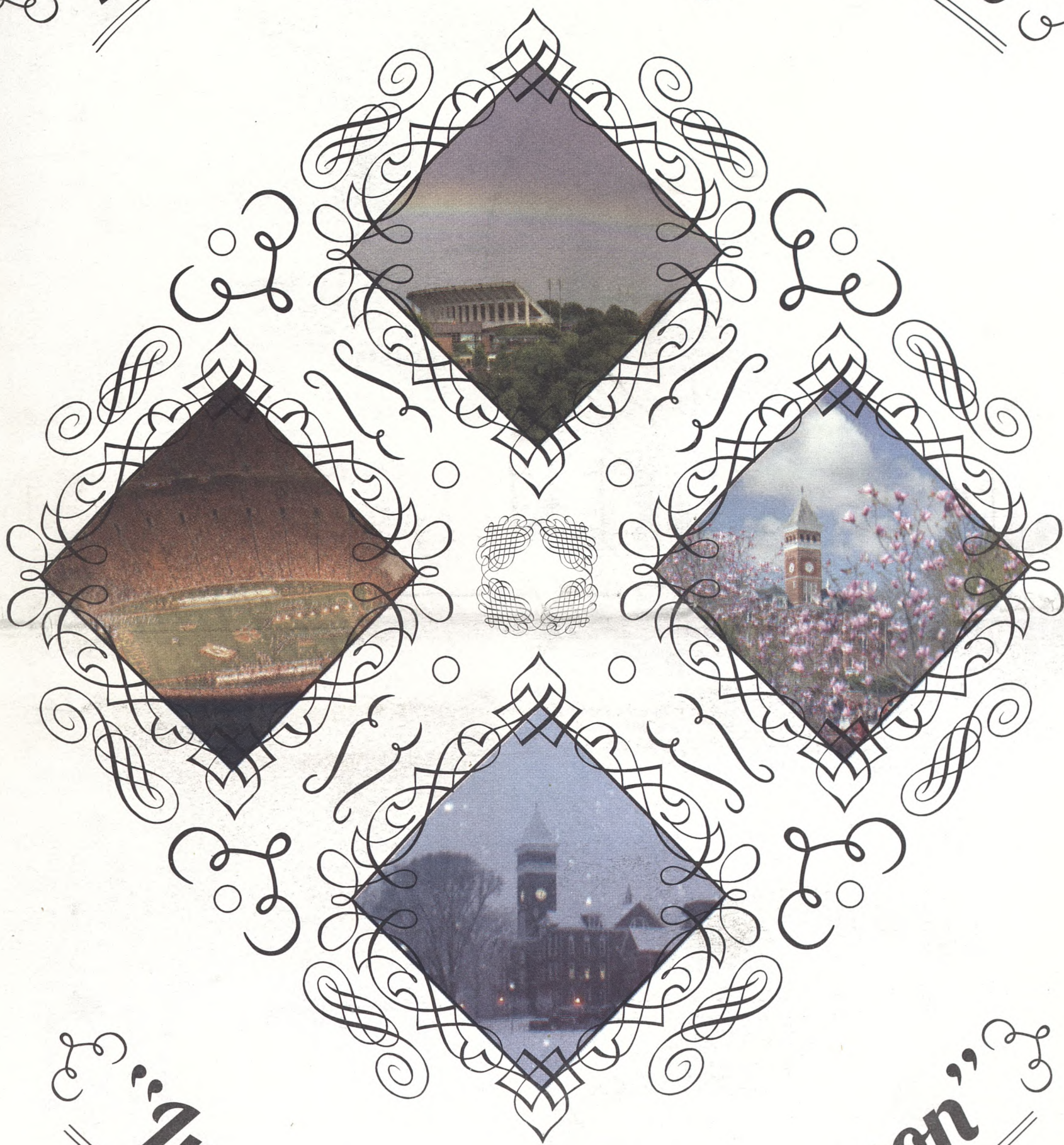


# Best of Clemson

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# PEOPLE AND PLACES

## BRIOSO *best date spot*

SCOTTIE WHITELEY  
NEWS EDITOR

Brioso Fresh Pasta offers a unique and fresh casual dining experience while allowing guests to enjoy a relaxing authentic Italian atmosphere. A full menu of reasonably priced and diverse entrees combined with a laid-back atmosphere helped the restaurant win best date spot for Clemson students. A menu including salads, paninis, flatbreads, mix-and-match pastas and dessert gelatos accommodates the preferences as well as dietary needs of every diner. A full wine menu, both by the glass and the bottle, is available for those of age. In addition, Brioso's location in the middle of College Avenue makes it a convenient spot for both on and off-campus students.



The authentic and diverse Italian cuisine combined with a laid-back atmosphere helped Brioso get voted best date spot in the Clemson area.

## STADIUM SUITES *best on-campus living*

SCOTTIE WHITELEY  
NEWS EDITOR

Stadium Suites, voted the best place to live on campus, is located on west campus and is a co-ed, suite-style residence hall similar to Holmes and McCabe. The suites house four students — two per room — with a shared bath. This fully carpeted four-story building

houses approximately 300 junior and senior students. Female students participating in WISE and students in the "sophomore MORE" living learning community also reside in Stadium Suites. The residence hall includes such features as personal kitchens, social and study lounges for the residents, and a convenient location near Harcombe Dining Hall, Fike Recreation Center and the student post office.



Stadium Suites is a great place for students to enjoy a luxury residence hall living experience.



Perhaps Clemson's best-kept secret, Daniel bathrooms are always clean and well-stocked.

## DANIEL HALL *best bathrooms*

BRADY BROWN  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

It's one of the most personal times in your day. Perhaps it's the only time you have to read this very publication. And when the atmosphere feels even slightly off, well, it is simply not O.K. What we're getting at is when nature calls.

Now we've all at some point opened that bathroom door only to immediately slam it shut in disgust. The people have spoken and it's safe to say this is not the case for Daniel Hall. What puts Daniel above

the rest? Well, overall it would probably be the limited number of people that actually use it.

It wouldn't be surprising to hear from a student who has never stepped foot in a Daniel restroom.

In turn, that's exactly what puts it on another level — less people, less mess. The room remains fresh, the cleaning supplies, paper towels, etc. remain in stock, and in general people walk away content.

A bathroom tends to be overlooked when it's clean and well-kept. But when it's not it's tough to forget. Daniel does it right.

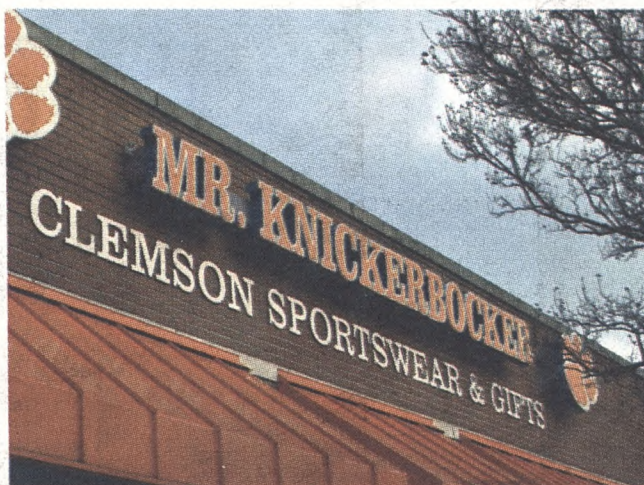


# MR. KNICKERBOCKER

*best Clemson memorabilia*

SCOTTIE WHITELEY  
NEWS EDITOR

Mr. Knickerbocker in downtown Clemson is the largest supplier of Clemson sportswear and gifts and is the students' favorite memorabilia store in town. Deriving its name from a logo developed for the store's opening of a man wearing knickers and leaning on a cane, was opened in 1973 as a men's clothing store and was originally located on campus by Tillman Hall. When the football team gained national prominence, the store eventually made the switch to selling general clothing and gifts. There are currently four Mr. Knickerbocker locations: two in Clemson, as well as Greenville and Central. The second Clemson location, added in 1987, specializes in fraternity and sorority apparel. Mr. Knickerbocker offers hand-sewn custom jerseys and has been a 25-year-long Clemson tradition.



Mr. Knickerbocker is a four-decade long Clemson tradition.



The store provides Clemson and Greek life apparel.

## TD'S *best live music* *best sports bar*

SCOTTIE WHITELEY  
NEWS EDITOR

TD's sports bar is a traditional part of the Clemson community, and was voted the best sports bar in town by the student body. A diverse menu of cleverly named and delicious appetizers, wraps, burgers, salads and sandwiches provides something for every customer. At

TD's, each day of the week offers a different food special or discount for University employees or members of the military. A full liquor, draft and bottled beer and frozen drink menu appeals to the upperclassmen and adult crowd, especially during Happy Hour from 4-8 p.m. Monday-Friday. TD's sports bar is definitely a Clemson tradition that all students and community members can enjoy.



TD's offers good food by day and a fun, social atmosphere by night.

## BI-LO *best grocery store*

SCOTTIE WHITELEY  
NEWS EDITOR

Bi-Lo's convenient location near campus and everyday ways to save helped the chain win the title of best grocery store. This grocery store puts an emphasis on fresh, high quality food combined with low prices. A pharmacy is also available right in the store, with \$4 generic prescriptions for customers. Shopping at Bi-Lo offers savings not

only on groceries but on gas as well, through the "fuelperks!" program. Bi-Lo's website also offers many helpful tips for healthy shopping and eating. The grocery store chain also has a major positive impact in the community through various fundraising programs for charities in the area. Overall, the grocery store's prices, high quality of food, savings programs and community impact make it the students' favorite place to get groceries in Clemson.

## TIGER TOWN TAVERN

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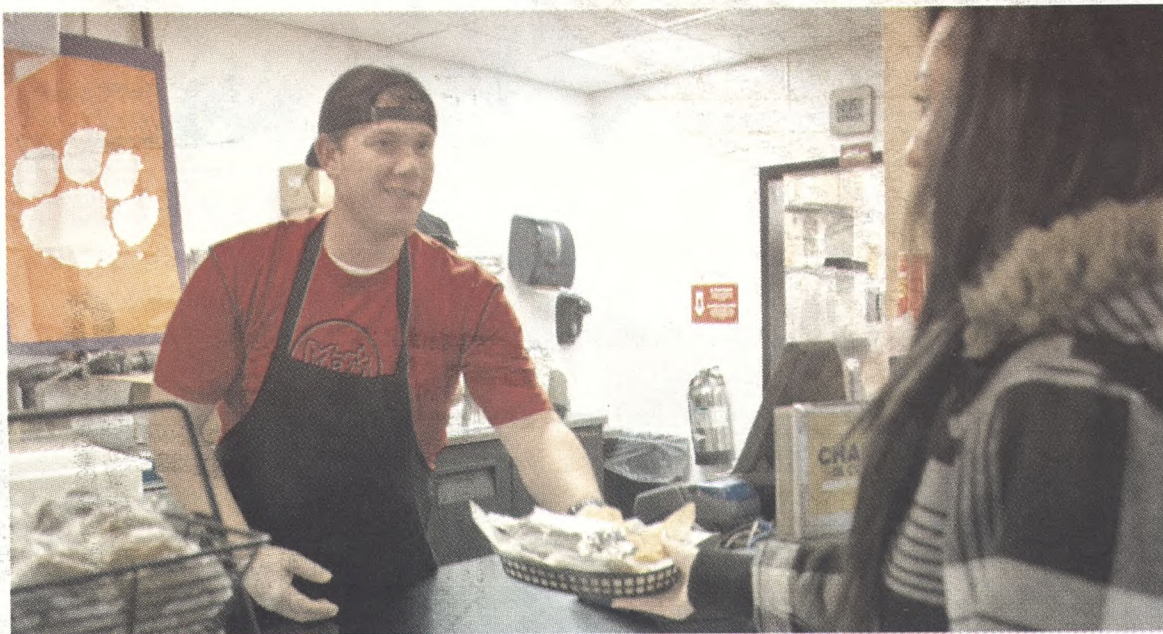
**BRADY BROWN**  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

There's something to be said for hospitality. Feeling welcome in basically all social interactions heightens the overall experience. Catching a bite to eat with friends is no exception.

With an ever chipper and ready to please staff, Moe's Southwest Grill provides just that. From the moment the prerequisite "Welcome

to Moe's!" makes its way across the counter to meal's end, a warm mood remains ever pervasive. Always smiling, the workers keep in line with the relaxed atmosphere as they engage in pleasant small talk with patrons all the while still skillfully dishing out those overstuffed burritos.

