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Faculty/staff wellness survey reveals mixed results

By Chris Horn

How healthy do Columbia campus faculty and staff say they are? Results from a Healthy Carolina faculty and staff health assessment conducted this past spring show mixed results.

More than half of the 2,261 respondents reported getting less than seven hours of nightly sleep on average; 12 percent said they are regularly exposed to second-hand smoke; and nearly 60 percent described themselves as slightly to very overweight.

Almost 90 percent said they don't eat the recommended five or more fruits and vegetables daily, and two-thirds said they're trying to lose weight.

"We're concerned about some of the data," said Michelle Burcin,



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director of Healthy Carolina. "More than a third of the respondents reporting that they engage in little or no exercise every week is cause for concern."

The survey elicited a 32 percent response rate from faculty and staff; two-thirds of the respondents were women. Nursing and public health faculty helped to devise the survey questions and tabulate the responses.

"The data we have gathered from this health assessment will be used to develop health and wellness programs and services for faculty and staff," Burcin said. "We plan to do this same assessment in 2009 and every two years beyond to determine where we are."

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■ More survey results

- 84.5 percent of respondents reported rarely or never feeling sad or depressed to the point of finding it difficult to function
- 11.2 percent said they smoke; 26.4 percent said they've quit
- 29.4 percent consume fast food meals at least twice per week; 32.6 percent drink at least three caffeinated drinks (coffee, tea, soda) daily
- 91.2 think their overall health and well-being can contribute to better work performance.



Vote for Cocky for top mascot

Cocky, Carolina's plucky mascot, is already a three-time national champion—the 2003 Capitol One Mascot of the Year and the 1986 and 1994 Universal Cheerleading Association Mascot Championship winner. Now, he's back in the running again this year in the Capitol One competition. Vote at www.capitalonebowl.com/ to make Cocky the No. 1 mascot in the nation. For a one-on-one interview with Cocky, go to www.capitalonebowl.com/BioDetail.aspx?id=3.

■ Sorensen's State of the University address

Past successes, future goals highlight remarks

Tenant announced for Innovista district

President Sorensen focused on the University's growth in research and academic accomplishments during the past five years and looked ahead to the institution's future during his Oct. 3 State of the University address, held for the first time in the historic Longstreet Theater.

In addition to citing examples of Carolina's academic and research success—average freshman SAT scores rising from 1122 in 2002 to 1183 this year and five consecutive years of research funding growth—Sorensen mentioned several of the University's highly ranked academic programs as well as areas of emerging strength and research emphasis. He pointed to different strategies aimed at maintaining accessibility for S.C. students, including the new Gamecock Guarantee need-based scholarship program and bridge programs with the state's technical colleges.

Punctuating Sorensen's address were brief videotaped remarks by several faculty, administrators, and students, who talked about why they came to Carolina, how their research is making an impact, and where the University is headed. Among those included in the videos were Donald DiPette, dean of the School of Medicine; Elaine Wonhee Chun, a new English faculty member; and Derrick Huggins, director of vehicle management and parking.

Following the address, it was announced that Collexis, a Columbia-based software provider with many international clients, will locate in the University's Innovista district. The company provides smarter contextual searching, data mining, and use of industry-specific thesauri in fields such as academic and medical research, health care, law, and financial services.



Sorensen

Why volunteer for Move-in Day? Faculty and staff count the ways

By Karen Shaner

The broiling heat wave of late summer is now a distant memory, like the sweltering Aug. 18 Freshman Move-in Day when faculty and staff volunteers helped students lug their belongings into their dorm rooms.

Now that a cooler October has arrived, a question remains: Why do faculty and staff—150 of them in 2007 alone—volunteer every year to help freshmen unpack?

Bob Markland, associate dean of the Moore School of Business, and his wife, Mylla, have volunteered every year for Move-in Day almost



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General Education changes to be discussed next semester

A broad and ambitious effort to reexamine and revise the University's General Education curriculum is continuing this year with nearly 150 faculty from the Columbia and two-year campuses involved in the process.

A series of forums and town hall-style meetings will be held in the spring to allow the entire University community to respond to the ideas and recommendations of six faculty/student teams.

"The basic question we're asking is, 'What knowledge and attitudes should students acquire upon graduation from this University?'" said Fred Medway, a veteran psychology professor who is chairing the General Education Initiative. "Many colleges and universities are engaging in similar discussions as we are, and, after deciding on our objectives, our next step will be to determine the specific approach we should take."

The initial impetus for Carolina's general education review was the SACS reaccreditation, which culminates in 2010, but the focus groups and discussions now focus on improving many facets of the undergraduate learning experience, Medway said. "There's a strong desire among faculty to engage the students in lasting learning, scholarly inquiry, and skills needed for life-long enrichment," he said. "This process is about moving the campus culture more in that direction."

Thus far, faculty/student teams have worked on developing learning outcomes that tell what students need to know in six specific areas:

- effective and persuasive communication
- effective mathematical reasoning and problem solving
- science and technology literacy
- global awareness and multicultural understanding
- values, ethics, and social responsibility, and
- lifelong learning.

"There are many possible ways that colleges can address these and other student learning outcomes," Medway said. "Creating new interdisciplinary courses for these areas is one option. We can also revise existing courses and offer out-of-classroom experiences—a semester abroad, an undergraduate research experience, a service learning course—to meet the objectives."

In its research of other universities that are revising general education requirements, Carolina's task force found little evidence that institutions are pushing innovative reforms, as many just tinker with the core curriculum.

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Briefly

BENEFITS FAIR IS OCT. 10: The Division of Human Resources will sponsor its annual Benefits Fair from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Russell House Ballroom. Representatives from the University and the Columbia community will be at the fair to discuss financial and health services, and members of the benefits staff will be available to answer questions. A number of mini workshops are planned on topics from how to achieve financial fitness to Social Security and Medicare benefits. The Benefits Fair kicks off October's Open Enrollment, during which University employees can make various changes in their benefits options. During Open Enrollment, faculty and staff can switch between health insurance plans, enroll or drop coverage for yourself and/or eligible dependents, and make other benefits changes. Every October, faculty and staff must re-enroll in MoneyPlus medical spending or dependent care accounts to continue those benefits.

KALPIN IS BROWN BAG SERIES SPEAKER: Katie Kalpin, an assistant professor of English at USC Aiken, will be the speaker at a Brown Bag Series presentation at 12:15 p.m. Oct. 25 in the Humanities and Social Sciences Building, Room 116. Her topic will be "I am Thine": *Negotiating Witches' Agency in Early Modern British Drama*. Kalpin will rehearse her paper for presentation at the annual conference of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association later in the fall. Sponsored by the Council of the USC Aiken College of Humanities and Social Sciences, the Brown Bag Series highlights the research projects of faculty members in the college.

CONFERENCE TO EXAMINE BIKING, WALKING: "Bicycling and Walking in Columbia: 2010" is the title of a conference to be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon Oct. 10 in the Russell House, Room 305. Area bicycle and pedestrian representatives will discuss regional trails, greenways, and bike routes, and talk about the University's promotion of cycling and walking. For more information, contact Delores Pluto, dpluto@sc.edu or 576-5994.

RESEARCH CONSORTIUM TO SPONSOR INFORMATION COLLOQUIUM: Dennis Embry, a researcher involved in the designing, testing, and disseminating of large-scale educational campaigns to improve school and community safety, will be the keynote speaker at a colloquium sponsored by the University's Research Consortium on Children and Families. Embry is president and CEO of PAXIS Institute in Tucson, Ariz. His address, "Moving Toward Population-Level Prevention: Theoretical, Experimental, and Policy Implications," will be presented at 3:30 p.m. Nov. 7 in the Walsh Conference Room (second floor), Barnwell College. For more information, contact June Headley at 7-5452 or june.headley@sc.edu.

LAW SCHOOL SPONSORS COPYRIGHT CONFERENCE: The School of Law will sponsor a national conference on the subject, "The Future of Copyright Law." Led by Ann Bartow, an associate professor in the School of Law, the event will feature many well-known intellectual property experts from across the United States and Canada. The conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 12 in the School of Law Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public. For more information about the conference, go to http://law.sc.edu/copyright_law_symposium/ or contact Beth Hendrix at 7-8058 or lawconfs@gwm.sc.edu. To register online, go to http://law.sc.edu/copyright_law_symposium/registration.shtml.

STUDY TO EXAMINE ANTIOXIDANTS, HEALTH: The Cancer Prevention and Control Program in the College of Pharmacy is conducting a study on antioxidants and health. The study will look at the questions: Are you interested in your health? Are you concerned about cancer, heart disease, or diabetes? Can supplements help? The study is open to healthy men ages 22-55 and women ages 22-50. Participants will receive \$50 in gift cards, a four-month supply of supplements, and lab results at the end of the two-month study. For more information or to check on eligibility, call 734-4432 or 734-4462 or e-mail antioxidant@gwm.sc.edu.

