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Whittington honored for her inspired work with disabled

By MARSHALL SWANSON

For 20 years, Barbara F. Whittington helped people with disabilities find jobs at USC and other state agencies, inspiring them to achieve new levels of success.

Recently, Whittington, a retired employment manager with USC's Division of Human Resources, received a little inspiration of her own, the Award of Inspiration from the Mayor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities.

"This was really all just part of my job, except that I just went a step farther," said Whittington, who retired from the University about nine months ago following a kidney transplant. "But it was very rewarding, probably the most rewarding thing that I did while I was at USC."

Whittington's work "set an example of successful employment opportunities for people with disabilities and inspired others with her motivation, persistence, and achievement," the award citation read.



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It's time for good books and photo ops

With summer just a few weeks away, it's time for picking up a good book and taking vacation pictures.

TIMES will publish its seventh-annual summer reading list June 20 and its eighth-annual vacation photo spread Aug. 29. For the summer book list, you can share your top choices for vacation reading or any other good books you've read lately. You also can include any of your favorite books and authors. To be included in the list, please send a brief narrative description of what you're reading now, what you plan to read during the summer, or any good books you'd recommend. Send your list by June 12 to Larry Wood at larryw@gwm.sc.edu or call 7-3478. To be included in the vacation photo spread, please send your pictures by Aug. 19 to *TIMES* Summer Photos, University Publications.



Looking back: Palms leaving USC with exceptional record of achievement

By CHRIS HORN

If the story of President Palms' 11-year tenure at USC could be told only in numbers, little would be lost in the translation.

A numerical summary of the Palms era at USC might read something like this:

- 84,000 graduates
- nearly \$500 million raised in the state's largest-ever capital campaign
- \$300 million invested in one million square feet of academic and research space, residence halls, and student recreational facilities
- 600 new and replacement faculty recruited, most from AAU institutions
- No. 88 NSF ranking among 615 universities
- more than 160 national scholarship awards for students.

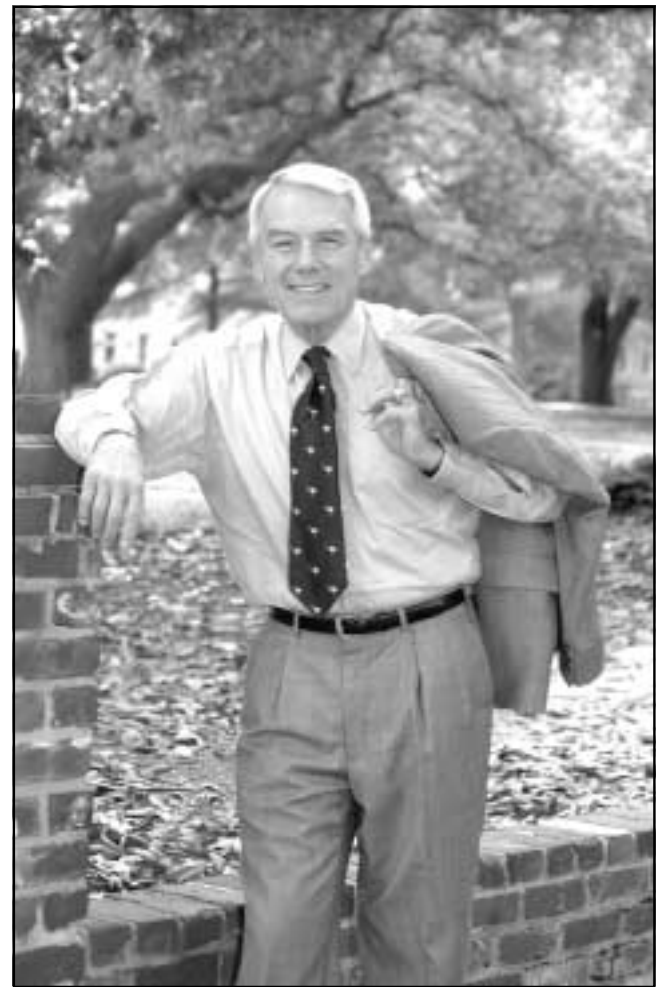
The numbers could go on and on, but defining Palms' legacy as USC's 26th president is more than a quantitative exercise.

"He has succeeded in communicating to this institution that it can be first rate and nationally ranked," said Dan Carter, a Columbia campus history professor whose teaching career at Emory University overlapped with Palms' 23 years at that institution. "And he has taken tangible steps to make that happen."

One of the hallmarks of the University in the past several years has been the more rigorous admissions requirements for freshmen. At Palms' urging, faculty have voted four times to raise the bar, and SAT averages for incoming students have risen almost every year.

"Many faculty felt that raising the admissions standards would decrease the number of students," Palms said. "In fact, the opposite happened. Better students were attracted by the more stringent requirements, and applicant numbers rose."

During Palms' tenure, the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs was established, along with other



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President Palms can look back with satisfaction on many accomplishments.

student-oriented programs such as the First-Year Reading Experience, the Office of Pre-Professional Advising, adoption of the Carolina Creed, and establish-

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2002-03 state budget cuts nearly \$20 million from USC campuses

The 2002-03 state budget has been finalized, resulting in an 8.6 percent cut for higher education funding, which will result in \$19.9 million less for all USC campuses than was allocated last year.

The budget cuts, made necessary by increased expenses and dramatic revenue shortfalls, will translate into a \$16.5 million budget cut for the Columbia campus and the School of Medicine (\$14.3 million for the Columbia campus alone).

The enormity of this year's budget cuts will put pressure on USC and other institutions to consider tuition increases to help offset the loss of state funding, said Russ McKinney, USC's director of public affairs.

Two positive notes can be found in the proposed state budget: \$30 million in Education Lottery revenue has been earmarked for establishing endowed chairs at USC, Clemson, and MUSC. In addition, USC will receive for the second consecutive year \$1 million for development of the NanoCenter.

Campaign tops \$480 million

The Bicentennial Campaign has raised \$482.2 million and is on track to meet its \$500 million goal. The figure is more than double the original goal of \$200 million set in 1995. The campaign, the largest in the state's history, will end officially June 30.

Through the campaign, the University's private endowment has grown from \$102.2 million in 1995 to \$302.7 million as of June 30, 2001.

More than 93,000 donors contributed to the campaign with 70 gifts of \$1 million or more. Leading gifts include \$25 million from Darla Moore of New York; \$20 million from Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. McNair of Houston; and \$10 million from Mr. and Mrs. Norman J. Arnold of Columbia.

Enabled by the campaign, the University has increased scholarships, retained and attracted faculty members, constructed new academic buildings and residence halls, enhanced libraries, and expanded programs.

■ **CONTINUING ED OFFERS DISCOUNT FOR PATRIOTIC TRIPS:** Continuing Education is offering a 10 percent discount to children of faculty and staff who attend the Patriotic Trips summer youth program. A limited number of spaces are available for the program. The deadline to sign up is May 30. This one-week academic residential summer camp will give rising sixth-eighth graders a chance to re-live history. From Charleston to Camden to Columbia and from battlefield to airfields, University professors and trained counselors will accompany campers on day trips to historic sites in South Carolina. At night, campers will work on a group project. For more information, call 7-2267.

■ **VORIDIAN DONATES TECHNOLOGY:** Voridian Co., a division of Eastman Chemical Co., has announced a multimillion-dollar gift of intellectual property to USC. The gift includes patents for creating stronger, more impermeable packaging materials and a new process that uses nanotechnology and clay to make better bottling material for beverages. USC plans to develop the technology further in its NanoCenter and market it to industry. Under the agreement, Voridian will provide USC with extensive proprietary technology, help in its development, and work with USC to license the technology.

■ **FACULTY HONORED FOR SUPPORT OF ADULT STUDENTS:** The Mu Gamma Chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda recently recognized faculty members who have made significant contributions to the cause of adults in higher education or who have taken a special interest in their success. The following faculty members were inducted into the chapter: Jeremiah M. Hackett, philosophy; Carol McGinnis Kay, English; Loren W. Knapp, biological sciences; and Nancy Washington, libraries. Alpha Sigma Lambda is the national honor society for adult students, recognizing the unique challenges presented to adults and rewarding their high academic achievement.

