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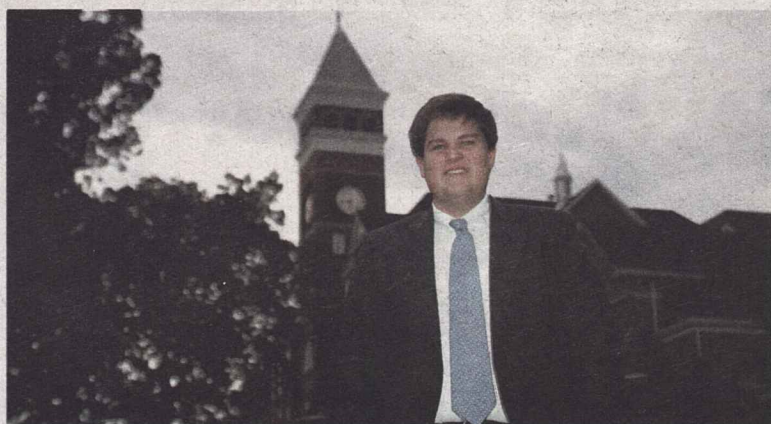


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Senior begins his campaign for S.C. House of Representatives.

Ryan began to contemplate running for office at the beginning of the summer when he worked as an intern in the Governor's Office. "I was able to see firsthand just how many problems there are in Columbia," said Ryan. "And after discussing ideas and opportunities with enough people, I was finally convinced to put my



BRIAN SCHNEIDER / photo editor

These, however, aren't necessarily qualifiers for a House of Representative, and Ryan understands that there will be questions regarding his experience. When asked how he will respond to this criticism from his opponents, Ryan said "Well, I don't think that experience in the political arena is necessarily a good thing. We continue to send the same 'experienced' politi-

Ryan's platform centers on improving education, protecting natural resources and ensuring an open political process. Some tangible goals include instituting term limits for senators and representatives, restructuring the higher education system to make college more affordable and the

see **KEVIN** page A5

Graduates must fulfill Gen Ed checklist.

While there is a grading scale of one to four, right now the focus is making sure students have submitted an artifact and that it fits the

E-Portfolios currently being submitted go toward the data that will be presented to the Commission on Colleges (part of SACS) in 2013. A site visit team will come to the University, and at that time at least

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Fee promotes responsibility

New legislation takes handicap parking tickets out of magistrate jurisdiction.

KATE RIPLEY
NEWS EDITOR

While it may seem like a good idea to take that convenient handicap-parking place without a permit, S.C. State Legislature recently passed a bill raising the ticket fee from minimum of \$100 and maximum of \$500 to a minimum of \$500 and maximum of \$1,000, making students and civilians think twice.

According to Judge Debi Cullar, municipal judge and parking review judicial officer at Clemson University, the fine will take effect on Dec. 2 of this year. However, as municipal courts are not allowed to handle cases with penalties more than \$500 unless noted otherwise, this new law is out of their jurisdiction.

"I can't imagine that the circuit judges are going to want to be handling basically a parking ticket," said Cullar. "What they probably meant to do was put that line that says 'despite the penalty, this will still be handled in the magistrates and municipal courts.'"

S.C. Congress will meet again in January and hopefully clear up the confusion with this new law. Until then, Cullar says that they will continue to "do things as is."

Cullar expects that students and faculty will be more considerate towards those with disabilities, as

parking is already limited on campus. This new law, Cullar said, should limit those violations and save handicap-parking places for those who legitimately need it.

Jenny Conard, a senior English and psychology major, fractured her foot and sprained her ankle at the beginning of the semester, causing her limited mobility. When she applied for a temporary disabilities permit, she was allowed closer parking but found that even with her permit, parking was difficult to find.

"It is next to impossible to find a spot, especially with a student's schedule," said Conard. "After the first day with my pass, I never tried again because I ended up being 15 minutes late for class and had to walk farther than I would have had to from my apartment."

From Dec. 2 forward, this law will be enforced by police officers and is something everyone should take very seriously. Even if a municipal judge wanted to give a lighter fine to someone who violated the law, the minimum fee is \$500.

"The example I give in court is that campus is not like some of these shopping malls and parking lots at grocery stores where there are tons of space up front where nobody uses them, you look around our campus and people are using them all of the time," said Cullar.

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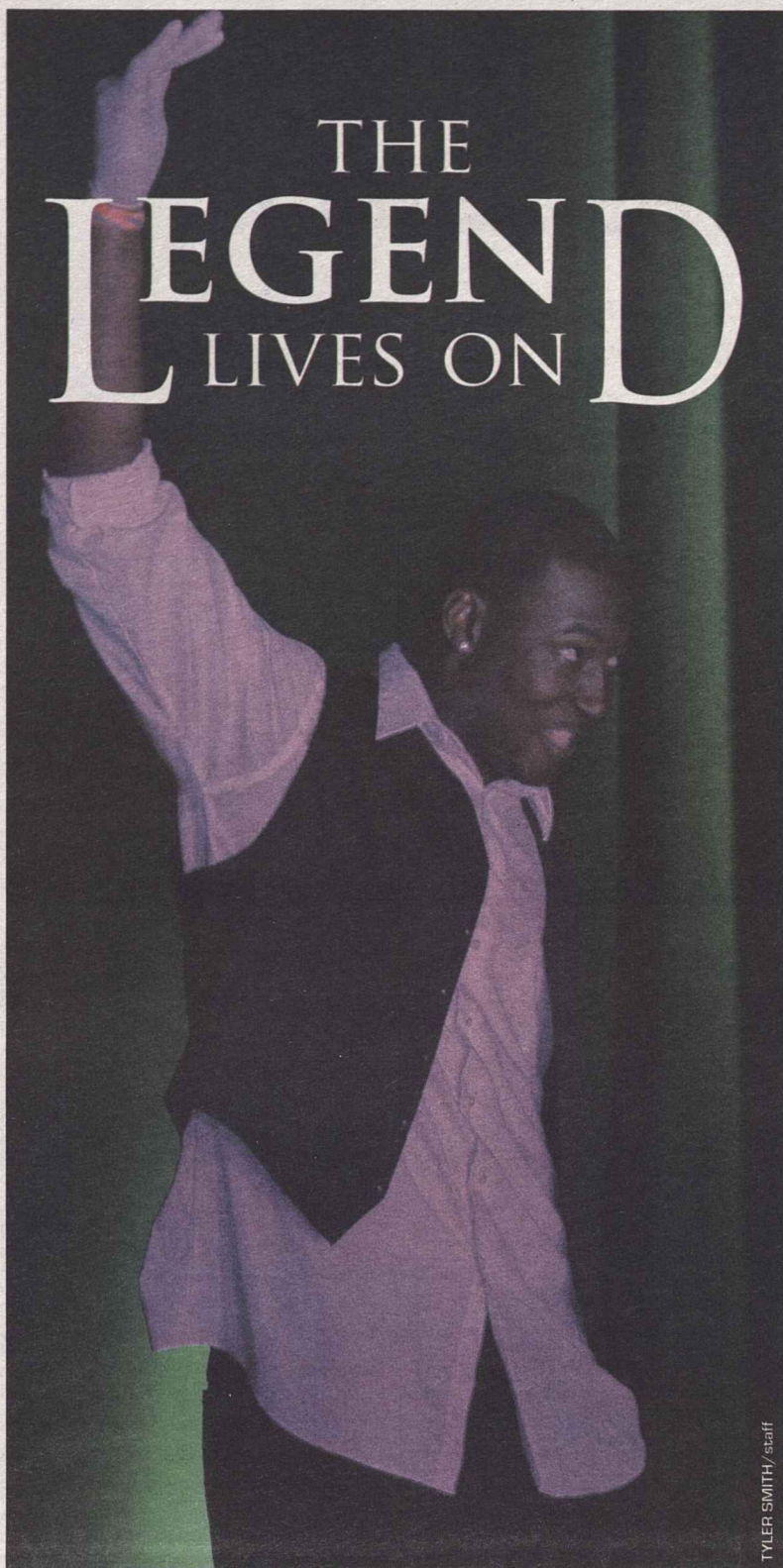
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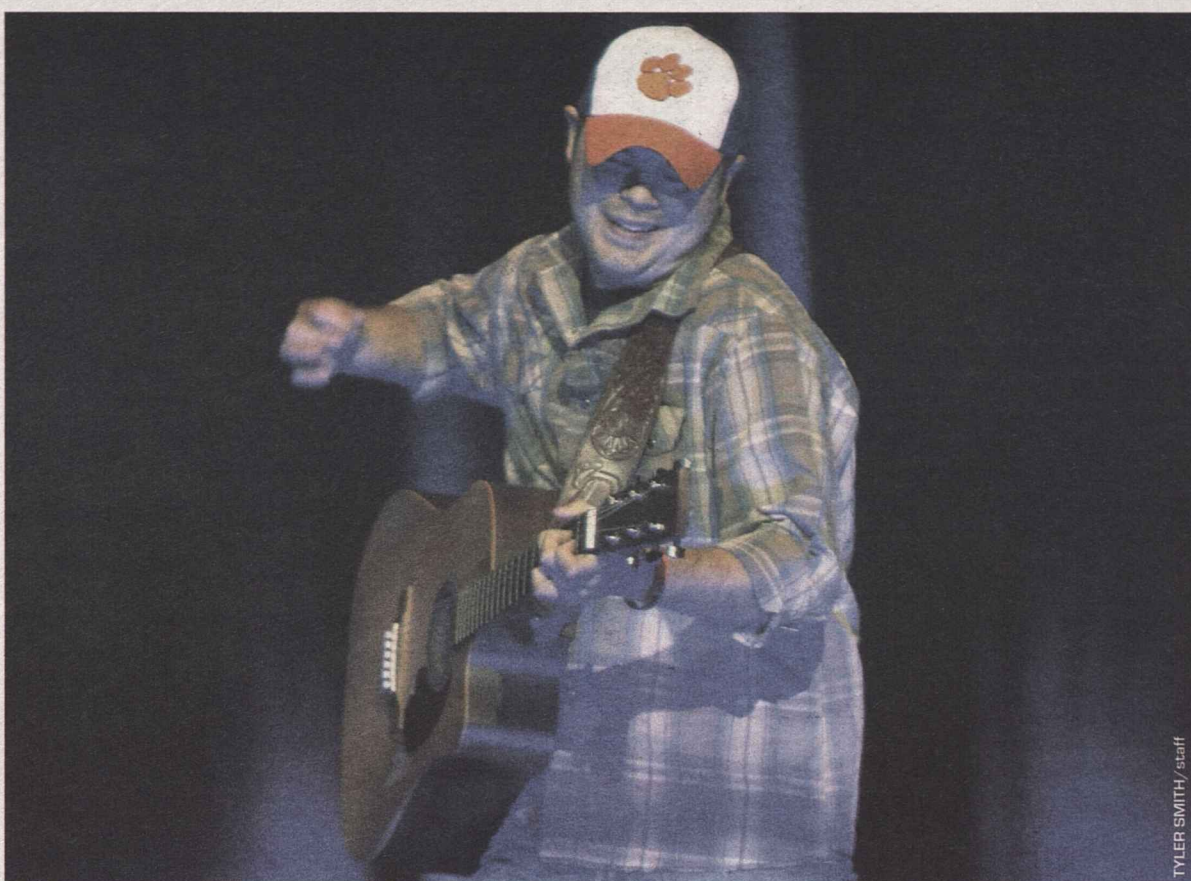
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LOUISE GOODMAN
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR



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This year Blue Key turned Littlejohn Coliseum inside out for its annual Tigerama pep rally the Friday evening before the Saturday homecoming game. The night's theme was "Legends of the Valley" and revolved around the Clemson traditions and people. Entertainment included the Rally Cats, Pershing Rifles, the Tiger Band, Clemson Cheerleaders, Student Skits and other student group. Appearances were made by the University's athletic and military legends including Tree Rollins, Barabara Kennedy-Dixon, Col. Ben Skardon, Lucas Glover, Walter Merritt Riggs and many more. The guests were not limited to celebrating the past, future legends included Coach Dabo Swinney and Doug McCormick. The fans cheered and wore orange with pride.

Students who attended the event responded well to this year's theme. Sophomore philosophy student Kylie McLaughlin found the theme to be very creative. "It was interesting to hear all of the accomplishments that came from former Clemson students and it made me proud to be a part of such a great legacy," McLaughlin said.

Tigerama's attendance might be the best reflection of school spirit other than the overwhelming color orange on campus. Blue Key anticipated attendance of about 4,000 people, but were pleased when more than 5,000 attended. Event director Brian Park said, "We actually had to open up another section of Littlejohn Coliseum in order to accommodate all of the people. It was really a fantastic surprise and we are so happy we were able to share this year's show with so many Clemson fans." Fans were not limited to the locals, McLaughlin said.

"The crowd got pretty pumped up when the hosts started asking who came the furthest to be at Tigerama. That was really fun to see that people had traveled so far as from England to be there."

The fan favorite that brings together athletics, schools spirit, entertainment, leadership figures and all that is Tigerama is far from an easy task to take on. Park explained it is not uncommon to plan the event a year and a half in advance. Full fledge efforts toward the upcoming festivity begin immediately after this year's successful show and from there on out its nothing but communication and hard work on behalf of all of Blue Key.

After the months of planning and long hours of hard work even after the last of Littlejohn is cleaned up and any sign of the "ultimate pep rally" is swept away those involved feel it was all worth it. Park said, "One very special aspect of Tigerama is that it affects much more than just the show on Friday night. The Tigerama theme is central to all of homecoming week, and each theme can be felt in the homecoming floats on Bowman Field, the T-shirts sold by Central Spirit and other areas of the special week. Tigerama and its theme really give our campus and our community a common bond that brings us all together during Homecoming week."

Although Tigerama is over for this year and another round of planning will soon commence for next year's star studded extravaganza, the event organizers know that this year's Tigerama will remain a part of Clemson for weeks, months, even years to come. Park explained that the Blue Key organization frames event posters on the walls dating all the way back to the 1970s. Park feels a special sentiment of all the hard work, creativity and fighting spirit that the wall reflects of the past generations of tigers. "When one looks at the wall, he sees what different generations of Clemson students have celebrated in their time at Clemson, and how each Tigerama theme shaped Clemson history and traditions in each year. Tigerama 2009 is a part of our history now. When we look back on 2009, it will always be remembered as the year we as a Clemson Family celebrated "Legends of the Valley," during Homecoming week."

Weekly News Update

World News

BBC

Israel seizes large cache of weapons bound for Hezbollah.

The Israeli Navy has seized hundreds of tons of weapons from an Iranian ship in route to Hezbollah. The weapons were seized without force after consent to search was given by the Iranian ship. It is suspected that the crew had no knowledge of the cargo they were carrying. The Israeli military gave little details on where the weapons were seized, besides that it occurred 100 miles off the Cyprus coast. An Israeli military spokesman reported that there were many shipping containers disguised as civilian cargo and that the containers were picked up in Damietta, Egypt. Both Syria and Iran have denied all accusations put forth by Israel in the recent intercept of weapons headed for Hezbollah. Prime Minister Netanyahu congratulated the military on a successful operation. This is the result of recent efforts made by the Israeli government to prevent the smuggling of arms to nearby extremist groups.

CNN

Croatia came another step closer to securing membership in the European Union after settling border agreements with Slovenia on Nov. 4.

Croatian Prime Minister Jadranka Kosor and Slovenian Prime Minister Borut Pahor signed the agreement in Stockholm. The new policy will settle the disputed territory, the Gulf of Piran. The region has been disputed over by both nations since 1991 after the breakup of Yugoslavia.

Croatia has been blocked from joining the EU ever since 2004 when Slovenia joined the establishment. Slovenia has used its veto power repeatedly to block Croatia from joining the union. Now that two countries are publicly at peace over the issue it is assumed Slovenia will support their admittance into the EU.

