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**ROAD WARRIOR:** Clemson quarterback Will Proctor celebrates after the Tigers' 27-20 win over the ninth-ranked Seminoles. It was Clemson's first win at Tallahassee in 17 years. Check out our recap on page C1.

## Graduates teach across America

Program recruits graduates to teach in poor communities.

**LAUREN WALTERS**  
STAFF WRITER

"In America today, 9-year-olds growing up in low-income communities are already three grade levels behind their peers in high-income communities. Half of them won't graduate high school. Those who graduate will, on average, read and do math at the level of eighth graders in high-income communities. This is our nation's most pressing problem."

So reads the opening page of a pamphlet advertising Teach for America, a national corps of recent college graduates who apply to work in low-income rural and urban schools for two years.

Founded in 1989 by Wendy Kopp, Teach for America has grown into an organization that received 19,000 applicants for the 2006 corps.

Of those applicants, 4,400 were accepted and more than 1,000 schools scattered across the nation; locally, 108 teachers will be employed in Charlotte, N.C., while 140 will work at schools in Atlanta, Ga.

The average GPA of this year's corps members was a 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, and 96 percent of them held some type of leadership oriented position during their undergraduate education.

Reflecting the ethnic and economic makeup of the country, Teach for America's corps include 28 percent people of color and 25 percent Pell Grant recipients.

Teach for America began 17 years ago as an observation of inequality within the education system of the United States by Kopp, who at the time was an undergrad at Princeton University.

In an interview with Reader's Digest in June 2006, Kopp said, "While our country aspires to be a land of opportunity, where you're born does a lot to determine your educational prospects." Kopp, who majored in public policy, was writing her senior thesis when the idea of Teach for America occurred to her:

"Why doesn't this country have a national teaching corps that recruits young graduates to work in low-income communities the way we were being recruited to work on Wall Street?"

Teach for America was founded with 2,500 applicants and a \$26,000 grant from. "I realized there's an incredible amount of money in the world and people who are looking for good things to support," Mobil. Kopp told The New York Times. "If you just get in the door, you have a good chance of making your idea fly."

Growing exponentially over the past decade, Teach for America has expanded to include more than 25 regions, including geographically disparate areas such as the Mississippi Delta, Chicago, South Dakota, Hawaii, greater New Orleans and the Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

In both Chicago and South Dakota the corps grew by 46 percent in 2006; Washington, D.C. saw a doubling of its enrollment. Such developments are evidence of Teach for America's

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## University counters retirement, hires faculty

A large number of new teachers join the University's numbers.

**BLAIRE KOBLISKI**  
STAFF WRITER

Between October 2005 and August 2006, Clemson University has hired 180 new faculty members, 117 of them between the last academic year and the

start of the 2006-2007 school year.

This is an unusually large number for a university our size. The usual turnover between academic years for a university is about 30 to 40 faculty members, mostly because of retirement or relocation.

Why the unusually large turnover at Clemson this year? Sputnik? That's right, the first satellite that was launched into space by the Russians in the 70s. Not only did the Russians launch a satellite, but they launched a full on "race to space" with the United States and other technologically advanced nations.

The "race to space" brought to the attention of the academic world that there was an immense lack of young people interested in the world of science and engineering.

The U.S. education system called for a revival of science education, and the government budgeted an extreme amount of money to help schools better their science and engineering departments.

Clemson, like many universities across the United States, experienced a huge boom in their faculty population, but just like the other universities across

the nation, Clemson is now losing their "Sputnik boom" population to retirement.

Just as the government helped universities bring in teachers, new state programs are helping to take them out.

In 2001 South Carolina started a retirement system for teachers known as Teacher Enhancement Retirement Incentive (TERI).

This program allows state employees to retire and then work for five years earning the same salary and while

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SATURDAY: T-Storms  
83/68

SUNDAY: T-Storms  
81/61



# Medical exam offers a new digital format

Students can now take the MCAT on the computer.

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For all those aspiring to be doctors, April 22 and Aug. 19 of this year had somewhat of a daunting undertone; these dates were the only time when the paper and pencil format of the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) was administered.

If you did not do as well as you hoped or plan on taking the test for the first time next year, you do not have to wait until April because starting Jan. 27 the MCAT is changing to a completely computer-based test that will be offered 22 times a year.

"With greater options come greater responsibilities," said Matt Fidler, manager of

MCAT programs at the Kaplan Headquarters in New York City.

Although students will have the option to take the test on whatever date they choose, Fidler said that there are more things to worry about now because not only do you have to know the science, but you have to be able to manipulate the computer database and register earlier.

According to Fidler and the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), there are many benefits to the computerized test. On the computer, the test takes five and a half hours; three hours shorter than the paper-based format.

As a result of the shorter time period, the amount of questions on the test is reduced by a third. AAMC claims that despite the fewer number of questions, the level of diffi-

culty remains the same.

Senior biological sciences major Erek Majka said that this wasn't necessarily true. Majka, who studied abroad in Scotland last semester, took the April 22 MCAT in London on the computer.

"I thought it was a lot easier than taking a test with pencil and paper," said Majka.

He felt that the computerized test reduced the amount of time spent changing or reviewing answers.

"The fact that I didn't have to waste time erasing and changing answers helped," he said.

The test will automatically take you

back to the ones you didn't know. It gives you more time to make educated guesses.

Majka also said that the essay questions were easier to write, since he could skip around and didn't have to

spend time erasing. He noted that many people could probably type faster than they could write.

Not only will the computerized test be offered on Saturdays as it has been in the past, but also on different days of the week depending on the test date. Some of the tests will be administered in the afternoon, while others will be administered the traditional way, in the morning. On three of the test dates, June 15, July 13 and Aug. 9, there will be a morning and afternoon administration of the test.

"There is a lot of strategy to which test date you choose," Fidler said.

Majka advises students to take advantage of the test-taking dates. When he took the test in April, it was still one of only two dates offered during the year.

"I had an overnight bus trip from London to Glasgow

and then I had to stay in a hostel the night before the test," he said.

Overall, Majka said the he felt he benefited from the computerized test. To get ready for the test, he had taken an online computerized practice test in

addition to written ones, but didn't feel that either one had done a better job preparing him for the real thing.

"It's the same questions, just in a different

medium," he said. "It was the exact same test that everyone else took, just computerized."

Kaplan's web site lists the benefits of taking the test on certain days. For example, if you have finals in April or May, maybe January or sometime during the summer seems more ideal. But Majka made the point that if the June 15 test date looks good to you, it may also look good to many other students in South Carolina. This is why Majka stresses the importance of early registration; registration for the Jan. 27 MCAT starts Nov. 15.

According to Fidler, early registration is important because there are only 16 to 20 seats available at each testing site for each test date.

The MCAT will be offered at five Thomson Prometric testing sites in South Carolina. These sites include Aiken, Charleston, Columbia, Florence, Greenville and Rock Hill.

This is different from the past where the test was administered at various colleges and universities throughout South Carolina. Thomson Prometric centers provide students with ergonomic chairs, guest lockers and noise reduction headphones.

Although the MCAT will be administered more frequently, students can only take the test up to three times each year and cannot be registered for more than one test date at a time. The registration fee remains the same at \$210 per test, and there is a late registration fee of \$50 if you register past the deadline or you choose to change your test date or location.

One major drawback in the past has been that students have to wait 60 days to receive MCAT scores. The computer based test allows that time to be cut in half to 30 days. In 2008, AAMC will reduce the waiting time to only two weeks.

"Students will benefit the most from Kaplan because they have developed a computer based interface just like the MCAT," said Fidler. The program will continue to teach lessons in a classroom setting but students will take five computer based practice exams prior to the actual MCAT to simulate actual testing conditions. On Sept. 27, Kaplan will be hosting a free session at Clemson University called "The MCAT is Changing" at 7:30 p.m. to talk more about these major changes. The session will be held in 216 Long Hall.

Majka's advice to students: "Develop your clicking muscles."

**"The fact that I didn't have to waste time erasing and changing answers helped."**

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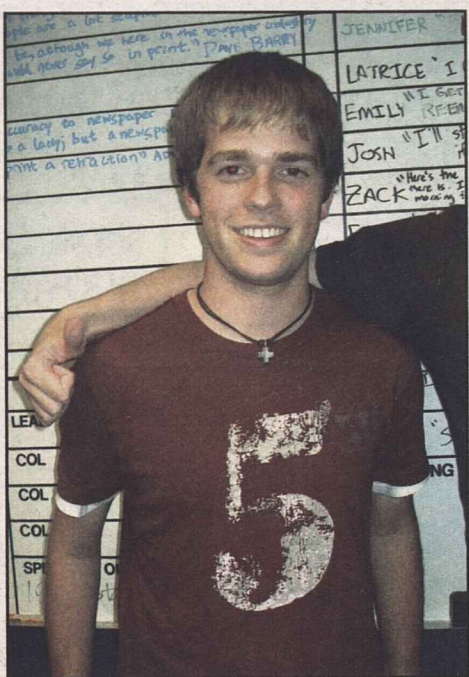
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**Jonathan Yongue** Clemson

Sex: Male  
Birthday: August 24, 1988  
Hometown: Six Mile, SC  
Graduated from: D.W. Daniel High School '06  
In a Relationship with: The Tiger

### Mini-Feed

### Information

Facebook, the popular online social network, is expected to undergo major changes in the near future in its membership restriction policies. Instead of containing its membership to just college students high school students, and certain top-notch corporate employees, Facebook will open up its pages to anybody and anyone who wishes to join. No restrictions.

The seventh most trafficked American web site daily, Facebook was created in February of 2004 by Mark Zuckerberg, of Harvard, as a place where users can post personal information, including photographs, interests ranging anywhere from a user's political views to their favorite book and even their relationship status (complete with the option to name the person you are dating, if you are). Immediately, it was a success among Harvard's students, and by December of the same year, more than one million college students from across America had joined. Of course, it was at first created exclusively for college students with a valid college or university issued e-mail address, but eventually it opened up to high school students and high-ranking corporate employees.

Now Facebook is opening up to anyone who has an e-mail address and wishes to join. There has been controversy over its latest addition, the "News Feed" and "Mini Feed," that shows recent activities of friends, such as when they add a new friend, join a group, add a new favorite book or even a change in their relationship status. This immediately infuriated many members, complaining it was invasive to their privacy and that it should be removed. Luckily for the more than 750,000 members who joined the "Students Against Facebook News Feed (Official Petition to Facebook)" group, just one of the groups created in response to the feeds minutes after the new portions were instated, creator Mark Zuckerberg wrote a letter to all users a couple days afterward and apologized for the "big mistake on [their] part."

He said, "I wanted to create an environment where people could share whatever information they wanted, but also with control over whom they shared that information with. Somehow, we missed this point...[when] we didn't build in the proper privacy controls right away." Obviously, while it wasn't what some of the group members were looking for, the security features that were added, which enable a user to personally control what information is shown on the feeds, were good enough for a compromise between a majority of the group and Zuckerberg.

Some are still uncomfortable, however, and do not like what Facebook is doing with all the new features and memberships. "It's not as bad as it was [before the security was added], but Facebook's [going] a little overboard...", Jonathan Meredith, a sophomore studying engineering, said. To him, as well as others, Facebook's add-ons are bringing it closer to MySpace, geared towards younger teens. "Facebook is more grown up; it's targeted towards a more mature audience. And that was the reason I joined Facebook: You had to be in college," said Meredith.

Zuckerberg posted a letter ahead of time on Facebook before the release of the newest addition, which should have been this week but was postponed due to the problem with the news feeds, stating his reason for expanding. He says, "Right now a lot of people want their friends to use Facebook, but they can't get on. Soon, we're planning on letting these people register for regional networks." He also adds that for anyone who has any "feedback" to send a message.

Facebook's privacy restrictions are something that has converted user after user from its biggest rival, MySpace. Right now, a member must ask the permission of other users before they are able to look at the information on those user's profiles, and vice versa. Evidence of Facebook's abundance of privacy can be found in Facebook's Privacy Policy page. Listed on this page is what Facebook does with your information, how it gets the information, who sees it and even a section for parents with recommendations of how to protect their kids from inappropriate or offensive material.

But not everything in the privacy page is to the users' liking. One particular part of the section, labeled "The Information We Collect," has spurred complications in the past. It says, "Facebook may also collect information about you from other sources, such as newspapers, blogs, instant messaging services and other users of the Facebook service through operation of the service," citing it helps provide users "with more useful information and a more personalized experience." Many users were obviously upset because of this, and Facebook has stated that the clause will not be put into the next version. However, data mining by people who have no connection to Facebook is still possible. This is obvious as two students last fall were able to download more than 70,000 personal profiles from three separate school networks as part of a research project.

Nevertheless, membership to Facebook continues to grow. Its privacy, however minutely flawed, brings people to Facebook. As many as 20,000 new memberships are created daily, not to mention the 1.5 million photos uploaded daily as well, and Facebook currently has 7.5 million U.S. college memberships, the biggest of any other college social network. Facebook looks to install its latest updates very soon, after it reads feedback and looks into responses in groups, erring on the side of caution this time.



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# Weekly World Update

## World Report

■ **Dictator refuses to sit down:** The chief judge in Saddam Hussein's trial ejected the ousted dictator from the courtroom during his first day of judicial rule. The former Iraqi leader refused to sit down after hearings had begun and argued with new Chief Justice Mohammad Orabi Majeed Al-Khalefa. On Tuesday, the Iraqi High Tribunal removed Chief Judge Adullah al-Almiri from the trial because of statements he made to Hussein. "You were not a dictator. It is the people around a person that make a dictator. That was not only the case with you specifically. It is all over the world," said Al-Almiri. The statement compromised the judge's neutrality, according to a government spokesman; however, the demand of the judge's replacement "greatly undermined the court's own appearance of neutrality and objectivity," according to Human Rights Watch.

■ **Elections for prime minister:** Soldiers and tanks filled the streets of Bangkok, but not a single shot was fired. Gen. Sonthi Boonyaratglin led the Wednesday morning coup while the Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra, who was widely accused of corruption and "undermining democratic institutions," was visiting London. King Bhumibol Adulyadej supported the coup, saying that it was executed in order to "create peace in the country." General Boonyaratglin promised to act as prime minister for two weeks, until an interim can be appointed; general elections will be held in October 2007, he said. While the coup drew criticism from countries such as Japan, Australia and the United States, many people in Thailand took to the streets, chanting their support of the overthrow.

■ **President's case thrown out:** The corruption case against former South African Deputy President Jacob Zuma was thrown out of court on Wednesday. The state's case against Zuma went from "one disaster to another," according to Judge Herbert Msimang. He also rejected the state's request for a postponement of the trial. Prosecutors accused Zuma of accepting bribes from a French company, Thint, during a controversial arms deal; after the initial charges last year, he was dismissed as Deputy President, though he retained a large base of popular support. In May, Zuma was found not guilty of raping an AIDS activist and family friend. He argued that the sex was consensual. Zuma's supporters maintain that both the corruption and rape charges were part of a political smear campaign.

## National Report

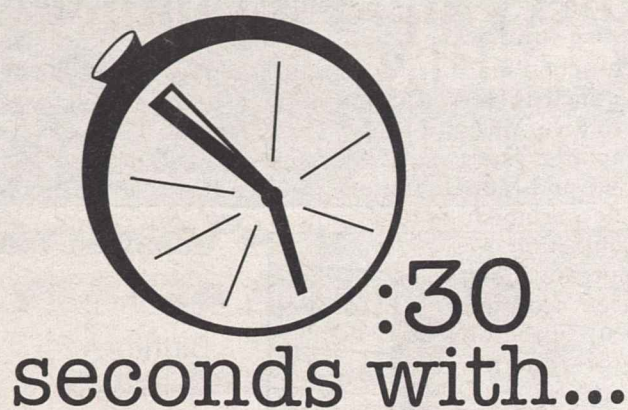
■ **Dead woman identified by a photo:** A photograph left near an unidentified woman's body led to an arrest in her murder. Colorado authorities arrested Jose Luis Rubi-Nava, 36, and charged him with homicide Tuesday night. The victim's face was too mangled to be identified, but the autopsy revealed that she died of asphyxiation and head injuries sustained by being dragged behind a car. An orange tow rope was also found around her neck. The photograph that led police to Rubi-Nava also contains a woman, but it is unclear whether she has been identified or has any connection to the homicide. Meanwhile, federal officials placed an immigration hold on Rubi-Nava.

■ **Border control for illegal immigration continues:** The Senate took up a bill to build a fence along the Mexico-U.S. border, though the Grand Old Party (GOP) that it was too late this year to enact a comprehensive effort against illegal immigration. The fence bill is intended to achieve at least some progress in dealing with the forefront political issue before Congress adjourns for six weeks during midterm elections. It follows an earlier bill passed in the Senate which combined more extensive border control with guest worker programs and measures to help give current illegal immigrants a chance at becoming citizens. Proponents of more comprehensive reform criticized the bill for its narrow proposal and for the lack of funding. According to informal estimates, the 400 miles of fencing could cost several billion dollars.

■ **Dangerous debris found in space:** NASA concluded that unidentified space debris does not pose a serious problem to the space shuttle Atlantis. Though the astronauts discovered three new objects floating outside the spacecraft, they completed two inspections and found nothing wrong with the shuttle. NASA cleared them to land at Kennedy Space Center in Florida at 6:21 a.m. EST on Thursday. "Nothing was found to be missing or damaged," said Wayne Hale, space shuttle program manager. "So we feel very confident that we're in for a very good landing opportunity." The objects did not appear to be heat shields, which were the part of the Columbia space shuttle that detached before its fatal attempt at re-entry in 2003.

## News By Numbers

- 7**  
number of millimeters that a Brazilian man can pop his eyeballs out of their sockets.
- 20**  
amount in dollars that a man jumped off of a bridge to catch.
- 42**  
number of years that a widow rented a rotary dial telephone.
- 150**  
weight in pounds of pig that wandered onto a major highway in Wisconsin.



**Stephen Gosnell**  
Student Body President

**Jennifer Salane:** What's your favorite class that you have taken at Clemson?  
**Stephen Gosnell:** Comparative Vertebrate Morphology. Yes, I'm a dork. It was a great class with a great professor about animals and how they are adapted to survive.

**JS:** What's the craziest thing that you've had to do as President?

**SG:** The oddest thing for me was speaking to the Future Farmers of America and 4H high school conferences this past summer at Clemson — especially when one president asked if I was normally paid to speak and the other called me sir. And no, I didn't take any money.

**JS:** If you could have a superpower, what would it be?

**SG:** I'd love to not have to sleep. It'd make life a whole lot easier.

**JS:** Who's your favorite Beatle?

**SG:** Ringo.

**JS:** Who would be your ideal first lady?

**DG:** I'll get in trouble if I don't say my fiancée, Courtney Smith, but I would say it was her anyway. Anyone who can deal with me has to be pretty good. Her birthday's next week, so if you see her tell her "Happy Birthday."

**JS:** If you could change the Hail to the Chief tune to a Top 30 hit, what would it be?

**DG:** I'm Too Sexy by Right Said Fred. Really, it'd be hilarious.

**JS:** Have you ever traveled outside of the country?

**DG:** Since coming to Clemson, I've hosted in Europe for one summer and visited the Galapagos Islands too. Everyone should try to do a study abroad semester or summer while they are here.

**JS:** What did you do there?

**DG:** I snorkeled with sea lions, turtles and sharks in the Galapagos and it was incredible.

## Expert addresses crisis

Nuclear weapon issues are addressed at the Strom Thurmond Institute.

**MARGARET FARISH**  
STAFF WRITER

One week after the fifth anniversary of Sept. 11, Matthew Martin opened the stage at Clemson Monday for discussion on the spread of nuclear weapons. Martin, who spent 10 years working in Washington under former Senator Bob Kerrey as senior defense aide, currently works for the Stanley Foundation as Program Officer for Policy Analysis and Dialogue.

Martin's lecture was presented by the Strom Thurmond Institute, the Political Science Department and the newly formed chapter of Americans for Informed Democracy. In his discourse, Martin gave an overview of the current international nuclear weapons crisis.

"Right after Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, the way in which the country has talked about weapons of mass destruction, nuclear weapons and non-proliferation has changed tremendously," said Martin.

He classifies the situation of the proliferation of non-nuclear weapons into three categories: threats of residual nuclear weapons surviving the Cold War, fears of potential new nuclear weapons states, and the opportunity and risk posed by the spread of nuclear energy across the globe.

"A lot of people thought that because the Cold War was over the threat from Russia had disappeared," said Martin. "We found out very quickly, however, that the collapse of the economy of the former Soviet Union meant that a lot of nuclear weapons, materials and the know-how were lying around unsecured and unsafe with the possibility of spreading to third world countries, to terrorists and the like."

One frustration in dealing with the problem is the government's failure to make any real headway, according to Martin.

"Less than two years ago, President Bush

and John Kerry both agreed on about the only thing they did agree upon, that the most serious threat facing the globe and the United States was the threat of weapons and mass destruction and terrorists," said Martin. "Unfortunately, I would have to say that in the last two years I have not seen a lot of improvement or a whole lot of indication that there is any added deficit to the program on top of what has been done before."