■ **TAI CHI CLASSES OFFERED FOR ARTHRITIS PATIENTS:** Tai Chi for Arthritis (TCA) classes will be offered in five-week sessions for the summer at the Blatt P.E. Center. TCA helps to deliver relief from pain and stiffness, the main problems experienced by people with arthritis. Session I will include six basic movements and will meet at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesdays from July 9 to Aug. 6. Session II will include six advanced movements and a review of the six basic moves. It will be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays from July 9 to Aug. 6. The fee for each five-week session is \$15. Contact Joyce Gossard at 463-5197 or at redbearfitness@mindspring.com for more information.

Sumter shares videoconferencing tips at workshop

USC Sumter recently held a daylong videoconferencing workshop at the S.C. Educational Television studios in Columbia. Jean Brown, media resources specialist at USC Sumter, led the workshop, which was tailored for beginning videoconferencing site operators.

"We reviewed basic system operations, trouble-shooting tips, instructional strategies, and quality control (such as how to set up your room and system properly for optimum visual and audio)," said Brown, who has a bachelor's degree in media arts from USC with a concentration in video.

"We discussed strategies for making students feel a part of the classroom even though they may be physically far away, which is the biggest challenge to this type of educational experience. We also talked about diversifying teaching methods with group work, games, problem-solving

activities, and role playing to really increase the involvement of all students."

The workshop's 25 participants came from USC Sumter, USC Beaufort at Hilton Head, USC Salkehatchie, Charleston Southern University, York Technical College, the State Board of Technical Education, University Center in Greenville, Horry-Georgetown Technical College, the S.C. Department of Public Safety, and other organizations.

USC Sumter and USC Spartanburg were among the first campuses to use compressed video. In 1999, USC Sumter began to provide its students classes from USC Spartanburg's early childhood and elementary education program via the compressed video system.

With a grant from Verizon, USC Sumter offered the workshop at no charge.



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Jean Brown, USC Sumter, and James Vaughan and Michelle Collins, S.C. Department of Public Safety, discuss videoconferencing.

The French connection: Herbarium establishes exchanges with France, Austria

USC's A.C. Moore Herbarium soon will be housing herbs from Normandy and mint, grass, sunflowers, and poisonous plant specimens from Vienna.

The plant exchanges with France and Austria were established recently after visits by USC herbarium curator John Nelson to herbaria in both countries.

The USC herbarium's international connections aren't new. USC's repository for pressed-and-dried botanical specimens has for years maintained plant exchanges with Tokyo, Japan; British Columbia; and Martin Luther University in Halle, Germany.

"We also exchange plant specimens with about a dozen states and institutions in the United States," Nelson said. "And, while it's not an exchange, we also send plants to the Royal Botanical Garden in London. These exchanges help us build our collection and include plant specimens that we otherwise would never collect on this continent."

The A.C. Moore Herbarium, located on the second floor of the Coker Life Sciences Building, contains about 86,000 dried plant specimens.

Aiken announces new education degrees

USC Aiken has announced two additional degrees for the School of Education. The master of education in educational technology and the bachelor of arts in special education will be implemented in fall 2002.

The master's degree in educational technology is designed to provide advanced professional studies in graduate level coursework to develop capabilities essential to the effective design, evaluation, and delivery of technology-based instruction and training (e.g., software development, multimedia development, assistive technology modifications, Web-based development, and distance learning).

The program is designed to prepare educators to assume leadership roles in the integration of educational technology into the school curriculum. The new degree also will provide graduate-level instructional opportunities for several populations (e.g., classroom teachers, corporate trainers, educational software developers) that need to acquire both technological competencies and understanding of sound instructional design principles and techniques.

The bachelor of arts degree in special education provides

preparation for teaching children, youth, and young adults with disabilities. The program provides teacher education candidates with many practical experiences in public and private education settings. Each teacher education candidate is given a broad liberal arts and general education foundation as well as specific information about the abilities and needs of individuals with disabilities and their families.

The program meets all 217 competencies established for special education programs by the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), which is noted for its rigorous standards. In keeping with the mission of the USC Aiken School of Education, the objectives of the degree will prepare special educators to be knowledgeable in the field, skilled in the art and science of teaching, and dedicated to providing quality education.

For information about the master of education in educational technology, contact the USC Aiken Graduate Office at 803-641-3489.

For information about the bachelor of arts in special education, contact the School of Education Office at 803-641-3483.



Rendering of the Wheat Street side of the West Quad.

USC recognized for environmental practices

USC has been named a leading school by the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) for its efforts to develop an environmentally sustainable campus.

According to "The State of the Campus Environment: A National Report Card on Environmental Performance and Sustainability in Higher Education," conducted by the NWF, USC is a leader in two categories.

As a leading school for recycling, solid waste, and materials flow, USC recycles items in more than 30 categories. As part of the University's waste-reduction efforts, USC's offices of waste management, consolidated services, and purchasing collaborate to re-use furniture and equipment

and to purchase goods with recycled content.

USC also was cited for doing more with land and grounds management programs, a category that acknowledges the University's future plans, including the building of a "green dorm," the new West Quadrangle.

The student residential hall will be designed to conserve energy and water and will serve as a living-learning facility. Students in West Quad will have the opportunity to learn about the latest in environmental design technology from their residence hall.

For information on the NWF's report, visit the Web site at www.nwf.org/campusecology.

Two win Fulbright Grants

A USC doctoral student and a recent graduate have been selected for 2002 Fulbright Grants by the Institute for International Education (IIE) of the U.S. State Department.

Timothy Powell, a DMA candidate in choral conducting in the School of Music, will use the Fulbright Grant to conduct field research on the current and historical performance practice of the music of composer Dobri Hristov.

Robert Torre, a May graduate who majored in music and was a member of the University Orchestra and Opera at USC as a violinist, will use his Fulbright in Germany to study Johann Adolf Hasse's "Artaserse."

Through archival research, manuscript scores pertaining to this production will be compiled, analyzed, and presented in a scholarly musical edition aimed at a broad audience of musicians, scholars, and music lovers. Torre later plans to begin graduate studies in early music vocal performance at USC, culminating in a Ph.D. in musicology. His long-term plans include teaching college level history, performance practice, and opera studies, while leading an active performance life.

Each year more than 800 Americans study or conduct research in more than 100 nations with Fulbright Grants. The purpose of these grants is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills.

■ **ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ELECTS BOARD:** The Carolina Alumni Association recently elected new officers and board members. Beginning July 1, J. Alex Shuford III, '73, will become president of the association. Rita M. McKinney, '74, was named president elect. Amy S. Stone, '72, '74 master's, was elected secretary, and Vincent P. Mooney, '82, '83 master's, was elected treasurer. The officers' terms will last through June 2004. The Carolina Alumni Association also elected 10 new members to its Board of Governors. The members represent circuits 11 through 16 and will serve a three-year term beginning July 1. They are C. John Wentzell, '74; Coleman F. Buckhouse, '81; M. Graham Proffitt III, '60; William L. Bethea Jr., '69 law; Hal M. Strange, '73; and Charles E. Alvis, '72 master's. Serving at-large are Anne S. Crook, '72 doctorate, and Anne-Courtney Miller, '68, '72 master's. Serving at-large outside of South Carolina are Van Earl B. Wright, '84, Los Angeles, Calif., and David L. Spinazzolo, '73, Portsmouth, Va.

■ **USC OFFERS SUMMER PROGRAM FOR SENIOR CITIZENS:** USC's Stay in Balance program for senior citizens will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Capital Senior Center beginning June 11. The class is designed to improve balance, coordination, and flexibility and reduce the risk of falls, a major health concern for people 65 and older. Sessions will be held at 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. The classes, which feature games and activities to improve balance, are open to men and women 55 and older. The cost is \$10 for Capital Senior Center members and \$17 for non-members, which includes center membership. The classes also will be held in the fall beginning Sept. 3. For information about Stay in Balance classes or to enroll, call Jason Carrero at 783-4018, Patrice Gibson at 7-2863, or Harriet Williams at 7-5030.