The area in question is a 20-square kilometer water region in the Adriatic Sea. Currently, Croatia would like to see the bay equally divided into two parts down the middle. Slovenia claims that by only allowing them 50 kilometers of coastline to the entire bay limits their access to international waters.

National News

Chicago Tribune

In six-year-old kidnapping of Egyptian Cleric, 23 Americans and two Italians have been charged.

On Nov. 4, an Italian judge convicted 23 Americans and two Italians for their involvement in the kidnapping of Abu Omar, an Egyptian Cleric, on Feb. 17, 2003 in Milan, Italy. Omar was moved around to U.S. bases in Germany and Italy and claims that he was tortured upon being taken back to Egypt. The Americans, who were tried in absentia now risk arrest and are forbidden on European soil. In wake of the convictions, human rights groups from around the world have looked to President Obama to disown the actions of the previous Bush administration. However, U.S. State Department spokesman, Ian Kelly, reported disappointment in the Obama administration over the result of the verdicts. While the CIA has declined to comment on the convictions, Director Leon Panetta reported that the Obama administration would continue to rendition prisoners but reassured that human rights would not be violated.

CNN

A 15-year-old boy fights for his life in Florida after being set on fire by his peers over a dispute involving a stolen bicycle.

On Nov. 2 the accused teens appeared before a judge in Boward County, Fla. The judge granted case prosecutors additional time to collect evidence and determine the direction of the case. As of right now, all five individuals are being held in police custody. Formal charges will be issued later in the month, after it is determined which of the suspects will be charged as adults. There are four 15-year-old boys involved who can legally be charged as adults and one 13-year old boy who can only be charged as an adult in the case that Brewer dies from the sustained injuries.

Brewer currently is constrained to a balloon-like bed to reduce the pressure on his burn wounds. The boy will remain on a ventilator until doctors believe he can breathe and maintain life function on his own. Doctors reported in a news conference that they are optimistic about the boy's chance for survival but fear that the worst has not yet come for the wounds; they feel infections that are common in any burn victim will cause further detriment to his injuries.

Bikes under lock and key

CUPD gives tips to prevent bikes from being stolen on campus.

CAMERON HUNTLEY
STAFF WRITER

Bike theft is on the rise in Clemson, as a sudden influx of riders in the new school year has provided a multitude of opportunities for thieves.

Through October 2009, the Clemson University Police Department has logged 33 reports of bike theft, the same amount logged in 2007 and 2008 combined.

"We recognize it is a significant increase," said Chief of Police Johnson Link. "And there are a variety of reasons for it. Rising gas prices have increased the number of bikes out there. We also have a lot more bicycle-centered activities around the area, not to mention that some of these bikes are worth a lot of money."

Bike theft is a major concern of many college campuses, where a larger percentage of the populace uses a bike as a primary method of transportation. And simply locking the bike, the most common defense against robbery, may not be enough. "I locked my bike with a number combination lock at the bike rack outside Mauldin," said Paul Garrigan, whose bike was stolen freshman year. "Even though it was locked, the lock itself was easily figured out. A while later we found the lock, but the bike was gone, and it hasn't been returned."

So what can students do to help insure they aren't next?

Howard Brodwin is the managing director of Karma Army, an organization dedicated to spreading the word about bike theft and providing information on how to prevent it. Brodwin advocates a comprehensive approach to securing a bike.

"If your seat is removable, lock it. If you have quick release wheels, lock



HARRISON VON WESSINGER/staff

David Gilbertson locks his bike to prevent theft.

them. And lock both wheels. The more difficult you make it to steal your bike, the less likely it is to be stolen," he said.

Brodwin also advises to not skimp on the quality of the locks.

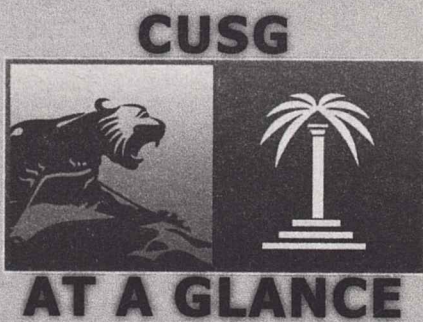
"If you've invested a good amount of money in your bike, do the same with the locks — buy the highest quality you can afford. [Karma Army] recommends heavy duty U-locks, heavy gauge chain or handcuff style locks."

Other measures to deter thieves are to lock bikes in well-lit, well-traveled

areas and to secure the bike even if it is indoors. If despite all these precautions your bike is stolen, contact CUPD.

The National Bike Registry estimates 75,000 bikes are stolen every year, but a large majority of those go unreported, and therefore uninvestigated.

"Make sure you report it," Link said. "Usually, when we find the thieves, they've got four or five of these things, so we need to know for sure which are stolen. The sooner you report it, the better."



Week of Nov. 2 through Nov. 6

- Clemson's first ever Legacy Day celebration will be Friday, Nov. 6, from 2:30 to 4 p.m., with a formal ceremony at 4 p.m. Legacy Day is celebrating individuals, including students, who have and currently are leaving their marks at Clemson. Come learn about significant figures in Clemson's history, and come leave your mark at Clemson University.
- Stop by the new CUSG sponsored Get a DVD Now boxes located in Hendrix and the Union. The availability of their DVDs can be checked at getadvdnow.com.
- Student Senate meetings are every Monday night at 7 p.m. Everyone in the student body is welcome to sit in on the meeting to learn about current CUSG issues and experience Clemson's Student Government Senate.
- Be sure to check out the CUSG Web site at cusg.net. You can get oriented with current events and initiatives that CUSG is working

on and even provide input for your Clemson University Undergraduate Student Government.

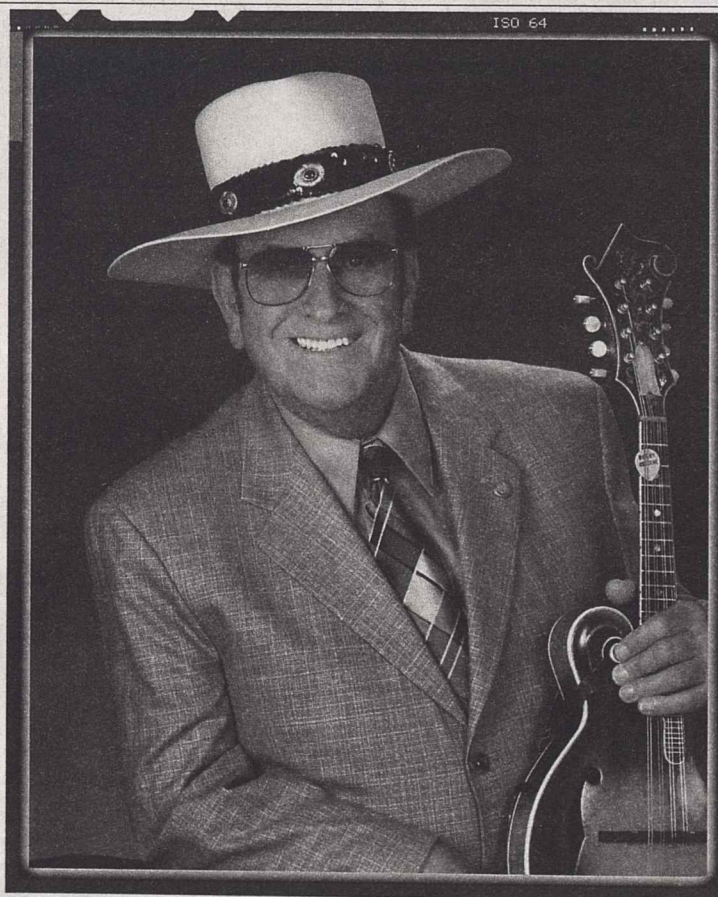
• The CUSG office is located adjacent to Harcombe Dining Hall in the Union. The office's phone number is (864) 656-2195. CUSG office hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Did you know:

The fountains in the reflection pond are turned on at night in order to reduce the effects of evaporation and to agitate the chemicals in the pond. This is so that the fountains do not build up algae and so the pond can stay relatively clean. Responding to the request of many students asking to have the fountains running during the day, Undergraduate Student Government was able to work with the facilities staff resulting in the fountains running each day starting around 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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Campus News

Sign up to be an organ donor at the FSU Football Game on Nov. 7

The enrollment table will be at the Tiger Tailgate. The table is being run by two business classes and Marketing professor Patricia Knowles. Students can also sign up at www.every11minutes.org. For more information contact Mark Johnson at johnsonm@lifepoint-sc.org.

WSBF FM Radio 88.1 will be presenting a punk show on Nov. 13.

The show will feature the Bathory Boys, Population Control, Sick Sick Sick and other artists. Show begins

at 10 p.m. at the Blue Heron restaurant in downtown Clemson.

Admission is free and open to all ages.

The English Department will host the Writer's Harvest Benefit Reading on Nov. 11.

The reading will feature Keith Lee Morris, John Pursley III, Jillian Weise, John Warner, Neil Conway, Mike Pulley and Sarah Blackman. The event is benefiting Loaves & Fishes. Guests are asked to donate canned goods or cash to the cause.

The reading will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Marshall E. Walker Family Auditorium in Vickery Hall.

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creation of a Web site with records of all votes and current updates on issues.

Political science Professor David Woodward, who has taught Ryan, believes he has a better shot than many may believe. "Kevin believes he can do much better than prior candidates. He has carefully studied the district and knows what it will take to win," said Woodward. "Kevin has firm convictions as to what he believes and why he is running and is not to be underestimated."

Ryan intends on graduating in December, and win or not, after the election Ryan plans to enter graduate school and work towards a masters degree in Public Administration. "Even if our campaign is not successful, I will continue to do anything and everything I can to help the people of the district and the state."

If elected, Ryan will become the youngest member of the South Carolina state legislature. Rep. H. Boyd Brown, a Fairfield County Democrat serving in his first term, currently holds that distinction. He turned 23 last month.

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two four-year cycles of data will be reviewed.

Prior to utilizing e-Portfolio, Clemson University submitted data based off the Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAPP) test.

The MAPP test is still given to a select number of students during their

freshman and senior year, but it is no longer the only basis of evaluating general education.

Wood said that there is no current plan to move to an alternative method of collecting data for SACS, since Clemson's accreditation is to be reviewed in 2013. The system cannot change until after that point since it has already been implemented.

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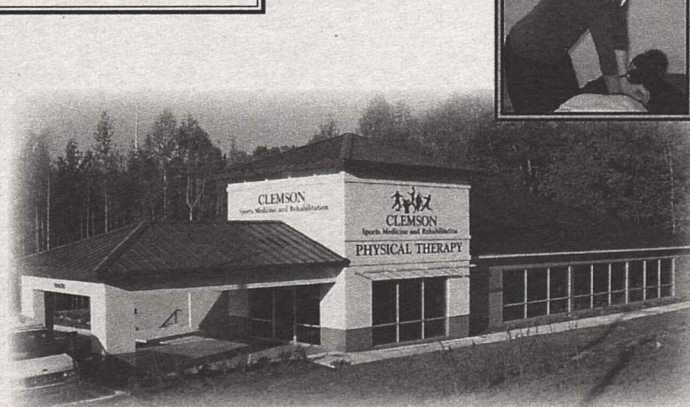
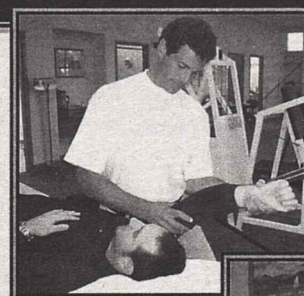
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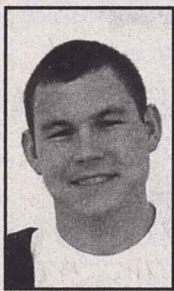
Speak
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"Should donor status have any influence on priority for the organ donors list?"

"Hmmm... No, I don't think so. It should go to whoever needs it the most."



Abigail Martin
marketing
freshman



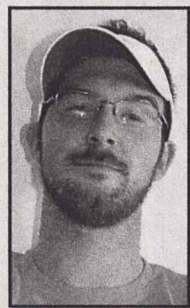
Trey Bostic
management
senior

"I don't think so, you're doing it for goodwill so you shouldn't expect anything from it."

"I don't know if it should. Maybe if they have to differentiate between two people who are just as sick."



Kevin Conlon
accounting
sophomore

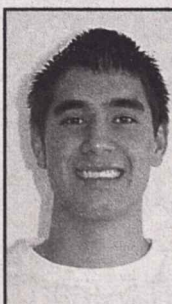


Jon Sharpe
biological sciences
junior

"I feel like if someone needs to an organ they should be able to, especially if someone's life is at stake."

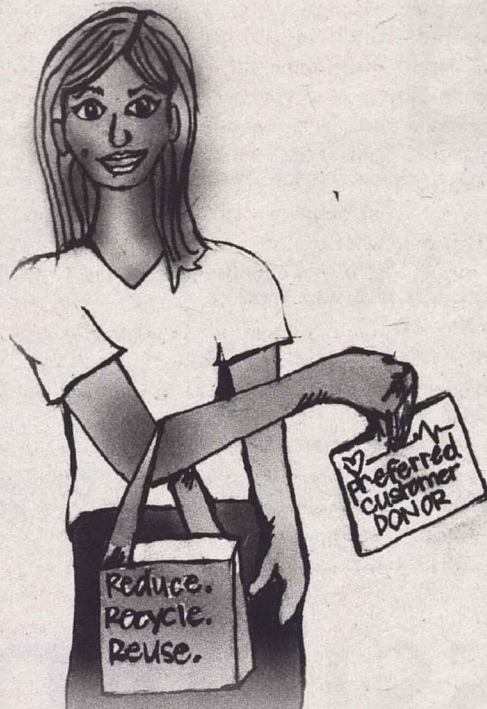


Sam Miller
microbiology
sophomore



Paul Batton
mechanical engineering
sophomore

"I do not think an organ donor should have priority. If there was a priority given, everyone would become one and then you would still have the same problem of who has priority."



If every U.S. patient on the organ transplant waiting list were to file into Death Valley, they would come close to completely filling it with 79,000; only, as the line grows and viable donations become more and more scarce, these people have little to cheer about. The complications and arduous prioritizing of the waiting list have led some to contend that organ donor status should influence precedence in organ reception. At the forefront of this contention is LifeSharers, a group whose principles and policy methods have spawned debate over what exactly should come into play when considering organ transplant recipients.

LifeSharers allows current organ donors to sign up for free membership in a network that would ensure them precedence in receiving organs of fellow members and donors. Members of LifeSharers promise to donate their organs upon death, and to give fellow members first access to these organs. In return for this promise, members receive the assurance that if they are in need of an organ, they will be granted precedence to the organs of other members once they die. In other words, you get what you give.

LifeSharers members retain the option of donating organs to their family members, even if these family members are not members of the organization. Adults can also register their children as members so that they may be qualified to receive preferred access to organs as well. Anyone can join LifeSharer's despite medical history, pre-existing conditions or age, and if organs are not used by members, they are donated to non-members. Traditionally, the organ donor list is prioritized by medical urgency. LifeSharers posits that they agree with this method, but believe that said considerations should be applied to organ donors first. In this way, more people will donate organs and more lives will be saved. Although the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) does not endorse the approach of LifeSharers, it does not intervene against said efforts.

While the UNOS and LifeSharers currently coincide peacefully and respect each other's separate policies, the formation and principles of such a group as LifeSharer brings to question the current system by which transplant recipients are allocated organs. Is it fair for the UNOS not to give consideration to current organ donors? Is it justifiable for an organ

recipient to be unwilling to give his or her organs when they die? Could such attitudes be considered hypocritical?

