Duke Energy.

The only complaints to this come from people who either don't understand how much the country needs engineers and other math- and science-oriented degrees, or from the people who came to college to develop their social lives and are thus not getting the extra scholarship money.

South Carolina's economy relies almost entirely on agriculture, engineering and manufacturing.

The General Assembly and the Governor did the right thing by trying to promote their economy, and they know that humanities majors do not get that job done; whereas engineering, science, math and architecture majors will.

Perhaps what our state government is trying to tell the people of South Carolina is that we shouldn't be asking what our country can do for us, but what we can do for our country... or state, as the case may be.

And it's about time South Carolina follows at least some of John F. Kennedy's advice.

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POLITICAL CARTOON

E. SPARR

What do you want for Islamofascism Awareness Week, young lady?

A pony, please!



POLITICAL CARTOON



PAWS UP, PAWS DOWN

Police who were sent to investigate a vacant house were attacked and forced off the premises. Their assailant? A swarm of fleas. It was so bad that the officers had to be decontaminated elsewhere.

A Columbian man recently decided to protest his unemployment by donning an iron mask (yes, like in the movie) and remaining chained to his neighbor's bed. Good luck finding a job, man.

Women all over the world are protesting the brutal government suppression of protests in Myanmar by mailing their panties to embassies everywhere, a tremendous insult in Myanmar's society.

Archery Park, a local park in a small Wisconsin town, will no longer allow archers to shoot within park limits. The reason: Neighbors were complaining of rogue arrows that continually flew into the sides of houses and yards.

34 crocodiles escaped from a crocodile farm in Thailand due to extreme flooding in the region. Locals have managed to contain most of the gators, but 11 of the animals still roam free. Watch your step, citizens of Bangkok ...

COMMENTARY

The MLB needs no instant replay



STEPHEN PINEROS

Columnist

This article is for sports fans in general and baseball fans specifically. Now, if sports happen to turn you off or you find baseball as boring as shuffleboard championships (stay away) then you should read my article anyway. You may just learn a thing or two so when your uncle, who is both a sports aficionado and annoying, comes down for Thanksgiving you can silence him with your impressive knowledge.

I now present you the play of the year from earlier this month. The Padres are playing a one-game playoff against the Rockies to decide who will win the National League Wild-Card.

It is a cool, partly cloudy night in the rarified air of Coors Field. The game has reached the bottom of the 13th inning. The Rockies, who were down two runs to start their half of the inning, have scored two runs to retie the game. Todd Helton stands at 1st base, Matt Holliday at 3rd. There are no outs.

The tense crowd knows their team's chances of winning are good, even with all-time saves leader Trevor Hoffman on the mound. Janney Carroll hits a fly ball on the first pitch towards right fielder Brian Giles, who throws a rocket to catcher

Michael Barrett as Holliday tags up. The crowd holds its collective breath as he slides in head first, his hand apparently touching home plate. Barrett drops the throw, but recovers it to apply a late tag on Holliday just as home plate umpire Tim McClelland calls Holliday safe. The crowd loses control. Holliday has just scored the winning run to send the Rockies into the playoffs.

Or has he? Replays clearly show that his hand missed home plate, meaning Barrett's tag, late as it was, would have made Holliday out. The Rockies would go on to sweep both the Phillies and the Diamondbacks in the playoffs, and are set to play the Red Sox in the World Series. But if Major League Baseball had an instant replay policy, the postseason might have shaped up differently.

Baseball is a psychological game of momentum. Whereas in football that x-factor advantage comes through size and how hard you hit, baseball has the brush-back pitch, spikes flying through the air on a slide and most importantly time to think.

Sure people complain about the speed of the game, but when a pitcher has just given up a three-run homer to lead off the 1st inning, every pitch will be delivered with fear, and from that point on the other eight may lose faith in their teammate, possibly affecting their own play.

Major League Baseball has a timeless feel that stems from its rich history, from the Babe Ruths and Mickey Mantles of the past. Through numerous rule changes it

has resisted the technological innovations that make instant replay and head sets integral to football.

It is also the only major sport that has no time limit. As Yankees' catcher Yogi Berra once put it, "It ain't over till it's over." Nine innings, or twenty, it is an epic sport that demands patience and relaxation, save those frantic moments like Holliday's rush for home plate. Of course, many argue that umpires are not always in the best position to make a call, and therefore the MLB needs instant replay.

They say too many foul balls are called fair and too many runners called safe are indeed out. Nevertheless, all the aspects of baseball I have talked about make the game sacred and something that was not designed to be fiddled with by a hundred different camera angles. Instant replay would slow the game down even more and would introduce the controversy that is exemplified by instant replay changes in football.

Rather, the MLB should continue to insure that it has the best umpires on the field, and pride itself in leaving the decisions up to human judgment as they have been for over one hundred years.

Baseball is a game of careful strategy, heroic home runs, and incredible tension, and it does not need instant replay. Go Yankees....next year.

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California has lost its mind



DAMON ANDREWS

Columnist

Strait to you from the Left coast of America, two laws were recently passed in the Golden State by Governor Schwarzenegger aimed at making children more aware of "alternative sexual lifestyles" and eliminating discrimination against homosexuals, bisexuals and transsexuals. One of the laws targets what is taught to children in public schools regarding sexual orientation and personal preference while the other is geared more toward instituting rules which protect students and their families against sexual discrimination and harassment.

So just what changes were made? Well for starters, textbooks and literature in public schools that reference marriage as being only between male and female are now outlawed. They are now required to include marriage options of all combinations. While I feel this could greatly complicate the job of many parents who still prefer to deliver the "birds and bees" speech to their children themselves, I'm really hoping editors of these textbooks organize such information in a matrix so that right under the box of a male-female marriage is a male-male union and next to that is female-female union. I'm almost positive that will clear up any lingering confusion among children and eradicate any harmful preconceptions that pose a danger to society about what marriage is supposed to be like.

Additionally, all sex education classes must provide instruction on the option of having a sex change (and to think at one time

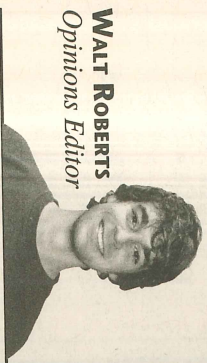
"penis" was a taboo word in schools). Pairing this option up with philosophy class could kill two birds with one stone: to change or not to change—that is the question. And to top off the teaching part of the new legislation, students must also be taught the possibilities of people being born as male, female or 'somewhere in the middle' (and I'm still wondering what this would look like anatomically). Has there been some sort of Z gender chromosome discovered I'm unaware of? There is male. There is female.

My favorite adjustment to the public education is the new law that allows boys to use girls' restrooms and locker rooms and girls to use boys' facilities as well. That's right—based on what the individual believes to be their own sexual orientation is the restroom or locker room to which he or she or it may choose to go. My first question is this: do these same rules apply for teachers and coaches? And if so, is that to say that a male gym teacher who just happens to believe he is a female on any given day is allowed access into the girls' locker room? This not only proposes a complete invasion of privacy but a quick and easy route to child pornography as well. I'm now convinced that Arnold conceived this genius plan in a cloud of smoke from some California chronic.

So what does all this legislation mean? Basically, the once-fearing Terminator is now no more than a miniature toy action figure that liberals can manipulate however they choose. If you've never heard of a 6'5", 250-pound starting outside linebacker for a high school football team with a full beard winning homecoming queen, you just might before too long. And for all the boys who ever had hopes of being prom king, I've got some bad news to spread—you you might now have to compete for that honor against girls. Good luck men (you'll need it).

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Defending the dynamic American culture

WALT ROBERTS
Opinions Editor

I've never been to Europe, but I imagine that when I do go, it won't be quite the scare I used to think it would be. I used to see myself, the bumbling American tourist, wandering lost through the streets of some quaint town, unable to communicate with anyone. But friends who have gone and returned again have lessened my fears of the language barrier. I've heard that in Europe it's hard to go anywhere without running into

someone who speaks English. People always come back with stories, and my first question always seems to be "Was it hard not knowing the language?" This they typically answer with something like "No; there were a lot of people who spoke English."

It is an interesting thing to consider the proliferation of our "native" tongue. Students in many European nations learn English as their second language growing up, and though we might not always feel its effects while there, the international familiarity with English tends to make travel to other countries that much easier for American tourists, easing the culture shock, in a way.

But it is not simply our language that abounds. It seems like the world

has bitten off a chunk of Americana, and every nation has a piece. Whether we are exporting products or shipping our music and trends across borders, America is putting herself out there. Indeed, we are eager to do so.

The conscious and unconscious exchange of culture occurs continuously in today's networked world, and in our self-obsession, it is easy to forget that Uncle Sam isn't the only one getting into other people's business: "Foreign" culture is constantly getting into us. From French fashion to Japanese cartoons (anime, anyone?), we are surrounded by other cultures, other worlds everywhere we turn. Just as we can see America in other nations, those nations see themselves in us. And the interplay is

infinately complex, with cultures sharing and bouncing off each other in all sorts of varying degrees. This sharing is something we often do whether we intend to or not, and it is something we often appreciate ... whether we intend to or not.

In the immigration debate, defenders of "American" culture claim an interesting role: Protecting the "roots" of our great nation. But I cannot always make sense of what they are protecting.

Lately, I have seen this battle fought on the level of language. The idea seems to be that the more we allow the Hispanic culture to "invade" the greater risk we run of losing our "native" tongue (that tongue we borrow from those stuffy

Brits). Programs that teach students in Spanish are viewed as a threat to the American fabric, attacking the very language in which we communicate. But our language is itself a patchwork of culture, a testament to German and French and Spanish and Latin. When the very thing we are attempting to defend might not be ours to begin with, we run into trouble, and we are forced to ask whether or not we even possess the culture or language we claim. Is another language a threat to American culture, or is it simply an addition, an enrichment of the mesh of influences that we call our own?

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From the desks of the editors

It is difficult to love your job when you get calls from disgruntled readers at 6 p.m. Friday evening while trying to shop in Wal-mart, but that is what we got ourselves into when we signed up.

The Tiger is a forum for the public to voice its opinion. We have an opinions section with columns from staff writers and guests, cartoons and letters to the editor. However, a group of students approached us this week expressing concern that a column in our paper reflected the opinion of The Tiger staff, Clemson University and the larger Clemson community. To clarify, our opinions writers are not given subjects to write about but instead come up with topics on their own.

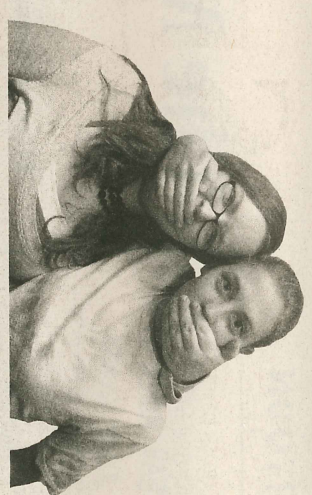
When people have a strong opinion in favor or in opposition to one of our columns or articles, we are happy to publish their opinions in the Letters to the Editor section. Readers can submit a letter through the Web site or by emailing letters@thetigernews.com.

We try to publish as many letters to the editor as can possibly fit. We have even had people write responses to the letters to the editor.

Other people prefer to respond indirectly to our articles on the Web site or speak directly to the writer by posting a comment. The Web site is fast and easy to use, and the majority of our feedback arrives in this form. Online readers can respond by creating their own topics of discussion in our forums. We enjoy reading both the comments on the Web site and the forum discussions.

These are several ways we try to make our newspaper a discussion between The Tiger and the general public.

While we acknowledge columns are the personal opinions of the writers, we also hope they address or reflect a broad cross-section of the Clemson community's thoughts and concerns. Our job is to mediate the conversation, but sometimes it is difficult to know



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Editor-in-Chief

where to draw the line on offensive content. People like to talk about freedom of speech, and of course we are thankful for that essential liberty in a democracy; however, the too-frequently-ignored other side of the coin is responsibility for the words you say with that liberty. This dual aspect of opinion editing runs a fine line between allowing people to say offensive ideas and making them back up those statements with well-researched information.

It is so important to keep talking, continually educate ourselves and have reasons for the opinions we so easily hold. That is our most important responsibility at The Tiger—to think before we speak, as well.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Column without logic

To say that the opinion article "Press '1' for Spanish, '2' for English" is one of the most ignorant pieces of literature I have ever read is a dramatic understatement. As an actual immigrant assimilated into American society, I took a special interest in it, and as a regular reader of the Tiger I find it hard to believe that this was actually printed. Comparing the implementation of a foreign language to an "invasion" is the line of thinking that has allowed the United States to take a nosedive from respected superpower to international laughingstock. Tell me, Sherlock, if the immigrants are so ignorant, how did they manage to launch an intellectual attack designed to infiltrate iron-clad American culture, so much so as to modify the language in which school is taught? Children in Europe grow up speaking multiple languages and have an inherent advantage to their American counterparts. Granted, some immigrants don't learn the language. But these individuals are not exactly competing with Americans for high-paying jobs, and one could argue that much of America is supported by these people taking very low paying jobs. What exactly is the drawback to having to press "1" to hear English? If you cannot afford the energy and brainpower to press that particular button on the telephone receiver, maybe you should reserve the writing of opinion articles to others.

Luis Pelaez
student

Satire misses its mark

As I was reading the newspaper I ran across one of your columns that caught my attention and brought me a feeling of writing about it.

This column is the about keeping traditions, while avoiding soccer and liberals. The cultural change is unavoidable, the U.S. is changing and its universities are changing too. The cultural diversity is what makes Clemson so great, since it adapts to the students' needs. Layne Madden can be afraid of change since he was probably raised to be closed-minded. The U.S. is great and I totally respect the soldiers that are losing their lives to keep our freedom. The freedoms that we are getting are freedom of speech and the right to express yourself. If columnist Layne Madden is so afraid of change in his "perfect society" he can get out of Clemson and finish in a military school

where he won't have any change, even though there will be cultural diversity.

Clemson tradition has always been football, but the traditions won't be lost if there are more sports being played. Clemson can excel in sports other than football, if the columnist doesn't understand soccer he should pay attention to it, before he judges it. Maybe that's why he hates it. I didn't used to like football but I took my time in trying to understand it, and I like it now, so the columnist should take his time and understand soccer since it is growing faster than he thinks.

Camillo Nieto
student

Column incredibly offensive

The following statement appeared on page B3 of The Tiger, October 12, 2007:

"If you've never heard of the Mexican or Costa Rican mafia being a problem in the U.S., prepare yourselves, because I imagine there will soon be one."

("Press '1' for Spanish, '2' for English," Damon Andrews)
No context can make this statement acceptable. This statement is irresponsible and insulting. The person who wrote this should stop "imagining" and explain what prompted him to write this statement or retract.