Sophomore Brendan Luther had only kind words for the establishment. "I always leave Moe's with a smile on my face."



NATHAN PRETORIUS/staff

Moe's employees are always friendly, enthusiastic and welcoming to every customer who eats at the restaurant.

# STARBUCKS

## *best coffee*

**SCOTTIE WHITELEY**  
NEWS EDITOR

It should come as no surprise that one of the most popular coffeehouses in the country was voted best coffee in the Clemson area as well. With a second location recently opened at the Ingles in Central, Clemson students just can't get enough of this Seattle-based coffee company. Starbucks, which was founded in 1971 and has expanded exponentially in the past four decades, puts a special emphasis on global responsibility in brewing their range of hot, cold and blended coffee. The company believes in protecting the environment by recycling and reducing water waste, while at the same time providing delicious products and outstanding customer service. Starbucks also offers a variety of teas for non-coffee drinkers, as well as pastries and breakfast sandwiches in a relaxing environment where students often go to study or just meet with friends.

# ENTOURAGE

## *best clothing*

**SCOTTIE WHITELEY**  
NEWS EDITOR

With a shortage of clothing stores for women in the area, Entourage Clothing and Gifts was a welcome addition to Clemson Avenue when it first opened a few months ago. With moderately priced dresses, tops, skirts, shoes, belts and much more, Entourage is the female student's favorite clothing store in Clemson. The store always has specials and discounts, and customers are notified through text message alerts or constant updates on the Facebook fan page. Entourage has two locations, the other being in Athens, Ga., and its clothing and accessories are also available for purchase online. Entourage is definitely the place to go for a game day, going out or simply an everyday outfit.

# BROOKS

## *best commuter parking*

# BLUE RIDGE

## *best weekend getaway*

# COOPER LIBRARY

## *best study spot*

**MIKE MATTHEISS**  
STAFF WRITER

When you think of campus study spots, Cooper Library is likely the first place that comes to mind. Its central location on campus and sheer size make Cooper the ideal place to study and meet with friends between classes. The library offers a little something for everyone with a variety of studying environments and resources. The first floor offers a sanctuary for hardcore studiers and procrastinators, but less serious locations are always available. Java City is perfect for those looking to socialize; book lovers can curl up on a beanbag among the rows of books on the top floor. Cooper also provides computers, private study rooms and virtually any other academic resource students would ever need. This great versatility is what makes Cooper the best study spot on campus.



EMILY PIETRAS/asst. photo editor

Cooper's fifth floor is students' favorite on-campus study spot.

# CHIMNEY RIDGE

## *best off-campus living*

**SCOTTIE WHITELEY**  
NEWS EDITOR

This gated community was voted best off-campus place to live by Clemson students.

These beautiful homes boast four bedrooms, each with their own full bathroom, front porches with outdoor fireplaces, back patios with grills, and garbage pickup, among other features. Two-bedroom houses with two and a half baths are also available in this

luxury housing community, which is located just two miles from campus and is included on the CAT bus route. A resort-style pool, putting green and volleyball courts are other alluring aspects. Security is not an issue in this community, as the entrance has a password-protected gate and each house is equipped with alarm systems.

Chimney Ridge recently added more houses, so students' chance of being able to live in this impressive community are now even better.



EMILY PIETRAS/staff

Chimney Ridge recently expanded its facilities to accomodated more students with two bedroom houses.



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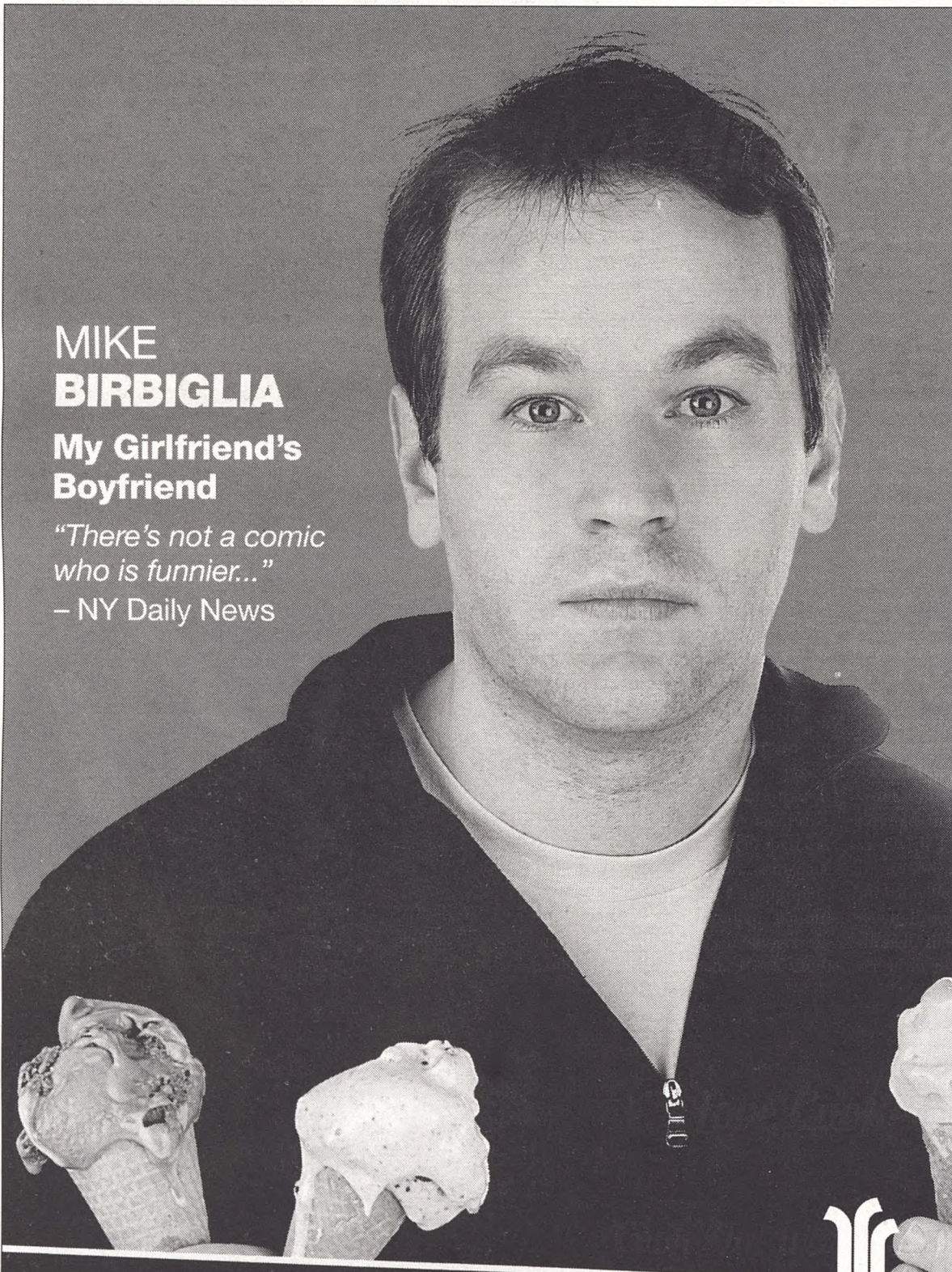
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## MAY 2012 COMMENCEMENT THREE SEPARATE CEREMONIES

The University will hold three commencement ceremonies on Friday, May 11, 2012 as follows:

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## BEST PROCRASTINATION TOOL:

# twitter

**ALIZA DARNELL***Columnist*

Aside from the obvious distraction of Facebook, another form of social media has been named the best procrastination tool: Twitter.

Twitter, named for the quick bursts of information communicated with the product that seems much like successive bird chirps, is an information network that allows people to both communicate through message updates and stay connected with information that interests them.

For all you non-Tweeters living in the dark, allow me to explain this delicious distraction. After signing up on Twitter.com, you can search for others on Twitter to follow. Following is subscribing to another Twitter account, meaning that the tweets shared by this user will show up on your personal timeline. A tweet is a message communicated in 140 characters or less. When you tweet, your message is posted to your profile and appears on the timelines of all of your followers. The key part of this setup that appeals to so many is the concise communication maintained by the 140-character limit. In contrast from Facebook where status updates sometimes run amok, Twitter forces us to be clever and concise.

So why do so many turn to Twitter before their "to do" list? How is it that even the most productive students are neutralized by this seemingly innocuous online network? Well, Twitter is easy, quick and mobile. It is in real time, and people use Twitter for a number of different reasons.

First, you can keep up with your friends even when you are separated on a day-to-day basis. You can also tweet images from your phone. For me, Twitter images bring great joy even on the busiest of days as I get to see pictures of my niece, who happens to be a pug named Lola, going for car rides and wearing new outfits around Greenville.

But the best part of Twitter — even better than pug pictures (which are difficult to outdo) — is that you can use it for so much more than just communicating with friends. You can enjoy Twitter without ever tweeting a single tweet. Instead, you can use Twitter to get your news fix from major news outlets like Huffington Post and the New York Times. You can find out what is going on locally by following Clemson news sources like ClemsonBuzz and CU\_Athletics. You can satisfy your celebrity obsession by getting a sneak peek into the lives of your favorite stars. You can use Twitter for entertainment by following funny Twitter accounts like Shitgirlssay and MensHumor. You

can follow Twitter parodies like Chuck Norris and Stewie Griffin. You can get nutrition advice from Eat This Not That. You can learn useless, but amusing facts from UberFacts. And anything you like, you can retweet (RT) to share with your friends or mark it as a favorite.

Following all of the Twitter accounts that interest you comes together to form a continuously streaming real time catalog of advice, humor, news, fun facts, sports stats, links to stories and messages from friends, all succinctly stuck into tweets you can tap into at any given time, provided that you have a smartphone or Internet access. It is this ease that makes it such a supreme distraction.

But of course, like any tool, Twitter can be misused. Dweets (tweets tweeted while intoxicated), for example, are usually regrettable. Cryptic tweets are obscure tweets indicating that this tweeter has been wronged in some way. Tweets like "guys suck" or "now I know who my real friends are" can be classified as cryptic tweets and have no place on your friends' timelines.

Misuse of hashtags, common among beginners, is also bad twetiquette. A hashtag marks and categorizes key phrases and topics. Clicking on the hashtags shows you what everyone else is tweeting about that topic, giving you immediate access to the conversation. For example, during winter break I spread holiday cheer by tweeting my favorite Christmas movie quotes organizing by this hashtag: #christmasmoviequotes. Clicking on my hashtag showed tons of other tweets from other people with even more Christmas movie quotes (more holiday cheer!).

Whether it is used for good or bad, Twitter has been on the scene for some significant moments since its debut in 2006. The high mobility and accessibility of Twitter can make it a player on the world stage. In 2008, Twitter was called the medium of the movement as Iranians protested the presidential election by communicating with one another through Twitter. In 2011, Twitter became the public forum for a heated exchange between NATO and a Taliban affiliate. An example that is a little closer to home is the interview with Dabo in which he addressed a quote that was misattributed to Steve Spurrier. Dabo ended the interview with "Tweet that," and in no time he was trending on Twitter because people did just that.

I will sign off in my own message of exactly 140 characters including spaces and punctuation: Is Twitter the top procrastination tool? Did I miss the deadline for this very story due in part to Twitter? Sure did. #procrastinationprobs

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## BEST PLACE TO SLED:

# The Dikes

**TREY MARTIN***Columnist*

Many of you remember the snow that fell before the spring semester began last year. I was lucky enough to have driven up to Clemson a few days earlier than I expected, and I woke up to a world of white. You as readers voted that the best place to sled in Clemson was on the dikes at Lake Hartwell. I could not agree more.

Living in the South, we only get a few chances to experience thickly fallen snow like that, and the fact that I was at Clemson at the same time made it even sweeter. Bowman was covered, and it was quite a sight to see Tillman across the field. The beauty of the campus was amplified by all the quiet, pure-white snow. Needless to say there were plenty of beautiful sights to see on campus, but where the real fun was happening was on the dikes.

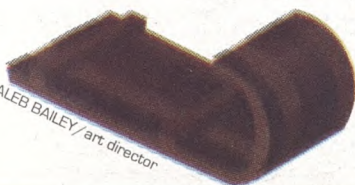
I had hurt my knee during the previous semester and was unable to join the fun sledding, but my roommate and I walked out there anyway to take a look around. When we got there, there had to be a

hundred people sledding or watching people go racing down the hill. There were dogs running around, college kids, adults and families with little kids all gathered together to enjoy this rare moment. The whole world seemed to shut down for one day and provide all of us with plenty to do.