■ **NEW GRANT BRINGS TOP MEDIA PROFESSIONALS TO USC:** A \$200,000 grant from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation will help the College of Journalism and Mass Communications bring media professionals from across the country to the classroom. The award, which establishes the Hearst Endowment for Visiting Professionals, will allow the college to invite some of the country's top journalists, editors, television executives, and mass media thinkers to share their experiences with students and faculty. "There are many prominent journalists out there who would relish the opportunity to spend time in academia," said Charles Bierbauer, the newly appointed dean of the future College of Mass Communications and Information Studies. The visiting professionals fund will help the college build on its use of visiting professionals. Last year, the college brought in more than 500 professionals, from journalists to government public-affairs officials, to lead continuing-education workshops on communication skills. The college plans to bring in its first major speakers and mentors with the Hearst program in the fall.

Advisor of the Year 'values every student in the room'

By KATHY HENRY DOWELL

The recipient of this year's Ada B. Thomas Outstanding Advisor Award was surprised to learn he was getting the honor, especially since he doesn't have a traditional faculty advising load.

"These days, I'm a full-time administrator," said Dan Berman, director of University 101. "I still do have a very intense involvement with students. I care deeply about them academically, and I also care about their success throughout the balance of their lives.

"But after 26 years of having a traditional academic advising load, I currently do not have advisees assigned to me for that purpose. Yet, so much of what I do relates to advising. Actually, that was one of the main things about an administrative position that appealed to me: it gives me the chance to influence and help a large number of students, more so than when I was faculty."

Berman began his career at USC 29 years ago as a faculty member in what was then the Department of Media Arts. In 1989, he became co-director of the University 101 program; in 1999, he became director.

As director, Berman supervises the University 101 first-year seminar, the University 401 senior capstone seminar, the University 290 residential college seminar, and University 201, a new course to be offered in spring 2003. He is responsible for the selection, training, and supervision of University 101 instructors, undergraduate peer leaders, and graduate student leaders.

He also teaches film studies and visual thinking courses for the Department of Art, as well as Educational Leadership and Policies 520, a course for University 101 peer leaders.

It was a peer leader who nominated Berman for the Thomas award.

"Prof. Dan Berman sincerely cares for his

students and has the students' best interests at heart," the nomination letter stated. "He has been an exceptional advisor and professional friend to me. He is knowledgeable of all the resources at USC and continues to keep up with changes, regulations, and procedures . . .

"After the tragedy on Sept. 11, he let his students express their feelings during class," the nomination continued. "It was important to me to be able to share my views with student colleagues and the professor. Not all of my professors were flexible enough to change their syllabus."

That willingness to tailor a class to students' needs is one of Berman's professional strengths.

"Something that I heard over and over again as I talked to Dan Berman's students and colleagues," said chemistry professor Scott Goode, who chaired the award committee, "was that he has a keen ability to identify with students, and that he values every student in the room."

Berman first meets and talks with students during freshman orientation, when he speaks frankly and from experience to them and, often, their parents. He is the only faculty member who routinely speaks to students during summer orientations. A film aficionado and faculty member in the Department of Art, he uses *Rain Man* and other movies as allegories for college success.

"During orientation, I let freshmen know that the University cares about them and their success," he said. And his advice is consistent: "Be alert, be involved, go to class, sit up front, pay attention, talk to your professors, go to see them during office hours, and you're bound to be successful."

Kathy Henry Dowell can be reached at 7-3686 or kdowell@gwm.sc.edu.



Berman



Bierbauer

Award-winning TV journalist tapped to lead new college

Emmy Award-winning journalist Charles Bierbauer has been named dean of USC's future College of Mass Communications and Information Studies.

Bierbauer, who was CNN's top correspondent in Washington for 20 years, said he is honored to have been selected as the new college's first dean and is looking forward to working with faculty and students in establishing vision and direction for the college, which includes several nationally ranked programs.

"I sense, as does the faculty, that this is a mutually beneficial merger between the College of Journalism and Mass Communications and the College of library and Information Science," Bierbauer said. "This is a true equality of partners."

Provost Jerry Odom said Bierbauer's experience in journalism, his understanding of new media, and his enthusiasm for working with students and faculty make him an ideal choice for the new post.

"We are delighted to have someone of Charles Bierbauer's stature as the dean of the new College of Mass Communications and Information Studies," Odom said. "With his background in teaching and his extensive experience in information gathering, Mr. Bierbauer has a firm grasp of how two colleges that are intricately involved in using technology to gather and disseminate information can forge a common vision that will only strengthen opportunities for our students and our faculty."

Bierbauer has built a highly respected career in broadcast journalism. From 1981 to 2001, he worked for CNN in Washington, where he covered the Supreme Court, the Bush and Reagan administrations, and the presidential campaigns from 1984 to 1996.

Most recently, he was reporter and producer for a Discovery Channel documentary on the World Trade Center/Pentagon attacks.

From 1977 to 1981, he was an overseas correspondent for ABC News, first as Moscow bureau chief and later as the Bonn bureau chief. Before working at ABC, he worked in Philadelphia, London, Bonn, and Vienna as a correspondent for Westinghouse Broadcasting.

Bierbauer began his career as a radio reporter for WKAP radio in Allentown, Pa., in 1963. He later moved to print journalism, working with the Associated Press from 1967 to 1968 and later as a correspondent in Bonn for the Chicago Daily News.

Bierbauer is a graduate of Penn State, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Russian and bachelor's and master's degrees in journalism.

He remains involved with Penn State as a lecturer and as a member of the College of Communications Board of Visitors and as a member of the alumni association's Communications Advisory Board.

He is a member of the National Council for Media and Public Affairs at George Washington University and is on the advisory board for the Washington Center for Politics and Journalism.

In 1997, he won an Emmy for anchoring CNN coverage of the 1996 Olympic Park bombing in Atlanta. He also is a recipient of the ACE Award from the Association for Cable Excellence and the Overseas Press Club Award for his reporting of the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

He is married to Susanne Schafer, a military correspondent for the AP, and they have four children.

Bierbauer, who will begin work in July, will succeed Henry Price, interim dean of the College of Journalism and Mass Communications, and Fred Roper, who has served as dean of the College of Library and Information Science since 1986 and who has announced plans to retire in 2003.

Merging the colleges of journalism and library science is the result of a proposal by the Strategic Directions and Initiatives Committee. USC's Board of Trustees, with the recommendation of President Palms, approved the proposal last month.

The college will have a combined enrollment of about 575 graduate students and 1,193 undergraduates.

Clark named new director of USC Press

Curtis Clark has been named director of the USC Press. Clark, who has been assistant director and editor-in-chief of the University of Alabama Press since 1998, will begin work July 1.

Clark said he was looking forward to establishing USC Press as one of the pre-eminent university presses in the nation.

"I intend to bring to the press a sense of stability, balance, and energy through planning and hard-nosed business decisions, while being mindful of the honor and high moral purpose of the university press publishing profession," Clark said. "I am impressed with the staff there, some of whom I've known professionally for years, and equally impressed with the support and understanding of the faculty and administration.

"I know that incoming President Sorensen is an avid reader and book lover with an intimate knowledge of

the role a university press can play in the larger academic community. These are tough times, but I'm confident we can firmly establish the USC Press as one of the pre-eminent university presses."

Clark has devoted most of his career to university presses. He joined Southern Illinois University Press in 1985 as a copy editor and held several positions there, including acquisitions editor and editorial director, before being named sales and marketing director in 1994.

In 1996, he joined the University of Alabama Press as senior editor.

Clark earned his bachelor's degree in education with a major in history from Eastern Illinois University and his master's degree in English language and literature from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.