As for the rest of the commentary, I just can't take it seriously. I'd like to suggest readers to take a look at the article mentioned at the beginning of the commentary ("Mexican lesson plans crossing the border," The Oregonian, September 19, 2007, written by Esmeralda Hernandez).

Santiago Sandi-Urena

Column offensive, lacks tact

I took my time to read an article published in The Tiger on October 12, 2007 ("Press '1' for Spanish, '2' for English," Damon Andrews). It is very insulting towards Hispanics in general, but specially towards Mexicans and Costa Ricans. In my opinion, the article urges discrimination of Hispanics by "warning" of future problems in the United States due to "an increasing number of uneducated immigrants, legal or not..."

On page B3 also appears the following statement:

"If you've never heard of the Mexican or Costa Rican mafia being a problem in the U.S., prepare yourselves, because I imagine there will soon be one."

I urge you to do something

so that this will not happen again. As a Costa Rican, I feel deeply offended by the article.

Ereban E. Ureña-Benavides
graduate student

I read the article "Press '1' for Spanish, '2' for English" with great discomfort but most importantly with great sadness. I cannot believe that the journalist does not take into account the difficulties that the "Hispanics" face in learning English when they come into the United States. His argument that "Hispanics" refuse to learn English is pale, reductionist, racist and stupid.

First of all, these "Hispanics" that he mentions are people like him, you or me and therefore should be treated with all the respect and dignity each human being deserves.

Second, the journalist lacks the proper expertise to know or understand how difficult it is for these human beings to learn in general not to mention that they are in a different culture and environment than the one they know.

Most of these human beings left their countries of origin with a really low level of education: they lack primary or secondary education, they did not have parents that supported their education at home when they were infants, teenagers or young adults, and most especially they never had the chance or dreamed to have the chance to have a student loan to go to college. Also, most of these human beings attending schools in the United States have both parents that work 10 or 12 hours a day in jobs that pay just enough to cover their cost of living. Therefore, these parents hardly have a chance to spend time educating their children at home and expanding what they have learned at home. And those parents that do find the time to do it, often are functionally illiterate and find themselves trapped because their children study in English in their schools but can only relate to them in Spanish at home.

Third, the journalist has to understand that immigration is the taboo of the economic integration of our time. While growth in trade of products, services and capital flows has been widely supported by the Washington Consensus for years, immigration has been left behind because of political fear of the American establishment. These "Hispanics" that the journalist mentions not only have been defrauded by their countries of origin's governments but also

by the only country that reflected what they have been dreaming: an opportunity to secure for themselves and their family of a better future. As a founding father, James Madison, said: "America was indebted to immigration for her settlement and prosperity. That part of America which had encouraged them most had advanced most rapidly in population, agriculture and the arts."

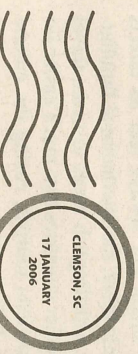
Marias Nardi
student

Religion embraces diversity

Although purporting to be in favor of cultural diversity, the editorial "Press '1' for Spanish, '2' for English" instead attempts to create an atmosphere of fear based on illusions of subterfuge. Our American religious heritage invokes us to "treat the alien who resides with you no differently than the natives born among you. Have the same love for him as for yourself (Lev. 19:34)." As a non-Hispanic, I admire and celebrate not only the energy of labor which migrates across our southern border, but also the richness of language, culture and customs that reminds us of the creation's vast wealth. The important process of welcoming and incorporating the "stranger in our midst" is one that taps into the very ingenuity and creativity of which Americans are proud. In this process there is no room (or time) for fear.

Jim F. Chamberlain
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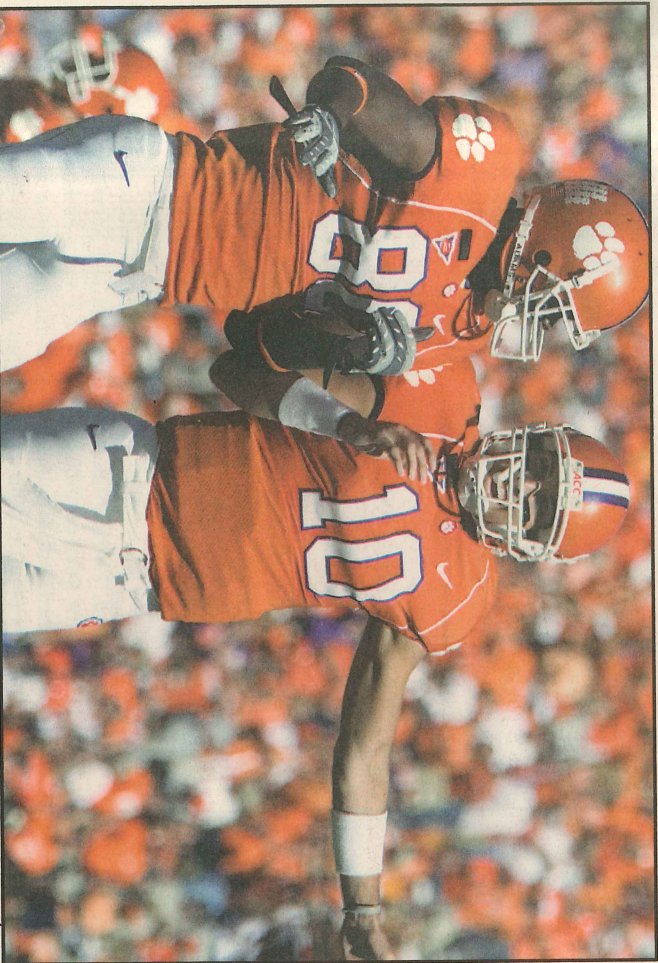
SPORTS

Tiger offense wakes up against CMU

Clemson offense explodes for highest point total in 26 years in rout of Central Michigan

JOSH FORT
STAFF WRITER

Many outsiders put Clemson (5-2) on upset alert before last weekend's homecoming contest against Central Michigan (4-4). Apparently, the Clemson football team did not get that memo, as they demolished the Chippewas 70-14 before a crowd of 81,000 orange-clad fans in Clemson's Death Valley. Central Michigan struck first to go ahead 7-0 on a



BRIAN SCHNEIDER / staff

DYNAMIC DUO: Cullen Harper and Aaron Kelly celebrate after one of Kelly's two touchdown receptions. Kelly had 121 yards receiving, while Harper threw for 273 yards.

nine-yard touchdown reception by Duane Brooks from Dan LeFevour. The reception capped an impressive 68-yard drive by the Chippewas, but the fireworks would quickly be extinguished.

Tiger running back James Davis made his presence known by tying the game on a one-yard run. Clemson closed the half with four touchdown passes from quarterback Cullen Harper, putting the Tigers on top 35-7. Davis finished the game with 90 yards on 22 carries and two scores.

Harper finished the day nearly perfect going 20-22 with 273 yards and five touchdowns. Backup quarterback Tribble Reese also saw action on Saturday completing three of five passes with a touchdown and 43 yards. Several Tigers were on the receiving end of those passes, including Aaron Kelly who had seven catches for 121 yards and two touchdowns. Tyler Grisham had four catches for 59 yards, Jacoby Ford had two catches for 44 yards and two touchdowns, and Davis had two catches for 19 yards and a touchdown. True freshman Xavier Dye had one catch for 22 yards and a touchdown. The Clemson rushing game got back on track with the ground game combining for 352 yards. Sadat Chambers led all rushers with 112 yards on 10 carries and one touchdown. CJ Spiller finished the day with 96 yards on 15 carries and one score.

Defensively, the Tigers were led by Phillip Merling and Michael Hamlin with five tackles each. Merling added one tackle for a loss of three yards. Chris Chancellor and Deandre McDaniel each had interceptions. The defensive performance on Saturday was a complete performance as multiple defenders tallied more than three tackles.

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Volleyball dominates in weekend sweeps

Tigers sweep Boston College and Maryland to remain unbeaten in ACC play

NICK BARONE
STAFF WRITER

For over a month now the Clemson volleyball team (18-2, 11-0 ACC) has been unbeatable. Last weekend's matches require only one word to describe their performance—domination. With the addition of these two wins, their winning streak dates all the way back to Sept. 14.

First, on Friday night, the Tigers faced up against Boston College (10-11, 4-7 ACC). This was followed Saturday night with a win over the Maryland Terrapins (13-7, 5-6 ACC). Both games were held at a very energetic Jervey Gym. Not only did the girls win these matches, they won all three games in each match.

The first Boston College game was back and forth; however, Clemson was able to hold off a late Eagle rally and win the game by a score of 30-24. Clemson opened the second game strong and finished strong by posting a final score of 30-20. Although the third game finished with a score of 30-23, it was closer than the numbers may show thanks to a late run by the Tigers.

On Friday, Leslie Mansfield played tough games, tallying six



BRIAN SCHNEIDER / staff

OVER THE TOP: Clemson junior Jeannette Abbott goes up for the kill against Maryland's Mary Beth Brown. Abbott led the Tigers with 13 kills in the win over the Terrapins last weekend.

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| FOOTBALL | VOLLEYBALL | MEN'S SOCCER | WOMEN'S SOCCER | MEN'S TRACK | WOMEN'S TRACK | SWIMMING AND DIVING |
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| Saturday 10/27 Maryland 3:30 p.m. College Park, MD | Friday 10/26 North Carolina 7 p.m. Clemson, S.C. | Friday 10/26 North Carolina 7:30 p.m. Chapel Hill, N.C. | Saturday 10/27 Miami 7 p.m. Coral Gables, Fla. | Saturday 10/27 ACC Cross Country Championships 10 a.m. Charlottesville, Va. | Saturday 10/27 ACC Championships TBA Charlottesville, Va. | Saturday 10/27 Virginia TBA Charlottesville, Va. |
| Saturday 10/27 North Carolina State 6 p.m. Clemson, S.C. | Tuesday 10/30 Coastal Carolina 6 p.m. Clemson, S.C. | Thursday 11/1 Florida State 7 p.m. Clemson, S.C. | | | | |

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Don't you just love the parity in college football this season? Sure, it seems like we say that every year, but you have to admit that the past few seasons have given us teams that were anointed as the "chosen ones" and destined to meet in the championship game (see: Texas vs. USC in 2005).

But this year is different. I mean come on, the kids from South Florida (it's in Tampa for those who didn't know) actually thought they had a real shot at playing in the national championship. Now that's funny.

It's week nine, and every time I turn on the TV to a game I find myself having the urge to turn off a "powerhouse vs. cellar-dweller" game, yet I keep tuning in. Why? Because I now know that anything and everything is possible after some of the monumental upsets that have taken place this year.

It's gotten to the point that watching a top ten team lose to a feisty, up-and-coming no-name program has become a lot like having a grandfather who's smoked three packs a day for 50 years finally getting diagnosed with lung cancer — sad, but inevitable.

I have this strong, inexplicable feeling that the biggest upset of the year is still creeping in the closet like the boogeyman. Say, a conference championship game perhaps? Nah, that's crazy talk you say. But hey, craziness defines this college football season.

The fact that people are talking about Florida, a two-loss team, still being able to win the national title just proves the fact of the matter. Only time will tell, but if anything is certain in this unpredictable season, it's that every game is worth watching.

What's not worth watching, however, is the powerhouse formerly known as Notre Dame. Think about the worst day of your life for a second.

Now, imagine having that day once a week for two months straight. Welcome to Notre Dame Football 2007. I may be in a class by myself here, but is anyone else loving the demise of the Charlie Weis era?

If you're not familiar with former Notre Dame coach Tyrone



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Willingham, who was hung out to dry like a pair of wet gym shorts, here's a quick summary.

He went 21-15 with two bowl game losses during his three year tenure from 2002-2004.

Nothing spectacular, right? Well, Weis is 20-13 through only two and a half seasons with two bowl losses as well.

On Oct. 29, 2005, only halfway through the first year of a six-year contract, Weis signed a 10-year contract extension that was worth a reported \$30 to \$40 million.

This signing was controversial because of the disparate treatment that Weis and Willingham received after similar first season records... and rightfully so.

Also, let's just go ahead and make something clear to you, Fighting Irish faithful. Bringing in a celebrity speaker each week for your pep rallies in hopes of igniting some sort of spark, motivating your team to actually grow a pair and play hard for more than just the first half isn't working.

To put it on display every Saturday morning on College Gameday only to get blown out every week only adds insult to injury. What goes around comes around.

For instance, Florida quarterback Tim Tebow goes on missionary trips to third world countries and volunteers countless hours of his time to the underprivileged. In result, good karma helped his team win a national title last year and put him in contention to become the first sophomore ever to win the Heisman this season.

After playing Burns to Chris Leak's Mr. Smithers last year, Tebow has come into his own

this season. Watching him play quarterback is surreal, almost video-game like, because he simply wills his team through almost every play of the game with one of those cony "he refuses to lose" mentalities that Kirk Herbstreit is always babbling on about.

Seriously, I'm pretty sure Herbstreit has a man-crush on Tebow after his week-in and week-out praising sessions he conducts on College Gameday about him.

Bobby Bowden is laughing but not at the fact that he revamped nearly his entire offensive coaching staff, paying millions of dollars to do so, only to take an offense that ranked 70th last year in total offense to 89th this year.

Instead he's laughing at a prankster who placed a for-sale sign in his front yard after FSU's 37-29 loss to the "U" (aka Miami).

What's so funny, Bobby? The truth? Truth is, he should probably pack it up and set sail for South Florida to find a nice, quiet place to retire with his wife.