Martin then recounted the history of the current nuclear crisis. International concern over the spread of nuclear weapons stems from the spread of nuclear weapons in the 1960s from Russia and the United States to countries like France and China.

This led to the formation of the Non-Proliferation Treaty of 1970. The treaty calls for the disarmament of nuclear states, the pledge of non-nuclear states not to pursue nuclear weapons, and "unfettered access" of non-nuclear states to nuclear energy, provided it is not used in a weaponry function. The Non-Proliferation Treaty is one of the most successful treaties in modern history, according to Martin, with only three countries refraining from joining it at the time. These countries were Pakistan, India and Israel.

In the face of current threats to the Treaty, Martin hopes that the United States can step up and present an exemplary model to the world community, something that as of yet has not been accomplished. Martin hopes that such organizations such as Americans for Informed Democracy, or AIDemocracy, will help educate and inspire the nation to action.

The fledgling organization, which will hold a series of films and events this semester to address global issues such as non-proliferation, has its first organizational on Sept. 25.

"Our main goal is to foster global awareness at Clemson. There are so many amazing people on this campus, from all walks of life," says the organization's Emily Burchfield. "What we'd love is for AIDemocracy to bring Clemson students together to talk about the anything and everything. Dialogue and communication are so important, and this is why we started AIDemocracy. We're all in this together, and we hope that AIDemocracy will remind us of this fact."



# TEACH: Corps members make an impact *from page A1*

stated growth plans, which conclude with 7,500 corps members teaching in more than 30 regions across the nation by the year 2010.

Corps members typically receive a salary between \$25,000 and \$44,000 during, their two years of employment falling as well as health benefits.

The organization helps cover major expenses as members attend a required summer institute. At this institute they are introduced to lesson planning and teaching methods.

The organization is also awarding need-based transitional grants and no-interest loans that range in value from \$1,000 to \$6,000.

After the required tenure is finished, corps members can work with Teach for America to gain career services.

Teach for America also has

graduate school partnerships at universities such as Harvard, Columbia, Stanford, Rice, Yale and Brown.

Companies such as JPMorgan, Wachovia, and Morgan Stanley offer corporate partnerships to alumni of the organization, as well.

JPMorgan allows members who have been accepted to one of their internship programs, as well as Teach for America, to defer their enrollment.

Perhaps the most telling reflection of Teach for America's influence is substantiated in a study by Mathematica Policy Research, which found that students of teachers who were part of the Teach for America program averaged a 10 percent increase in math and reading skills.

Another organization, Kane, Parsons & Associates, conducted a biannual survey of principals in

which the majority of those people surveyed said that Teach for America members were well-prepared and had a measurable, positive impact on students.

Ninety-five percent of those principals also said that they would hire another Teach for America corps member if they had the opportunity to do so in the future.

Such votes of confidence are hardly negligible when facts are considered: the students of corps members teach are in the 14th percentile of the national average.

Teach for America, it may be said, has without a doubt reshaped the way that thousands of college graduates look at the world and themselves.

If you would like more information about Teach for America, visit [www.teachforamerica.org](http://www.teachforamerica.org).

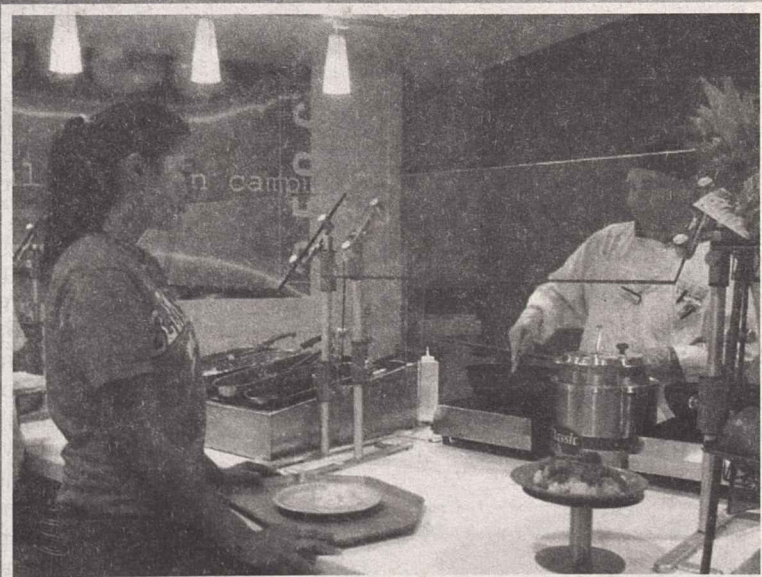
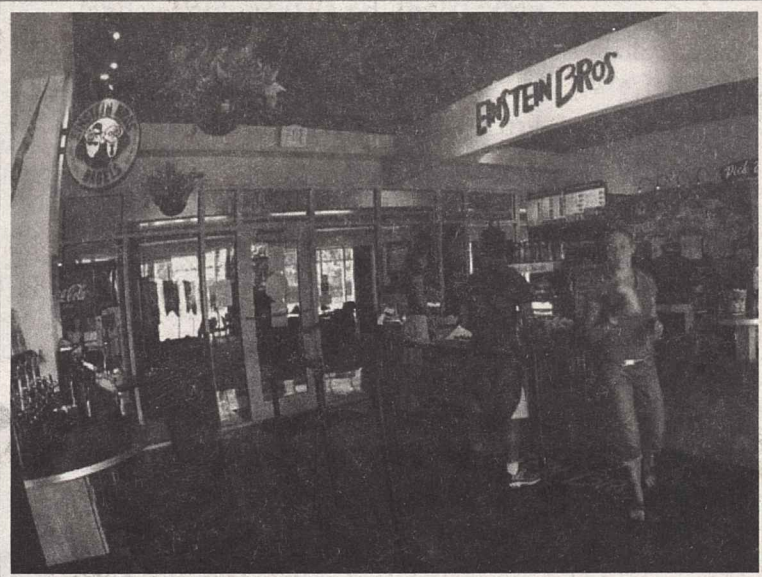
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## Healthy Eating Starts Now! By Kimberly Rapp, MS, RD, LDN Clemson Dining Services Registered Dietitian



School has been in session for a little over a month now; you have your daily routines set each day to include classes, studying, sleeping, eating and more. Your classes and studying help you succeed in your future career, and similarly, what you eat today will impact your health in the future. Why is your health and what you eat today so important for your future? One simple reason... beginning in college the eating habits that you form now will most likely follow you throughout your lifespan. Hence, if you consume a healthy, nutritionally balanced diet now, you are more likely to stay healthier longer than someone with poor eating habits and nutrition.

The majority of college students, especially freshman, feel overwhelmed by the types and amounts of foods that are offered to them throughout their campus. And for many students this is the first time that someone is not watching what they eat, so they feel they can eat whatever they want when they want it. Among other things, this is how most college students gain the dreaded "freshman 15". I know it may be hard to limit yourself when you have so many new foods to try and some of your favorites that you want to eat at every meal now because your mom wouldn't let you at home (You know what I'm talking about!).

With this in mind, think about your current eating habits and what you can do to improve them. This doesn't mean eliminating all of the pizza, hamburgers, chocolate and other foods that aren't very nutritious, what it means is finding a balance between the healthy and not so healthy food choices and eating the foods you choose in moderation. How can you use this information and get yourself on track to a healthy lifestyle during college and beyond?

Here are some easy tips to guide you in making healthy eating choices on campus and beyond:

- Watch your portion sizes. Many people overestimate true portion sizes, which leads to an intake of extra calories.
- Eat a salad and/or fruit with your meals. Not only are they extremely nutritious, but they will help satisfy your hunger instead of eating more calorie and fat laden foods.
- Know your hunger cues; eat because you are truly hungry, not just because you want to.
- Choose lean meats and dairy, fruits, vegetables and whole grains more often than foods that are high in fat and/or calories and low in nutrients (i.e. sweets, chips, soda, etc).
- When eating at an all you care to eat location, choose one entrée and sides at a time. Check out the menus on-line to see what you want so you are not tempted to choose several choices from each station. If you are still hungry, then help yourself to a moderate second portion. This will help you not to choose a lot of unnecessary foods, which makes you feel like you should eat because it is left on your plate adding a lot of extra calories to your diet.
- Visit the Clemson Dining Services nutrition web site ([www.clemson.edu/dining](http://www.clemson.edu/dining)) and click on "nutrition"). You will find nutrition tips, recipes, nutrition resources and more to help you develop a healthy eating pattern.

Remember that your future is depending on what you fuel yourself with now. So, take the time to develop a healthy lifestyle now while you are in college. Take advantage of the resources that are given to you on campus, so you can become healthier for a lifetime! For instance, if you want specific help in modifying your diet, make an appointment with Kimberly Rapp, MS, RD, LDN the Clemson Dining Services Registered Dietitian for individualized assistance. She may be contacted through the Clemson Dining Services Nutrition website or at [nutrition@clemson.edu](mailto:nutrition@clemson.edu).



## FACULTY: University gains staff *from page A1*

collecting retirement pay that is contributed to their escrow.

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Who knew that one lonely satellite being launched into space almost 40 years ago would be the reason that Clemson degrees are increasing in value today?

## Democrats seek affordable tuition

Political parties aid students in making college affordable.

**LAUREN FINE**  
STAFF WRITER

Democrats' plan to make college more affordable will give millions of students the opportunity to receive a Bachelors degree.

A Sept. 13 press release announced that the Democratic party plans to cut college costs for students who are struggling or unable to pay for school.

According to Tom Kiley, a staffer for Representative George Miller (D-Calif.) the plan would include cutting college loan interest rates in half.

Although this may not seem like a lot, cutting interest rates alone can save the average graduate thousands of dollars.

Consider this scenario: The average student graduates with \$17,500 worth of debt. The interest rates are typically between 6.8 percent and 8.5 percent.

The Democrats plan to cut interest rates in half would save this average student \$5,600 while repaying their loans.

On top of cutting interest rates, the plan also includes making college tuition deductible from taxes permanently, in order to give struggling parents and students a break.

For those that qualify, the Democrats also plan on expanding Pell Grants, money that does not have to be paid back. Grants are given out on a basis of financial need.

This plan for more affordable college came about after two startling reports were published about the toll that college tuition is having on American families.

According to a report published by the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, financial barriers are keeping millions of qualified

students from attending college. The majority of this group lies in the low-to-moderate income range.

The report estimates that financial barriers alone will keep 2.4 million low-income students from earning a Bachelors degree between the years 2002 and 2012. It is not getting any easier for these families. According to the Campaign for America's Future, family incomes are decreasing as college tuition rises, making the gap between low-income families and education even larger. And just how large? Nationwide college tuition has increased by about 40 percent just in the last four years.

"Both of these reports show that the skyrocketing costs of college continue to gouge the wallets of students and working families," said Representative George Miller (D - C A )

"Investing in education and innovation is essential to ensuring a bright and successful economic future."

"Students are graduating with bigger college debts than ever before, and many can't afford to go to college at all. These rising costs, coupled with stagnating family incomes and dwindling financial aid, have led to a serious crisis- on that hits low and moderate income students especially hard."

"We should be encouraging qualified students to pursue a college degree and become valuable member of our nation's workforce," he said.

"Instead, the high price of college admission is unfairly holding too many qualified students back."

Democrats believe that by ignoring the college affordability crisis, it could potentially weaken America's ability to compete in a global economy.

"Investing in education and innovation is essential to ensuring a bright and successful economic future, and we are deeply committed to making college more affordable."

"We need to go in a new direction that guarantees that no qualified student is ever prevented from going to college because the price is too high," Miller said.

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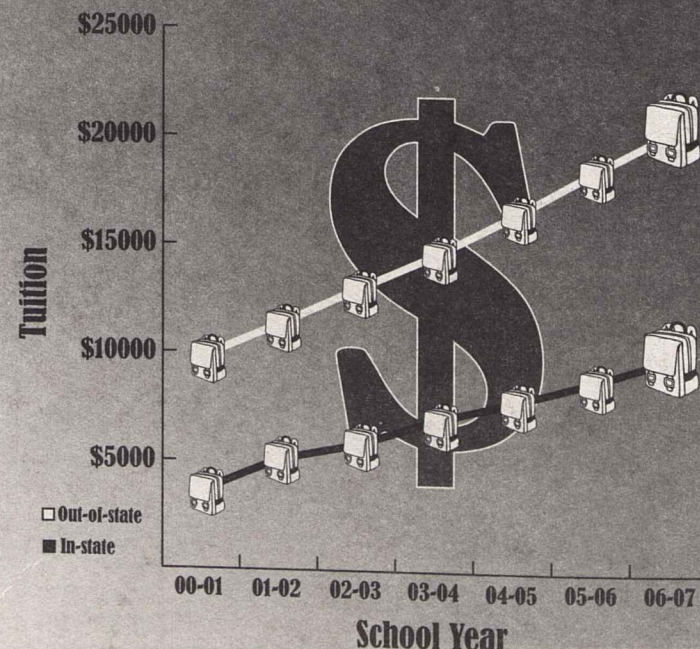
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### Rising Tuition of Clemson University





# Paper Trail creates link

Newspaper combines student news to improve discourse between colleges.

**BLAIRE KOBLISKI**  
STAFF WRITER

U.S. News and World Report announced an addition to its website has been unveiled, coined the Paper Trail. This newspaper is already well-known for its annual list of the top public schools in the nation, of which Clemson University is ranked 20th. The Paper Trail features a daily summary of the happenings on college campuses across the country, via their respective student newspapers.

"The Paper Trail is geared toward college students and higher education professionals who want to keep tabs on major happenings and trends at campuses nationwide," said editor, Brian Duffy.

Managers of the website scour student newspapers for pieces which will spark the interest of all college students, despite their locality. Typical Napster-related articles and athlete arrests are accompanied by stories ranging from the completely insane to the utterly obscene, including the possibility of wireless Internet in New York City parks and the stripper scandal at MIT. However, the serious side finds its spot on the page as well, with student studies and protests over nutritional values, the unjust abolition of a society and early admission policy.

Ivy League and public colleges alike are featured within the borders of this webpage, both providing outlandish stories for the pleasure of the common college student. The creators of the site also include a sidebar complete with links to the typical search engines and to other sites with the same range of intriguing stories. The Paper Trail catchphrase, "One Click, Every Campus" encompasses the purpose of the site, which with the touch of a mouse can lead the reader to any student newspaper website featured on the page.

In addition, the creators have even built in a link to the accessory almost every undergraduate student has: Facebook. In an effort to keep the entertainment level elevated for any and all, the Paper Trail links directly with the homepage of the facebook blog. Currently the page advertises for young people to be involved in the election process in any region. The ability to check the happenings within the cyber-community is only a few seconds away if politics are not of interest.

Advertisers are also benefiting from the newly created site, allowing for a subtle reminder to college students of what they "need" while they peruse the various articles found on the Paper Trail. Nonprofit websites have also found a position on the field, which simply has links to useful information for students unsure of the laws and codes adopted by colleges. For instance, Fire's Spotlight, a site detailing the extent of freedom of speech at certain schools, permits one to explore the policies of speech found on their own college campus. The Paper Trail can be accessed at [www.usnews.com/papertrail](http://www.usnews.com/papertrail).

## Do you think that the tuition at Clemson should continue to increase, decrease, or stay the same?

"I think that tuition should be lowered for out-of-state kids because, as attractive of a school as Clemson may be, its cost puts it out of many students' price range."

**Jeffrey Atkinson**  
**Turfgrass**  
**Senior**

"I think it should stay the same because right now it is a public college and is therefore a LITTLE more affordable for more people. If we rise and become private that will make it harder for a lot of people to come and probably cut down a lot on our diversity."

**Megan Stuermann**  
**Early Childhood Education**  
**Junior**

"While I do not enjoy rising tuition, I feel that in order to fulfill President Barker's goal of

becoming a Top 20 university, the tuition must rise- maybe more in line with inflation and not 12%."

**Hamilton Evans**  
**Computer Engineering**  
**Senior**

"As a student in the business school, I have seen an increase every single semester since I switched from engineering a year and a half ago. I haven't seen a substantial increase in quality to justify such steep increases in tuition."

**Matt Dyer**  
**Economics**  
**Senior**

"I feel that tuition rates should not be raised. If anything they need to stay the same or be lowered. Tuition is already too high in my opinion. I would rather new

construction be put on hold and have a couple more people in my classes than pay continually increasing tuition rates. "Academic quality," as mentioned by President Barker in a recent speech as a key player in the tuition hikes along with decreased state funding, is important, but at some point you CAN put a price on a good education."

**Matt Bundrick**  
**Graphic Communications**  
**Senior**

"Lower - we are an in state school. Also, as a public school, we are already much higher than USC, and in my four years here at Clemson I have not seen a huge change in my education, but I have in tuition."

**Laura Register**  
**Economics**  
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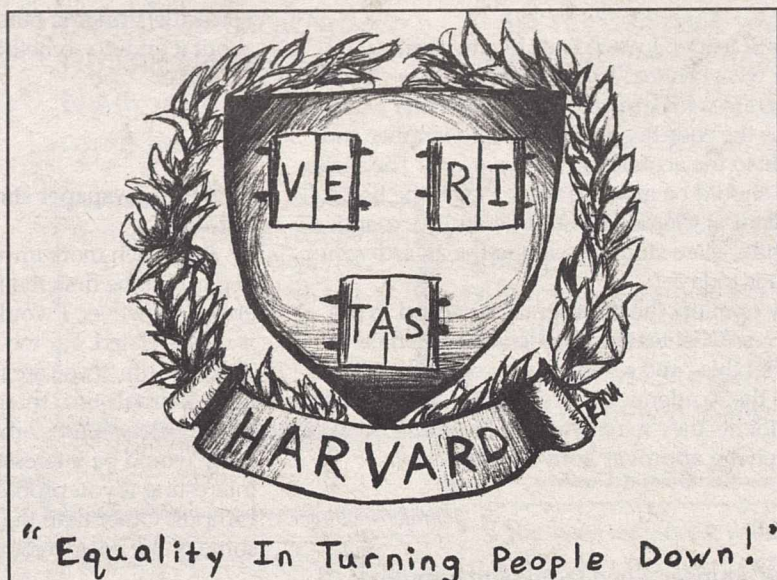
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# PERSPECTIVES

## Ending early action not justifiable

Harvard University recently announced the end of its early action policy. The school feels that early admission practices disadvantage minority and financially-strapped applicants. Generally, a greater percentage of the students applying for early decision were accepted than those entering into the general applicant pool. Prospective students who applied earlier also tended to be Caucasian and wealthier than their peers. By resorting to a single application season, the school hopes to ensure greater diversity in the student body. While Harvard's efforts toward equality may be noble, they are also unnecessary and needlessly complicating the admissions process.

"Early action," the policy recently inactivated by Harvard, is different than binding early acceptance programs. Under Harvard's early action, the applicant was not bound to attend the University upon acceptance. In 2002, several universities, including Harvard, moved to make early admission policies non-binding. It was felt that students who would be unable to pay for an Ivy-League education without scholarships would be excluded from applying early-decision because financial aid information was not made available until the spring. The students who were admitted under the arguably more lenient standards of fall admissions, therefore, were only those whose families could afford to pay full tuition. This effectively discriminated against the financially disadvantaged, many of whom were minorities. Harvard took the correct step and set a precedent for



moving away from binding early-admission decisions.

To claim that the non-binding early action program prevents the admission of a diverse student body, however, is unjustified. School representatives comment that the disadvantaged are often unaware of earlier deadlines and may not have the resources to prepare for college as early as the fall of their senior year. Such assertions, however, are not only flimsy but slightly presumptuous as to the intelligence of prospective applicants. Any student with a considerable possibility of getting into Harvard should be fully equipped to access application

information online. It is unfair to presume the intelligence level of an entire economic class.

If Harvard's aim is to diversify the student body, manipulating the entire admission policy may not be the best course of action. A school can diversify in other ways; if an institution is trying to get a broad spectrum of students on campus, it should simply accept the desired types of applicants. Such broad changes are an abstract attempt to do something that could be achieved through less complicated means.

The abolition of the early action program will most likely hurt the University's athletic pro-

grams, as well. Athletes, perhaps moreso than other students, expect to know where they will be attending school before the spring deadline. Many applicants are under pressure to commit to another college at an early date. Undoubtedly, some athletes will accept a definite offer for another school rather than wait to hear back from Harvard. In general, the athletes most likely to do so will be the most talented.

Beyond unnecessary complications, the removal of the early action program hurts the applicants who would be willing to apply to a school early. The students who apply for early admission are those who know where they want to go. This excitement and dedication should be taken into account along with an applicant's resume. Other students who apply early try to take advantage of the smaller applicant pool, perhaps to showcase their skills that are not adequately reflected in their application. The students who are willing to get ahead and apply early should have the opportunity to do so and to receive an earlier decision.