First, it's important to take into consideration the motives behind LifeSharers, which is to provide an incentive for more people to become organ donors. Currently, an organ donation shortage has left the transplant waiting list a mile long. An estimated 3,000 will join the aforementioned 79,000 people on the waiting list each month. On average, 16 to 17 people die each day while waiting for an organ transplant, and these numbers will only grow if eligible organ donors become less inclined to give. These statistics indicate a distinct and

Surely recipients realize that their well-being depends upon the charity of others, and would thus be inclined to "pay it forward" by in turn being at least willing to demonstrate similar charity, even if unable to act upon this inclination. This seems to be a fairly common principle. For example, lying is wrong because even if it's advantageous for an individual, if everyone lied, no one could be trusted. Stealing is wrong because even though the thief gets away with money or things he may not have had otherwise, if everyone stole, no one would have security in their possessions. In the same line of thought, not being an organ donor is disadvantageous because if everyone wasn't an organ donor, anyone who

in a sense, forcing people to become donors if they hope to receive adequate treatment. Even though doctors don't endorse the personal choices of smokers, they don't deny them treatment for complications caused by this choice. The medical community must allow for the personal choices of patients. They can't restrict this autonomy simply because it would be more beneficial medically. Not to mention the fact that if the transplant list were influenced by donor status, people who chose not to be donors would be "punished" in the most severe sense. The entire purpose of organ transplantation is to save lives. Would establishing a life-saving priority based on a personal choice really serve this goal?

That being said, we must consider the fact that the current problems with the waiting list stem from a lack of organ donors. Even if one chooses to be an organ donor, his family can negate that decision after he dies. In fact, an estimated 35 percent of indicated donors do not actually donate because of familial objection. With advanced preservation techniques and transplant technology, the medical means are in place for rapid and successful transplants. However, the physical have some catching up to do. Obviously this is a problem that needs to be addressed, and providing an incentive for willing organ donors is a viable solution. The context of this incentive is debatable, though, and placing organ donors higher on the list than those whose medical conditions are perhaps more urgent doesn't seem to be the most productive answer.

Undoubtedly, the motives and intentions of organizations such as LifeSharers are noble. They seek to encourage people to participate in a life saving decision that calls for no immediate sacrifice or discomfort on the part of the donor. However, when it comes to the actual list, prioritizing by medical urgency is the fairest way possible to determine who gets what. Perhaps alternative methods of inciting organ donation registry should be further researched and developed. For now, though, the decision is left in the hands of each individual, influenced only by personal preference.

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An eye for an eye, literally

threatening problem in the disparity between willing organ donors and transplant recipients, and this is a problem that LifeSharer's seeks to address directly by offering a major incentive to donors. However, the justification and implementation of such a policy on a grander scale is questionable. In other words, could this policy be successfully implemented as a rule in the organ transplant waiting list?

As a matter of principle, the major question boils down to whether or not it is fair to ask those who receive to be willing to give. Is organ donation a two-way street? As a matter of practice, we face the question of how far we can justifiably go to encourage people to become organ donors, since influencing more people to become donors is the primary motive of such a give and take policy, and also how much of a role organ donor status should play when compared to medical urgency.

As for the former, the principality of the issue, it seems odd that one would be more than willing to receive an organ transplant but reluctant to give his or her own organs after he or she dies. If everyone adopted this attitude, there would be no organ donations at all...zero...squat.

needed a transplant would be up the creek. But, while this logic establishes that organ donation is beneficial, and that transplant recipients who were previously organ donors are justified and even encouraged in this decision, it doesn't necessarily mean that organ donor status should take precedence over medical urgency, which brings us to the matter of practice.

Many factors currently play into the organ transplant waiting list, but ultimately, the goal is to get organs to those for whom medical conditions are the most pressing, those who need them the most. Other considerations are also taken into account such as medical history or personal habits such as smoking or drinking. Organ donation status, however, is not considered in any way for the transplant waiting list. This isn't to discourage people from donating by any means, but more or less a statement that while people should donate, the personal choice to do so doesn't factor into the urgency of their medical situation. The current policy separates personal choice with medical treatment, and ultimately, organ donation is a personal choice. Allowing donor status to prioritize the list would be,

COMMENTARY

Too much partying in the U.S.A.

EMILY WHITE

Guest Columnist



Sweet niblets. Just the other day, I found myself driving down Highway 123 about to embark on a much needed Wal Mart trip. The windows were down, the music was up and I was admittedly enjoying "Party in the U.S.A." a little too much. But don't judge; you know your head starts boppin' as soon as you hear Miley burst into song, which brings me to the most shocking and disturbing news I have heard all week.

Okay, that may be a tad extreme, but I still can't believe the news that came out of my speakers.

Miley Cyrus. Hannah Montana. Number 29 on Forbes 2009 Celebrity 100 list. Golden Globe nominee. Sixteen-year-old heartbreaker. Worst Celebrity Influence? Filthy, ridiculous, overly dramatic media hounds say, "WHAT?!!" (Only my fellow Hannah Montana junkies will get that reference).

Shortly after the aforementioned jam session, the DJ came back on the air and reported that Miley Cyrus has been dubbed the "Worst Celebrity Influence." As far as I'm concerned, this is the most ill-supported argument since Nicole Richie claimed she often eats greasy

cheeseburgers and decadent ice cream. Yeah, okay.

Over the past year, Miley has endured a handful of hyped up controversies, including a supposed risqué Vanity Fair photo shoot, a gorgeous boyfriend four years her senior and a live performance that included a dance with what seemed like a stripper pole. Aside from the provocative pole dance, none of these other circumstances should be deemed remotely inappropriate. Recently, Miley's fan base has seemed to evolve to include an equal amount of both Jonas Brother-loving teenie boppers and flirty college girls just living for the weekend. I mean, even Whitney, Audrina and Lo have admitted to liking the Disney sensation.

I am not trying to come to the rescue of the Nashville native. She has made some questionable decisions, but many of the negative opinions being thrown around do not make complete sense. It's the elementary-aged girls who are believed to be subject to this negative influence, but the last time I checked, not many fourth graders were eagerly waiting in line to buy the latest issue of Vanity Fair. And when it comes to her relationship with hottie Justin Gaston, a four-year age difference is a mole hill compared to the mountain that is the 17-year gap between Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes. And what about Michael Douglas and Catherine Zeta-Jones, whose age difference is larger than my entire life span?

I guess if I was the mother of an impressionable little girl I may be more critical of the choices Cyrus has made thus far, but I would not deem them the worst decisions seen amongst young Hollywood socialites. I don't think any further explanation is needed after mentioning the name Lindsay Lohan, but for those of you living under a rock, the on again off again redhead has been the conductor of a crazy train ever since her portrayal of the feisty bitch, Cady Heron. Drugs, alcohol and rehab are often associated with the waifish, thin actress who has recently recruited her 15 year old sister to be her club hopping buddy. Classy.

Paris Hilton graces the pages of many popular magazines, clad in outfits that highly resemble my dishtowels, yet even she is not considered to be the worst. I guess it's now considered acceptable to parade around the streets in a string bikini and diamond encrusted stilettos, proclaiming everything to be "hot," which is simply a term that should be reserved for the weather or the temperature of my delicious hot chocolate.

Mary-Kate Olsen has starved herself, fellow Disney starlet Vanessa Hudgens has had naked photographs leaked on the Internet and Chris Brown treated his girlfriend like a hanging punching bag, yet Miley is still believed to be the worst.

The media, as well as over-analytical parents, need to take a chill pill when it comes

to the criticisms of young Hollywood. It is a trend that may have been justifiable at first, but has gone too far in several circumstances, ruining the careers and reputations of many idols. A couple days after hearing the new title bestowed upon Cyrus, I heard that Taylor Swift, whose song lyrics bear an astounding resemblance to every girl's life, is being criticized for a Halloween photograph taken in which she is arm in arm with a young man sporting a white t-shirt decorated with a bright red swastika sign. I admit, I may have been daydreaming and only paying attention to the pretty pictures, but don't a handful of stories read in elementary school support the notion that you are responsible for no one's actions but your own? Why is Taylor being chastised for a shirt being worn by one of the many strangers she took pictures with that night? I have a feeling Taylor is going to squeak by this one without many scars, but the fact that it's even an issue is preposterous.

It's time the media stop scrutinizing Miley's daily wardrobe choices and zero in on real news such as, oh I don't know, America's health care system, the war in Iraq or the stability of the economy. Don't be so uptight, America.

In the words of Miley, "nod your head like yeah, move your hips like yeah and Party in the U.S.A."

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COMMENTARY

What the puck, Clemson?

JORDAN BOHINC

Guest Columnist



Ever since I came to Clemson I've been plagued by sports. We have everything you could ever want in the sports realm: football, basketball, baseball and the list goes on. Let me go ahead and confirm that we do have some form of hockey team, albeit a club team, but as a Northerner, I'm baffled by the lack of interest in hockey in the South.

One of my fondest memories of high school was our hockey team. I know people barely know what ice is down here, but in the North hockey is king. We don't have high school football, we have high school hockey. It was so big that we actively recruited for it. I had 10 Canadians in my graduating class of 100. I think I've made my point. I don't know why, but people in the North are really into the idea of getting a head of steam and putting all their bodyweight into an opposing player. Seriously, hockey has to be the least safe sport, and I'm amazed the originators survived long enough to invent safety equipment.

I just don't get it. I think I can safely say that everyone at Clemson loves their sports — at least a majority does anyway. But ever since I've come here from my small high school in the North, my perspective on how much a person can love a sports team has completely changed. It's really baffling how much people will put themselves through for a good ticket to a good game. I haven't seen such drastic measures of acquiring something since I saw all those people outside Best Buy waiting for their new Xbox/PS3/Wii a couple Christmases back.

I'm not what you would call a "light" sports fan. I know my teams, I know my players and I know play-

ers on other teams for the most part as well. I came to Clemson due largely to the fact that we had consistently good sports teams, but not Duke Basketball good (that statement lost a lot of weight after the beat down Clemson put on them last year). Now I was by no means expecting Clemson to boast a large hockey fan base, but I never expected what I actually found.

Here, in Clemson, we have some of the best sports fans in the country. Not only do we have loyal and die-hard fans, but a wide variety. We have football fans, basketball fans... you get my drift. So amid all these "mainstream" sports, I find it hard to believe that there isn't a sizeable fan base for hockey in Clemson. Just look at the stats, so to speak.

Football is undoubtedly our most popular sport. What does football involve? Huge dudes that chase a ball around the field or run away with the ball, all the while beating each other's brains out every play trying to do so. Literally every play in football ends with at least one person getting jacked in one form or another.

What does hockey involve? Huge dudes that chase a puck around the ice or run away with the puck, and oh yeah, they hit each other all the time, HARD. The only fundamental differences are that instead of a ball, they use a puck, which is really a technicality, and that you play on ice. Oh, there's one more thing that is different. In hockey, when two players are at each other's throats, they fight it out. In football, they don't.

The sports are so eerily similar in their basis of aggression, strength and speed that, as I've mentioned a couple times now, I'm really surprised to find that there are a lot of football fans that don't like hockey for one reason or another. I should say that although it's a more glaring issue in the South, it is by no means an isolated incident. All across America there is a similar dissatisfac-

tion with hockey when it comes to football fans.

Hockey is a great sport. It's extremely physical, difficult (second only to baseball), fast-paced (take that baseball) and most importantly, it's probably the most exciting game in existence barring the use of performance enhancing drugs, if you catch my drift. And how many times have you watched Sportcenter's top 10 plays and had a hockey highlight just wow you? These guys are incredible athletes.

I'm sure there are a lot of people out there that just don't get hockey, and it's a shame how little it's televised, but let me give you some advice. First, hockey is something to be experienced live. You cannot get a feel for the speed and intensity of the game until you've seen it live. Our club team plays at The Pavilion near Greenville, so if you have the extra time, take the drive and watch them play (or go see the Thrashers in Atlanta, it can be as cheap as \$10 a ticket). Second, the next time the NHL playoffs roll around, pick a team to cheer for (this is extremely important), and watch a couple games since they'll actually be on TV. You'll get a feel for the rules, and if you're lucky enough to watch a close game in the playoffs, you'll understand why hockey is regarded by many as the "best" sport.

There's nothing like watching your team streak down the ice, passing a puck back and forth with pinpoint accuracy, and seeing a player wind up for a shot. Because in that moment, (especially in a close or overtime game), the uncertainty kills you. There's no way to follow the puck on its flight path, but one second you see the puck and the next it's in the net, the siren sounds, the players celebrate and the crowd literally explodes.

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COMMENTARY

Charleston may "Gitmo" than it bargained for

KYLE SWEARINGEN

Columnist



When President Obama took office under the now clichéd banner of "Change," he hit the ground running by signing an executive order to close down the infamous Guantanamo Bay detention camp in Cuba, just a mere two days after taking office. It was certainly well-timed — with the large-scale waterboarding backlash, the president's decision to shut down the Caribbean's most popular destination for captured terrorists certainly sounded like a good idea at the time. But I've got a hunch that many Americans (myself included) were too focused on the fact that President Obama was making good on his promise of quick change to think, "Yeah it's great he's doing something, but what's going to happen because of it?"

It doesn't take much thought to come upon the answer; the country is now saddled with 245 unconfined terrorists now that their previous site of detainment has been shut down. Certainly prisoner transfer isn't the issue here, but they need to go somewhere and the Obama administration currently has four places in mind. One option is Camp Pendleton, Calif., one of the largest Marine Corp. bases in the nation — also, who else in America is more sympathetic to the plight of fanatical anti-American militants than a SoCal liberal? Also up for

consideration is the Defense Department's maximum-security facility at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., which, as well as being the "intellectual center of the Army," is a pretty good bet simply based off the psychological intimidation factor. Not only are the detainees smack in the center of the country they despise the most, but they're surrounded in all directions by flat, empty fields. A few months there and they'll be willing to tell us everything they know, in whatever language we ask, simply in exchange for transfer to somewhere with scenery. Then there's the ADX in Florence, Colo., the nation's only federally operated super-max prison, and one of, if not the most, secure prisons in the world.

Finally, we come to the highly likely fourth option, the Naval Consolidated Brig in Charleston, S.C.: a medium-security prison sharing facilities with a weapons depot located just north of a major East Coast port city with a metropolitan population of more than 500,000 people. What could possibly go wrong with that?

Now, I'll admit that wherever the Gitmo alums end up being held, the local population will be justifiably anxious. At this point, there's no avoiding that. But given the options, this seems like a very poor idea. I'm skeptical as to whether closing Guantanamo in the first place was completely necessary — I don't know what was going on there, but I'm pretty sure that a remote location thousands of miles away from American citizens is a pretty good place to house confirmed terrorists — but even those who do support the shutdown of Gitmo, including S.C. Senator Lindsey Graham, oppose the use of Charleston as a holding site. For one, placing enemy guerillas in an urban area,

no matter how well they are guarded, is almost begging for trouble. These men were captured in a war being fought to keep them away from domestic Americans. Surely it would make no sense to detain them in an area so heavily populated by civilians. Charleston is also an easily reachable coastal city, and the last thing it needs to be is a target for a terrorist rescue mission, as unlikely as that may be. To top it all off, the medium-security facility lies on the same grounds as a Naval armory, a potentially disastrous combination in the event of an escape.

One possible upside to housing detainees in Charleston has been mentioned. Because of the risk involved, some have speculated that South Carolina would be reimbursed with a degree of bargaining power with the federal government in matters of operation. But given the remoteness of S.C.'s win-column in head-to-heads with the Feds (i.e. use of stimulus funds, the Civil War, etc.), I wouldn't quite bank on that working. Not to mention that we'd essentially be exchanging public security for political clout.

It is beside the point that any controversies over prisoner treatment at Gitmo could have been better addressed with policy changes or closer surveillance than by a full-on shutdown; what's been signed has been signed. But the idea of using Charleston, S.C., as a surrogate Guantanamo seems too drawn-from-a-hat to work. I'm not sure if this is the kind of change President Obama is aiming for, but given the facts I'd recommend he change his mind.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editors,

"On The Prowl" is a rotating sex and relationship column that has been featured in TimeOut for at least six years; I assume Angie Chapman Mullinax has not been reading her Alma Mater's prestigious campus newspaper during this time. The column attributed to myself and others form a rotating cast of writers; it is in no way my column or any other writer's, rather it is longtime staple of TimeOut.