In South Carolina, classic sleds are pretty uncommon. So everyone improvised. A friend of mine brought out his kneeboard from home. Other people had gone to Wal-Mart to buy whatever flat plastic thing they could find. I saw cardboard, baking pans, trash can lids and a number of other things used to reach the bottom. I even saw a kayak heading down the dike with at least five people on it. The dike itself seemed to be perfect for the snow. The descent levels out about halfway down the hill and sharpens off again. People were using that level as a ramp. At the top they were taking running starts to see how much air they could get.

As much as everything else, the dikes were a great place for everyone to get together and enjoy the snow as a group. All I can say is that we all better hope we get another snow like that here at Clemson. I know the one thing I will be sure to do is take a sled ride down the dike.

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BEST  
LEISURE  
SKILL:

## Yoga

SAVANNAH MOZINGO

Columnist



**A**ll I needed was one more credit hour. The only problem was I figured this out the last week of winter break. I devoted time each day to trolling through the online sign up looking for a course — any course — to add. It had to be an easy A; that was my only requirement. However, everybody else at Clemson was smart, too, and thought of this solution to their GPA woes as well, so the pickings were rare. Windows of opportunity opened and closed too quickly for me to keep up.

I would not say I was at the brink of defeat, but I was tired, fed up and hopeless of ever catching that elusive perfect class. Desperation curbed my standards. When I finally stumbled upon that blessed “empty seat,” all I saw was that it was a Leisure Skill, a synonym for “easy.” With the click of a button I was locked in and there was no turning back; it would have meant spending more time I did not have on that shifting catalog.

The Leisure Skills began in 1972 in response to the lack of a physical education curriculum at Clemson. Since its implementation, the program has grown to serve more than 2,500 Clemson undergraduates each semester. By offering more than 140 sections of one-credit courses each semester, the Leisure Skills program reflects the various interests of the students. The Leisure Skills program believes that individuals can advance their lives both personally and professionally through involvement in recreation. With that in mind, their mission is to serve the educational, recreational and personal development needs of Clemson students through the teaching of leisure and life skill activities.

Their course subjects range from photography to hunting to meditation, but there is a favorite among the students: yoga.

With four different variations offered — Basic, Power/Ashtanga, Kripalu and Vinyasa — those lucky enough to find empty slots can sign up for one that best suits their own abilities. In basic yoga the instructors want their students to develop flexibility, strength, sensitivity, energy and a sense of relaxation through the study of basic yoga postures, conscious breathing and meditation techniques. Power/Ashtanga Yoga is a comprehensive workout based on the Eastern philosophy of K. Pattabhi. In this course, students learn the eight limbs of this philosophy and the demanding series of postures that produce a high power, athletic workout with the purpose of detoxifying impurities in the body. The more complicated Vinyasa Flow Yoga explores the energetic, fluid movement of postures done in sync with conscious breathing. Those studying Vinyasa’s unique sequences will use a combination of classical and inventive yoga postures. Last, we have my dragon, Kripalu Yoga, which emphasizes the combination of breathwork and poses. Its goal is to teach us the physiological reactions produced and used in developing and restoring health.

Although there was little room on the surveys to go into detail explaining one’s choices, it would seem safe to say that the positive energy and calm lifestyle that is stereotypically attached to yoga is a big draw. Considering the exams, papers and expectations we are loaded down with on a daily basis, the idea of getting a grade to relax and detoxify your body is too good to be true. Yet it is, and it has obviously caught on.

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TWO SEPARATE CEREMONIES

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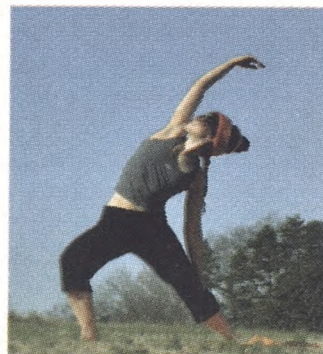
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Best Tailgating Activity:  
CORNHOLE

RORY GOOSEN

Columnist



**F**or some of our Northern students, their first experience with Clemson tailgating (or tailgating in the South for that matter), was probably a confusing one. It was not the parking lot of cars with tents and coolers abounding; it was not the music blaring from Friars or Esso Club; it was not the sheer thousands of people wandering the campus. Undoubtedly, the primary source of confusion had to have been a game that they just could not figure out. Why is that guy tossing a bean bag at a board with a drink in his off-hand? He just tossed it onto that board, is that good? What is the deal with that hole in the middle? Unabashedly, said tailgate novice eventually has to succumb to curiosity and ask what exactly is going on. Thus, their tailgating lives are changed forever when they are introduced the most simple, yet absurdly fun game in existence: Cornhole.

It would be interesting for some of us to know that a game with such a prominence in the Southern United States is actually widely believed to have originated in the Midwest. In fact, some historians believe that Cornhole dates back to a Native American game where animal livers would be stuffed with dried beans and tossed for sheer entertainment. However, given the incredible prominence that Cornhole has at any reasonable Southern tailgate, I would find it almost disingenuous to credit them with anything more than a concept. Like Google+ to Facebook or Coldplay to any previously used decent rock melody, we took it, amended it, and made it better.

So what exactly is it about Cornhole that makes such a rudimentary game so enthralling? Well, for starters, anybody can play Cornhole. Aside from being an expert slow-pitch softball player, or a professional ski ball mastermind, you are not really going to ever find a profession or talent that is going to give you a leg up over your competition. It is entirely conceivable that a mother of four could beat out LeBron James (we are talking first-quarter LeBron, not fourth-quarter LeBron), or that a Navy SEAL could be beaten out by a 10-year-old girl wearing Tiger Ears. That’s part of what makes Cornhole so appealing: its universality. But wait! There’s more! Cornhole also has the added advantage of two things: a) It is very casual and relaxed, and b) You can add little nuances to increase the fun if basic Cornhole just is not doing it for you.

Cornhole embodies that classic Southern tradition of good, easy living. So next time you are wandering around on a football Saturday (check out Lot 1) and see some folks engaging in a Cornhole frivolity, do not be afraid to mosey on up there, crack open a cold one (responsibly ... Go Tigers!) and take on your new found friends in an amicable and relaxed match. It just does not get more Clemson than that.

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# Best Trivia Night: TIGER TOWN TAVERN

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Columnist



There is something dangerous about TTT's trivia night that brings you back to the high school days. Although we are college students, we still have the remnants of parental conditioning. It still feels kind of wrong to go out on a Wednesday night — a "school night" as it is called. There is a cheap thrill in violating a social norm. But that is all we really have left: cheap thrills and trivia night.

You walk up to the corner and the unassuming outcropping of the downtown shops. It is a formidable entryway, and it feels like entering the underbelly of the entire campus. You walk in and are relieved from the chilly winter air only to be met by a dubious "bouncer," who is about the size of a field goal kicker. Regardless, he is the gatekeeper, and he doesn't think you are the key master. So he stares at your I.D., always skeptical of your age. He lets you in with a sigh and there is always this sense of compunction as you walk past, but you're still in. I always expect Gandalf to pop up in the doorway with his staff shouting, "You shall not pass." It has not happened yet, but maybe one day.

You are greeted with a smell that could only be described as sweetly musty — like an old

doughnut. A really old doughnut. Except it is dipped in alcohol, sometimes regurgitated — our version of wine and sweet perfume.

There is an initial panic when the first scan of the room reveals no one that you know. And then you see your friends at the bar.

They have already got their team name. Of course it has to be really dirty or offensive. Some of the past names that resonate in my memory include "Brittany Murphy is dead sexy," in reference to the blonde actress' untimely passing. Or, "I didn't know Penn St. was a Catholic school." I think that one speaks for itself. Or, my personal favorite, which I cannot fully elucidate due to sensitive subject matter, involves the similarity between tampons and sorority girls. Email me if you want the punch line.

Once you have come up with something equally irreverent, you find a seat or post up at the bar. Either way you have to rest your hands on one of the wooden surfaces and then immediately regret doing so because the mysterious stickiness that resides on those surfaces is permanent. You have to wash your hands with Goo Gone to remove the tackiness.

Then the questions begin. (The first one is always true, by the way.) If you play honestly, it is very tough to win because, despite the stern warnings from the grandiloquent DJ whose jokes are tinged with sadness for his chosen profession, you will still see kids check their phones. But it does not ruin the integrity of the game. No one is there to win the \$60

bar tab and a few koozies. Or at least I have never gone for that. I think most come for the atmosphere, which if you take what was stated above seems a little short of aesthetic. But this is why TTT's trivia is the best of all trivia. It is the clashing of a gritty dive bar atmosphere with pseudo-intellectual pursuit all with a dash of, well, liquor and cheap beer. In a way, it is a microcosm of our small-town college experience. It is not glamorous or polished. It is real and it is visceral, and I will see you Wednesday around 10 p.m.

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# Sleeping:

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It is 9 a.m., you are out of your first class and have a three-hour break before your second one (obviously, in this hypothetical situation you have a God-awful schedule). What to do?

Study? No, given your inability to focus during your 8 a.m. class, studying now would be futile.

Eat? Maybe, but not for three hours.

Sleep? Now there is an idea. After all, you woke up way too early this morning (granted, 7:45 a.m. might not seem too early in the real world, but we are not there yet). In all likelihood, you went to bed way too late as well (even by real world standards).

So, why not take a nap between classes? It will make both you and the professor of your next class feel better, as you will not be drowsy and lethargic and your professor will not misinterpret

your nodding off in class as a sign of your boredom. Furthermore, it will make your mother happy, unless of course she does not love you, because the extra sleep will improve your health and help you to succeed academically. Getting adequate sleep improves your ability to concentrate, remember things and entertain complex ideas. Moreover, it helps to strengthen your immune system and ward off disease.

Perhaps none of these benefits seem notably important to you. Maybe you do nod off in class because you are bored. It could be academic success is not what you are striving for; you are concentrating on your MRS or MR degree (I for one would gladly be a trophy husband, except my future wife would have to win last place) or waiting for that job you know your daddy will give you upon graduation, no matter how many victory laps you take. Possibly you believe the risk of illness caused by sleep deprivation is inconsequential, as you have been systematically working your way toward liver failure.

# ACTIVITY BETWEEN CLASSES

Nevertheless, a little sleep would do you good. While I am partial to bleary, vacant eyes with dark bags under them, most people are not; appearing wakeful and alert makes you more attractive to the average person. If you take more after Steve Buscemi than Brad Pitt and a little added attractiveness will not make much difference, sleep can still sharpen your wits and boost your sense of humor.

But where can you sleep on campus? Naturally, if you still live on campus or have an obliging friend with a futon who does, then this is not an issue for you. Otherwise, you still have a variety of options. You can snooze in the basement of Cooper, where it is nice and quiet. You can doze in the back of a large lecture hall — if there are enough people in the class, no one will know you do not belong, and you may even learn something in your sleep. You can lay out in the sun on Bowman or Lever Beach, voted the best sunbathing spot. This last idea may not seem too great in the winter months, unless you, like me, come from the North, where winters are white, cold and unpleasant enough to make laying out in 30-degree weather appear downright reasonable.

So, next time you have a break between classes, take a nap. You will not regret it. Just remember to set an alarm — professors are unsympathetic when you sleep through a 3 p.m. class. Trust me.

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# Best Running Route:

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Columnist



What do serenity, angst, endorphins, accomplishment, variety and personal athletic achievement have in common? They can all be found on any given run around Clemson's Perimeter Road. Named precisely for its location relative to Clemson's campus, the running along Perimeter has been voted as the best in the area. Sure, you can go jog on Old Greenville Highway near Y-beach and turn onto the straightaway dike, or trod along a tree-lined single-track on Issaqueena Trail, hurdling the occasional stream or steaming horse-dropping. Of course you can also dodge tables and (slower) pedestrians on College Avenue, or even — dare I say it — climb atop a treadmill in Fike while watching TV or weightlifters punish their bodies in ways you only wish you could.

But if you share the love of running and voting in college newspaper "Best of" surveys with me, then you would probably shun all of these places for the joys of Perimeter. While each of the abovementioned routes has its advantages, like known distance from point to point, a lake view, relatively calm topography or central heating and air, Perimeter has a special appeal that elevates it above the rest.