Harvard's calculated move to ensure equality in the admission process is unlikely to have a dramatic effect on the demographics of its student body. The school's reasons for ending the early action program are largely unfounded and hardly justify the unnecessary complications bound to arise as a consequence.

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## Polarized politics pose danger to U.S.



**BRANDON HATHAWAY**  
Columnist

It would be hard not to notice that the political atmosphere in this country has gotten quite polarized since the 2000 election, more so since the beginning of the conflict in Iraq.

I remember as a little kid coloring the maps in the newspapers red and blue for class, but until the Bush/Gore election, I cannot remember "red state" and "blue state" being descriptions for those places, let alone movies or cars. Nor do I recall before that election news outlets catering to a particular political outlook; we had Rush Limbaugh to do that for Republicans and NPR for Democrats.

Now, it seems like everything has been politicized and polarized. Wal-Mart, fast food, cars with V-8 engines and meat are all political badges. The buttons with cute slogans like "I like Ike" or "Nixon is Satan" are no longer the only symbols of political loyalties: Driving an SUV to the world's largest retailer makes a declaration of whether you want to say anything or not.

The newspaper you pick up in the morning or which cable news channel you prefer apparently means as much as the little letter next to your name on your voter's registration card. And that attitude, which has been forced upon us by Fox News and CNN and

their screaming heads, is disastrous, like my Buccaneers' offense.

Following the 2004 elections, much of this attitude had been crystallized already — that the New York Times was a "blue state" paper and Fox News was the absolute source of "red state" news — but what good does that do? The problem is not really so much that the editorial page of the New York Times has a liberal slant or that the Fox News evening shows are conservative — it is more that conservatives are becoming less likely to read the Times and that liberals are less likely to watch Fox News. If you simply ignore the other world views, the insulation can lead to bad decisions, like watching Fear Factor.

The doomsday scenario of this is occurring right now in Mexico. Even though we have a longer history of representative forms of government than our neighbors to the south, this election went very smoothly, all things considered. That was not good enough, though, for Manuel López Obrador, who engaged in a recount campaign to make the 2000 fiasco look like a clam bake. López Obrador, the populist candidate, lost his election earlier this year to Felipe Calderón, the more American-friendly candidate, by a margin about as wide as Tom Cruise's sanity.

There is sufficient division, though, in Mexican society for López Obrador to try to form a "parallel government" and attack Calderón's legitimacy, even though Calderón won the election. If this happens, and he has even a modicum of support, who knows what could happen there? Mexico is a big trading partner of ours and if there is social upheaval in the next year, the immigration debate will get much uglier.

This shows a lack of faith in the republican process in Mexico, which ironically, is

the most representative right now than it has been in its history. I am not suggesting that we are at risk of possible revolution if the next election is as close as the last two have been: But if the trend continues with closer and closer elections and more and more extreme voices about the issues at hand, social tension could definitely increase, particularly if this insulation of information continues the way it has over the past five or six years. It probably will never be as severe in the United States as we are seeing in Mexico right now, mostly because of the lack of distrust between the classes, but it still deserves attention.

The difference in concentrations of wealth is much more dramatic in Mexico than it is in the United States, and this is more directly represented in the political parties. There is also a rather complicated history that the United States does not have to overcome that interferes with the democratic process in favor of class and race loyalties. We have not yet gotten to the point where watchers of CNN believe that Fox News is outright lying, fortunately, although Ann Coulter does think that way about the New York Times. Then again, Coulter is kind of a lunatic.

So long as we keep that straight, we should be in good shape. Mostly what I want to say is watch the events that are unfolding in Mexico and don't be afraid to compare sources for news, even if you have to go across the aisle to check them. The news sections work to be as objective as possible and the commentary (like this page) carries biases, which is OK, so long as you understand that going into the program or article.

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## SPEAKING

Do you think schools should have an early admissions program?



**Kimberly Mattison**  
accounting  
sophomore

"I think they should leave a certain percentage for early admission and then accept another percentage for the rest."



**Shannon Welch**  
management  
senior



**John Mark Wills**  
marketing  
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"No, because there may be certain circumstances that prevent more qualified applicants from being accepted."



**Johanna McCrehan**  
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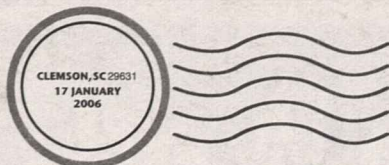
**Katherine Boyce**  
language and international health  
sophomore

"Yes because if you want to go to that school then go ahead and apply and get it over with."



**Kyle Evatt**  
biological science  
junior



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**Gideons represent religious freedom in action**

The article "Students are denied religious freedom" in the Sept. 15 "The Tiger" displays misunderstandings about freedom and the purpose of regulations. With regard to freedom, the title falsely asserts that students were experiencing inhibited religious freedom, when in fact the writer is seeking to limit the religious freedom of others. The First Amendment bans any prohibition on the free exercise of religion. If Clemson University were to make rules preventing the Gideon Organization from freely exercising their religion, those rules would be denying religious freedom. Being made aware of other people's religious beliefs cannot and should not qualify as a denial of religious freedom. In fact, when students were offered Bibles, they could have taken the opportunity to express their own religious views. No one attempted to silence student opinions.

Additionally, the writer seems to be laboring under the assumption that the role of authority is to prevent uncomfortable or inferior feelings.

However, if we begin making rules to prevent people from feeling uncomfortable, what will be legal? Signs on churches may make people uncomfortable. Jogging may make unfit people uncomfortable. Vacuum cleaner salesmen may make people without vacuums feel inferior. It is neither the responsibility nor the right of authority to protect people from their feelings. Although people may experience personal doubts in the face of opposing views, the presence of these doubts does not necessitate the silencing of others. If we wish to promote an environment of acceptance, we should gladly welcome people who believe something strongly enough to use their time and money to spread the word. How can silencing anyone who may make me uncomfortable be considered a form of acceptance?

Clemson University is not meant to be a parent to students protecting them from uncomfortable situations. People who attend Clemson are young adults who should be capable of handling different points of view and personality clashes. If Clemson accepts the role of protector of comfort, how will students cope when they graduate? Will they expect the government to protect them from people who seem ignorant, rude or obnoxious? Besides the fact

that the Gideon Organization members merely offered Bibles and said nothing to refusals, being highly confrontational is their right. My disapproval of something does not necessitate the creation of ban against it. In a world of different people from different backgrounds, our First Amendment rights virtually guarantee the presence of behaviors and attitudes we disagree with.

Sarah Matzko  
Central, S.C.

**Supplemental Instruction award was credited to the wrong parties**

As a former SI leader, I would just like to clarify a few details that were omitted from Friday's article, "Peer instruction program wins awards." Eric Moschella was just recently hired as the coordinator of SI last November and contributed little to the acquisition of the award. The majority of the credit should be given to Steve Flagg, the first full-time SI coordinator at Clemson. He successfully expanded SI from a pilot after-class study session to the award-winning program it is today.

Sadly, in my opinion, the SI program is second in the Academic "Success" Center to bureaucracy and office politics. I fear that this "award-winning program" will be a memory unless the Academic Success Center starts focusing more on the students they're responsible for instead of worrying about receiving approval from their superiors.

Jennifer Oblinger

**Ideologies grow stronger when faced with opposing views**

Concerning Kelly Murray's forced idea that those of other religions than Christianity are being done "a great disservice," why do they not have their organizations pass out free literature? You can hardly blame the willingness of the Gideon Organization for the lack of participation on campus of other religions.

The fact that only the Gideons are passing out literature does not tell a person Clemson only endorses Christianity, it tells him or her that no other religious organizations care enough to do the same.

Since you bring up politics, here is an example of how ridiculous your claims are. Say you are a Democrat, and once or twice a year the College Republicans hand out literature. Now since politics are in the same "personal" category as religion, it would follow that this action would, according to you, cause you to question whether or not being a Democrat is the best choice. Even if anything personal were being challenged, I find it sad that Americans are so adamant about their freedoms that they are scared to have anything personal challenged, as if doing something challenging does not strengthen you. No wonder the nations of the world look down on Americans. Your religion is not being confronted "against your will" just because someone hands out literature. In the first place,

they did absolutely nothing to inform you that your beliefs are wrong, and in the second place, no one made you accept the literature "against your will."

I wish to point out that the Gideon's presence is indeed a slight annoyance simply because it interrupts my routine, but never would I find it challenging or what I hold as a core value called into question.

Clemson is all about trying new things and building new insights on the differences in our world, yet as soon as someone feels uncomfortable, for viable reasons or not, they seemingly have a pity-party. The answer is not limiting a voice; it is bringing other voices into the mix. Stop whining about it and do something to bring other voices on campus.

Stephen Pineros  
Greer, S.C.

**Student newspaper should focus on news instead of opinions**

I'm much more impressed with the second issue of The Tiger than the first; the first issue had far too many careless errors. However, I would like to see more in the paper that is news-related. Far too much space is devoted to opinion articles. Sure, these are fun to read, but I think it would be more journalistic if there were more news articles than columns. A lot of clubs are doing great things that the student body would be interested to hear about. It also might be interesting if you profiled one of the many sports clubs on campus. Other than that, keep up the good work. I loved some of the page layouts from the last issue.

Heidi Cian  
Andrews, S.C.

**On the Prowl is entertaining and informative**

After taking some time off and now returning to Clemson, the current publication is my first encounter with the writings of Orson Swelles and the On the Prowl column.

Absolutely grand! My ex-girlfriend writes for USC's student paper "The Gamecock."

When she started the column, it was with the full intention and blessing of her editor that it would be a sex column. Though after her introductory piece, she wanted to write about faking orgasms and was told the topic was "too Cosmo" for The Gamecock. The same happened with nearly every other topic she wished to pursue, leaving her having to write a basic relationship column. This On the Prowl is amazing. After hearing night after night about what she can't write it's a breath of fresh air to see someone allowed the freedom to write about the subject of sex. I'm sure there is some editing of "Swelles" work, but the end result is still amazing. It's not filled with fluff; it's informative and witty. Kudos on not going for shock value just for the hell of it. Keep up the good work, and I can't wait until next Friday!

Charlie Potts

## COMMENTARY

## America must follow through with war in Iraq



LAURA EVANS

Columnist

Freedom is a right that so many Americans take for granted. We have become numb to the sacrifices our ancestors have made throughout our nation's history to protect the very principles our country was founded upon, "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

The United States is at war with Islamic fascists who seek to destroy all those who do not conform to their radical religious convictions. The threat that al-Qaeda, Hezbollah, Hamas and the countries that sponsor these terrorists pose against Americans' freedom is real.

Unless you have been hiding under a rock for the past couple years, you are well aware of the partisan disputes that surround the war on terror and its relevance to the war in Iraq.

The truth is, the fate of Western society will be placed in the hands of terrorist regimes if we discontinue the use of military force in Iraq. The security of our nation and the freedoms we enjoy will be in great danger if we abandon the foreign policy procedures that have kept America safe since Sept. 11.

The mainstream media is doing a really good job of winning the war for the terrorists. Anti-American sentiment around the world is certain to be at an all time high. A nation that once stood unified in the fight against terrorism has now been torn

apart by controversy over the war in Iraq. Meanwhile, the terrorists stand idly by, watching as destructive political turmoil unfolds on Capitol Hill and wait for the Bush administration to give into the pressure.

Sadly, much of the anti-American sentiment is harbored within our country's own borders. People have become so blinded by their hatred of President Bush; they immediately dismiss any military action taken in the war against terror. Accusations that the war in Iraq is not a part of the war on terror have cluttered mass media airways and have become talking point number one amongst Bush critics in Washington.

They claim that because Saddam Hussein did not attack us on Sept. 11, the war in Iraq is detracting our efforts away from the global war on terror. Opponents of the Iraq war argue that by stationing troops in Iraq, we are "inhibiting our ability to fight the real war on terror."

No, Hussein did not attack us on Sept. 11, but he supported the terrorist network that was behind the savage attacks, al-Qaeda. Iraq provided a "safe haven" for terrorists and presented a threat to our national security.

If we pull out of Iraq now or comply with the demands from the "cut-and-run" terrorist sympathizers for "time-tables," the terrorists will win. If we abandon our efforts for a free and democratic Iraq, we will lose the war on terror.

Have we forgotten the lessons we learned on Sept. 11? These people do not want to negotiate. They did not want to negotiate before we invaded Iraq by complying with United Nations sanctions, why would they now?

The radical Islamic powers of the Middle East had their chance, and they failed miserably. Afghanistan, Iraq, Iran,

Saudi Arabia, Syria and Pakistan are unified by their pure hatred of western culture.

U.N. sanctions and diplomacy endeavors have already been exhausted. If they had been effective, we wouldn't be in a war with Iraq right now. Hussein continually disregarded U.N. sanctions and had the capability to develop weapons of mass destruction.

If the permanent members of the U.N. Security Council would have followed through with their threats, we would have never had to invade Iraq. But then again, who expects France to do anything?

We have been under attack from radical Islamic terrorists for almost 30 years now. Ann Coulter outlined some of the most recent attacks in a column printed earlier this year for "Human Events."

February 1993: Muslim extremists . . . set off a bomb in the basement of the World Trade Center, killing six and wounding more than 1,000.

June 1996: Muslim extremists . . . explode a truck bomb outside the Khobar Towers military complex, killing 19 American servicemen and injuring hundreds.

August 1998: Muslim extremists . . . explode truck bombs at U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, killing 224 and injuring thousands.

October 2000: Muslim extremists . . . blow up the U.S. Navy destroyer USS Cole, killing 17 U.S. sailors.

We must continue to stay a step ahead of the terrorists. Like President Bush said in his address to the nation last week, the threat Islamic jihadists present will follow us all the way back to the United States if we pull our troops out of Iraq. It's either there, or here.

We must keep in mind the type of enemy we face. The terrorists know the

United States will not attack when the potential fall-out could cause immense civilian casualties. The reason we have not captured Osama bin Laden is because the terrorists continue to shield themselves with their country's own women and children. Just a reminder: Former President Clinton turned down Sudan's offer to hand over bin Laden in 1996.

The United States has long been held to a different standard than the rest of the world. If we do not strictly comply with the Geneva Convention codes, our own media and human rights activists will accuse the very military personnel that have sacrificed their lives to ensure the safety of all Americans of war crimes.

Which side are they on anyhow? I'm pretty sure the terrorists were not worried about killing 3,000 innocent Americans on Sept. 11.

Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., has compared Guantanamo Bay to Nazi concentration camps in Germany during WWII. The prisoners we are holding in this detainment camp aided in the plot that led to the horrific deaths of millions of Americans on Sept. 11.

They justified their actions in the name of Allah. This radical wing of the Islamic religion calls for the annihilation of all who do not follow their religion.

Wasn't it religious intolerance that led Hitler to validate the killings of millions of Jews in WWII? Now, tell me again, who is more like the Nazis?

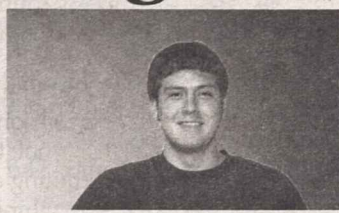
Freedom is not free. It comes at the cost of the lives of American soldiers who are fighting to ensure our nation will never awaken to another morning like Sept. 11. We owe it to them to finish the job.

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COMMENTARY

# The great American lie



PHILIP POOLE

Columnist

The American Dream is the biggest lie you've ever been told: bigger than the Easter Bunny, bigger than Santa Claus, bigger than Lucifer. And what's more, the American Dream is harming everyone from newborns to the elderly. I am talking about the idea that anyone, through hard work and determination, can be anything he wants to be. The problem with the American Dream is two-fold: Its expectations and its pathway for meeting them.

The expectation of the American Dream is the ability of any American to work hard and achieve any goal. This is patently false: No matter how hard a paraplegic tries, he will never be an Olympic gymnast. I use that example because it is so obvious that it is often dismissed. It is very easy to accept, of course, that one must have the necessary physical equipment to carry out a task. Turn around and say everyone shouldn't go to college, because they lack the mental "arms," and people become upset: "You can't say that any child doesn't deserve an education!"

Let's look at "education" here at Clemson: We offer degrees in English, philosophy, physics, turf-grass management... turf-grass management? Since when do you need a Bachelors degree to tend lawn? And Clemson isn't alone: vocational training as education happens everywhere in America. Education used to do one thing — prepare you to be a conscientious, learned, cultured adult. Vocational training was handled by apprenticeships for skilled labor; working on your father's farm trained the unskilled. Why is it that, now, even the man who cuts my grass has to go to school in landscape architecture? People noticed that degrees generally were had by those with higher paying jobs, and higher paying jobs let you buy all of the things that, in America, mean success. One doesn't need a degree to work skillfully with his hands, he needs to be trained.

So the American Dream is teaching us that vocational training

is education, which is destroying our sense of culture.

The second problem of the American Dream is the premise that by hard work and dedication, one can achieve his goals. Ask anyone who worked in the Upstate's textile industry or the more than 30,000 General Motors employees who are being let go as we speak if hard work and dedication have made them successful. These are some of the hardest workers in America and I'd bet dollars to dookey they didn't dream of someday being laid off after 29 years of work so that they can't collect the pension they've been paying into for 696 paydays. Ask the white-collar employees of Enron and WorldCom, who only succeeded in making their bosses richer, if dedication made them successful. Hard work is not what makes you successful: sometimes it's birth, sometimes it's gender, sometimes it's race and sometimes it's as random as which foot crossed the threshold first. Look at our presidents: How many of them, especially in recent years, got where they were by the sweat of their brow? Bush seems to have fallen ass-backwards into the presidency like into the back of a '65 Corvette after a night of cocaine and binge-drinking. Do you see a crack-addicted black man falling into an office in the same way?

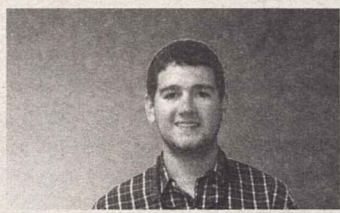
The American Dream is propaganda used to fuel our consumer-driven economy. It screams, "Work harder and longer to buy things to fill that emptiness where peace, job satisfaction, and contentment should be!" Do you want to know why we have almost two million homeless? Because the American Dream teaches us that poor people didn't work hard enough. Do you know why we have some of the highest incidences of depression and stress-related injury? The American Dream teaches us that we must work harder and longer to be happy.

We must recognize and reject the American Dream as a false god, a golden calf that will bring destruction to our very core. Success is a state of mind, not a job description. Only by acceptance of our own selves can we be truly happy and have the sense of contentment that comes not from chasing dreams in the clouds, but from building a castle of contentment on the ground.

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COMMENTARY

# Political ideologies continue to diverge



BRANDON JONES

Columnist

The Alan Jackson lyric is embedded in the minds of most America citizens: "Where were you when the world stopped turning?" No doubt, everyone can recall when and where they were when the awful tragedies of Sept. 11 occurred. The attacks on Sept. 11 made us realize how vulnerable we were. That day made us angry, sad and shocked. But, most importantly, that day united a nation. The United States came together under common ideals of freedom and liberty. Political affiliations seemed to be a trivial thing in such an urgent time — and they were! America was one.

But that was then; this is now. We are in a time in history when political ideologies have become so separated that there is no middle ground anymore. Gone are the unity and the "togetherness" that our country was built upon and which we saw after Sept. 11. Our country is in turmoil, spurred on by the constant bickering of politicians in Washington (I find it a bit ironic that politicians are always striving for unity in Congress, yet they very rarely agree on anything). How did our political landscape come to this? Most people would blame the Bush administration for the extreme polarization of Washington. However, I believe the disunity that America is experiencing at present is the fault of every politician, liberal and conservative. Following the attacks on Sept. 11, the USA Patriot Act passed both houses of Congress with ease (Senate — 98-1; House — 357-66). Yet, when this act was recently up for renewal, it did not pass with as much ease. I may be completely off-base, but is not anti-terrorism legislation just as important, if

not more important, than it was in 2001? Our lack of political unity is becoming increasingly dangerous for America. How does Congress expect to get anything accomplished when most politicians cannot agree on a lot of things? Without proper legislation, law enforcement will be stifled in thwarting terrorism. But, if politicians can start agreeing on critical issues, a unified government can pave the way for a unified America with no mercy for terrorists. As Lincoln once stated in a speech, paraphrasing the Bible, "A house divided against itself cannot stand." Although the context is different, the idea remains the same: An America at odds with itself politically will never be unified.

The United States government has made great strides in the war on terror and has brought many evil people to justice. Yet, the war still wages, and we are at the heart of that struggle. Gone is the urgency that we experienced shortly after Sept. 11. In its place are a sense of complacency and a loss of unity. And while the war on terror rages, now is the time that we need to be most united and on the same page politically. The lack of political unity, coupled with complacency and apathy, has become our own worst enemy. If a terrorist attack should loom on the horizon, it will be when our nation is most vulnerable. I believe this country is vulnerable because of its divided nature. However, we can fight terrorism by strengthening our resolve and uniting as a nation, indivisible and unrelenting. So do not be complacent with our political landscape! We need to put aside our trivial political quarrels and come to grips with what's most important — a "house united." I leave you with a quote from Founding Father John Dickinson: "Then join hand in hand, brave Americans all! By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall."