Additionally, my contribution to On The Prowl printed in Volume 103 issue 20 of The Tiger is not my first. In my articles, however, I in no way propagate "the spread of STDs, AIDs, unplanned pregnancies, date rape and domestic violence" as Ms. Mullinax suggests. Quite the opposite, in fact.

In Volume 103 Issue 14, in an On The Prowl concerning the right time to have sex, I end the article asking readers to practice safe sex (the second such appeal in the article): "Protect yourselves. I've seen too many futures go down in flames." In the same article, I advise readers to engage in open dialogue to avoid the date rape and domestic violence which you fear I generate: "Nearly all relationship problems result from a lack of open dialogue. If you're not comfortable with even having that conversation with someone, then you're almost certainly not ready to [have sex] with that person."

Neither myself nor the other writers which contribute to On The Prowl endorse unsafe sex or domestic violence. On The Prowl addresses the sex and relationship issues that are part of the lives of college students in Clemson and across the country. On The Prowl addresses these issues sometimes with humor, sometimes seriously, but always while endorsing safe sex and healthy relationships.

I encourage Ms. Mullinax to read the dozens of On The Prowl articles that have for years been a humorous and educational contribution to the campus which Ms. Mullinax "[has] always been proud of."

Greg Blanton

Dear Editor:

On Oct. 24, the Clemson Child Development Center (CCDC) held its third annual "Mystery Night" fundraiser. We are pleased to report that the evening was a lot of fun and that the fundraiser was a big success. These activities are very important to the ongoing survival of CCDC and if it were not for the generous financial and volunteer support of the Clemson community, we would not be able to host events such as these.

The Clemson University community was a major player in the success of the evening. In particular, we would like to single out and publically thank the following campus organizations for generously volunteering their time to the production: ATO, Gamma Sigma Sigma, Clemson Rowing, and Professor Randall's business writing class. The volunteer support from these organizations makes it possible for CCDC to host these large community-wide events and we are very grateful for the help.

Sincerely,

Connie Powell
President, Board of Directors
CCDC

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Paws up, paws down



In Toronto, five people worked two months to create an 8 x 16 ft. replica of DaVinci's Last Supper out of 4,000 Rubix cubes.

A 62-year-old Minnesota man has pleaded guilty to driving his motorized La-Z-Boy chair while drunk.

North Dakota police said the driver of a mail truck was arrested for drunken driving after he was found speeding in Grand Forks.

Iowa City police are investigating an assault in which a man accused another man who was ordering food at a restaurant of being a zombie and proceeded to punch him twice.

A 67-year-old British woman was charged with assault after beating her neighbor over the head with a newspaper over a dispute over a driveway.

A Virginia man was charged with indecent exposure for walking around naked in his own kitchen after two people cutting through his yard spotted him in his birthday suit.



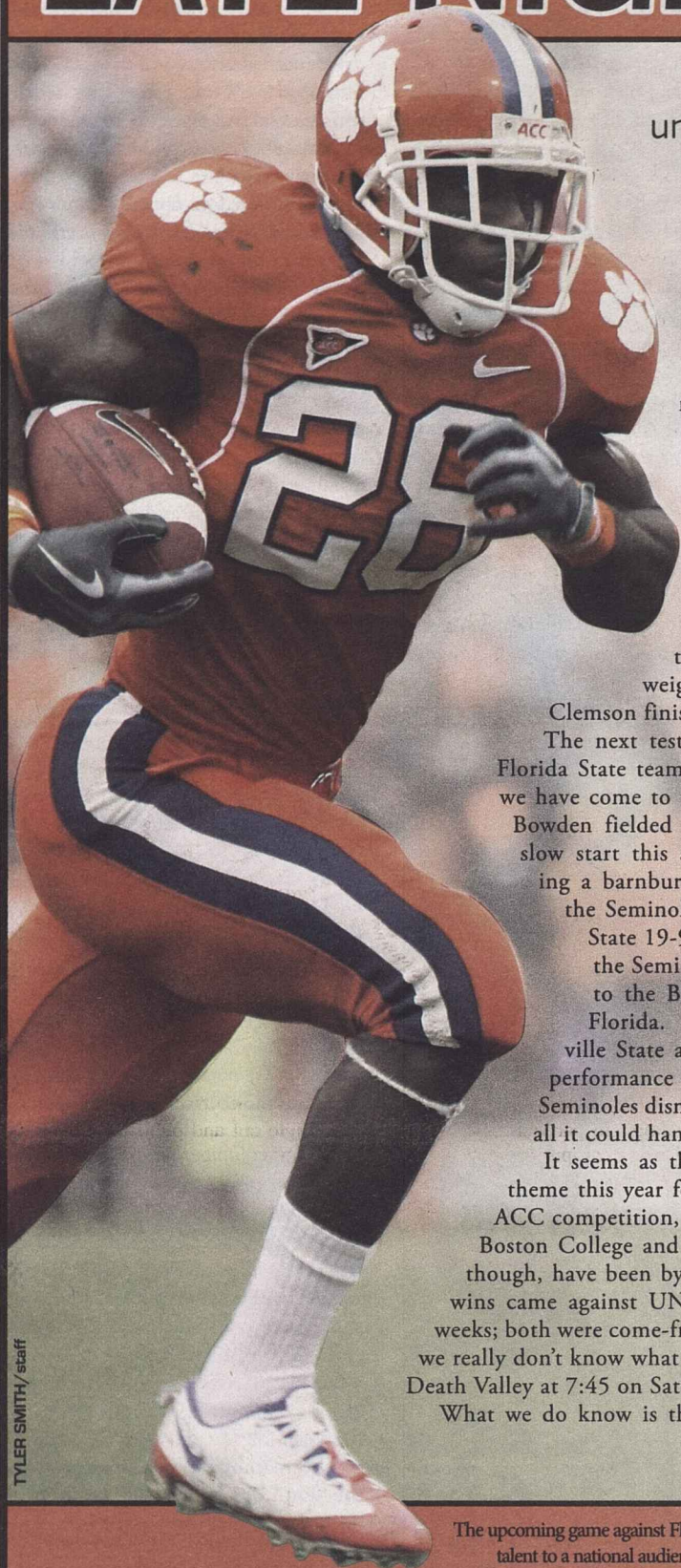


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LATE NIGHT LOCK UP



TYLER SMITH/staff

The Tigers will lock arms at the top of the hill under the lights on Saturday night; Swinney prepares for ACC showdown with inconsistent Seminoles.

BRANDON BOATWRIGHT
SPORTS EDITOR

Dabo Swinney has a chance to do something in his first full year as Clemson's head coach that Tommy Bowden couldn't do in nearly a decade at the helm, win the conference championship. The Tigers (5-3, 3-2 ACC) sit atop the Atlantic Division standings with Boston College, whom Clemson holds a decisive tiebreaker over for defeating earlier this season. The Tigers control their own destiny once again. The question that weighs heavily on fans' minds is, can Clemson finish under Swinney?

The next test for Swinney and the Tigers is a Florida State team that has been anything but what we have come to expect from the Seminoles. Bobby Bowden fielded plenty of criticism for his team's slow start this season and rightly so. After losing a barnburner in the opener against Miami, the Seminoles struggled to defeat Jacksonville State 19-9. Perhaps the most glaring loss for the Seminoles this year was a week four loss to the Bulls from the University of South Florida. Sandwiched between the Jacksonville State and USF fiascos was a dominating performance against BYU in Provo, Utah. The Seminoles dismantled a team that gave Oklahoma all it could handle.

It seems as though schizophrenia has been the theme this year for Florida State. Sitting at 2-3 in ACC competition, the Seminoles have lost to Miami, Boston College and Georgia Tech. All of those losses, though, have been by a combined 16 points. Their two wins came against UNC and N.C. State in consecutive weeks; both were come-from-behind victories. The point is, we really don't know what Florida State team will show up to Death Valley at 7:45 on Saturday night.

What we do know is that the Tigers are rolling. Riding

a three-game winning streak, Clemson has shown that the early losses to Georgia Tech, TCU and Maryland are behind them. Against Wake Forest and Miami, the Tigers put together arguably their most complete performances in years.

The largest contribution to Clemson's winning streak has been a revitalized defense. The Tigers are first in the conference in scoring defense, allowing a mere 16.5 points per game this year, and are ranked 12th in the nation in total defense.

Florida State quarterback Christian Ponder will face his toughest competition all year in a Clemson defense that has intercepted 15 passes in eight games this season. Junior safety DeAndre McDaniel leads the nation with seven interceptions himself.

Ponder, however, has had no trouble throwing the ball around opposing defenses. The senior signal caller has thrown for 13 touchdowns and more than 2,400 yards. As proficient as he's been through the air, Clemson's defense must also worry about Ponder's scrambling ability. This year he has rushed for 304 yards and two touchdowns.

If there has been one thing the defense has struggled with this year, it's mobility at quarterback. Middle Tennessee State's Dwight Dasher torched the Clemson defense with 88 yards in the opener, while Georgia Tech's Josh Nesbitt racked up 91 yards on the ground. Ponder hardly has the scrambling ability of the Dasher and Nesbitt, but his ability to read the defense and run when necessary will likely keep the turnover margin low.

One way to counter this is an effective pass rush coming off the ends from

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The upcoming game against Florida State is a huge ACC matchup for the Tigers, but it's also a chance for C.J. Spiller to showcase his Heisman talent to a national audience. You can help Spiller in his quest for the Heisman by visiting ESPN.com and casting your own ballot.

The Clemson factor

Ryan Launis

assistant
sports editor



It seemed to be déjà vu all over again on Oct. 24. With our Tigers on the road and down by three late to a ranked opponent, the faithful wearing orange and purple at home could not help but feel their stomachs drop out with memories of close heartbreakers against ranked foes like Georgia Tech and TCU. As questions about the depth or willpower of this season's squad ran through the heads of most Tiger fans, the game almost seemed to be forecast as just another thrilling loss to a ranked team.

But just when the outlook was relatively bleak, something amazing happened. On third and 11 from Miami's 26-yard line, Kyle Parker hooked up with Jacoby Ford in stride on a deep route for the dramatic walk-off victory.

For any students who witnessed this game and celebrated the win afterwards, my advice is to savor those memories. I say this because it is no secret that something special always seems to happen on campus when Clemson wins big games. Everyone who was in Clemson on October 24th could not help but get pulled into the gaiety.

I, like many others, had originally planned on studying for the imminent tests lurking in the following week as a post-game endeavor. The problem with this plan was that all priorities went out the window the second Jacoby Ford found himself in the end zone on that faithful night.

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Swimming and Diving defeat South Carolina

In-state rivalry grows as Tigers edge Gamecocks on the strength of 1:43.21 relay time.

BRETT MILLS
STAFF WRITER

The Clemson men's and women's swimming and diving teams edged out South Carolina to take the wins in their showdown last Friday. The meet was a back-and-forth affair all afternoon long, with both the men's side and the women's side coming down to the final event, the 400 free relay. In those final races, Clemson clinched the meet with victories for both sides, with the men topping the Gamecocks 160-140 and the women earning a squeezing out a narrow 155-145 advantage.

"This is what a rivalry is all about," said Head Coach Christopher Ip. "This chance for us to have a great in-state meet in the middle of the season and it came down to the final event. It was a team effort and our coaching staff is really proud of this group. This is a big step towards our plan of 'Building the Dream.' It was a great win."

Clemson jumped out to a quick lead to start the meet, taking both the 200 medley relays. The women's team of Kelli Kyle, Katrina Obas, Maddie

Tarantolo and Meg Anderson won with a time of 1:43.21, three full seconds faster than the next best time, and the men's relay of Thomas Recko, Chris Dart, Derek Barre and Eric Bruck finished first with a time of 1:31.91.

Kelli Kyle followed up on her strong performance in the medley with another stellar showing in the 100 backstroke, winning with a time of 56.54. Seniors Thomas Recko and Justin Chatlosh earned the win for Clemson on the men's side. The two actually tied for first, finishing with identical times of 50.86. Later on, Recko made it two-for-two in backstroke events with his victory in the 200 back on the strength of a stellar time of 1:49.23.

The Tigers continued their strong performance in the next event as senior Katrina Obas and sophomore Maddie Tarantolo took the top two spots in the 100 breaststroke. With three individual victories on the day, Obas was a star for the Tigers, as she also took first in the 200 breast and the 200 IM.

The Clemson men then made a

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RYAN BOURY/assistant photo editor

The Clemson swimmers defeated the South Carolina Gamecocks last Friday. The Tigers clinched the back-and-forth affair with the men winning 160-140 while the women squeaked by with a 155 - 145 advantage.

Happy Homecoming: Clemson dominates Coastal

ANDREW BAKER
STAFF WRITER

Kyle Parker lofted the football into the corner of the end zone to a seemingly well covered Jacoby Ford near the end of the first quarter. The 5'10" Ford leaped up and grabbed the ball above the Coastal Carolina defender. In the next seven minutes, the Tigers offense scored twice more to grab a 21-0 lead and never looked back in a 49-3 homecoming victory over the Chanticleers.

The Tiger's early offensive woes came as an all-too-familiar steady rain fell on Death Valley. Parker, so strong a week ago, struggled to find a rhythm. He finished seven of 16 for 90 yards and two interceptions. A promising opening drive was halted when a Coastal Carolina defender intercepted Parker, trying to set up a screen pass. Outside of the 36-yard first quarter touchdown throw to Ford, Parker had few highlights in the air. Several times, however, the redshirt freshman scrambled to help out on the ground.

Largely absent was C.J. Spiller. Spiller had five carries for 27 yards and a touchdown. Coastal Carolina avoided kicking or punting to him at all costs. A nagging toe injury bothered the senior running back during the week. With Florida State following the 3-4 FCS Chanti-

cleers, the Clemson staff did not see the need for Spiller to risk any further agitation of his toe.

Instead, Ford, Andre Ellington and Jamie Harper played vital roles. In Spiller's absence, Harper and Ellington combined to run for 164 yards and two touchdowns. Ellington offered a glimpse of his dizzying potential in the third quarter. Ellington darted down the sideline and cut across the field for a 55-yard touchdown and a 28-0 lead. Harper led the Tigers with 17 carries for 76 yards. His three-yard third quarter touchdown run put the Tigers up 42-0. Harper's touchdown capped a third quarter in which the Tigers scored 28 points.

In addition to a touchdown catch, Ford threw a second quarter touchdown pass to Xavier Dye. Parker threw to Ford on a play designed to look like a screen. But instead of running, Ford threw to Dye in the end zone to put the Tigers up 14-0.

"We didn't execute like I thought we should have in the first half," senior guard Thomas Austin said. "But in the third quarter, I thought we were clicking."

Willy Korn accounted for two third quarter touchdowns in his longest action of any game this season. Korn went five for six with an 18-yard touchdown



The Tiger defense swarmed the Chanticleer quarterbacks all day. Three Coastal signal callers were only able to amass 27 yards through the air.

pass to Jaron Brown. Korn added a touchdown on the ground with a one-yard plunge at the goal line.

The Tiger's defense turned in yet another dominant performance. For much of the game, Clemson kept Coastal Carolina's offense in check. The Tiger's speed and size overwhelmed the Chanticleers.

"We would have a play and then all of the sudden it wasn't there," Coastal Carolina Coach David Bennett said.

Three Chanticleers combined for 27 yards passing and threw two interceptions, both of which set up short Clemson touchdowns. Freshman Corico Hawkins picked up two sacks. Hawkins also led the Tigers with eight tackles.