The traditional three mile loop that encompasses Perimeter, Cherry Road and Old Greenville Highway is the classic; it is the first route I ran as a freshman and my favorite

training route for local 5K's. Or, if more dedicated to athletic pursuits, one can meander past Cherry Road and take Anderson Highway to Old Greenville Highway back around campus. There are also plenty of intra-campus diversions to mix it up on any given day.

Another of Perimeter's draws is its accessibility. If you reside on campus, the directions to this route are simple: walk out of your building and proceed in a straight line in any direction until you intersect the loop. If you live off-campus, it is convenient to run after class without moving your car or to park right beside the road, away from the more crowded portions of the parking areas.

Perimeter's third benefit, shared with all great routes, is its assortment of challenges and scenery. You can choose to end your route with a gradual downhill sprint by the beautiful farm in the Clemson Bottoms, distributing

incline and declines throughout the run and reserving the flat stretch for the middle. Or you can finish strong with an uphill climb to the horseshoe after beginning your run on the longest portion of elevation-neutral sidewalk in front of Bowman. Or, if you are into pizza and beer (well known for their carbohydrate-based recovery benefits), park your car at Mellow Mushroom and loop around the stretch of Perimeter with a prize in mind.

But perhaps it is the built-in motivation that boosts Perimeter to the top of the list. In one sense, it is motivating because of the intrinsic nature of a loop. If you can just force yourself to make it halfway around, you can continue to run knowing that the shortest distance back to your car is straight ahead — no turning back in failure. But in my opinion, the greatest motivating factor is a result of all of Perimeter's other boons — droves of people

run and walk this route. I will explain using a typical anecdote.

When I set out to run, I usually have a pace in mind and know what time I need to hit certain landmarks to maintain that pace. Running on Old Greenville Highway, toward not-so-scenic landmarks like Bi-Lo and University Village, I can easily get off my pace. Running on the treadmill is about the only place I do not need to worry so much about my pace, but that is apparently shunned among hardcore runners. On Perimeter, though, I typically have no trouble keeping my pace because of the accountability of strangers. Just as I start to feel like my form is fading, my feet are slowing and my gaze is getting too close to my feet, I catch another runner out of the corner of my eye. "Ooh, maybe it's a friend of mine, or a serious runner. I've got to speed up so they won't think I'm a wimp or haughtily look down on my form as they pass. Or what if they're a secret recruiter for the U.S. Olympic team, and they are looking for alternates for the 2012 games?" My fatigue fades, my cardiovascular muscles pump anew, my back straightens, my face lifts and changes expression (side note: I am fully convinced that excessive grimacing by runners is a major cause of non-runners not trying the sport) and I muster enough excess air in my lungs to mumble, "Mornin'" just as we pass each other. Then, just as I am reminded that covert Olympic recruiters do not run college campuses looking for amateur athletes and my pace begins to wane, I look up to see another runner coming my way. "Ooh, maybe I know this person ..." And I never run too slowly — which is why, my fellow running enthusiasts, casual walkers and New Year's resolvers, Perimeter is the best running route in Clemson.

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## BEST BAR GAMES:

# Tiger Town Tavern

JOSEPH HENDRICKS

Columnist



Contrary to popular belief, bars do not exist for the sole purpose of achieving a quick and easy state of inebriation. Rather, they are a place where we can come together to unwind from the stress of the previous week. Among the favorite ways to wind down from the day are bar games, which offer a cathartic way to simply relax and have a good time. If you are looking to engage in these amusements while on a trip down College Avenue, Tiger Town Tavern is by far and away the best option. Its mixture of good food, great drinks and a variety of both standard and unfamiliar games make it a force in the downtown Clemson bar scene.

By daytime, Tiger Town Tavern operates as a classic deli-style restaurant, offering all your standard delicacies. The centerpiece of the menu is their collection of ACC-themed sandwiches, comprising all of the regular deli favorites. However, at night the scene shifts to that of a raucous college bar. The drinks begin to flow and the music starts to blast. This is where Tiger Town Tavern showcases its capacity to have a damn good time. On particularly busy nights the crowd even overtakes the sidewalk in front of the bar. Assuming one arrives at a reasonable time, there is no reason why one cannot enjoy both a variety of drinks at the bar and an assortment of games in the back.

The first available option to catch one's eye is most likely the billiards table. With two in the front and one in the back, these are among the most popular games at Tiger Town Tavern, so a wait may be necessary. No worries though, because these are far from the only available choice. There is an air hockey table in the far back along with the third billiards table, as well as a selection of arcade games ranging from classic pinball to a Terminator-themed shooter game. Tiger Town Tavern also has a computer game station for those looking to play a round of poker or a number of other games. Whether you are drinking or not, these cheap and entertaining bar games guarantee you will have a good time.

Another element that sets Tiger Town Tavern apart from the rest of Clemson's downtown bar scene is their private upstairs club, Top of the Tavern. While it requires a \$10 yearly or \$35 lifetime membership, this sequestered addition is a great way to enjoy a drink with friends along with a round of one of the numerous available games. Top of the Tavern also has three billiards tables and arcade games, along with a few other standard pub activities. One can try their hand at one of three dart boards or perhaps a round of foosball. Top of the Tavern offers the same great environment as its fellow establishment, but with an added sense of solitude. It is a great place to spend the evening relaxing and playing friendly games.

Bar games offer a way to escape from the rigors of student life. They can be played alone or with friends, for reward or simply to unwind. Tiger Town Tavern goes the extra mile to provide patrons with an assortment of games and activities to enjoy. Their devotion to creating the perfect mixture of classic and modern bar games ensures that everyone will enjoy their visit. If you are looking to make the most of a night downtown, be sure to stop by Tiger Town Tavern.

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## Paws up,

Colombia's largest rebel group, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, has begun selling cattle to make up for a drop in cocaine trafficking.

A memorial has been set up in Woodstock, Ga., in honor of Bob the Turkey, the town's unofficial mascot who was hit and killed by a car.

An Indiana man stole a police car after having his hands cuffed behind his back.



## Paws down

A woman in Burbank, Calif., was arrested for offering a man sexual favors in exchange for chicken McNuggets.

Sweden has recognized the Church of Kopimism, an advocacy group for file-sharing across the Internet, as a religion.

A 6 1/2-foot boa constrictor that escaped from its owner's luggage on a French train was discovered in a ventilation shaft.



## AUGUST 2012 GRADUATION TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY

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## Favorite Coach

# DABO SWINNEY

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In mid-Autumn 2008, the Clemson football program was in a state of disarray its fans hadn't seen in quite some time. The team was in the midst of a 3-3 start, without a head coach and failing miserably to live up to its preseason No. 9 ranking. Clemson Athletic Director Terry Don Phillips made an interesting (to say the least) choice when he appointed wide receivers coach Dabo Swinney as interim head coach for the remainder of the season.

Why not, right? Swinney was a charismatic guy who could inspire the team to play hard for the rest of the season. Then Clemson could clean house and revamp its entire coaching staff to wash away the ruins of the Tommy Bowden era once the year was over.

After all, Swinney was a class act who could sell a space heater in Nigeria, but the guy didn't exactly bring a head-coaching-caliber resume to the table. Surely a school with a proud football tradition like Clemson could hold a successful national coaching search and

find an established coach to run the show. Clemson couldn't turn its entire program over to its wide receivers coach just because he was a nice guy. Jimmy in Accounting doesn't get promoted to CEO because he brought everybody in the office cupcakes, does he?

Apparently so. After Clemson notched a 17-point win over South Carolina to end the regular season, Swinney was named Clemson's head coach, to the joy of some and the chagrin of others.

There was no doubt Swinney possessed characteristics that could make him a good head coach. It just seemed like too much, too soon for a 38-year-old with not even so much as a year as a coordinator under his belt.

There was bound to be a learning curve with Swinney, but if Clemson fans could deal with the inevitable ups and downs of a first-time head coach, it seemed they may be rewarded with a resurrection of what was once a proud program.

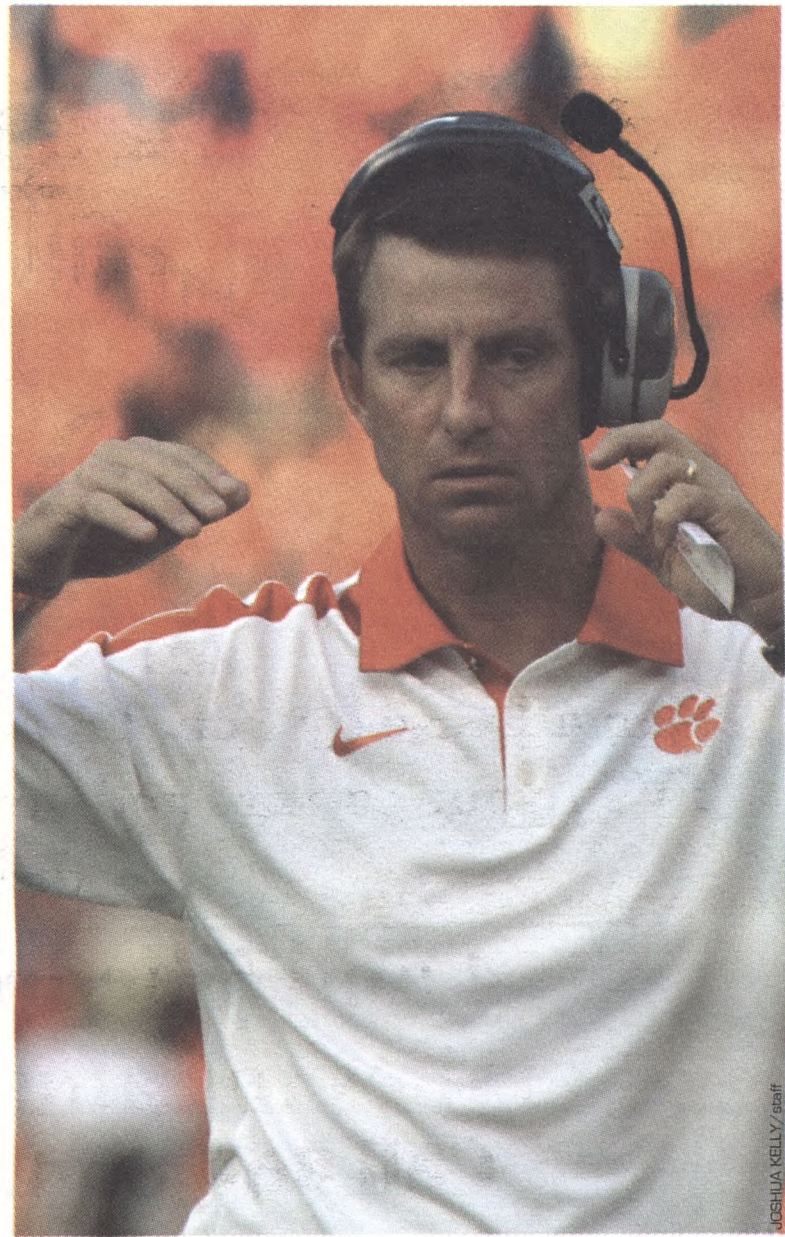
Say what you will about Clemson's shortcomings in Swinney's first three years as head coach, but the fact of the matter is that

Dabo has accomplished more than any Clemson coach since Ken Hatfield in just those three years. Clemson won the ACC Atlantic Division title in his first full year as head coach and won its first ACC Championship since 1991 this past season under Swinney's direction.

What has been most impressive about Swinney, however, isn't his ability to win, but his willingness to surround himself with experienced coaches to negate his lack of experience. As a young coach thrust into a powerful position, Swinney swallowed his pride and has made several impressive hires that brought years of coaching experience to the program that he couldn't personally offer.

Swinney won the Bobby Dodd national coach of the year award after Clemson's successful 2011 season. The award honors not only on-field performance, but a coach's off-the-field efforts as well. Swinney did Clemson proud by winning an award of that caliber.

With Swinney's charisma, recruiting prowess and ability to assemble a coaching staff, it's safe to say Clemson football may return to national prominence very soon.



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## Favorite Clemson Icon

# THE TIGER

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Oftentimes, when you think of a particular university, especially in the context of sports, the first picture that pops into your head is the university's mascot. Michigan State has Sparty, FSU has Chief Osceola and Renegade, Arizona State has Sparky, Stanford has that tree-looking thing, and Clemson has The Tiger.