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## PAWS UP, PAWS DOWN

It pays to be a texter: An abducted Lugoff, S.C. girl was rescued when she managed to send her mother a text from her captor's cell phone.



Seven months after parking, an U.K. man found his car on a back road. He thought he'd save time by not looking for a space in town.



Bowden Bowl: Last weekend the Tigers defeated the Florida State Seminoles in Tallahassee for the first time in 17 years.



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Northern Colorado's backup punter is suspected of stabbing the starter. He still doesn't know how the police figured that one out.



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John

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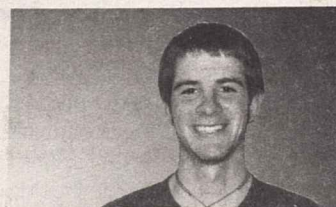
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### COMMENTARY

## Don't smother your kids



**NAYLOR BROWNELL**  
Managing Editor

Thanks to the Internet, information-sharing has gone beyond anyone's wildest dreams. It's scary to think that personal information is out there, floating in the ether. Imagine my poor little brother's surprise when his high school posted his grades, attendance and personal information online. Every single quiz, every homework assignment, every test and even all of his worksheet marks are posted. Granted, only his parents can see them, but still, it's disturbing. Let's take a little trip back to high school so that you can see why this upsets me. I know it's been a little while for some of you, but bear with me here. High school is a time for growing up and maturing. When I was but a wee teen, I remember asking my mother why I had to go to high school, and she said it was to prepare for college and ultimately the real world. Having been through these institutions now, I still have no idea what she was talking about. Perhaps that's why I've chosen to go to school for another six years or so.

But I digress. Not everyone goes to college right out of high school; these people must go through some maturation in high school to get ready for the real world. Think about all the changes you went through in high school, how you became more independent. You were finally in charge of your destiny. Many people started serious relationships in high school. My first serious relationships definitely grew out of having a driver's license and that feeling of invincible maturity intrinsic to teenagers. They were definitely learning experiences; I made some mistakes back then that I only needed to make once.

I think the most important lesson I learned in high school was probably time management. I was one of those nerd-types in the IB program, taking the hardest possible classes at the worst possible times. You probably saw us floating around the school with glossy eyes, cracking nerdy inside jokes. I learned that in order to perform well in some of my classes, others had to suffer for a short time. When faced with an exam and a quiz the next day after a cross country meet that night, I can tell you right now that quiz wouldn't get any attention until maybe 10 minutes before class. Homework averages that don't count for much of the final grade can usually afford take a zero or two without affecting much. In short, no sane person can maintain a healthy lifestyle that balances work, fitness and social interaction without making some sacrifices.

I believe it's important that students be allowed to learn such lessons on their own. Parental supervision is good to a point, but too much will impair this learning process. Face it, the last thing teenagers want to hear is an order from their parents anyway. By giving parents data on absences, grades and other performance points, schools are treating students like they are back in elementary school. This is hardly the way to create responsible human beings. Granted, these are mostly

minors we're talking about — but it's a special group of minors. Kids (and I'm sure they'd be insulted if they knew I was calling them "kids") in high schools want nothing more than to be treated like adults. Whether they actually deserve it is a whole other can of beans. However, high schoolers should be granted some degree of independence, or they'll seek other means of achieving it. High school is a stressful time. All that crazy stuff is happening to your body, you finally have some money to spend on clothes and other things that make you an individual, and suddenly you're given much more freedom at school than you had in middle school — you're not herded from class to class, and you can even leave sometimes at lunches. You begin to develop stronger interpersonal relationships, maybe play a varsity sport. Add that to the normal "teen angst" we hear about (gosh, we'll never understand them), and that makes for a pretty stressful lifestyle. The last thing these kids need is to come home and be criticized for every little inferior grade they make.

Invariably, a student will miss a homework assignment, or do poorly on a test. There are only so many hours in the day, and this generation of high schoolers is busier than ever. I'm not saying grades should be the things to suffer, but rather that not so much emphasis should be placed on perfect grades at the expense of everything else. This new system of telling parents every little infraction that their kid commits sends the message that grades are all that matter. True, universities like to see good grades, but they know as well as anyone that students are busy and that someone who makes only good grades and does nothing else is a little one-dimensional. This system can even go so far as to harm student-parent-teacher relations. It shows that the teachers and parents do not trust the students. Healthy relationships, as we hear time and time again, are built on trust.

Well, you're just a college student, you say. You don't have your own teenager kids, so you don't really know how it is to raise one. True, but I was one just a few years ago. I learned to play the game. That's really what it's about; if at the end of the day, you make good marks and are a well-rounded person, what are a few homework zeroes or the occasional mediocre test? You know what? Some people just need more time to mature. Our counselors give us the impression that if we don't make perfect grades, we're failures at life. Some people just aren't born for college. I have a brother who would have been miserable in college right after high school. He's relaxing in his oceanfront home in Hawaii while you're reading this. So let's not cripple our relationships with our young ones. Give them a little bit of freedom and let them figure out the game. If it takes longer than high school, no worries. If it takes a few failing grades or missed classes, big deal. Smothering our kids while trying to wean them at the same time really won't work. As a professor I deeply respect told me in my first week at Clemson, "Sometimes, no matter how hard we try to swim, we just can't keep our heads above the water. Relax." Relax. Don't smother your kids.

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# SPORTS

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## Proctor, Tigers take out 'Noles in Tallahassee

Fifth-year senior quarterback leads Clemson to first victory over Florida State at Doak Campbell Stadium since 1989.

**JOSH FORT**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The last time the Clemson football team went into Tallahassee and posted a win, New Kids on the Block had the No. 1 song on the Billboard 100 charts, CJ Spiller was just barely two years old and the Seminoles still weren't members of the ACC. But that all changed last Saturday when the Tigers (2-1, 1-1), accompanied by their usual convoy of orange-clad fans, invaded Doak Campbell Stadium and brought home a 27-20 win over No. 9 Florida State (2-1, 1-1).

The Tigers never looked intimidated by the hostile crowd and got on the board in the first quarter after an eight-yard run by James Davis. In what has become an all too familiar scene this season, the extra point attempt was blocked by the Seminoles and returned by Florida State's Tony Carter for two points.

The Seminole special teams struck again in the second quarter when Florida State blocked a 32-yard field goal attempt by Jad Dean. Carter again recovered, this time returning the ball 69 yards for a touchdown.

With Florida State leading by three, Will Proctor and company went back to work and put together an 80-yard drive that resulted in a 19-yard touchdown pass to senior Chansi Stuckey. The two-point conversion was good to Stuckey, and the Tigers led at halftime 14-9.

Picking up right where he left off, Proctor completed a 54-yard pass to Davis and ran 20 yards on a bootleg for a touchdown in route to engineering another 80-yard drive that took just five plays. Proctor's pass to Stuckey for the two-point conversion was batted down by Geno Hayes, making the score 20-9 with 12:14 to go in the third quarter.

The Seminoles showed that they weren't ready to roll over and die just yet when kicker Gary Cismesia split the uprights on a 25-yard field goal with just more than three minutes to go in the third.

On their next possession, 250-pound fullback Joe Surrat bowled in from one yard out to keep the Seminoles' hopes alive. Drew Weatherford's two-point conversion pass to Chris Davis was complete and the game was tied at 20.

After trading punts and an instant replay review that finally went the Tigers' way, Clemson had the ball with 2:22 to play. The Tigers appeared to be headed for another overtime after two carries by Davis and no timeout being called with just 1:24 to play. But after an 18-yard slant pass to Aaron Kelly, offensive coordinator Rob Spence called for a quick-count snap that caught the Seminole defense off guard and sent Davis on a 47-yard run inside the Florida State five. With just eight seconds to go, Davis took the ball over the left tackle behind two punishing blocks by fullback Alex Pearson and tight end Thomas Hunter for the game winning touchdown. Dean's kick was good and the Tigers led 27-20. After a squib kick-off and an incomplete hail-mary, the victory was safe and the Tigers had broken a 17-year old road curse at Tallahassee.

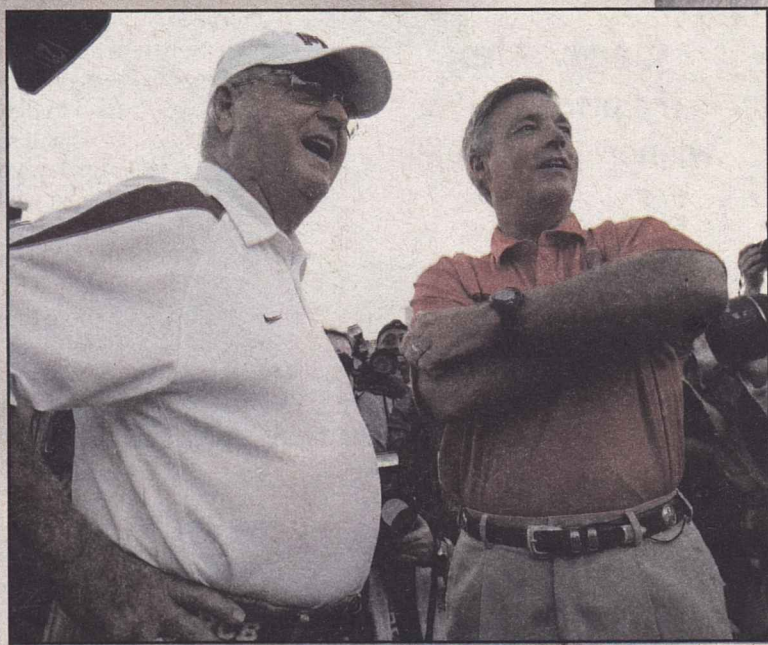
The Clemson defense played extremely well despite the recent attack of the injury bug. The Tigers held the Seminole offense to just 204 total offensive yards and recovered two of Florida State's four fumbles. Leading the defense was senior cornerback Duane Coleman.

Coleman terrorized Weatherford and the entire Seminole offense as he totaled 10 tackles and returned a fumble four yards. Linebackers Nick Watkins and Antonio Clay had nine and six tackles for the Tigers, respectively. All-American defensive end Gaines Adams also turned in an impressive performance with two and a half sacks and five tackles.

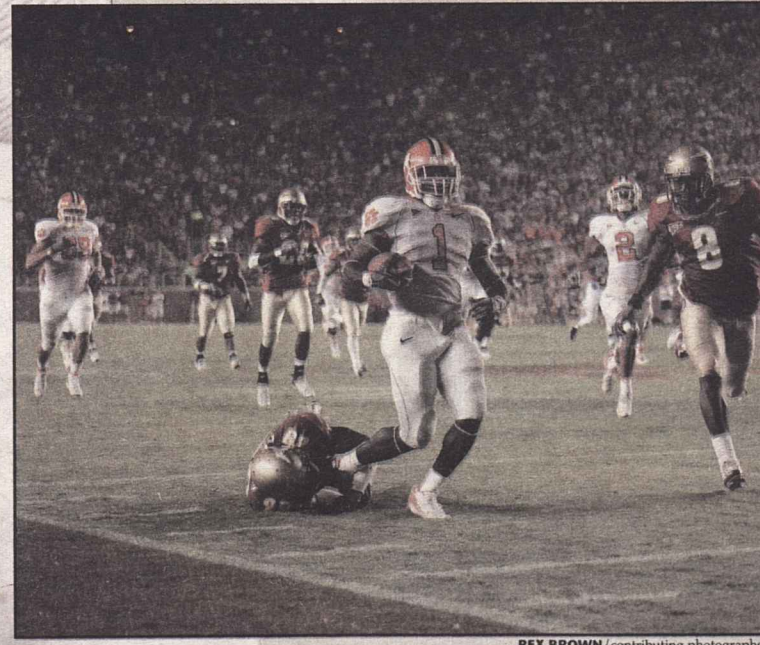
Leading Clemson offensively was Proctor who was 16-30 with 194 yards and one touchdown. Kelly led the Tigers in catches with five for 51 yards. Stuckey and Rendrick Taylor each had three catches for 34 yards. Leading the Tigers in rushing for the third consecutive week was Davis who had 95 yards on 19 carries. Speedster Jacoby Ford rushed for 38 yards on a reverse play.

Offensive guard Roman Fry (13 knock-down blocks), Adams and Coleman were honored as ACC Player-of-the-Week for their respective positions.

Clemson, ranked 19th in the AP poll this week, returns to action tomorrow in a noon game against the North Carolina Tar Heels (1-2, 0-1). The game will be televised locally by the Lincoln Financial Network, formerly Jefferson-Pilot Sports.



**WHO'S YOUR DADDY:** Tommy Bowden's team defeated his father's for the third time in the last four years last weekend.



**SWEET BABY JAMES:** Sophomore running back James Davis put the Tigers in scoring position late in the game.

### TIGER SCHEDULE

**FRIDAY 9/22**  
Women's Volleyball  
vs. Duke — Durham, N.C.  
— 7 p.m.

**SATURDAY 9/23**  
Football  
vs. North Carolina —  
Clemson, S.C. — Noon

Women's Volleyball  
vs. Wake Forest — Winston-  
Salem, N.C. — 6 p.m.

Women's Track  
at Great America XC Festival  
— Hoover, Ala. — TBA

**SUNDAY 9/24**  
Women's Soccer  
vs. Boston College —  
Newton, Mass. — 1 p.m.

Men's Soccer  
vs. NC State — Raleigh, N.C.  
— 3 p.m.

Women's Rowing  
Class Day — Clemson, S.C.  
— All Day

**THURSDAY 9/**  
Women's Soccer  
vs. North Carolina —  
Clemson, S.C. — 7 p.m.



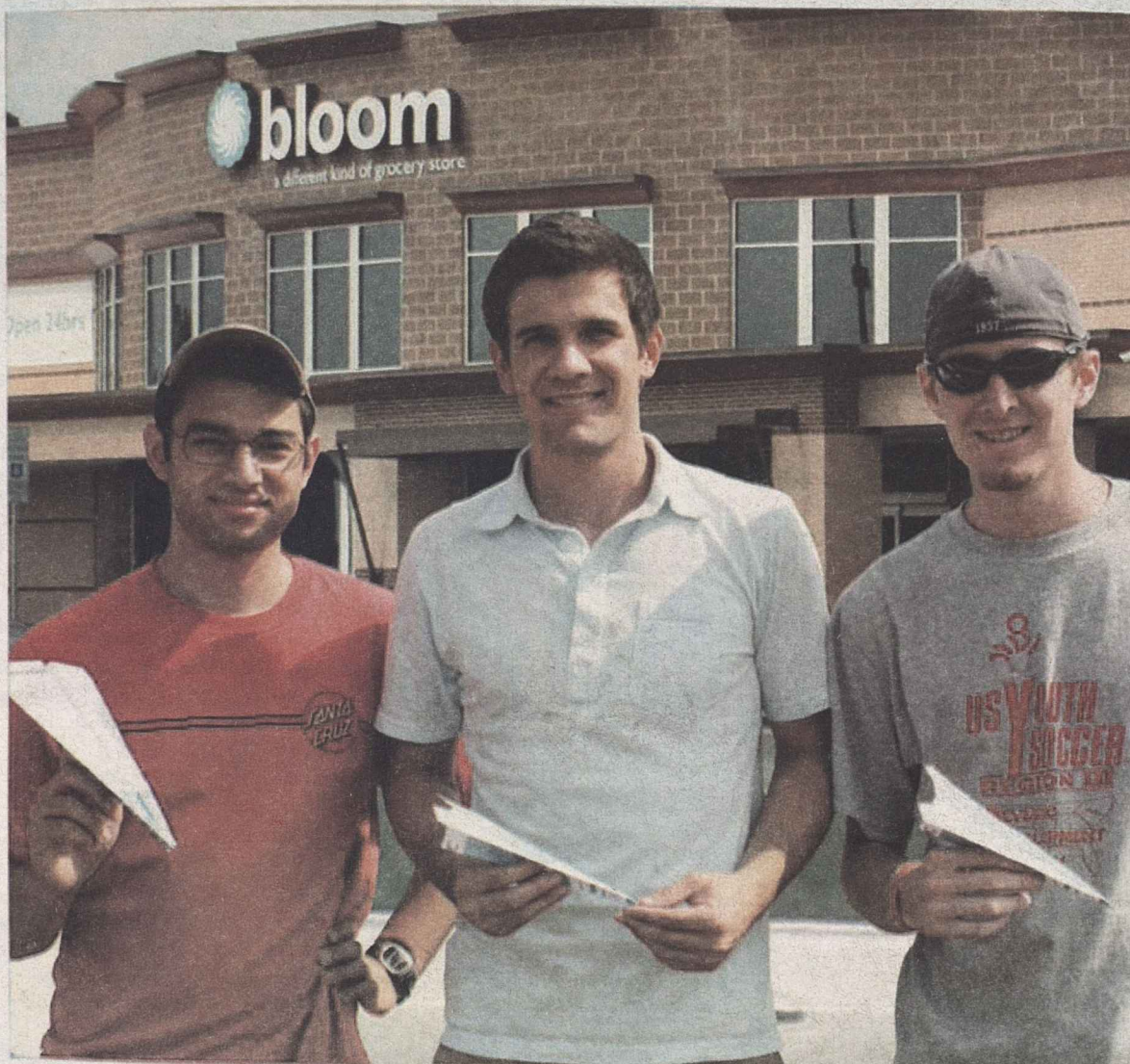
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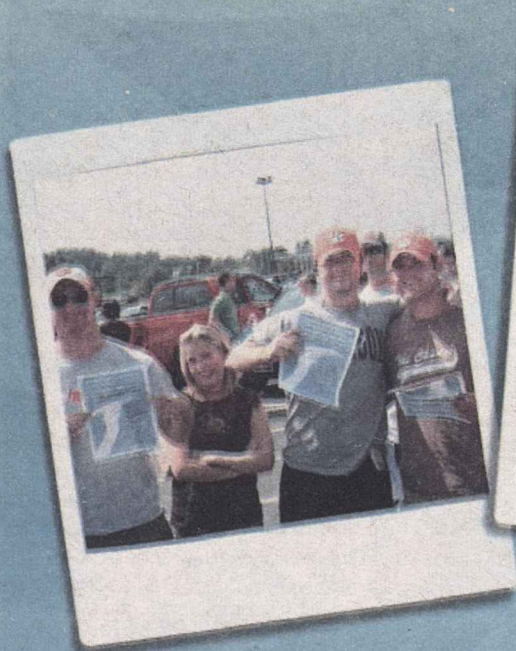
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# After win over UNC, soccer team ranked No. 1

Poe scores winning goal for second straight win over a Top 5 team at home.

**DANIEL TAYLOR**  
STAFF WRITER

Friday nights are quickly transforming into a new outlet for sports entertainment in Clemson. For the second Friday in a row, the men's soccer team hosted a Top 5 school at historic Riggs Field. In both games, a crowd of close to 7,000 was treated to a thrilling one goal victory for the boys in orange. Both times, the win-

ning goal was scored by junior Danny Poe.

The first of these instances came two weeks ago in a 2-1 victory over then No. 1 Maryland. The second largest crowd in Clemson history (6,821) cheered on its then No. 4 Tigers and witnessed Poe punch in the winning score with 16:02 left in the match. Poe repeated the act the following Friday when even more Tiger fans (7,012) saw him kick yet another game winner against No. 5 North Carolina — this time giving the Tigers a 1-0 victory.

Poe said of his score, "I was at the right place at the right time. I was lucky; it was an ugly goal, but a goal is a goal. North Carolina is a good team,

and our defense played tough. We held on for the win."

The win over North Carolina put the Tigers at 7-0 on the season and is their best start since 1978. It was also their second victory in the ACC, which is the toughest conference in collegiate soccer. Head coach Trevor Adair now has his team two victories closer to a regular ACC championship, which was their preseason goal.

Adair had praise for his club, adding, "It was a total team victory. Our players gave it their all. The crowd was great again and this atmosphere is unbelievable. The players did everything we asked. I am happy for Danny Poe. He played hard and gives great effort."



BRIAN SCHNEIDER/staff

**HEY, NO TRIPPING:** North Carolina defender Andre Sherard trips up Clemson's Dane Richards at Riggs Field last Friday.

The strong play of Trevor Adair's squad was rewarded with a No. 1 ranking in the latest polls released Tuesday afternoon. Before the Tigers took the field against Longwood University Tuesday evening, they were considered the No. 1 soccer team in the land. Clemson responded well, downing the Lancers 2-0, and increasing their winning streak to eight games.

Over the eight-game winning streak, the Tigers have benefited from outstanding play at goalie. Since the game at USC, goalies Phil Marfuggi and Joseph Bendik have allowed only two goals in seven games — Marfuggi posting 24 saves over that period as well. The stout defense of the Tigers has allowed them to win games with one or two goals, and made it impossible for opponents to take early leads. Clemson has not trailed in a game since the opener versus South Carolina.

