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Toot your own horn. Congaree New Horizons Band, right, is accepting new members. **Page 3**

Sunrise, sunset: President Pastides tackles his first day with meetings with faculty, staff, students, alumni, community leaders, and the basketball and football coaches from morning to evening. **Page 8**



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## \$106.2 million in private giving breaks fund-raising records

The University has shattered all fund-raising records, bringing in \$106.2 million in private gifts and pledges for the year ending June 30 through an unprecedented number of donors and an increase in the size of the gifts.

The 2007–08 amount is 58.7 percent above last year's total of \$66.9 million and eclipses the previous record of \$96.5 million in 1997–98. The number of donors—nearly 46,000—stands at an all-time high.

The spike in giving indicates the unprecedented level of support for, and commitment to, the University and its mission, said Michelle Dodenhoff, associate vice president for University development and interim vice

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—Michelle Dodenhoff



president for University Advancement. “It has been an incredibly exciting year for fund raising,” Dodenhoff said.

“These gifts represent a very significant passion to make a difference in the lives of young people and in the University's work. I think that it has a lot to do with the level of excitement that people are feeling about our phenomenal deans, our outstanding faculty, and some of the brightest students this campus has ever seen.”

Donors have designated the \$106.2 million as

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### Pastides begins presidency with whirlwind of action

By Chris Horn

Harris Pastides launched the first day of his presidency Aug. 1 with a flurry of administrative announcements, an op-ed article in *The State* newspaper, and an action plan for the next several months.

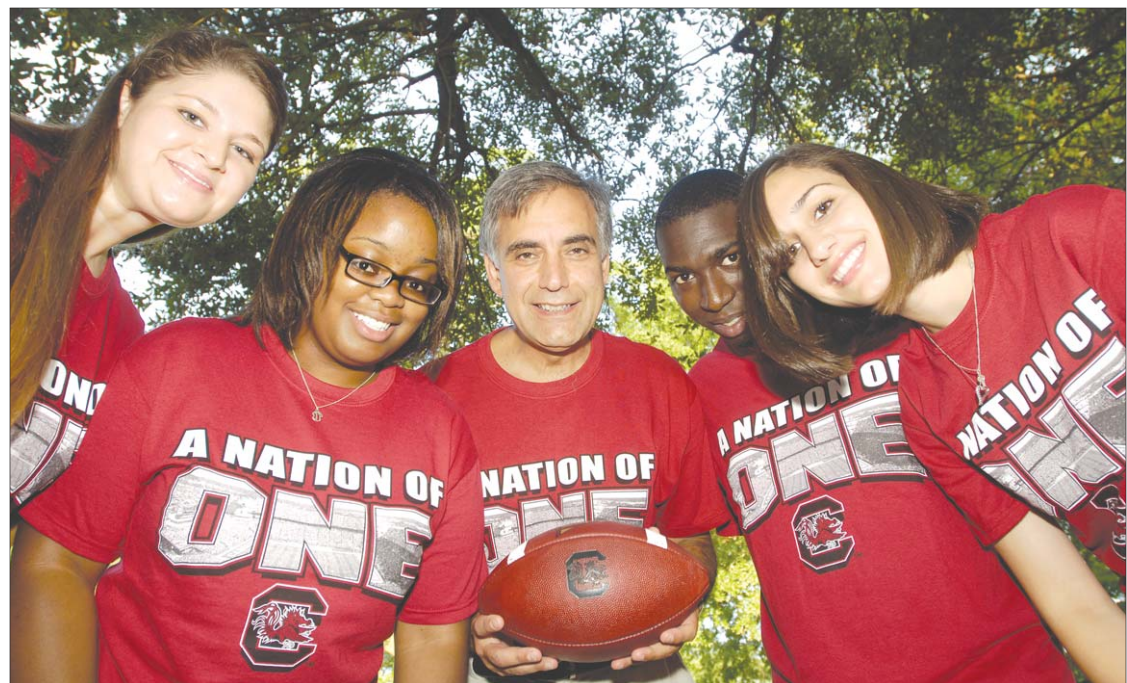
He also met with many of the University's constituencies, including Columbia Mayor Bob Coble, alumni, students, faculty, and the Board of Trustees.

The University's 28th president announced a Carolina New Ideas program, which will solicit suggestions to improve University quality and efficiency. A virtual suggestion box will be set up online, and Pastides and his wife, Patricia Moore-Pastides, will fund innovation awards for the most impressive ideas as determined by a committee. Awards will be available for part-time and full-time faculty, staff, undergraduates, graduate students, and alumni.

“In economically constrained times, we need to look for new ideas that can keep us moving forward as an institution,” Pastides said. “We will aggressively look for new funding, of course, but at the same time we have to make the very best use of what we already have.”

Pastides also announced plans to begin a comprehensive strategic planning initiative called Focus Carolina, which will be coordinated by William “Ted” Moore, currently vice provost for

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Kim Truett

**One nation** University Ambassadors and Carolina students Caroline Niland, left, Natasha Hopkins, Brandon Gates, and Melisa Tanverdi, along with President Pastides, sport the new Carolina game-day T-shirt, “Nation of One,” for the 2008–09 athletic season. The garnet shirts feature a panoramic view of Williams-Brice Stadium and are a part of the athletics department's “Garnet on Game Days” initiative to encourage fans to wear garnet to all Gamecock athletic events. The T-shirts are available at the University Bookstore in the Russell House, at the stadium store at Williams-Brice Stadium, and online at [uscports.com](http://uscports.com). Faculty, staff, students, alumni, and all Gamecock fans can show their garnet-and-black colors at the College Colors Day Kick-Off Game, Carolina vs. N.C. State, Aug. 28 and on Aug. 29 as part of College Colors Day. The national event promotes higher education in America through increased public awareness and celebrates the achievements of colleges and universities. For more information, go to [www.collegecolorsday.com](http://www.collegecolorsday.com).

## Beijing bound: Carolinians head to summer Olympics

Several current and former Gamecock athletes, along with a coach, a professor, and five student interns, will participate in the 2008 Summer Olympic Games Aug. 8–24 in Beijing. They are:

### Track and field

- Aleen Bailey, 4x100m, Jamaica
- Leroy Dixon, 4x100m, USA
- Chelsea Hammond, long jump, Jamaica
- Natasha Hastings, 4x400m, USA
- Mechelle Lewis, 4x100m, USA
- Rodney Martin, 4x100m, USA
- Tiffany Ross-Williams, 100mH, USA
- Shevon Stoddart, 400mH, Jamaica
- Terrence Trammell, 110mH, USA

### Soccer

- Brad Guzan, USA

### Swimming

- Shantelle McLean, freestyle, Trinidad and Tobago

### Women's basketball

- Dawn Staley, assistant coach, USA.

### Medical team

- Jeffrey Guy, orthopedic surgery, USC Sports Medicine Center

Five students from the College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management also will go.

Boeing Koo and Ashley Fudge of Columbia; Ann Marie Del Bello of Williston; Ashley E. Davis of Centreville, Va.; and Taylor Norvell of Ormond Beach, Fla., will be employed by Global Food Service Solutions. Don Pritchard, CEO of the firm, hand-picked them while they were interning at the Masters Golf Tournament.

“I am very impressed with the quality of the students that I have met over the years and have kept in touch with several for the various projects of which I am involved,” Pritchard said.

The students will work mostly within the Johnson & Johnson Hospitality Suite on the Olympic Green, the centerpiece for game operations. They will experience firsthand a multicultural hospitality experience of Western and Asian influence, with a backdrop of the Olympic Games.

The students will average 12- to-14-hour shifts for nearly three weeks straight, and that's just fine with lead line cook Koo, who will offer up his versions of Southern cuisine with a French-Italian flair.

“I never thought I'd get an opportunity like this, and I have to attribute it to the University of South Carolina,” Koo said.



Former Gamecock Brad Guzan likely will be the starting goalkeeper for the USA men's soccer team, which opens against Japan Aug. 7 before facing the Netherlands Aug. 10.

## Summer graduation exercises are Aug. 9

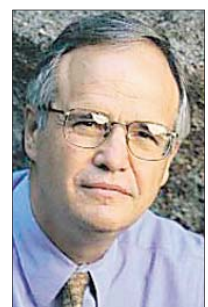
President Pastides will speak at summer commencement exercises for baccalaureate, master's, and professional degree recipients from all eight campuses at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 9 in the Colonial Life Arena.

Orangeburg native James Gustave Speth, an attorney, environmental studies educator, and dean of the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies at Yale University, will receive an honorary degree of humane letters.

Commencement exercises for doctoral candidates will be held at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 9 in the Koger Center. Robert McKeown, chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, will speak.

