

# Times

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## Alternative fuel initiative will be announced Dec. 1

The Vehicle Management and Parking Services Department will make a major announcement Dec. 1 regarding energy conservation and the University's vehicle fleet.

The announcement will be made at 12:15 p.m. in front of the Russell House on Greene Street. Speakers will be



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Meredith Ross, Student Government president; Jeff McCormack, the state's vehicle fleet manager from the Budget and Control Board; and Michael Koman, the University's director of sustainability.

They will discuss the future direction of the campus' vehicle fleet and the University's effort to address environmental issues and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

The announcement will feature a display and demonstration of alternative energy vehicles that are the future of transportation at the University. They include ethanol powered vehicles, a biodiesel-powered shuttle bus, electric (USC Police motorcycles), liquid propane vehicles (USC police car retrofitted), and a hydrogen fuel cell-equipped bus that is part of the Federal Transit Administration's Fuel Cell Bus Program.

One of the vehicles will be the "Stuff a Bus," which is collecting Christmas toys for a local charity. Participants can bring a Christmas toy to help fill empty stockings during the holiday season. The announcement also will feature music and free samples of Vita-Water and Vita-Water-10 from Coca Cola. Also, the USC Famers Market will be located on the field adjacent to the Russell House.

For more information, contact Koman at koman@sc.edu.

## Professor uses Facebook as a force for good

By Chris Horn

It's no secret that some students spend a lot of time perusing Facebook pages—sometimes in the classroom on their laptops.

But what if faculty could use that social medium for a pedagogical purpose? That was the topic at a recent Center for Teaching Excellence seminar led by a professor who has used Facebook for four years.

"Enhancing communication with students is the best thing about it," said Wally Peters, a mechanical engineering professor. "Not everyone thinks social networking is an educational tool, but the number of students who want to engage in deep learning seems to be

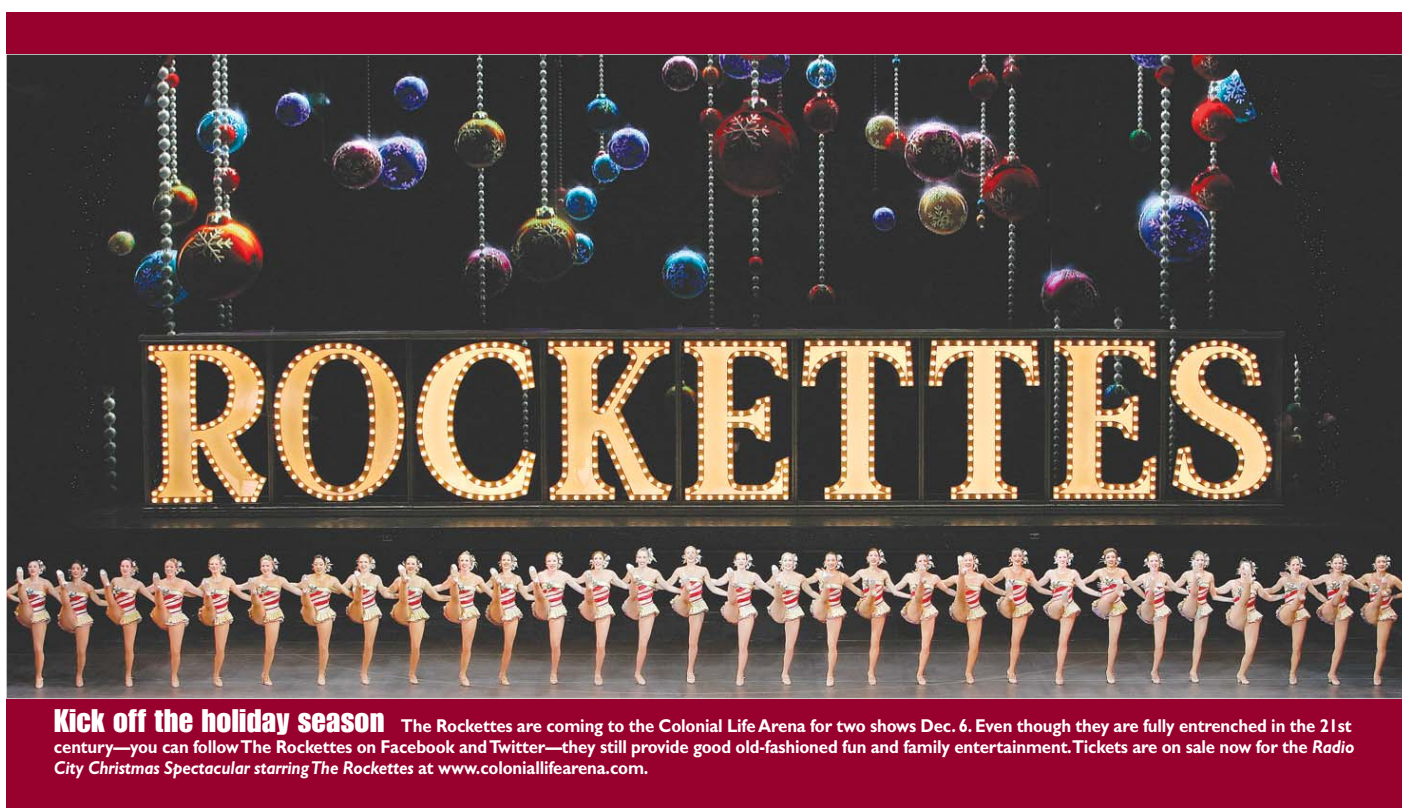
getting smaller. That's why I think Facebook can help because if you can get the conversation started, that's half the battle, right?"