The Tigers are not the only ACC school in the upper echelon of NCAA soccer. The conference has five of the top seven teams in the nation and two more in the Top 25. Following Clemson at No. 1, Virginia is No. 2. Duke, Maryland, and Wake Forest are Nos. 5, 6 and 7, respectively. North Carolina dropped to No. 18 following the loss at Riggs Field last week, and Virginia Tech is No. 24.

The fans at Clemson are responding to the team's surge to the No. 1 ranking, but this Friday night there is no soccer

game at Riggs Field. It almost casts a gloom over the evening which has enjoyed exciting soccer match-ups the last two weeks.

The Tigers start a road trip on Sunday to face NC State, and then travel to Charlottesville next Saturday to take on Virginia.

Clemson's next home game is not until Tuesday, Oct. 3, when they play host to Wake Forest.

## NSCAA Top 25

1. Clemson
2. Virginia
3. SMU
4. Washington
5. Duke
6. Maryland
7. Wake Forest
8. West Virginia
9. Illinois-Chicago
10. UCLA
11. South Carolina
12. Fordham
13. Old Dominion
14. Northwestern
15. Memphis
16. South Florida
17. San Francisco
18. North Carolina
19. Fairleigh Dickinson
20. Saint Louis
21. Seton Hall
21. Akron
23. California
24. Virginia Tech
25. UC Santa Barbara
25. UAB

Others receiving votes: James Madison, Brown



BRIAN SCHNEIDER/staff

**TIGER FAITHFUL:** Hundreds of Clemson soccer fans pack the stands behind star forward Dane Richards as the Jamaica native controls the ball in last Friday's 1-0 win over North Carolina.

# Lady Tigers soccer team falls 1-0 to South Carolina

Lady Gamecocks defend home turf successfully, and Clemson travels to Boston College this Sunday.

**HOKE HILL**  
STAFF WRITER

The Clemson women's soccer team traveled to Columbia last Friday night for a match against the Gamecocks of the University of South Carolina. The Gamecocks defeated Clemson by a score of 1-0.

South Carolina's single goal came within the first minute of the second half. Annie Galloway scored her second goal of the season for the Gamecocks off an assist by Monica Hogan and Samantha Diaz-Matosas.

Clemson goalkeeper Ashley Phillips, a junior, finished with five saves in the game. Phillips is third in the conference

in saves per game with 4.43 and is tied for third in the ACC in total saves with 31. The West Peabody, Mass., native was named a preseason All-American by Soccer America earlier this year.

The Lady Tigers struggled offensively for most of the night, finishing the match with only three shots and one corner kick.

Gamecock goalkeeper Laura Armstrong finished with three saves while preserving a shutout.

The Gamecocks tallied 12 shots and five corner kicks on the night. Clemson finished with seven fewer fouls than the Gamecocks, by a 17-10 margin.

"We played well in the first 20 minutes of the match and then we fell apart. It is very frustrating in the way we play so inconsistently. The inexperience is showing. We need our leaders to step up," said Clemson head coach Todd Bramble.

The loss drops the Lady Tigers to 4-3 on the season, while South Carolina moves to 5-3 so far this year.

The next action for the Lady Tigers will take place on Sunday in Chestnut Hill, Mass., as Clemson visits the Boston College Eagles for an ACC match up.

The Eagles won last year's match, in Clemson, 2-1. It was the first match against Boston College for Clemson head coach Todd Bramble, whose five-year Clemson coaching record stands at 63-40-7 through the Tigers' seven games this season.

The "Super Fans" of Boston College have been less than super when supporting their Eagles this season. The team ranks next to last in the conference in attendance with just 216 fans coming out to each of their three home games. In contrast, the Tiger faithful are fourth in the conference with 761 as their average home attendance.

The Eagles are currently 5-2 on the season and will be opening their ACC play against the Lady Tigers. Boston College is led in scoring by freshman forward Gina DiMartino, who has eight goals so far on the season. Junior Kia

McNeill is second on the team in scoring with three goals. McNeill is tied for eighth in the conference in that category.

Eagle midfielder Jenny Maurer has started every game in her Boston College career and was named a captain as a junior last year and resumed that post this season.

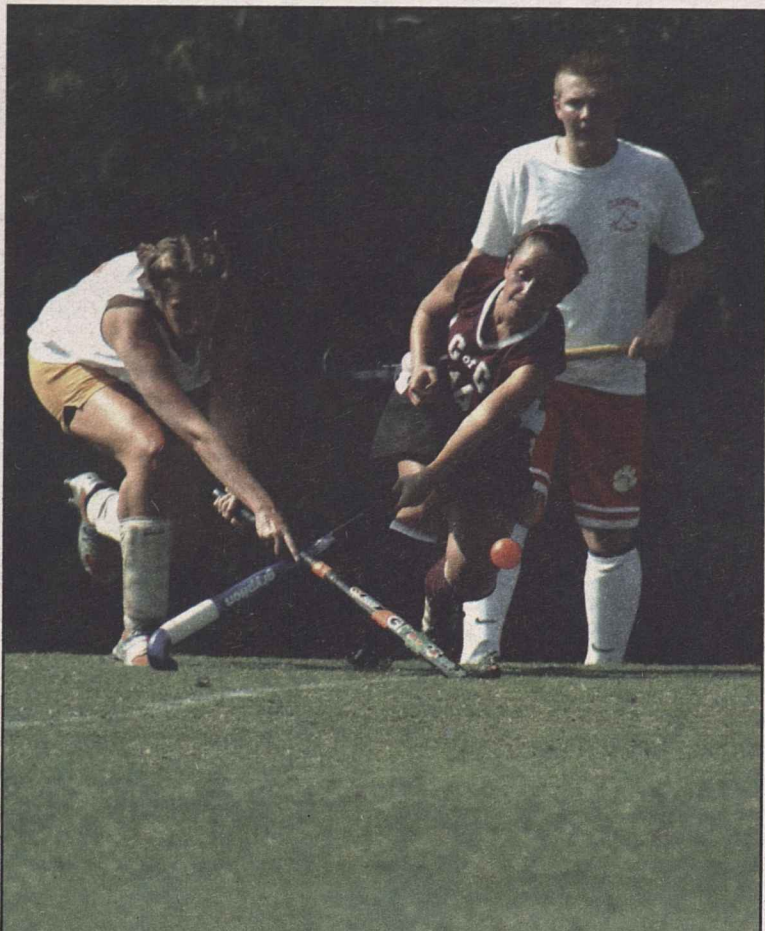
Clemson is led on offense by Meghan Smith, a sophomore transfer from Iowa State University. Smith currently leads the team in scoring with three goals, and has also contributed an assist this season.

Sophomore midfielder Julie Bolt has been excellent in distributing the ball this season with four assists. She has also added one goal for the Lady Tigers. Bolt's assist total puts her at fourth in the conference.

Phillips has performed well in the goal for the Lady Tigers, allowing only seven goals in seven games so far this season. She has also added 31 saves on the year for a .816 percentage.



## Club Sports Corner



**WE DO IT HARDER:** Clemson's Meredith Harter crosses sticks with a College of Charleston opponent.

DIA ZAFEROPULOS/photo editor

Club sports are in full swing here on campus, and we at The Tiger are going to bring you as much information as we can as the club season progresses.

In women's field hockey, the Tigers were able to take out the College of Charleston Cougars by a final score of 4-1 this past Saturday.

Clemson is fielding its first club football team in years, and it is led by several former Tiger football greats.

Two-time NFL pro-bowler Levon Kirkland, former Tiger quarterback Patrick Sapp, 2004 Peach Bowl MVP Chad Jasmin and former Clemson center Tommy Sharpe make up the coaching staff.

The club football team dropped their opening game to UNC-Chapel Hill last Sunday 9-7. Starting quarterback Scott Anderson threw a touchdown pass in the contest.

The club football team will take on Atlantic Career College this Sunday at 3 p.m. on the turf-grass field at the Clemson football practice fields. The game is open to the public.

If you would like your club sport to appear in the Club Sports Corner, send an e-mail to [sports@thetigernews.com](mailto:sports@thetigernews.com) as soon as possible.

## Three Clemson teams start off season strong

Golf, women's tennis and rowing are all performing well early in the year.

**JOSH FORT**  
SPORTS EDITOR

### Golf

The future for the men's golf program at Clemson University looks even brighter after the Tigers' second place finish at the Carpet Classic in Dalton, Ga., this week-end. The Classic was held at The Farm, a par 72 course that stretches 7,010 yards.

Freshmen Ben Martin and Kyle

Stanley finished third and 11th, respectively to lead the Tigers. Martin, a Greenwood native, shot a 208 (-8) over the three day, 54-hole event for an impressive finish in his first-ever collegiate match. Stanley finished his first tournament at four under par (212) for 11th place. Fellow Tiger Vince Hatfield finished 19th with a 213 (-3).

As a team, Clemson finished in second place with a team score of 847, the school's best ever score at the Carpet Classic. Alabama won the tournament with an 841. Georgia and Georgia Tech finished the game tied in third at 854.

The golf team will return to action Oct. 2 for the Ping/Golf

Week Preview that will be held in Williamsburg, Va.

### Women's Tennis

The 2006 edition of the Thomasville Collegiate Invitational featured two Lady Tigers in sophomore Alexandra Luc and freshman Samantha Eppelsheimer.

Eppelsheimer, a Mt. Pleasant native, won her first match against Abraham Baldwin's Nicole Stafford 6-0, 6-0. But her hot start wasn't enough to carry her as she lost her final three matches to finish the tournament at 1-3.

Luc defeated Auburn-Montgomery's Nadia Lysak 3-6, 6-1, and 11-9 on Friday. The Paris, France, native then knocked off the No. 2 seeded player in the tournament, Suzanne Cavalcante of West Florida. Luc lost to No. 3 seed Martina Nitkova of Georgia State in three sets before leaving the tournament with an injury.

The Clemson ladies turned some heads in doubles action with an 8-2 win over the duo of Margot Carter and Marina Ruiz de Gauna, but would fall in their second contest against Nitkova and Dariana Kozmina of Georgia State.

Kozmina edged out Nitkova in three sets to take home the singles title in the tournament. Auburn-Montgomery's Kamila Dadakhovjaeva and Lysak won the doubles tournament title in a three-set match that took more than two hours.

### Women's Rowing

The fall rowing season got off to a great start last weekend in the Tail of the Tiger event that was held on Clemson's Lake Hartwell. Clemson went undefeated in the varsity 8+ and varsity 4+ against club teams from Georgia and Clemson.

Clemson's A boat won the varsity 8+ race in a time of 18:38.9. Ladies on board the A boat were, Ford Heiner, Meg Bendik, Catie Cornett, Nicole Rau, Caitlin O'Neill, Sarah Cooper, Brittney Gamble, Suzanne Van Fleet, and Sarah Hayward (coxswain). The Tigers' B and C boats took second and third respectively.

In the varsity 4+ race, the Tigers C boat comprised of Lizzy Jennings, Barbi Breimann, Kristen Weinacker, Jessie Leidecker, and Elyse Roenick (coxswain) took first place with a time of 21:16.4. Clemson's B boat was second, followed by the A boat.

The Tigers will be in action again this Sunday when they host the Class Day Regatta on Lake Hartwell.

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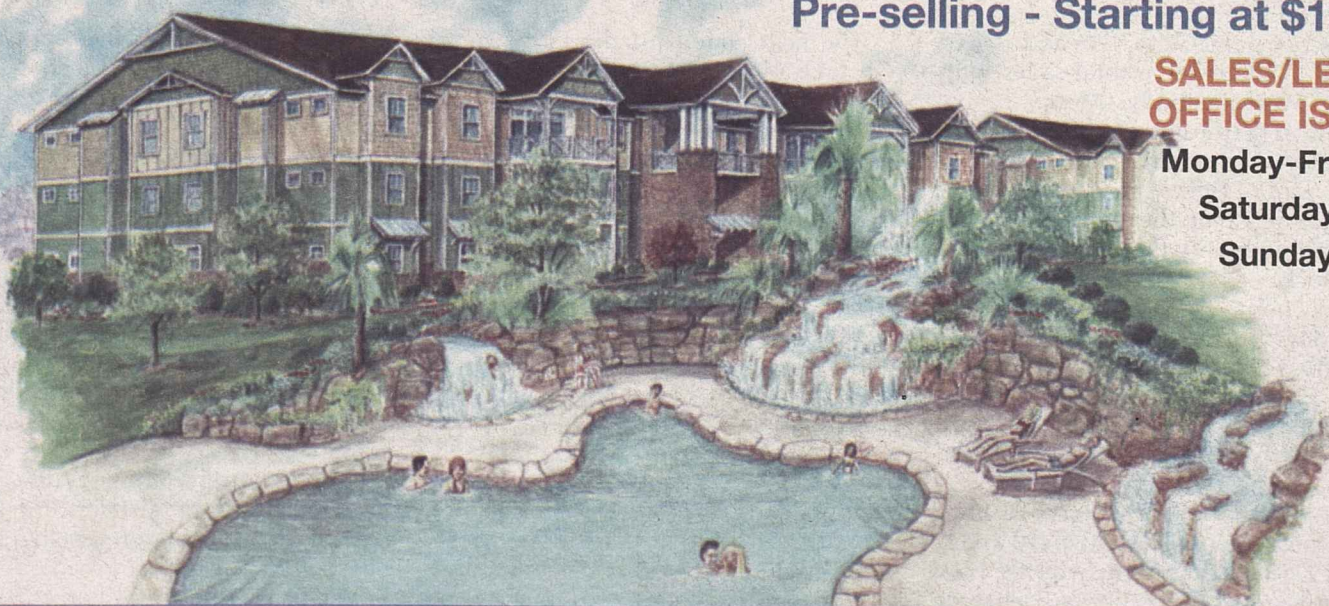
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# UNC Tarheels pay a visit to Death Valley

ERIC SPROTT

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

After two weeks where Clemson coaches, players and fans have gained more than a couple of gray hairs while flirting with multiple cardiac arrests, the Tigers seem to have a fairly easy game on their hands against UNC tomorrow



## Standings

School Conference Overall

### Atlantic Division

Boston Col.	1-0	3-0
Wake Forest	1-0	3-0
Clemson	1-1	2-1
Florida State	1-1	2-1
Maryland	0-0	2-1
N.C. State	0-0	1-2

### Coastal Division

Virginia Tech	2-0	3-0
Georgia Tech	0-0	2-1
Virginia	0-0	1-2
UNC	0-1	1-2
Miami	0-1	1-2
Duke	0-2	0-3

## AP top 25

1. Ohio State (59)
2. Auburn (2)
3. USC (2)
4. West Virginia (2)
5. Florida (2)
6. Michigan
7. Texas
8. Louisville
9. Georgia
10. LSU
11. Virginia Tech
12. Notre Dame
13. Oregon
14. Iowa
15. Tennessee
16. TCU
17. Oklahoma
18. Florida State
19. Clemson
20. Boston College
21. California
22. Arizona State
23. Nebraska
24. Penn State
25. Boise State

at noon. While that is the sentiment of many analysts and fans, that thought is head coach Tommy Bowden's biggest concern; a letdown against a lesser team due to a lack of motivation and intensity. At least on papers, all signs point to a 3-1 start for the Tigers.

North Carolina (1-2, 0-1) is coming off a surprisingly close 45-42 win over Division II program Furman. The Tarheels inserted redshirt freshman Cam Sexton as their starting quarterback, replacing Nebraska transfer Joe Dailey after consecutive

losses to Rutgers and Virginia Tech. Sexton performed well, passing for 263 yards and a pair of touchdowns while garnering ACC Rookie of the Week honors for his efforts.

19th-ranked Clemson (2-1, 1-1) is coming off of one of its biggest wins in the Tommy Bowden era after taking out then ninth-ranked Florida State on the road in a 27-20 thriller. As was the case the week before in Boston College, the Tigers specials teams struggled, giving up two block kicks that led directly to nine FSU points.

Aside from the blocked kicks, Clemson dominated the Seminoles. Many Tigers were recognized for their outstanding efforts, as defensive end Gaines Adams, offensive lineman Roman Fry and defensive back Duane Coleman were recognized as ACC Players of the Week at their respective positions.

Clemson coaches should be drooling over the fact that UNC ranks last in the ACC in rushing defense, while the Tigers have the league's rushing leader in James Davis (274 yards, five

touchdowns.) The 'Heels are also next to last in total defense, and gave up more than 500 yards to Furman last week.

Finally, and you all know this had to come up, there's the issue of special teams. The painful lesson learned over the past two weeks is that special teams can make all the difference in a ball game. It cost the Tigers a win in Boston, and nearly cost them their first victory at FSU since 1989. If Clemson can get the kicking game in order, all should be well against the boys in baby blue.

## Gameday Advantages

**Backs** Though the Heels have one of the top backs in the conference, the Tigers have the leading rusher in James Davis and more depth.



**WRs** UNC has the second leading receiver in the conference, but once again Clemson trumps them with Chansi Stuckey and company.



**O-line** The Tiger offensive line is an experienced group, with four seniors and a junior and is among the best in the country.



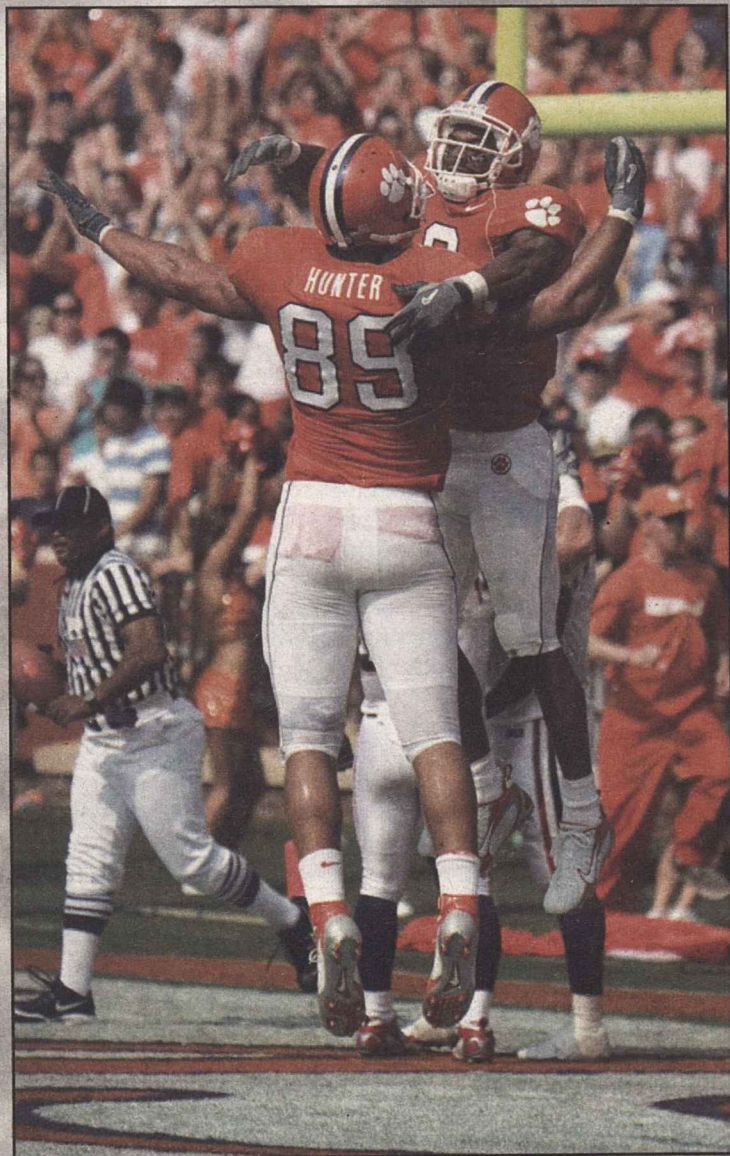
**Run D** Clemson held Florida State to just a little more than 100 yards on the ground in last week's 27-20 win in Tallahassee.



**Pass D** North Carolina gave up more than 300 yards passing to the Furman Paladins last Saturday in Chapel Hill.



**Special teams** After terrible kick coverage in week 2 against BC, the Tigers' field goal unit gave up two blocked kicks against FSU last week.



BRIAN SCHNEIDER/staff

**LEAPING TIGERS:** Thomas Hunter and Chansi Stuckey celebrate after a touchdown against Florida Atlantic. The seniors will try to lead Clemson to a home win tomorrow against the North Carolina Tarheels.

## Tiger staff picks

Games	Josh "The Wild Turkey" Fort 12-8	"Macho Man" Eric Sprott 10-10	Zack "The Six Mile Stud" Mauldin 15-5
UNC at Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson
Penn St. at Ohio St.	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State
N. Dame at Mich. St.	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame
BC at NC State	NC State	Boston College	Boston College
Arizona St. at Cal	California	California	California
UVa. at Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech
Wisc. at Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Louisville at K State	Louisville	Louisville	Louisville
Wake at Ole Miss	Wake Forest	Wake Forest	Wake Forest
Alabama at Arkansas	Alabama	Arkansas	Alabama



# Friday Fantasy Football Roundup

**BUCKY BERLIN**  
STAFF WRITER

No introduction necessary this week, I've got a lot to talk about.