The University expects to award more

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Speth

# Briefly

**COLUMBIA STUDENTS AWARDED GREENER SCHOLARSHIPS:** Hope Jackson and Bethany Pearson of Columbia have been awarded Richard T. Greener Scholarships to attend the University. The Black Alumni Council sponsors the scholarship, which was established in 1983 to recognize high-achieving students. Jackson and Pearson each will receive an award of \$8,000, or \$2,000 per year, for four years of study on the Columbia campus. They will join more than 400 students in 2008–09 who will receive scholarships through the Carolina Alumni Association. The Richard T. Greener Endowment Fund honors the scholarly work and achievement of Richard Theodore Greener, who, in 1873, became the first African-American faculty member at the University. The scholarship is awarded for academic achievement, leadership, and community service. To contribute to the Greener endowment, call 7-4111 or go to [giftsonline.sc.edu/contribute.asp](http://giftsonline.sc.edu/contribute.asp).

**RETIREMENT PLANNING SESSIONS SET:** One-on-one counseling sessions for retirement and investment planning will be available from an expert TIAA-CREF consultant from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Aug. 12, 13, 26, and 27; and Sept. 4, 9, 10, and 23. The sessions are by appointment only and will be held at the Division of Human Resources' Benefits Office, 1600 Hampton St., Suite 803. To sign up, call 877-267-4505 and press "0" for assistance, or go to TIAA-CREF's Web site at [www.tiaa-cref.org/moc](http://www.tiaa-cref.org/moc). The sessions are designed to provide personalized planning and guidance about meeting financial goals through the use of mutual funds and annuity accounts. TIAA-CREF does not offer tax advice. The TIAA-CREF consultant will be able to discuss simplifying finances through consolidating assets, the right allocation mix, and available investment choices.

**ATHLETIC STUDENTS TAKE HONORS:** Students in the Athletic Training Education Program within the Department of Physical Education have attained a number of achievements. Junior Sarah Fabry and graduate student Justin Goins each received a Terry Lewis Memorial Scholarship given by the S.C. Athletic Trainers' Association (SCATA). Lewis was a long-time SCATA member. Seniors Karen Edwards and Amy Fraley serve SCATA in 2008 as student senators to the association officers. They attend meetings to learn more about leadership and the importance of participating in one's professional organization and act as liaisons for student members. Graduate students Nick Thomas and Goins and junior Drew Duckett are participating in a six-week internship with the NFL's Arizona Cardinals through Aug. 27.

**GRANT TO MAP CIVIL WAR RAILROAD DEFENSES:** The National Park Service, as part of its American Battlefield Protection Program, has awarded a grant of \$48,445 to the S.C. Research Foundation. The project calls for University researchers in the S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology to map and document Civil War forts that were constructed for the defense of the Charleston to Savannah Railroad in three South Carolina counties. Steven Smith, an associate director of applied research, and James Spirek, deputy state underwater archaeologist, will use historical research and GPS data and GIS-generated maps. The grant was one of 32 awarded nationally.

**FELLOWSHIP AND SCHOLAR PROGRAMS SEEKS ROTARIANS:** The Office of Fellowship and Scholar Programs is seeking to identify members of the University community who are Rotarians to assist students who are applying for the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. Identifying Rotarians will help the office introduce Carolina students to local Rotary Clubs when they are seeking sponsorship in the application process. Rotarians can send their names and the names of their clubs to Margaret Perkins at [mperkins@sc.edu](mailto:mperkins@sc.edu).

**LOWNES RECEIVES ATA CERTIFICATION:** The Center for Child and Family Studies' Steven Lownes received the American Translators Association certification in English-to-Spanish translations. He is one of four people in the state who received the distinction and one of 444 nationally and internationally. Lownes is a program coordinator for the Hispanic Assistance Bilingual Access project. He oversees Spanish translations and telephonic interpretation. He also is an interpreter trainer for the Interpreter Qualification Project, which tests and trains prospective Spanish interpreters.

**PARENTS WEEKEND IS SEPT. 26–28:** Parents Weekend 2008 will be held Sept. 26–28, and the Office of Parents Programs invites all colleges, schools, and departments across campus to participate. There are a variety of ways to get involved in the weekend, including hosting an open house or reception for students' families and opening classes to family members on Sept. 26. To get an event added to the schedule, call the Office of Parents Programs. For more information about participating in Parents Weekend 2008, contact Melissa Gentry at 7-5937 or [mfgentry@sc.edu](mailto:mfgentry@sc.edu).

**IT BULLETIN IS ONLINE** The latest *IT Bulletin* is available at [uts.sc.edu/itbulletin](http://uts.sc.edu/itbulletin). Topics include: "S.C. Lightrail: Digital Highway for the 21st Century," "Move-In Weekend Teams Gear Up," "Happy Birthday Internet!," "Mac News: iClouds Everywhere with MobileMe," and "Security Newsbytes." The *IT Bulletin* is available for the Carolina community. To share a story idea for an upcoming *IT Bulletin*, send an e-mail to [UTS@sc.edu](mailto:UTS@sc.edu).

## S.C. Research Authority honors Pastides

President Pastides has received a Knowledge Economist Award from the S.C. Research Authority (SCRA).

The SCRA Knowledge Economist Award Program recognizes outstanding citizens who have made significant contributions to South Carolina's knowledge economy. The presentation took place in Innovista's Discovery Plaza during an event at which SCRA affiliate SC Launch! announced that it has awarded nine Small Business Innovation Research Program or Small Business Technology Transfer Program (SBIR/STTR) Phase I Matching Grant awards, totaling \$863,936, during the last 12 months to S.C. Knowledge Economy start-up companies.

The SC Launch! SBIR/STTR Matching Grant Program fosters job creation in the state by increasing the competitive position of South Carolina small businesses in attracting SBIR and STTR grant funding.

"These programs are important vehicles for the commercial technology emerging from our research universities," Pastides said. "This announcement is a great example of how we are moving faculty knowledge down the path toward job creation in South Carolina. Much of this would not be possible without the SC Launch! Program."



Kim Truett

### Culinary culmination

Zakiya Clemons of Columbia and Remington Ludwig of Vance, both 13, show off one of the luncheon dishes they and their fellow Carolina Master Scholars prepared for 75 family and friends at McCutchen House on the last day of the Culinary Arts program. During the weeklong program, the young scholars from across the state mastered some of the skills required of a professional chef, including working with knives, safety, and dining-room etiquette. They also made their own lunches every day and learned to prepare dishes—including everything from chocolate tortes to sushi—from start to finish, how to set a formal dining room table, and how to properly serve a meal.

## Fulbright wins grand prize for innovation

A device delivering atmospheric sensors that can detect thousands of airborne chemical compounds and elements has won the grand prize in the 2008 New Ideas for A New Carolina Contest, a statewide business innovation competition sponsored by South Carolina's Council on Competitiveness.

The device's inventor, Ron Fulbright, chair of USC Upstate's Department of Informatics, will take home the \$5,000 prize of seed money and assistance from a "dream team" of mentors to help further develop and market the invention.

"The device will make use of emerging nanosensor technology to detect toxic and hazardous nuclear, biological, and chemical agents for homeland security applications as well as to facilitate fine-grained environmental analysis of greenhouse gases and pollutants," Fulbright said.

Able to be dropped from a helicopter or plane in hazardous areas without a parachute, the battery-operated device, initially termed "Scintinel," would be able to quickly establish a perimeter around a disaster area such as an earthquake or bomb site and report conditions via wireless transmitters to emergency crews. Dropped downwind in flooded areas, the device has the ability to detect biologic contamination, toxic materials, and disease.

"They could give you a real-time picture of how bad the area is," Fulbright said.

Using nanotechnology, the field of science and technology that manipulates and fabricates matter on a very small atomic or molecular scale, the Scintinel would have millions of sensors as strong and durable as diamonds arranged on an area the size of a postage stamp. The sensors function as an artificial "nose" and would be able to detect contaminants, pollutants, and disease in the air.

The award was announced at the ThinkTec Innovation Summit in Charleston in June. For more information, contact Fulbright at 52-5683 or [rfulbright@uscupstate.edu](mailto:rfulbright@uscupstate.edu).

## Federal Reserve economist to join Moore School faculty

Allen N. Berger, a longtime senior economist at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and a senior fellow at the Wharton Financial Institutions Center at the University of Pennsylvania, has been appointed the H. Montague Osteen Jr. Professor in Banking and Finance at the Moore School of Business.

In spring 2009, Berger will teach an undergraduate course on financial institutions and a graduate course titled "Advanced Topics in Finance."

Berger is one of the country's most published and most-cited authors on a variety of topics related to financial institutions. He is on the editorial boards of five professional journals of economics and finance and is past editor of the *Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking*. He co-edited six special issues of various journals and is editing the *Oxford Handbook of Banking*.

"We are honored to have someone of Allen Berger's caliber joining the faculty at the Moore School," Dean Hildy Teegeen said. "His exceptional commitment to rigorous scholarship that serves to guide leading practice in financial institutions today will allow us to further our international reputation for research excellence in finance."

Berger earned a doctorate in economics from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1983, a master's degree in economics from Berkeley in 1979, and a bachelor's degree in economics from Northwestern University in 1976.



Berger

## Verzyl named assistant vice provost for enrollment

Scott Verzyl has been named assistant vice provost for enrollment management, succeeding Kip Howard, who served from 2004 until his retirement in June.



Verzyl

Verzyl, who has served as the director of undergraduate admissions since 2004, also will continue in that capacity.