The first time a Tiger mascot appeared on the sidelines of Death Valley was 1954 when Gabby Hayes became the first student to don the now-famous suit. The Tiger was not alone; Clemson had a second mascot named the Country Gentleman, who was a student dressed in a top-hat, purple tails, and a cane. The Country Gentleman vanished in 1972, due to similar pressure that faced teams that played Dixie and waved Confederate flags.

During football games, the Tiger and the Tiger Cub, who originated in 1993, can be seen walking around, taking pictures with kids up to the age

of 60, crowd surfing (until they hit a sorority block), and doing push-ups after every Clemson score. The push-up tradition is one that was started in 1978 by Zack Mills. Mills was described by legendary Sports Information Director Bob Bradley as "perhaps the most innovative and fun-loving Tiger of all."

Someone who probably does not have a favorable view of Mills is Ricky Capps, who was the Tiger in 1981 when Clemson put 82 points on Wake Forest and Capps had to do 465 push-ups. Eventually the Demon Deacon came over to help out. It is worth noting that the suit weighs more than 45 pounds, with the head alone weighing 20 pounds.

Other colleges have Tiger mascots. Auburn has Aubie, LSU has Mike, Missouri has Truman, and Memphis has Pouncer, but Clemson has THE Tiger. There's a reason the university never gave its mascot a true name: he doesn't need one. When you think of Clemson, you think of The Tiger. And we wouldn't have it any other way.



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## FAVORITE MALE ATHLETE &amp; PLAYS OF THE YEAR

## Sammy Watkins

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There are a lot of ways to define the "Best Play" of the season. Somehow, our students opted for "Sammy Watkins," but failed to mention which play. Therefore, we looked at three options, one of which was the most impressive, another that was the most impactful, and a third that we will remember the most.

As a fan base, Tiger Nation has been blessed over the past decade with some special moments produced by freshmen. From Charlie Whitehurst escaping the blitz to tie the game against South Carolina in 2002, to James Davis torching N.C. State in the first half in Raleigh for his coming out party in 2005, to C.J. Spiller's double ankle-breaker to put Georgia Tech to bed in 2006, to Kyle Parker's rocket to Jacoby Ford to beat Miami in overtime in 2009. It's moments like these that help the fan base fall in love with their young stars.

However, apart from Nuk Hopkins's emergence down the stretch last year, Clemson had not really produced an impactful freshman wide receiver.

Enter Sammy Watkins.

All offseason we had heard that Watkins was probably going to start from Day One. Skepticism abounded, thinking it was just the coaching lip service that we get every autumn to spur on the veterans. What transpired was one of the most impressive seasons by any Clemson football player ever.

Watkins quickly became a cult figure, scoring on his first catch against Troy, skying for a key touchdown before halftime against Wofford and breaking the tie and providing some insurance against Auburn.

The first play up for debate as the best play of the season came in the fourth quarter of the game against Florida State. We had heard of how intelligent a player Sammy was, but it really showed as the Tigers lined up for a crucial third-and-7 as their lead had been cut to 5.

Watkins had noticed that the Seminole defensive backs were sitting on the slant in similar situations. During a previous break, he had said to offensive coordinator Chad Morris that he thought a slant-and-go would be open down the field. Morris dialed up the play call, and Tajh Boyd sold the slant and lofted a ball perfectly into Watkins' path. Cornerback Mike Harris bit on the slant and safety LaMarcus Joyner was too late getting over as Watkins ran under the pass and flew down the sidelines to send a previously worried Death Valley into a state of delirium.

Usually you hear about freshmen coming into a system, and, while the talent is there, their understanding of the offense or defense is not enough to warrant significant playing time. From

Day One, Watkins dedicated himself to the playbook to such an extent that he not only knew what was happening, but knew how to take advantage of it. He sold the slant so well and was strong enough to fight off the cornerback to get to where the ball was being thrown. It really was a play worthy of a receiver on Sundays, and it was made by someone who was a year removed from Friday night lights.

After six touchdowns in four games, there was an element of surprise when Watkins failed to reach the end zone in either of the next two games. He was held largely in check by the Virginia Tech defense in Blacksburg, Va., but the same could not be said for the Boston College defense that surrendered seven catches and 152 yards to the freshman.

When Boyd went down in the Boston College game with a hip problem, Tiger Nation held their breath. Even though the injury was much less severe than originally thought, everyone wondered how much of an effect it would have a week later in College Park, Md. Early in the game, the answer appeared to be "quite a lot"; Boyd appeared to be suffering from Kyle Parker syndrome as he failed to step into his throws and even threw a costly pick-six on a miscommunication with Hopkins on a slant.

The Terrapins led by 18 with the ball at one point in the third quarter when a crucial interception started the rally. On third-and-8 from the Maryland 18, Boyd looked for Watkins on a deep corner and found him to cut the lead to 11. After both teams traded field goals and the defense subsequently forced a three-and-out, it was Sammy Time again.

Seventy yards from pay dirt, Boyd hit Watkins down the right sideline for a 51-yard strike to get in the red zone. Two plays later, they went back to that same corner in front of the traveling Tiger fans as Watkins out-jumped a Maryland defender for his second touchdown of the quarter. When Dwayne Allen caught the throwback 2-point attempt, the Tigers were within 3.

The defense held again after a couple Terrapin first downs, and after a touchback, the offense drove the length of the field as Boyd completed 8 of 9 passes on the drive, including the go-ahead strike to Jaron Brown to bring the Tigers all the way back from the brink of disaster.

With fans praying for a defensive stop, Kevin Steele's defense fell back into its funk, allowing a 13-play, 66-yard drive, including another tight end screen for a Matt Furstenburg touchdown. It did not seem fair: After an offensive barrage to bring the Tigers all the way back, they were behind again. There was at least one Clemson fan who thought, "this is the game we always lose." All Clemson could hope is that its offense had four more points in the tank.

We'll never know if the offense could have driven the field to reclaim the lead. Instead, Watkins caught the ensuing kickoff at the 11-yard line and never looked back. Earlier in the game, the freshman had finally looked his age: dropping the opening kickoff and only returning it to the 4-yard line, then muffing a punt that gave the Terrapins the ball right on the doorstep. This time, Watkins broke through the initial wave of Terrapins and cut right with green grass ahead. He had the sideline at his mercy as Clemson fans everywhere stared in disbelief and willed him on as he galloped past the last defender and into the end zone.

Like we said, we will never know if the offense could have done the job one more time, but it was such a swing of emotions to go from up to down to right back up again that after Watkins crossed the plane of the goal line, it felt like there was no way back for Maryland. As it turns out, that feeling was correct. The defense held one more time and Andre Ellington gashed the Terrapin defense for a 55-yard touchdown to clinch a 7-0 start for Clemson. A game the Tigers had been destined to lose was salvaged by a heroic comeback led and finished off by No. 2.

Of course, we all know the story of the rest of the season. After a thrashing of North Carolina, Clemson ran into its traditional party-crashers in Atlanta for its first loss. Another magical comeback sealed the Atlantic Division as Chandler Catanzaro kicked a 42-yard field goal as time expired to beat Wake Forest, but in that game, Watkins hurt his shoulder. He would be sidelined for N.C. State (a game where the magic of the season started to unravel as the Wolfpack pounded the Tigers) and still was not 100 percent for the big rivalry game against South Carolina, where he dropped a surefire touchdown early in the game. The offense never got going and our noisy neighbors got their third straight win in the series.

Battered and bruised, the Tigers managed to board the bus to Charlotte for one final beat-down to remove all the luster from a once-amazing season. Virginia Tech was there waiting and was hoping to show just how much things had changed since that glorious October night in Blacksburg. A trip to Miami looked about as likely as a trip to New Orleans for the

national title game.

The team came out fired up, though. Perhaps fueled by all the doubt from the media and fans alike, Clemson jumped out to an early lead and was unlucky to be pulled back into a 10-10 tie at the half. When Dwayne Allen caught an early touchdown in the second half, the fans were just starting to think that there may be one last night to party in this old season. After a three-and-out, the Tigers set up shop from their own 47. The Deuce was due.

Boyd faked to Ellington and rolled out to the right, bypassing his underneath option and looking toward his freshman sensation. Watkins faked an out, and just like in the Florida State game, the defender bought it like a Black Friday door-buster. By the time he realized his mistake, Watkins had nobody between him and the end zone. From the perspective of the Clemson fans in attendance, Boyd's throw took an age to fall into the wanting arms of his receiver, just long enough.

to remember that gut-punch drop in Columbia, but sometimes, things just turn out right. Watkins easily cradled the catch and the North side of Bank of America Stadium finally felt some of that same October magic again.

There is plenty of room to debate which of these three plays was the best play of the season. I guess that is why there was no runaway winner. It might be difficult to look back on the season now without thinking of that horrific night in Miami, but in time, we will be able to remember what a magical season it was. It was far from perfect, but, boy, there sure were some perfect moments.

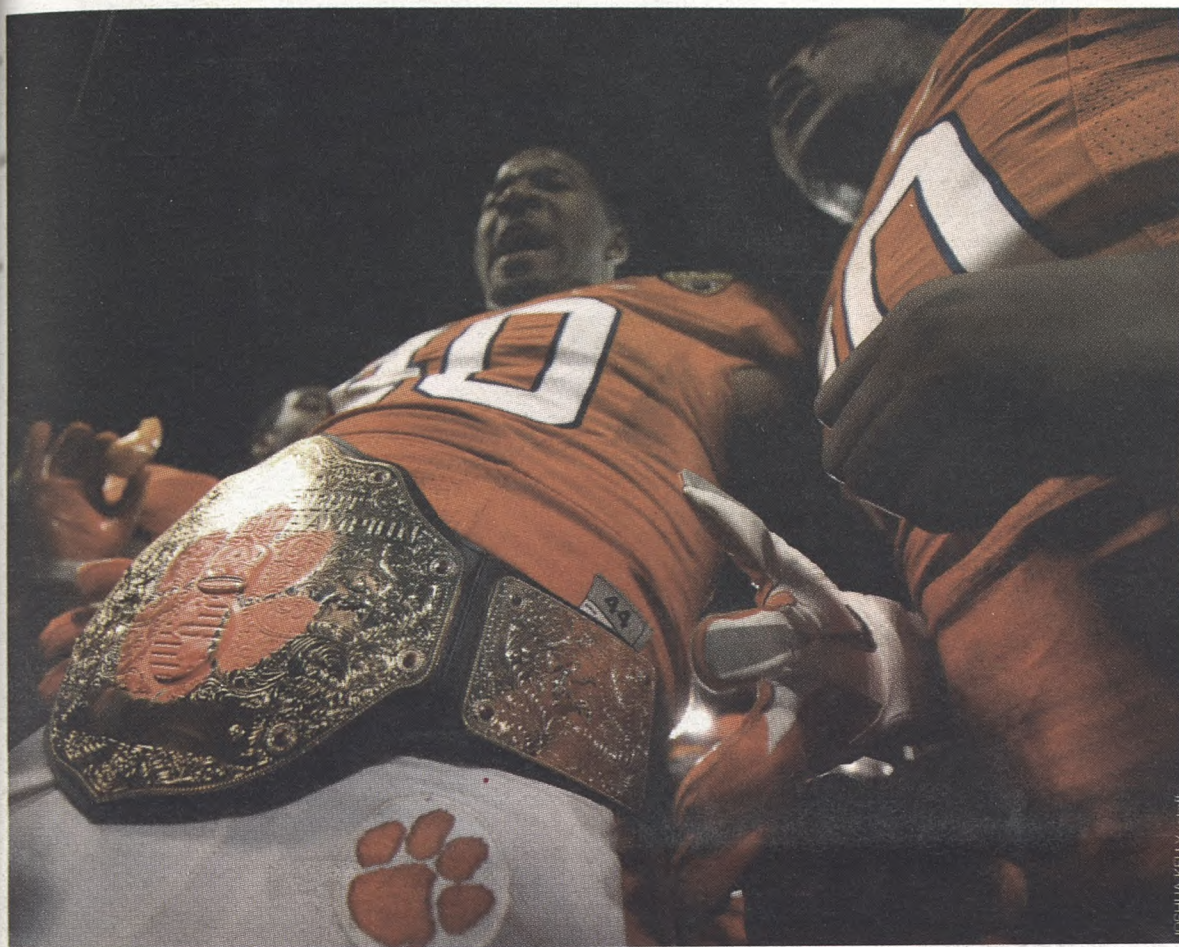
And you know what the best part is? Number 2 gets two more years to make it all perfect.