## QB

**Hope I Don't Jinx:** Chad Pennington — N.Y. Jets at Buffalo — Last week I listed Pennington as "Soon, but not yet." Well, this week I'm going with him, as he had another solid game against the Patriots, completing 22 of 37 passes for 306 yards and two touchdowns. How can you not, with stud receivers Laveranues Coles and Jericho Cotchery? Just keep that shoulder healthy, Chad.

**Key Match-up:** Drew Brees vs. Michael Vick — New Orleans vs. Atlanta — Wow, so who would have expected New Orleans and Atlanta to start the season 2-0 and Carolina and Tampa Bay to be 0-2? Definitely not me, but the conference front-runner will emerge after this week three contest between NFC South rivals. Think the Chargers miss Brees? Maybe, but I'm sure the Saints are glad to have him: He's thrown for 529 yards and three touchdowns between the first two weeks of the season, and the only receiver I can name down there is Joe Horn. Obviously Brees is getting it done, and don't forget about the two-punch running game they have.

But let's talk about Michael Vick for a minute. Everyone said going into the season that it was time for Vick to step up and command the offense, and to

become a "true" quarterback. Well, the Falcons brought in Bill Musgrave as the new quarterbacks coach this year, and Vick has looked more comfortable than he ever has. Why? Because the offense has adapted into a format that plays to his strengths. He has only thrown for 232 yards, but he has run for 175, totaling four touchdowns. He's ranked towards the top of the list in terms of fantasy points right now, but much of this will depend on his consistency in the next few games. There has never been a more mature Vick on the field, and he knows how to let his running game take over.

## RB

**I like:** Warrick Dunn — Atlanta at New Orleans — Speaking of Atlanta's running game, I knew with the loss of T.J. Duckett that Warrick Dunn would have to step up more than ever, and he has responded quite well. He has totaled more than 130 yards in each game thus far, and will look to do so again this week down in the Big Easy.

**Also:** Steven Jackson — St. Louis at Arizona — I don't know how you replace Marshall Faulk, but Steven Jackson seems to be doing a good job. He hasn't found the end zone yet this year, but he has rushed in triple digits in both games. The Cardinals defense has allowed 253 yards on the ground so far this year, so I expect the third-year pro out of Oregon State to do well in that nice new stadium.

## WR

**Best Hands in the Biz:** Keyshawn

Johnson — Carolina at Tampa Bay — Throw it to Keyshawn! With the absence of Steve Smith, Johnson has stepped right in to the No. 1 role, tacking up 106 yards last week, and will have to continue to do so this week against his old team. The Panthers need this win BAD, so Delhomme will need to keep looking in Keyshawn's direction.

**Grab 'em:** Antonio Bryant — San Francisco vs. Philadelphia — So it seems that this journeyman receiver has found a home in San Fran, catching passes from Alex Smith: 114 yards against Arizona and 131 yards plus a touchdown against St. Louis, establishing him as the No. 1 guy. Pick him up if he is a free agent (as I am trying to, shh, don't tell my league), and start him this week. The match-up seems tough, but he has proved himself thus far.

**Also:** Laveranues Coles and Jericho Cotchery — N.Y. Jets at Buffalo — Both of these guys have looked hot this year; Coles ran circles around the Patriots for 100 yards and a touchdown, and Cotchery totaled up 121 yards and a touchdown as well. With Pennington healthy, look for their value to rise this week at Buffalo.

## TE

**What?!!:** LJ Smith — Philadelphia at San Francisco — A tight end caught seven passes for 111 yards and his name didn't end with Gates or Gonzalez? Well, when you're six-foot-three-inches and have Donovan McNabb throwing to you, anything is possible. I don't expect Smith to do this well every week, especially with Stallworth seeing the majority of big yardage plays, but the tight end art is not lost in the NFL. I think that LJ can hold it down in Philly. He's having some shoulder issues right now after that long game against the Giants, so

keep an eye on his status this week.

## K

**Who?!!:** Josh Scobee — Jacksonville at Indianapolis — So, when trying to pick a kicker for this week while watching the Steelers lose down in Jacksonville, I asked a friend and fantasy foe for advice. Kickers are a "dime a dozen," he says; so I decided that if Josh Scobee ended up winning the game for the Jaguars with his three field goals, which he did, that I would give him the nod this week against the Colts. OK Scobee, here you go, just don't embarrass yourself (and me for that manner) in front of Vinatieri. Let's hope your replacement for Louisiana Tech doesn't have much luck in Clemson next week, either.

## DEFENSE

Baltimore Ravens — at Cleveland — Well, I picked the Ravens last week, not knowing how much they would improve from the previous week, but they exceeded expectations again, allowing only 162 yards and six points to the Raiders, racking up six sacks, three interceptions, three fumbles recovered and a safety. Let's just say I don't think the Browns will do any better this week. Here's to you Ray, who led the team with seven tackles and an interception.

I can't help but mention the Jaguars defense this week either, after shutting out the defending Super Bowl champion Steelers on Monday Night Football. They face the Colts this week, in Indianapolis, so we will see just how good they are.

**Game to Watch:** N.Y. Giants at Seattle Seahawks — Sunday 4:15 p.m. — Will the Seahawks find consistency with their stable of receivers or will Eli Manning win a game before the fourth quarter? Watch out for Leroy Hill and Lofa Tatupu, Eli; they'll get ya.

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# James Davis

A full-page action photograph of James Davis, a Clemson University football player, running with the ball. He is wearing a white jersey with the number 1 and a red helmet. A defender in a dark jersey is pursuing him from behind. The background shows a blurred crowd in a stadium.

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## TimeOut

## Club embraces open floor

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Open Mic Night. Don't those words just sound like fun?

Seriously, though, this is one of the few times when you can actually perform for your peers. You can do anything without limitations. Well, there's only so much that you can do, but you get the picture. However, not everyone has a strong urge to get in front of a crowd, so it's definitely worthwhile to see those who do have the guts to stand on stage ... right?

On Wednesday, Sept. 13, I decided to check out Open Mic Night for myself since it is held every Wednesday at Edgar's from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. As I walk to the event, I hear some loud, fast-paced, jazzy music. I just assume that we have some really talented trumpet players, so I entered Edgar's through an open door. To my dismay, I find myself caught in the midst of dozens of swing dancers in a dark room. They shake, swing and twirl their bodies around madly.

The music is so loud, I can barely think. I search desperately for anything resembling a band on stage, but am disappointed. Beginning to resemble a lost puppy, I walk toward a woman standing at a nearby high-top table. After a couple of attempts of asking her where Open Mic Night is held (at the top of my lungs, might I add) she shakes her head and tells me that it's swing dancing night, as if I couldn't figure that out on my own.

I thank her nonetheless and gladly step out of the capricious feeling I had in the room. Luckily, at that moment, I look up to see the brilliantly lit white sign that confirmed that it is, indeed, Open Mic Night. I walk toward the next entrance, happily anticipating a large crowd listening to an über-talented, musically driven student. But the first things I see are some guys playing pool, so I amble further into the game room until I hear a girl singing.

It is the resonating voice of freshman Lindsay Morelli as she sits on a high bar stool, strumming her acoustic guitar on a platform positioned in a dark

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corner of the room. I listen to her as she sings "True Beauty." Morelli said the song is meant to tell others not to judge beauty by outer appearances. It was originally written about a vacation spot that her family visited every year that was destroyed by a hurricane.

"Even though it's ugly, it meant a lot to me. I changed [the song] some, so it's not about an ugly island," she said.

I look around as she sings another song called "On The Inside" that I really like, even though it is really similar to her previous song. However, I discover that only a handful of people were actually watching the Open Mic Night. Instead of concentrating on the girl that reminds me of an Alanis Morissette/Michelle Branch combination, I am now frustrated that out of the dismal 20-something people in the room; only a fourth of them were actually watching the singer. I had asked Morelli before if she ever

felt nervous about performing in front of a crowd (and her answer was no), but I didn't even think to ask how she dealt with an inadequate number of audience members.

The next act that I catch is a trio, lead by Joe McCready on vocals and guitar, with Blake Butler on bass and Greg Dasher on percussions. This band begins to sing and already I can tell that they are singing what people want to hear. They have that laid-back style that resembles Jack Johnson, Corey Smith and Ben Harper.

Although at this point, I'm starting to stereotype them with their audience. They draw in a larger crowd than the previous performance (and by "larger," I mean more than 10). You know, it's the Vera-Bradley-clutching-North-Face-and-Rainbow-wearing type. But just as I'm about to write them off as an unoriginal band, their song "Promised Land" enraptures me with its catchy rhythm and lyrics. Joe McCready and his band proved that they had true talent with the witty, carefully written lyrics of "Move."

Open Mic Night is a great opportunity for those who aspire to be performers or anyone with some sort of talent to express. The experience would be so much more fun if more people were to attend and support their fellow students. Plus, this is a great way to listen to original live music, rather than the typical mainstream.

If not, try swing dancing.

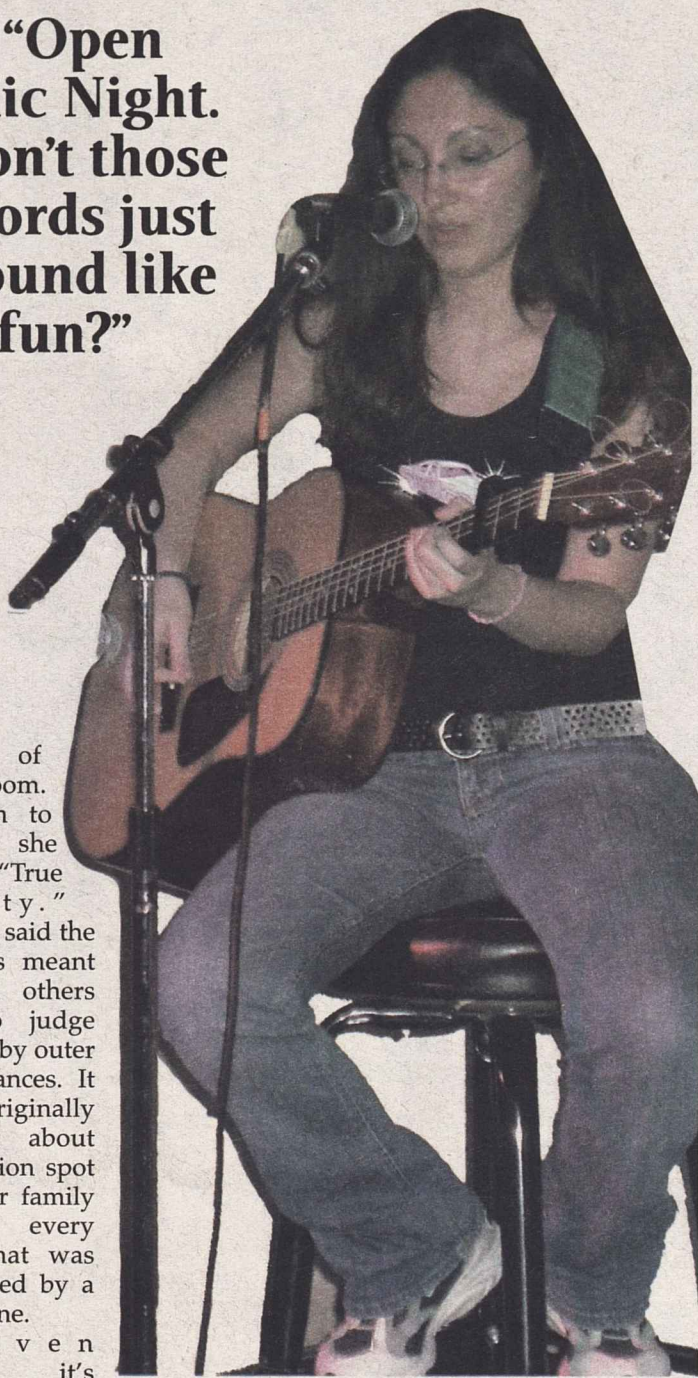


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## "Scoundrels" give awkward insight

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Who better than Billy Bob Thornton to teach Jon Heder, infamous for "Napoleon Dynamite," how to break out of a nerdy persona? When the new movie "School for Scoundrels" begins, it appears Heder will be displaying his talent for personifying a humorous social reject once again.

Fortunately, Thornton takes a break from coaching little league delinquents and posing as Santa Claus to give Heder a little edge.

**"I want to be  
Reid Fleming, the  
World's Toughest  
Milkman."  
—Billy Bob  
Thornton**

In the film, Roger (Heder) learns that he is one of many outcasts that are seeking help in an underground class for losers. The verbally and physically abusive teaching style of Dr. P. (Thornton) and his macho assistant Leshar (Michael Clarke Duncan) seems to be improving the classmates for the better.

That is, until Dr. P. tries to steal Roger's girlfriend. "School for Scoundrels" becomes a teacher/student grudge match full of humor and twists.

What makes "Scoundrels" funny is the dynamic between a seasoned, tough-guy acting style of Thornton and the fresh and goofy mannerisms of Heder.

Just as Heder's character in the film learns from Thornton how to toughen up, "School for Scoundrels" opens up the pos-

sibility for Heder to participate in more serious or dramatic roles in the future.

Not only was TimeOut allowed to catch a preview of the film before it comes out next week, we were also privileged to talk to Thornton and Heder in a newspaper conference call, which may have been the first time an Academy Award and a MTV Movie Award winner were involved in an interview at the same time.

TimeOut took the time to prepare the hard-hitting questions, ranging from Brangelina to pondering where Pedro is now. However, we were only allowed to pose one question, so we asked, "Is there a particular

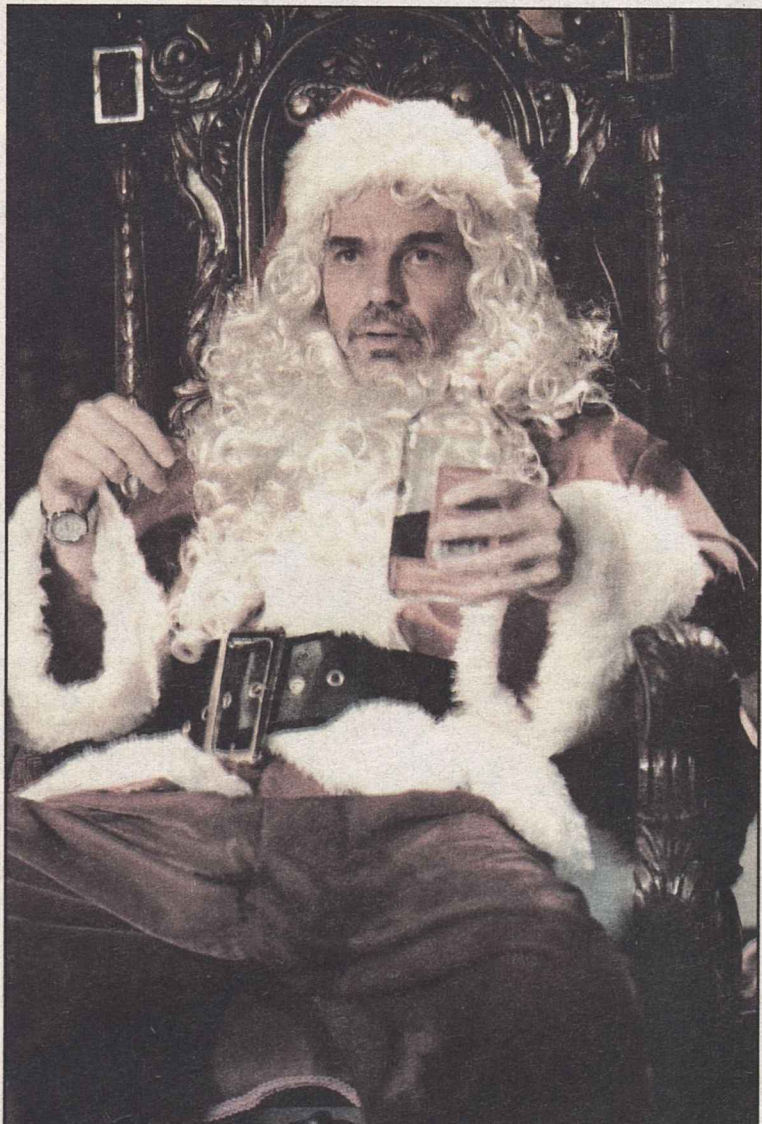
film role, like James Bond or a 'Lord of the Rings'-like character that you've always dreamed of pursuing instead of these comedic roles?"

"Yes, I want to be the next James Bond. I'd think it be also sweet to play an elf, particularly one that gets to shoot magic arrows," Heder said.

Thornton, however, was a bit confused by the question, thinking that we meant strictly super-hero characters.

"[I want to be] Reid Fleming, the World's Toughest Milkman," Thornton said. "It's a comic that not many people know, but keep your eyes open."

It's clear that TimeOut didn't get to ask the greatest question ever, but, hey, we still got to talk to Billy Bob Thornton and Jon Heder, and you didn't!



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# ON THE PROWL

BY FELICIA LAMBERT

It seems that most men are confident enough to masturbate, fantasize and engage in sex without much hesitation. Ladies, you ought to know that it's okay to fantasize. You ought to know that you deserve to feel amazing. You ought to be comfortable with your body and with sex. You ought to please yourself so you know what a great feeling you can achieve, and that way, you know when you've found a great playmate. I want you to love sex the way I do.

Men, do not fear, I will include you in this column. Women who enjoy other women, do not fear. I myself am not homosexual, but I have had lesbian experiences that I will write about. I don't want women to be afraid of sexual experimentation, nor do I want to deter the lesbians on campus from reading this column. Sex is one of the only activities in the world in which everyone can participate. I feel that it's important to include as many different experiences to your sex life as you like.

The most important part of sex is the pleasure. I'm not just talking about the end explosion. I'm talking about the pleasure that builds, the feelings all before the climax. A woman who is playing around with a man who doesn't like to enjoy pre-climax feelings is a woman who needs a better man.

Really powerful orgasms come if you enjoy the rising action. Before you jump into bed with a man, you should know what you like. It's unfair to both of you if you don't. He won't know what to do, and you're not going to be able to tell him. He'll get frustrated, and you'll miss an opportunity for great pleasure.

This is why, my dear ladies, you must know yourself. Your body is beautiful. Your most unique feature is the area between your legs. Treasure it. I don't know who in society told women that we're not supposed to masturbate, but it's a downright lie. Ladies, the guys have been masturbating since middle school and before.

We have years of catching up to do. On average, less than 20 percent of women think about sex more than one time

a day and only 52 percent of women admit to masturbation.

Only half of the female population touch themselves. This means that half of you ladies are not enjoying your body. There are many reasons why women choose not to masturbate. If it is a religious reason, I cannot argue with you, and I respect your decision. If it is a time constraint or a roommate situation, you are going to have to get creative.

I would suggest the shower as a prime time saver and roommate avoider. If your schedule is busy, try to find little moments in the day when you're alone or try right before bed. If you live with someone who never seems to leave, find their class schedule. They have to go to class, so use that time for yourself.

If you do not masturbate because you've never done it, you have caught yourself in vicious circle. Do not fear. It is only you. No one is judging you. It's going to take a little bit of time. You should try not to get discouraged or give up. If you practice at something, you will get good. The first few times are really frustrating, but the times when you know what you're doing are worth the frustration.

If you do not masturbate because you believe masturbation to be "dirty," you are in the majority of non-masturbating women. The reason you find masturbation "dirty" is because society has brainwashed you. There is a double standard for masturbation: Men can do it and it's totally fine, but if women do it, it's "dirty." Do not believe this. If you do, you're simply enforcing the double standard and preventing you and other

women from pleasure.

I don't expect this article to be so life-changing that you are immediately okay with female masturbation, but I would hope that you could take some time to think about what I'm saying and let it simmer in your mind.

Consider the idea that masturbation is not, in fact, "dirty" and that maybe masturbation is great for women too.

I think it's a shame for some women to think that men are the means to their orgasmic satisfaction. We should be able to pleasure ourselves.

If you are nervous about masturbation, a toy is the perfect solution for you. It sounds scary and a little bit kinky, but that's only because society has created an unhealthy view of masturbation.

My first toy was a vibrator that I bought offline at [www.tootimid.com](http://www.tootimid.com). This site is great for ordering anything for your sexual needs, selling items like vibrators, men's toys, sexual enhancements, lubrication, anal toys, games, dildos, DVDs, etc. The delivery is discreet, so you can even have your package sent through the University Post Office.

Every woman should own a vibrator. You can purchase vibrators for a pretty affordable price, some costing only \$12, while the filthy rich can purchase toys costing upwards of \$100.

Each toy has many different styles, colors and sizes. There are so many different toys online waiting to journey into your bedroom. Check out the site even if you don't think you'll buy anything. Just look at all the wonderful technological advances science has made for your pleasure.