"Scott has earned the respect and admiration of his supervisors, peers, subordinates, and University constituents, all of whom admire his integrity and his commitment to his work and the University," said Dennis Pruitt, vice president for student affairs and vice provost for academic support. "I know that Scott will continue to advance our nationally recognized admissions office as he works with the other enrollment-management offices to provide a similar level of service."

Verzyl will oversee the offices of Undergraduate Admissions, Financial Aid and Scholarships, Orientation and Testing, TRIO Programs, and the Registrar, as well as the Career Center and Visitor Center.

## Halasz named Career Center director

Thomas Halasz has been named director of the University's Career Center. He is the former associate director for career networks at the University of Florida.

"This is an exciting time to join the University of South Carolina and the Career Center," Halasz said. "I look forward to working closely with faculty and staff across the University, the great alumni network, a group of tremendous employers, and the wonderful students of the University."

Halasz earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Western Michigan University and a master's degree in counseling from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He is a contributing author to the book *Career Counseling of College Students* and is a member of the National Association of Colleges and Employers.

"I am very pleased to have Tom join the Carolina family," said Scott Verzyl, assistant vice provost for enrollment management and director of undergraduate admissions. "He brings great energy and talent to the Career Center, which will benefit our students as they prepare for the competitive global economy. I am looking forward to Tom's leadership in this important facet of our University."

The Career Center coordinates programs and services that include career counseling, job fairs, résumé critiques, online job banks, and mock interviews. For more information about the center, go to [www.sc.edu/career](http://www.sc.edu/career) or call 7-7280.

# First graduate of new liberal studies degree takes bow at commencement

By Marshall Swanson

The first recipient of a new bachelor's degree designed for "place-bound" students at the University's regional campuses is a long-term substitute special education teacher who will use the degree to make her job a permanent full-time position.

"I feel blessed," said Janet Haigler of Pageland, who will receive the first bachelor of arts in liberal studies degree at summer commencement Aug. 9. "I'm achieving a goal I set for myself, and I'm seeing the light at the end of the tunnel."



Haigler

The inaugural graduate in the degree program, which was launched last fall for students at the Lancaster, Union, Sumter, and Salkehatchie campuses, plans to further her education with a master's degree in learning disabilities from Francis Marion University.

Ultimately she wants to become a permanent member of the faculty at Central High School in Pageland where she has been a substitute for students with learning disabilities.

Haigler always dreamed about being a teacher, but after high school, she got married, raised a family, and all but gave up on the idea of teaching. Then she got a call from Central High principal J.R. Green to help with the substitute special ed job for ninth through 12th graders with learning disabilities.

The experience opened her eyes to a new world and rekindled the dream of a career in education. But first she'd have to supplement an already earned associate degree in business administration with more credits for a bachelor's degree and then earn teaching credentials.

Haigler is exactly the type of student Chris Plyler, vice provost and executive dean for system affairs, had in mind when he created the baccalaureate degree for regional campus students, said Sally Boyd, assistant vice president for Credit Programs who also worked on the program's implementation.

Many students have not been able to continue work on a bachelor's degree elsewhere after they finished study at the regional campuses because they were bound to their communities by family, job, or other responsibilities, Boyd said, adding that the price of gas will probably be another reason people will be attracted to the new degree.

Awarded by the Columbia campus, the new degree included creation of an initiative known as Palmetto Programs, which offers a dozen additional courses per semester taught by regional campus faculty members who simultaneously reach students at multiple sites.

Students enrolled in the degree must declare one of three major options (science and mathematics, social and behavioral sciences, or arts and humanities), then select two disciplines within those options that total 27 hours of coursework.

Boyd monitors major options students have chosen and works with the academic deans on the campuses to schedule the courses students will need for their degrees.

Forty-six students currently are enrolled in the degree program, but Boyd anticipates that number will double by next year as awareness of the program grows.

Haigler is a poster student for the new degree, Boyd said, noting her remarkable work ethic and her induction this past spring into Alpha Sigma Lambda, the adult student honor society that recognizes students over 25 who have top academic records.

"She's a highly motivated person who really seems to be focused on not only achievement but also contributing to her community," Boyd said.

"I couldn't have done this without all of the encouragement and support I've received," said Haigler, who credits her husband, Jerry "Shug" Haigler; her three sons; her church family; the faculty and Principal Green at Central High; Ron Cox, associate dean of academic affairs at USC Lancaster; her professors; and Boyd, for helping her achieve her goal.

"This has been a wonderful experience."

## Strategies and scholarships aim to address state's nursing shortage

Latest surveys project that the United States could fall short by close to half a million registered nurses by 2025 unless major action is taken.

Currently, the supply of new nurses is failing to keep pace with rising patient demand, in part because a significant number of interested and qualified nursing school applicants have been turned away in recent years because of a growing shortage of nursing faculty.



Hewlett

Attracting nursing teachers is a problem largely because nurses who work in the classroom earn less—sometimes \$20,000 to \$30,000 less—than nurses who work in hospitals. A large number of nursing faculty retirements is another factor.

State nursing leaders believe two new efforts will help to ease this shortage. One effort involves establishing graduate-level nursing scholarships.

BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation has provided \$1.5 million to establish graduate-level nursing scholarships through the S.C. Nurses Foundation. Distributed over three years, the grant will enable financial support for at least 30 nurses who will then become faculty in nursing education programs.

The program is designed to help people who want to earn higher degrees in nursing but can't afford to do so. Awardees must commit to

teaching in a South Carolina nursing program for at least three years

"Securing substantial scholarships for our graduate nursing students at both the master's and doctoral levels is one of our greatest challenges," said Peggy Hewlett, dean of Carolina's College of Nursing. "This is really a wonderful gift to nursing in South Carolina. It will provide an opportunity for nursing scholars to attend school full-time and, in so doing, graduate more quickly into the teaching ranks."

The second effort involves the formation of a team that will advance solutions to nursing and nursing faculty shortages.

"Team South Carolina represents key stakeholders from throughout the state who have been involved in the One Voice, One Plan consortium, which successfully spearheaded the 2007 Critical Nursing Needs Initiative Act," said Hewlett, Team South Carolina leader. "Our team will focus on strategies to address the nursing faculty shortage as called for in this landmark legislation and will come home with an action plan for how we might seek full funding for this important initiative."

South Carolina was selected by AARP, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and the U.S. Department of Labor to participate in the first Nursing Education Capacity Summit in Washington, D.C., in late June. The goal of the two-day summit was to identify solutions to the nurse faculty shortage.

More than 15 other states are participating. They will share best practices and focus on four key areas: strategic partnerships and resource alignment, policy and regulation, increasing faculty capacity and diversity, and education redesign.



James Lewis, front, had never played the saxophone before joining the Congaree New Horizons Band.

Kim Truett

## Be a player New and experienced musicians scale heights with Congaree Band

By Larry Wood

Whether you're a complete novice or have played an instrument before, the Congaree New Horizons Band is giving music lovers ages 50 and above opportunities to get in tune with their inner musicians.

The goal of the band, affiliated with the New Horizons International Music Association, is to enhance the quality of life for its members and residents of the Midlands community and to contribute to the cultural life of Columbia.

"We're not about winning competitions or attaining a certain standard of performance," said Jeremy Lane, the band's director and an assistant professor of music education in the School of Music. "We want, of course, to sound as

good as we can, but one of the slogans of the New Horizons group overall is 'Your Best is Good Enough.'"

Lane started the band in January 2007 with about 20 members. By spring 2008, the band had grown to almost 40 members who play flute, clarinet, saxophone, oboe, trumpet, trombone, tuba, and percussion.

Many of the band members know the instruments they want to play when they join, but Lane helps guide new members who are undecided to the right instruments based on members' physical characteristics and the needs of the band.

"A lot of people want to play saxophone, flute, or percussion, and if playing one of those instruments is their life's desire, I'm not going to tell them no," Lane said. "My one rule is that if you're flexible, we have other places we can use your talents."

The band rehearses every Monday evening during the spring and fall semesters. "It's not your typical band rehearsal," Lane said. "It's very relaxed. There's a lot of humor and a lot of energy in the room because the people are having fun and doing something they really want to do. I don't take roll."

This fall, Lane will offer both a beginner and an advanced band. The beginner band will meet from 6 to 7 p.m. and will be for new members or members with little or no musical experience or who have not played an instrument in a number of years. The advanced band will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and will be for members who have been with the group longer and can play and read music.

"Placement in those bands will be based solely on where the person wants to be," Lane said.

Also this fall, Christian Scott, a graduate student in music education, will work with a small group of members on Thursday mornings. "They're always wanting to do new things—form a jazz ensemble or a woodwinds group," Scott said.

The band performs about six times each semester, often for senior groups at Columbia-area churches. They also perform a holiday concert at the end of the fall semester and a pops concert with a special theme—last May it was movie music—in the spring at the School of Music Recital Hall. The band also has performed at a reception for the Carolina Alumni Association.