## GAME OF THE YEAR

# ACC Championship



**JAY INGLES**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Since Clemson fans expect so much out of their football team every game of every season, it was strange when most went into the ACC Championship game in Charlotte, N.C., expecting their team to lose.

The Tigers had won just one of their past four games (and that win required an impressive comeback), and the magic from their 8-0 start had vanished. Opponents had seemingly figured out Clemson's offense, and the Tiger defense was playing its worst football of the season.

Virginia Tech, meanwhile, was 11-1 and had won seven straight games since Clemson humbled them on their home field on Oct. 1. The Hokies were ranked as high as No. 3 in the Associated Press and appeared to have all the momentum the Tigers were lacking.

Clemson's 23-3 win in Blacksburg, Va., seemed like it had happened years ago, rather than two months earlier.

Fortunately, the Tigers picked a great time to get their swagger back. Clemson dominated the Hokies

to the tune of a 38-10 win that left no doubt about which was the best team in the conference.

Tajh Boyd, who seemed unsure of himself during the final third of the season, looked as poised as ever in throwing for 240 yards and three touchdowns against Virginia Tech's vaunted defense.

Dwayne Allen caught two of Boyd's touchdown passes, while Sammy Watkins reeled in the third on a beautiful double move in the third quarter. DeAndre Hopkins led the team with seven catches for 92 yards.

Andre Ellington carried the ball 20 times for 125 yards and a touchdown.

The Clemson defense played one of its best games of the year, holding the Hokies to their second lowest point total of the year (the lowest was in the two teams' first meeting) and forcing three turnovers by quarterback Logan Thomas (two interceptions, one fumble).

The Orange Bowl that followed is a game Clemson fans want to forget, but the ACC Championship Game that won Clemson its first conference title in two decades was one they will always remember. And for that reason, it is the 2011 game of the year.

## Favorite Non-revenue Sport

# SOCCER

**ROBBIE TINSLEY**  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Everyone knows that fall Saturdays in Clemson are devoted to football, but Mike Noonan is doing his best to bring soccer back to prominence under the lights of Riggs Field on Friday nights.

After what he described as a reconstruction year and an opening loss to UAB, the Tiger soccer team started their second year under Coach Noonan at home with a bang. In front of a record crowd, the Tigers beat in-state rival South Carolina 2-0 on the back of a great performance by keeper Cody Mizell and goals from freshmen Ben Myers and Amadou Dia.

Wins were hard to come by early in the season as the Tigers lost six of their next eight with the only wins coming in overtime against N.C. State and Gardner-Webb. Many had to wonder

if the overwhelming youth of the team and several key injuries were going to be too much to overcome.

But Noonan and his boys never gave up. They finished the regular season on a torrid run, going from 3-7 to 8-8-1, including a five-game unbeaten streak going into the ACC Tournament.

The signature win came at home over top-ranked Maryland. Down 1-0 at the half and reduced to 10 players after Jack Metcalf's red card for a dangerous tackle, the Tigers stormed back to equalize on a Brynjar Benediktsson penalty kick and took the lead on Phaniel Kavita's first collegiate goal five minutes from the end.

In the ACC Tournament, they faced off with Duke, a team that beat the Tigers 5-2 at Riggs field in September. The Tigers showed how far they had come by holding the Blue Devils to a 0-0 draw through regulation and two

periods of extra time. Duke escaped on penalty kicks and the Tigers finished the season at 8-8-2.

Looking ahead to next season, the core group of freshmen that improved so much during their stretch run will look to get the Tigers back to the NCAA tournament for the first time since 2006.

If you have never been to a game at Riggs Field, it makes for a great start to Friday night. The games usually run from 7-9. You can stand with Central Spirit on the far side for a great atmosphere or sit on the side closest to the Quad for a more laidback experience.

Go out, wear your Clemson United scarves and support this team, because the Tigers are starting to play some great soccer, and Noonan has done an amazing job of getting them to fight to the bitter end. Football reigns on Saturday, but why not enjoy some fútbol on Friday?





## *Favorite Female Athlete*

# BROOKE GEORGE

JAY INGLES  
SPORTS EDITOR

Brooke George is one of the top divers in Clemson history. The senior from Astatula, Fla., is one of the leaders of Clemson swimming and diving teams this season, as she is the top three-meter diver in the school's history.

George won the one and three-meter events in her first career meet against Davidson in her freshman season and

was named the team's rookie of the year at the postseason banquet.

In her sophomore season, she posted several top-10 finishes at multiple ACC venues and finished in the top 20 in three events at the ACC Championships.

George posted several wins in different events in her junior season and finished in the top 15 in three events at the ACC Championships.



CALEB BAILEY/art direction



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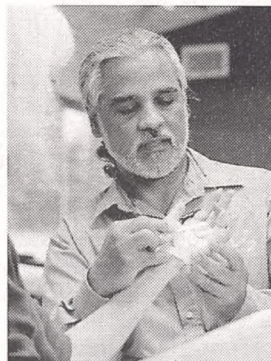
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## Favorite Student Club/Organization

## CLEMSON FCA

EVAN DUGGAR

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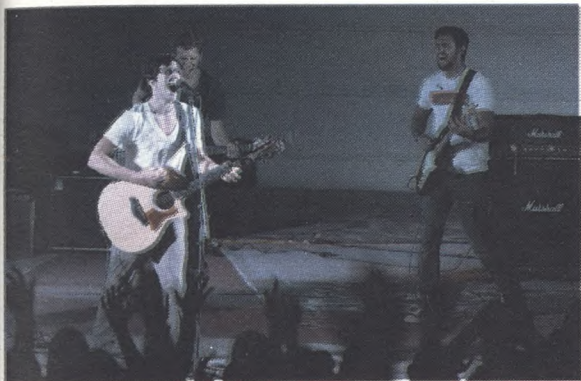
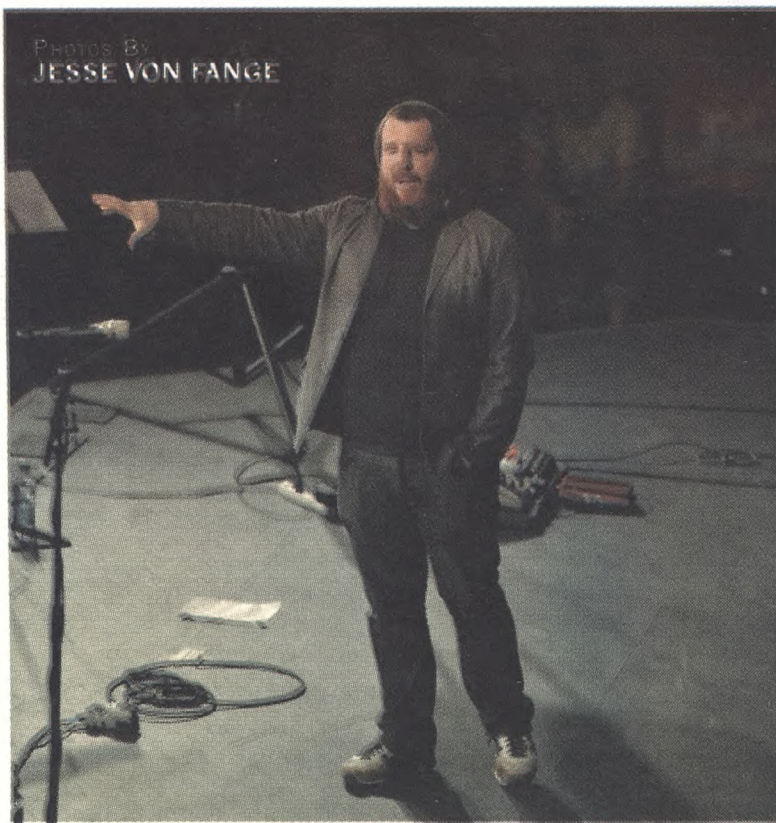
Clemson Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is the largest student-run ministry in the nation. It was started in 1980 by a group of football players that met in the basement of Mauldin Hall. Since then it has moved to Tillman Auditorium, where one thousand students attend each Thursday night at 9:19.

President Will Moore said he believes "the reason FCA has been successful is not because of anything the leadership has done. The only credit that can be given is to the Lord first and then to the people that faithfully attend each week."

FCA has several different areas of service within the ministry for their members to be a part of. The various types of teams include everything from event planning to small groups to a team whose sole focus is finding ways to serve the students on campus.

Another way this ministry wants to impact people is through their annual Spring Break mission trip. This year FCA will be going to Chicago, Ill. Their goal is to bring 400 students that will serve the city and share the gospel.

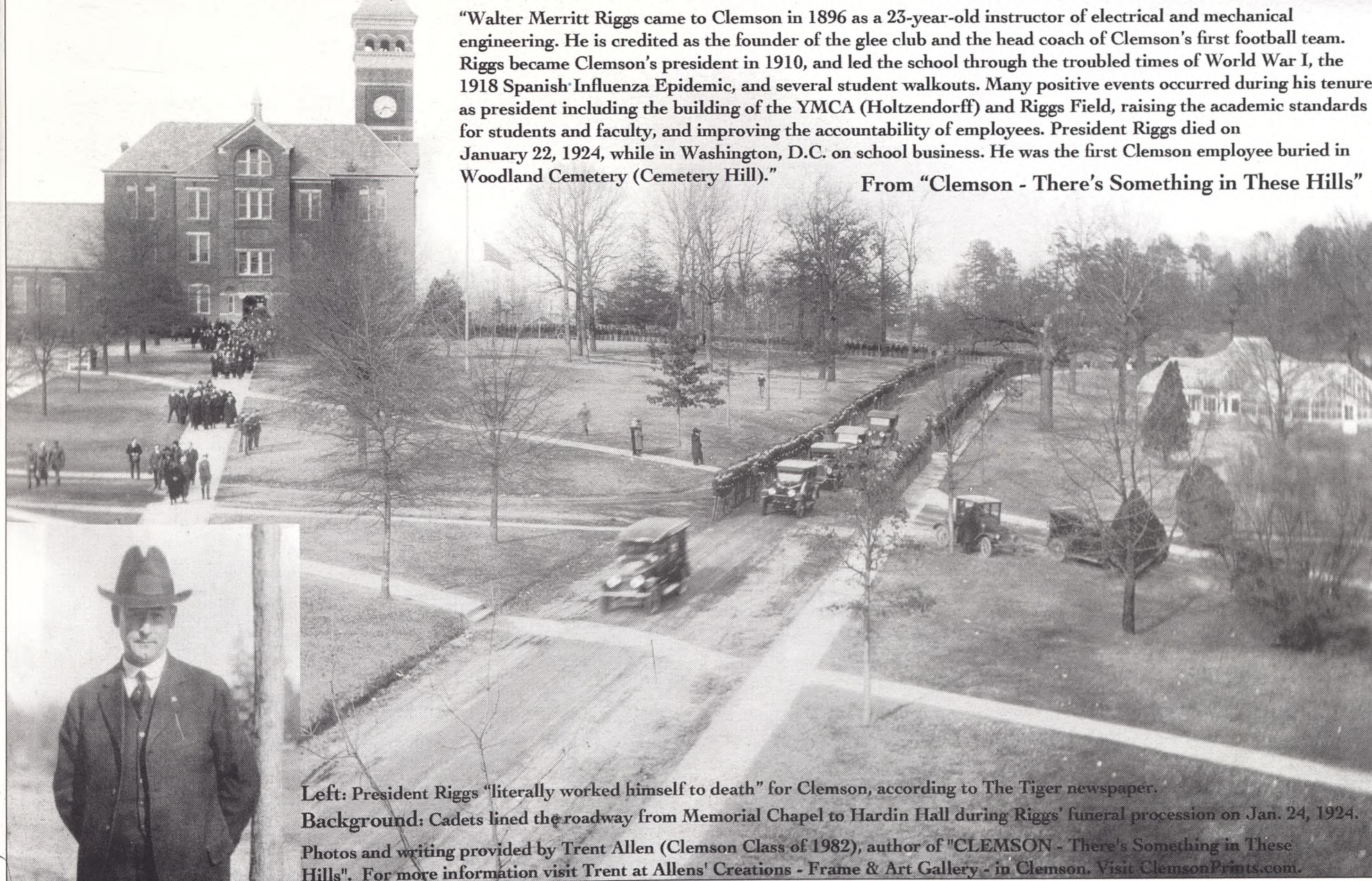
Their vision of "raising up a community whose identity rests solely on the Cross of Jesus Christ that in all things He may be glorified," sums this ministry up perfectly.