Clark

Staff spotlight

■ **Name:** Chris Bopp

■ **Title:** manager of Fit Place, director of stress testing for the Preventive Exercise program, and a Ph.D. candidate in exercise science

■ **Years at USC:** I've been here two years.

■ **What is Fit Place?** It's a wellness center with fitness equipment that's open to the public. Most of our clients are faculty and staff. The cost is \$20 a month. We've got treadmills, stationary bikes, a rowing machine, a stair stepper, a skiing machine, and some light weights. If people progress beyond the weights we have here, we'll take them to the weight room upstairs and show them how to use the equipment up there. We offer all types of testing services: body-fat percentage, functional capacity, an exercise stress test, and cholesterol testing.



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We check your blood pressure and your heart rate every day before you come in. We always have someone here to monitor your exercise. That way if you think you're going to have some kind of symptomology such as cardiovascular disease or diabetes, we're here to monitor that.

■ **Who are your clients?** Anyone who wants to improve his or her fitness and find out what his or her fitness level is can come down and get one of our fitness tests. We also can design a fitness program from that. We mostly have people who are trying to lose those last 10 pounds or drop a dress size before the class reunion. We have some clients who are here from cardiac rehab and some who are trying to avoid cardiac rehab so they come down here to exercise almost every day.

■ **Where is Fit Place and when is it open?** We're in Room 105 of the Blatt P.E. Center. Our hours are 3–6:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays and 4–6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. We're also open during lunchtime from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

■ **What is the stress testing program?** An exercise stress test can be performed on either the treadmill or a stationary cycle. The intensity of the exercise gradually increases over time so that the cardiovascular system must work harder. During the test, we monitor the electrocardiogram (EKG) to make sure that there are no cardiac abnormalities present. We also monitor the subject's vital signs and ask about any symptoms they may be



Chris Bopp, right, director of stress testing for the Preventive Exercise program, goes over a client's test results with Gary Ewing, family and preventive medicine.

having. We always have a physician present during our tests should anything go wrong. The stress testing program has been a tremendous benefit to the health of the faculty and staff here at USC. Thanks to the generous funding from the Family Fund we have been able to screen 50 faculty and staff members. We've found 15 people with diabetes who didn't know they had the disease. We've found five or six people who had a positive stress test, which means they have heart disease. We had a client who called to say that we might have saved his life because his cardiologist said he had a pretty serious blockage in one of his arteries and it was this program that discovered it. It makes you feel really good. This year the Family Fund gave us the money for 60 free stress tests. All the spaces are filled for this semester, and we have more than 100 people on the waiting list for next semester. For people who don't want to wait, we charge \$150. Normally at a hospital, a stress test would cost about \$600. For more information, call 7-3331.

■ **How did you get interested in exercise science?** I was going into physical therapy, and I had my big physical therapy internship after three years of school and absolutely hated it; so, I took a year off to decide what I wanted to do. I got a master's in cardiac rehabilitation and loved it, but I decided to go on. I found that I really love teaching; so, I decided to get a Ph.D. Ultimately, I want to teach.

■ **Outside interests:** I'm always here, but if I'm not, I like to hike, walk my dogs, and go fishing.

Workshop helps improve body movement, relaxation

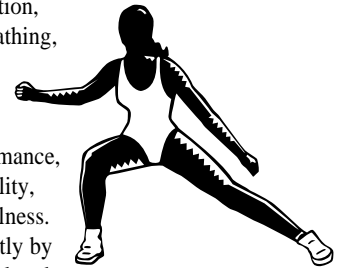
A USC summer workshop will offer Midlands residents the opportunity to improve their enjoyment of their favorite activities, from golf to gardening, musical performance, computer work, and more.

The Health Notes workshop, set for 1 to 6 p.m. June 17–21 in the USC School of Music, will combine relaxation, movement, breathing, and body-mapping techniques to improve performance, balance, flexibility, and overall wellness.

Offered jointly by the music school and the School of Medicine, the workshop will feature USC faculty members Laury Christie, a vocal performance professor, and Richard Hoppman, interim chair of the Department of Internal Medicine. Columbia yoga instructor Beth Steffens and William Jones, a chiropractor, also will teach.

Using the latest medical and neurological research and methods, the class will include the Alexander Technique, an educational method that involves gentle movement and relaxation exercises; Body Mapping, a technique to help apply information on anatomical structure to produce more coordinated movement; and the Stough breathing method, a method often used by people suffering from respiratory disease.

The cost of the workshop is \$250, and advance registration is required. Call Christie at 7-5105 to register.



Register children for music camp for kids through June 7

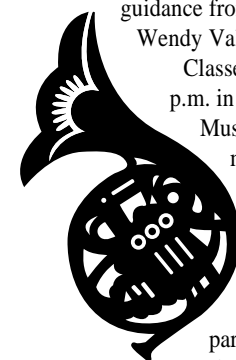
Rising second- through sixth-grade students can register for the School of Music Camp for Kids to be held June 17–21.

Students will create music theatre by turning their favorite stories into mini-musicals with guidance from music faculty members Wendy Valerio and Christopher Lee. Classes will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. in Room 107 of the School of Music. An informal performance for parents and friends will be held at 4 p.m. June 21 in the USC School of Music Recital Hall.

Space is limited, and parents should register early. Registration is open until June 7.

The cost for five classes is \$100, which includes registration, equipment fees, and daily snacks.

For more information, call 7-5382.



USC Aiken's Kids in College offers camps for every interest

The Office of Continuing Education at USC Aiken will offer Kids in College, a full schedule of day camps for children and youth, during the summer. The cost is \$135 for sessions I and II or \$75 for session I or II. An optional lunch plan is available for \$30. For more information, call 803-641-3563. The camps include:

■ **Digging for Data**—an archaeological camp allowing participants to explore the world of a real archaeologist. Rob Moon, USC Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, will be the instructor. For rising sixth–eighth graders.

■ **Cultures Around the World**—a program allowing participants to learn about the cultures and traditions of five countries. Katya Terry, USC Aiken director of international programs, will be the instructor. For rising second–fourth graders.

■ **Math Wonders**—a camp allowing participants to explore geometry, measurement, technology, and problem solving. Beth Burrow, a teacher with the Aiken County School District, will be the instructor. For rising second–fourth graders.

■ **Computer Kids I**—a hands-on computer course. Kim Fralick, Aiken County School District, will be the instructor. For rising second–fourth graders.

■ **Computer Kids II**—a hands-on computer course. Kim Fralick, a teacher with the

Aiken County School District, will be the instructor. For rising fifth–seventh graders.

■ **Where in the World Are We?**—a hands-on camp for exploring maps. Darlene Smalley, Ruth Patrick Science Education Center, will be the instructor. For rising fifth–seventh graders.

■ **To Infinity and Beyond**—a camp that will allow participants to tour the heavens in the Dupont Planetarium. An additional fee of \$10 is required for planetarium shows. Darlene Smalley, Ruth Patrick Science Education Center, will be the instructor. For rising second–fourth graders.

■ **Take a Walk on the Web**—a camp for hands-on Web-design training. John Hutchens, Ruth Patrick Science Center, will be the instructor. For rising fifth–seventh graders.

■ **Discover Carolina from the Mountains to the Atlantic**—a camp that will introduce South Carolina's regions. An additional \$45 fee is required for the trip. For rising fifth–seventh graders.

■ **The Great Outdoors**—a camp for discovering habitats and habits of plants and animals. Ginny Busbee, Aiken County School District, will be the instructor. For rising second–seventh graders.

■ **Getting Physical with Science**—a hands-on camp that will introduce participants to physics. Michelle Graybeal, Aiken County School District, will be the instructor. For

rising second–seventh graders.

■ **Science Wonders**—a camp offering hands-on science activities. Janet Rhodes, Aiken County School District, will be the instructor. For rising sixth–eighth graders.

■ **Backyard Treasure: South Carolina**—a camp exploring the state's history. Jason Fulmer, Aiken County School District, will be the instructor. For rising second–fourth graders.