## Fellowship and scholarship workshops set for fall

The Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs will sponsor scholarship workshops this fall to help undergraduate and graduate students learn about opportunities for grants and fellowships in every field of study. Attending a workshop is the first step in applying for a national award. For more information, contact the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs, 7-0958, Legare College, Room 220, or [www.sc.edu/ofsp](http://www.sc.edu/ofsp). The schedule is:

- Aug. 25, Fulbright Grant, 4 p.m., Gressette Room, Harper College
- Aug. 26, Mitchell and Gates-Cambridge Scholarships, 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322
- Sept. 3, Javits Fellowship, 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322
- Sept. 8, Truman Scholarship, 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322
- Sept. 9, Environmental Protection Agency Fellowship, 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322
- Sept. 10, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 4 p.m., Gressette Room, Harper College
- Sept. 15, Goldwater Scholarship, 4 p.m., Gressette Room, Harper College
- Sept. 29, Udall Scholarship, 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322
- Oct. 6, National Security Education Program, 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322
- Oct. 7, Knowles Teaching Fellowship, 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322
- Oct. 27, Rhodes and Marshall Scholarships, 4 p.m., Gressette Room, Harper College.

# August & September Calendar

## ■ Exhibits

**Now at South Caroliniana Library:** *Selected Maps of South Carolina*, Lumpkin Foyer, and *Examples of African American Source Materials*, Reading Room, Horseshoe.

**Through Aug. 9 McKissick Museum:** *The Dresses of Florestine Kinchen: A Tribute to Helen Hill*, featuring hand-made dresses created by deceased New Orleans resident Kinchen, as found by Helen Hill, native of Columbia, experimental artist, animator, filmmaker, and activist who was murdered in her New Orleans home in 2007. Exhibit includes a series of clips from Hill's films and a brief clip from her film about Kinchen. Second floor, North Gallery. For more information, call 7-7251.

**Aug. 16–Jan. 31 McKissick Museum:** *Generations: African American Camp Meetings in the Carolinas*, tells the history and captures the spirit of camp meetings through photographs, video, and artifacts. Features photographs and oral histories by Minuette Floyd, an art professor at Carolina.

**Through Aug. 17 Columbia Museum of Art:** *Carolina Collects*, works from the private collections of South Carolinians, including work by such significant artists as Picasso, Renoir, Degas, Wyeth, Matisse, Corot, and Warhol. The museum is located at the northwest corner of Main and Hampton streets, downtown Columbia. For more information, including museum hours and admission prices, call 799-2810 or go to [www.columbiamuseum.org](http://www.columbiamuseum.org). (See photos page 5.)

**Aug. 17 Columbia Museum of Art:** Lecture on making informed decisions about purchasing art, speaker is Carolina graduate Craig Crawford, painting conservator and professional associate of the American Institute of Conservation. 2 p.m., Lorick Auditorium. Free with museum admission. For more information, go to [www.columbiamuseum.org](http://www.columbiamuseum.org) or call 799-2810. The museum is located at the corner of Main and Hampton streets, downtown Columbia. For more information, including museum hours and admission prices, call 799-2810 or go to [www.columbiamuseum.org](http://www.columbiamuseum.org).

**Through Aug. 30 Thomas Cooper Library:** *Recent Gifts and Acquisitions, 2007–2008*, an exhibit from Rare Books and Special Collections, includes Medieval and Islamic manuscripts; autographed manuscripts of Robert Burns, Francis Marion, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Doug Marlette; first and early editions of Spenser, Milton, Phillis Wheatley, and Susanna Rowson; typescripts of Hemingway and John Jakes; and original etchings by Goya. Graniteville Room.

**Through Sept. 7 Upcountry History Museum:** *Naturalists in South Carolina: Audubon in Context*, traces the story of some of the pioneer naturalists in South Carolina natural history from the early 18th century to the mid 19th century. Exhibit includes examples of original engravings by both the major naturalist-illustrators who worked here: Mark Catesby in the 1720s and John James Audubon just over a century later. Materials in this exhibit are from the University's Rare Books and Special Collections, housed in the Thomas Cooper Library. Sponsored by the Bill and Connie Timmons Family Fund. The Upcountry History Museum is located at 540 Buncombe St., Greenville. For more information, go to [www.upcountryhistory.org](http://www.upcountryhistory.org).

**Through September Thomas Cooper Library:** *Mapping the History of Cartography in Rare Books and Special Collections*, Works featured in this exhibition come from many sources and several major collections. Many have been in the University's collections since before the Civil War. Mezzanine Gallery.

**Through Oct. 26 Columbia Museum of Art:** *A Greek Portfolio*, an exhibit of photography by Carolina graduate Constantine Manos, who has worked for *Life*, *Esquire*, and *Look* magazines. The museum is located at the northwest corner of Main and Hampton streets, downtown Columbia. For more information, call 799-2810 or go to [www.columbiamuseum.org](http://www.columbiamuseum.org).



Barcelona, ca. 1575, from the John Osman Collection of Braun and Hogenberg, can be seen in Thomas Cooper Library's Mapping exhibit.

## ■ Around the campuses

**Aug. 12–13 USC Lancaster:** Freshman Orientation, Session III. For more information call Laura Humphrey at 313-7066.

**Aug. 14 USC Salkehatchie:** Freshman Orientation, 9 a.m.–noon, East Campus, Gym. For more information, call Jane Brewer at 51-6314.

**Aug. 15 USC Salkehatchie:** Freshman Orientation, 9 a.m.–noon, West Campus, Science Building Atrium. For more information, call Jane Brewer at 58-3446.

**Aug. 18–19 USC Lancaster:** Registration for fall classes, 9 a.m.–noon and 3–6 p.m., Starr Hall.

**Aug. 20 USC Aiken:** First Day of Service, students, faculty, and staff can spend a couple of hours in the Aiken community volunteering. 2 p.m., SAC Lobby. Sponsored by Impact. For more information, call 56-3776.

**Aug. 20 USC Salkehatchie:** Opening Convocation, speaker is Miles Loadholt, chair of University's Board of Trustees. For more information, call Roberto Refinetti at 51-6314.

**Aug. 25 USC Aiken:** Minority Achievement Program Welcome, an opportunity for new minority freshman and transfer students to learn more about the MAP program, meet the MAP Mentors, and meet other new students who might become a part of the program. Free dinner event for participants. 6 p.m., SAC, Mezzanine.

**Aug. 26 USC Salkehatchie:** Welcome to Campus, Student Government Association, 12:15 p.m., West Campus, OCB Student Lounge.



Meg Allison



Joshua Stevens

**Aug. 26 USC Aiken:** Concert, Meg Allison and Joshua Stevens, country music, 8 p.m., SAC, Mezzanine, free. For more information, call 56-3336.

**Aug. 28 USC Salkehatchie:** Welcome to Campus, Student Government Association, 12:15 p.m., East Campus, Main Building, Room 111.

**Aug. 29–31 USC Aiken:** Musical tribute, *Always ... Patsy Cline*, based on a true story about Cline's friendship with a fan from Houston. Written by Ted Swindley, directed by Jack Benjamin. 8 p.m. Aug. 29 and 30, 2 p.m. Aug. 30, and 3 p.m. Aug. 31. Etherredge Center Theater. For more information, go to [www.usca.edu/ec/index.html](http://www.usca.edu/ec/index.html).

## ■ Sports

**Aug. 18 Men's soccer:** Winthrop, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Aug. 23 Men's soccer:** N.C. State, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Aug. 28 Women's soccer:** East Carolina, 5 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Aug. 29 Men's soccer:** Clemson, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Aug. 31 Women's soccer:** Boston University, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

## ■ Lectures

**Aug. 22 Biomedical engineering,** "Matrix Engineering Technologies for Regeneration and Repair of Elastic Fiber Networks," Anand Ramamurthi, assistant professor in Clemson University–Medical University of South Carolina Bioengineering Program and adjunct assistant professor of cell biology and anatomy at the Medical University of South Carolina. 2–3 p.m., Swearingen Engineering Center, Faculty Lounge.



Ramamurthi

**Aug. 28 Chemical engineering,** "Clean Coal," Wayne Seames, Department of Chemical Engineering, University of North Dakota, 3:30 p.m., Swearingen Center, Faculty Lounge, Room 1A03.

**Aug. 28 Center for Teaching Excellence,** "Student-Centered Learning Outcomes," speaker will be Lorin Anderson, Carolina Distinguished Professor Emeritus. Light continental breakfast served 8–8:15 a.m., presentation to follow 8:15–9:15 a.m. Sponsored by the Center for Teaching Excellence and the College of Education. Deadline to RSVP is Aug. 22. For more information and to RSVP, go to [www.sc.edu/cte](http://www.sc.edu/cte). The event location will be posted on the Web site.

**Sept. 10 Center for Teaching Excellence,** "Every Graduate Teaching Assistant has the Power to be an Excellent Teacher," teaching assistant presentation and breakfast, presenter will be Kate Scott, Ph.D. student in mathematics at Carolina and winner of the University's 2008 Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award. 8–8:50 a.m., Center for Teaching Excellence, Thomas Cooper Library, Room 511. Seating is limited; reservations required. To register, go to [www.sc.edu/cte](http://www.sc.edu/cte).