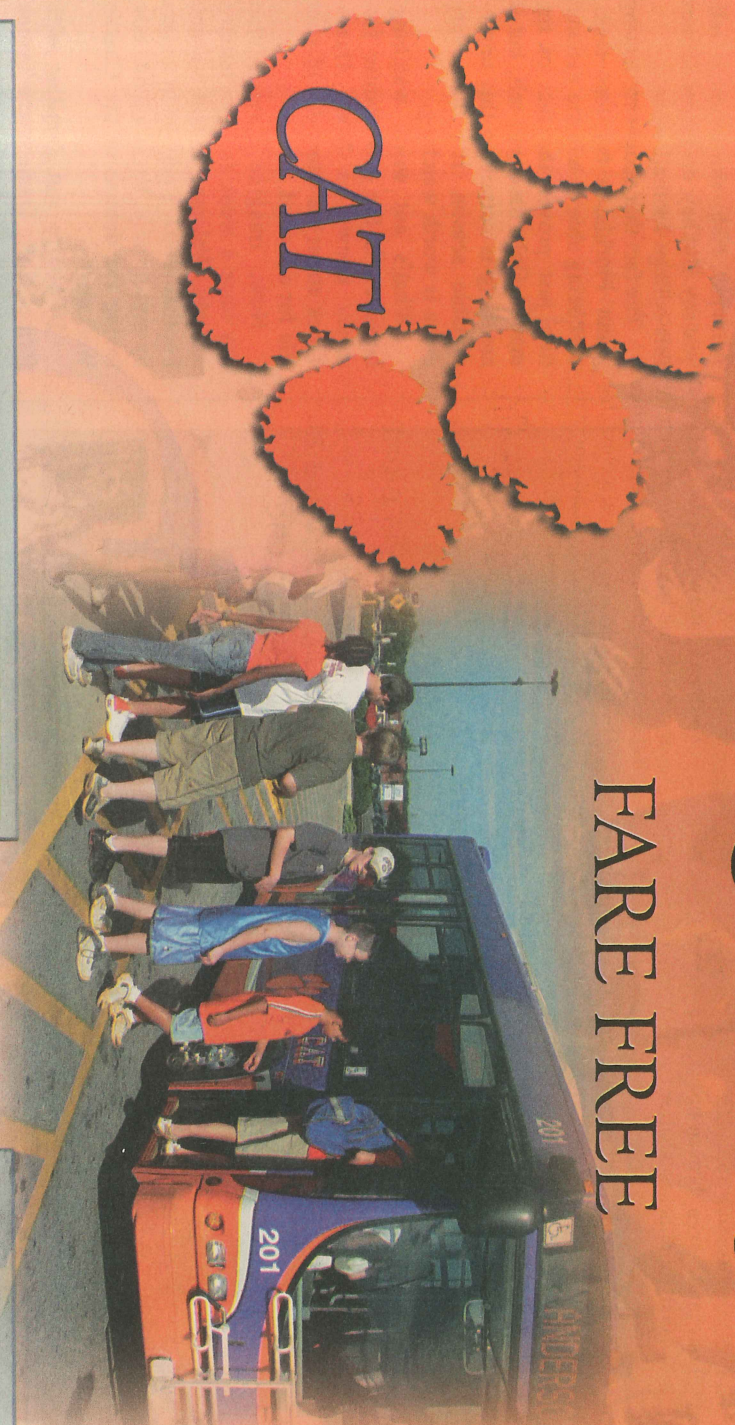
It's gotten to the point where I just feel bad at how far the mighty have fallen down in Tallahassee. Florida State (4-3, 1-3 ACC) has now lost 10 of its last 14 conference games after losing its second straight last Saturday.

If I were Bobby Bowden, I'd be asking for a refund for that poor excuse of a coaching staff he paid for. Every facet of their offensive game has gotten worse this year, and they are in the midst of switching back and forth between quarterbacks for the third time this season. So keep laughing, Bobby, because all of us know the real joke is your program.

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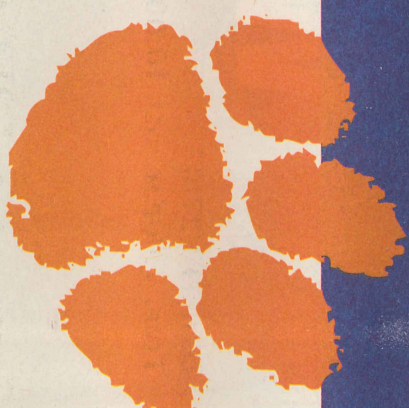
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15. South Carolina
16. Hawaii
17. Texas
18. California
19. Michigan
20. Georgia
21. Virginia
22. Alabama
23. Auburn
24. Penn State
25. Rutgers



Standings

| ATLANTIC | Conf. | Overall |
|----------------|------------|------------|
| Boston College | 3-0 | 7-0 |
| Wake Forest | 3-1 | 5-2 |
| Clemson | 2-2 | 5-2 |
| Maryland | 1-2 | 4-3 |
| Florida State | 1-3 | 4-3 |
| N.C. State | 0-3 | 2-5 |
| COASTAL | Conf. | Overall |
| Virginia | 4-0 | 7-1 |
| Virginia Tech | 3-0 | 6-1 |
| Miami | 2-2 | 5-3 |
| Georgia Tech | 2-3 | 5-3 |
| North Carolina | 1-2 | 2-5 |
| Duke | 0-4 | 1-6 |

The Clemson Tigers will head to College Park, Md., this weekend to take on the Maryland Terrapins in an ACC Atlantic Division elimination game for both teams. The Tigers (5-2, 2-2 ACC) are coming off of a 70-14 rout over Central Michigan, but have lost two straight conference games, while the Terrapins (4-3, 2-2) are looking to regroup after a heartbreaking 18-17 loss at home to Virginia.

Clemson leads the all-time series against Maryland, 29-24-2, but suffered a devastating 13-12 loss to the Terps at home last season that cost them a shot at playing for the ACC championship. However, the Tigers did emerge victorious in their last visit to Byrd Stadium in 2005, coming back from a 10-point fourth quarter deficit to win 28-24.

Offensively, the Tigers have put up some astronomical numbers against weaker opponents, lighting up both N.C. State and Central Michigan for over 600 yards. However, Clemson had trouble moving the ball in back-to-back losses to Georgia Tech and Virginia Tech, gaining just 40 rushing yards combined in those two games.

Cullen Harper has been the surprise star of the offense so far this season, leading the ACC in both passing touchdowns (19) and passing efficiency (151.6), while completing 63.8 percent of his passes for a total of 1803 yards. Harper had another school record-setting performance last week, completing 20 of 22 passes for 272 yards and five touchdowns.

The unsung star of the Clemson passing game, however, has been receiver Aaron Kelly. Kelly has caught 46 passes this season for an ACC-leading 637 yards and six touchdowns. Kelly recorded his second straight 100-yard receiving game last week, catching seven passes for 121 yards and two touchdowns.

Maryland cornerback Kevin Barnes has been the standout performer of their secondary and will likely be going up against Kelly. Barnes has had a solid season, recording 36 tackles, three interceptions and seven broken-up passes, but is a good four inches shorter than Kelly.

Clemson's running game had little trouble with Central Michigan, but James Davis and C.J. Spiller have yet to turn in a strong performance against a defense with a pulse (with the exception of Davis against Florida State). Davis leads the Tigers with 551 rushing yards and is averaging an impressive 5.6 yards per carry, but has not been quite the same since running over N.C. State for 166 yards over a month ago. Spiller did not break any huge runs last weekend, but showed much more consistency in picking up 96 yards on 15 carries.

The Tigers will have a good opportunity to re-establish the running game against a struggling Maryland front four. The Terps are allowing 153 rushing yards per game, which is third worst in the ACC, and their defensive linemen have had trouble getting into the backfield. However, the strength of the Maryland defense lies in the linebacking corps, led by Butkus Award



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semifinalist Erin Henderson.

Offensively, the Terps have excelled in the rushing department with Keon Lattimore and Lance Ball. The two backs have combined to run for 1048 yards and 17 touchdowns, and are both in the ACC's top 10 in rushing yards.

As good as Clemson's defense has been this season, they have struggled at times against the ACC's second-leading rushing attack. However, the Tiger front seven is full of playmakers who have the ability to stuff the run if they are on top of their games. Linebacker Nick Watkins leads the team with 68 tackles, while defensive ends Phillip Merling and Ricky Sapp have combined for 19 tackles for losses.

Chris Turner has started the past two games at quarterback for Maryland, after Jordan Steffy went down with an injury against Rutgers. Turner has played quite well so far, completing 66 percent of his passes for 540 yards and has led the Terps to wins over Rutgers and Georgia Tech. Darrius Heyward-Bey is the leading receiver for Maryland, with 27 receptions for 419 yards on the season.

The Terps may have a tough time moving the ball through the air against a stout Clemson secondary that is No. 1 in the ACC, allowing only 146 passing yards per game.

Safety Michael Hamlin leads the team with three interceptions and is third on the team with 43 tackles, while Chris Clemmons and Chris Chancellor have each picked off two passes. Freshman safety DeAndre McDaniel recorded his first career interception last week and leads the team with five passes broken up.

With both the Tigers and Terrapins looking to keep their slim Atlantic Division title hopes alive, a close, hard-fought battle can be expected tomorrow. Kickoff is set for 3:30 p.m. with television coverage on ABC.

Keys to Victory

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| Clemson: | 1. Give Davis plenty of carries | 1. Keep the ball on the ground |
| | 2. Hold Lattimore and Ball in check | 2. Make Tiger offense one dimensional |
| Maryland: | | |

GAMES

| Record | 55-25 | 47-33 | 47-33 |
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| Clemson at Maryland | Clemson | Clemson | Clemson |
| South Carolina at Tennessee | Tennessee | South Carolina | Tennessee |
| Boston College at Virginia Tech (Chairs) | Virginia Tech | Virginia Tech | Virginia Tech |
| North Carolina at Wake Forest | Wake Forest | Wake Forest | Wake Forest |
| Virginia at N.C. State | Virginia | Virginia | N.C. State |
| Florida vs. Georgia | Florida | Georgia | Florida |
| Ohio State at Penn State | Penn State | Ohio State | Ohio State |
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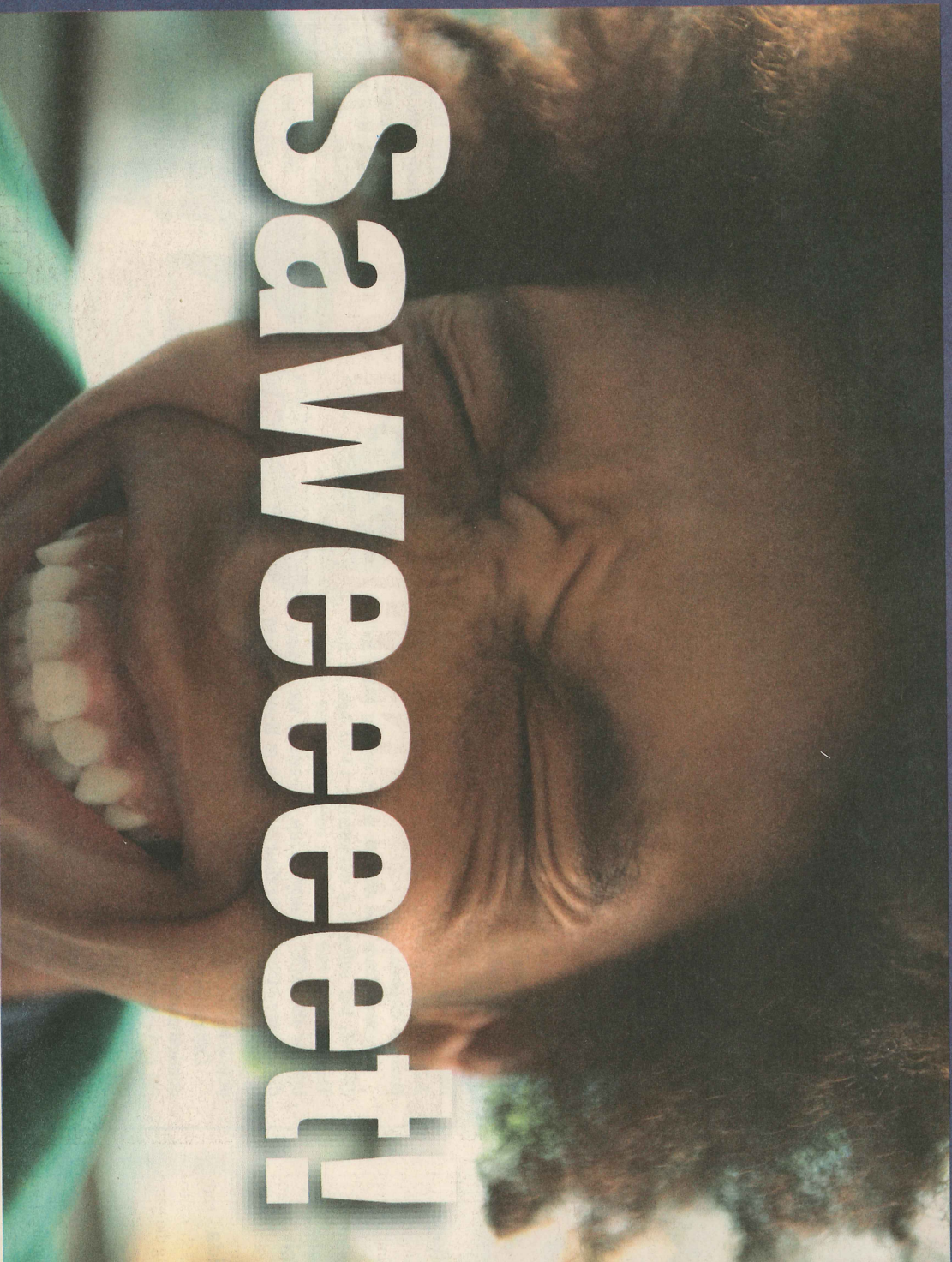
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More overtime in soccer

The Lady Tigers faced two more OT games this week, tying one and losing another.