Crezdon Butler intercepted Coastal's Jamie Childers in the second quarter. Butler's 47-yard return to the Chanticleer 16 set up a Spiller touchdown run. Redshirt freshman Rashard Hall con-

tinued his strong season when he intercepted Zach McDowall. Hall sprinted down the Clemson sideline before being stopped short of the end zone at the Coastal Carolina three-yard line.

Coastal Carolina ran for 143 yards using a spread option attack, although much of their yardage came in the second half. The Chanticleer's lone scoring drive accounted for 64 of the team's 170 offensive yards and came after Clemson's starters had departed the game.

A cause for concern for the Tigers was the early departure of Daquan Bowers. Bowers suffered an apparent leg injury early in the first defensive series and did not return to the game.

Coach Swinney was pleased with his team's effort, especially in the second half.

"I really thought we came alive in the second half," Swinney said. "We did a good job of controlling the line of scrimmage, and our defense made it tough for their offense."

The Tiger's focus will move quickly to Florida State. The Seminoles enter Clemson on the heels of a hard fought 45-42 win over N.C. State.

"Our players know them well, and we lost to them last year, so this game next week will be big for both programs," Swinney said.

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Ricky Sapp and, injury-permitting, Da'Quan Bowers. If Sapp, Bowers, Jeremy Campbell or Kevin Alexander can put pressure on Ponder and force him into making poor decisions, it will severely limit their offensive output.

If the Tigers manage to stop Ponder and make the Florida State offense one-dimensional, it will be another long day for Bowden.

One of the more intriguing stories of the season for the Tigers thus far has been the development of redshirt freshman quarterback Kyle Parker. Parker has shown flashes of brilliance this season, but has also made several youthful mistakes. The Jacksonville, Fla., native has thrown for over 1,400 yards and 10 touchdowns on the year.

The matchup between Parker and the Seminole defense will be interesting to watch. The threat of C.J. Spiller to Mickey Andrews' defense will likely outweigh that of Parker. The Seminoles' defense is currently last in the ACC. If they focus on Spiller, the door will be wide open for Parker to have a career day against a Florida State team that allows an ACC-worst 246 yards per game through the air.

Jacoby Ford, Xavier Dye and Michael Palmer (assuming he is healthy enough from a concussion suffered against Miami) will likely be the benefactors if the Tigers open up the passing game.

If the Tigers are able to maintain superiority in the passing attack, the numbers will come for Spiller who is on everyone's Heisman watch-list after a dynamic performance against the Hurricanes a few weeks ago.

On paper, Saturday's game should be a close battle that pits the ACC's best offense against the ACC's best defense. Last season, Bowden and the Seminoles got the best of a disorganized and emotional Clemson team still reeling after the midseason coaching changes. This year, however, the Tigers hold a decisive advantage over the 'Noles in personnel.

The pivotal Atlantic Division matchup will be broadcast in front of a national audience on ESPN at 7:45 p.m. The Tigers will be dressed in all orange, and expect fans to do the same. "We want to show the country what Clemson spirit is all about," said Swinney. "The best way to do that is to have a sea of orange when the broadcast begins."

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Tigers shake up North Carolina

Volleyball shuts down N.C. State 3-0 and beats UNC 3-2.

BECCA CARTER
STAFF WRITER

The Clemson volleyball team shook up the entire state of North Carolina this weekend as the Tigers dove into the neighbor state Friday afternoon. The Wolfpack of N.C. State was Clemson's first victim. They were defeated 3-0 (25-19, 25-13, 25-17) by the Tigers. Then on Saturday, Clemson carried the same momentum to surpass the North Carolina Tar Heels in a five set match (13-25, 25-23, 19-25, 25-20, 15-11).

The victory on Friday marks the 24th consecutive win over N.C. State for the Tigers. While holding the Wolfpack to a mere .009 hitting percentage, Clemson performed with a remarkable .272 percentage and handed N.C. State its 11th straight conference loss.

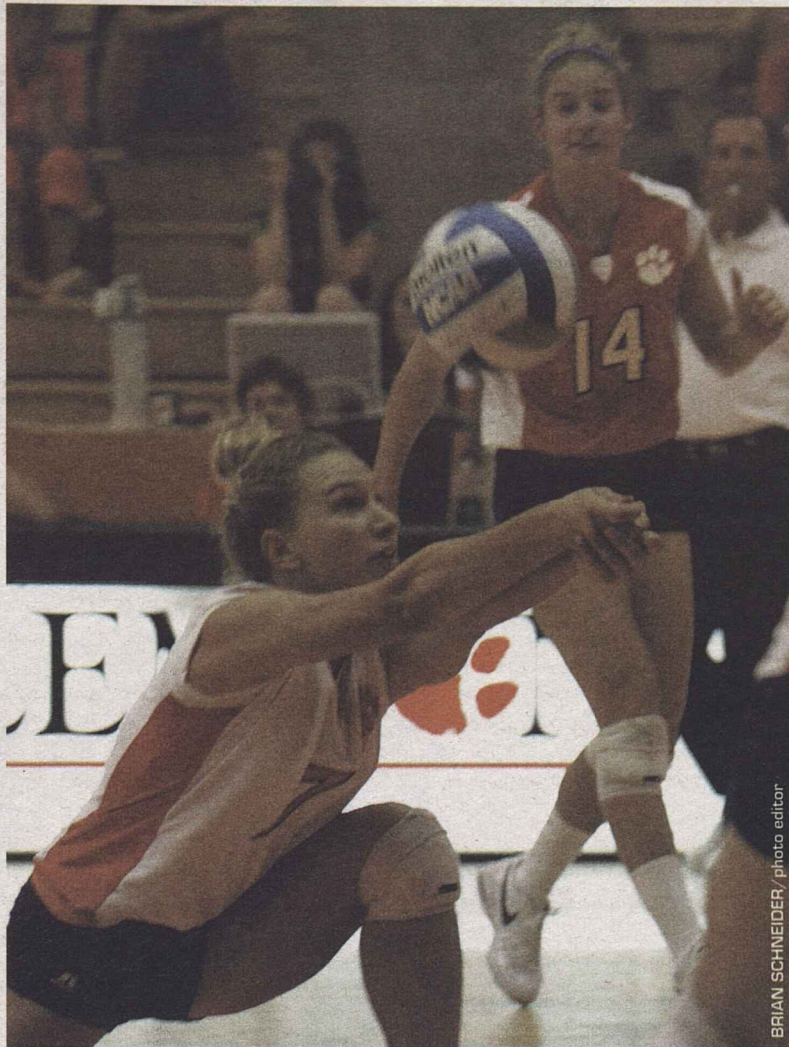
The Wolfpack gained an early 7-3 lead in the first set, but 10 attack errors gave the Tigers the edge at 19-15. Senior Kelsey Murphy's 11 assists and four digs pushed Clemson to a 25-19 set win.

In the second set, the Tigers' offense performed nearly flawlessly, hitting 11 of the 18 attempted kills. In contrast, N.C. State committed nine errors on nine hitting attempts. The combination of Clemson's offensive aggression, propelled by Sandra Adeleye's four kills and the Wolfpack's high error consumption, the Tigers easily snatched the second set 25-13.

The third set proved to be the charm for the Tigers as they volleyed their way to a 25-17 victory. The teams traded points back and forth until they reached 13-12 score, with the Tigers on top. Then Clemson broke away with a 9-1 run, and eventually sealed the match 25-17.

The Tigers posted impressive individual stats in the triumph over N.C. State. Adeleye led the team with 10 kills and five blocks, while Lia Proctor added eight kills and teammate Natalie Patzin contributed six kills with no errors.

Murphy totaled 28 assists and eight digs in the match. Senior Didem Ege recorded the most digs for the Tigers with fourteen.



Senior Didem Ege sets during a match in Jervey Gym earlier this year. Ege and the Tigers are sitting pretty at fourth place in the ACC.

The Clemson volleyball team traveled to Chapel Hill, N.C., on Saturday to take on fellow ACC rival the Tar Heels. Rallying from a 2-1 deficit, the Tigers rescued the match from North Carolina's possession to come back and win 3-2.

Adeleye had a career-high performance with 19 kills in the crucial conference win. Tying Adeleye's kills was teammate Proctor who also had nineteen.

Although the Tigers collectively had a poor .121 hitting percentage, Adeleye picked up six of her 19 kills in the first set. Clemson was overtaken 13-25 by North Carolina in the first set, though.

The second set appeared to look the same way with the Tar Heels dominating. But the Tigers, down 10-14, had an offense boost triggered by freshman Serenat Yaz's entry into the rotation.

This, along with the combo of Adeleye and Proctor's kills set up by Murphy, allowed Clemson to narrowly capture the second set 25-23. Eight tied scores and three lead changes categorized this back-and-forth set.

North Carolina broke the 1-1 tie with a 25-19 win over the Tigers in set three. Stimulated by three Clemson errors, the Tar Heels started out with an early 5-1 lead. The Tar Heels stretched to a seven point lead at 13-6 not expecting a response from

Clemson. But the Tigers did retaliate some, bringing the score to 16-20. Unable to seal the deal, Clemson lost 19-25.

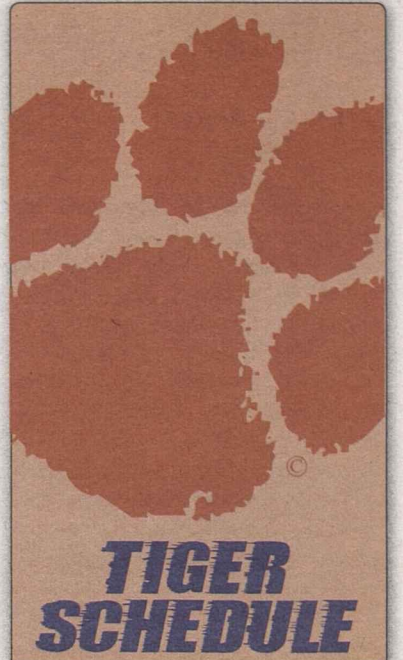
The fourth set marked the comeback for the Tigers, as they jumped out to a 5-2 lead and never looked back. Proctor sparked jumpstart with two kills and an ace. Although the Tar Heels brought the game within one point at 21-20, Clemson called a timeout to regroup and close out the match 25-20.

The fifth set turned into a blocking game by the Tigers, perpetuating the ultimate Clemson victory. Kills by Adeleye, Yaz and Proctor, which split the North Carolina defense, were accompanied by vital solo blocks by Alexa Rand and Kelsey Murphy which pushed Clemson to the top 15-11. A solid team effort by the Tigers trumped the North Carolina Tar Heels.

Murphy tallied 46 assists and 11 digs, and Proctor contributed with her own double-double of 19 kills and 15 digs. Ege posted another impressive round of 35 digs. Formerly playing mainly a server's role, Yaz saw her first major playing time as a freshman. Her career-high eight kills and nine digs were a crucial force in the victory.

With these two road victories over ACC opponents, the LadyTigers improved their record to 18-7 overall, and 8-5 in conference play. The win over North Carolina allowed Clemson to steal fourth place in the ACC standings from the Tar Heels.

Clemson will look to improve its record as the team travels to Boston College and Maryland this weekend for its final road trip of the season. Wins over the Eagles and Terps on Friday and Saturday, respectively, would place the Tigers in a prime position for the upcoming ACC Championships.



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Friday 11/6
North Carolina
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Maryland
7 p.m.
College Park, Md.

Sunday 11/8
Boston College
Noon
Chestnut Hill, Mass.

Friday 11/13
Florida State
7 p.m.
Clemson, S.C.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Friday-Monday 11/6-9
ITA National Indoors
All Day
Madison, Wis.

MEN'S TENNIS

Friday-Sunday 11/6-8
Virginia Tech Invitational
All Day
Blacksburg, Va.

WOMEN'S ROWING

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Clemson, S.C.

Friday 11/13
Presbyterian College
8 p.m.
Clemson, S.C.



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Staff Pick-em

	Northwestern vs. Iowa	South Carolina vs. Arkansas	Maryland vs. N.C. State	LSU vs. Alabama	Ohio State vs. Penn State	Oklahoma vs. Nebraska	Duke vs. North Carolina	Navy vs. Notre Dame	Florida State vs. Clemson
Brandon (49-23)									
Ryan (41-31)									
Chris (42-30)									
Aaron (43-29)									

Sluggish ACCs for XC

Tigers produce one All-ACC runner in Ruck.

APRIL WADE
STAFF WRITER

The Clemson Cross Country teams went the distance this weekend at the ACC championships and produced one All-ACC runner with Kim Ruck's ninth-place finish on Saturday. She led the team this weekend at the WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C.

Both the men's and the women's teams turned on the heat this weekend, but it was not enough to give either squad an overall win. Several of the players placed high, keeping the teams in respective ranks. The women's team finished ninth ahead of Virginia Tech, Georgia Tech and Miami and just one minute behind Wake Forest in total time. The men's team finished in 11th place, ahead of Miami and seconds behind Boston College and Wake Forest runners in total minutes.

The women's team improved upon last year's standings, and for the second straight year, Clemson had an all-conference runner on

the team. As a sophomore, Ruck finished with a time of 20:26.1 in this weekend's event, one of her best times. Her previous best was 21:27.6 in the 2008 season.

Other scorers in Saturday's race included freshman Lauren Reen, junior Stephanie Buffo, sophomore Alyssa Kulik, freshman Sarah Turman and senior Ashley Vaughn.

Reen came in second for the Tigers and 37th overall in the individual standings. She finished with the time of 21:43.6. Buffo came in third for the Tigers and 58th overall with a finishing time of 22:22.8, scoring for the Tigers for the second year in a row.

The final three scorers for the Tigers, Kulik, Turman and Vaughn, had the finishing times of 22:41.8, 23:00.4 and 23:26.4, respectively.

The men's team could not keep up with the pace of the women's team this weekend, but they did have a few runners finish with decent times.

Without their senior lead Will Noble, junior Chris Slate finished

as the top runner for the Tigers and came in 38th overall. Slate's improvement has been crucial to the Tigers' season. He finished with a time of 24:51.3 and also improved from last year's standings by 29 positions.

Jonathan Sunde followed not too long after in 56th place with a time of 25:19.6. The final three scorers were Tyler Morey with a time of 25:49.2, Blake Kennedy with a time of 26:07.3 and Chad Holt coming in 92nd with a time of 26:23.3.

With six of the top 23 runners in the field, N.C. State won the Atlantic Coast Conference cross country championship Saturday, edging two-time defending champion Virginia for the men's title.

Florida State, meanwhile, placed seven runners in the top 20 and rolled to the women's team championship over runner-up Duke.

Despite the decent individual standings, the Tigers will have to pick up the pace because they hit the ground running Nov. 14 for the NCAA Southeast Regional in Louisville, Ky.

Men's soccer victorious over Pack

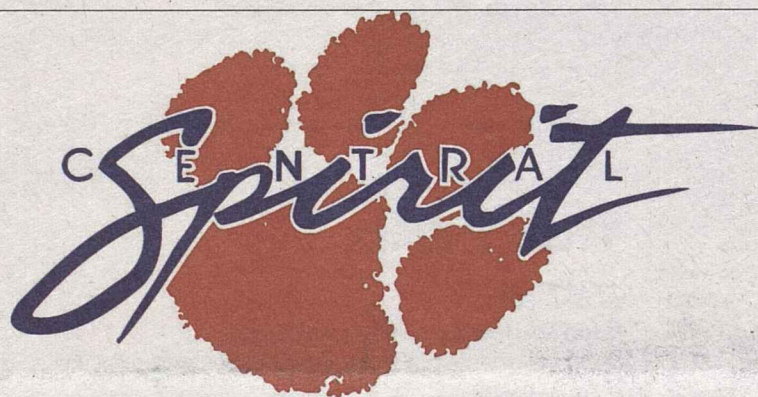
DAYTON RIDDLE
STAFF WRITER

Austin Savage has been on a tear in the past several games and recently scored in the 85th minute to lift the Tigers over N.C. State. Savage has now scored in the past three games assisting the Tigers with a three game winning streak. The Tigers were out-shot by the N.C. State Wolf pack 15-12, but the only statistic that matters is that the Tigers walked away with a victory.