## ■ Concerts

**Aug. 9 Summer series:** The Dick Goodwin Band, jazz, 7–10 p.m., Finlay Park, downtown Columbia. Free. Sponsored by the city of Columbia, the Columbia Action Council, and *The State* newspaper. For more information, call 343-8750 or go to [www.columbiaactioncouncil.net](http://www.columbiaactioncouncil.net).

**Sept. 6 Colonial Life Arena:** "Flashback: The

Classic Rock Experience," performed by Mystic Orchestra,

8 p.m. Tickets range from \$7 to \$57. Additional service and convenience charges might apply. Tickets for all Colonial Life

Arena events are available

at the Colonial Life Arena box office, online at [www.thecolonialcenter.com](http://www.thecolonialcenter.com), by phone at 1-866-4SC-TIXX, or Columbia and Lexington Play it Again Sports locations.



## ■ 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](mailto: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 Aug. 28.

## ■ Online calendar

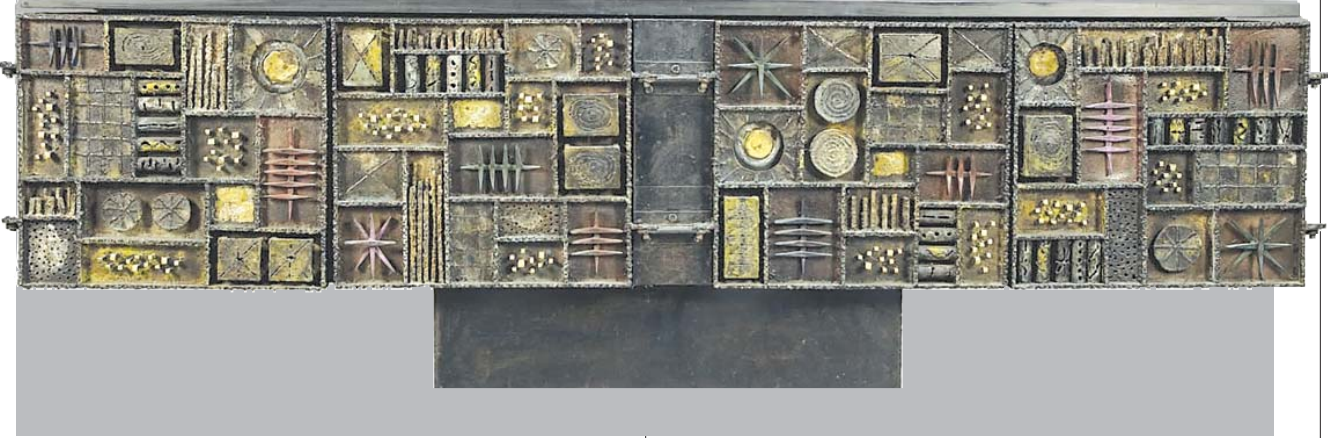
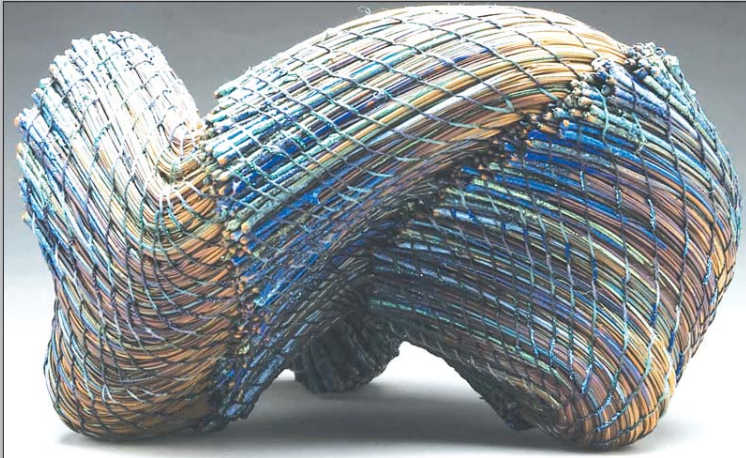
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If you require special accommodations, please contact the program sponsor.



### “Carolina Collects”

Works acquired by a number of Carolina graduates are on display at the Columbia Museum of Art. Above, *Study for “La Victoria,”* tempera on paper created by Mexican artist Jose Clemente Orozco, 1883–1949, is from the Collection of Edwin R. Wallace IV and Neeta Shah. Wallace is a 1970 graduate and Carolina research professor. At right and below are pieces from the Collection of Dr. and Mrs. Donald E. Saunders Jr. Saunders is a 1951 graduate and retired physician. *Tripod Basket* was created by Clay Burnette, an American artist born in 1951, and is made from dyed and painted long-leaf pine needles, waxed linen thread, and beeswax. *Sideboard* was manufactured by the Paul Evans Studio as part of the *Sculpted Front* series by Evans, 1931–1987. It is a mixed media sculpture composed of welded steel, wood, polychrome enamels, gold leaf, and Pennsylvania slate.



### ■ Miscellany

**Aug. 18 School of the Environment:** Reception and orientation for incoming MEERM students, 4–8 p.m., Green Quad. All SOE faculty and current MEERM students can attend. For more information, call Margee Zeigler at 7-9153.

**Aug. 23 Fitness contest:** Xtreme Fitness Body Building Championships, 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Koger Center. For more information, go to [www.koger.sc.edu](http://www.koger.sc.edu).

**Aug. 25 Workshop:** “Fulbright Grant,” available to graduating seniors and graduate students who present a clear program of study to be carried out in a particular academic setting abroad. Sponsored by the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs. 4 p.m., Harper College, Gressette Room, third floor. For more information, go to [www.sc.edu/ofsp](http://www.sc.edu/ofsp), call the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs at 7-0958, or go by Legare College, Room 220.

**Aug. 26 Workshop:** “Mitchell and Gates-Cambridge Scholarships,” cover one to three years of graduate study at various institutions in the United Kingdom or Ireland. Requires applicants to have a record of superior academic achievement, record of service and leadership, and be well informed on global issues. Sponsored by the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs. 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322. For more information, go to [www.sc.edu/ofsp](http://www.sc.edu/ofsp), call the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs at 7-0958, or go by Legare College, Room 220.

**Aug. 28 McCutchen House:** Buffet opens for fall semester, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. To make a reservation, call 7-4450. Menus are listed at [www.mccutchenhouse.sc.edu](http://www.mccutchenhouse.sc.edu).

### ■ Miscellany

**Through Aug. 29 Historic Columbia Foundation:** “Field Trip Fridays,” spend a day with archaeologists for hands-on activities related to the project on-site. Participants will receive an introduction to archaeology and discuss the importance of the project on the grounds of the Hampton-Preston Mansion. Recommended for children 5 and over. Field trips take place 10 a.m.–noon every Friday through Aug. 29. Cost is \$5. A research team from the University’s anthropology department leads the survey project. Hampton-Preston Mansion, 1615 Blanding St. For more information, call the foundation at 252-1770, ext. 33 or go to [www.historiccolumbia.org/events](http://www.historiccolumbia.org/events).

**Sept. 3 Workshop:** “Javits Fellowship,” provides financial assistance to students of superior academic ability with demonstrated achievements to undertake study at the doctoral and master of fine arts level in selected fields of the arts, humanities, and social sciences. Sponsored by the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs. 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322. For more information, go to [www.sc.edu/ofsp](http://www.sc.edu/ofsp), call the Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs at 7-0958, or go by Legare College, Room 220.

**Sept. 5–7 Tennis tournament:** Carolina Splash Tennis Tournament, men’s and women’s, singles, doubles, and mixed doubles events. Cost is \$30 for first event, \$15 for second. Sponsored by the Department of Sport and Entertainment Management. Deadline to register is 5 p.m. Aug. 29. To register, go to [www.hrsm.sc.edu/events](http://www.hrsm.sc.edu/events). For more information, call Lori Hedstrom at 7-6720.

## Student lands internship with Santa Fe Opera

Tom Fields, who graduated from USC Upstate in May, is working as a selective intern with the Santa Fe Opera Company this summer. The 22-year-old Greenville native, who has a degree in communications with an emphasis in theatre, is spending 13 weeks in Santa Fe, N.M., as an apprentice in the opera’s properties department, for which he will assist in the backstage aspects of opera’s stage production.

“Thank God, they put me backstage because I can’t sing opera,” Fields said.

Fields, the second USC Upstate student to have been employed by the Santa Fe Opera, is a veteran performer with The Shoestring Players, USC Upstate’s theatre troupe, having appeared in *Epic Proportion*, *Bat Boy The Musical*, *Amadeus*, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest*, *A Tuna Christmas*, *The Taming of the Shrew*, and *Urinetown*. He also was the stage manager for several productions.

Fields is one of eight apprentices working the opera’s backstage this summer. The Santa Fe Opera summer season consists of five operas in rotating repertory and includes *Falstaff*, *The Marriage of Figaro*, *Radamisto*, *Billy Budd*, and the American premiere of *Adriana Mater*.