KNOWLES FELLOWSHIP WORKSHOP IS OCT. 9: The Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs will sponsor a workshop on the Knowles Teaching Fellowship at 4 p.m. Oct. 9 in the Gressette Room, Harper College, third floor. The fellowship is for graduating senior and graduate students in science, engineering, or mathematics who want to teach high school and/or mathematics. The applications deadline is early January 2008. For more information, go to www.kstf.org/teaching_fellowships_home.aspx.

WEST TO DISCUSS PREHISTORIC COMET IMPACT: Allen West will be at the University Oct. 10 to discuss his theory that a massive comet wiped out the giant beasts that lived 12,900 years ago and perhaps Clovis man, who inhabited South Carolina. West's talk, "Diamonds and Mammoths: Evidence for an ET Impact 12,900 years ago," will be at 3 p.m. in Callcott, behind the Russell House University Union on South Bull Street, in Room 011. The lecture, which is free and open to the public, will include dozens of slides, including images of how the massive comet might have looked. West, a geophysicist from Arizona, has worked closely with University archaeologist Al Goodyear in conducting his research on the comet impact that is called the Younger-Dryas Event. For more information, call Goodyear at 7-8170 or go to www.cas.sc.edu/sciaa/.



Salkehatchie scholars

The entire USC Salkehatchie men's basketball team, including Leith Alshrouf, left, and Brian Saunders, both from Houston, Texas, visited Northside Elementary School in Walterboro in September and spent two hours reading to classes, talking to students about the importance of education and staying in school, playing with them at recess, and having lunch. Northside Elementary School adopted the 2007-08 team and plans to have them back for additional visits. Team members signed autographs for the students at the end of the day.

Online alcohol-education available to undergrads

Carolina students can now get valuable lessons online through MyStudentBody.com's alcohol-education program. Sponsored by Student Life, the program is offered free to all undergraduates and is accessible by visiting www.sa.sc.edu/adp.

The program uses online quizzes, articles, stories, and other tools to teach students about responsible alcohol consumption, as well as the dangers associated with high-risk drinking and alcohol misuse. Allowing students to use these resources privately and on their own time is a key to making educational efforts about alcohol effective, said Larrell Wilkinson, director of Alcohol and Drug Programs.

"The program will help us reach students where they are: in residence halls, academic buildings, apartment complexes, even at home with their parents. They can use this resource wherever they have Internet access," Wilkinson said.

The program complements other tools the University uses to help students make responsible choices about alcohol and other drugs and is part of an array of efforts, said Jerry Brewer, associate vice president for student life and development.

"We are hopeful the online capability of MyStudentBody will reach more students by providing 24/7 educational access," Brewer said.

For more information, contact the Office of Alcohol and Drug Programs at 7-7716 or go to www.sa.sc.edu/adp.

Nominations open for honorary degrees

The Faculty Committee on Honorary Degrees is seeking nominations for recipients of honorary degrees at the University's three yearly commencements. The deadline for nominations is Dec. 17. The criteria for nomination is:

- candidates should represent the highest values of the University and exemplify its motto: "Learning humanizes character and does not permit it to be cruel"
- nominations must describe the strength of character of the nominee as it relates to the values and mission of the University
- nominations must include compelling reasons why it is appropriate for the University to honor that specific individual, particularly with respect to excellence of accomplishment in a given area, including a field of learning, the arts, the professions, or public service
- over time, nominees will be chosen who represent the breadth of commitments of the University
- direct association with the University is not a qualification for serious consideration and, except in extraordinary cir-

Professional development workshops offered for fall

The Office of Professional Development will offer two programs for employees in October. Understanding the Language of Insurance will be offered Oct. 9 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 101D, 1600 Hampton St. The program will help participants gain the greatest benefit from their insurance investments.

Richard Lawhon will present a new business writing class,

Receptions planned for new business dean in Columbia, Greenville

Business leaders and University alumni in the Midlands and the Upstate will have opportunities to meet new Moore School of Business Dean Hildy Teegen this fall.

A reception in Columbia for Teegen will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 9 on the Moore School's patio on College Street. Teegen will meet with Upstate alumni and business leaders from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Poinsett Club on East Washington Street in Greenville.

Both events are free, but reservation are required. To RSVP, call Sara Coffman at 7-2910 or send an e-mail to business.relations@moore.sc.edu.

Hosts of the Columbia reception are Darla D. Moore, for whom the business school is named, Michael R. Brenan, Harris E. DeLoach Jr., and James H. Hodges. Hosts for the reception in Greenville are Anthony A. Callander, Roger W. Chastain, Paul S. Goldsmith, Phillip R. Hughes, and Minor M. Shaw.

Teegen, who began her tenure as dean Sept. 15, will host similar "meet-the-dean" receptions this fall in Charleston and Charlotte, as well as in Atlanta, New York City, Washington, D.C., and Jacksonville, Fla.

Before being named dean of the Moore School, Teegen was director of the Center for International Business Education and Research and professor of international business and international affairs at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., where she had taught since 1996. She succeeds Joel Smith, who became dean of the Moore School in 2000.



Teegen

■ The Family Fund: Why I give

"The Family Fund is each individual making a very personal commitment to the success of the University of South Carolina. When the University is successful, students have the opportunities to fully



achieve their educational dreams and goals. My family and I have definitely benefited from being part of the University of South Carolina family over the past 33 years. Yes, I came here as a freshman in 1974 and have never left. My wife is a Carolina graduate. My kids have grown up on the campus, and two are attending the University, one in Columbia in the Honors College and one at Upstate in Spartanburg. For the 2007 Family Fund campaign, I hope each area can increase participation. The amount of each

individual commitment is important, but the amount takes a distant second place to participation. Whether it is our family, our church, our political party, or our sports team, participation is the most important aspect. I will work personally with campaign volunteers when requested to give everyone the opportunity to understand the importance of the Family Fund to the University employees but, more importantly, to those outside our offices, classrooms, and laboratories."

—Jerry Brewer, Student Affairs

cumstances, persons who have spent the greater part of their careers as members of the University faculty or administration will not be considered.

The nomination should consist of three parts:

- a letter explaining in detail how the candidate meets the criteria for nomination
- a completed nomination form located at <http://trustees.sc.edu/forms/nomination.pdf>
- a copy of the candidate's entry in a leading biographical reference work (e.g., *Who's Who in America* or *American Men and Women of Science*).

Send nominations to Christine W. Curtis, vice provost for faculty development, Office of the Provost, Osborne Administration Building.

The committee will respond to all nominations and will, within the limits of confidentiality, inform the nominator of the progress of the nomination. For more information, contact Rhonda Filiatreault, Office of the Provost, at 7-2808 or rhondaf@sc.edu.

Writing with Impact, from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 11 in Room 101D, 1600 Hampton St. The class will help employees write with greater clarity and persuasiveness. Participants will practice writing in class to learn brevity and style to produce better results.

For information or to register for the courses, call 7-6578.

EnGenCore opens with cutting-edge DNA equipment

By Chris Horn

The University's newest research lab—the Environmental Genomics Core Facility—is now open for business, its gleaming array of DNA-analyzing instruments second to none in the Southeast.

The facility, dubbed EnGenCore by its staff, is located on the fourth floor of the Arnold School's Public Health Research Center and focuses on gene expression and gene discovery. The University research community has first priority in using the facility; EnGenCore is also open to outside users, and a sliding-scale fee for use is being established.

One of EnGenCore's biggest draws is a next-generation genome sequencing instrument capable of large-scale projects.

"The Roche Genome Sequencer FLX is our pride and joy," said Sean Norman, an environmental health sciences faculty member and interim director of EnGenCore. "It can sequence a bacterial genome at about 20x coverage in seven hours. That would take several weeks if not months on a standard piece of equipment. We're the only lab in South Carolina with this instrument, one of only a handful in the world."

To handle the massive amounts of data that the genome sequencer generates, a Linux-based computer cluster with 64 processors is set up with appropriate software for analysis. The genome sequencer, computer cluster, and other instruments were purchased through the legislature-funded Freshwater Environmental Initiative and upon the recommendation of the University's Environmental Research Initiatives Committee.

On the environmental front, scientists studying the state's



Sean Norman, right, and research specialist Daniel Sisco in the EnGenCore Center.

rivers and other ecosystems will be able to use the lab to determine the genetic effects of pollutants on organisms and explore other genetic issues in the environment. But the scope of scientific questions the facility can address extends much further.

Phil Buckhaults, a School of Medicine faculty member and scientist at the S.C. Cancer Center, has used EnGenCore to identify 100 new genes related to cancer development in the breast and colon.

"If you look at a dozen metastatic tumors and a dozen non-metastatic tumors and find the same gene in the metastatic tumors, you know that gene is responsible for metastasis," he

said. "That would have taken many, many months the old-fashioned way—this machine did it overnight."

Discovering the new genes is an important scientific discovery—Buckhaults' findings have been published in a major journal—but the future implications are even more important, he said. "This methodology will revolutionize the way cancer patients are diagnosed and improve the information from which treatment decisions are made," Buckhaults said. "It will be a tremendous aid to oncologists as they look at the individual needs of each cancer patient."

Tara Sabo-Attwood, an environmental health sciences faculty member, is using another instrument in the facility—the Affymetrix microarray platform—to probe the entire human genome for changes in the expression of gene transcripts associated with toxicity of nanoparticles to better understand their potential human health impacts.