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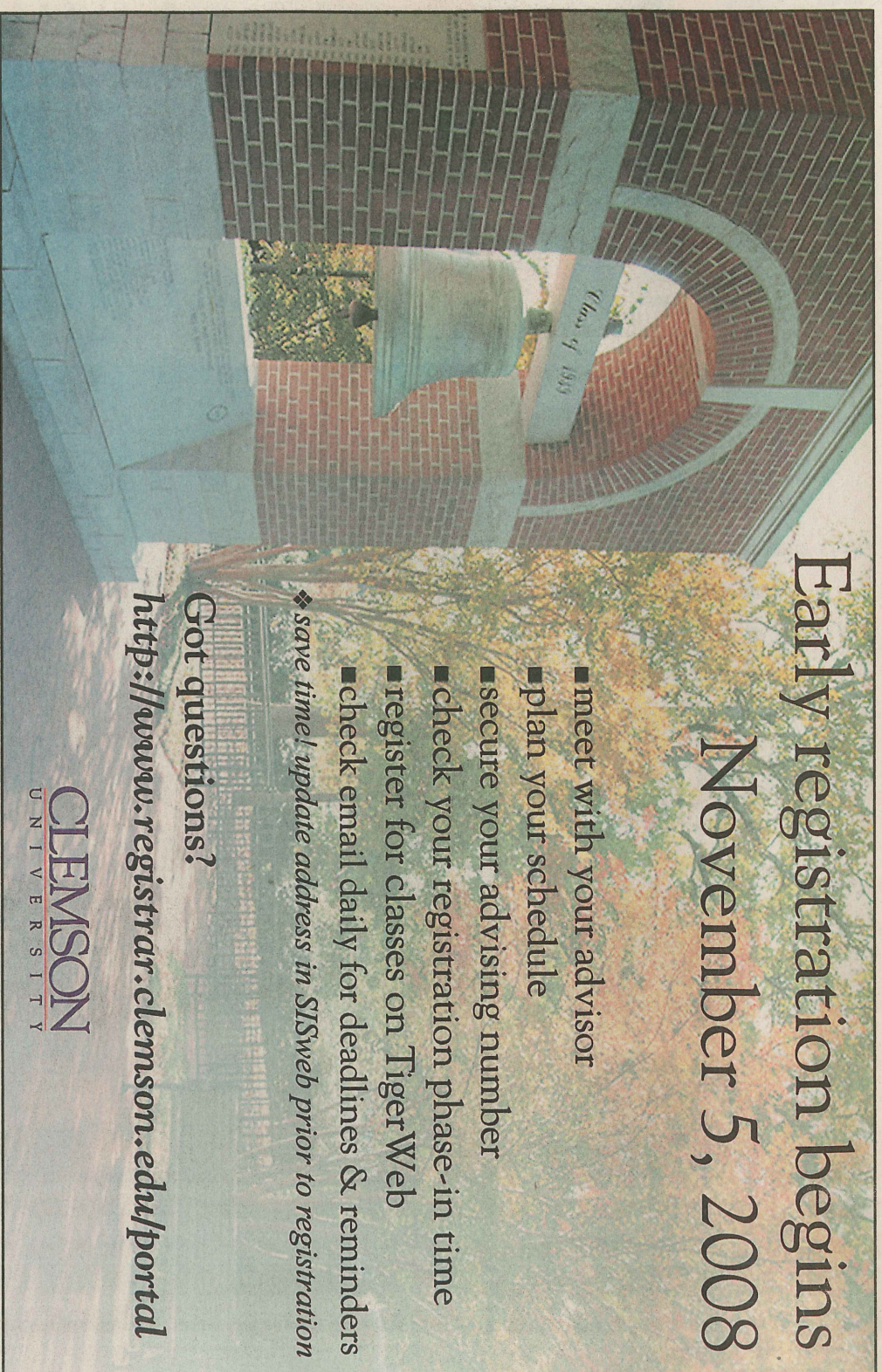
After four overtime finishes in their last five games, the Lady Tiger soccer team played two more matches decided in post-regulation play last week. Clemson recorded its fourth ACC tie against NC State in Raleigh on Thursday night followed by a tough loss to No. 21 Wake Forest on Sunday afternoon. This broke a streak of 12 consecutive overtime contests without a loss and brought the Lady Tiger's record to 8-3-4 (1-2-4 ACC).

With a 0-5 record in their previous five ACC matches, N.C. State provided a prime opportunity for a valuable conference road win for Coach Todd Bramble's Lady Tigers. Unfortunately, Clemson was forced to scramble from behind late in the game to avoid the loss and bring the game into overtime. A goal by Lindsey Vera put the Wolfpack up 1-0 less than a minute before half and marked only the seventh goal allowed by star goalie Ashley Phillips on the season. The Lady Tigers fired back early in the second half as Julie Bolt scored her third goal of the year, tying the game at 1-1. After almost 30 more minutes of scoreless play, N.C. State put the pressure back on the Tigers with another score late in the game. An Elizabeth Lobe free kick in the 84th minute brought the Lady Tigers back even and carried the game into overtime play.

With only three shots taken in the two overtime periods, a 2-2 tie was recorded on both schools' records. Coach Bramble was frustrated after the game as his team was still searching for their second ACC win. "This was a tie that felt like a loss," said Coach Bramble. "We had a lot of opportunities but just did not convert those chances into goals. We had to learn to put teams away."

The Lady Tigers returned to Historic Riggs Field to face the No. 21 Demon Deacons of Wake Forest in front of over 500 fans on Sunday afternoon. After bringing its previous four overtime matches to ties, Clemson broke this streak with its second ACC loss of the season in a 2-1 double overtime heartbreaker. Wake Forest struck first as Whitney Berry found the back of the net 10 minutes into the second half. The Lady Tigers were unable to answer until five minutes were left in the game when freshman sensation Samantha Fortier fired an unassisted scoring shot off the hands of the Wake Forest goal keeper. Netting her fifth goal of the year, Fortier now shares the team lead in scoring with senior Nurta Zufra. After one scoreless 10 minute overtime period, it took less than a minute of the next period for Samantha Germano to find the goal and secure the win for the Demon Deacons. Wake Forest improved to 3-2-2 in the conference, and the Lady Tigers fell to 1-2-4. Clemson has now played six ACC games without a win since its first conference victory against Maryland on Sept. 27.

In a relatively tight ACC race this year, the next three conference matches will decide if the Lady Tigers can climb into the upper-half of league standings. Clemson will host top 25-ranked teams Duke and Florida State at home, but they must first travel to Coral Gables, Fla. and face the Miami Hurricanes on Oct. 27. The Lady Tigers will need some confidence and momentum to carry them into ACC tournament that will begin on Nov. 7 in Orlando, Fla.



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STREAK *from page C1*

blocks and 12 digs. Danielle Hepburn also played phenomenally gathering 16 kills and hit .444 throughout the match.

On Saturday, the Tigers won the first game 30-21 against Maryland. The Tigers then jumped ahead early in the second game by a score of 15-9 and then continued to win 30-22. The third game was the closest, and at one point it seemed as if the Terps were poised for a comeback

when they rallied late and trailed by only one.

However, Clemson once again took control and went up 29 - 23 before finishing the game and winning 30-25.

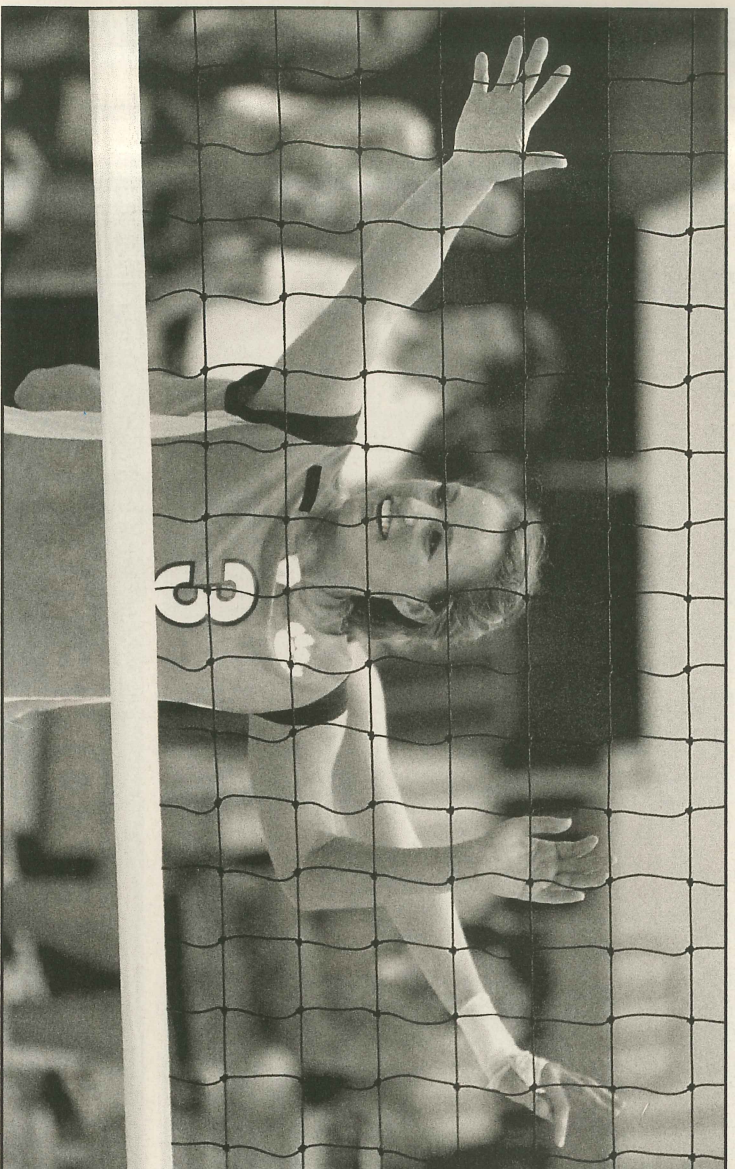
Jeanette Abbott led the team Saturday night with 13 kills, and Leslie Mansfield had a double-double with 10 digs and 11 kills.

But the real key in Saturday night's match may have been set-

ter Kelsey Murphy. Her sets to Jeanette and Leslie, courtesy of a well-designed and perfectly executed game plan, were what helped the

Tigers avoid the Maryland blockers, who up until this game averaged 3.54 blocks per game but then were held to only six all night.

Next week at Jerevy Gym, Clemson will host the Tarheels of North Carolina tonight at 7, and then rival N.C. State 6 p.m. tomorrow.

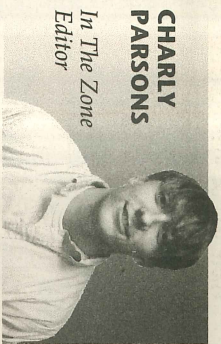


ONWARD TO YET ANOTHER VICTORY: Senior Megan Steiner smiles with the rest of her Tiger teammates. The Tigers are 18-2 (11-0 in conference), including 11 games in a row.

City of Cleveland falls short in pro sports again

CHARLY PARSONS

In The Zone
Editor



Monday was a dreary day on Clemson's campus. Overcast skies never abated from afternoon showers, and students trudged lag-gardly between classes, dragging umbrellas and lugging wet boots. Among these gloomy students was one husky young woman—the type of corn-fed farmer girl from the Midwest. Though she was one of

many students dodging stray rain-drops as she plodded to her next class, she stood out because of something she was wearing—a navy baseball cap with a red bill. And displayed blazingly on that hat was the wide, grinning face of Chief Wahoo, the Cleveland Indians' mascot, which stood cheerfully juxtapose to the day's

glum weather and Sunday night's baseball game that eliminated the Indians from World Series contention. No, it was not fair weather today. But neither were the Cleveland Indians fans. The day following a crushing loss to the Boston Red Sox, Indians fans still proudly represented their losing team, despite the fact that,

once again, these followers experienced another year of disappointment. In fact, the amount of disappointment that a Cleveland enthusiast has endured is really a matter of the fan's age.

Suffering losing teams for decades and being teased with hope in the late 1990s, the oldest of fans might even remember the team's last

World Series pennant in 1948. Near victory in their last World Series appearance ten years ago was thwarted in Game Seven's extra innings by a Florida Marlins team that was bought for a year and immediately dismantled and sold after the season.

Even outside of baseball, Clevelanders support their sports teams despite the expectation they have developed for disappointment. Last year, the Cavaliers made a big playoff run, but lost in the NBA Finals to the San Antonio Spurs. The Browns dominated the NFL during the early 1950s and won the championship in 1964, but have had little success in recent years. Even though the team has never appeared in a Super Bowl, the Dawg Pound, a section of rowdy fans at Browns games, howls with some of the wildest fans in the NFL.

What about Boston Red Sox fans? By some measurements, they are some of the most avid fans in sports, and their presence appears to be obvious on Clemson's campus. During Boston's miraculous 2004 comeback to beat the Yankees in the ALCS and later sweep the World Series, Red Sox hats became as ubiquitous on campus as lettered Greek t-shirts.

The Red Sox organization deserves all the respect in the world. It broke the curse of the Great Bambino and, perhaps, built a dynasty while widening its huge fan base. While baseball teams as a whole are witnessing growth in profits, the Red Sox organization's annual profit is growing at one of the fastest rates in baseball despite incurring a massive and quickly rising payroll.

For comparison, since its 1997 American League Championship team, the Indians' payroll has increased by less than \$3 million. In that same time, the Red Sox payroll has increased by nearly \$103 million! And rightfully so, because their management wakened sleeping fans and drew in many more from around the nation.

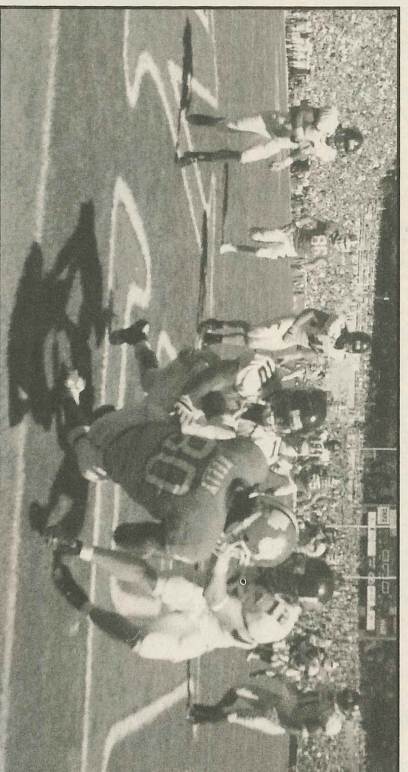
But for the relatively small number of Indians fans on Clemson's campus, their mood is appropriately reflected by Monday's drab weather: a cold, bleak day marking the end of a sunny, optimistic summer.

ROUT *from page C1*

Central Michigan was led by LeFevour who was 20-34 with one interception and two touchdowns. Antonio Brown had six catches for 40 yards.

Brooks had five catches for 49 yards and two touchdowns. Saturday's loss was the Chippewas' worst since an 82-6 loss to Florida in 1997.

Clemson will continue its quest for a conference title tomorrow when they travel to College Park, Md. for a 3:30 p.m. contest against the Maryland Terrapins. The game will be televised nationally by ABC.



TWO SCORES FOR GUMBLY: With a pair of touchdowns against the Chippewas, Aaron Kelly now leads the ACC in receiving.

Coach Purnell feels good heading into

07-08 season

Tigers looking for first NCAA Tournament appearance since 1998.

RONNIE KRANKOWSKI

STAFF WRITER

From playing pickup games on the dirt courts of Berlin, Md. to coaching at Clemson University, Coach Oliver Purnell has come a long way in his basketball career. Purnell played for four years at Old Dominion before joining their coaching staff in 1984, where he worked under the winningest coach in Virginia history, Paul Webb.

"He was my biggest mentor and influence in my coaching career," said Purnell. He coached under Webb for seven seasons before taking over as head coach in 1991. Three years later, in 1994, Purnell took over a sub-par Dayton team but managed to turn things around. By the end of his tenure in 2003, he had compiled a 155-116 overall record with the Flyers and had won more than 20 games in four straight seasons. He now coaches in what many call the best conference in college basketball.

Purnell has coached many great teams in the past, but none quite like the one he has heading into the season. In fact, Purnell believes that this team is a national title contender.