“A position with the Santa Fe Opera Company is one of the plum summer opportunities for students in theatre in the United States,” said theatre professor Jimm Cox, who has directed Fields over his student career with The Shoestring Players. “Opera buffs from around the world attend the renowned performances in this beautiful desert location.”

When Fields returns from Santa Fe, he plans to pursue work in theatre and media.



Fields

## Aiken professor, alumnus collaborate on children’s book

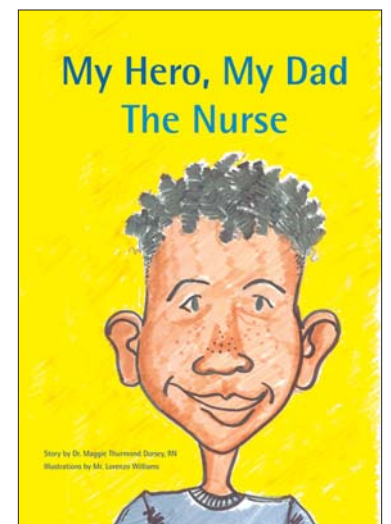
Maggie Thurmond Dorsey, an assistant professor of nursing at USC Aiken, and Lorenzo Williams, a 1996 graduate of the campus, collaborated to release a children’s book titled *My Hero, My Dad, The Nurse*.

Dorsey wrote the story, and Williams, an artist and art teacher at Butler High School in Augusta, Ga., illustrated the book, which tells the story of a little boy who ponders different career choices but decides that he wants to follow his dad’s example and become a nurse.

“In this book, adults, as well as children, are introduced to the idea that nursing is a rewarding career that is not gender specific,” Dorsey said. “Nursing is a career choice full of opportunities for men and women.”

A portion of the proceeds from sales of the book will benefit nursing scholarships at USC Aiken. *My Hero, My Dad, The Nurse* is available at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) and [booksurge.com](http://booksurge.com).

For more information, contact Dorsey at [maggied@usca.edu](mailto:maggied@usca.edu) or 56-3268.



## ■ Newsmakers

- **Bert Ely**, a University molecular geneticist who has studied the DNA links of African Americans to African ancestors, contributed to the CNN report "Black in America," which traced one family's roots to Africa. After analyzing the DNA results of one subject, Ely speculated that at least 20 groups scattered throughout Africa, including Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Mali, and Sierra Leone, share mitochondrial DNA, which passes unchanged from mother to child, making it useful to trace maternal lineage.
- **Lacy Ford**, chair of the Department of History, commented on the importance of the palmetto tree to South Carolinians in a story, from the Charleston *Post and Courier*, about a mysterious disease that is killing sabal palms in Florida. "They are something people see as symbols," Ford said. "In part that's because of their durability, their ability to take punishment, survive hurricanes." So far, the disease has affected only trees in Florida and Texas. South Carolina palmettos, the state tree since 1939, are safe.
- **Cary Mock**, an associate professor in the Department of Geography, is working to recreate the history of hurricanes in South Carolina. Mock's breakdown of tropical storm activity from his historical database is as follows: 21 in June (2 hurricanes); 12 in July (4 hurricanes); 43 in August (15 hurricanes); 81 in September (25 hurricanes); and 50 in October (15 hurricanes). May and November, months not part of the official hurricane season, had two tropical storms each.
- **Russ Pate**, an associate vice president for health sciences at the University and one of the nation's leading experts on children's fitness, testified about the health of America's children at a Congressional hearing July 24 on Capitol Hill. In a story on the WIS TV Web site from Columbia, Pate said: "School physical education programs have eroded somewhat in recent decades for a range of reasons. The childhood obesity epidemic is a major problem and a huge public health challenge for our society right now. It's extremely costly to our society, but beyond that, the human cost is enormous."

## Briefs

### SCCPTO HOLD ONCOLOGY SYMPOSIUM:

The S.C. College of Pharmacy (SCCP) Continuing Education program will sponsor the first Oncology Symposium for Pharmacists Aug. 23 at the Hilton Hotel in Columbia. Featured speakers will be Phillip Hall and Larry Buie, SCCP faculty from the campus at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, and LeAnn Norris and Celeste Rudisill, faculty from the SCCP campus at the University in Columbia. The faculty members will speak on selected oncology topics. The program is the first specialty program to be offered to oncology pharmacists in the state of South Carolina.

### GET TO KNOW ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT AND CONFERENCES:

Academic Enrichment and Conferences will offer "Getting to Know Us Luncheons" Oct. 23 and Nov. 20 at Preston's in the Russell House. To register for a luncheon, go to [saeu.sc.edu/luncheon](http://saeu.sc.edu/luncheon). The office also offers Professional Enrichment Programs, which provides training and critical business skills programs through partnerships within the University and the community. To receive a packet of information about the office's services, call 7-9444 or send an e-mail to [confs@gwm.sc.edu](mailto:confs@gwm.sc.edu).

### TRACK ATHLETES VOLUNTEER TO STOP FLOODING:

Several athletes, coaches, and staff of Carolina's men's and women's track and field teams helped to fill sandbags to hold back the flooding Des Moines River while competing at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in Des Moines, Iowa, in June. The rise of the Des Moines River had forced the team to change its lodging location. Local residents were so grateful that they broke into a chant of "Game! Cocks! Game! Cocks!"

**RESERVE BASEBALL SEATING NOW:** Gamecock Baseball will open its 2009 season in the new stadium that is under construction on the corner of Williams and Catawba streets. Faculty and staff will still be eligible for free general admission seating by presenting their ID cards at each home game. Reserved seating also will be available. For more information about reserved seating, call the Priority Seating Office at 7-SEAT. The deadline to apply is Aug. 15.

### ACCREDITATION REVIEW SET FOR DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE:

An accreditation review is scheduled for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program in the College of Nursing for November 17-19. Written and signed third-party comments will be accepted by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) until 30 days before the visit. Direct all comments and feedback to: Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education; LiAnn Shepard, accreditation assistant; One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530; Washington, D.C. 20036-1120.

### NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION IS AUG. 13-14:

New faculty orientation will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 13-14 at the Daniel Mickel Center on the eighth floor of the Moore School of Business. Topics will include academics at USC, academic integrity, faculty governance, research opportunities, student athletes, and tenure and promotion. The program is designed to help new faculty members make a smooth transition to the University.

## ■ Share your vacation photos

The 14th-annual summer vacation photo spread will appear in the Aug. 28 issue of *Times*. To share your favorites photos, e-mail digital images to Larry Wood at [larryw@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:larryw@mailbox.sc.edu). The deadline is Aug. 18.

## ■ Join the Women's Mentor Network

Encourage, support, and empower a young woman ... be a mentor! The Women's Mentor Network pairs female faculty and staff with undergraduate women who are interested in the same academic area or career path. More information will be provided in the Aug. 28 issue of *Times*. For more information now or to register by Sept. 10, go to [www.sa.ssc.edu/wss/wcnm.htm](http://www.sa.ssc.edu/wss/wcnm.htm) or contact Michelle Hahn at [hahnma@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:hahnma@mailbox.sc.edu) or 7-3197.

## Deadline for submissions is Sept. 10 for women's forum

The second-annual Carolina Women's Health Research Forum will be Oct. 3-4 in the Russell House Ballroom, and the deadline for submitting abstracts is Sept. 10. The forum, sponsored by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology in the School of Medicine, is designed to foster networking among faculty, students, and other professionals interested in research pertinent to any aspect of women's health. The forum will begin with a wine and cheese reception Oct. 3 and continue with poster sessions from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Oct. 4.

No registration fees are required to attend; a formal call for abstracts is available at <http://whrf.sc.edu>. Faculty and students from all University departments can submit abstracts of their research in any area of women's health.

"We started the Women's Health Research Forum to foster networking and collaborative research," said Judy Burgis, an assistant professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and co-chair of this year's forum. "The idea is not just to recognize the best research in women's health but to improve other research efforts."

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than 1,300 degrees. Degree recipients on the Columbia campus include one associate degree, 567 baccalaureate degrees, four law degrees, nine graduate certificates, 376 master's degrees, 22 graduate specialist degrees, and 74 doctoral degrees.

Degree recipients at the other campuses include 61 baccalaureate and five master's degrees from USC Aiken; four associate and 24 baccalaureate degrees from USC Beaufort; 10 associate degrees from USC Lancaster; 16 associate degrees from USC Salkehatchie; 14 associate degrees from USC Sumter; 16 associate degrees from USC Union; and 225 baccalaureate and three master's degrees from USC Upstate.

Pastides became the University's 28th president Aug. 1. He previously had been the University's vice president for research and health sciences and dean of the Arnold School of Public Health.

Speth received his bachelor's degree in political science from Yale University, graduating summa cum laude. He then studied economics as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University and, in 1969, received his law degree from Yale.

In 1970, with students and faculty at the Yale Law School, Speth helped to establish the Natural Resources Defense Council, a nonprofit legal group to defend the environment. He then initiated lawsuits that led to the regulation of toxic waste pollutants, the protection of freshwater wetlands, and the termination of the plutonium breeder nuclear reactor program in the United States.

Speth was appointed to President Jimmy Carter's Council on Environmental Quality and became its chair in 1979.