■ **Fine Art Exploration**—a multimedia workshop allowing campers to discover new art techniques. Robin Leitch, a USC graduate in fine arts, will be the instructor. For rising fifth–eighth graders.

■ **Kids on Stage**—a camp introducing drama and the theatre. Vivian Lewis, a USC Aiken drama student, will be the instructor. For rising fifth–eighth graders.

■ **Music Makers**—a camp for developing singing skills, music appreciation, and learning to play the recorder. Helen Church, Aiken Preparatory School, will be the instructor. For rising second–fifth graders.

■ **Study Skills for High School Students**—a four-hour session to help students with setting goals, time management, test preparation, note taking, memory skills, writing, and leadership. Vicki Colling, USC Aiken, will be the instructor. The cost is \$50. For rising ninth–12th graders.

calendar

concerts

■ **June 1 Finlay Park Summer Concert Series:** Mystic Vibrations, reggae, 8 p.m., Finlay Park, free. The concert is part of a free 15-week series during the summer on Saturday nights in Finlay Park. Live bands play a variety of music including beach, big band, Latin, jazz, blues, rock 'n' roll, reggae, funk, pop, and swing. Food and beverages are available for sale by local vendors. Five of the concerts throughout the series will end with a fireworks show. Picnics are welcomed; however, glass containers, pets, grills, and radios are not permitted in the park during the concerts.

■ **June 8 Finlay Park Summer Concert Series:** Bill Wells and The Blue Ridge Mountain Grass, bluegrass, 8 p.m., Finlay Park, free.

■ **June 15 Finlay Park Summer Concert Series:** Elliott and the Untouchables, blues, 8 p.m., Finlay Park, free.

■ **June 22 Finlay Park Summer Concert Series:** Palmetto Concert Band and The Crossmen, a drum and bugle corps band, 8 p.m., Finlay Park, free.

■ **June 30 and July 2 School of Music:** USC Summer I Chorus Concert, classical music for large chorus, 7:30 p.m., School of Music Recital Hall, free. For more information, call 7-5369, e-mail sbrunk@mozart.sc.edu, or go to www.music.sc.edu.

mckissick museum

■ **June 9–Aug. 11 "Recollections of Home/Recuerdos de mi Tierra":** A collection of the documentary fieldwork, personal insights, and candid photographs of summer interns in the Student Action with Farmworkers (SAF) project. The project involved farmworkers from both North and South Carolina. Photographs and text illuminate Mexican traditions, including music and dance, narrative, festival foods, piñatas, celebrations of baptism, and the coming-of-age of daughters. Free. Museum hours are 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Tuesday–Friday (9 a.m.–7 p.m. Thursdays), and 1–5 p.m. Sundays.

■ **Through Jan. 26, 2003 Collections Highlights:** McKissick Quilt Collection, an exhibit of quilts, coverlets, and bedspreads, from utilitarian strip quilts to intricately designed quilts, exploring quilting as a traditional art form. Second floor gallery. Free. Museum hours are 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Tuesday–Friday (9 a.m.–7 p.m. Thursdays), and 1–5 p.m. Sundays.

around the campuses

■ **June 10–13 USC Sumter:** The Center for End-of-Life Care will offer an Advance Care Planning Course for Facilitators using the "Respecting Choices" training program. For more information, call Betty Harvey at 55-3778.

■ **Through June 28 USC Sumter:** Upstairs Gallery, USC Sumter Administration Building, Annual Student Art Show, featuring works by students in Cara-lin Getty's fall 2001 and spring 2002 art studio classes. The gallery's hours are 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. Monday–Friday; admission is free. For more information, call Getty at 803-938-3727.

miscellany

■ **June 8 Historic Columbia Foundation:** Free tours, Woodrow Wilson Boyhood Home, 1705 Hampton St. For more information, call 252-7742 or go to www.historiccolumbia.org/houses/woodrow.htm.

■ **June 13 Board of Trustees:** 9:30 a.m., Fiscal Policy Committee; 10:30 a.m., Executive Committee; 1:30 p.m., Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee. Carolina Plaza. The schedule subject to change. To confirm date and time, call Russ McKinney at 7-1234.



The Woodrow Wilson Boyhood Home

A look at the masters

"Masters of the American Watercolor," an 11-work exhibit from the collection of the Boston Museum of Fine Art, is on view at the Columbia Museum of Art June 15–Aug. 18. The show features 19th- and early 20th-century paintings by John Singer Sargent, Winslow Homer, Childre Hassam, William Stanley Haseltine, and John Whorf. The museum also will feature the 25th Annual Juried Art Exhibition of the South Carolina Watercolor Society. Artist Dean Mitchell will select paintings for the exhibition from more than 300 statewide entries. The museum is located at the northwest corner of Main and Hampton streets. Hours are 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Tuesday–Saturday and 1–5 p.m. Sundays. Admission is \$5 adults; \$2 students; \$4 senior citizens, ages 60 and over; and free for museum members and children 5 and under. The first Saturday of every month is free to all.



Tynemouth Sands, 1882–1883, by Winslow Homer.

One-day hosts needed for teachers from Russia

Faculty and staff are invited to be a host for teachers of English from Kazakhstan and Russia who will be studying at USC's English Program for Internationals professional development seminar this summer.

Each host would provide Sunday dinner for two teachers on June 30 or July 7. Hosts would pick up the teachers at Preston College and return them after dinner. In addition to dinner, hosts can take the teachers shopping, to local sites of interest, or other activities.

About 50 teachers from Kazakhstan and Russia will participate in the seminar, which will be held from June 24 to Aug. 1.

Anyone interested in being a host for one of the Sunday dinners can e-mail Margaret Perkins, margaret_perkins@epi.sc.edu, and note the date and time for picking up two of the teachers at Preston. For additional information, call 7-2394.



Sunny Day Quarter by Dean Mitchell.

■ **ALUMNUS DONATES \$1 MILLION FOR FACULTY ENHANCEMENT:** USC alumnus Peter McCausland, whose company distributes industrial, medical, and specialty gases, has given \$1 million to the College of Liberal Arts for faculty recruitment and retention. McCausland, president and CEO of Airgas Inc. in Radnor, Pa., earned his degree in history from USC in 1971. He said he was motivated to make the gift because of the outstanding faculty who taught him at USC. "The University did wonderful things for me, and I felt that I had a responsibility to give back to the University," McCausland said. "I specifically wanted to give to the faculty because some of my fondest memories of the University are of the outstanding teachers in the history department." McCausland's gift is one of 70 \$1 million gifts that have been made to the University since the Bicentennial Campaign began in April 1998.

■ **ADVOCACY CENTER NAMED FOR SEN. HOLLINGS:** The University honored U.S. Sen. Ernest F. Hollings May 27 by naming the National Advocacy Center in his honor. The center's new name is The Ernest F. Hollings National Advocacy Center. Hollings was instrumental in getting congressional approval for the center to relocate to USC. Hollings, who was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1966, began his career in public service in 1948 in the S.C. House of Representatives and was elected governor in 1958. Since opening in 1998, the center has been a national training ground for federal, state, and local prosecutors and litigators in advocacy skills and litigation management. The \$26 million facility is operated by the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys and employs about 75 individuals from the U.S. Justice Department and the National District Attorneys Association.

■ **LAW SCHOOL PRESENTS AWARDS:** The School of Law recently presented its 2002 Compleat Lawyer Awards to members of the legal profession who have made significant contributions to their profession and who exemplify the highest standard of professional competence, ethics, and integrity. Platinum recipients, who have 30 or more years of practice, were Harold W. Jacobs, Julian J. Nexsen, and Edward W. Mullins Jr. Gold Recipients, who have 15–29 years in practice, were Rita Bragg Cullum, John S. Nichols, and Joel H. Smith. Silver Recipients, who have 14 years or less in practice, were Stephen P. Bates, Charles J. Boykin, and Stacey D. Haynes.