The 2007-08 Clemson basketball team will easily be the most experienced under Purnell. Other than the loss of Vernon Hamilton and former walk-on Chris Poole, the Tigers return everybody from last year's team, including leading scorer K.C. Rivers and talented big men James Mays and Trevor Booker.

Purnell has had a very successful coaching career in large part due to his team-oriented philosophy. "I believe in playing nine or 10 deep," he said. "We must wear down opponents, share the ball and communicate to be successful."

After starting 17-0 last season and making a run to the NIT championship game, the Tigers have become a distinct threat to win the ACC and contend for a national championship.

Men's soccer falls to Wolfpack in OT

Tigers drop their fifth ACC game, losing 2-1 to N.C. State in Raleigh.

DANIEL TAYLOR

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Following an impressive week that featured wins over two top 25 teams, Men's Soccer suffered another setback in Raleigh, N.C., last Sunday as they fell to NC State 2-1 in overtime. The loss drops Clemson to 6-8-1 overall and 1-5 in conference. It was Clemson's fifth straight game decided by one goal, with the Tigers going 2-3 over that stretch. The victory over the Tigers was the Wolfpack's first ACC win of the season, as their record improved to 5-5-3 (1-3-1).

A small crowd of 974 witnessed a scoreless first half by the two ACC foes. The deadlock was quickly broken after halftime, when Wolfpack player Orry Powers scored an unass-



Purnell believes that the clear-cut attributes of his players makes his team a solid contender.

"If Cliff Hammonds creates deflections, Mays is an effective post presence, Booker is quick to the interior, (Sam) Perry brings the energy and (Raymond) Sikes and (Julius) Powell give quality minutes, we can hang with anybody in the country," said Purnell. Not to mention the talented incoming freshman class that, in addition to Stitt, includes sharp-shooting Tennessee native Terrence Oglesby, former Tiger star Horace Grant's nephew, Jeral Grant and Indiana native Jonah Baize.

The pieces of the puzzle are in place, and it's hard not to be confident that Purnell will conjoin those pieces together.

Coach Purnell has had a love and passion for the game of basketball ever since he could lace his shoes up, and one can see how it reflects on his players.

It's finally that time of the year. The leaves are falling; the shadows are casting, and the coats are becoming essential at sunset.

Basketball season is starting, and it's hard for Clemson fans not to be excited this year.

sisted goal in the 52nd minute. A mere 48 seconds later, Clemson's Michael Brooks tied the game with a goal of his own. The assist was credited to Eric Cava, a freshman from Annapolis, Md.

After the two quick goals, the second half deadlocked as the first half did, as both teams were unable to score. Ernesto Di Laudo for NC State broke the 1-1 tie, knocking in a shot in the 92nd minute of overtime.

The Wolfpack outshot the Tigers 9-6, but Clemson held the edge in cornerkicks 5-2. The difference in the game was shots on goal. Clemson only had two where NC State managed to take six shots on goal. Clemson goalkeeper Joseph Bendik kept the game close with four saves.

Clemson next plays on the road at North Carolina (5-4-5) tonight at 7:30 p.m. Their return to Historic Riggs Field will be Wednesday, when they take on Coastal Carolina (5-7-1) at 6 p.m.

Fantasy Football Week 8: And Brown goes down



RYAN LAUNIUS
staff writer

Running backs:

After taking an injury to his knee on Sunday, Mr. Dependable will not be playing for the rest of the 2007 football season. Ronnie Brown suffered an injury during a turnover against the Patriots in perhaps one of the more lopsided victories of the year. It is a shame to see the only glimmer of hope for the Dolphins, Brown, suffer an injury in what was previously a potential Pro Bowl season. But while the Dolphins are busy hanging up their cleats and jerseys, waiting for their first overall pick in the draft come 2008, fantasy football owners are cinging at the thought of losing one of the best fantasy backs in the game.

Not only are the Brown owners mourning the injury of their top tier back this week, but joining Brown owners in their pain are the owners of backs such as Frank Gore (ankle), Travis Henry (chest) and Brandon Jacobs (ankle).

But with the death of one running back's season comes the birth of another: The player who will be gaining fantasy fame from the ashes of Brown's season is Jesse Chatham, who already rushed for 73 yards and a touchdown in only 7 carries this past week. Chatham amassed an impressive amount of yardage and points despite playing only part of the game. If his play on Sunday suggests anything, he will be a productive back this year for Miami and should be worth picking up in your league.

Frank Gore's injury is a supposedly hurt ankle, which did not seem to bother him too much as he ran the ball 14 times for 88 yards in the Meadowlands this past week. While San Francisco is still unsure of his probability to play this next weekend, I am willing to bet that they are playing head games with their opponent, Frank Gore will play against the New Orleans Saints on Sunday, and he will more than likely find himself with another 100-yard effort.

There are few things that are certain in life, yet among those certainties we will always find death, taxes and a Denver Bronco running back exceeding one thousand yards in a season. This year's chosen back, Travis Henry, has rushed for 92 yards per game so far into the season. But on Sunday, Henry suffered a bruised rib as he fell onto the ball uncomfortably, and he possibly might turn the offense over to his backup back, Selvin Young. Young is available in 60 percent of yahoo leagues and is likely to see a lot more carries over the rest of the year.

The injury to Brandon Jacobs seems minimal at best as he still managed to run for 107 yards and a touchdown against San Francisco this past week while "injured."

Because of his resilience despite injury along with the team he is playing next week, Brandon Jacobs is my standout pick to perform on the ground this week: The Giants will travel across the Atlantic to play the woeful and winless Miami Dolphins in London this week. The Dolphin defense is likely to be demoralized after the rousing they took last week with key injuries to their offense and defense, it is likely that Brandon Jacobs will take advantage of them.

A running back who has been getting attention this past week is Chris Henry of the Tennessee Titans. Henry rushed for 57 yards on 11 carries against the Texans while filling in for Chris Brown (ankle). While Henry may be a tempting player, it is doubtful that he will last even another week before Brown comes back. Do not pick up Chris Henry.

The "Thomas Jones Touchdown Watch" lives! Jones managed 19 carries

for 67 yards on Sunday while taking a 31-38 loss to the Bengals. Jones keeps looking worse and worse as he still has not scored a TD after playing one of the worst defenses in the NFL.

Quarterbacks:

I know I talked about him last week, but he just keeps getting better:

As if being on pace for 54 touchdowns in a season after throwing a career record five touchdowns in a game wasn't enough, Tom Brady managed to come back the very next week and top his previous record setting performance. Brady threw for 354 yards and six scores as he set himself on pace for 63 touchdowns this season while holding 27 touchdowns through 7 games. Do I need to remind you that the current record is a paltry 49 touchdowns? Yet after all of these amazing numbers, the most impressive yet scary stat that Tom Brady has to offer: he has thrown only two interceptions.

Ben Roethlisberger had a great game this week, throwing for four touchdowns and 290 yards in the Steelers' loss to the Broncos. Despite losing the game, Big Ben's performance this season have been impressive as

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-Ryan Launius, staff writer

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he is getting more and more comfortable with Mike Tomlin's offense. Look for Big Ben to put up some more big numbers as the Steelers match up with division rival Cincinnati this week.

Only a few plays into his match-up against the Titans, Houston's quarterback Matt Schaub was injured (hip). But after his injury, Sage Rosenfels filled in and had an impeccable game from a fantasy perspective.

Rosenfels completed 22 of 35 passes for 290 yards and managed to tie the NFL record for fourth quarter touchdowns with four.

Schaub is more than likely hurt, which means that a confident Rosenfels will be starting in his place for the time being. If you are looking for a solid quarterback option this week, Rosenfels is most likely your best one.

Brian Griese is beginning to find a groove with the Chicago offense as he threw for 322 yards and a touchdown this past week. Griese is available in most leagues and should be a much more consistent starter than Rex Grossman ever was. Griese will never overwhelm you with touchdown passes in his offense, but he will provide a steady income of one or two touchdowns per week.

Another quarterback who is getting more comfortable playing every Sunday is Cleo Lemon. Lemon has thrown for almost 500 yards in his past two games and will more than likely top his two touchdowns, 214-yard performance he had against the Patriots as he matches up against the Giants this week.

One last option quarterback who will be starting this week is Kellen Clemens. Chad Pennington has been officially placed on the bench, and Clemens will be seeing all of the playing time from here on out if he can handle it. In his first and only start against the Baltimore Ravens, Clemens threw for 260 yards. Despite his inexperience, it will always be an advantage to Clemens that he is throwing to guys like Laveranues Coles and Jericho Cocharry.

Wide Receivers:

After serving his eight week, NFL-assigned suspension, Chris Henry of the Cincinnati Bengals will be joining his team's offense again. Despite leading the team in arrests, it is highly doubtful that Henry will lead his team in touchdowns this season. But that does not mean that he will not be able to help your fantasy team. Henry scored nine touchdowns last year while dealing with multiple off-field problems. He is available in 99 percent of Yahoo leagues and should be a solid fantasy producer for the rest of the year.

Jayon Walker has left the Denver Broncos offense to have surgery on his knee, and Brandon Stokley is reaping all of the benefits. Despite his lowly 42 receiving yards per game average, Stokley caught five passes for 70 yards and a touchdown this past Sunday in the first game of Walker's absence. Stokley is available in most leagues and is a solid wide receiver option as long as Jayon Walker is out.

The San Francisco 49ers have been calling more and more passing plays in the red zone with Gore's injuries. Because of this, Amaz Battle has been the target for a touchdown in each of their last two games. Battle is an okay choice for a third string or bench wide receiver, and he will likely see his fantasy value increase with the return of Alex Smith.

Houston's Kevin Walter does not seem to care who the quarterback is as long as he keeps taking in the receiving yards. Walter has averaged eight receptions for 100 yards over the past four games while scoring a touchdown. Despite not finding the end zone much, Walter seems to be getting a lot of looks from his quarterbacks and gaining a significant amount of yards. Walter is a solid pick for any offense right now, but if he starts finding the end zone more often, he will be one of the top wideouts around.

Tight Ends:

Heath Miller had one of his best weeks last Sunday, recording five receptions for 50 yards and two touchdowns. Miller is a favorite in the red zone for the Pittsburgh Steelers and Ben Roethlisberger, which makes him one of the best options for a fantasy tight end. As Miller matches up against an anemic Bengals defense this week, look for him to have about 60 yards receiving and at least one touchdown.

Marcus Pollard was out this past week for Seattle, allowing Will Heller to fill in his role. Heller did not disappoint as he had two touchdown receptions which made him one of the most picked up tight ends in fantasy football this week. Despite his success, Heller will not get the start against the Rams this week as Marcus Pollard will be healthy again. It is not advisable to pick up Heller with a healthy Pollard on his way back.

Instead, the tight end to pick up this week is Lee of Green Bay. Last week, Donald Lee had three receptions for 75 yards without a score. Lee has amassed 270 yards receiving and a touchdown so far this season, and with the knee injury to Bubba Franks, his numbers are only getting better. He is a solid pickup who will produce for at the next few weeks until Franks gets back.

Rockies and Sox square off in Fall Classic

Colorado and Boston face off in World Series to decide baseball's greatest team.

TERA ROBERTS

STAFF WRITER

Old School versus New School is the theme in the 2007 World Series as the experienced Boston Red Sox take on the scorching Colorado Rockies.

The World Series is not news to Red Sox Nation. The team is rich in professional baseball history and are just three years removed from their last World Series title. But the Rockies are this year's Cinderella and are not ready for the clock to strike midnight.

The Rockies have won 21 of their last 22 games and swept both the Philadelphia Phillies and the Arizona Diamondbacks in the NLDS and NLCS, respectively. Their story is one that ranks third on ESPN.com's "baseball miracles" list.

On Sept. 16, the Rockies were facing the Florida Marlins for the final game of a three-game series. They were in fourth place in the National League West, six and a half games out of first place in the division and four and a half games out of the wild card.

On that season-changing Sunday, the Rockies shut out the Marlins, taking the 13-0 victory and launching themselves on a streak centered around a 13-inning, 9-8 victory in the Wild Card tiebreaker against the San Diego Padres that sent them to the post-season, where they have yet to lose.

Matt Holiday, who led the NL in batting average (.340) and RBI's (137), has hit four homers in just seven postseason games. But the big surprise has been the Colorado pitching. Josh Fogg and Jeff Francis are both 2-0 in the playoffs with impressive ERA's of 1.13 and 2.13, respectively.

The Rockies' powerful playoff performance has led them to an interesting predicament, though, that has left the door open for the Red Sox to go on their own hot streak. With their last game played on Oct. 15 (prior to Wednesday night), the Rockies are sitting cold while the Red Sox are riding high from their ALCS battle with the Cleveland Indians.

Boston was down 3-1 in the series, and with the fifth game at Cleveland, the Indians looked poised to win the AL and go for their first World Series title since 1948.

But only three years after ending their 86-year title drought, the Sox were not ready to close this chapter of their immense historical book.

The Red Sox would go on to win three consecutive games behind the tough pitching of Josh Beckett, Curt Schilling and Daisuke "Dice-K" Matsuzaka.

In Game Five, Beckett gave up only one run while striking out 11, and Kevin Youkilis went 2-4 with a triple, a homer and three RBIs in the 7-1 victory. As he was during the regular season, Beckett has been the constant for Boston in October: So far this post-season, Beckett is 3-0 with an ERA of 1.17.

Schilling led the Red Sox to a 12-2 victory in Game Six to tie the series at 3-3, recording his second win of the post-season. Boston's offense knocked out Cleveland's Fusto Carmona, who went 19-8 with an ERA of 3.06 in regular season, after he gave up seven runs in just two innings.

On Sunday, the Red Sox claimed the AL Championship with an 11-2 victory to complete their three-game comeback against the Indians. Dice-K was the game's starting pitcher and earned the win, giving up only two runs in five innings, with the

help of Hideki Okajima and Jonathan Papelbon, who each pitched two scoreless innings.

Manny Ramirez and Youkilis provided the offensive light for the Red Sox throughout the playoffs. Ramirez has hit for an average of .400 with four homers. Youkilis, who struggled late in the regular season and hit only one home run in the month of September, has a .425 postseason average with four homers as well.

In 2004, Boston made a similar comeback against the New York Yankees. The Sox were down 3-0 in the ALCS, but made a miraculous run to beat the Yankees and went on to sweep the Cardinals in the World Series.

But can Boston repeat that same pattern this season and use their momentum to defeat a well-rested Colorado team?

Luckily for the Rockies, history says the long layoff will not lead to a Rockies' downfall. During the divisional playoff era, three teams have had a six-day break, and last year's Detroit Tigers were the only one of those teams to lose the World Series (they lost in five games).