In 1982, Speth founded the World Resources Institute, a nonprofit research organization in Washington, and was its president for more than a decade.

In 1993, Speth was appointed to head the United Nations Development Program with offices in more than 130 developing countries and an annual budget of more than \$2 billion.

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follows: \$32.6 million for student support, including scholarships, assistantships, and fellowships; \$4.5 million for faculty support, including endowed professorships and chairs; \$44.8 million for program enhancements, including research and outreach; \$16.5 million for capital projects; and \$7.8 million in unrestricted gifts.

The record amount includes an increase in online gifts and \$31.1 million in alumni giving, nearly \$10 million more than last year. Eighteen gifts totaled \$1 million or more, compared with eight the previous year.

Dodenhoff said 2007-08's record-setting gifts have the potential for being "transformative" in scope. "Those who gave realize the University's growing stature and continued promise for a knowledge economy that depends on research, collaboration, and innovation," she said. Highlights are:

■ a \$10-million increase in the endowment for the nationally recognized McNair Scholars Program by the Robert and Janice McNair Foundation. The program draws some of the nation's top undergraduate students to the University

■ a \$5-million bequest from alumnus Charlton F. Hall Jr. to the School of Medicine's Senior SMART Program, a Research Center of Economic Excellence, which will focus on research and development of new products and services to keep older adults healthy and independent

■ \$13 million in gifts to the Upstate campus, a portion of which will help fund construction of a business school building in downtown Spartanburg to be named for donor and law school alumnus George Dean Johnson Jr.

Dodenhoff said the numbers must be tempered with the reality of an economic downturn.

"The sour economy is pinching many people and forcing others to be cautious," Dodenhoff said. "Nevertheless, we have renewed our fund-raising efforts for 2008-09, and I am confident that our fund-raising team will work as hard as ever to build on the momentum created at the University. After all, we have an inspiring message to share from the University of South Carolina."

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academic affairs. Moore will be appointed to a newly created position of vice president for planning. Focus Carolina will establish goals and identify action plans and initiatives to be carried out across the University. Pastides' first day as president also included announcements to:

■ launch a national search for a vice president for University Advancement. Michelle Dodenhoff will continue to serve as interim vice president following the departure earlier this year of Brad Choate. Moore School of Business Dean Hildy Teegen and School of Law Dean Jack Pratt will co-chair the search.

■ redefine the vice president for research and health sciences position to that of vice president for research and economic development. The health sciences division and the five health sciences units will move to academic affairs, and Russ Pate, the current associate vice president for health sciences, will become the new vice provost for health sciences. Provost Mark Becker will chair a national search for a new vice president for research and economic development.

■ expand the president's Administrative Council, which includes administrators who report directly to the president, to include chancellors of the University's senior campuses, the executive director of University Foundations, and the vice president for planning. It will be renamed the Executive Council.

Pastides also announced a contest in which students will vote to select the type of car he'll drive. "I'm going to ask a committee to give them some reasonable choices that will include hybrids and perhaps a made-in-South Carolina BMW," he said.



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**Linda S. Shimizu**, chemistry and biochemistry, M.B. Dewal, J. Yang, Y. Xu, F. Mohammed, and M.D. Smith, "Manipulating the cavity of a porous material changes the photoreactivity of included guests," *Chemical Communications*.

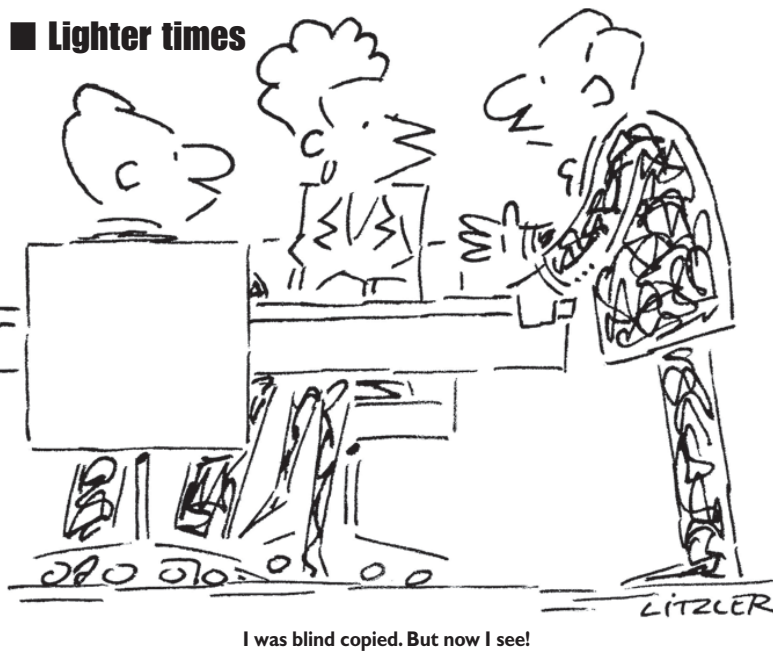
**Lisa Lindley**, health promotion, education, and behavior, M. Kerby, T. Nicholson, and N. Lu, "Sexual Behaviors and Sexually Transmitted Infections Among Self-Identified Lesbian and Bisexual College Women," *Journal of LGBT Health Research*.

**Steven N. Blair**, exercise science, S.D. Leary, A.R. Ness, Smith G. Davey, C. Mattocks, K. Deere, and C. Riddoch, "Physical Activity and Blood Pressure in Childhood: Findings From a Population-Based Study," *Hypertension*, and, with Allen W. Jackson, James R. Morrow Jr., Heather R. Bowles, and Shannon J. FitzGerald, "Construct Validity Evidence for Single-Response Items to Estimate Physical Activity Levels in Large Sample Studies," *Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport*, and, with **Timothy S. Church**, exercise science, Conrad P. Earnest, and Carl J. Lavie, "Heart Rate Variability Characteristics in Sedentary Postmenopausal Women Following Six Months of Exercise Training: The Drew Study," *PLoS ONE*.

**Rebecca Stevens**, education, Upstate, "Listening to Students' Voices: Evaluating Student Learning Hearing Professors' Voices: The Debate About Teacher Education," *SRATE (Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Educators) Journal*.

**John Dawson**, chemistry and biochemistry, B.R. Sook, D.R. Block, S. Sumithran, G.E. Montanez, K.R. Rodgers, Z. Eichenbaum, and D.W. Dixon, "Characterization of SiaA, a Streptococcal Heme-Binding Protein Associated with a Heme ABC Transport System," *Biochemistry*, and, same journal, with R. Davydov, R.L. Osborne, S.H. Kim, and B.M. Hoffman, "EPR and ENDOR Studies of Cryoreduced Compounds II of Peroxidases and Myoglobin. Proton-Coupled Electron Transfer and Protonation Status of Ferryl Hemes," and, also same journal, with F. Gruia, D. Ionascu, M. Kubo, X. Ye, R.L. Osborne, J. Turner, S.G. Sligar, I. Denisov, A. Das, T. Poulos, and P. Champion, "Low Frequency Dynamics of C. Fumago Chloroperoxidase Probed by Femto-second Coherence Spectroscopy," and, with **Masanori Sono**, chemistry and biochemistry, and J. Du, "The Proximal and Distal Pockets of the H93G Myoglobin Cavity Mutant Bind Identical Ligands with Different Affinities: Quantitative Analysis of Imidazole and Pyridine Binding," *Spectroscopy*.

## Lighter times



**Marty Roth** and **Terence "Terry" Shimp**, business, and Carolyn T. White (Meredith College), "Comparative Advertising in Countries Where Brands and Comparative Advertising Are Novel," *Journal of International Business Studies*.

**E. Angela Murphy** and **J. Mark Davis**, exercise science, A.S. Brown, Martin D. Carmichael, and **Abdul Ghaffar** and **Eugene P. Mayer**, pathology, microbiology, and immunology, "Effect of IL-6 deficiency on susceptibility to HSV-1 respiratory infection and intrinsic macrophage anti viral resistance," *Journal of Interferon Cytokine Research*.

**Sondra Berger**, **Douglas Pittman**, and **Michael Wyatt**, pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences, "Uracil in DNA: consequences for carcinogenesis and chemotherapy," *Biochemical Pharmacology*.

**Jason Murray**, economics, Octavio Aburto-Oropeza, Exequiel Ezcurra, Gustavo Danemann, Victor Valdez, and Enric Sala, "Mangroves in the Gulf of California Increase Fishery Yields," *PNAS (Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences)*.

## PRESENTATIONS

**Pamela Rogers Melton**, law library, "Direct Results: Interactive Learning Techniques," American Association of Law Libraries, Portland Ore.

**Dave Willer**, sociology, Marcel Van Assen, and Pamela Emanuelson, "Efficiency and Power," Annual Group Processes Conference 2008, Boston, Mass.

**Rebecca A. Hillman** and **Charles K. Cook**, math, Sumter, "On Products of Fibonacci Numbers and Their Recurrence Relations," International Conference on Fibonacci Numbers and Their Applications, University of Patras, Greece, and, same conference, with **Michael R. Bacon**, math, Sumter, "A Triangular Number Patterns in the Coefficients and Diagonal Sequences of Zernike and Related Polynomials."