Any of the sleek and simple vibrators are great for first timers. The Doc Johnson Velvet Touch Vibe (7") is multi-speed, easy to clean and very good at getting the job done. It does not look like a penis (which turns some girls off), but instead it is a long

cylindrical toy with a smooth, rounded top. There are many vibrators on the site, and that ought to be your first toy. There are so many pages of toys. One of them will be right for you. Find one that you like, and consider ordering it as a gift to yourself. You will own it for the rest of your life. It is a fantastic investment.

The pleasure you receive from your own doing is wonderful, partially because you did it yourself. And vibrators aren't just for solo time. Vibrators can be a great way to heat up your relationship. Many guys are aroused by watching girls pleasure themselves.

Vibrators are also a great

safety blanket, in that you know that if your lover leaves town, gets busy or breaks up with you, you have a backup plan to continue to achieve pleasure.

Women of Clemson, take some time this week from the homework and the gym and laundry and meetings to enjoy yourself. Find a quiet time in your room to explore yourself. If you feel adventurous, order a toy online. Just remember that you are beautiful and you have a very precious part to your body. Don't ignore it. This week, embrace your body. Learn what you like. Give yourself whatever it is that you like. Explode with pleasure. Then do it again.



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# THE TOP THEME PARTIES 5

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Toga! Toga! Toga! First made popular by the college classic "Animal House," toga parties have been a staple of campus debauchery for many years. Yes, the classic bed sheet costume will forever hold a place in our hearts, if for no other reason than the direct,

albeit inverse relation that exists between the number of drinks and one's chances of disrobing.

This being said, I do believe that it is time for the toga to step down as reigning king of party attire. Never fear, though, kids; we at TimeOut have prepared a list of the Top 5 Party Themes that are sure to afford a good story in the morning,

or at least a face-book picture that would make a hooker blush.

## 5. The Devil in You, the Angel in Me

In writing this list, I couldn't help but think of perhaps the only funny thing Lindsay Lohan has ever said. Parties, college parties in particular, are truly just an excuse to wear lingerie cleverly couched by bunny ears, or in this case, a halo and wings or a horn and tail.

The concept is self-explanatory, and a good way to see who is naughty and who is nice. This party is sure to be the Florida Atlantic of season openers: a bit predictable, but nevertheless a guaranteed win.

## 4. Corporate Lives and Trophy Wives.

Most people on campus have heard of or attended a Catholic Schoolgirls and Dirty Professors party. As much fun as the plaid skirts are guaranteed to be, in the spirit of this column, this too has been retired to make way for our "Nip/Tuck" generation. After all, in this hot Clemson weather, who wants to wear a plaid wool skirt when a tennis skirt or even just a pair of pearls will do?

## 3. Jammies and Jell-O

Something about pajamas and Jell-O seem to make everyone feel like a little kid again, and with the punch this party packs, everyone will be acting like kids by the time they leave. Personally, I recommend timing the jammies and Jell-O party toward finals time when no one has the time for laundry or the money for costumes, but enough ailments so that they're in need of a good Jell-O shot just to keep them away from Redfern.

But if you can't handle the wholesome Bill Cosby image every time you slam down those little bits of jiggly fun, a nice variation on the theme is the Kegs and Eggs party; as long as you don't mind houseguests, that is. Not only will you be the life of the party, but come morning when

everyone's nursing a hangover, a home-cooked breakfast will be a welcome sight.

## 2. Paint Your Date

Now, I'm sure no one can envision disastrous consequences when you mix ink and parties, which is why this is number two on our countdown. With a flimsy white shirt on and pen in hand, you are free to go forth and leave your mark, or your number, on whichever of the other sexy partygoers you choose to hunt for the night.

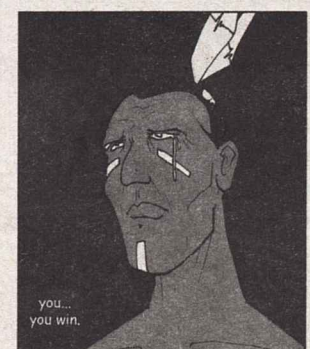
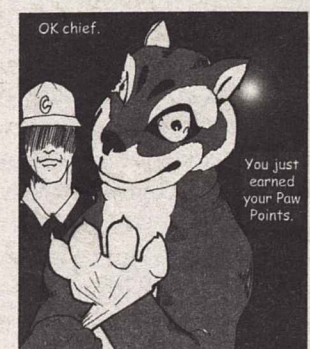
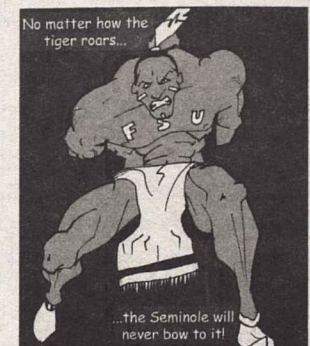
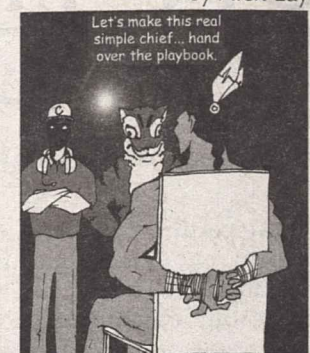
Just be careful, there's sure to be at least one naughty Picasso that will try and give you crabs, and for once, it might actually make you giggle. If you've never been to or heard of one of these parties, you are either culturally deprived or a freshman. After all, where else are you going to see people dropping to their knees without a second thought?

## 1. Mafia Mixer

Did you know that in Sicily, women are more dangerous than shotguns? Do you long to show everyone just how powerful your guns are? Of course you do; there's not a person out there that doesn't like quoting gangster movies, wearing fedoras and suspenders, or, for the ladies, trying on the fishnets and black eyeliner. This is why the Mafia mixer is sure not only to be fun, but to also give everyone a chance to add a little old school glamour to their act, or at least just look cooler than Don Corleone. Just be sure that there's not a horse to greet you when you roll over in the morning.

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1. If you were working at a job, you would continue to work:

- A) Until you needed a lunch break.
- B) Until you'd been the person to work that job for the longest.
- C) Until people could tell you'd been working hard.
- D) Until you remembered the essay you were supposed to write.
- E) Why are you working? Daddy sends a check every week for you.

2. Your favorite television show is:

- A) Anything on C-SPAN.
- B) "The Fairly Odd Parents."
- C) 6:00 p.m. Local News.
- D) "Take Home Chef."
- E) Any music video countdown.

To find out, add up your points:

- 1. A-1, B-2, C-3, D-4, E-5
- 2. A-2, B-5, C-4, D-1, E-3
- 3. A-1, B-5, C-3, D-2, E-4
- 4. A-5, B-1, C-3, D-4, E-2
- 5. A-2, B-4, C-5, D-3, E-1

3. If your boyfriend/girlfriend let you decide how to spend this Friday night, you would:

- A) Ask them to cook you a big fancy dinner at home.
- B) Hit up at least four parties in the Clemson area.
- C) Go rollerblading or ice skating.
- D) Try to go to the most racially homogenous restaurant in Clemson.
- E) Curl up in bed together and read.

4. Your friends would describe you in these three words:

- A) Crazy, spontaneous, drunk.
- B) Lustful, eccentric, hungry.
- C) Strong, determined, muscular.
- D) Particular, quiet, studious.
- E) Experienced, ambitious, racist.

5. Your greatest life goal is:

- A) To run the country the way you believe, even if it means abolishing some current laws.
- B) To win an intellectual award for your work.
- C) To have more than 10,000 friends on Facebook.
- D) To pose on the front of a magazine.
- E) To marry a chef.

If you have mostly 1s, you are **Harcombe Dining Hall**. You are the type of person who enjoys a good meal or two. If it's been mass produced, you are in heaven. Why cook for one when you can cook for a whole college campus? No matter what assignments are due, you'll never pass up a meal for anything. You know all the servers' first names and the names of all six of their dogs. You even have the dining hall website set as your homepage, just so you can check to make sure your favorite meals are being served.

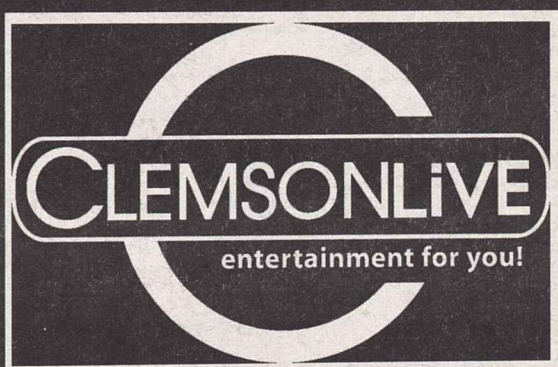
If you have mostly 2s, you are the **Strom Thurmond Institute**. You enjoy a good bit of authority and may have fought in a few wars back in your day. You may not be that successful in all that you do, and you fail in the greatest quest you take, whether it be the U.S. Presidency or getting that chick from your bio lab to party with you this weekend. You like to hear the sound of your own voice and will talk for hours over anything, including your ideas against civil rights for all.

If you have mostly 3s, you are the **Fike Recreation Center**. You can never have too many muscles. You're there breaking a sweat everyday before your 8 a.m., right after it, after lunch, before your chemistry lab and right before bed. There's not an empty moment in your day that you aren't thinking about the next time you'll be lifting those dumbbells or racing on the treadmill. Three percent body fat is too much for you. You never settle on anything less than a "Sports Illustrated"-quality body.

If you have mostly 4s, you are **Cooper Library**. College is all about making the grades. Some people think that's what high school was about, but you know they are wrong. The biggest crime someone can commit is talking on their cell phone on any level below five, because you will give them the look of death. To you, the chairs on the fifth level are your bed. Why go home? You can maximize the amount of time spent memorizing your professors' ramblings, enjoy a good, home cooked microwaved soup and sleep in all the comforts of Cooper.

If you have mostly 5s, you **don't belong on campus**. All the underage drinking that you do or encourage people to do happens off campus. Why go to campus? Yeah, that's where the classes are, but you don't even like class. College is all about the experience for you. You can't have memorable experiences sitting in a lecture hall. When you aren't partying on the weekend, you're ordering in pizza, playing "Madden" or watching stupid MTV shows like "Next!"

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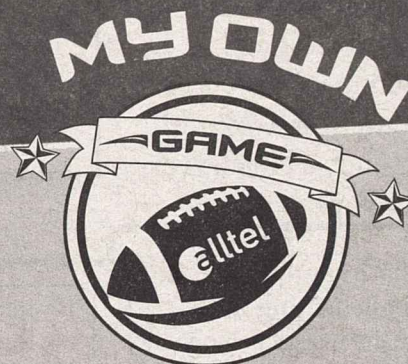


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5. I painted goal posts on my dorm wall.
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If you're like me, you often find yourself moaning about how Hollywood and the basic art of cinema are just going to hell. Instead of the challenging, offbeat, truly moving films from decades ago like "Harold and Maude" and "The Apartment," audiences are now subjected to "Stick It" and "She's the Man" (because when I think of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," I totally connect it with Amanda Bynes).

But what exactly are we doing about this dilemma? Nothing. Sure, it's fun to whine about the fact that The Rock is now a box office superstar (I do believe that was one of the signs of the Apocalypse, no?), but nobody really does anything to put things right. Thusly, I have found a solution: Put me in the charge of Hollywood. That's right, Clemson's very own TimeOut Editor will have the power to put a stop to all those "American Pie" direct-to-DVD sequels, and concentrate more on what he wants and thinks is important (I'm thinking along the lines of "Sister Act 3: This Habit is Hard to Break").

And if you doubt my ability to run Hollywood, I can totally get you some solid credentials. My mother will be more than happy to write a letter of recommendation, and I have some very convincing letters from my first grade teacher ("Michael went the whole day without biting anyone") and my Sunday school instructor (I won the Frankincense Award for Most Reserved Presbyterian). So clearly I am more than qualified to run Hollywood.

My first course of action as I become the Ruler of Hollywood is to separate the current film and television actors into different groups. Mischa Barton, Ben Affleck, Vin Diesel are all placed in the "Lifetime TV Movie" category, so they can only act in Lifetime movies like "Why I Wore Lipstick to My Mastectomy" or "Not Without My Deep-Fryer: The Me-Maw Story." Actors like Kate Winslet, Bill Murray and Edie Falco can do anything they want, though, because, in my book, they can do no wrong. However, Jessica Biel and Howie Mandel will be banished to a desert island and never heard from again.

With that out of the way, I next set my sights on television. Now, I'm a huge TV-shows-on-DVD fan, but hate having to wait a year for the next season to be released. The solution? Just skip the whole "premieres on TV" thing and just release a whole season on DVD first. But note to "24" and "Grey's

Anatomy:" Make sure you guys are continuously working on new seasons so I don't have to wait, 'cause I need to know whether Meredith picks Dr. McDreamy or McVet RIGHT NOW.

I'm not going to completely get rid of television shows. There will be a 24-hour "Veronica Mars" station, you see, because this is perhaps the greatest thing ever invented. Ever. Seriously, you guys need to pick up the DVDs.

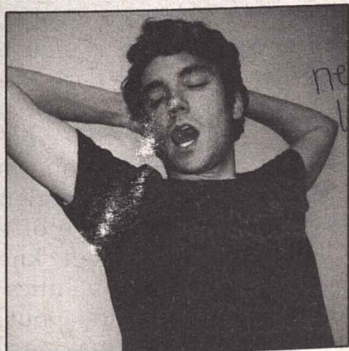
And now on to the music industry. Hark, is that the sound of hundreds of emos whining? What's that they say? I can get rid of every musical artist except Death Cab and Bright Eyes? Well, that's just tough, Emo McWhinesalot, because I don't like that type of music (if I wanted to sit in a dark room, listen to music and cry, I'd just wait until Thanksgiving at my relatives' house). I will exclusively monitor every song to come out of the music industry and decide which is acceptable to be unleashed upon the world. "London Bridges?" Of course! "Popo Zao?" That would be no.

And last, but certainly not least, I focus my gaze on movies. When I was younger, I used to go to movies all the time. It wouldn't be unusual for me to see "The Rock," "Kazaam" and "Independence Day" in the same weekend. But then I grew up and realized that these movies were horrible, and my time at the theater diminished. Seriously, Shaq as a rapping genie? That's the worst idea since Frau Hitler said to her husband, "Hey, let's have a baby boy!"

So I propose that craptacular movies like "The Covenant" and "Jackass: Number Two" will no longer be seen in a theater near you. Instead, there will be a mixture of great classic movies like "Raging Bull" and "Apocalypse Now" (you know, for the family), and I will take it upon myself to write and direct all the new movies to be released. So no longer will theaters be tainted by "The Lake House." Instead, America, be on the lookout for "Gandhi: The Teenage Years" (I can see Ryan Gosling pulling that role off).

Now, I'm sure some of you may be concerned about my plans, thinking that this may be a bit too much like a fascist dictatorship. Concerning this, I say, "Silence, monkeys! Obey my commands or be banished with Jessica Biel!" I can safely say that Hollywood will be all the better for it.

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# "Last Kiss" fails for Braff



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Staff Writer

"The Last Kiss," a film by Tony Goldwyn, may very well not win any Academy Awards. However, with stars like Zach Braff ("Garden State") and Rachel Bilson, ("The OC," which premieres Nov. 2), the viewer is somehow drawn to it anyway. Upon arrival to the Starlight Theater in Anderson (where tickets are merely \$5; try that on for size), I assumed I'd be seeing a chick flick that would leave me gushing with emotion when I left. I was utterly mistaken.

The film follows a young couple, Michael (Braff) and Jenna (Jacinda Barrett), on their road to parenthood. As an unwed couple, the "baby-on-the-way" scenario plays out just as one would imagine: despairingly. Though madly in love with his girlfriend, Michael has trouble facing a future with no surprises left. It's then that college junior Kim (Bilson) enters the scene in a short dress with high expectations. The chemistry is immediately clear, and Michael's attraction to a girl almost 10 years younger than he takes off.

On the sidelines of Michael and Jenna's story, Michael's three best friends, as well as Jenna's parents, are all dealing with similar situations. Chris (Casey Affleck) is a young father like Michael, but his story comes with an overly emotional, high-strung, hormonal wife by the name of Lisa. Kenny (Eric Christian Olsen) finds himself the "right woman," but cops out when she wants him to meet the parents. Then there's Izzy (Michael Weston). With a name like this, what more could one expect from him besides

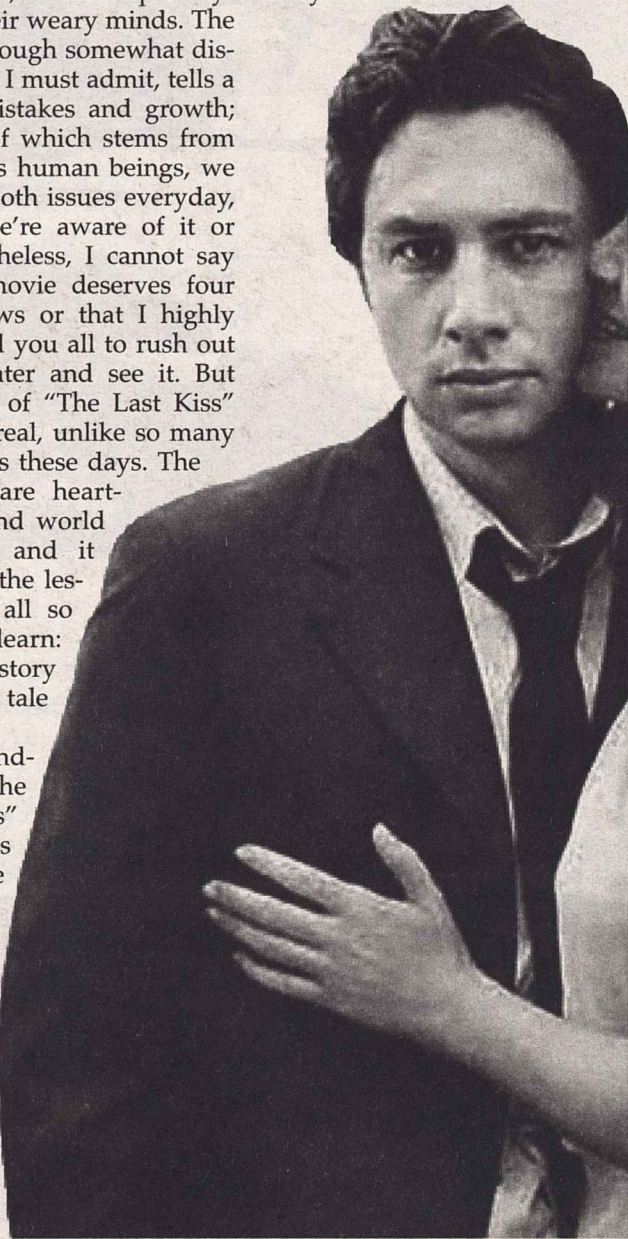
a lot of drinking, a lot of crying and a plan to run away to South Africa? Izzy spends the duration of the movie attempting to heal his broken heart, but like every other character, he fails miserably. Anna (Blythe Danner) and Stephen (Tom Wilkinson), Jenna's parents, play your typical "married-for-thirty-years/lost-that-loving-feeling" couple. Their marital bliss, like that of so many other couples in this film, is lost amongst the changes we make in our everyday lives.

So I've made the movie sound fairly depressing thus far, eh? Well, let me help everyone rest their weary minds. The movie, although somewhat disheartening, I must admit, tells a story of mistakes and growth; the latter of which stems from the first. As human beings, we deal with both issues everyday, whether we're aware of it or not. Nonetheless, I cannot say that this movie deserves four or five paws or that I highly recommend you all to rush out to the theater and see it. But the beauty of "The Last Kiss" is that it's real, unlike so many other things these days. The situations are heart-breaking and world shattering, and it teaches us the lesson we're all so afraid to learn: Not every story has a fairy tale ending.

The ending of "The Last Kiss" portrays a sense of hope amidst all the angst. While it could be viewed as the somewhat cliché "I learned through my mis-

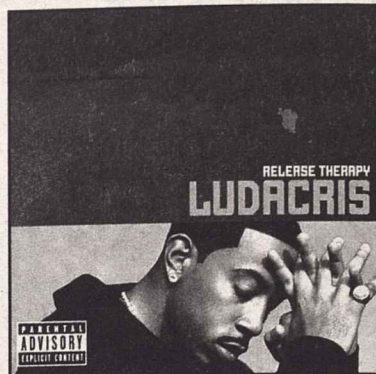
take, and it'll never happen again" sort of thing, there lies true-blooded feelings beneath the surface. As mentioned previously, the ending isn't happy-go-lucky, and you're more likely to have tears in your eyes than butterflies in your stomach, but isn't that life sometimes?

That's the best part about "The Last Kiss." It's not magic: it's life. The music is phenomenal, the actors are believable and the storyline is worthwhile. On top of all this, it teaches us a valuable life lesson; friends don't let friends fall for college girls when they're having a baby with someone else.