Norman has used the facility to complete the first-draft genome sequence of a sulfate-reducing bacterium. Identifying the genome composition will help scientists understand how the bacteria functions in natural ecosystems where it is involved in the biodegradation of pollutants and global biogeochemical cycles.

Other potential users of EnGenCore include pharmaceutical companies, biotechnology firms, hospital systems, and environmental consulting scientists.

Joe Jones, currently a scientist at Monterey Bay Research Aquarium, has been named permanent director of EnGenCore and will start work in October. To learn more about the facility, go to www.sph.sc.edu/engencore or contact Norman at 7-3999.



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Author and photojournalist David Bacon will be the keynote speaker at a conference on Latino immigration.

Hispanic Heritage Month

Photojournalist to speak on Latino immigration

The Consortium for Latino Immigration Studies will sponsor an international academic conference around the theme "Latino Immigration to New Settlement Areas: Trends and Implications" at the University Oct. 11–13 as part of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Researchers in a variety of disciplines from across the United States and Mexico will present papers related to the phenomenon of Latino migration and settlement in new areas in the United States, including the Southeast, Northwest, and Midwest. The topics will examine five core themes: health, education, immigration legislation and policy issues, economic issues, and settlement and incorporation.

The keynote speaker will be photojournalist David Bacon, author of *Communities without Borders: Images and Voices from the World of Migration* and *The Children of NAFTA: Labor Wars on the U.S./Mexico Border*. Bacon's topic will be "The Roots of Migration," and he will show some of his photographs. Bacon's presentation will be at 7 p.m. Oct. 12 in Gambrell Hall, Room 153. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Communities without Borders combines photojournalism with oral histories to portray the lives of people who migrate between Guatemala and Mexico and the United States.

Co-sponsors and collaborators for the conference include the University of Georgia, Kennesaw State University, and the Center for Global Initiatives at UNC at Chapel Hill.

For more information, including preliminary program and registration information, go to www.sph.sc.edu/cli or call 7-2598. The Consortium for Latino Immigration Studies in the Arnold School of Public Health promotes and coordinates research related to Latinos in South Carolina and the Southeast.

Hispanic Heritage Month will be recognized on campus through Oct. 24 with a number of other events, including:

■ Oct. 4–S.C. Hispanic Leadership Council presents the Fifth-annual Hispanic Heritage Month Luncheon, with Bill Richardson, New Mexico governor and 2008 U.S. Presidential candidate, 11:30 a.m.–2 p.m., Capital City Club. For more information, go to www.schlc.org/5.html

■ Oct. 7–Concert featuring music of Spain and Latin America, 3 p.m., St. Peter's Catholic Church, 1529 Assembly St.

■ Oct. 8–Carolina Productions presents Multicultural Music Mid-days with Laura Fuentes y calicanto, Chilean acoustic duo, noon, Russell House Patio

■ Oct. 15–Carolina Productions presents Multicultural Music Mid-days with Mariachi Juvenil America, noon, Russell House Patio

■ Oct. 24–SALA will sponsor Salsa Night, free lessons, demonstrations, and refreshments, 7 p.m., Russell House Ballroom.

For more information about these events and others, call the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs at 7-7716 or go to www.sa.sc.edu/omsa and click on "Events and Celebrations."

S.C. STEPs to STEM aims to stem decline in science/math graduates

Using a five-year, \$2 million grant from the National Science Foundation, the University is partnering with its regional campuses and Midlands Technical College to increase the number of baccalaureate graduates in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

The S.C. STEPs (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Talent Expansion Program) to STEM project will provide scholarships, summer internships, workshops, and a series of new courses designed to acclimate STEM transfer students to the University and to their degree programs. A primary goal of the program is to increase graduation rates in STEM programs by 10 percent per year over current baselines.

"There are many talented science and mathematics students in South Carolina who don't progress to baccalaureate programs because of financial issues or lack of appropriate advisement," said Tim Mousseau, associate dean for research in the College of Arts and Sciences and principal investigator of S.C. STEPs to STEM. "We hope this program will help some of them to overcome those hurdles."

Fifty students per year will be selected for STEPs to STEM, beginning with the spring 2008 semester. Each cohort of students will attend a summer institute aimed at enhancing their math skills. Students will receive scholarships for up to \$1,000 for each of their final two years of baccalaureate study and participate in summer internships.

University faculty from the colleges of Arts and Sciences and Engineering and Computing involved with the project will meet with guidance counselors at high schools around the state to recruit students to the program and conduct summer workshop programs for counselors, teachers, and incoming transfer students.

Three new courses will be offered as part of STEPs to STEM. They will be open to the general student population and required for students selected for the program. STEM 101 will be an introduction to STEM fields, team-taught by professors from different disciplines. STEM 201 will take a seminar approach, focusing on specific STEM disciplines such as computer science, physics, mathematics, and chemistry. STEM 301 will offer a history of science and technology.

Nonparametric statistics is conference topic

More than 100 leading statistical scientists will gather at the University Oct. 10–12 for an international conference, Current and Future Trends in Nonparametric Statistics, sponsored by the Department of Statistics.

Nonparametric methods are statistical methods that avoid restrictive, unrealistic assumptions about the underlying population or process that produced the data, thereby leading to more robust methods.

The advent of powerful and universally accessible computing, and also of massive data sets arising from automated data collection and remote sensing in many areas of science, has brought nonparametrics to the forefront of statistical theory and practice today.

Four plenary speakers will address the conference:

■ **Pranab Kumar Sen**, the Boshamer Professor of Biostatistics at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Sen coauthored a classic text on nonparametrics and has authored or coauthored more than 500 publications. He celebrates his 70th birthday this year and will be honored in a Friday banquet closing the conference.

■ **Jianqing Fan**, a professor of statistics and the Frederick L. Moore '18 Professor of Finance at Princeton University and current president of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics. An authority on semiparametric statistics, he is consistently among the 10 most frequently cited mathematical scientists in the world (www.isiknowledge.com).

■ **Jana Jureckova**, a professor at the Hájek Center at Charles University in Prague, the Czech Republic, is a leading researcher in nonparametric statistics, robust inference, the theory of estimation and testing hypotheses, and asymptotic statistics.

■ **Raymond Carroll**, distinguished professor of statistics, nutrition, and toxicology at Texas A&M University. Carroll is an authority on nonparametric statistical methods in genetic research and bioinformatics. He also was one of the most frequently cited mathematical scientists in the world from 2000 to 2006.

The conference also will feature more than 60 invited in-depth talks on selected topics, as well as posters by young faculty and graduate student researchers.

For more information, go to the statistics department's Web site at www.stat.sc.edu. The National Science Foundation, the American Statistical Association Section on Nonparametric Statistics, and the National Institute of Statistical Sciences also are sponsors of the conference.

Eddie Murphy, Mike Myers, and Antonio Banderas give voice to Donkey, Shrek, and Puss in Boots in *Shrek 1, 2, and 3*, coming to the Russell House Theater Oct. 6.



October & November Calendar

Miscellany

Oct. 4, 5, and 7 Carolina Productions: Movie, *Live Free or Die Hard*, featuring Bruce Willis, 6 p.m., Russell House Theater. Free with USC ID.

Oct. 6 Carolina Productions: Special screening, *Shrek* Trilogy, animated movie created by DreamWorks. *Shrek 1*, 3 p.m.; *Shrek 2*, 6 p.m.; and *Shrek 3*, 9 p.m. Russell House Theater. Free with USC ID.

Oct. 6 McCutchen House: Chef d'jour class, "The Basics," will introduce participants to basic knife skills and how to prepare five sauces, then will prepare a meal using their new skills. 9 a.m.–1 p.m., McCutchen House, Horseshoe. Cost is \$50 per person. To make reservations, call 7-8225. For more information, go to www.hrsm.sc.edu/McCutchen-house.

Oct. 6 S.C. Poetry Initiative: 2007 Chapbook Contest Awards Ceremony, 2–4 p.m., Columbia Museum of Art. Free and open to the public. For more information, contact Charlene Speare at cmspeare@gwm.sc.edu or 7-5492.

Oct. 6 Professional development: Workshop, Understanding the Language of Insurance, participants will learn to understand the different types of insurance, such as term, whole life, universal, and variable life, and identify what type of insurance should be used for certain situations. Instructors are Erica Cavanagh, an insurance consultant with the Carolina Collegiate Federal Credit Union who specializes in property and casualty insurance, and Michael Copeland, a financial planner and consultant for Carolina Collegiate Federal Credit Union and a branch manager with Ohio National Financial Services. 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m., 1600 Hampton St., Suite 101, free and open to all University employees. Registration is required. For more information, including the complete schedule of fall workshops offered by the Professional Development Office, go to hr.sc.edu/profdevp.html.

Oct. 9 Workshop: Knowles Teaching Fellowship, for graduating seniors and graduate students in science, engineering, or mathematics who want to teach high school science and/or mathematics. 4 p.m., Harper College, Gressette Room.