The Tigers looked set to make it another overtime game late in the second half, but Eric Cava took a shot that ricocheted right to Savage who netted his fifth goal of the season. This is the second time this season that Clemson has beaten a top-11 team this season. Again, the Tigers were able to hold their opponent scoreless. The Tigers back line has been incredibly successful as they tried to cover up the fact that the Tigers cannot score efficiently on a regular basis. Joseph Bendik had a good game making several key saves in the second half as the Tigers held on for the last five minutes of the game.

The Tigers also had a good game against Longwood on Tuesday night. Conner Barbaree got his first goal of the season from the penalty spot. The lead was quickly doubled when Nathan Thornton scored his 6th goal of the season. Longwood eventually brought the lead back to 2-1 with a strike in the 81st minute, but their hope was soon put to rest by Savage when he netted his 3rd goal in as many games. Savage eventually earned Co-ACC Player of the Week and is quickly putting his mark on the future of Clemson soccer.

The Tigers now look to battle second-ranked North Carolina at Historic Riggs Field on Friday night for the last home game of the season. The game is set to start at 7 p.m. and should be a good setup for the Tigers heading into the ACC Tournament, if they manage to pull the upset.



Central Spirit would like to thank all participants who contributed to the success of Homecoming. A special thanks goes out to each organization that participated in the traditional float build on Bowman Field. All the floats looked great and captured the essence of the theme - Legends of the Valley!

The Winners of the float build are:

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clean sweep of the top three in the 50 free. Freshman Eric Bruck displayed great speed en route to a stellar time of 20.43, while fellow freshman Marcus Elliot and sophomore Myles Oliver finished second and third, respectively.

Freshman Meg Anderson stole the show in the women's 100 free, edging out South Carolina's Sharnelle McLean.

Clemson then swept the men's and women's 100 butterfly, with Justin Chatlosh winning for the men with a time of 50.46 and freshman Heather Savage bringing one home for the women with her time of 56.79.

In diving, South Carolina's Courtney

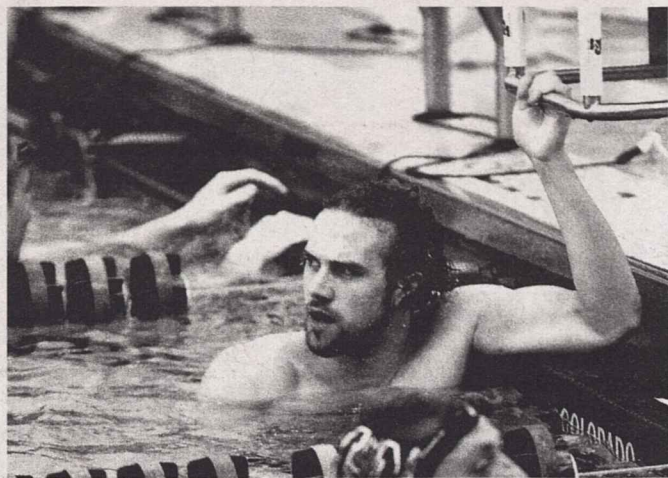
Forcucci swept both events. Clemson's Brooke George and Cassie Self finished third and fourth on the one-meter and earned NCAA Zone scores with 272.25 and 268.35, respectively. On the men's side, senior David Giambria swept both events for Clemson with a score of 317.93 on the one-meter and 357.90 on the three-meter. Both of those scores qualified him for the NCAAAs.

As the final event (the 400 free relay) loomed, Clemson clung to a narrow advantage on both sides, and they needed wins to clinch victories. Both races were tightly contested, neck-and-neck down to the final touch. The women's relay of Meg Anderson, Heather Savage, Maddie Tarantolo and Tori Cervone held off the

Gamecocks with a time of 3:27.12 just out touching South Carolina's time of 3:27.75. The men's race was, incredibly, even tighter. Clemson's group of Seth Broster, Myles Oliver, Chris Reinke and Lee Groseclose just edged out South Carolina, their time of 3:05.93 a mere .03 seconds ahead of the Gamecocks.

With the win, the Clemson men improved to 3-1 (0-1 ACC) while the women remained perfect on the year, moving to 5-0 overall (2-0 ACC). South Carolina's men fell to 1-3 overall and the women to 0-4.

Clemson will have two weeks off before they head to Atlanta, Ga., for the Georgia Tech Invitational Nov. 20 to 22.



Kyle Shoemaker swimmer finishes a race against the Gamecocks on Friday. The men's side defeated USC 160-140.

RYAN BOURY/assistant photo editor

FANTASY FOOTBALL Do's AND Don'ts

So LaDainian Tomlinson, Steve Smith and other fantasy stars from years past aren't panning out the way you want them to. It's all good. Kevin Thomas knows who the real deal is.

QUARTERBACK**START EM****Aaron Rodgers QB Packers at Buccaneers**

Rodgers has developed into one of the best QBs in the league and is having a spectacular season so far. The Bucs have not stopped anyone this year, so look for big numbers from Rodgers this Sunday.

Matt Hasselback QB Seahawks vs. Lions

Hasselback has been a solid player in the NFL for several seasons. He always has the potential to put up big numbers through the air, and I expect him to put up some nice stats against the Lions.

Sleeper: Matt Ryan QB Falcons vs. Redskins

Ryan has thrown multiple interceptions each of the last few weeks. He will look to rebound this week against the sketchy Washington defense.

SIT EM**Ben Roethlisberger QB Steelers at Broncos**

The Broncos actually gave up a good amount of points last week in their first loss of the season to the Ravens. Look for Brian Dawkins and Champ Bailey to have the defense ready to go and shut down Big Ben this Monday.

Chad Henne QB Dolphins at Patriots

The Dolphins will probably try to keep Henne from having to make tough decisions by keeping the ball on the ground for most of the game. When Henne does throw, expect Bill Belichick to have the game plan devised to confuse him throughout the game.

RUNNING BACK**START EM****Maurice Jones-Drew RB Jaguars vs. Chiefs**

Jones-Drew has been playing out of this world lately. Look for a huge game out of him against the Chiefs.

Chris Johnson RB Titans at 49ers

Johnson ran for over 200 yards last week. The 49ers have been shaky against the run this season. Expect a big game from Johnson this Sunday.

Sleeper: Frank Gore RB 49ers vs. Titans

Gore broke off a long TD run against the Colts last Sunday, and the Titans have given up a lot of rushing yardage this season.

SIT EM**LaDainian Tomlinson RB Chargers at Giants**

LT has not been putting up the numbers he used to this season. It will be tough going for him against the Giants.

Tim Hightower RB Cardinals at Bears

The Bears have been pretty solid against the run, and look for Chris "Beanie" Wells to steal some carries from Hightower.

WIDE RECEIVER**START EM****Miles Austin WR Cowboys at Eagles**

Austin is on fire as of late. Look for him to find some holes in the Eagles defense Sunday.

Greg Jennings WR Packers at Buccaneers

Expect Rodgers to have a good game. He will hook up with Jennings several times against the Bucs pass defense.

Sleeper: Nate Burleson WR Seahawks vs. Lions

Look for Hasselback to have a big game. Expect him to hook up with Burleson for a couple scores against the Lions.

SIT EM**Steve Smith WR Panthers at Saints**

Smith is having a disappointing season up to this point, and look for the Saints to shut him down.

Santonio Holmes WR Steelers vs. Broncos

Big Ben will struggle this week, expect the same for Holmes, who will have Champ Bailey covering him most of the game.

TIGHT END**START EM****Jason Witten TE Cowboys at Eagles**

Witten is one of the best TE's in the league and he always seems to show up in big games.

Sleeper: Greg Olsen TE Bears vs. Cardinals

Olsen is very athletic and will cause matchup problems for the Cardinals defense.

SIT EM**Tony Scheffler TE Broncos vs. Steelers**

The Steelers defense will have a game plan to shut down Scheffler.

KICKER**START EM****Matt Stover K Colts vs. Texans**

The Colts will score a lot of points, meaning a lot of them will come from Stover.

Sleeper: Josh Scobee K Jaguars vs. Chiefs

The Chiefs will not be able to stop the Jaguars, so look for lots of points from Scobee.

SIT EM**Jason Hanson K Lions at Seahawks**

The Lions don't even get close enough for a field goal; leave Hanson out.

DEFENSE/ SPECIAL TEAMS

START EM**Atlanta Falcons D/ST vs. Redskins**

The Redskins offense has been abysmal this season. Expect the Falcons to shut them down this Sunday.

Sleeper: Green Bay Packers D/ST at Buccaneers

The Bucs are going with rookie Josh Freeman at quarterback. Look for the Green Bay defense to confuse and contain Freeman and the Tampa Bay offense.

SIT EM**Carolina Panthers D/ST at Saints**

Nobody has been able to stop the Saints this season, and that's not going to change this weekend.

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When No. 6 put six on the board, all traces of previous plans were erased only to be replaced with one pressing priority: celebration. Whether it was the driver of the car honking merrily on the road, the person throwing lawn furniture off of his balcony or one of the many shirtless dudes belting the cadence count while running down the streets, each person in Clemson on that fateful night made a decision to consecrate the win in a way all their own.

In my many years at Clemson, I have never seen the students of this University come together so strongly after a sporting event. Complete strangers became new friends, and those who are normally shut-ins made their presence known all over. A few hundred students even found themselves outside of Death Valley at one in the morning to welcome back their triumphant Tigers.

Ultimately, the night of Oct. 24 was a blur of excitement, friends, beer pong and cadence counts for most who chose to stay up and revel in the victory. Getting lost in the flurry of activities, I forgot a key piece of history from just five years ago. When I awoke the next morning, it all came back to me: this has happened before.

The year was 2004, and most of us were still fledgling high school kids. The ACC had just expanded to an 11-team league (Boston College had yet to join) and the Clemson Tigers ventured down to Miami to face off against the Hurricanes in the Orange Bowl. The Tigers came back late in the game to win an overtime thriller against a highly ranked Miami team, cementing their place as a team that has arrived on the scene.

I had never been more excited to wear orange during my adolescent days as a Clemson fan than I was after beating the Hurricanes in 2004. Unfortunately, the Tigers followed that game up by laying a stinker at Duke and losing 13-16 just seven days later.

The point to all of this is that even though the sky is the limit for our Clemson Tigers, just be prepared to witness the unexpected. While I firmly believe that our team has the tools to win out for the rest of the season, this excludes a measurement that I like to call the "Clemson Factor."

Unlike how most teams find it difficult to go from beating a highly ranked team to losing to one of the worst in the nation, Clemson University has historically been inconsistent enough to play its way out of conference title contention for 18 years and counting. This is due to the Clemson Factor, a trait that causes solid teams to find a way to lose in the face of greatness. When using this trait, Clemson is termed as a verb rather than a noun. An example of this is, "Wow, Oregon really Clemson'd it up when they beat USC and then lost three of their last four games."

Since the ACC expansion to 12 teams in 2005, Clemson has yet to find its football squad playing in one of the four conference championship matchups. This is not to say the Tigers were far from achieving that goal throughout the years.

In 2005, Clemson lost a heart-breaker by one point to Georgia Tech late in the season to deny its entry in the ACC Title Game. The 2006 team lost two home games by one point each to Boston College and Maryland, handing Wake Forest the Atlantic Division's entry to the big game. Fans who were at the 2007 "win-and-in" Boston College game in Death Valley still have nightmares of the football sailing through Aaron Kelly's outstretched hands in the end-zone.

Clemson currently controls its conference destiny and has three remaining conference matchups on the regular season schedule, none of which are against ranked teams. The Tigers will start out on their quest to make the ACC Championship game this weekend against a Seminole team having a down year. Because FSU already has three conference losses, a Clemson victory this weekend would end the team's hopes to play in Tampa at the end of the season.

Tied atop the ACC Atlantic with a 3-2 conference record are the Boston College Eagles, who the Tigers hold a crucial tiebreaker over. Always the thorn in Clemson's side, the Eagles are the ultimate threat to beat out our Tigers to the Championship game for the third year in a row. Boston College has three remaining ACC games against Virginia, UNC and Maryland.

With BC facing relatively easy competition, most of the pressure is now on the boys in orange and purple to perform at their best level. Because of the circumstances, Clemson will have to prepare for every game as if it is an elimination game.

After a tough FSU game, the Tigers will face a possible landmine against Russell Wilson and a North Carolina State University team that always seems to improve as the season progresses. Should Clemson persevere and find themselves victorious through their next two matchups, Death Valley will be rocking when UVA comes to town on November 21st.

While it is fun to look ahead at the schedules and project the future, I learned a long time ago that the "Clemson Factor" far outweighs any common sense in late season matchups. If our last three conference games were based solely on a measure of talent, the Tigers would win hands down. The truth is that with all of the promise and potential that this team has, we are just one picked off bubble screen or piss-poor Ron Cherry call away from being forced to watch the conference championship game at home.

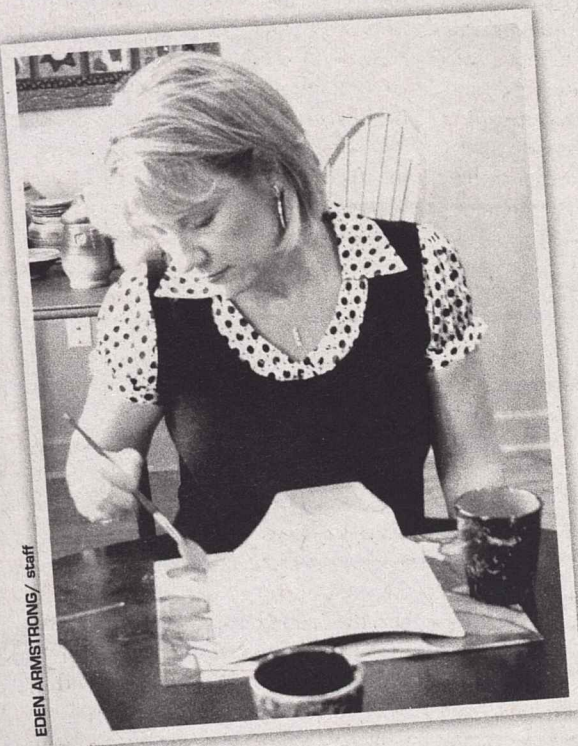
Amazing as the Miami game was for everyone who watched Clemson win, it was still just one game out of the season. Even after a dominating win over Coastal Carolina, the 2009 Clemson Tigers will have to dig deep in the remaining portion of the schedule if they wish to find themselves playing for the conference championship out of the Atlantic division.

But if it was that fun to win a big game on the road, imagine how great it would be to win the ACC.

Glazing a trail

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Nestled in the quaint shopping center known as Victoria Square lies the hidden gem of downtown Clemson. Glazed, a paint-your-own pottery shop, was opened six short months ago and has been attracting intrigued customers ever since.

Deborah Burley, a nurse who has lived in Clemson for 15 years, decided to open this unique studio to provide an opportunity for anyone looking to release his/her creative side. "It's definitely a fun activity for all ages," said Burley, the proud mother of two Clemson students. The idea came to her after her daughter gave her a gift of the sort. "Personalized pottery is so meaningful, especially with the holidays coming up. They make great gift!" Burley said.

Glazed provides a relaxing experience for those looking for something unique to do with their leisure time. Don't think you're artistically inclined? No worries, you need not be even remotely close to Michelangelo to enjoy this place. Many might not know what to expect from such a studio, so here's the inside scoop.