# Ludacris spreads his 'word of mouf'

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Ludacris and Yung Joc will be performing at Clemson's Littlejohn Coliseum on Thursday, Oct. 5. The last time Ludacris came to Clemson was in 2002, and this year's tour is meant to promote his new album "Release Therapy," which also features artists Mary J. Blige and R. Kelly. Yung Joc will be opening for him with songs from his album "New Joc City," which includes the hit "It's Goin' Down."

"Release Therapy" is Chris "Ludacris" Bridges's fifth album, and he has developed a strong reputation throughout the years with his previous albums "Back For The First Time," "Word of Mouf," "Chicken-N-Beer" and "Red Light District." Currently, the hit song from this album is "Money Maker," and the video is already circulating on MTV and BET with a special "Making the Video" edition on MTV. Other songs that have already started a buzz from the album are "War With God" and "Runaway Time." Some of the Atlanta-native's earlier hits that Clemson students might be familiar with include "What's Your Fantasy?," "Southern Hospitality," "Area Codes" and "Rollout (My Business)." Since 2001, Ludacris has been nominated for 12 Grammys and won in 2005 for Best Rap/Sung Collaboration with Usher for "Yeah."

Recently he branched out from music into acting in the Academy Award-winning "Crash." Ludacris received the NAACP's Image Award for Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Motion Picture for his role as an insecure, racist car thief who trusts no one, that is until he changes in the end of the film to help protect asian illegal immigrants.

Chairperson of Tiger Paw Productions Holly Hardin feels that Ludacris will bring an exciting concert that will draw a large crowd.

"Ludacris has proven himself as being committed to his art form and he's broken into the world of acting," Hardin said. "I think his success in both areas shows that he has a plan to stick around in the entertainment industry."

Also an Atlanta native, Yung Joc, or Jasiel Robinson, is a newcomer on the hip-hop scene but already has hits with "It's Goin' Down," "I Know You See It" and is also in Danity Kane's new song "Show Stopper." Joc's debut gold album has reached No. 3 on the U.S. Billboard 200, and No. 1 on both U.S. R&B and U.S. Rap charts. Joc was discovered by Block Entertainment at the Royal Peacock in Atlanta where Ray Charles and Aretha Franklin have also performed. Joc has found inspiration in artists such as Run DMC, Outkast, Notorious B.I.G. and Tupac.

"Someone like Ludacris is a perfect match for Littlejohn because he is incredibly talented, he's all over the charts, he has a new album just coming out and people want to see him perform live," Hardin said.

Tickets are currently on sale with a \$7 discount for Clemson students at the Littlejohn box office. Floor tickets are \$39, while bowl seats are \$35. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. with doors opening at 6:30 p.m.

## PREVIEWS

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### MOVIES

"A Guide to Recognizing Your Saints" (9/28)

Starring Shia LaBeouf as Dito Montiel, a young guy growing up in the lower-middle class of Astoria, Queens, in the '80s. The movie follows Montiel and his friends around their daily routines, showing the trials these boys have to deal with, including drugs, homosexuality and other equally controversial things.

"School for Scoundrels" (9/29)

A loose remake of a 1960 film, this comedy stars Jon Heder as Roger, a traffic cop who takes a confidence-building course to win his dream girl. Billy Bob Thornton co-stars as his underhanded instructor, who is more interested in stealing away the girl than helping Roger.

### DVD

"X-Men: The Final Stand" (9/27)

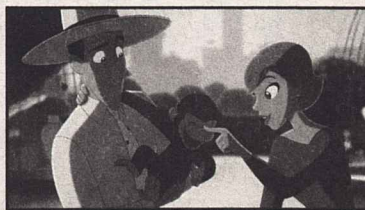
When a cure is found to treat mutants, lines are drawn amongst the X-Men, led by Professor Charles Xavier and the Brotherhood, a band of powerful mutants organized under Xavier's former ally, Magneto.



"Curious George" (9/26)

The famous book is made into a movie with the adorable little monkey George, who gets into too much trouble everyday because he's, well, curious. The movie includes

the voices of Will Ferrell, Drew Barrymore and Eugene



Levy.

### MUSIC

"Wondering," Dirty Pretty Things (9/28)

It's an enhanced import of the single "Wondering." It also includes a demo of "No Signal No Battery," a live version of "Gentry Cove" and the video of "Wondering."



### LOCAL INTEREST

MTV Battle of the Sexes with Rachel and Shane (9/27)  
The age-old question has

always been, "Do girls rule and guys drool?" Well, to find out, there is a battle of sorts going down at Tillman Hall at 8 p.m. sharp on Wednesday. Be there to cheer on your sex!



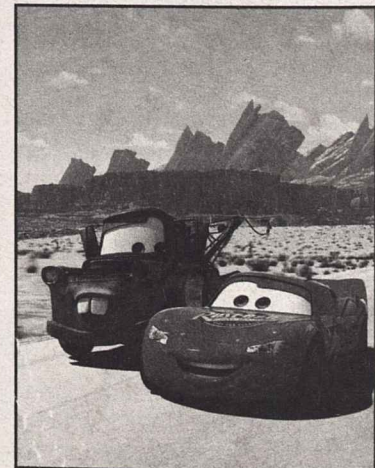
Rusted Root (9/27)

The Handlebar in Greenville, S.C., will be host to Rusted Root, the popular alt-rock jam band, on Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. The concert will be opened by Trevor Hall, and the Handlebar is a great venue for students to rock out in. Tickets are only \$24, with an additional \$2 added on for those under 21.

"Cars" (9/28)

Want something better to do on a Thursday night instead of watching people stumble around and yell? Then show up at McKissick Theater with \$2 in hand and

watch what the world would be like if we were all cars.



### TV

"Gilmore Girls" (9/26)

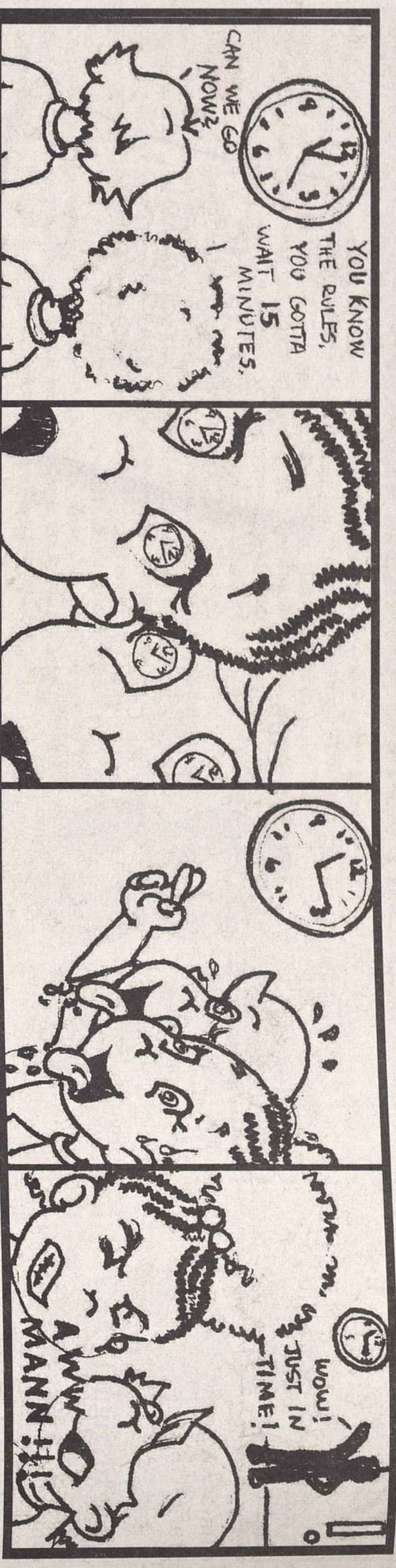
Rejoice in the debut of The CW next Tuesday, as one of The WB's signature shows, "Gilmore Girls," debuts for its seventh season. Now, we know what some of you are saying: "Gilmore Girls" is a chick show, I don't wanna watch that." Well, you're wrong, whoever you are. All those who've experience the hilarious brilliance of the "Gilmore Girls" will know that the smart, witty antics of Lorelei and Rory are about as good as TV gets, making the premiere a must see.







by T. Ameris Jones



# Clues

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| 26 | Remembrance gift          |    | (2 wds.)                |
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## Last Week's Solution

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# Tigertown

by Kevin Puett



# Crossword

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Staff Writer

If you have a friend or an acquaintance that is not blessed with good taste in films, then you might run into some awkward conversations. People will always ask you what movies

you have. I normally just point them over to my collection and just let them peruse. When you have a collection that rivals Blockbuster, you tend to forget what you have; I do know that "Bring it On" is not in there and send those people requesting it home crying.

your copy of "The 400 Blows," they might think they are in the wrong collection.

Or say that they have never been blessed with a Peter Sellers film; "Dr. Strangelove" may seem like an odd film that belongs under a freshmen's bed. You will have to assure

them that "The Wild Bunch" does not star Jenna Jameson. No, these movies are classics, but they sound a little trashy if one isn't familiar with them.

Though "Some Like it Hot" sounds like a less than reputable film, it is really a classic screwball comedy that should be watched by anyone who has ever seen a movie.

The German émigré Billy Wilder is the director for this sensationally comedic film. This might strike some of you as odd, since Wilder is known for his darker films, ones that show the criminality that lies in every man and woman. Prior

to "Some Like it Hot," Wilder did direct two successful comedies, "Sabrina" and "The Seven-Year Itch." These films were more romantic comedies, but allowed Wilder to unchain the shackle of strictly "serious movies."

Paying a little homage to himself, Wilder opens the film in the underside of Chicago. The streets are wet, and evil seems to hang in the air. Two down-on-their-luck musicians Joe (Tony Curtis) and Jerry (Jack Lemmon) are performing in a speak-easy. After the party is broken up by the cops and the citizens have to return to prohibition, Joe and Jerry have to find another gig. With no money or coats, Joe and Jerry find themselves borrowing a car to head to a small paying performance. They get more than they bargained for when they pick up the car. They witness the St. Valentine's Day Massacre. Spatz, the gangster who ran the speak-easy, decides he has had enough with a rat and decided to exterminate him.

Joe and Jerry are the only witnesses and Spatz knows this. To escape the mob and certain death, Joe and Jerry dress in drag and become Josephine and Daphne. If only name changes like this could get Diddy a gig, then maybe he'd stop producing "Making the Band."

Josephine and Daphne join an all-girl review and are headed to a showing in sunny Florida. Immediately, both the boys fall in love with Sugar (Marilyn Monroe). Besides a good time with the role reversals, Wilder shows subtle misogyny toward women. Enough, in fact, that I will go find a bra and burn it to show my outrage.

Jack Lemmon has one of his funniest performances in this movie, and he has a very strong comedic portfolio. The radiant Monroe is simply stunning in this film. "Some Like it Hot" is the film that made me really appreciate her true beauty, and realize that her lack of intelligence on-screen may not have been an act.

If your friends are always harping on you for those 12-hour avant-garde films you show them, give them a break and make them watch "Some Like it Hot." It will give them a appreciation for color film and hopefully start them on the narrow path to being a film snob.

If all else fails, just tell them the title and they might just watch it based on that — especially guys.



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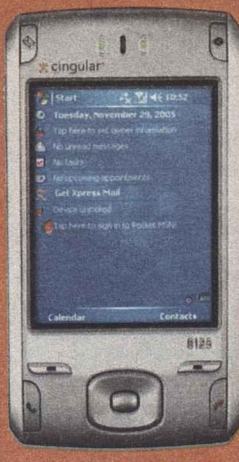
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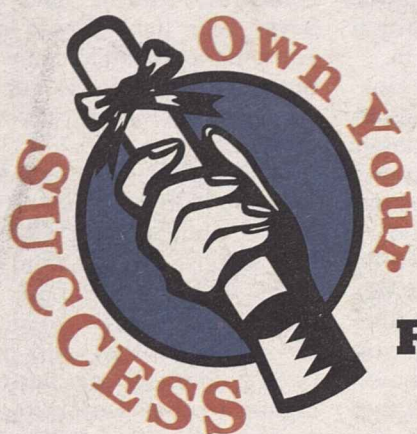
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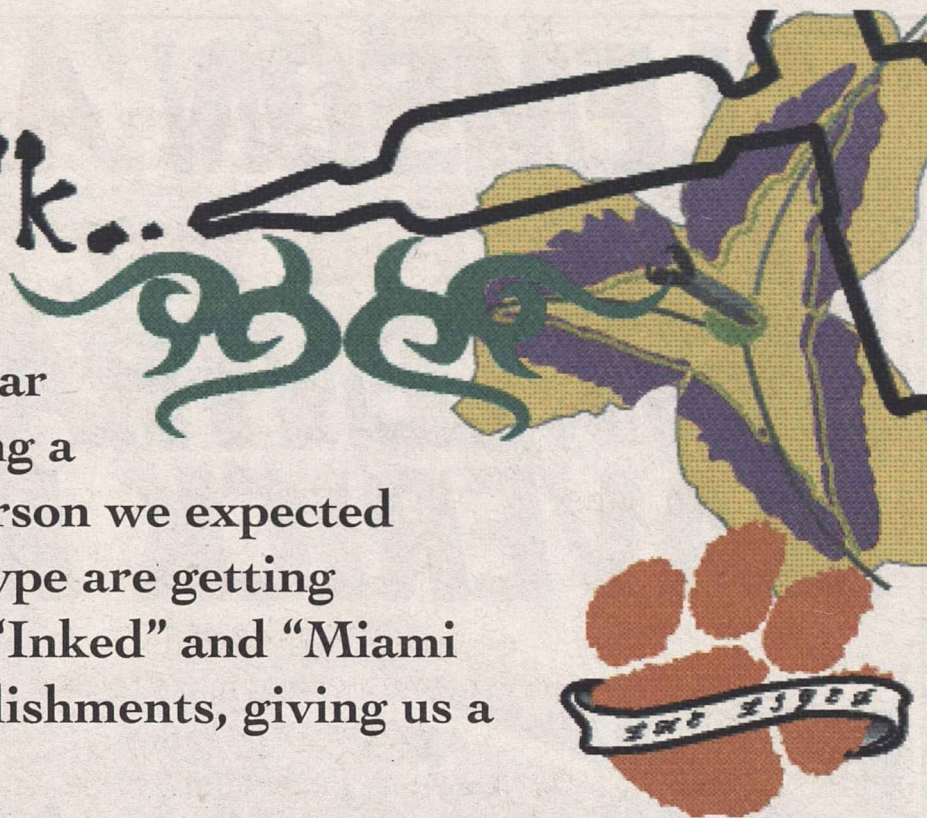
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# CLEMSON INK..



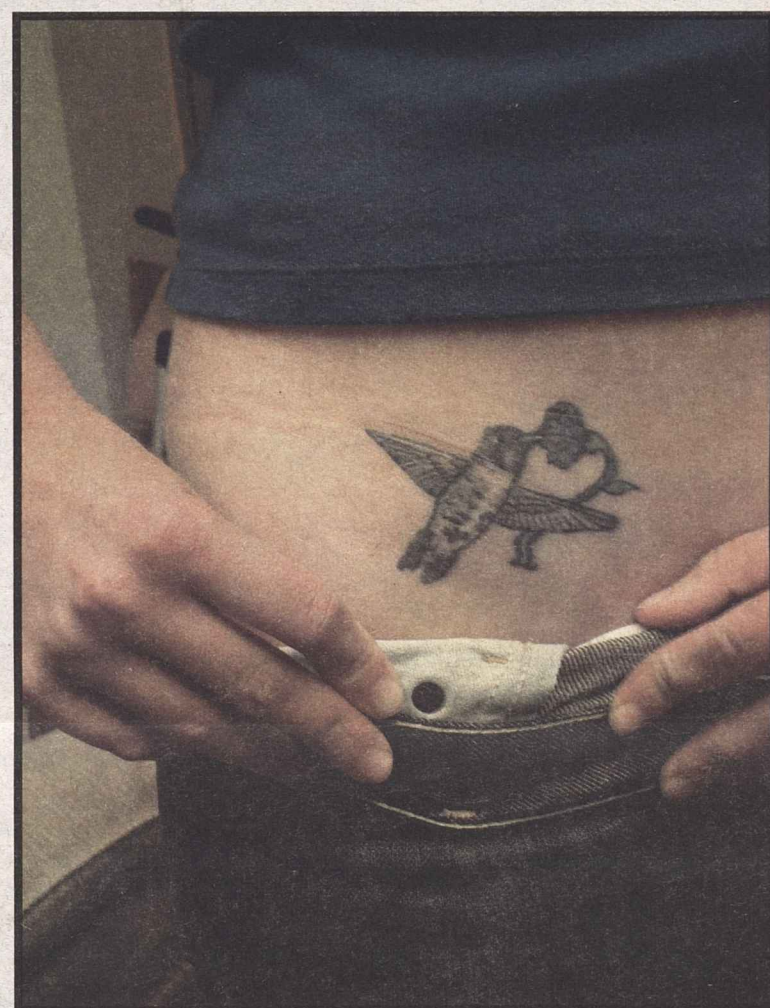
Tattoos are becoming more and more popular every day. It's almost as if they are becoming a trend. There used to be a certain type of person we expected to see tattoos on, but now people of every type are getting "inked." There are even reality shows like "Inked" and "Miami Ink" featuring tattoo artists and their establishments, giving us a glimpse into their lives.

Two weeks ago, I decided to get a tattoo of my own. Never mind the fact that a tattoo is permanent and never mind the fact that if my parents were to find out, I would most likely be skinned alive and fed to a pack of wild dogs. Okay, maybe that was a slight exaggeration, but that's how I imagine things would go if my parents found out.

A friend of mine was going to get part of his tattoo filled in, so I told him I wanted to come along to get one, too. Unfortunately, the place was about two hours away, so I had plenty of time to mull over the fact that I was on my way to get a needle rammed into my skin about a trillion times over (once again, a slight exaggeration), and I couldn't

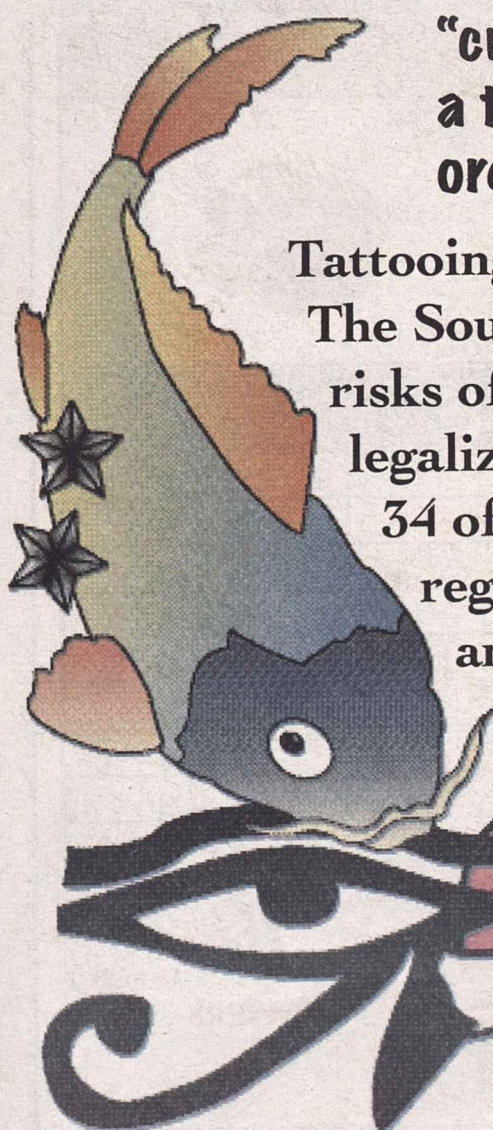
even handle getting my ears pierced. When we finally got there, I was so nervous I could hardly think straight. After sucking down about five cigarettes to calm my nerves, I sat in the chair, ready to go.

Shaking uncontrollably, I tried to remind myself that this was only going to last for five minutes, if even that. Then I remembered what, in fact, I was actually doing. I mean, what was I thinking? Had I gone insane? For a second I started to change my mind, but I was reminded that once the needles had been opened, I was going to be charged whether I got the tattoo or not. After a deep breath and a comforting hand to hold from my friend, I said, "Okay, let's do it."



**A few minutes later, we were finished and I had a tattoo that was "cute as hell," according to my friend. Don't get me wrong, getting a tattoo did not feel good at all, but it certainly wasn't quite the ordeal I had made it out to be.**

Tattooing has been an issue for more than just my family over the years. The South Carolina government declared tattooing illegal due to the risks of getting diseases, but recently the government issued a law legalizing tattoos under certain strict regulations. Title 44, Chapter 34 of the South Carolina Code of Laws specifically states the regulations involving the ownership of a tattooing establishment and tattooing procedures, including regulations for the artist as well. If anyone is interested in these laws, this information can be found on the State House's Web site, or even through the almighty Google search.



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