Oct. 10 Reading: Event to celebrate the launch of *Orpheus Lost*, a novel by Janette Turner Hospital, Carolina Distinguished Professor, Department of English. The book was published in May and is a finalist for major Australian literary awards. Reading and book signing, 6 p.m., Gambrell Hall Auditorium.

Oct. 11 Professional development: Workshop, "Writing with Impact," includes demonstrations of specific writing techniques and practice using those techniques. The instructor is Richard B. Lawhon, who conducts writing workshops for business, industry, state agencies, and University departments. Open to any University employee who writes, edits, or proofreads. 8:45 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 1600 Hampton St., Suite 101. Cost is \$60. Registration is required. For more information, including the complete schedule of fall workshops offered by the Professional Development Office, go to hr.sc.edu/profdevp.html.

Oct. 16 Carolina Alumni Association: Student Alumni Member T-shirt Day, 9 a.m.–2 p.m., campus wide.

Oct. 16 Career fair: Pharmacy Day, for students in pharmacy and related majors, 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Russell House Ballroom, free. For more information, go to www.sc.edu/career.

Oct. 17 Workshop: "Grieving and Loss," led by Toby Lovell, staff psychologist and outreach coordinator for the University's Counseling and Human Development Center, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Byrnes Building, Room 617. Offered by Faculty and Staff Wellness Promotion Office. Free. To register, e-mail wellness@gwm.sc.edu and include workshop title in subject line. For more information, go to www.sa.sc.edu/shs/cwp.

Oct. 17 Carolina Productions: Special screening, *Tsotsi*, foreign film drama that traces six days in the lonely, violent life of Tsotsi, meaning "thug," a ruthless, young gang leader who rediscovers his humanity, dignity, and capacity to love. 6 p.m., Russell House Theater. Free with University ID. Free soda, candy, and popcorn.

Oct. 17 McCutchen House: Lunch 'n' Learn event, "Breast Cancer Awareness—Diet and Cancer Risk," planned in conjunction with Columbia's Cooking, the Cancer Prevention and Control Program at Carolina. Noon, McCutchen House, Horseshoe. Cost is \$25 per person and includes lunch, instruction, and a first edition copy of *Columbia's Cooking* cookbook. To make reservations, call 7-8225.

Lectures



Jay



Packer

Oct. 4 Women's Studies "Reconceptualizing Mentoring for Women of Color in the Academy," Michelle Jay and Catherine Packer, faculty members in the Department of Educational Studies in the College of Education, 3:30 p.m., Gambrell Hall, Room 151. Reception will follow lecture.

Oct. 5 English, "The Remaking of Reading: Digital Humanities in the 21st Century," Matthew Kirschenbaum, University of Maryland, 3 p.m., Gambrell Hall, Room 151.

Oct. 5 Chemistry and biochemistry, "Wastewater-Derived Contaminants: A Challenge for the Predictive Tools Developed by Environmental Chemists," David Sedlak, University of California at Berkeley, 4 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 006. Refreshments at 3:45 p.m.

Oct. 11–12 Journalism and mass communications, "Convergence and Society," conference will feature three days of research, demonstrations, and discussions of the teaching and practice of convergent journalism. Keynote speaker is Craig Dubow, chair and CEO of Gannett Media. Conference opens at 1 p.m. Oct. 11. For more information, including a schedule of events, go to newsplex.sc.edu/newsplex07/newsplex_con_release.html.

Oct. 11–12 Statistics, Conference, "Current and Future Trends in Nonparametrics" invited speakers include Pranab K. Sen, UNC at Chapel Hill, Department of Biostatistics, and Raymond Carroll, Texas A&M University, Department of Statistics. For more information and schedule of events, go to www.stat.sc.edu/~hitchcock/2007nonparametrics.html.

Oct. 15–16 Mathematics, Mini-conference, "Applied Combinatorics with an Emphasis on Search Theory," invited speakers include Charlie Colbourn, Arizona State University; Krisztian Tichler, Eotvos University; and Gabor Wiener, Budapest University of Technology and Economics. For more information and schedule of events, go to www.math.sc.edu/~IMI/confs/appliedcomb.html.

Oct. 16 Law, "The Future of Copyright Law," symposium for lawyers, authors, artists, musicians, journalists, computer software writers, and anyone with an interest in copyright law. The keynote speaker will be Margaret Chon, professor of law and director of the Center for the Study of Justice in Society, Seattle University School of Law. Other invited speakers include Keith Aoki, professor of law, University of California at Davis; Julie Cromer, associate professor of law, Thomas Jefferson School of Law; Steven Hetcher, professor of law, Vanderbilt University; David Lange, Melvin G. Shimm Professor of Law, Duke University; and Peter Yu, professor of law, Kern Family Chair in Intellectual Property Law and director of Intellectual Property Law Center, Drake University. 8:30 a.m.–6 p.m., School of Law Auditorium. Reception to follow for all attendees. Free and open to the public. CLE credit might be available. For more information about the program, e-mail Ann M. Bartow, School of Law professor, at bartow@gwm.sc.edu. To register, contact Beth Hendrix, event planner, 7-8058.

Oct. 16 Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management, Dean's Executive Lecture Series, "Challenges of Success, How to Make an Impact," H.P. Rama, chair of the board and CEO of JHM Hotels, 3 p.m., School of Law Auditorium, free and open to the public. For more information, call 7-0097.

Oct. 17 Chemical engineering, Trung Van Nguyen, National Science Foundation, Energy for Sustainability Program, 3:30 p.m., Swearingen Engineering Center, Faculty Lounge.

Oct. 19 Chemistry and biochemistry, "Understanding C-H Bond Activation in Heme Proteins: The Role of Thiolate Ligand in Cytochrome P450," Michael Green, Pennsylvania State University, 4 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 006. Refreshments at 3:45 p.m.

Exhibits

Beginning Oct. 13 McKissick Museum: *Natural Curiosity: USC and the Evolution of Scientific Inquiry into the Natural World*, new permanent natural environment exhibition. Features an array of specimens collected during the University's past 200 years. McKissick Museum is located on the Horseshoe. Exhibits are free and open to the public. Museum hours are 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. Monday–Friday; 11 a.m.–3 p.m. Saturday; closed Sunday and holidays. For more information, call 7-7251 or go to www.cas.sc.edu/MCKS.



Sand dollar fossils from the Miocene Age are part of the *Natural Curiosity* exhibit at McKissick Museum.

Through Oct. 25 McMaster Gallery: *Suggesting Reality*, whimsical works by Aiken artist Tom Supensky, a trained potter and professor emeritus in art at Towson University, Baltimore, Md. Supensky's work redefines clay by transforming the medium into scenes that combine small animals with trivial man-made objects to form visual puns. McMaster Gallery is located at 1615 Senate St. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday. Closed during University holidays. For more information, contact Mana Hewitt, gallery director, at 7-7480 or mana@sc.edu.

Through Dec. 8 McKissick Museum: *A Call for All: The Great War Summons the Palmetto State*, the exhibit will explore propaganda employed by the U.S. government to encourage soldiers and their families to support the war effort, how South Carolinians became involved in the war effort, and how the war affected the Palmetto State. Part of a five-institution collaboration in Columbia that will present a symposium, lectures, and gallery tours in fall 2007.

Through Dec. 20 South Caroliniana Library: *The Great Adventure: The University of South Carolina in World War I*, looks at how the Great War affected the University, its faculty, and its students. Part of a five-institution collaboration in Columbia that will present a symposium, lectures, and gallery tours in fall 2007.

Through Jan. 19 McKissick Museum: *A Sense of Wonder: Works by Pam Bowers*, a series of paintings by Bowers, a studio art professor in the University's Department of Art.

Theatre

Through Oct. 7 Theatre South Carolina: *Noises Off*, a comedy by British playwright Michael Frayn, 8 p.m. Tuesday–Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, Drayton Hall Theater. Tickets are \$16 for the public; \$14 University faculty and staff, senior citizens (age 60+), and the military; and \$10 students. For more information, call the box office at 7-2551 or go to www.cas.sc.edu/THEA. (See review page 6.)

List your events

The *Times* calendar welcomes submissions of listings for campus events. Listings should include a name and phone number so we can follow up if necessary. Items should be sent to *Times* calendar at University Publications, 920 Sumter St.; e-mailed to kdowell@gwm.sc.edu; or faxed to 7-8212. If you have questions, call Kathy Dowell at 7-3686. The deadline for receipt of information is 11 business days prior to the publication date of issue. The next publication date is Oct. 18.

Online calendar

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If you require special accommodations, please contact the program sponsor.

■ Around the campuses

Oct. 9 USC Aiken: Concert, Aiken Community Band, 8 p.m., Etherredge Center. For more information, call 56-3305 or go to www.usca.edu/ec.

Oct. 10 USC Salkehatchie: Opportunity Scholars Program Brain Bowl, Science Building, Atrium, West Campus. For more information, contact Andy Thomas at 58-3446.

Oct. 11 USC Union: Concert, Ryan Smith, piano, 7 p.m., Main Building Auditorium, USC Union. Sponsored by the Union Music Club, Union County Arts Council, and USC Union. Tickets are \$10. For more information, call Mary Jo Rogers at 54-8728.