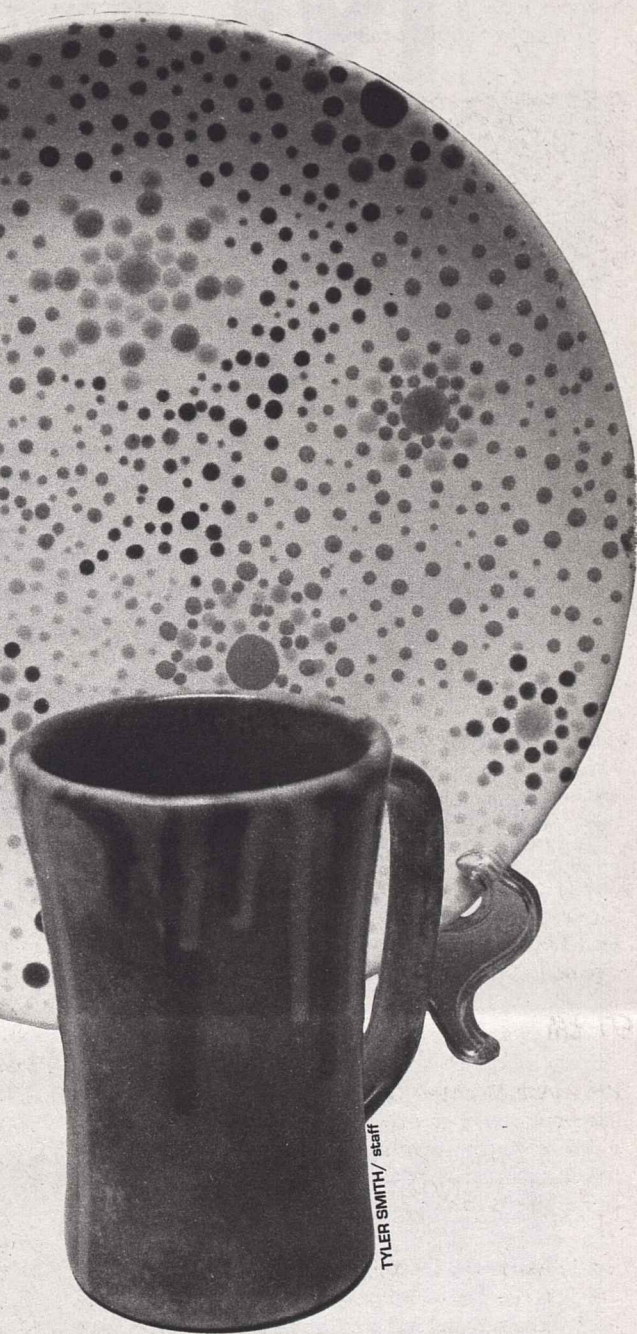
Upon entering, you must choose from more than 100 pieces, known as bisques. After selecting your bisque, it is time to move on to colors. There are about 60 different colors of glazes to choose from, so if you are indecisive, you may want to think of a color scheme prior to arriving. It is then time to carry on to the next steps, painting and designing your unique bisque. Following a sweltering stay in the kiln, your clay masterpiece will be ready for pick up in less than a week.

Although this can be a fun activity done solo, it is definitely a one of a kind experience that should be shared in the company of others. Burley encourages groups to come in together and has hosted many private parties for sororities, as well as an assortment of other organizations. No matter whom you come with, though, you are allowed to bring your own food and drinks. This includes alcohol...that is if you're of age, of course.

Aside from your own creations, other products are options for purchases. Eric Burruss, a senior majoring in Fine Arts, has several of his works featured at the studio. Original quilts, made by local artists, are available, as are Thistle Ridge Soaps. These tantalizing smelling soaps are handmade locally in Walhalla, S.C.

In the coming months, several exciting things will be occurring at Glazed, which nobody should miss. On Thursday, Nov. 12, Off the Vine will be sponsoring a wine tasting event at the pottery haven. Tasty appetizers will be provided, and any wine that tickles your fancy will be available for purchase. Upon returning from Winter Break, be sure to swing by Glazed because the studio will then be offering an option called glass fuzzing. Similar to pottery, there are many colors to choose from. The glass is laid on tile, baked in the kiln and then slumped into the mold of your choice. Glass bowls are a very popular option.

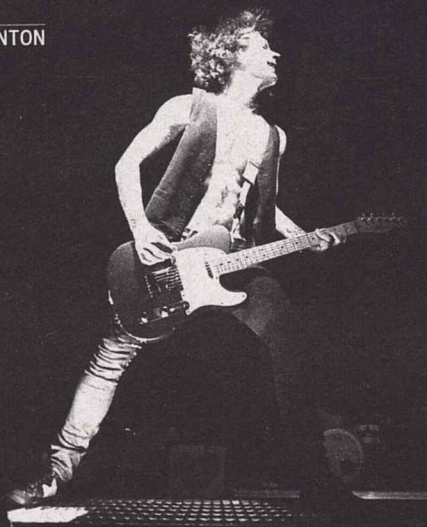
The holidays are just around the corner, but before we get there, we must endure the agony and stress that goes along with the end of the semester and dreaded finals. Glazed not only provides the opportunity to make a personalized gift that anyone would love to receive, but it also presents a fun, relaxing and memorable experience. Don't be shy, there's an artist in all of us.



TYLER SMITH/ staff

FALL BALL FEATURING MAYDAY PARADE AND THE ACADEMY IS...

GREG BLANTON



SCOTT SMALLIN/ contributed photo

They're a rowdy bunch those Disney teens. All awkward self-awareness and hormonal rage, being among them makes one feel — it pains me to say it — old. Yet we did have common ground: my fists and theirs, pumping in the air to Miley Cyrus's "Party in the USA." all bore black X's — the scarlet letter of alcohol repression.

Fortunately, the occasion was not a Miley Cyrus show, but close. The Alternative Press Fall Ball Tour brought The Academy Is..., Mayday Parade and others to Amos's Southend in Charlotte last Friday.

The magazine's ironic title (what is pop alternative to, exactly?) set the tone for the show. The Secret Handshake, one of the Fall Ball's opening acts, skipped onstage all swagger and bravado: "I pretty much invented music" frontman and sole member Luis Dubuc announced with too little sarcasm before launching into a techno-heavy, vocoder-drenched dance jingle (Lil' Wayne meets hellogoodbye?). Metal-mouthed heathens roared their approval; I scratched my head, puzzled.

The incongruously tattooed Dubuc employs two puppets stationed behind a bass and drum kit, dressed up as "touring musicians," who together finished the show with a too-techno version of "Party in the USA," which according to Dubuc is "pretty much the best song ever." Douche bag? Pretty much.

Thankfully, the only group of the evening worth seeing followed. Set Your Goals adds up to far greater than the sum of its six parts. Never

mind being a ballsy neo-New Found Glory — SYG simply rocked. With its numbers and pure punk fury, Amos' dwarfish stage seemed ready to break under SYG's bulk and the wooden rafters shook from the California group's dual-guitar and dual-singer assault. Despite all the metallic power and punk ethos, each SYG had a smile on his face throughout, a rare display of love for music rather than lust for fame.

It is the latter motivator that seems to compel the Fall Ball's headlining pair. The Academy Is... and Mayday Parade. With no real creativity or originality, they depend more on style than substance. With neither the bite of rock nor the punch of punk, The Academy Is... are a tragic example of the revealing nature of a live show; without studio magic, music is revealed to be nothing more than bland. But style and pop sell, so why ruin a winning formula?

Mayday Parade at least had power. Unafraid to jump into a crunchy riff and metallic breakdown, then segue into shimmering pop sweetness, Mayday did have the power to move; the audience sang, danced and even moshed a little bit before calling the group out for an encore.

The good taste left in my mouth by an upbeat ending quickly turned sour when upon leaving I was faced by a scattering of parents waiting to collect their middle and high schoolers. It was at that moment that I realized that I'm in my twenties, and for the first time felt old. Fortunately, it was Halloween eve and there's no better way to channel our inner child than dress up, eat Jello and drink punch.

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Club Dance

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8 p.m. dance
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Behind Cooper Library

2 p.m.
\$25

Auditions for student-
directed 10-minute
plays

Brooks Center 108
2 – 4 p.m.
Free

Clemson University
Jazz Ensemble

Brooks Center for the
Performing Arts

8 p.m.
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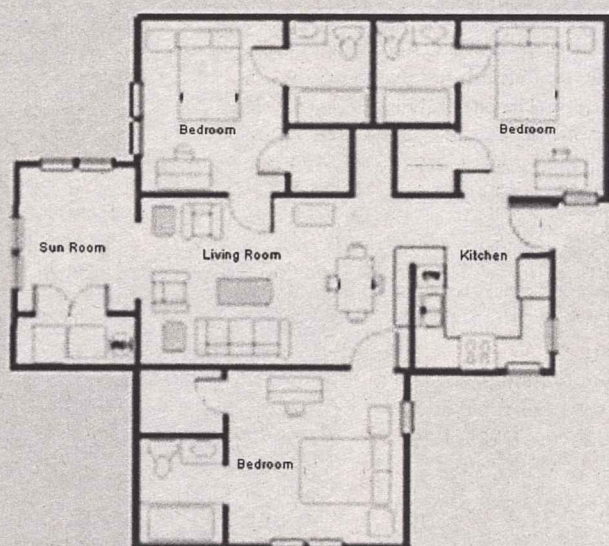
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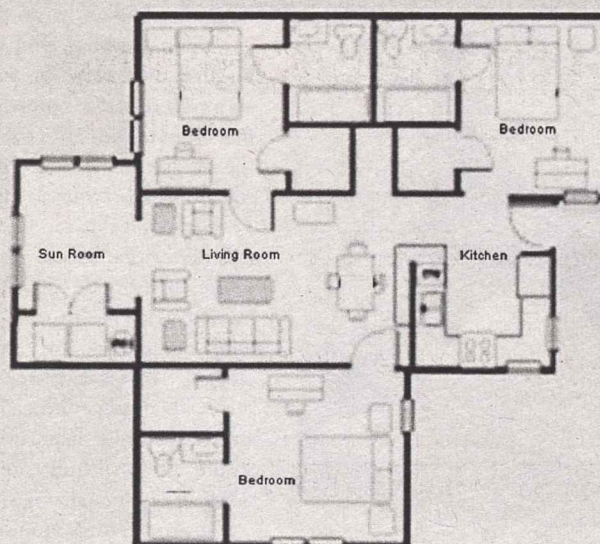
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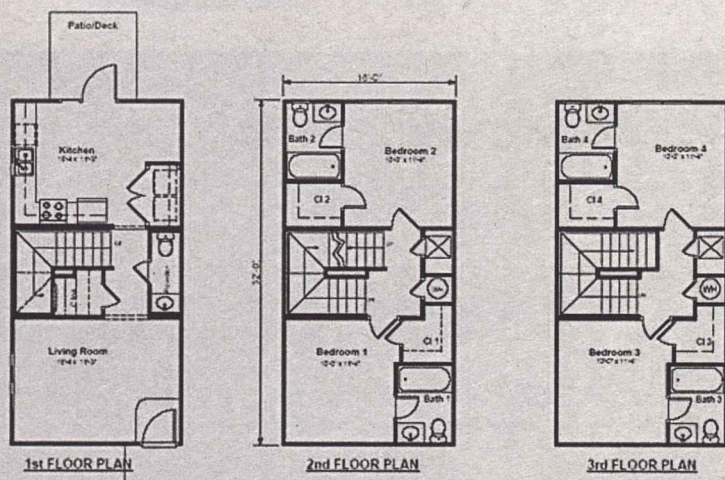
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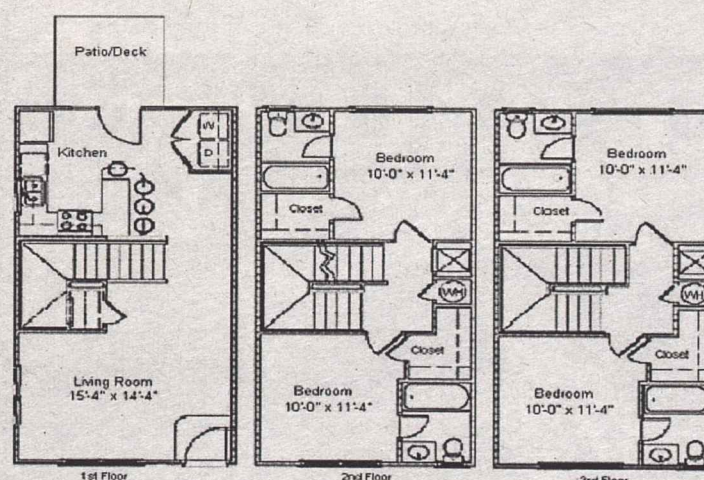
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EL QUIZ

1. A sufferer of misopedia has an abnormal aversion to what?
2. What is the average shock of an electric eel?
3. According to legend, in which country is golden city El Dorado said to exist?
4. Which team won the first NFL Super Bowl in 1967?
5. Who was the first person to travel into space?

RECIPE

Hot Spinach and Artichoke Dip

- 1 10-oz. package frozen chopped spinach
- 2 13 3/4-oz. cans artichoke hearts
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup grated pepper jack cheese

1. Grease a casserole dish with nonstick spray.
2. Heat the spinach in a microwave oven on high for five minutes and squeeze dry.
3. Drain the artichoke hearts and chop coarsely.
4. Combine all the ingredients except the jack cheese in a large bowl. Stir well.
5. Scrape dip into casserole dish and sprinkle the jack cheese on top.
6. Bake for 30 minutes at 350°F. Serve warm with bagel chips.

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17. Dough
18. Byway
19. Wing
20. Erie
22. Holy people
24. Resort hotel
27. Container
29. Group
30. Author, Victor
32. Ice cream brand
35. Evoke
37. Ca. University
38. Bad (prefix)
41. Wheel at amusement parks
42. Face
44. Thirst quencher
45. Not as much
48. Present from birth
49. Discovers
51. Airplane part
52. Blintz
55. Brassiere
56. Snacked
57. Crowbars
60. Explode
64. Self-esteem
65. Harvard's rival
67. Sewing need
71. Title of respect
72. Related
73. Center of much political dispute
74. Pigpen
75. Small licorice treats
76. Indian drum
- Switzerland
7. Outlying area
8. Card game
9. Parent teacher groups
10. Pop
11. Long lifting machine
12. Greek 'D'
13. Cramp
21. Reduced (abbr.)
23. That (possessive)
24. Deceive knowingly
25. Mush up
26. One hundred of these makes a shekel in Israel
28. Big Apple (abbr.)
31. Possessive pronoun
32. Attack
33. Rock and Roll "King"
34. Precipitation
36. Grainery
38. Common girl's name
39. Clerk
40. Ridge
43. Compass point
46. Sibling
47. Window coverings
49. Compass point
50. Hearing part
52. Consecrate
53. For real
54. Bone
58. Baseball's Nolan
59. Rice wine
61. Subdivision
62. Mexican money
63. Part of a semester
66. Liberal (abbr.)
68. Digital audio tape
69. Sign of the zodiac
70. Tree

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1. Bawl
2. Accountant
3. Inclined
4. Reserve Officers Training Corps.
5. Afloat
6. Capital of

WORD O' THE WEEK

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Definition:

Life's only resource that can be both painfully scarce depending on the quantity of projects, tests and assignments one has, or frustratingly abundant depending on the amount of weeks until Thanksgiving break.

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2. 400 volts
3. Columbia
4. Green Bay Packers
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HOROSCOPES

Aries

March 21 – April 19



Due to circumstances beyond your control, you will become a YouTube legend. Don't try to avoid it.

Taurus

April 21 – May 20



Your day is not going to get any better. The stars hope you are okay with that.

Gemini

May 21 – June 21



Shenanigans await you tonight. Prepare yourself by learning how to do the stanky leg.

Cancer

June 22 – July 22



Sure, Halloween was last weekend, but who says you can't hit up downtown again dressed like a Smurf?

Libra

Sept. 23 – Oct. 23



That shirt you're wearing is actually pink. Yep, you're colorblind.

Leo

July 23 – Aug. 23



This week you will find unprecedented excitement and inexplicable joy. Aren't you lucky?