Still, the Red Sox are a team with a strong postseason history. Their World Series record is 37-26-1. To put this in perspective, the Colorado Rockies' World Series record is 0-0. In fact, the Rockies' postseason experience consists of their current run and a 1-3 Divisional Series loss to the Atlanta Braves in 1995, a series that none of the current Rockies players participated in. But to be fair, the Rockies' organization has only been around since 1993.

There will be some roster changes in this series for both teams. The Rockies' Aaron Cook is scheduled to start Game Four. Cook has not pitched in a Major League game, because of a strained muscle, since Aug. 10 in a 6-2 loss to the Chicago Cubs.

For the Sox, there will be two changes. Forty-one-year-old knuckleballer Tim Lincecum was dropped from the Sox roster with a shoulder injury, and Jon Lester will replace him. Rookie Jacoby Ellsbury will start in place of injured centerfielder Coco Crisp.

Regardless of injuries, this season's World Series does promise one thing: It promises to introduce viewers to the 2007 Colorado Rockies.

Prior to the end of this season, the Colorado Rockies were virtually unknown. According to Yahoo Sports, the Rockies have not played on a Fox Saturday Broadcast since July 2004, and have not played on an ESPN night telecast since June 2002. Win or lose, the world will know the Rockies.

The world will know Rookie of the Year candidate Troy Tulowitzki, who was only four when Boston's Schilling made his big league debut. The world will know Willy Taveras, Kazuo Matsui, Matt Holliday (winner of the NL batting title), Todd Helton, Garrett Atkins, Brad Hawpe, Yorvit Torrealba and Ryan Spillorths.

But the Boston Red Sox need no introduction. Baseball lovers have seen them all season long.

They know Big Papi, Manny and Beckett, the three Sox superstars. The ALCS drew its highest ratings since 2004, when the Sox faced the Yankees.

It's Old School versus New School this season. Who will prevail? The series begins Wednesday October 24. Game Two will be played on Thursday, with Game Three and Four on Saturday and Sunday, respectively. If games five, six, and seven are necessary, they will be played on October 29, 31, and November 1. Welcome to "Rocktober!" Let the games begin.

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Upstate Galleries

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Marsupial at Backstreets in downtown Clemson. 10:30 p.m. show.

"I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry" at McKissick Theatre. 9 p.m. Free.

Jvve Theory at Griffin's 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. show.

10.28

"Harry Potter and the Order of Phoenix" at McKissick Theatre. 9 p.m. Free.

10.29

So You Think You Can Dance at the Bi-Lo Center in Greenville. 7 p.m. doors; 8 p.m. show. Tickets start at \$35.

"1408" at McKissick Theatre. 9 p.m. Free.

10.30

Resco at Loose Change in downtown Clemson. 10 p.m. show.

10.31

The Groove Merchants and Resco at TD's Bar in downtown Clemson. "A Halloween show to the fullest.... come for prizes, gifts, contests, and other surprises with some great music to dance to as well!" Opens at lunch. Tickets are \$5.

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Resco at Backstreets in downtown Clemson.

11.3

Three Days Grace, Breaking Benjamin, and Seether at Littlejohn Coliseum. 6 p.m. doors; 7 p.m. show. \$32.



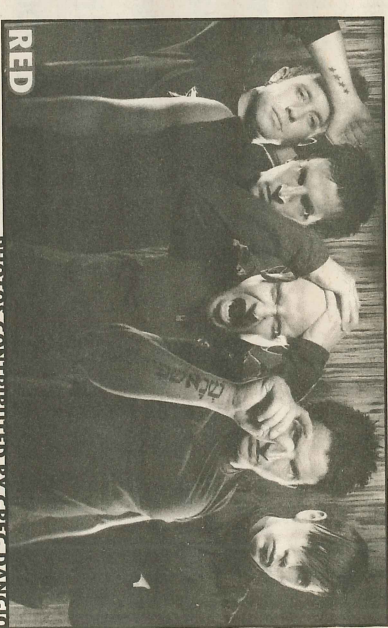
THREE DAYS GRACE



SEETHER



BREAKING BENJAMIN



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Get ready to rock!

by Caitlin Leonard

Three Days Grace is scheduled to perform Saturday, Nov. 3 live at Littlejohn Coliseum with Breaking Benjamin and special guest Seether.

All the way from Canada, the boys of Three Days Grace come ready to rock with their post-grunge punk sound and energetic stage presence.

Unless you have managed not to turn on a radio in the past few years, the debut hit single "(I Hate) Everything About You" has been jumping across charts and flowing out of our televisions. The self-titled album, produced by former Big Sugar band member Gavin Brown, "Three Days Grace" was released in 2003 reaching the top 10 of the American Albums chart, the top 100 of the Canadian Billboards and No. 2 on Billboard's Top Heatseekers chart. But the boys haven't always been sitting at the top. The road to success has been years in the making.

The members have been slamming rock chords since the early years of high school in Norwood, Canada. As freshmen, the five-piece band wrote songs while living and playing in a town of 1,500 for five years, beginning in 1992. Then in 1997, when band member Joe Grant left the group to attend law school, the boys became a threesome renamed themselves Three Days Grace.

Only three years later (seems to be a lucky number), in 2000, the boys packed

up and moved to Toronto, Canada, where they recorded a 3-song self-titled demo. After impressing Brown and the president of Jive records, the band was signed. A few (three!) years later, adolescents and adults alike were raging "I hate everything." At least everyone's letting some anger out, right?

Since the band's No. 1 hit on the U.S. Modern Rock chart, Three Days Grace has produced many more chart-topping hits, including two more No. 1 songs titled "Just Like You" and "Animal I Have Become." The boys are presently in the studio recording tracks for all you hungry fans out there. The release date is set for 2008.

Joining Three Days Grace is alternative metal bands Breaking Benjamin and Seether.

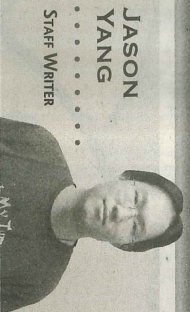
Benjamin Burnely, the founder of Breaking Benjamin in 1998, named the band after his first solo performance in Pennsylvania in which he dropped a microphone breaking it. The band's first major record, "Saturate," was released in 2002 after Ben and friends signed with Hollywood Records a year earlier. Although the album received a fair amount of attention, it was Breaking Benjamin's second album, "We Are Not Alone," that hit the big time. With the No. 2 single "So Cold" leading the way through the United States Billboard Mainstream Rock charts, the boys' album soon went platinum. Now,

with live performances on Jay Leno and Craig Ferguson behind their backs, the band is on the road to Clemson ready to rock their newest album, "Phobia."

Also joining the ranks is native South African band Seether. The early days of this group saw public appearances in nightclubs, universities and parties. Seether had already achieved success on the South African charts when their album "Disclaimer," made gold in 2002 over here in the States. The foursome comes to Tiger Town with two platinum records under their belt.

Lastly, Red joins the lineup with their album "End of Silence." The group got its start when twin brothers Randy and Anthony Armstrong decided to leave their home in Western Pennsylvania and pursue music in Nashville. Along the way, they picked up drummer Hayden Lamb and guitarist Jason Rauch. The band takes classic rock and meshes it with real life experience to provide an upbeat collection of songs.

The upcoming concert will be featuring songs from all the boys' latest records including Three Days Grace, "One-X," Breaking Benjamin's "Phobia" and Seether's "Find Beauty in Negative Spaces." So don't forget to wash your t-shirts and work out your neck muscles because this show promises to be one head-banging experience.

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STAFF WRITER

I just went out and wasted \$50 on "Fury." It looks like a really funmmo (massively multiplayer online) game, but it is essentially the greatest disaster inmmo history. I'd even dare to say that it is worse than "Runescape."

The box says "FREE ONLINE PLAY," but of course as soon as you register your account, it asks you which subscription you want to sign up for. There is an option for a free month, but all the other subscription offers

range up to \$50 per year of play. So I use the in-game mail system to ask the system admins about that. Of course they haven't responded yet.

So after a long installation process, I launch the game. I get the patch screen asking my permission to check for patches. I figure sure why not game probably won't let me play if I don't patch. It can't be that big anyway. "Not big" turned out to be a 626 mb patch which downloaded on my broadband connection at 40Kb/s.

The game play is very fast paced, and interesting. Graphics are a disappointment. It uses the Unreal engine, but looks no better than shockwave or flash on steroids. If I'm not fumbling around with the awkward interface, I'm squinting at the mini-map trying to find out where that damn mailbox is located. Once you finally get to the mailbox, you have to walk right up into the thing to be able to click on it to activate it. There is no auto-walk

to object and activate feature that I miss from Guild Wars, and most other mmoops.

Once I finally get through the tutorials, which don't seem to give you an option to skip, I enter a battle. The battle, rather than being an intellectual exercise of thinking about the weaknesses of your opponent and striking at those weaknesses, is a button-mashing fest. The skill-bar provides you with 1-0 to use, but there's another row of skills that you can equip, which means using alt-1 through alt-0.

Besides the controls being hard to use, and very counter-intuitive, they are also fairly unresponsive. Clicking on something a million times might get your character to use it once. I'm not sure why this problem would still be in the final version of the game if beta testers had made note of it before.

If the game was trying to be a complete failure, I'd give it a 4 out of 5. Otherwise, it gets a 1 out of 5.

THE RINGING IN YOUR EARS



DAN
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STAFF WRITER

Last fall, I came across what's become one of my favorite websites, ESPN.com's "Page 2" and one of my new favorite columnists, Bill Simmons. Of all the articles he would write every week, I looked forward most to the mailbag. I looked great to see what readers thought about what was going on in the sports world. Bill Simmons' writing style became a huge inspiration for me, and it's one of the reasons I started writing this very column. It's with humble honor that I open up the first mailbag. Enough of the sappy stuff. Let's hear from you guys.

Radiohead has "digital-ly" released their new CD, "In Rainbows," on their home site, Radiohead.com. Right now, online is the only way to hear "In Rainbows." Now, what about the tunes, you might ask. The album represents a progression, but away from the pure, at times incomprehensible (though lovely) electronic, machine-like intensity of "Hail to the Thief" and "Amnesiac." All in all, I was very, very happy with my first 2 listen-thoughts. "All I Need" is an early favorite. I also expected it to be more "weird" than it actually is. If I had to pick two words right now, I'd use "Pleasantly Enchanting." I would definitely recommend this album/download to serious music fans, and the casual fan as well. -Allen Swords

You have to give credit to my readers for responding to a column before it's even been published. The Radiohead album is in fact great, and I consider it the easiest to listen to since "The Bends." There are two fun bits of news that have surfaced since my Radiohead column came out last week.

1. The mp3s of "In Rainbows" were ripped at 160 Kbps, which is pretty mediocre quality. That may not be too big of an issue if you're listening to the songs with earbuds walking between classes, but if you intend to play it on any decent sound system, you're going to be missing out on a lot of the

nuances that the band put into the recordings. Now on top of this, Radiohead is in talks to release the album in stores early next year. It really doesn't seem like a big deal, but imagine if Michael Bay began taking donations for people who wanted a copy of "Transformers" back in July, but when you got sent your copy, it was a bootleg. Now, the band is going to have to deal with keeping all of the casual fans they've collected in the past week, myself included, from potentially getting upset for being conned into paying for a flawed product.

2. Rolling Stone is reporting that "In Rainbows" has more illegal downloads than legal. Seriously?! Unless this is everybody's way of sticking it to the credit card companies and avoiding the \$1 credit charge, this may be the single most backwards act a group of fans has performed since Philadelphia Eagles fans pelted Santa Claus during a halftime show in 1968.

One band and two words... Dr. Robotnik! Also, "All I Need," from the new Radiohead album should be on everyone's playlist for the fall... along with the new album from Bon Iver: "For Emma, Forever Ago." Thanks! -Tripp Mostertz

There you go folks. Two recommendations for "All I Need". I say that deserves a download.

It seems to me that many people are so intent on being cutting edge and independent that they just can't stand it when others discover their favorite band. These people immediately label the band they worshipped a few days before as "sell outs" and go on to find the next undiscovered band. Sometimes, the band may actually change their musical style, but I think that's just a function of creative people maturing as artists and incorporating different influences into new albums (see Hendrix, Rolling Stones, Zeppelin, etc.). No one wants to get stuck in a rut and play the exact same music for their entire career, so artists mature and their music changes. I think most musicians' dream is to spread their message to as many people as possible, so, in my opinion, fans should be

happy for their success (even if it does mean more crowded concerts and the occasional jerk).

-Andrew Ruffin

Ah, the battle between music elitists and new fans is a classic one. There have been bands that have divided their fan base only to end up as "One Hit Wonders." Yellowcard, Coheed and Cambria, and the newest, soon-to-be OHW, Plain White T's. Others have found major success and seem to be set for a career to be remembered: Green Day, New Found Glory, and the newest band that I'd hedge my bets on, Fall Out Boy.

Fall Out Boy's progression is worth noting. After the underground success of "Take This to Your Grave," the band got picked up by the major label, Island Records. They followed this up with "From Under the Cork Tree" and had a few hit singles - "Sugar, We're Going Down" and "Dance, Dance" anybody? The album as a whole was fairly solid, and it certainly would have held up in the long-term, except you still can't go anywhere without hearing one of those songs. I think the only piece of music I've had beaten into me more in the past few years has been the thirty seconds of John "Cougar" Mellencamp's "This Is Our Country" that FOX insists all sports fans need to hear every commercial break (I promise that will be the only Simmons reference you hear in this mailbag). In Fall Out Boy's case, this all ends up becoming the fault of the marketing team. Normally, it's a band that steers its focus away from the album format to singles; that's how you end up with Chumbawamba's "Tubthumper." But Fall Out Boy didn't write singles and fill their major-label debut with junk. They were the victims of a marketing plan that may have reached too many people in too short a period of time.

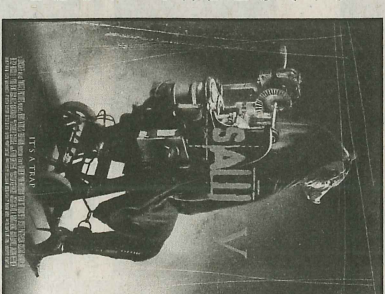
Funnily enough, FOB's newest record "Infinity on High," received just as much, if not more, bashing from their older fanbase. Instead of fans appreciating the new direction they took, some became just as spiteful as they were for the inferior "From Under the Cork Tree," seemingly just because they decided to hate the band long ago.

So sure, the dream is to spread the message as far as possible, but a band should never do it at the expense of the message. And for every Jerk A at a concert that only knows the hit singles, there'll be a Jerk B who hates on the new album just because it's new.

As always, if you write me about what you're listening to, I'll write about it. You can reach me at dubilla@clemonson.edu or on Facebook. Thanks again, and have fun at the Breaking Benjamin and Fall Out Boy concert. Just remember, don't be Jerk A or Jerk B.