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## Instructor, Coach, President, Leader

"Walter Merritt Riggs came to Clemson in 1896 as a 23-year-old instructor of electrical and mechanical engineering. He is credited as the founder of the glee club and the head coach of Clemson's first football team. Riggs became Clemson's president in 1910, and led the school through the troubled times of World War I, the 1918 Spanish Influenza Epidemic, and several student walkouts. Many positive events occurred during his tenure as president including the building of the YMCA (Holtzendorff) and Riggs Field, raising the academic standards for students and faculty, and improving the accountability of employees. President Riggs died on January 22, 1924, while in Washington, D.C. on school business. He was the first Clemson employee buried in Woodland Cemetery (Cemetery Hill)."

From "Clemson - There's Something in These Hills"



Left: President Riggs "literally worked himself to death" for Clemson, according to The Tiger newspaper.

Background: Cadets lined the roadway from Memorial Chapel to Hardin Hall during Riggs' funeral procession on Jan. 24, 1924.

Photos and writing provided by Trent Allen (Clemson Class of 1982), author of "CLEMSON - There's Something in These Hills". For more information visit Trent at Allens' Creations - Frame & Art Gallery - in Clemson. Visit [ClemsonPrints.com](http://ClemsonPrints.com).



## Favorite Column

## ON THE PROWL

In honor of On the Prowl being voted 'Favorite Column' by all you lovely Tiger readers, I have decided to share a few of my favorite things with you. Below, I have compiled a short list of Anita's favorite things involving sex, relationships, love and Clemson. Enjoy!

## 1. Favorite first date

There are loads of different things you can do for a first date. I personally like to keep it simple — nothing too extravagant. As common as it is on TV, dinner and a movie is unfortunately becoming a rarity. It's an always-solid plan, and it can even be spiced up by changing the dinner to coffee, drinks or ice cream, or changing the movie to bowling or mini-golf. In summary, a combination of food/drink and a physically or mentally stimulating activity creates my favorite first date. And as far as what to do in Clemson, I prefer dinner at Briosio and bowling/darts at the Union.

## 2. Favorite romantic gesture

Given the multitude of rom-coms being produced every year, many girls have grand gestures that they dream of and believe will come true. My dream grand gesture involves a plaid shirt, a boombox, and "The Scientist" by Coldplay. But

let's be real, that stuff only happens in movies. My favorite romantic gesture is a random surprise; anything that is unexpected and for no reason other than to say, "I like you." It has to be something with some thought put into it, but not necessarily expensive or elaborate. Just the other day, my boyfriend bought me roses and said, "We'll be together until they all die." Even though I knew that there was a plastic flower in the bunch (because I've heard of that trick before), I still felt extremely special and appreciated.

## 3. Favorite foreplay activity

There are many things that can be done to get you in the mood. For example, a little striptease, a nice makeout session, or perhaps watching porn. Personally, I fancy a good old game of strip poker. Not only do both parties get partially or completely naked, but I personally get off on winning. Or you can help your partner get in the mood by allowing him or her to win.

## 4. Favorite place to hook up on campus

Now, I know this particular place isn't available to just anyone, but a personal workplace office is by far my favorite place to have an in-between class hookup. Many relation-

ships and even a few marriages have had their beginnings in campus organizations. I have hooked up with two boyfriends in my office. It's really just the feeling of marking my territory that does it for me.

## 5. Favorite post-coital activity

As cliché as this may be, I thoroughly enjoy spooning and sleeping after a good romp in the hay. In some cases a good lay can last up to an hour, which can be a great workout. Some people may want a snack afterwards, but being the lazy person that I am, I enjoy a little z-time. Curling up with my butt against my partner with his arms around me, along with my exhaustion, knocks me out every time.

You all now know a little bit more about On the Prowl's mysterious Anita Johnson. I appreciate all the support and votes from my readers and all I can say is thanks and keep reading. This is just the beginning of another great semester of sex, love and Clemson.



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# TIME OUT food and drinks

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## Best Sandwiches SUBWAY

CAROLINE STEC

According to the Clemson student body, the best sandwiches or subs that Tiger Town has to offer come from none other than ... Subway. To be honest, I thought that answer was a little boring. I mean, Subway? Really? One would think that with such a diverse student population, the best sandwich would be from somewhere super edgy and alternative. But then, I remembered three little words that quickly rid me of any doubt of Subway's popularity: Five Dollar Footlong. Of course, because let's face it, when a college student has a disposable five dollars it can

go one of two ways: alcohol or food. And unless you're one of those classy individuals who downs five dollar vodka with no questions asked, you're going to go with the Five Dollar Footlong. And if you do happen to be of the former persuasion, chances are you're going to wake up in the morning wishing you had gone with the footlong, or better yet, wishing you had another five dollars to go buy a footlong to cure your hangover. (I'm not speaking from experience, I swear.)

As it turns out, Clemson students are pretty smart. In fact, we've shown Subway so much love over the years that despite our lack of a movie theater or any notable

shopping, the town of Clemson is home to not one, not two, but three Subway locations.

So really, it's no surprise that they were able to lock down the title of best sandwich. Not to mention the fact that for those commendable students trying to eat healthy and watch their weight, Subway offers in-depth nutritional information (a rarity in today's butter-lovin' South) and allows one to literally pick and choose exactly what to include on his or her sandwich. Hold the mayo, y'all! Furthermore, Subway still maintains their promise that if you eat their subs every day, you too can one day look like Jared Fogle.



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## Best Milkshake COOK-OUT

ELLEN MENY

In order to get home for winter break, I drove 10 hours alone over the course of two days to my hometown of Baltimore, Md. My ride home is a straight shot along I-85, a highway with few exits and even fewer policemen to slow the speeding college students rushing past one another. Although my main goal was to return home safely, another objective rested in my mind with the weight of a large hamburger. It sat there, cooked in lard, pulling me from the road with every billboard I saw. Disregarding what gas I had left and what time it was, I had tunnel vision for one thing: Cook-Out. I was absolutely determined to stop at that glorious Valhalla of fast food restaurants.

My love affair with Cook-Out began in early September when I first ordered their fabled Cook-Out tray, a boxed meal that has many combinations as it does calories, and for a very low price. Cook-Out is literally the cheapest eat in town: for \$5 dollars you can have a barbeque sandwich, hushpuppies, a corndog and one of their famous milkshakes, with flavors ranging from vanilla to Hi-C punch. Cook-Out's

service is fast and friendly, and the atmosphere is that of a very casual fast-food restaurant. While the Clemson Cook-Out has seating inside, most Cook-Outs are 'pull-up' restaurants — you pull up, order your food, and eat in your car. A crowning measure of Cook-Out is their 4 a.m. closing time, a fact that many Clemson students take advantage of. The holy combination of a milkshake and burger always tastes better with the sun far from rising.

That being said, it is almost frowned upon to not get a milkshake when frequenting Cook-Out. Upon my first visit to the restaurant, my only instructions were to make sure that I ordered a milkshake. There are so many flavors that it is virtually impossible not to favor at least one, and seasonal offerings such as watermelon and eggnog only lengthen the list. The milkshakes taste like unicorn hugs, which in my mind is a good thing, and like the milkshakes, Cook-Out's food has never disappointed me. Every barbeque chicken sandwich I eat is like a little snuggle from God, and the onion rings would probably be currency if introduced to a newly-formed government. Be warned, though, that if you are a calorie-counter or for some reason cannot consume

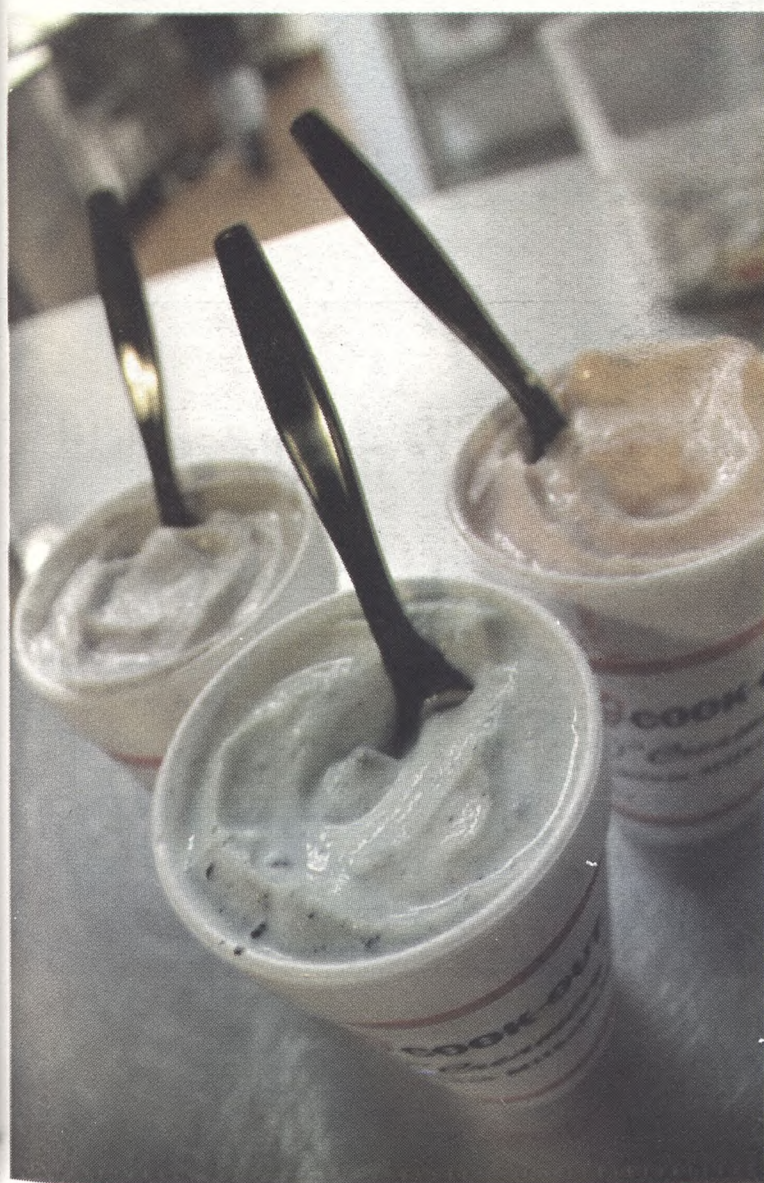
lots and lots of lard, I would avoid Cook-Out for the time being. What it has in deliciousness is made up in heart attacks and clogged arteries. This is no healthy experience.

No matter what I write about Cook-Out, I know that I am doing it no justice. It is hard to write about a Southern staple so loved and widely known by students, because what can you say about it besides the already known fact that it is, frankly, the sh\*t? The food is delicious, the atmosphere is casual and friendly, and the experience will hardly lighten your wallet.

While there is nothing like Cook-Out to bring you home, there is nothing like Cook-Out to draw you back to Clemson, and as I drove through downtown on my way back to my home away from home, I passed by the Clemson Cook-Out already flooded with students. Despite our departures, returns and changes, the humble 'cooked outdoors-style' restaurant will remain a staple in the Clemson community. Any self-respecting Tiger should visit Cook-Out at least once to grab a hamburger or a milkshake. You won't be disappointed by this — for lack of a better word — absolutely bangin' restaurant experience.



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## Best On-campus Dining CHILI'S TOO

MEGAN MADDEN

When it came to picking your favorite restaurant on campus there were no doubt several factors at play. Where can you get the best burger, the best value, or where's most convenient? One thing's certain: whether or not it had anything to do with your decision, the single thing for which our winner has no competition — which on-campus restaurant has the best margarita? The

votes are in and you've chosen Chili's Too as your favorite.

While it offers a more condensed menu than its Chili's counterpart, Chili's Too still has the famous favorites like fajitas, baby back ribs and bottomless chips and salsa. Located in the University Union beside Harcombe Dining Hall, Chili's Too is open for lunch and dinner, offering a casual and affordable dining option that's a step above the rest.



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In case you aren't convinced that Chili's Too is the place for on-campus dining, here are the top five reasons you should go to Chili's Too:

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4. It's not a dining hall ...
3. Chili's restaurants are committed to supporting St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.
2. It's less than a five-minute walk from pretty much anywhere on campus (meaning you can quickly grab lunch between classes without losing a coveted parking spot).
1. Fajitas, ribs, sandwiches, quesadillas and salads — they have delicious food, of course.