Scorpio

Oct. 24 – Nov. 21



Just because this weekend's football game is at night doesn't mean there won't be rain involved. Consider yourself warned.

Virgo

Aug. 24 – Sept. 22



It's time to forgive Facebook for changing things up again. All that pent up rage will give you hemorrhoids.

Sagittarius

Nov. 22 – Dec. 21



Stock up on painkillers today. Yeah, it's going to be *that* kind of weekend.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 – Jan. 19



Your RA knows about your dog. Fortunately for you, the powers that be willingly accept bribes.

Aquarius

Jan. 20 – Feb. 19



The reason your best friend isn't talking to you has a lot to do with her birthday last week and how you totally forgot about it.

Pisces

Feb. 20 – March 20



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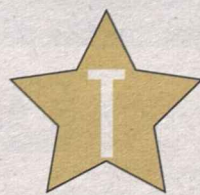
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TRAVIS TRAMPLES THROUGH THE TRENDS

Nov. 1 should become "National Walk of Shame Day." Some of you may instantly know why it should be.

Take for example, this text from "Texts from Last Night": "I just made a girl do the walk of shame. As a bumblebee. I love Halloween." Of course, you could make it "National Walk of Shame Week," considering I saw people wearing costumes as early as a full week before Halloween, and Halloween is a week-long event of fun, thrills and morning-afters walking back home in your Halloween costume from last night.

Nov. 1 is particularly enjoyable because normally the walk of shame can only occur during the early part of the day, but because you're wearing your scarlet-lettered costume, it can be spotted all day long. But as much as I enjoyed watching people mope down the streets in their costume this past Sunday and imagining just how their night went, there is a far more pressing issue at hand.

Why is the walk of shame a walk of "shame?" Most of you have wondered and questioned the trend, so here I am to further study the "walk of shame," especially because I enjoy them so much.

I will currently define the term as: the walk home the morning after a night of sex or possibly just boozing, occurring most frequently in college campuses and cities. More simply, according to the Oxford English Dictionary (yes, the term is in there), it was first recognizably used in 1990 meaning "the walk home in the morning after spending the night out with a member of the opposite sex." The term makes more sense in 1990, but now, in 2009, it seems less relevant.

A walk of shame is no longer shameful in context. This new generation, far more sexually liberated than those of the '60s, and still more than those of 1990, for the most part embraces sexual activity.

Managing to seduce someone is a "score" or "getting lucky" and less likely to earn you that scarlet letter and scorn for your impurity and promiscuity.

For better or worse, we're part of an American culture that endorses sex (check out Asher Roth's "I Love College"), alcohol (listen to that music video) and drugs (your buddy will hear the song and light one up). Inevitably, actively practicing these vices has its stigmas, but as long as the use doesn't become abuse or addiction, it's all cool.

And for the most part, having sex is a pretty solid way to be cool: addiction is less frowned upon than alcoholism and any hardcore drug use.

But sex is still frowned upon enough to spawn the "walk of shame" term for those who take the stroll home after a night of success. I am far more leaning towards the "walk of fame" feeling and title. But of course this is largely from a 21st century male's point of view, where 13-year-old boys who lost their virginity are heroes. Girls have to deal with the double standard that makes it more socially unacceptable for a woman to be sexually active. Even as the chasm formed from that double standard closes more and more with television shows like "Sex and the City" and all that spawned from it, the social repercussions for a wanton woman are pervasive and disciplinary.

Still, if we assume a world without this double standard, there are still gender roles. I will bet a personal walk of shame in a Big Bird outfit from Hart's Cove to

High Pointe that the female sex are more frequently forced into a walk of shame situation; because the man drives, the man invites the girl back to his place and the woman actually has things she needs to get back to do, or just feels gross.

So take this factor in with another that I haven't introduced, the morning after unkemptness factor, where you're wearing your night clothes from last night, sporting bed head and taint of bad breath should anyone dare to come within a foot of you. This combines with a far more disheartening double standard that women are expected to adhere to consistent beautification and at the least seem presentable. The walk of shame for women then combines into social evidence of a woman's debauchery and slovenliness, whereas for a man the two factors may inherently negate each other because "he just looks rough because he got lucky last night."

The rise to fame of the term "walk of shame" is definitely a peculiar one the way its literal definition may conflict with its connotative meaning. Truly it's probably just a term that stuck because it's funny, and it probably won't go anywhere.

As for the usual imploration, I ask you to mess with the system. For those of you frequently sending persons off on a walk of shame, leave a collection of stickers or pins that say "I'm on my walk of fame" for those desperate departed. You could just leave one so it doesn't seem like this is a regular thing, but if you're up for embellishment, I suggest that you add on so that the tag says "I'm on my walk of fame from [your name's] place."

You'll be a campus celebrity in no time, but it may directly affect your success in the field.



TRAVIS ANDERSON



MELISSA WHITSON

This weekend, Nov. 6 through 8, expect to see something unusual flying above the city of Anderson.

Balloons Over Anderson, a hot air balloon festival featuring 25 balloons, will invade the nearby city, beginning with a 3:30 p.m. launch on Friday afternoon.

The free event marks the third hot air balloon festival Anderson has hosted in the past three years. The Great Southeastern Balloon Fest was first held in 2007 and again in 2008. Due to financial constraints, however, the city was unable to continue the festival this year despite the well received success of the event in previous years.

This past summer, Steve Lambert, owner of hot air balloon tourism company SkyScapes of America, LLC, spoke with the Anderson County Council members to garner support for bringing a balloon festival back to Anderson. Lambert asked for permission to use outdoor facilities at the Anderson Civic Center and explained that money would be raised privately.

With help from SkyScapes of America, LLC, volunteers and interested city officials, Balloons Over Anderson was organized and Anderson officials agreed to Lambert's request of using the Civic

Center grounds at no charge. The site includes a 35-acre launch field and ample space for parking.

Newly formed company Anderson Air Sports, LLC, assumed the task of raising necessary funds through private sponsors, though the festival's planners say they hope to create a non-profit corporation to take over all responsibilities relating to the balloon festival and similar events in the future.

In addition to the colorful hot air balloons, Balloons Over Anderson will feature kite demonstrations, the Fire Tower Flyers remote control airplane club and the Flying Tigers Skydiving Team who may be performing a jump from a hot air balloon. In the evening of Friday and Saturday, balloons will be lit and allowed to glow while being refueled for the next day's events.

Though there will be no competition flights as in years past, this weekend's festival will offer balloon flights to the public. One-hour flights with a traditional champagne celebration afterward will be available during sunrise or sunset. The festival will also feature hot air balloon tethered rides during the morning and evening flights, with tickets priced at \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 years and younger.

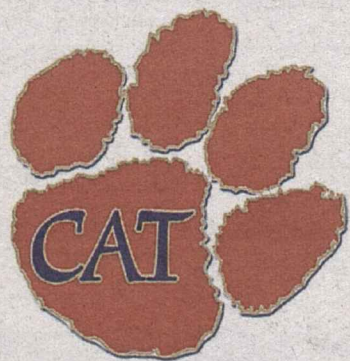
The balloons will be launched at 7 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, return for refueling at 8:30 a.m., and launched once again at 3:30 p.m.



CLEMSON AREA TRANSIT

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Lee Hall Gallery

Faculty members lend their creations to latest campus exhibit.

MARTY EPP-CARTER
PHOTOS BY BLAIR PAULIK

Currently on display in the Clemson University Lee Hall Gallery is the biennial department of art faculty exhibition.

This exhibit showcases the work of the current studio art faculty, allowing the Clemson community an opportunity to see the talent and diversity that exists within the art department. On display are works featuring the faculty's most recent explorations and finely crafted productions in their media specialties.

According to Mike Vatalaro, chair of the department of art, the faculty show provides an opportunity for the University community to see contemporary art made by faculty, which allows students in the art department to observe and study the work and allows students to better understand their professors' interests in art. Each faculty in the department of art, Vatalaro said, is committed to an ongoing studio practice in addition to their teaching responsibilities.

Student gazes at artwork in the Lee Hall Gallery's new exhibit continuing through Nov. 12.

"These are artists who are deeply engaged in developing ideas and bringing forth new solutions through creative research driven by provocative cultural issues."

With 12 artists in the show, it would be impossible to do justice to any with a description of their work in the space allowed here. So, the following is a brief summary of the work and concepts of the four newest faculty members.

Christina Hung, assistant professor of digital art, is showing a large photograph digitally stitched together from smaller photographs taken through a microscope. Hung works with a researcher in the Clemson Biophotonics Lab to create images using neurons harvested from chick embryos. Hung said: "I am creating

images that re-present elements of our world (neurons, soil samples, bacteria, etc.) at a new, intermediate scale between the microscopic and the plainly visible."

Assistant professor of art in painting, Todd McDonald, has three large paintings in the exhibit. McDonald said this about his work: "Through abstractions of architectural structures, my images explore the contemporary visual rhetoric where the virtual and material collide. Now, we are confronted with new digital tools that are shaping the character of visual culture." He goes on to say, "The resulting images define structures that are synthetic but are rooted in a logic that is informed by actual visual experience."

Anderson Wrangle, assistant

professor of art in photography, has a photographic diptych in the exhibit, as well as an installation. The installation includes two pieces of modernist furniture and three small video monitors displaying a view of nature with a surprising twist. Of this piece, Wrangle said: "The opposition of pictorial ideas of Nature is here split between Modern and Post-Modern; order, chaos, ideal form, the picturesque and creeping doom."

David Donar, assistant professor of art and digital production arts, has a new video in the exhibit. The video opens with a gentleman in well-worn overalls clogging to the toe tapping rhythms of a fiddler and a banjo player on his front porch. The music ends, the three friends say goodbye and the gent in the overalls goes inside, takes

off his shoes and goes to bed. I won't give away the ending here; suffice it to say it's an Appalachian version of Fischli and Weiss's "The Way Things Go." You've got to see it to find out the way it goes.

Included this year in the Faculty Exhibition are Syd Cross, printmaking; Dave Detrich, sculpture; David Donar, digital production arts; Sue Grier, ceramics; Lynette House, drawing; Christina Hung, digital art; Heidi Jensen, drawing; Joey Manson, sculpture; Todd McDonald, painting; Denise Woodward Dietrich, ceramics; Anderson Wrangle, photography; and Mike Vatalaro, ceramics.

The show will be in the Lee Hall Gallery until Nov. 12, and then it will travel to the South Carolina Governor's School in Greenville until Dec. 14.

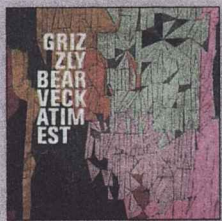


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DAVID BALLOU

Grizzly Bear "Veckatimest" May 2009



Grizzly Bear is a band from Brooklyn, N.Y., and here on its third album "Veckatimest," has truly come into their own. The band's previous albums showed flashes of brilliance but were muddled by a sense of wandering as if the it wasn't sure where they wanted to go with each song. Here, a much more focused and direct effort has resulted in one of the year's finest albums.

Named after an island off the coast of Massachusetts, "Veckatimest" evokes thoughts and images of a rustic seaside summer home while still preserving a radical experimental edge. Grizzly Bear utilizes all four members to their fullest abilities. Each song is structured primarily around the vocals. In songs like fan favorite "Two Weeks," the soaring ethereal nature is reminiscent of fellow Brooklyn indie darlings Animal Collective, although with much more attention paid to form and with the goal of beauty as opposed to outright experimentation in mind. The term "psych folk" has been applied to both bands, and I think the tag is very appropriate. Standout opening track "Southern Point" begins with acoustic guitars before exploding into the full band sound. The interludes between the verses are akin to Steve Reich's Electric Counterpoint, and the tasteful percussion adds immensely to the sound.

Mostly though, the music is just unapologetically pretty. "Ready, Able," "I Live With You" and the haunting final track "Foreground" are especially beautiful, each utilizing a string ensemble, a vocal choir or both. While not the most rock out album you'll hear this year, when Jay-Z and Beyonce show up at your concerts, and Johnny Greenwood calls you his favorite band, it's time for all of us to listen up.

Wild Beasts "Two Dancers" September 2009



"Two Dancers" is another excellent album from the Domino Record label this year, on the heels of Animal Collective's Merriweather Post Pavilion and Dirty Projectors' Bitte Orca. This album is at least on par with those two, if not superior. The band's use of multiple singers and polyrhythmic instrumentation make for a very interesting and satisfying experience, and worth multiple listens.

First, the vocalists. Hayden Thorpe has undoubtedly one of the most unique voices today, a high warbling falsetto that is often used in the form of yelps and wails. Unsurprisingly, the lead single is titled "Hooting and Howling." "We're just brutes clowning 'round in cahoots / We're just brutes looking for shops to loot," spouts Thorpe, as the song builds to a climax before breaking into the chorus.

In contrast, Tom Flemming's tenor provides an excellent change of pace. On "All The King's Men," he describes pursuing girls from various places in England while declaring, "You're birthing machines / And let me show, my darling what that means!"

Musically the band is reminiscent of Yeasayer or ethnically minded Talking Heads, with layered new wave guitars backed by a strong rhythm section.

Drummer Chris Talbot holds it all together with understated yet sophisticated playing. The two-part title suite finds the band at its most dramatic, with some quasi-post rock juxtaposed with the polyrhythm found elsewhere on the album.

These two albums are now playing on WSBF FM Clemson 88.1.

TOP FIVE

flashback adventure movies

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5 "Hook." Not only does this film have an incredibly stacked cast, but who doesn't enjoy a modern twist on a classic fairytale? Now an adult, Peter (Robin Williams) is forced to return to Neverland when Captain Hook (Dustin Hoffman) steals his children. But with the help of the lost boys and Tinker Bell (Julia Roberts), Peter quickly gets back into the swing of swords, pirates and crocodiles. Fighting off Hook proves to be quite the adventure, but as a child of the '90s, I can't wait to return to Neverland!

4 "Homeward Bound." Crossing miles of mountains, fighting off bobcats and forging raging rivers is no easy feat for anyone, let alone two house dogs and a house cat. But, for Shadow, Chance and Sassy, their incredible journey begins when they get lost in the wilderness, miles away from their home and family. Starring the voices of Don Ameche, Michael J. Fox and Sally Field, "Homeward Bound" is an emotional roller coaster, with an uplifting ending.

3 "Free Willy." A captured killer whale. A rebellious abandoned pre-teen. An elderly Native American mentor. Throw in a Michael Jackson theme song and a dramatic escape scene and you've got yourself a winner. No one is surprised when the imprisoned whale and neglected boy begin to form an inseparable bond, but that doesn't make their tender friendship any less enjoyable. Willy and Jesse save each other, and that's something even a 5-year-old can understand.

2 "Jumanji." Robin Williams' second appearance on the countdown comes in the form of a cursed board game. When Alan Parrish (Williams) and his friend Sarah sit down to play a round of Jumanji in 1969, they never expect it will take 26 years and two new players to finish. Before the game is won, the crew must battle a slew of dangers, including a stampede, killer mosquitoes and a hunter whose mission is to kill Alan. The movie will have you on the edge of your seat, but luckily Robin is there for the comical relief.

1 "Wild America." Wolves, snakes, moose, alligators, hippies, and explosions. Oh, and a cave full of grizzly bears. Not a problem for the Stouffer boys. As these three set out across the country to film America's most endangered predators, they get closer to nature than they could have ever bargained. This is a film for the whole family, however, adolescent girls might be its biggest fan based on the eye-candy. (Hello, JTI!) Nevertheless, this movie is an action-packed story that will have you on the rooting for the Stouffers from your living room!



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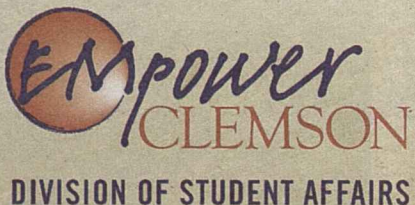
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