PREVIEW

GREG BLANTON
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"Saw IV"
Oct. 26

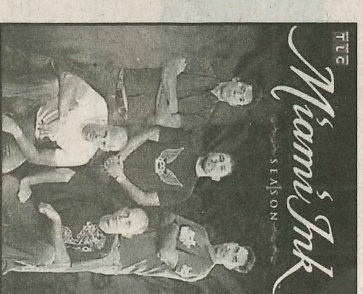
Blood and gore. Chopped legs. Screams of pain registering in disturbing details. Do any of the previous sentence fragments appeal to you? If so, I suggest you add "Saw IV" to your list of movies to see. "Saw IV" is a horror movie that's more horrible than horror, and not horrible in the sense of a low-quality movie - horrible as in the things that happen in the movie are horrible. This is not a horror movie meant to scare, it's one that's meant disgust and make you leave the movie theatre. If you don't have a fetish for people being mutilated beyond what's humanly possible, then you want to stay out of the screening of "Saw IV."

"Dan In Real Life"
Oct. 26

Dane Cook and Steve Carell's movie marathons continue. In "Dan in Real Life," Carell stars as a widower and father of three who, during a family vacation, falls for the girlfriend of his brother, played by Cook. Carell, who recently has starred in "Evan Almighty," "40 Year Old Virgin," and "Anchorman," has developed his own niche in film comedy. Dane Cook, on the other hand, has just recently made the jump to the big screen. These two come from two different worlds of comedy and specialize in different brands of humor, so it should be interesting to see how these two work together in the film.

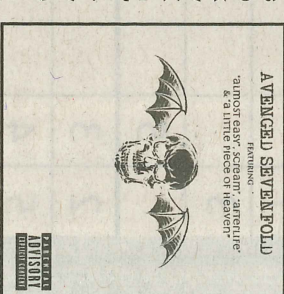
"Miami Ink: Season 1"
Oct. 30

There was once a day when only criminals and rock stars had tattoos, but today everybody and their grandmother has ink. Two popular trends, really TV and tattoos, united to create "Miami Ink," a profile of a tattoo parlor in Miami, Fla. The best part of the show is that it's more organic than many of the cheesy reality shows dominating MTV. The stories behind the tattoos are inspirational, and the actual tattoos are incredible works of art. Watching the show while procrastinating was fun, it's DVD future might not translate to instant buy.



"Avenged Sevenfold"
Avenged Sevenfold
Oct. 30

Avenged Sevenfold has the most tumultuous love/hate relationship with its fans of any rock band. The fans of early metalcore-style A7X lifted the band out of obscurity and into mainstream success. But after the release of 2005's "City of Evil," the band is a radio and MTV darling, incurring a backlash from its original fan base. A7X's new album may connect the band's early screamo catalogue and the polished "City of Evil," in turn uniting two sets of fans. The first two singles off of the new album, "Critical Acclaim" and "Almost Easy," combine the aggression of early Avenged Sevenfold with the pop sensibilities of the band's latter years.



"L-Empire"
Angels and Airwaves
Nov. 6

For anyone not familiar with modern rock history, Angels & Airwaves is the brainchild of Blink-182 front-man Mark Hoppus. For anyone not familiar with Blink-182, I suggest you get out from that rock you've been living under. AVA's fabulous debut, "We Don't Need to Whisper," is essentially an emo version of U2's "The Joshua Tree," one of the greatest albums of all time. In one word, AVA's debut record is pure magic. So it's fitting that the band's first single from their upcoming new album, "L-Empire," is titled "Everything's Magic."



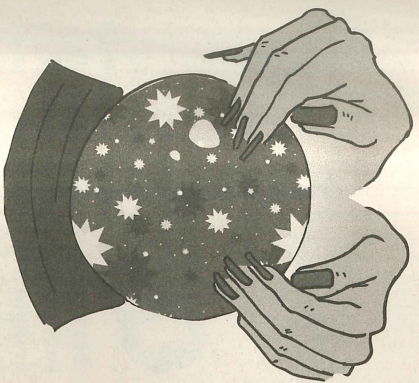
"Amazing Grace"
Danielle Steel
Oct. 30

Another crazy idea comes to book form from the mind of Danielle Steele. "Amazing Grace" starts off with a star-studded party. But an earthquake hits the city of San Francisco, bringing the hoppin' good time to a halt. Out of the rubble emerges four characters - a nun, a photographer, an accountant and a Grammy winner. How the nun got mixed up in this, TimeOut will never know. Naturally, they all get along great, and all the evil in the world and save the city from ruin. Sigh. Everything is right in the world.



Horoscopes

by **Starry Stella**



Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Do not spend all of your money this weekend. You will have an unexpected cost when a thes monkey breaks into your apartment in the middle of the night, steals your bread and trashes the place.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You will experience several dropped calls causing you to become so angry you throw your phone over the railings in Brackett, knocking out a professor who was checking his Myspace page. He just happened to be sitting by a cop who is mad because he has to BRB his IM buddy to arrest you, and then you end up in The Tiger under the weekly arrests.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

If its and buts were candy and nuts that would be freaking awesome.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

It is time for a change. You will never improve if you continue to play "Guitar Hero" at the easy level; it's time to move up to medium. May I suggest playing "Mother?"

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Be careful — you will encounter thunder and lightning today, and I am not talking about weather.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Remember: Less is more unless you need more, then less is just less.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Life is a box of chocolates — you never know what you are going to get, but I am guessing that it will probably be chocolate since it is a box of chocolates.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

I know you are worried because you are about to graduate and still do not have a job lined up, but do not worry. Aramark is always look for a few good workers and maybe you can be the one to suggest a non-vomiti-inducing color scheme for their food venues.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Make sure you strut your stuff over that library bridge. Not only will you get about 20 high-fives but you may also get discovered.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

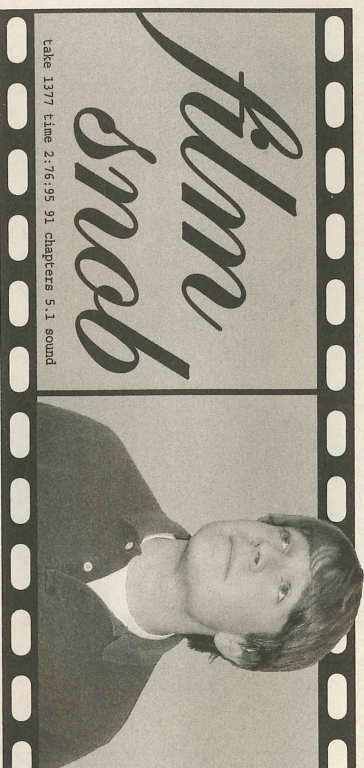
Watch your step everywhere between Daniel and Sirrine because you never know when you are likely to fall.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Refrain from eating meat this week. The cows are still going mad.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

If you must eat onion rings, please remember to carry a mint.



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CHRIS JAYNES
 STAFF WRITER

Hi, my name is Chris Jaynes, and I am a movie-at-home-a-holic. I have been movie-theater-free for 87 days. That fateful night, almost three months ago, I gave into temptation and peer pressure. I emerged dirty, ashamed and used from that Coke-covered seat and walked through the lobby of the Anderson movie theater. I am not harping on the content of the movie—yet. I am harping on the theater experience, which is not directed just at the facilities. I am talking about the whole ordeal of going to the movies, from the time one of your friends suggests the gang should go to a movie, through the actual decision making and going to the movie, to when you get home after the three to four-hour tribulation. It could even be longer if you decided to throw dinner in to

the night's happenings.

I have no personal experience of the way things used to be done, but there is a wealth of nostalgic reellings from current directors, critics, actors and my mom about their experiences of going to the movies, which was something that was cherished instead of dreaded or avoided. Families would go with a smile on their faces. Kids used to sneak into movies they had already seen hundreds of times (early form of file sharing? Hopefully the MPAA won't revisit this). People would come in halfway through a movie and stay and see the first half in the second showing. Kids would have their first kiss in the darkened theater, not the first time around third base that goes on in the back rows these days. There was a sense of community and anticipation to seeing a movie.

When I imagine the old movie theaters, I imagine a golden halo forming around the entrance. You would enter through the turnstile,

the next best thing to the Pearly Gates, and you were transformed to a world with out the troubles of your mundane life. A world where magic was possible, space travel was in the near future and you would always get the girl.

Movie industry experts have been crying wolf at the declining theater attendance. They condemn pirating, big screen TV's and Netflix as culprits for staying at home instead of trekking to a movie theater. It has nothing to do with increasing ticket prices, exorbitant concession prices and that punk high schooler sitting in front of you text messaging that keeps you away, right?

Yes, but I think the main reason most choose to stay home is the power the remote gives us. I would gladly trade a big screen with surround sound for the simple power of being able to have the ultimate control over my viewing experience.

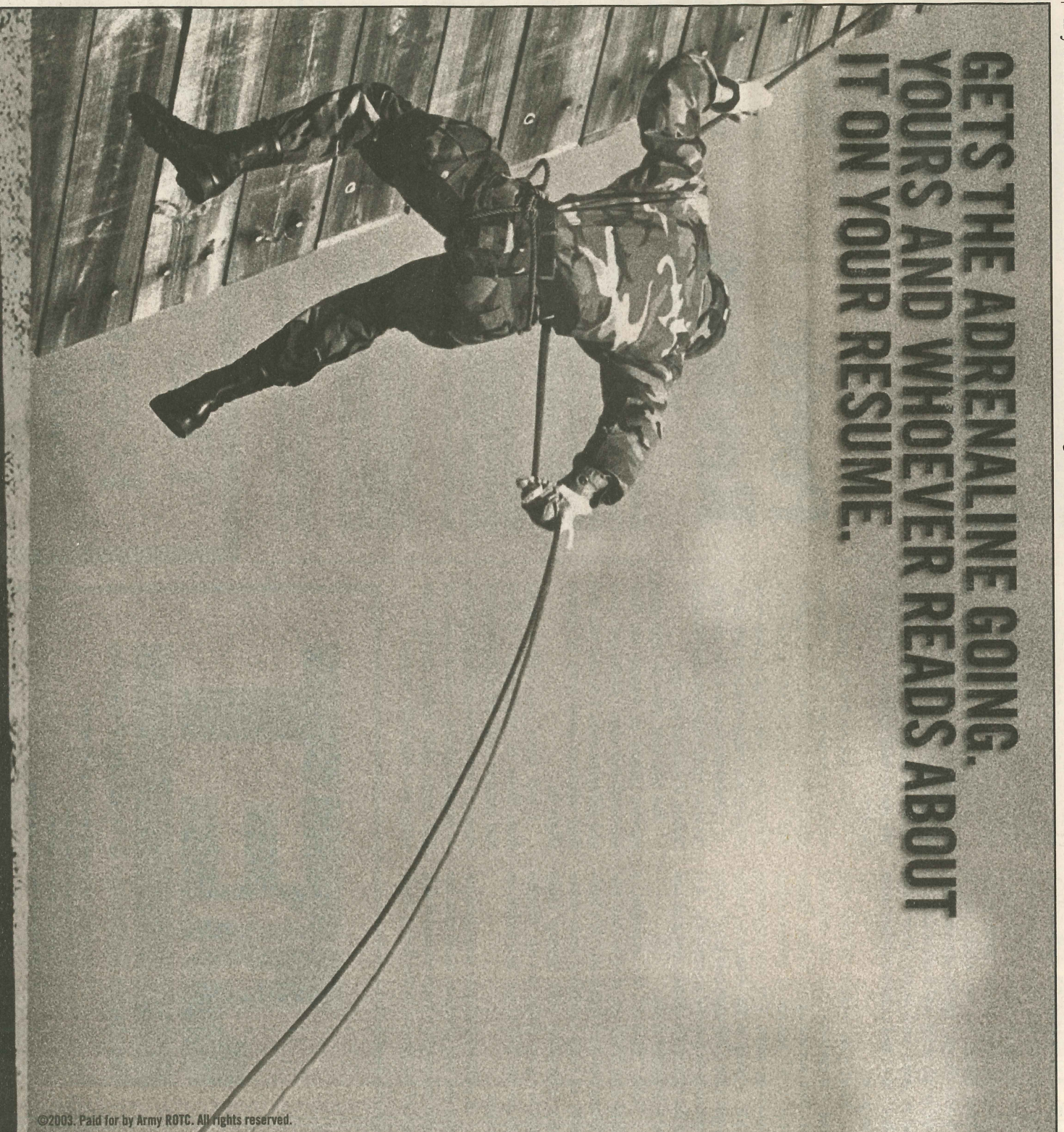
The remote can be the ultimate signifier of power; maybe that is why there are so many battles over the control of it. It's not that you can simply start and stop, but to actually turn it off. When you are sitting in the theater there is a sense of entrapment. You made all that effort to get to the theater and had to take a second student loan to pay for you and your date's ticket along with small popcorn and a 72-ounce of Coke. Once you sit in your seat the time and money you have invested into this experience forces you to stay

in your seat and watch the entire movie. If you leave, no one is going to understand your protest, and you just dropped a bajillion dollars for nothing.

Has this new sense of wanting control over our movie viewing come simply from the power of the clicker, or has the need simply arisen from our selection? Which came first — the desire to skip a movie or the ability?

I think we have gotten away from the storytelling ability of cinema. Directors have become seduced by the ability of the image, while forgetting the ability they have to create a story. I have been re-watching some Disney Classics lately, such as "Cinderella," "Snow White" and "Peter Pan" — sometimes you just need a comfortable narrative as apposed to a Tarantino or Lynch, which have their time and place. I never got a chance to see these classic Disney movies on the big screen, but every time I watch them I am totally engrossed in them.

These classic films take back the power I have with the remote by not giving me a reason to skip or stop. It might just be the inner child screaming for entertaining, but there is something about non-recent films that has a captivating milieu. I am pro watching at home, but it is a dangerous gamble to do so depending on how trigger-happy you are. Sometime it might be better to leave the remote lost in the cushions.



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ON THE PROWL

by IVANNA JOHNSON

Unlike most college males, I don't double click my mouse three times a day to MILFs, amateur teen babes and big black cocks, but I do enjoy the occasional porno.

I had seen a few erotic videos in my pre-Clemson days, but it wasn't until 15 of my high school friends and I rented a beach house after freshman year that I discovered the entertainment potential of porn. My two friends discovered a VHS still in the VCR of one of the downstairs bedrooms and laughed that the title, "Super Shots 28," sounded like a porno. Lo and behold they pressed play and to everyone's shock and delight the best porn ever created happened to be inside.