■ **HARRIS TO STEP DOWN:** Bill Harris, USC's vice president for research, will officially resign from his duties July 1 to devote full attention to his work in helping to establish Science Foundation Ireland. He will continue to be executive director of USC's Research Foundation. There are no immediate plans to search for a replacement; Provost Odom was to discuss the vacancy with incoming USC President Andrew Sorensen.

Speaking out: How has USC benefited most from President Palms' leadership?

■ "He has done extremely well in fund raising and elevating the sights of the University. We're not in the AAU yet, but we're on the way. And in this college, we've had an increase in faculty, both in number and quality."

—Elmer Schwartz, interim associate dean, distinguished professor emeritus, College of Engineering and Information Technology

■ "Dr. Palms never just made a recruitment contact or attended a program; he engaged students and their families in conversations, and even if only he was speaking, somehow the audience felt involved and part of a real dialogue. This only happens when you're speaking with some kind of real passion. He was tireless in supporting the fact that change happens incrementally, with both reflection on where we'd been and visions of where we are going."

—Char Davis, director, enrollment management services

■ "In my opinion, the University has benefited most from President Palms' insistence on quality: quality faculty, quality students, quality staff, and quality facilities. I think the entire University became much more aware of the quality of everything we are about during Dr. Palms' tenure."

—Jerry Odom, University provost

■ "Dr. Palms was above all a 'dean's president' in that he identified with the academic mission of the University and prioritized it. For example, he reviewed and evaluated every tenure and promotion case presented; this is not something that all university presidents do. Finally, John and Norma Palms' personal warmth made my coming to USC an easier choice."

—Harris Pastides, dean, The Norman J. Arnold School of Public Health

■ "President Palms' most visible contributions to the University are his commitment to scholarship and support for higher admission standards."

—Mary Ann Parsons, dean, College of Nursing

■ "Dr. Palms has restored our institutional integrity, and he leaves us with an endowment that will help us to continue to improve long after his administration. He has been particularly good to this college by giving us the opportunity to capitalize on the fact that we represent the leading economy in South Carolina. Dr. and Mrs. Palms have led with grace, dignity, and elegance and will be fondly remembered for their contributions."

—Pat Moody, dean, College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management

■ "No one can deny the impact that Dr. Palms has had on the University libraries. You cannot move to [be among] the top 50 research libraries without the support of the president. Every time that I have heard Dr. Palms speak about the successes of the University, he has highlighted the library."

—Tom McNally, University librarian for public services, Thomas Cooper Library

■ "As president, John Palms has encouraged the University to aspire, pursuing a larger endowment, a more beautiful campus, greater scholarly productivity, more effective teaching, greater outreach into the community. He's an energetic and optimistic guy. What has happened around here in the past decade is really pretty amazing. We aren't just losing John, though; Norma Palms also has played a key role in the University's ambitions and successes. She, too, has been a very effective ambassador for the University."

—Steve Lynn, chair, Department of English

■ "Before Dr. Palms' arrival, the senior leadership of the University seemed to focus more on a few big events that brought publicity to the campus. Unfortunately, those big events did not always result in sustained improvement of the academic programs. Dr. Palms focused less on the big publicity events and more on quietly building an academic infrastructure that could support sustained improvement in academic quality. I think the value of his work will be more appreciated 20 years from now when people realize that whatever success we enjoy then had its roots in the 1990s."

—Rob Wilcox, law professor and Faculty Senate chair

■ "I have worked closely with Dr. Palms as a faculty member, department head, interim dean, faculty athletics representative, and executive director of foundations. His greatest achievement, in my opinion, has been articulating a vision of significantly improving the University and providing the leadership to bring together a wide range of internal and external constituents to share that vision and to work diligently to accomplish it. Dr. Palms' accessibility, leadership style, integrity, credibility, and sense of humor made it a joy to work with him to try to meet his expectations."

—Susie H. VanHuss, executive director, USC Foundations



Cocky and President Palms celebrate the University's bicentennial in January. FILE PHOTO

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ment of the residential Preston College. In addition, 684 new scholarships have been added.

On the research front, USC faculty have garnered ever-increasing amounts of research funding during the Palms years—a 173 percent increase since 1991 for a total of \$123 million last year. Faculty members also voted in 1994 to raise tenure and promotion requirements.

"A University teaches in many ways, not just in the classroom. We want to create an environment that cultivates learning everywhere on campus."

—President Palms

"I have seen an improvement in the files of faculty members coming up for review in the years since then," Palms said. "These newly tenured faculty represent the University's investment in the future."

The roster of new buildings and substantially renovated older buildings during

Palms' administration also is impressive. Two residence halls (South Quad and East Quad) have been built, and plans for a third (West Quad) are underway; two other dorms (Maxcy and Preston) have been completely renovated. The Graduate Science Research Center has come online, along with the School of Music building. In addition, major improvements have been made to Sloan and Callcott colleges, and a major addition and renovation were completed at McMaster College.

"A University teaches in many ways, not just in the classroom," Palms said. "We want to create an environment that cultivates learning everywhere on campus."

Also during the past decade, USC has extended Internet access to every campus building and created a University computer network that made possible e-mail and other forms of electronic communication.

Beyond the University's investment in bricks and mortar, smart classrooms, student programs, and the libraries, and beyond even the successes of the Bicentennial Campaign and bicentennial celebration, the Palms presidency will be remembered for its collegial administration and fairness.

"USC is a large research university but, at the same time, has a family feel about it," said Joan Stewart, dean of the College of Liberal Arts who was one of several deans appointed during Palms' presidency.

Palms has presided over an 11-year period of substantive change at USC made all the more remarkable by several lean budget years with flat or reduced state appropriations. Many of those accomplishments were made possible by strategic financial planning and reallocation of resources from administrative functions to academic needs.

As the University prepares to welcome its 27th president and continues the first year in its third century of service, it does so with a firm foundation built on the past decade of leadership.

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The committee might have felt it was time to recognize Whittington individually because the University has been recognized twice with Large Employer of the Year honors from both the governor and mayor, said Jeff Cargile, director of human resource programs and services at USC.

"Barbara had been active for a number of years with the Columbia mayor's committee and did a lot of work with them promoting employment of the disabled," Cargile said.

"She really championed making sure not only that people were given a fair and equal consideration but that they got through the door so that they could be given a chance."

Working with key campus supporters such as J. Lyles Glenn, vice president and chief operating officer, and the late George Terry, former vice provost and dean of libraries and information systems, Whittington helped place more than 30 homeless people in campus jobs.

She also helped people with disabilities such as Down's syndrome and cerebral palsy, along with people from the St. Lawrence temporary housing facility, a church-supported transitional living unit for abused and displaced women.

Some of the people Whittington helped place have moved on, but many others are still on the job and function as exemplary employees.

"That's one of the things I like to stress about people with disabilities," Whittington said. "If you give them a job, they're so appreciative of having that opportunity they're more likely to become excellent employees because they're so thankful."

"A lot of times people think you have to do a lot to accommodate somebody with a disability on a job, but usually it's an expenditure of \$50 or less to modify equipment or furniture. Once you can get that message across people are open to the idea of hiring disabled people."



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■ **JOB VACANCIES:** For up-to-date information on USC Columbia vacancies, access the human resources Web page at <http://hr.sc.edu> or visit the employment office, 508 Assembly St. For positions at other campuses, contact the personnel office at that campus.

■ **SINGERS INVITED TO JOIN SUMMER CHORUS PROGRAM:**

Singers from the community are invited to participate in the USC Summer I Chorus program. Open without audition, Summer I Chorus will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning June 4, in Room 006 of the School of Music. The chorus will perform Franz Josef Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass*. Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. June 30 and July 2 in the School of Music Recital Hall. Richard Conant will conduct; doctoral student Elizabeth Rauh will assist. For more information, call the choral department at 7-5369.



Conant

■ **SAMUELS RECEIVES RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION AWARD:**

Michael E. Samuels, a professor of health administration in the Norman J. Arnold School of Public Health, recently received the 2002 Distinguished Researcher Award from the National Rural Health Association at its 25th annual conference in Kansas City, Mo. The researcher award is based on the premise that health services research and basic scientific inquiry specific to rural health needs have the potential to make long-lasting contributions by guiding public policy and health planning toward a rural focus. Award recipients are recognized for the scope of their accomplishments; the significance of their work to rural health; and the sophistication of the scholarly effort, including innovation, originality, rigor, and scientific soundness and theoretical base.