**Mathieu Deflem**, sociology, and Shannon McDonough, "Civil Liberties and Surveillance in the Post-9/11 World: The Fear of Counter-Terrorism," Society for the Study of Social Problems, Boston, Mass.

**John Dawson**, chemistry and biochemistry, "His93Gly Myoglobin as a Versatile Template for Modeling Novel Heme States: Thioether and Amine Ligation of Heme Iron," First Zing International Coordination Chemistry Conference in Cancun, Mexico.

**Harvey Starr**, political science, "Failed States and Their Consequences," Centre for the Study of Civil War, International Peace Research Institute, Oslo (PRIO), Norway.

**Janet L. Fisher**, pharmacology, physiology, and neuroscience, "Stiripentol—Preclinical Data," Eilat Conference on New Antiepileptic Drugs (Eilat IX), Sitges, Spain.

**Barry Markovsky**, sociology, and **Brent Simpson**, sociology, Matthew A. Cazessus, and Rachael Chatterson, "Sincere, Trustworthy Type Seeks Wildly Optimistic Dupe: Self-Presentation in 'Lonely Hearts' Advertisements," American Sociological Association, Boston, Mass.

**David B. Hitchcock**, statistics, "Bandwidth-based Inference: A Review and Ideas for New Directions," Southern Regional Council of Statistics Summer Research Conference, Charleston.

**Nina Moreno**, languages, literatures, and cultures, "The effects of type of feedback: Is one more effective than the other?" American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, San Jose, Costa Rica.

**John Lavigne**, chemistry and biochemistry, "When Good Food Goes Bad: A Biogenic Amine Sensing Polymer to Detect Food Freshness," International Symposium on Macromolecular and Supramolecular Chemistry, Las Vegas, Nev.

**Michael Wyatt**, pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences, "Base Excision Repair, Homologous Recombination and S-phase Checkpoint Signaling Processes Involved in the Cellular Response to Chemotherapeutic Inhibition of Thymidylate Synthase," Midwest DNA Repair Symposium, University of Pittsburgh.

**Christine Fountain**, sociology, "Hearing About a Job: Employer Preferences, Networks, and Labor Market Segregation," American Sociological Association, Boston, Mass.

**Sheryl Wiskur**, chemistry and biochemistry, "Asymmetric Alcohol Silylation," invited lecture, Bryant University, Smithfield, R.I.

**Linda Shimizu**, chemistry and biochemistry, "Porous materials from self-assembled cyclic ureas," Joint International Symposium on Macrocyclic and Supramolecular Chemistry, Las Vegas, Nev.

**P. Lee Ferguson**, chemistry and biochemistry, "Ectotoxicology and environmental fate of single-walled carbon nanotubes in the aquatic environment," Joint French/American workshop on Nanotechnology at the French Embassy, Washington, D.C.

**Barry Markovsky**, sociology, "Group process simulations and theories: exploiting homologies, unifying methodologies," Annual Group Processes Conference 2008, Boston, Mass., and, with Nick Berigan, "Actual Contributions, Proportional Contributions and Equity in a Public Goods System," American Sociological Association, Boston, Mass., and, same conference, with **David Willer**, sociology, Pamela E. Emanuelson, and Marcel Van Assen, "Efficiency and Strong Power: Testing Basic Assumptions of Theories of Exchange," American Sociological Association, Boston, Mass.

**Ken Shimizu**, chemistry and biochemistry, "A rigid molecular balance for measuring face to face arene-arene interactions," International Symposium of Macrocyclic and Supramolecular Chemistry, Las Vegas, Nev., and, same conference, "Chiral memory systems based on restricted rotation."

## OTHER

**Frieda Davison**, library, Upstate, elected to the PASCAL (Partnerships Among South Carolina Academic Libraries) Board of Directors.

**Gary Mattingly**, journalism, Upstate, invited panelist, "Making the Case for Universal Healthcare in America," National Bar Association Healthcare Law Symposium, Houston, Texas.

**Jennifer Jablonski**, music, named winner of the 2008 Outstanding Freshman Advocate Award at Carolina, named president-elect for the Carolina Alumni Association's Richland/Lexington County Club, and named an honorary member of the University's chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi, national honorary band fraternity.

**Andrew Kearns**, library, Upstate, attended the Association of College and Research Libraries Summer 2008 Institute for Information Literacy Immersion program, University of California at San Diego.

**Hildy Teegen**, business, named a Liberty Fellow by The Liberty Fellowship, a statewide leadership initiative.

**James LaMee**, library, Upstate, attended Vanderbilt Peabody Professional Institute on Academic Library Leadership.

**Fran Gardner**, art, Lancaster, had three entries selected to tour in the Embroiderer's Guild of America traveling exhibit across the United States. Gardner also was invited to judge the Aiken Artists Guild exhibit at the Aiken Center of the Arts in May.

**Jane Nodine**, visual arts, Upstate, presented an exhibition of new work at the Frist Center for the Visual Arts in Nashville, Tenn.

## Job vacancies

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

## Law and nursing name associate deans

**Susan Palmer**, an associate dean for admissions at the University of Virginia law school, has been named associate dean for student affairs at Carolina's School of Law, effective Aug. 1.

Palmer earned her law degree at Washington and Lee University and was a clerk in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. She later served Washington and Lee's law school in several capacities and joined the University of Virginia in 2002.

"We are delighted to welcome Susan to the Law School," said Dean Walter F. Pratt Jr. "Her distinguished record of achievement will allow her to play an integral role in our continuing to improve the services we offer to our applicants, our students, and our alumni."

**Rita Snyder** has been named an associate dean for research in the College of Nursing. She began July 1.

Snyder, who also will be on the college's nursing faculty as a professor, is an expert in the fields of health information and safety evaluation. She joins the University from a post as associate professor at the University of Nebraska Medical Center's College of Nursing and has held faculty positions at the University of Arizona, University of Utah, and University of San Diego.

## In memoriam: Jason Mann

A Carolina alumnus, U.S. Marine Corps 1st Lt. **Jason D. Mann**, 29, of Stafford County, Va., with the Camp Lejeune, N.C.-based Battalion Landing Team, 1st Battalion, 6th Marines, 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, died July 17 when the roof of a building collapsed on him in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. Mann earned a BS in business administration with a major in finance and economics from the University in 2005. In the Marine Corps, he was an Arab linguist, reconnaissance professional, and ground intelligence officer. He achieved the rank of staff sergeant before receiving a commission as a second lieutenant on May 6, 2005. While attending the University, he met and married Shannon Mann, a Carolina alumna and a Marine. They have a 2-year-old daughter, Isabella. Known for his leadership and dedication, Mann recently rushed to a crashed helicopter and pulled the pilot from the wreckage. Funeral services were held July 25 at Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Stafford, Va. Burial was in Quantico National Cemetery. Donations can be made to the Isabella Mann Trust Fund.

## In memoriam: Larry Wimer

**Larry Wimer**, a former chair and professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, died July 8 in Savannah, Ga. A memorial service was held July 12. Wimer taught at Carolina from 1964 to 2005. He was chair of the biological sciences department for 10 years. Born in Stuttgart, Ark., Wimer was a 1957 graduate of Phillips University. He earned his master's degree in 1959 at Rice University and his Ph.D. in 1962 at the University of Virginia. Survivors include his widow, Sharon Wimer; children Mike, Greg, and Julie; and grandchildren Cole and Megan.

# Day One

## Carolina's new president meets and greets on first day on the job



President Pastides welcomes prospective students and their families on the Horseshoe during their tour of campus led by University Ambassador Caroline Niland, left.

Michael Brown



Patricia Pastides takes on the knotty business of straightening her husband's tie as Harris Pastides prepares for his first day as Carolina's 28th president.

Michael Brown



Promoting good community relations, President Pastides meets with Columbia Mayor Bob Coble. He also met with Lonnie Randolph, NAACP president, and I.S. Leevy Johnson, chair of the Community Advisory Council.

Kim Truett



President and Mrs. Pastides welcome alumni to the President's House during a reception sponsored by the Carolina Alumni Association.

Kim Truett



Checking the pedometer he keeps on his belt, President Pastides learns that the President's House, his new home, is 383 steps from his new office in Osborne.

Michael Brown

### Snapshot

1,343

The estimated number of new Carolina graduates whose hands President Pastides will shake during summer commencement Aug. 9.

45,000

The estimated number of new graduates whose hands former President Sorensen shook at commencement ceremonies at Columbia and all of the campuses during his six years at Carolina. The number is based on an average of 7,500 graduates each year.



Kim Truett



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President Pastides sports a more casual look as he meets with head football coach, Steve Spurrier, far left, during a practice, and Dawn Ellerbe, near left, varsity sports marketing director in the athletics department, at a basketball reception. During her Carolina years in the mid 1990s, track and field star Ellerbe won four NCAA titles and held a previous NCAA record for the hammer throw. Ellerbe competed in the 2000 Olympic Games, placing seventh in the hammer throw.