Oct. 11 USC Aiken: Workshop, Step-by-Step Web Site Development, 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., B&E Building, Room 140, USC Aiken. Seating is limited and registration is required. For more information, call 56-3646, e-mail SBDC@usca.edu, or go to www.usca.edu/sbdc.

Oct. 11 USC Salkehatchie: Meeting, Salkehatchie Health Collaborative Communicare, 10:30 a.m., Science Building, Dean's Conference Room, West Campus. For more information, call Camille Nairn at 58-3446.

Oct. 13 USC Aiken: Concert, Time for Three, classically trained trio of string players with a wide range of repertoire, 8 p.m., Etherredge Center. For more information, call 56-3305 or go to www.usca.edu/ec.

Oct. 17 USC Upstate: Lecture, "Women in Anime," with Denise Levereaux, a feminist blogger and domestic abuse victim advocate, who will discuss the portrayal of women in animation. Part of "Women In ..." lecture series, which explores women's lives and accomplishments. Informal presentation will be followed by discussion, and guests can bring a brown bag lunch. 12:15–1:15 p.m., CLC, Room 309. Free and open to the public. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served. For more information, contact Lisa Johnson, director of the USC Upstate Center for Women's and Gender Studies, at mjohnson@uscupstate.edu.

Oct. 18 USC Aiken: Workshop, Business Basics, 9 a.m.–noon, Nursing Building, Room 120, USC Aiken. Presented by the Aiken Small Business Development Center. Cost is \$25. Registration required. For more information, e-mail SBDC@usca.edu, call 56-3646, or go to www.usca.edu/sbdc.

Oct. 18 USC Aiken: Concert, USC Aiken Concert Choir, 8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Aiken. For more information, call 56-3305 or go to www.usca.edu/ec.



Contemporary Christian musician Steven Curtis Chapman

Oct. 18 USC Aiken: Concert, Steven Curtis Chapman, USC Aiken Convocation Center. Tickets are \$21 in advance, \$24 at the door. For more information, including show time, go online to www.uscatix.com.

Oct. 20 USC Lancaster: Conference, *State of the African American Male*, 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m., James A. Bradley Building. For more information, call Thelathia Bailey at 803-313-7042.

Through Oct. 26 USC Upstate: Exhibit, *Beauvais Lyons: Hokes Archives, Hokes Medical Arts*, University Gallery, Humanities and Performing Arts Center, USC Upstate. Artist lecture and reception, 4:30 p.m. Oct. 4, Humanities and Performing Arts Center, Room 101.



Hokes Medical Arts is the latest traveling exhibit created by Beauvais Lyons, a University of Tennessee art professor known for creating mock-documentary projects.



Maroon 5—from left, Jesse Carmichael, Mickey Madden, Adam Levin, James Valentine, and Matt Flynn—performs at the Colonial Center Oct. 18.

■ Around the campuses

Oct. 8 USC Union: Opportunity Scholars Program Faculty Round Table Discussion with Hugh Rowland, USC Union campus dean and political science professor, noon, Community Room.

Oct. 9 USC Salkehatchie: Meeting, Salkehatchie Health Collaborative Teen Pregnancy Prevention, 10 a.m., Science Building, Dean's Conference Room, West Campus. For more information, call Camille Nairn at 58-3446.

Oct. 9 USC Aiken: Concert, the Charlie Daniels Band, USC Aiken Convocation Center. Tickets are \$27. For more information, including show time, go online to www.uscatix.com.

■ Concerts

Oct. 5 and 6 Sandlapper Singers: The Sandlapper Singers present "Home Cookin'," featuring some of South Carolina's composers, including Dick Goodwin, Sidney Palmer, Fred Teuber, Robert Grenier, Dwight Gustafson, Robert Edgerton, and Eben Trobaugh. Directed by Lillian Quackenbush. Part one of a three-part concert series for 2007–08. 7:30 p.m., Chapel at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 1301 Richland St., downtown Columbia. Cost is \$20. For more information, call 381-5481 or go to www.sandlappersingers.org.

Oct. 7 Concert series: Autumn Concerts at St. Paul's, Marina Lomazov, piano. Lomazov is an assistant professor of piano in the School of Music. 4 p.m., St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1715 Bull St., downtown Columbia. Free and open to the public.



Laura Fuentes performs at the Russell House Oct. 8.

Oct. 8 Carolina Productions: Laura Fuentes y calicanto, Chilean acoustic duo, noon, Russell House Patio.

Oct. 8 Carolina Productions: Matt Wertz and Dave Barnes, acoustic rock bands, 7 p.m. doors open, 8 p.m. show. Russell House Ballroom.

Oct. 9 School of Music: Graduate Vocal Ensemble, 5:30 p.m., School of Music Recital Hall, free.

Oct. 9 Carolina Productions: Concert, Chinua Hawk and Chris Cauley, R&B and soul, 6 p.m., Russell House Patio.

Oct. 9 School of Music: Marina Lomazov, piano. Lomazov, an assistant professor in the School of Music, will perform works by Beethoven, Schubert, Liszt, Chopin, Rachmanioff, and Scriabin. 7:30 p.m., School of Music, Recital Hall, free.

Oct. 10 School of Music: Tenor Kenneth Prewitt, a faculty member at Western Michigan University School of Music, 5:30 p.m., School of Music, Recital Hall, free.

■ Concerts

Oct. 15 Carolina Productions: Mariachi Juvenil America, mariachi music from Mexico and covers of classic American songs, noon, Russell House Patio.

Oct. 15 School of Music: Joseph Murphy, saxophone. Murphy is a saxophone professor and assistant director of bands at Mansfield University of Pennsylvania, 7:30 p.m., School of Music, Recital Hall, free.

Oct. 16 USC Symphony: Vadim Gluzman, Israeli violinist, performs with the symphony. Donald Portnoy conducts. 7:30 p.m., Koger Center. Tickets are available at the Carolina Coliseum box office or by calling 803-251-2222. Tickets are \$20 for the public; \$18 for University faculty and staff and senior citizens (55 and older); \$8 for students. Season tickets are available. For more information, contact Charlene Hazin at 7-7500 or charl@gwm.sc.edu. (See story page 8.)

Oct. 17 School of Music: James Ackley, trumpet. Ackley joined the School of Music this fall as an associate professor of trumpet. He will perform works by Turrin, Wright, deFalia, Ewazen, and Bradshaw. 7:30 p.m., School of Music, Recital Hall, free.

Oct. 18 Colonial Center: Maroon 5, "It Won't Be Soon Before Long" world tour, 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$40.50 and \$50.50. Tickets are available at the Colonial Center box office, online at thecolonialcenter.com, at area Piggly Wiggly grocery stores and Play It Again sports stores, or by phone at 866-472-8499.

Oct. 21 School of Music: Friends of the School of Music, special performances by School of Music scholarship recipients. 4:30 p.m., School of Music, Recital Hall, free.

Oct. 22 School of Music: Fall Trombone Night, students from the studio of Brad Edwards will perform, 7:30 p.m., School of Music, Recital Hall, free.

■ Sports

Oct. 5 Swimming and Diving: Virginia Tech, 5 p.m., Carolina Natatorium, Blatt P.E. Center.

Oct. 5 Women's Soccer: Kentucky, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

Oct. 5 Women's Volleyball: Tennessee, 7 p.m., Volleyball Competition Facility, northwest corner of Blossom and Assembly streets.

Oct. 7 Women's Soccer: Vanderbilt, 2 p.m., Stone Stadium.

Oct. 7 Women's Volleyball: Kentucky, 1 p.m., Volleyball Competition Facility, northwest corner of Blossom and Assembly streets.

Oct. 8 Professional Men's Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers vs. the New York Knicks, 7 p.m., Colonial Center. Tickets start at \$18, and VIP seating is available. Tickets are available at the Colonial Center box office, select Piggly Wiggly locations, Columbia and Lexington Play It Again Sports locations, and online at www.thecolonialcenter.com. To charge by phone, call 866-472-8499.

Oct. 13 Swimming and Diving: LSU, 11 a.m., Carolina Natatorium, Blatt P.E. Center.

Oct. 19 Women's Soccer: Alabama, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

Briefly

GLOBAL CHAT TO FOCUS ON 'UNDERSTANDING OTHER CULTURES': Anthropology professor Kimberly Simmons will be the featured speaker at the Carolina Global Community (CGC) Chat at 7 p.m. Oct. 16 at the South Quad. Simmons will discuss the importance of symbols and communication in cross-cultural contexts. Simmons' research interests include identity formation and the cultural construction of race and gender, as well as international immigration and women's organizations. She has conducted research in the Dominican Republic, focusing on gender identity and racial identity formation. The chat is open to all members of the University community and will be followed by a question-and-answer period and refreshments. For more information, call Abbey Glick at 7-7461.