Samuels

Faculty/Staff

■ **BOOKS AND CHAPTERS:** Freeman G. Henry, French and classics, *Beginnings in French Literature, French Literature Series XXIX*, Editions Rodopi, Amsterdam/New York.

Laura R. Woliver, government and international studies, "Abortion and Political Conflict," *Historical and Multicultural Encyclopedia of Women's Reproductive Rights in the United States*, Judith A. Baer, editor, Greenwood Press, Westport, Conn.

■ **ARTICLES:** Terry A. Wolfer, Miriam L. Freeman, and Rita Rhodes, social work, "Developing and teaching an MSW capstone course using case methods of instruction," *Advances in Social Work*.

Nicholas Vazsonyi, Germanic, Slavic, and East Asian languages and literatures, "Bluebeard's Castle: Staging the Screen, Screening the Stage," *Arcadia*.

James W. Douglas, government and international studies, "Court Strategies in the Appropriations Process: The Oklahoma Case," *Public Budgeting, Accounting, and Financial Management*.

Kurt Goblirsch, Germanic, Slavic, and East Asian languages and literatures, "The Partial Consonant Shift in West Germanic," Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference, Bloomington, Ind.

David Willer, sociology, and Mamadi Corra, "The Gatekeeper," *Sociological Theory*, also, "So What Did Happen to Scientific Sociology?" *Perspectives*.

Ann L. Coker, epidemiology and biostatistics, Lesa Bethea, family and preventive medicine, Paige H. Smith, Mark Kay Fadden, and Heather M. Brandt, "Missed Opportunities: Intimate Partner Violence in Family Practice Settings," *Preventive Medicine*.

Charles K. Cook, mathematics, Sumter, "Original Problem B-938," *The Fibonacci Quarterly*.

F. Patrick Hubbard, law, "Palazollo, Lucas, and Penn Central: The Need for Pragmatism, Symbolism, and Ad Hoc Balancing," *The Nebraska Law Review*.

■ **PRESENTATIONS:** David

Willer, sociology, "The Power of Central Positions in Flow Networks," Southern Sociological Society, Baltimore, Md., also, same conference, with Casey Adam Borch and Dudley Girard, "Power Transformations Through Time: Decay in Exchange Networks."

Murray Mitchell, physical education, "Fitness: A Lifetime Process," UAE Physical Education & Sports Conference, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Tom Hansford, government and international studies, and James F. Spriggs, "The Nature and Timing of the U.S. Supreme Court's Interpretation of Precedent," Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill.

Judith Rink, physical education, "The Standards Assessment and Accountability Movement (The New Reform Effort)," UAE Physical Education & Sports Conference, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Bruce Schell and John Lammie, family and preventive medicine, "Before the Beginning—Identifying and Utilizing Interns' Baseline Competencies," Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, San Francisco, Calif.

John T. Wright, English, "Islands in the Stream," Blue Ridge International Conference on the Humanities and the Arts, Boone, N.C.

Dave Keely, family and preventive medicine, *Teaching Community Medicine: Eliminating Health Disparities and Celebrating Cultural Diversity*. Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, San Francisco, Calif.

David Whiteman, government and international studies, "Figuring Out the Evaluation Puzzle: Outreach and Impact," PBS National Center for Outreach, Washington, D.C.

Elizabeth Baxley, family and preventive medicine, "Administrative and Management Skills for Academic Leadership," Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, San Francisco, Calif.

■ **OTHER:** Lizette Mujica Laughlin, Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese, conducted a Modified Oral Proficiency Workshop for Spanish faculty at the Mesa Community College, Mesa, Ariz.

Blake Gumprecht, geography, has been awarded the 2002 Donald Pflueger Local History Award by the Historical Society of Southern California for his book, *The Los Angeles River: Its Life, Death, and Possible Rebirth*.



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Sumter professor named Psychology Teacher of the Year

Robert B. Castleberry, psychology, USC Sumter, has received the S.C. Psychological Association's Psychology Teacher of the Year Award. He was presented with the honor April 12 at the association's spring conference in Myrtle Beach.

"That Robert won this year

demonstrates the very high esteem in which he is held by his colleagues and the association," said Salvador Macias, a psychology professor at USC Sumter.

"This award, understandably, is almost always won by faculty at one of the larger universities or colleges," Macias continued. "Notable reasons for his award include his dedication to continued professional training and education, coupled with records of support from colleagues and students alike."

The group doesn't recognize a teacher of the year every year, Macias said. If committee members believe that sufficient quality is given to the nominations, they choose a recipient.

Students or faculty colleagues make the initial nomination for the award, and support documents are provided to an awards nominating committee by the nominator or colleagues. The committee, made up of members of the association, reviews all documents and decides if a recipient will be named.

"Robert is well known in the association. He has held elected and appointed positions and has been a member for more than 20 years. So, the committee knows him and his professional qualities, and then his students and peers nominated him and wrote recommendations," Macias said.

"In the past year or so, Robert has been very active in professional development. He completed a sabbatical semester in Gordon Baylis' lab at USC Columbia, then another semester through the faculty exchange program, and he created a new course. He also has done other things that an active and motivated teacher would do. The committee was impressed by that."



Castleberry

Public relations students take top honors in national competition

USC public relations students were honored in a national competition in Honolulu recently when they captured first place in the Bateman competition.

The Bateman is a public-relations contest in which student teams create comprehensive public-relations campaigns for actual businesses.

The student team, named Palmetto Communications, won for a campaign it designed and implemented for its client, Contiki, an international travel agency based in Anaheim, Calif. This year is the first that a USC team has gone to the national competition.

USC edged out its competitors, the University of Georgia and Loyola University in New Orleans, for the honor. All three teams won an all-expenses-paid trip to Hawaii for the competition, which was paid for by Contiki.

"Taking first place in a national competition is indescribable," said Jennie Moore, team captain of Palmetto Communications. "We worked so hard this semester, and the final product is a work of art."

Bonnie Drenwiany, who directs the College of Journalism and Mass Communications' advertising and public relations sequence, said the USC team faced tough competition and excelled, especially in its thoughtful responses to the judges' questions.

"Our Bateman success proves once again that we have one of the

top advertising and public relations programs in the country," Henry Price, interim dean, said.

A second USC team, the Lokahi Group, won honorable mention and recognition as one of the top-10 public-relations teams in the country in the preliminary competition in April.

Both teams designed and implemented a comprehensive public-relations campaign for Contiki. Each student received three hours of credit for the project.

"It is an intense schedule with many late hours, off-campus meetings, and volumes of writing," said Jeff Ranta, professional adviser for the project and vice president of the Knapp Agency in Columbia. "The Bateman gives students some real-world experience that will serve them in good stead as they take their first full-time positions."

Palmetto Communications members include Moore, Angela Diamond, Shaun Yates, and Karen Salinsky.

Members of the Lokahi Group are team captain Melissa Miklus, Sarah McLaulin, Karin Peters, Rachel Moyle, and Liz Hawkins.

The Public Relations Student Society of America and its parent chapter, the Public Relations Society of America, sponsor the Bateman competition.

■ **CHEER CAMP SET FOR JULY 29-AUG. 1 AT USC SUMTER:** U.S. Cheer Camp 2002, an annual day camp open to boys and girls ages 6-18, will be held in USC Sumter's Nettles Building gymnasium from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. July 29-Aug. 1. Instruction will be tailored to age, ability, and experience in a non-competitive setting. Camp instructors include members of the USC varsity cheerleading squad and other experienced cheerleading coaches. In addition to learning the latest cheers, stunts, sideline chants, tumbling, and dance routines, campers will receive tips on maintaining fitness through diet and regular exercise. The camp staff also will emphasize confidence building. Camp participants should wear comfortable clothing: shorts, T-shirts, and gym shoes are recommended. Each child is asked to bring a bag lunch. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. July 29 in the Nettles Building. The cost is \$85 per participant. For a free U.S. Cheer Camp brochure or additional information on advance registration, call Frank Marsh, USC Sumter campus recreation coordinator, at 803-938-3824.