Peters said he has seen students' Facebook pages—particularly those who are engaged in undergraduate research—that have photos and other information about their classes.

"They're proud of the projects they're working on and sharing it with their friends—that's evidence that they are taking ownership of their learning," he said. "Facebook isn't the 'end all;'

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**Kick off the holiday season** The Rockettes are coming to the Colonial Life Arena for two shows Dec. 6. Even though they are fully entrenched in the 21st century—you can follow The Rockettes on Facebook and Twitter—they still provide good old-fashioned fun and family entertainment. Tickets are on sale now for the Radio City Christmas Spectacular starring The Rockettes at [www.coloniallifearena.com](http://www.coloniallifearena.com).

## Benicewicz named new associate VP for research

The allure of milder weather brought Pam Benicewicz back to the South. And the opportunity to put her science, industrial research, and team-leading skills to work brought her to Carolina.

Benicewicz, a former senior physicist, project leader, and lab manager for General Electric in upstate New York and Greenville, S.C., has been named associate vice president for research and senior director of research advancement and outreach at Carolina. She first joined the University last year as director of industrial research relations.

"There are lots of ways to make research collaborations happen, and I'm looking forward to fostering more research with industry and national labs," said Benicewicz, who earned her Ph.D. in physics from the University of New Mexico and bachelor's and master's degrees in statistics from the University of Florida, where she was also inducted into Phi Beta Kappa.

Benicewicz will serve as the point of contact with potential collaborators and promote student research and advancement through those interactions.

"Pam will be working with me to create and implement a strategic plan to expand and improve the research enterprise of the University

of South Carolina," said Steve Kresovich, vice president of research and graduate education. "It's my belief that such a proactive approach will result in the growth of university research, job creation, and economic development."



Benicewicz

Benicewicz will join Kresovich in meeting with deans and key faculty and staff during the next several months. She's also planning to meet with personnel at Savannah River National Laboratory and Oak Ridge National Laboratory to explore collaborative opportunities.

"I have met with potential industrial partners with some of our scientists in the NanoCenter, and you'd be amazed at how pleased they were that we were reaching out to them," she said.

That kind of grassroots effort is what helps to forge long-term collaborations with industry, she said.

"To develop these partnerships, I think you start with what I call the three I's: interest, involvement, and investment.

"First you find out what a company's level of interest is—do they want to develop software with us or conduct research and development

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## Supply drive helps the hungry and homeless

If you're looking for a good cause to support during the holiday season—and one that will have a direct impact on the less fortunate residents of the Midlands—look no further. The School of Medicine is holding a supply drive through Nov. 25.

The drive is an annual event that usually corresponds with National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, which this year is Nov. 15–21. The items that are being collected for the drive are critical to the health and wellbeing of people who may be homeless, hungry, and cold.