HEALTH CENTER SETS FLU SHOT CLINICS: Flu shots are available for faculty and staff at the Thomson Student Health Center. Walk-ins are welcome, and appointments are not necessary. Off-site clinics are being scheduled around campus, including one at the Russell House, where shots will be administered from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Oct. 10. The cost of the vaccine will be \$10 for students and \$20 for faculty and staff. Family Fund donors are eligible for free vaccines on a first-come, first-served basis if they have made a minimum gift of \$10 from July 1 to Oct. 3, 2007. Donors' names will be on a list at the clinics. USC ID cards will be used in lieu of Family Fund donor cards to confirm donor status. Spouses of students can also receive flu shots for \$10. Shots are currently not available for family members or dependents of faculty and staff. For information, contact Lauren Vincent, 7-4199.

GRIEF, AGING, STRESS ARE WORKSHOP TOPICS: The Office of Faculty and Staff Wellness Promotion will sponsor a number of fall workshops. The schedule is:

- Grieving and Loss, with Toby Lovell, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Oct. 17, Byrnes Building, Bean Bag Room, Room 617
- Healthy Aging, with Delores Pluto, noon–1 p.m. Nov. 13, Russell House, Room 303
- Stress, with Pete Liggett, noon–1 p.m. Dec. 6, Byrnes Building, Bean Bag Room, Room 617.

Participants can bring lunch to any of the workshops. To register, send an e-mail to wellness@gwm.sc.edu with the workshop requested in the subject line. For more information, go to www.sa.sc.edu/shs/cwp/ and click on Faculty and Staff Wellness Promotion.

SIXERS AND KNICKS SET PRESEASON GAME AT COLONIAL CENTER: The Philadelphia 76ers will open their seven-game preseason schedule against the New York Knicks Oct. 8 at the Colonial Center. The preseason opener at the Colonial Center marks the second time the Sixers will make the trip to Columbia, as they defeated San Antonio 100-88 on Oct. 12, 2005. Ticket prices will start at \$18, and VIP seating is available. A special discount for children is also available, and groups with 15 or more have special pricing as well. Tickets are available at the Colonial Center box office, select Piggy Wiggly locations, Columbia and Lexington Play It Again Sports locations, online at www.thecolonialcenter.com, or charge by phone at 1-866-4SC-TIXX (1-866-472-8499).

MEMORIAL FUND HONORS SWEARINGEN: Memorials can be made to John E. Swearingen, for whom the Swearingen Engineering Center is named, at the John E. Swearingen Fund, College of Engineering and Computing, University of South Carolina, 1600 Hampton St., Suite 738, Columbia, S.C. 29208. Swearingen, 89, died Sept. 14.

■ By the numbers

Here are preliminary numbers on this year's freshman class:

- Freshman count: 3,668
SAT average: 1183
- Honors College freshman count: 288
SAT average: 1403
- Capstone freshman count: 597
SAT average: 1299

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"The teams here would like to do something that is innovative and that would put Carolina on the map as far as the approach to general education reform is concerned," Medway said. "I meet with the faculty team leaders once a month, and they are unbelievably excited to share ideas with their colleagues. This can be about campus transformation."

"A stronger General Education curriculum will benefit all of our undergraduates," said Helen Doeringhaus, associate provost and dean of undergraduate studies. "The faculty on the teams have provided tremendous leadership in a process that will involve the entire University community over the next few years."

Move-in Day

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since it began in 1994. "We experienced several hectic move-in days with our own two sons at the various universities they attended, and we felt that it would be an enjoyable way of making a contribution to the positive image of Carolina," Markland said.

Patrick Hickey, a clinical assistant professor of nursing, carried six refrigerators to dorm rooms this year, breaking his personal record of three.

"I preach to my students that every time we leave the classroom and are in the community, we are ambassadors of our profession and our University," Hickey said. "What better way for a parent or new student to get introduced to the University than by someone who wants to make them feel wanted and a part of our family."

Honors College dean Davis Baird started doing it out of a sense of obligation. "I admit I was not very excited about spending a hot and muggy Saturday lugging stuff for other families," he said. "But the energy and excitement absolutely overcame all my reservations. I really enjoy meeting my new students and their families in this non-standard context—sweating with them and helping to make what is a very big transition a little smoother and easier."

"Parents are very grateful, and students remember that I carried their refrigerator into their dorm room for them. I've enjoyed doing this now for three years and look forward to many more."

The volunteers' sweat didn't go unnoticed. A note from Marsha Kemp, mother of freshman Sam Kemp, reflected the sentiments of many.

"As soon as we put his gear on the sidewalk (and there was plenty of it), hoards of volunteers showed up asking us what room it went in. In less than 10 minutes, everything he owned was up on the 10th floor."

Michelle Ruiz, mother of a Capstone resident, said, "Everything went so smooth, and we were just amazed and grateful for the kindness of the volunteers. Everything appeared to be very well organized and the pre-work and planning really showed."

Denise Wellman, director of the Visitor Center and coordinator of Move-in Day, is hoping for more volunteers in 2008.

"With the size of the freshman class and our growing number of transfer students, I would like to see about 200 volunteers each year," she said. "I believe we are still recruiting these students until they are actually in their residence halls. Any interaction with faculty and staff really cements the relationship that a new student and their parents have with the University."

Want to help out? Mark Aug. 16, 2008, on your calendar, be ready to sweat and to receive a little gratitude.

Wellness

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A pilot program aimed at improving health and wellness has proven effective in Facilities Services, the first unit to participate. The Be-Well Program began in January with many of the participants working out in the Sol Blatt P.E. Center during lunch hours or after work.

Blood pressure for male participants declined significantly, from high risk to low risk, and men's cholesterol levels declined, on average, from 200 to 180. Together, male participants in Be-Well lost 46 inches of girth and 211 pounds of weight. Women shed 124 pounds and 15 inches.

"You'd see significant changes across the board—more productivity and fewer sick days—if this program were implemented across the University," said Julie Hutt, director of faculty and staff wellness promotion and coordinator of the Be-Well Program.

Expansion of the program is dependent on funding availability, she said, because Be-Well includes pre- and post-lab work for participants and a half-hour of paid time off daily.

"I would highly encourage other units on campus to implement wellness programs," said Jim Demarest, director of Facilities Services. "Aside from the personal and physical benefits for employees, we have noticed improvements in morale and team work. The common goal of improving health among employees from many different service areas—all trying to overcome similar issues—has been a huge side benefit."

Tommy Fallaw, a University landscape manager and Be-Well participant, said he's still working out at lunch five days a week. "I've lost a total of 25 pounds since the beginning of the program, and I've lowered both my Body Mass Index and body fat percentage to the recommended range for my height and age. I feel like I'm in better overall shape than I was 10 years ago."

Custodial worker Debra Washington continues to work out three times a week, and sometimes on Saturday or Sunday. "When I don't exercise, I feel kind of sluggish. My attitude is much better towards people and life, in general."

HVAC technician Jeff Butler purchased a weight bench for home workouts and has seen his weight drop from 316 to 248. He's watching his diet and walking at Riverwalk Park at least once a day. "I've got a lot more energy," he said.

For more information about the faculty and staff health assessment or about Healthy Carolina, contact Burcin at 7-4752 or michelle.burcin@gwm.sc.edu.

■ Theatre review

Noises Off was a little 'off'

By Francee Levin

Noises Off, by Michael Frayn, the opening show of Theatre South Carolina's 2007–08 season, is an amusing but not entirely successful production. Directed and choreographed by Steven Pearson, this British farce is difficult to produce because it requires fast-paced, rapid-fire delivery in absurd situations. Especially during the first act, the ensemble cast seemed to be paced for a British comedy of manners, instead of the madcap action required.

The cast should be commended for attempting the required British accents, but again, their attempts were not totally successful because the accents had a tendency to vary and fade in and out during the play. Notable exceptions were Richard Jennings, as the comic drunk, and Nathan Bennett, as the beleaguered director, who maintained their accents, as well as their characters, throughout. The play involves a troupe of actors "in the provinces," as they say in British theatre, producing a play called *Nothing On*. The first act involves the final rehearsal. The second act is backstage during the run of the show, and the final act is closing night on stage.

Most of the problems were in the first act. The second act, the behind-the-scenes look, was much stronger than the first, and the actors seemed more comfortable, which continued into the third act. It's a funny show, and the accidents managed to milk most of the lines. But improved pacing would have made it even funnier to watch.

Technically, the show is excellent. Scenic designer Dennis Maulden, assisted by Craig Vetter, created a beautiful set for the first and third acts, and the requisite door openings and closings worked well. And the second act "backstage" set was a delight and worked nicely for all the slapstick comedy involved. Lighting, sound, and costumes, by Ian DelDuca, Walter Clissen, and Vanessa Streeter, respectively, were all outstanding.

In short, *Noises Off* is a funny show. It's just not one of Theatre South Carolina's all-time best efforts. *Noises Off* is playing at Drayton Hall Theater through October 7; call 7-2551 for reservations.

Caskey Lecture to address ethics in scientific research

Ethical issues of scientific and biomedical research will be in the spotlight Oct. 22 for the annual Caskey Lecture, sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences.