■ **BUSINESS STUDENTS WIN AWARD:** The Moore School of Business Student Chapter of the American Marketing Association (AMA) was one of two chapters chosen to receive an Outstanding Regional Chapters award for overall excellence in 2001-02 at the AMA's annual International Collegiate Conference in Orlando, Fla. Also, a team of five students was named a finalist in a national case competition co-sponsored by AMA and Sullivan Tire/Goodyear, receiving honorable mention for its presentation. Team members included Cammie Bellmar, Erin Conrad, Mark Magee, Jennifer Mowen, and Brendon Vallee. John F. Willenborg is the faculty advisor.

■ **CHILDREN'S CHOIR WORKSHOP SET:** The choral department of the School of Music is sponsoring a Children's Choir Workshop from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 8-12. The workshop is for rising fourth-eighth graders with unchanged voices. The week's schedule will include daily classes on music reading, movement, and choral performance of folk songs and art songs. Cost is \$70, which includes a daily snack and T-shirt. For more information or to register, call Sara Beardsley at 7-5369.

■ **CASA RECOGNIZES VOLUNTEER GUARDIANS AD LITEM:** The Richland County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) recently recognized several members of the University community. Carmela Carr, Russell House University Union; Leslie Robinson and Kevin Sitnik, students in the law school; and Cheryl Soehl, Department of Student Life, received awards for outstanding service in 2001 as volunteer Guardians ad Litem. CASA also recognized Tucker Taylor, Thomas Cooper Library, for 10 years of volunteer service as a Guardian ad Litem. Volunteer Guardians ad Litem represent the interests of abused and neglected children in family court proceedings.

New ND degree emphasizes clinical approach to nursing

BY MARSHALL SWANSON

Who will take care of us?

The College of Nursing has been asking this question and, to help address the shortage of clinical nurse leaders, developed the Doctor of Nursing (ND) program three years ago.

The median age of nurses is hovering in the mid-40s, and many will be retiring as aging baby boomers begin to need increased health care.

College of Nursing faculty believe the ND program will attract newcomers to nursing. They also believe the degree will help retain existing nurses while producing a higher level of clinically focused nurses who can work in a variety of environments or move into classrooms to teach in a clinical track.

"The degree is generating a lot of interest because it produces nurses for leadership positions in the community, as well as mid-level practitioners who can provide care across the life span, from pediatrics to geriatrics and primary to acute care," said Judy Kaye, an assistant professor who teaches in the nurse doctorate program.

Besides acute and primary care practice, the ND's three-pronged approach includes leadership development with courses on policy making, management skills, and legislative issues. A research component prepares graduates to participate in clinical research at a higher level than master's prepared nurses and to facilitate the integration of research findings into nursing practice.

"It's going to help attract more people to nursing, provide more incentive for people to stay in nursing, and create more opportunities for clinical advancement for those currently available," Kaye said.

The ND is different from the college's Ph.D. program. The ND, a clinical practice doctorate, emphasizes evidenced-based care and applied research rather than conducting original research. Graduates of the ND program sit for family and acute care nurse practitioner certifications. They also can select subspecialties such as pediatrics, mental health, and women's health although more go into family and acute care.

USC has long been a national leader in nurse practitioner education, which produces master's prepared, licensed, board-certified nurses who diagnose, prescribe, and manage health care problems with an emphasis on patient teaching and health promotion. USC is one of four colleges worldwide to offer the Doctor of Nursing program although others are



From left, Opal Brown, Judy Kaye, and Linda O. Morphis.

preparing similar programs, including one in Australia.

"A unique aspect of the ND program is that students may enter from different educational levels and backgrounds," said Opal Brown, associate dean for academic affairs. Brown added that students currently enrolled in the ND program who don't have a bachelor's degree in nursing outnumber those who are BSN graduates.

The college has recruited ND candidates with bachelor's degrees in biology, exercise science, and molecular biology, "and we are focusing recruitment in those areas," Brown said. Candidates with bachelor's degrees in fields other than nursing can begin graduate course work while completing selected BSN requirements and taking the RN license exam.

BSN-prepared registered nurses are admitted and immediately begin master's level courses or enter as post-master's candidates. Students can pursue the degree on a full- or part-time basis. The ND entails 94 credit hours of graduate courses; students with master's degrees in nursing can waive some required courses.

"I have one or two students who are already nurse practitioners," Kaye said. "They chose the ND program because they enjoy practicing and want to further their education and move forward in their careers. That's the beauty of it. It leaves the door open for a lot of options for people who are in different places in their careers."

The program currently has 13 students enrolled with one projected to graduate in December. The first graduate, Linda O. Morphis, is a clinical associate professor with the College of Nursing. She began her ND work as a women's health nurse practitioner with a master's degree in nursing. She earned her ND in the summer of 2001.

She believes the ND will appeal to other nurses "who like the hands-on clinical aspect of nursing and aren't into research specifically. That is why they went into nursing in the first place. The ND allows you to keep that clinical touch, perspective, and focus."

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Institute sets publication of new book on S.C. government

BY MARSHALL SWANSON

It's understandable, Charlie Tyer said, that people might not think well of government.

USC's Institute for Public Service and Policy Research has collected data over the years on public perceptions of government, "and most of it isn't very flattering," said the senior fellow with the institute, a part of the University's Center for Governmental Services in the College of Liberal Arts.

"Much of the data indicate people really don't know very much about government in their state," Tyer said.

"It's understandable that even well-educated citizens in South Carolina might not be well informed about government because of its confusing nature."

Tyer hopes to change that perception and understanding with the release this summer of *South Carolina Government: An Introduction*, a 400-page, 14-chapter overview—in plain English—on state and local governments.

The book, which will be published by the institute and sold at a cost of about \$35 to \$40 apiece, will cover the state's institutions, types of local governments, and topics such as planning and human resource management and special districts. Other topics will include budgeting, finance, and law enforcement.

It's intended as a college text but also can be used as a reference for the general public. Its publication is part of the institute's Project in Civic Education, a multi-year effort funded initially by a \$195,000 appropriation from the Legislature to promote the teaching of South Carolina government in colleges and at the secondary level.



Charlie Tyer is working on a book that offers an updated view of state government.

In addition to the book, and a more comprehensive 800-plus page, follow-up edition to be issued next year, the project has sponsored creation of Web-based educational materials on state government and a summer program to help high-school teachers better teach state government. That course is co-sponsored with the Department of Government and International Studies.

Tyer and seven contributors wrote the book's chapters. Authors include Robert Botsch, a faculty member in political science at USC Aiken; Fred Carter, president of

Francis Marion University in Florence; William V. Moore, a distinguished professor of political science at the College of Charleston; and Philip Slayter, a staff member of the Division of Research and Statistical Services of the state Budget and Control Board. Other authors are Richard D. Young, a senior research associate with the USC Center for Governmental Services; and USC political science faculty members James Douglas and Steven W. Hays.

"It's pretty much what I would consider a standard treatment for use at the college level," Tyer said. "There has been quite some interest in using it here at USC in one or two courses, and I think the College of Charleston is anticipating using it there, as well as Winthrop, where they have a class in South Carolina government."

"We'll probably also see some of our regional campuses, such as USC Aiken, using it, and once the word is out to some of the other colleges, I think you'll see them picking it up."

But Tyer also anticipates the volume will be of interest to public officials, state office holders, public employees, and lay people who are interested in government and want to understand how it works.

"We're thinking of it as part of the civic education project's overall goal of educating people through reading and hopefully stimulating discussion on various issues or facilitating it in the classroom," Tyer said.

"We want people to realize government is complex and necessary. It's not an option in today's society. We hope that will come out as people read this book and it gets some attention."