"The drive is an opportunity to give items that will directly benefit people who are most in need," said

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### Did you know...

- more than 1,000 people on a given day live on the streets and in shelters in the Midlands?
- many more people experience homelessness during the year or live "doubled-up" with family or friends with no other place to call home?
- homelessness in Richland County has increased 16 percent in the past two years?
- one in five homeless adults in the Midlands are veterans?

# Briefly

## EMERGENCY SHELTER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS:

Volunteers are needed every day of the week from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Emergency Shelter on Calhoun Street in downtown Columbia. Volunteers are expected to make sandwiches and hand out food and hygiene supplies to shelter guests. All volunteers must be registered and have an on-site orientation and question-and-answer session. The Emergency Shelter is a 150-night shelter that accommodates up to 206 homeless men and women over the age of 18. The Office of Supportive Housing Services (SHS) in the Department of Internal Medicine in the School of Medicine in collaboration with the Cooperative Ministry and other community partners operate the shelter. SHS provides case management services and conducts research on health and access issues related to homelessness. For more information and to register, call 343-3437.

## GAMECOCK CABLE OFFERS FIVE NEW CHANNELS:

University Technology Services has added five new channels to Gamecock Cable television. They are Fox Movie Channel (channel 71), Independent Film Channel (channel 72), National Geographic Channel (channel 73), Food Network (channel 74), and the Travel Channel (channel 75). Gamecock Cable is broadcast to residence halls, classrooms, and administrative buildings throughout the Columbia campus. The service offers more than 100 choices in local and national cable broadcasting, government information, and University instructional programming. University Housing and the Residence Hall Association provide Gamecock Cable for on-campus student residents. Departments or faculty can subscribe to Gamecock Cable by contacting the UTS Help Desk at 7-1800. A complete lineup of Gamecock Cable channels is at [www.sc.edu/uis/cable/lineup.html](http://www.sc.edu/uis/cable/lineup.html).

**HAVE BRUNCH AT TOP OF CAROLINA:** The Top of Carolina, on the 18th floor of Capstone House at 900 Barnwell St., offers brunch every Sunday of the academic year. Weekly staples include an omelet station with chopped bacon, diced ham, diced turkey, shredded cheddar, sliced mushrooms, chopped onions, diced green peppers, diced tomatoes, and diced jalapeño peppers. The Belgian waffle station offers blueberry topping, strawberry topping, maple syrup, whipped margarine, whipped cream, and powdered sugar. The menu also includes desserts and fresh baked breads and Danish with butter. The Top of Carolina is open from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Parking is available in the lot at the corner of Barnwell and Pickens streets. Reservations are recommended by calling 7-0848. For more information, call 7-7919 or go to <http://sc.edu/dining>.

## RECEPTION WILL LAUNCH NEW VOLUME ON JAMES DICKEY:

William B. Thesing, an emeritus professor of English at the University, and Theda Wrede, a member of the English faculty at Dixie State College of Utah, editors of *The Way We Read James Dickey, Critical Approaches for the 21st Century* (USC Press, Columbia), will autograph copies of the book and speak during a reception and book signing at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 19 in the Graniteville Room of Thomas Cooper Library. The Thomas Cooper Society, the University of South Carolina Press, and Rare Books and Special Collections of Thomas Cooper Library are sponsors of the event.

**WIRELESS OFFERS MORE 'HOT SPOTS':** Beginning this month, the Columbia campus will have more wireless "hot spots." The University is working with AT&T to cover the entire Columbia campus with wireless access. To view the first phase of new wireless coverage, go to [uts.sc.edu/wireless](http://uts.sc.edu/wireless). The Columbia campus is expected to have complete wireless access by the end of the 2009-10 academic year. The process for accessing wireless will remain the same for the existing Wi-Fi hot spots on campus as well as the new hot spots. Faculty and staff will still use the "uscfacstaff" wireless name to access wireless. For more information, go to [uts.sc.edu/wireless](http://uts.sc.edu/wireless).