"Super Shots 28" is someone's compilation of the most ridiculous '80's porn scenes—not naughtily ridiculous, comical ridiculous. It was obvious someone's dad took his porno collection that he collected in the '80's, took out all his favorite scenes and tossed the collection in some dumpster so his wife and kids wouldn't find it.

There were blowjobs and orgies galore as can be expected, but shoddy editing, poor lighting, big hair, acid-washed jeans and characters such as Biff and his sweet pick up lines made for some of the most entertaining hours I have ever spent. It became a pre-game ritual to our nights in the Outer Banks — we would pop in "Super Shots," let the alcohol flow and laugh at the awkward noises and neon green anal beads. Ever since then I have had a greater appreciation for porn.

Most girls pretend to hate porn and it's because they are expected to. But according to Ladies Home Journal 47 percent of women enjoy watching porn. I'm not expecting girls to jump at the chance to watch a girl give a blowjob and get it in the butt only to receive a wonderful shot to the face as the climax, but porn can be a beautiful thing.

Take "Pirates" for example, a three disc DVD set, shot to look like "Pirates of the Caribbean." It's basically an orgy, steaming from women's infatuation with Johnny Depp and his sexy pirate get up. Women are paying \$70 to get their hands on a copy.

A girlfriend of mine once told me how she was going to sneak into her male roommate's bedroom and watch one of his pornos in the living room



while spending some quality time with herself. We informed her that this was a bad idea considering her roommates could easily discover her and possibly shun her, but it proves my point Girls do like the satisfaction that comes from porn.

So what are women looking for? Though I am sure there are those out there that enjoy the regular porn that occupies the dark corners of the Internet and back section of movie stores, girl porn is a different breed. There is usually more of a storyline, and more cuddling, and it is generally a lot more sympathetic to women's ideals. But styles can range from lesbian interactions to guys masturbating for your pleasure, though this mixes a bit with gay porn, which is advertised often to women on the Internet.

I went hunting for porn directed at women on the Internet and was disappointed to find most of the sites mainly focused on erotic literature. We are a visual culture — who reads books?

I was looking for the good stuff, videos of people going at it. Here are my findings: 4 CFNM.com is kind of like "Girls Gone Wild" for girls. It's videos are of ladies nights gone wild, women accosting strippers and such. Scarletletters.com is the uber site for artsy erotic literature and feminist banter, if you are into that.

But the best sites to find porn movies aimed at women are hot-moviesforher.com fortheirls.com and girlzporn.com. I'm sure you will find whatever your porn of choice might be.

I will leave you with a quote from Evan of "Supertoad." "I hate that amateur stuff. If I'm paying good money, I want some production value — smooth editing, a good score, not just some girls being coaxed into going on a vag-tastic voyage."



ASK A SENIOR CITIZEN

with Gertrude Lank

Q I'm a freshman here at Clemson. I haven't decided what I want to major in. In high school, I loved math, but I'm no good at it. I think I could be good in a liberal arts major, but I just don't know which one. What should I major in?
Confused Frosh

A My, my, my. Boy, do I remember decisions at that age. For me, I had to decide between marry'n Franklin the medical student or Ernest the travel guide writer. It was a tough choice, and I ended up gettin' hitched to Mr. Warren Lank, owner of Easley Carpet Inc. Sometimes you don't know what's right for ya until you take a step back and see all yer options. If there wasn't a flood in my house back in '49, I never woulda been the lady with the nearest carpet on my street. And that's something certainly to be proud of. So, young man or young lady, maybe neither math nor liberal arts is for you. Perhaps you might can consider a career in marry'n rich businessmen.

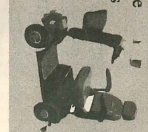
Q My name's Lindsay and I have a problem. I really like this guy in my biology class. He sits next to me and twice we've studied together. I really like him, and I think he'd be a great boyfriend. We joked about seeing a movie together, and I'm wondering if he's just shy. Should I ask him to see a movie with me sometime?
In Love with Bio Guy

A I have two things for you, Miss Lindsay. First, back in my day, we never studied alone with a boy. That was a date. And there was no datin' until you were fixin' to get married. Maybe I'm just wrinkly, but I don't think you're planning to marry this here science boy. Second, I don't think I've ever known a girl to ask a boy out — except on those no good M television shows. Care to know why, Miss Lindsay? Because if a boy likes a girl enough, he'll ask her to a picture show. I don't care how shy a boy is, if he wants a gal bad enough, he'll let her know. My advice: keep on smiling. If he likes you, he'll ask you to spend a Friday with him. If he doesn't, you're still smiling and ready for the next clap.

Q As you know, this next Wednesday is Halloween. There are two parties this weekend that I'm going to. I have a really sweet Captain Morgan outfit. I dropped a lot of dough on it, and I'm wondering if you think it will be okay to wear it two nights in a row. Is that like against etiquette?
Captain Morgan

A Dear Captain Morgan, I remember when demons came out on Halloween. Lordy, I can't quite find it in my arthritic fingers to type anything supporting the devil's Easter. I'm quite confused as to why you'd choose such a costume. Pirates are thieves and heathens, you know. When I was young, we dressed as people to scare the demons away like angels, disciples and Mary Magdalene. There's a certain somebody you could dress like two nights in a row without any problems: Jesus.

Gertrude is a big fan of The Beatles, romance novels and chocolate girls. She is seventy-six years young and ready for any questions. E-mail her at: SmilzhotZhandie@theigerreviews.com



Poetic Reviews

by Brandon Bilinski

Crank That Sonnet Boy!
I know we've all heard "Crank That (Souija Boy)" On Youtube, the radio and TV, But did you know this money-making ploy Has spawned a terrible full-length CD?

Most of his songs have the same boring beat. His lyrics are too often repeated.

With songs like "Report Card" and "Booty Meat," Record buyers are sure to feel cheated.

With stolen lyrics used as Souija's own, Rich Boy's "Throw Some Ds" is a song he raps. And while not rapping about his cell phone, He spends three tracks bragging 'bout Bathing Apes.

Want to get rich? Well buddy here's your chance — It starts with rap songs that have their own dance.

Howl-o-3
I saw the best minds of my generation destroyed by Master Chief, slaying hysterical newbies, dragging themselves out of bed at dawn

looking for XBOX live opponents, 360-headed gamers burning for the broadband connection to the network of fellow Spartans in the machinery of Microsoft, who ignored assignments to just play one more match while failing required classes and running their chances of future employment, who skipped out on dates with girlfriends using excuses of disease and wretch while munching on Cheez-Its and piloting ghosts, who lost real friends while gaming Live companions to party up with and join forces to defeat other lost souls with too much time on their hands,

who clogged arteries by replacing gym and cardio time with thumb exercises and Mountain Dew chugging in order to stay up and earn achievements, the evil genius Bill Gates and Bungie create a world where time is unknown, yet there might be something left to say in a world after Halo 3, everything that Halo 3 has become and provide something good for gamers for the next thousand years.

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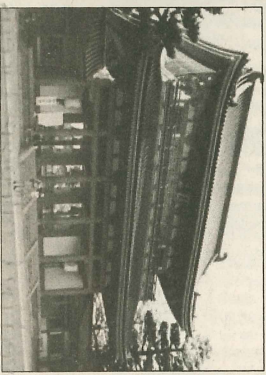
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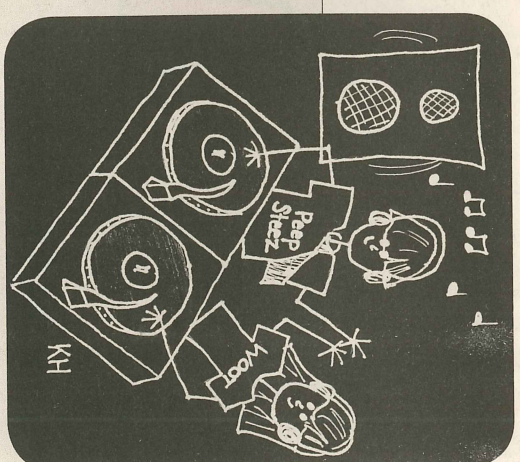
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Emily Sparr: *What kind of music do you play on your show?*

Kells Hildebrandt: Pat and I both play a variety of genres of electronic music. I stick mostly to trance and progressive, but sometimes I'll play some electro, house tracks and a little bit of techno. Most of the music I play has roots in the club and rave scene, though a lot has changed about trance and techno since the early '90s.

Patrick Brownson: Kells rolls out the trance; I play Drum'n'Bass — electronic music with a greater emphasis on drumbeats and basslines.

ES: *How did you meet?*
PB: When I was but a frosh, I joined WSBF in search of someone who could teach me how to mix on turntables. I met up with Tony Mele who happened to be training Kells. I linterned with Kells and learned the trade around the same time that she did, and the rest is history! We had a show together the following semester and have been doing one since 2005.

KH: What he said.
ES: *How did you become involved with the radio station?*
KH: When I came to Clemson in the fall of '02, I saw some fliers about becoming a DJ. I was pretty excited about having access to turntables and new music, so I signed up. I had a jazz show for a semester and did rotation shows for a few semesters. I always wanted to do a specialty show, but it took me a while to feel like I had enough music to make it happen. The original idea was to do a specialty show about Euro dance music, which I did for a few semesters before deciding that the show would really sound great if I could learn how to mix. It took me about a semester to learn my way around Studio B, which is where we now do the show. For me, doing a mix show was just another level of involvement at WSBF. The station has a phenomenal amount of equipment, which can translate into opportunities for the members.

PB: Like I said above, I wanted to learn how to mix and enlighten the world with DnB, and WSBF was the perfect place.
ES: *How did you get into this type of music?*
KH: I listened to a lot of Euro

Dance in the '90s. As such, I own an embarrassing number of Haddaway and Ace of Base albums. Anyhow... one of my friends in high school introduced me to trance by playing Paul Oakenfold's "Tranceport" album, and I was hooked.

PB: Exploring trance music led me inevitably to Drum'n'Bass back in 1999 when I bought a few Squarepusher and Roni Size albums. I didn't explore it any further until 2003 when I found Bassdrive.com on Wiramp's Internet Radio list, and I've been streaming DnB 24/7 since then.

ES: *How do you become a community member of WSBF?*

KH: I started out as a student DJ at the station, but after I graduated, I kept doing the show, which makes me a community member. But you don't have to start out as a student. Any interested community member can come to the radio station's meeting at the beginning of each semester. There's a short written test, and upon passing, you intern under a DJ for part of that semester. Once you pass your on-air check, you can sign up for a show.

ES: *What word best describes your co-host?*

KH: Awesome. Pat is just pure awesome. He's way more technical than I am, which helps immensely when the equipment doesn't function as it should. He also brings a really great energy to the show, and of course, he has great taste in music.

PB: EPIC. Kells is the coolest kid I know, and her skills, choice of music and enthusiasm are all amazing. She's the best trancer in Clemson. BY FAR.

ES: *What is your favorite story about working at the station?*

KH: It's no secret that I like my music loud when I'm doing a show. I was in the studio by myself, listening to some new tracks, when a light

started blinking. The telephone in the studio doesn't ring; it has a light that blinks. I thought someone was calling, so I picked the phone up, and only heard a dial tone. This happened a few times, and I thought someone was prank calling. About the fifth time, I turned the music off and answered the phone, only to realize the blinking light was not from the telephone — it was the fire alarm going off. I put the computer on automation and high tailed it out of there. Turns out it was just a false alarm, but I definitely kept the volume down after that.

PB: Hearing stories about the couch that used to be up there, Fluids. That's all I can say.

THE TOP 5

DIFERENCES BETWEEN A CHILD'S HALLOWEEN AND HALLOWEEN IN COLLEGE

BY ALYSSA MANDER

You don't go trick-or-treating. When you're kids, Halloween is the one night you get to knock on the doors of ALL your neighbors, even creepy Mr. Lambert. It doesn't matter who is a stranger and who isn't. Everyone is fair game. You grab a cute bucket and ring doorbells for sugar. In college, we know the surrounding community only wants to give their candy to chaperoned elementary schoolers.

There's alcohol in the apple cider. This one seems obvious. As kids, we could only hope for some soda mixed into the apple juice. You knew it was a holiday when there was a carbonated drink. I personally thought the bubbles made it taste better. Seems like in college, the alcohol makes it taste better.

You get your own knife for pumpkin carving. The best thing about being in college is access to whatever you want — like knives, for example. Throw away those pitiful little pins that come in a pumpkin carving kit and break out the steak knife. Hell, if you want it, grab the butcher knife. You're in college, and there's no one to tell you no.

You don't have to throw any candy away. My mom always checked through my candy and threw away the ones without wrappers. No more! You can keep every piece of candy you buy, receive or find. Doesn't matter when it expires, who made it or where it came from — it's all yours, even that special brownie Dan was giving out.

Cleavage makes the costume better. As children, our standards of awesome were different. For girls, the cuter you were, the better. If you could be Cinderella or a puppy from "101 Dalmatians," you were awesome. For boys, the scarier, the better. The cool guys wore monster masks or dressed like headless horsemen. Now, the closer to nothing, the better. Bring out the cleavage, the booty shorts, the unbuttoned tops: you're in college.

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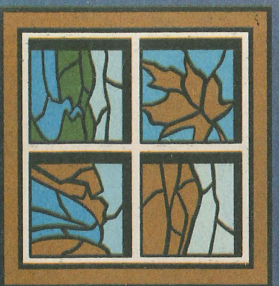
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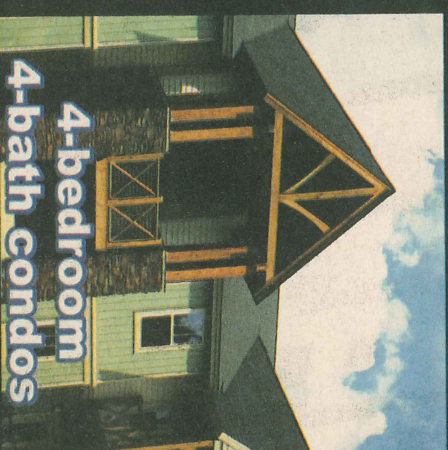
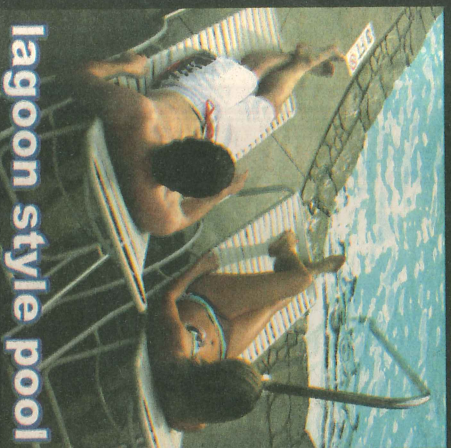
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