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Best Meat  
and Three

## THE ESSO CLUB



KATIE QUEEN

Of all the places that offer a meat and three menu option, the Esso is truly the best that Clemson has to offer, mainly for these five reasons:

5. The Portions: When you order a meat and three and a drink for under \$10, my first thought is that the portions are not going to be enough to whet my appetite. At Esso, this is entirely false. With their meat and three, you get an entire plate, and sometimes even an extra side dish, piled high with yummy Southern food. I have yet to be able to finish an entire plate by myself, so you definitely get the bang for your buck.

4. The Food: Maybe it's the chicken strips with macaroni, corn, sweet potato casserole and a roll. Or possibly even the chicken fried steak with green beans, mashed potatoes, fried okra and cornbread. One thing is for sure, when ordering the meat and three from the Esso: you have tons of delicious options! While the basics stay the same, throw in the occasional special side or main course, and it will be a long time before you ever have the same combination twice.

3. The Crowd: Nowhere else in Clemson

can you have such a varied lunch crowd from students to visiting parents to faculty and staff to alumni. Especially on a sunny Friday lunchtime the day before a game, many visitors and locals like to make the Esso meat and three the first pit stop of the entire weekend. Keep an eye out because you might even run into some of Clemson's coaching legends during this time.

2. The Setting: On the edge of the athletic part of Clemson's campus and downtown area, the Esso serves as a great place to sit back, enjoy a hearty lunch and take in everything that is Clemson. If you sit outside to enjoy your meat and three in the fall, you get to watch the football tailgaters roll in, while eating outside in the spring allows you to enjoy the return of warm weather before a baseball game. Nothing is better than a relaxing lunch that allows you to people-watch while filling your tummy.

1. The Tradition: No other restaurant in the Clemson area screams tradition more than the Esso. Often the centerpiece for pictures, t-shirts and many fond memories while in Tiger Town, the Esso is THE place to enjoy a traditional Southern meat and three lunch. And why break tradition if it's the best of the best?

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Side: Every good knight needs a noble steed and so you must have a delicious side item.

Without it, your attempt at culinary conquest is laughable. Be they fries of the gold or orange standard (regular or sweet potato) or a cleverly disguised green — grilled asparagus sprinkled with parmesan — or yet even the simple onion ring, don't leave an embarrassing empty spot on your plate.

Drink: You will be deliciously tired halfway through, so keep a liquid close at hand. Ale is always good but honestly, who can pass up a vintage soda?

Shake: Haha! You're done. Now celebrate your victory like any good warrior. Have them make you a double chocolate shake, not because you need it, but because you deserve it.

Digest: Relish the fruit of your victory over hunger, namely a full belly. Take pride in it. It will remind you of how far you've come from the gaunt person you were 30 minutes ago.



SPENCER KOHN/photo editor





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## Best BBQ THE SMOKIN' PIG

KATIE QUEEN

In the South it can be particularly hard to figure out which barbecue joint really is the best one in your town. Or it can be ridiculously easy when The Smokin' Pig is included on the list of local barbecue restaurants.

Barbecue is the quintessential food of the South, but what factors make this restaurant, housed in a small red building on Highway 76, the Best of Clemson?

• The meat: Tender, juicy and dare I say, succulent, The Smokin' Pig truly has the barbecuing process down to a fine science. Anyone can make something edible if you cover it in enough barbecue sauce. However, the key to making truly out-of-this-world barbe-

cue is making sure the meat is cooked slowly and with the right process. The Smokin' Pig has this secret down to a science, with just the right amount of smoke flavor being ingrained into the meat as it cooks. I dare you to drive by while the meat is cooking and see if your mouth doesn't water when you smell it.

• The options: Whether you're in the mood for beef, pork or chicken, any option is bound to be a delicious one if it comes from the kitchen of The Smokin' Pig. None of this, "The pork is okay, the chicken is dry, the beef is tough" business. Whichever protein you go with is destined to be tender, delicious and a perfect centerpiece for your plate. Combine it with some fresh sweet tea and any of

the delicious side dishes available for the week, and you have yourself one decadent meal.

• Sweet Potato Crunch: If I take a person to The Smokin' Pig, I make sure that they realize the one rule for dining here: order the Sweet Potato Crunch. This isn't an option; this isn't a request; it's an order. One bite of this warm, sweet, creamy, crunchy goodness and you'll swear that you've never tasted anything better in your life. You'll also be wondering if you can make both of your side dishes the Sweet Potato Crunch the next time you dine at The Smokin' Pig.

Next time, make sure not to rush that trip to Anderson, and take a break at The Smokin' Pig to enjoy the best barbecue in the Clemson area.



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# Best Beer Selection NICK'S

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Have you ever been downtown and wanting an amazing, unique beer? Most bars in Clemson have your typical choices: Bud Light, Blue Moon, Yuengling, Coors, etc. But if you take the time to round the corner at Todaro's onto Sloan Street, you will find a little hole-in-the-wall bar called Nick's Tavern.

If any of you have ever read my weekly column, Beer Snobbery 101, then you not only know of my love for unusual beer, but also my love of Nick's. As I have said many times, Nick's is the best place in Clemson for any beer-loving Tiger.

Not only do they have a rotat-

ing tap selection, they always have more than twenty unique beers in both bottles and cans. In every tap rotation you will find locally brewed beers from RJ Rockers (Spartanburg), Thomas Creek (Greenville) and Highlands (Asheville).

I have found some of my favorite beers of all time at Nick's. They carry almost every beer offered by Oskar Blues Brewery, including my all time favorite beer Ten Fidy. Ten Fidy is an imperial stout that pours like motor oil, but is one of the smoothest stouts I have ever had, and I am a huge fan of stouts.

Nick's always seems to have Hoegaarden on tap every time I go. This is my staple wheat beer. It's more popular than most and easier

to find. It's your typical wheat beer, but definitely more spicy than the common Blue Moon.

One good porter you can find at Nick's is the Russian Baltika Number 6. Now I'm not in love with porters, but my friend who adores them says this is by far his favorite.

Nick's not only has an amazing beer selection, but a great staff to go along with it. And I say this because every time I've been there, when not crowded, the bartender has had a little story to go with every new beer I've tried. You not only get to taste the unique beer, but learn a little about it in order to become a better beer snob. This weekend, beer crawl on over to Nick's and enjoy their wonderful selection.



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## Best Fro-yo/Ice Cream

# 3 SPOONS

SAVANNAH MOZINGO

There are many possible combinations of frozen yogurt, too numerous to even bother counting. We at The Tiger thought you might be worried too, so we went ahead and did the thinking for you, coming up with five of the best frozen yogurt treats at Clemson's favorite spot. Now you can keep on studying because we know you want to.

**Healthnut:** pistachio yogurt + original tart yogurt + almond slices + pecans + honey

You are at the gym every day. You even have your regular machines and weights that might as well have your name on them. When you do finally treat yourself to something like fro-yo, the Healthnut combination keeps you from feeling too bad about not running that extra eighth mile. Cheers to you!

**Sweet Tooth:** cake batter yogurt + cheesecake bits + sweetened condensed milk sauce

Yea, it sounds gross to the majority of the world too, but sometimes a person just needs that sugar. It doesn't matter to you whether you inject it into your veins or eat it at this point, but I promise you that the yogurt will be much more pleasurable. Just remember frozen yogurt only

trumps ice cream in the health department within reasonable portion sizes.

**Sweet & Salty:** vanilla yogurt + almond slices + pecan bits

Similar to the Healthnut, but the vanilla yogurt makes this a bit sweeter than the pistachio and tart combo. Just this once you don't have to make up your mind. Thanks to 3 Spoons you can have everything you want with a charming 39 cents per ounce price tag.

**Fruity Tooty:** original tart yogurt + wildberry tart yogurt + kiwi + blueberries + coconut shavings

If you and I don't agree on anything ever again, let this be the one thing and we will always find our way back to each other. This is the way yogurt is meant to be eaten, not dressed up as an ice cream knockoff but flaunting its better health ratings loud and proud.

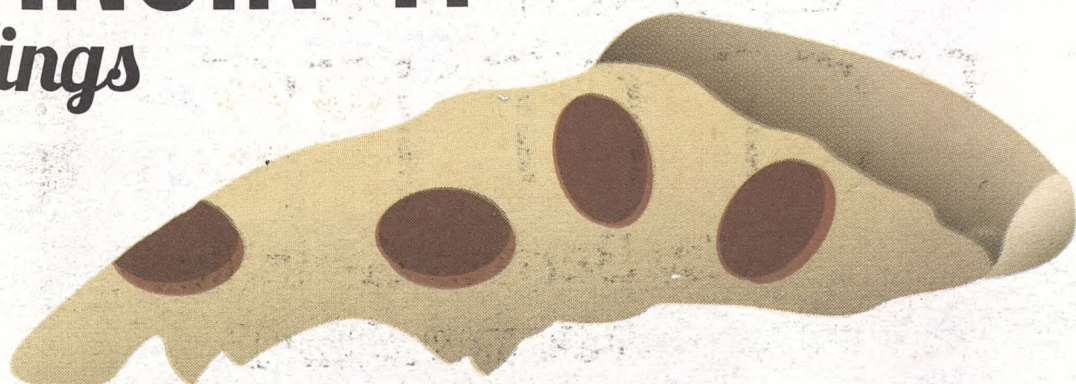
**Chocolate Monster:** chocolate yogurt + chocolate sprinkles + brownie bits + fudge sauce

Like the Sweet Tooth, you like your sugar rush but you like to keep it classy. You also might have a psychological disorder and only eat certain colored foods. Either way, I can guarantee the Chocolate Monster will make you smile that adorable-cavity smile.



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# WINGIN' IT. Pizza TODARO'S



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# Breakfast WAFFLE HOUSE

# Dining Hall HARGCOMBE



While counting survey response, we quickly learned that some respondents had really interesting answers. We've listed below some of the most unique and entertaining responses from Clemson students.

Restaurant on campus

**"IS COOK-OUT  
ON CAMPUS?"**

Frisbee golf sport

**"YES?"**

Clemson icon

**"PIERRE  
TONG"**

Date Spot

**"BYRNES HALL"**

Friendliest Staff

**"CUPD"**

Sandwich/subs

**"MADE FOR MEN,  
CREATED BY WOMEN"**

Intramural sport  
**"QUIDDITCH"**

Floor in Cooper

**"I PREFER CHAIRS"**

Fast Food

**"IS WHY I GO  
TO FIKE"**

Tiger Athlete (female)

**"ALL THE  
CHEERLEADERS"**

**"OMLET OR CEREL"**

Breakfast

Section in The Tiger

**"ONE WITH  
ORGASMS"**

Tailgating location

**"QUAD ... OH  
WAIT"**

Best on-campus housing

**"STADIUM  
SWEETS"**

Play of the Year

**"WHEN SAMMY  
TOUCHES THE BALL"**

Live Music **"THE BEATLES"**

Activity between classes  
**"PETTING SQUIRRELS"**

- The Sports section won Best Section by a mile, but more than 50 percent of the people who voted for it marked their answer in the wrong space.
- Both "Ask The Tiger" and "Tiger Prowl" received three votes in the Best Feature column. Neither of those are actual features.
- Despite what four people think, Fike is not a sports bar.
- Two people chose the library as the Best Date Spot in Clemson. [Guys, do not take your date to the library. [Or Schilleter. Or Harcombe.]]
- Worst misspellings of dining hall names: "Hardcum", "Shileter"
- In the Clemson Icon category, numerous people drew the tiger paw.
- CookOut received votes in every food category, whether they serve it or not.
- More people voted for porn than sex in the procrastination tool column. Anita Johnson is certainly disappointed.
- Sammy [as in Watkins] was spelled at least five different ways.
- One survey participant noted his love for Jack Daniels' whiskey by voting for it in three alcohol-related categories, then answered the Happy Hour category with "under 21"
- Somebody answered the entire Food and Drinks section with "i eat at harcombe :]"
- Dabo had more hearts drawn by his name than Sammy Watkins.
- Dikes is spelled d-i-k-e-s, not any other way.
- Coach "Dado" received three votes.
- There are really professors named Larry King and Richard Blob that teach at Clemson, and they received many votes in their respective categories.
- There were seven references to smoking marijuana in various categories, most of which were in the Procrastination Tool category.