**ANNUAL HOLIDAY ART SALE IS NOV 30, DEC. 1:** The Department of Art's annual holiday sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 in McMaster College and Gallery at 1615 Senate St. The sale will include a variety of handmade artworks by students and faculty, including ceramics, sculpture, jewelry, and prints. Money raised from the sale will be used to fund visiting artists and purchase equipment. For more information, call 7-4236.

**MARKET RESCHEDULED FOR DEC. 1:** The Healthy Carolina Farmers Market scheduled for Nov. 10 has been rescheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 1 on Davis Field. For more information, contact Holly Harring at 7-0597 or [harrinha@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:harrinha@mailbox.sc.edu). The earlier market was cancelled because of rain.

## SCHEDULE A MOBILE MAMMOGRAM DEC. 2:

Palmetto Health Baptist will provide digital mammograms to eligible Carolina students, faculty, and staff Dec. 2 on Greene Street. To register and schedule a mammography screening, visit [www.palmettohealth.org](http://www.palmettohealth.org) or call 296-8888 or 1-800-221-9724. Women must provide an order from their physician and bring their insurance card to the screening.

**BIOFEEDBACK SESSION OFFERED:** Campus Wellness is offering faculty, staff, and students a free, 45-minute biofeedback session. Biofeedback is a technique in which people are taught to improve their health and performance by monitoring biological signals produced by the body. Sessions are 8-11 a.m. Monday and Wednesday, and 8-9:30 a.m. Friday. To register, call 6-9393.

# Silent film presentation is out of this world

Film and Media Studies and the School of Music will present An Evening of Silent Film featuring the Russian Sci-fi classic *Aelita: Queen of Mars* (1924) at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5 in the School of Music Recital Hall.

The screening, which is free and open to the public, will feature live accompaniment by Dennis James on the organ and theremin. The theremin is an electronic instrument that produces sound when one moves one's hand in an invisible electrical field generated between two antennae. Special guest Foley Artist Mark Goldstein will provide special effects.

*Aelita* is an incandescent example of early Soviet cinema and science-fiction filmmaking. Made during the early years of Lenin's lenient NEP (New Economic Policy), the film features overstated Russian Constructivist sets and costumes and even a communist plot.

On Earth, a dreamy inventor and radio engineer receives a strange interstellar message. After languishing unfulfilled in his bourgeois life, he shoots his wife in a fit of jealous rage and flees in a rocket ship to Mars where bored, libidinous Queen Aelita has been keeping an eye on him via an interplanetary telescope. One of her slaves is organizing his fellow Martian workers into a proletarian revolution.

One of the first full-length feature films to depict space travel, *Aelita* pioneered a visual style that influenced science fiction filmmaking for decades. Fritz Lang's iconic *Metropolis* and the classic Buck Rogers television serial were influenced by this Russian sci-fi showstopper.

*Aelita* is the sixth in an annual series of silent film screenings with live accompaniment by James, who tours internationally as a composer and musician specializing in



*Aelita: Queen of Mars*, made in Russia in 1924, is one of the earliest full-length films to depict space travel.

recreating historically informed scores for silent film. For more information, call 7-2361.

## Columnist Kathleen Parker to give free lecture Nov. 19

Kathleen Parker, a syndicated columnist with the Washington Post Writers Group, will give a free public lecture at 7 p.m. Nov. 19 in the Belk Auditorium of the Darla Moore School of Business.

Her lecture is titled "From South Carolina to Washington, D.C.: Seeking Civility in America's Political Discourse." Parker is the most widely distributed columnist in the country with a twice-weekly column that is published in 425 newspapers. She writes on politics, gender, and culture in America.

Parker is this year's speaker for the Buchheit Family Lecture Series sponsored by the Buchheit Family Endowment, which provides undergraduate scholarships, graduate fellowships, and doctoral fellowships to students of the USC School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

To attend the lecture, send an RSVP to [taylor@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:taylor@mailbox.sc.edu) or call 7-7118.

## University council officially recognizes Jewish fraternity

The Inter-Fraternity Council recently recognized Alpha Epsilon Pi (AEPi) as an official USC fraternity.

AEPi has a 95-year history, beginning in 1914, when it was established at New York University's School of Commerce as a fraternal organization for young, Jewish men.