The 7:30 p.m. lecture in the Lumpkin Auditorium of the Moore School of Business will feature Barry S. Collier, physician-in-chief of Rockefeller University Hospital and head of the university's Laboratory of Blood and Vascular Biology. His address, "Responsible Biomedical Science in the 21st Century: The Role of the Physician's Oath," will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

Collier was elected in 1999 to the Institute of Medicine and in 2003 to the National Academy of Sciences. His research focuses on plasma protein associated with heart attacks and strokes. He has embarked on studies using robotic screening of chemical libraries to look for new therapeutic agents.

The Caskey Lecture was established in 2004 by C. Thomas Caskey, a South Carolina native and graduate of the University, to provide a public forum to address issues on the 21st-century impact of biotechnology on medicine. Caskey is chief executive officer and president of Cogene Biotech Ventures Ltd. He also is an adjunct professor at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas.



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Marsha Dowda and Russell R. Pate, exercise science, James F. Sallis, Patty S. Freedson, Wendell C. Taylor, John R. Sirard, and Stewart G. Trost, "Agreement Between Student-Reported and Proxy-Reported Physical Activity Questionnaires," *Pediatric Exercise Science*.

David Weaver and Laura Lawton, hotel, restaurant, and tourism management, "Twenty years on: The state of contemporary ecotourism research," *Tourism Management*.

Steven N. Blair, exercise science, Gretchen Van Wye, Joel A. Dubin, and Loretta DiPietro, "Adult Obesity Does Not Predict 6-Year Weight Gain in Men: The Aerobics Center Longitudinal Study," *Obesity*, and, with George W. Lyerly, "Clinical Trials Report," *Current Cardiovascular Risk Reports*.

Lucy Annang, health promotion, education, and behavior; "Sexually Transmitted Infections Among Urban Shelter Clients," *Sexually Transmitted Diseases*.

Paul F. Beattie, exercise science, R.M. Nelson, and A. Lis, "Spanish-Language Version of the Medrisk Instrument for Measuring Patient Satisfaction with Physical Therapy Care (MRPS): Preliminary Validation," *Physical Therapy*.

Icebergs: hotspots of ocean life

Global climate change is causing Antarctic ice shelves to shrink and split apart, yielding thousands of free-drifting icebergs in the nearby Weddell Sea.

A study in a recent issue of the journal *Science* finds that these floating islands of ice—some as large as a dozen miles across—are having a major impact on the ecology and chemistry of the ocean around them, serving as "hotspots" for ocean life, with thriving communities of seabirds above and a web of phytoplankton, krill, and fish below.

The icebergs hold trapped terrestrial material and associated trace nutrients, which they release far out at sea as they melt.

"The southern ocean lacks a major source for terrestrial material due to the absence of major rivers," said Timothy Shaw, an associate professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry who is on the team studying the floating islands of ice.

"The icebergs constitute a moving estuary, distributing terrestrial-derived nutrients that are typically supplied by rivers in other areas of the oceans."

PRESENTATIONS

Terry K. Peterson, education, "Harnessing the Power of Afterschool for Young Adolescents," Fairfax County Afterschool Peer Exchange Forum, Fairfax, Va., and "Afterschool: Helping Students Sail to Success," Richland School District One Convocation, Columbia.

Gail V. Barnes and Stacy M. Wiley, music, "An Online Community for String and Orchestra Teachers," 2007 Symposium on Music Teacher Education, Greensboro, N.C.



Lighter times

J. Christopher Gillam, S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, "Design, Implementation, and Modeling of Continental-Scale Archaeological and Geographic Datasets," Archaeoinformatics, University of Kansas Biodiversity Research Center, Lawrence, Kan.

Tena B. Crews, technology support and training management, and W.L. Stitt-Gohdes, "Benefits of ISBE membership," International Society for Business Education, Vienna, Austria, and, same conference, with K. Wilkinson and C. Wiedmaier, "Innovative technology uses: Value-added teaching, assessment, and research," and, with T. Weaver, "Student Teaching Internships: Using True Colors," International True Colors Association, Las Vegas, Nev.

OTHER

Janette Turner Hospital, English, is the subject of *CRITIQUE: Studies in Contemporary Fiction*, summer 2007, which contains articles by international scholars on the body of her work.

Terry K. Peterson, education, appointed to the Council for Corporate and School Partnerships.

Phillip Barnes, School of the Environment, co-taught "Environmental Management Systems, Assessment, and Implementation" with faculty from Germany and Spain in the International Environmental Management Education Summer School, sponsored by the Institut de Ciència i Tecnologia Ambientals, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

Kip Howard, enrollment management, **Gene Luna**, student affairs, and **John Spurrier**, statistics and Capstone Scholar Program, recognized in *Enrollment Management Report* in an article entitled "Capstone Scholars program shows power of EM/student affairs collaboration."

J. Christopher Gillam, S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, José Iriarte (University of Exeter, U.K.), and Oscar Marozzi, "Complejo de Montículos y Recintos Geométricos de la Tradición Taquara/Iitarare, Provincia de Misiones, Argentina," display at the Museo Casa del Fundador, El Dorado, Argentina.

Job vacancies

For up-to-date information on USC Columbia vacancies and vacancies at other campuses, go to uscjobs.sc.edu. The employment office is located at 1600 Hampton St.

Researcher's study shows a forest blooms in the ocean

The surface waters in the open ocean are considered by scientists to be a biological desert. But satellite imagery provides evidence of massive blooms of microscopic plants, called phytoplankton.

How this happens has perplexed scientists for decades.



Benitez-Nelson

But a team of scientists, led by Claudia Benitez-Nelson, an associate professor in the Department of Geological Sciences, suggests that the answer might be found in large-scale eddies.

Their findings, reported in the journal *Science*, suggest that these swirling currents bring deep water—rich in nutrients—to the surface and fuel a biological explosion.

Funded by the National Science Foundation, the team of international scientists from more than 14 institutions traveled to the Hawaiian Islands where these mysterious eddies are known to exist. The team, called E-Flux, studied a 200-kilometer-wide eddy, subsequently called

Cyclone Opal, in March 2005.

"It was like finding a rainforest in the desert. The waters were teeming with life," Benitez-Nelson said.

For more information, go to www.geol.sc.edu/cbnelson. The E-Flux Program Web site is at www.soest.hawaii.edu/oceanography/eddy.

Cole elected to national alumni council board

Marsha Cole, executive director of the Carolina Alumni Association, has been elected to the board of directors for the Council of Alumni Association Executives (CAAE).

Cole began a three-year term with the CAAE July 1. She has led the alumni association since 1997, overseeing its 31,000 membership, 25-person staff, and \$4.5 million budget. She is immediate past president of the Alumni Directors of the Southeastern Conference.

Her 20-year career in alumni affairs began at the University of Michigan, where she was the assistant executive director from 1982 to 1985 and again from 1990 to 1997.

Cole earned a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and is a member of the alumni associations of Michigan State, the University of Michigan, and the University of South Carolina.

CAAE comprises chief executive officers of alumni organizations that support major private, public, and land-grant institutions of higher education. The organization advocates alumni association self-governance and provides professional development to enhance alumni association administration.



Cole

Faculty members are first to receive Rockefeller Fellowships



Frank

Two professors, Jill Frank in political science and Lawrence Glickman in history, are the first University faculty members ever to be awarded Laurance S. Rockefeller Fellowships at Princeton University's Center for Human Values.

Frank and Glickman recently completed their yearlong fellowships, which they used to substantially complete work on books in progress. Frank's book focuses on how a democratic citizenry governs itself in times of conflict; Glickman's looks at the history of American consumer activism, from the Boston Tea Party to present. Glickman also was awarded a Sabbatical Year Fellowship from the American Philosophical Society and lectured at a society conference in Philadelphia in May.



Glickman

Coppin State taps Upstate vice chancellor

Reginald Avery will resign as executive vice chancellor for academic affairs at USC Upstate at the end of the fall semester to become president of Coppin State University in Baltimore, Md. Avery will join Coppin State in early January 2008. He came to USC Upstate in 2003.



Avery

Coppin State is an historically black, four-year liberal arts university and is part of the University System of Maryland.

"For four and a half years, Dr. Avery has led the Academic Affairs Division, overseeing substantial growth in our enrollment and in faculty and academic staffing, together with the development of many new programs and initiatives," said John C. Stockwell, chancellor of USC Upstate. "In addition, he has established and nurtured very important connections between the University and the larger region."

Student speak

- **Name:** Melissa Perez
- **Major:** Finance, minor in Chinese
- **Year:** Junior
- **Hometown:** Easley

■ **How did you get involved with Students Associated for Latin America (SALA)?** In my freshman year, the SALA organization sponsored a salsa night in the Russell House Ballroom. I was walking through the Russell



House and saw a poster and heard music for the salsa event and said, 'What's that about?' So I went in and met a bunch of people and had a great time. Then I went to their next scheduled meeting, and I've been a member ever since. This is my second year as vice president.

■ **How many members?** We're working on a roster for the new school year now. I'm going to guess about 40.

■ **Who can join?** Any student—undergraduate and graduate. It's open to anyone who is interested in the Latino culture. I was born in Colombia, South America, and moved to the United States when I was 4 years old. Now I'm a U.S. citizen, but I do speak fluent Spanish. I speak Spanish with my mother and my boyfriend, who is Hispanic.

■ **What takes place at SALA meetings?** We have planned events, and we have discussions. We talk about topics important to Hispanics, with immigration probably being the biggest. We talk about negative stereotypes and about the Hispanic image in this country. On Oct. 3, we had a unity meeting that included members from the other Office of Multicultural Student Affairs organizations. We had Hispanic, Middle Eastern, black, Asian, white, all kinds of students there, so we got a lot of different points of view.

■ **What is the next Hispanic Heritage Month activity?** Salsa Night! It's Oct. 24, starting at 7 p.m., in the Russell House Ballroom. A professional dance instructor will give lessons in club salsa, which is nothing like ballroom salsa. This guy is amazing, and he has his own studio and club in Augusta. He'll teach for an hour, and then for the next hour, there'll be pretty much nothing but dancing. There will be Hispanic foods from a caterer. It's open to any and all students, faculty, and staff. Last year, we had about 200 people turn out. Once they hear the music, they want to learn. And it's a free event with free food.

■ **The minor in Chinese is interesting.** I'm trying to make myself more marketable in the business environment. China is growing at a very fast pace, and not too many people are learning Chinese right now. This semester, I'm taking a 300-level Chinese course, and it's a small class. Business experts are saying that American kids will be learning Chinese in public schools in 20 years. Speaking English, Spanish, and Chinese will really give me an edge.

Book sale is Oct. 17-18

The University Press' second-annual fall book sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 17 and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 18 in the Russell House, Rooms 202 and 203. More than 100 titles in local history, travel, art, literature, and religion will be available for \$5 each. In addition, new and best-selling titles, such as *The South Carolina Encyclopedia* and *Cookin' with Cocky II*, will be offered at a 25 percent discount. For information, call 7-5029 or go to www.sc.edu/uscpress.

Trumpet professor draws on Latin melodies for new CD

By Larry Wood

James Ackley, a new associate professor of trumpet in the School of Music, has brought the music of Colombia to Columbia on his second CD, *Lirico Latino*.

Before coming to Carolina to teach this fall, Ackley was the principal trumpet for the Mexico City Philharmonic Orchestra and then for the Bogotá Philharmonic in Colombia for six years. For the CD, he chose tunes and melodies he had heard and loved at concerts or recitals or on the airways while living in Latin America.

"These are songs that really moved me," said Ackley, who also taught at the University of Connecticut six years before moving to South Carolina. "The melodies are very lovely. They're lush and lyrical—something you don't expect from a trumpet player at all."

And the songs showcase what, Ackley believes, he does best—Latino music.

"I live in that world every day. I speak Spanish at home," said Ackley, who met and married his wife, Yesenia, while in Mexico. "I didn't speak a lick of Spanish before I went to Mexico. Baño—bathroom—cerveza—beer—all brass players know that one—and taco and burrito, that's all I knew. Now, I'm fluent."

A couple of tunes on the CD are universal and well known outside of Latin America. "Estrellita," which means Little Star, by Manuel Maria Ponce, is very famous worldwide," Ackley said.

Ackley arranged another famous piece, "Aranjuez," originally a concerto for guitar, by Joaquin Rodrigo Vidre, for flugelhorn and trumpet. Singer Julio Iglesias wrote the lyrics and Rafael Ferro



James Ackley will perform works by Turrin, Wright, Ewazen, and Bradshaw.

■ If you go

What: Recital by James Ackley, new associate professor of trumpet

When: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 17

Where: School of Music Recital Hall

Admission: Free

Garcia the music for the last song on the CD, "Abrázame," which means Embrace Me.

"I first heard it sung by a Mariachi singer and was intrigued right away because of the words," Ackley said. "The Spanish language is like other Latin languages. It's lush and beautiful and highly romantic, and, as my wife will tell you, I'm a romantic guy."

Ackley transcribed and arranged all of the songs for trumpet and piano. He added congas and maracas on two of the tracks. Working with a producer and an engineer, he recorded the CD at Firehouse 12, a state-of-the-art studio in New Haven, Conn. All but one of the songs were recorded live in the studio with little mixing or re-mastering.

"It went very quickly. If we made a mistake, we'd stop immediately and then were off and running again," Ackley said. "Every song on the CD is basically a performance."

MSR Classics, an independent CD label, released the recording at the end of the summer. Copies are available at msrcd.com, at amazon.com, at jamesackley.com, or by calling Ackley directly at 7-4149.

"When I left the orchestra, in addition to teaching, I wanted to become a soloist, make some CDs, and record music that hasn't been recorded before," Ackley said. "I accomplished half those goals, I think, with my first CD, *Recital Music for Trumpet*. I definitely hit it on the head, I believe, with this CD."

Ackley already is making plans for a third CD, a collection of trumpet ensemble music to be recorded with colleagues from the East Coast.

■ USC Symphony Orchestra

Vadim Gluzman performs Beethoven's *Violin Concerto*

A favorite with the USC Symphony, Israeli violinist Vadim Gluzman returns to the Koger Center stage with a performance of Beethoven's *Violin Concerto, op. 61 in D Major*, at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 16. The orchestra also will perform Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 2, op. 17 in C minor (Little Russian)*.

"No other concerto can match the true patrician beauty of Beethoven's *Violin Concerto*," Gluzman said. "It possesses the perfect balance of proportion that reminds us of the greatest cathedrals in the world, the purity and magic of melodic line, and the writing that is so personal that it speaks directly to our hearts, yet so objective as if to encompass the whole world in one bar! I feel privileged to have the opportunity to perform this great masterwork."

Lauded by both critics and audiences as a performer of great depth, virtuosity, and technical brilliance, Gluzman has appeared throughout North and South America, Europe, Russia, Japan, Korea, and Australia, both as a soloist and in a duo setting with his wife, pianist Angela Yoffe.

Gluzman was born in the Ukraine in 1973 into a family of professional musicians. He began studying the violin at age 7. In 1990, the 16-year-old violinist was granted five minutes to play for the late Isaac Stern, and a friendship was born. Stern was a great influence on the young musician, both musically and personally.

In 1994, Gluzman received the Henryk Szeryng Foundation Career Award. He now plays the ex-Leopold Auer Stradivarius on extended loan to him through the Stradivari Society of Chicago.



Violinist Vadim Gluzman will perform Oct. 16.

■ If you go

What: USC Symphony Orchestra presents Vadim Gluzman, violin

When: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 16

Where: Koger Center

Tickets: \$20 adults; \$18 USC faculty and staff, and senior citizens; \$8 students. Tickets are available at the Carolina Coliseum box office or by calling 251-2222.

Hatred, prejudice, intolerance and religion topics of lectures and symposium on Europe

Two high-profile lecture series—the Solomon-Tenenbaum and Joseph Cardinal Bernardin lectures to be held Oct. 17-18—will focus on the dynamic and volatile state of religious intolerance and interaction in Europe.

At 7:30 p.m. Oct. 17, Philip Jenkins, a distinguished professor of history and religious studies at Penn State University, will discuss "Christianity, Islam, and Europe's Religious Crisis." At 8 p.m. Oct. 18, Paula Hyman, the Lucy Moses Professor of Modern Jewish History and Religious Studies at Yale University, will present the lecture "Anti-Semitism, Gender, and Jewish Identity in Modern Europe."

At 1:30 p.m. Oct. 18, Jocelyne Cesari, a visiting professor at Harvard Divinity School, will join Jenkins and Hyman for a symposium to discuss the migration of new ethnic and religious groups to Europe; the fear of Islamic ascendancy; resistance to the inclusion of Muslim Turkey in the new Europe; the new anti-Semitism; secularization; the continuing decline of religious institutions, especially Christian institutions; and prospects for a genuinely multicultural and multi-religious Europe.

All events will be free and open to the public.

"Religion is a powerful force in human society that can unite or divide peoples and nations," said Mary Anne Fitzpatrick, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "Our program this year provides a rare opportunity for us to learn from the European experience how those nations struggle to incorporate immigrant minorities into increasingly multireligious societies."

The schedule:

■ Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Lecture, "Christianity, Islam, and Europe's Religious Crisis," with Jenkins, speaker, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 17, School of Law Auditorium

■ Symposium, "Secularism, Immigration, and Europe's Religious Crisis," featuring Jenkins, Hyman, and Cesari and moderated by Charles Bierbauer, dean of the College of Mass Communication and Information Studies, 1:30-2:45 p.m. Oct. 18, School of Law Auditorium

■ Solomon-Tenenbaum Lecture, "Anti-Semitism, Gender, and Jewish Identity in Modern Europe," Hyman, speaker, 8 p.m. Oct. 18, Drayton Hall Auditorium.

The Solomon-Tenenbaum Lectureship is funded by Melvin and Judith Solomon of Charleston and Samuel and Inez Tenenbaum of Columbia.

The Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Lectureship honors the Columbia native, former Carolina student, and distinguished leader in the Roman Catholic Church. In his work as a priest and archbishop of Chicago, Bernardin addressed contemporary social and ethical issues and left a profound legacy of service, social concern, and education.

For more information on both lectureships, go to www.cas.sc.edu/relg/ or call the Department of Religious Studies at 7-4100.