Ben Salton, AEPi executive board member, said one of AEPi's goals is to contribute to the Columbia Jewish community. AEPi brother Daniel Jacobs said that its members are all also involved with Hillel, the University's organization for Jewish students.

AEPi is officially a Jewish fraternity, but it is open to students of other faiths. "We're more than happy to have them," Jacobs said.

Although the fraternity is officially a new addition to Greek Life, the chapter has been on campus since April 2007. Of the seven founders, three transferred to other schools, leaving four—Evan Lowsky, Joel Levinson, Justin Schlacterman, and David Singer—to start recruiting at USC. These four members recruited Jonathan Bolt, Brett Goldfine, Daniel Jacobs, Ben Salton, Robert Snyder, Matt Ungar, and Evan Zilber in fall 2007. Since that time, the fraternity has grown to 23 members and is planning to recruit more members in fall 2010.

"We look to grow a lot in the next couple years now that we're on campus," Salton said.

For more information, go to [www.scaepi.org](http://www.scaepi.org).

## Faculty volunteers needed for USC Challenge

Faculty volunteers are needed for this year's USC Challenge, a statewide, high-school academic team tournament.

This year's tournament will be Dec. 5 in the Russell House.

Faculty volunteers are needed to read the questions during the tournament and moderate the rounds. To volunteer, contact Lucille Mould in the Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures at [mouldl@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:mouldl@mailbox.sc.edu) or Harrison Greenlaw, Enrollment Management Services, at [hg@sc.edu](mailto:hg@sc.edu) or 7-2780.

For 19 years, Alpha Lambda Delta (ALD) Honor Society, one of the largest student organizations on campus, has coordinated the USC Challenge. The Academic Team at USC will be the co-sponsor this year.

High schools, public and private, small and large, from across the state can enter an academic team. As many as 32 teams are accepted for the daylong event. Six morning rounds will be followed by single elimination afternoon rounds.

All academic subject questions are read by USC faculty, but Academic Team members and ALD Honor Society students are judges, timekeepers, scorekeepers, and hosts. The ALD Honor Society also provides the trophies and breakfast.

## Faculty/staff dependents' scholarship applications available Dec. 1

Applications for the Faculty/Staff Dependents' Scholarships for the 2010-11 academic year will be available Dec. 1.

The scholarships are open to dependent children or spouses of full-time slotted employees in the University system. The Faculty/Staff Dependents' Scholarship is valued at \$1,500 for students attending the Columbia campus; \$1,200 for students attending the Aiken, Beaufort, and Upstate campuses; and \$800 for students attending the Lancaster, Salkehatchie, Sumter, and Union campuses.

Applications are available at the financial aid offices of all

campuses but must be received by the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships at USC Columbia by the priority deadline of Feb. 1, 2010.

To be eligible, an applicant must be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student on one of the University's campuses. Freshman eligibility is determined by weighted core course GPA and standardized test scores. Continuing students' eligibility is based on the student having attained a 3.00 cumulative GPA.

For more information, contact Ashleigh Speaks at 7-8134.

## University names top researchers to CoEE leadership

The University has named three researchers to lead Centers of Economic Excellence (CoEE) aimed at creating jobs and new opportunities for South Carolinians.

Simon Hudson, a professor of tourism and marketing at the University of Calgary's Haskayne School of Business in Canada, has been named the CoEE Endowed Chair of Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management. Hudson also will be director of the CoEE in Tourism and Economic Development and will join the University's faculty in the College of Hotel, Restaurant, and Sport Management in January.

Anton Jochen Lauterbach, a professor of chemical engineering at the University of Delaware, will be the CoEE Endowed Chair for Strategic Environmental Approaches to Electricity Production from Coal. Lauterbach, who will join the University's faculty in the College of Engineering and Computing in August 2010, also will be the director of the CoEE in Strategic Approaches to the Production of Electricity from Coal.

Steve Blair, an Arnold School of Public Health researcher recognized internationally for his studies on physical activity and health, will be co-director of the CoEE Technology Center to Enhance Healthful Lifestyles. Blair and Carolyn Jenkins of MUSC's College of Nursing will lead the center until two scientists are recruited.

President Pastides said the selection of Hudson and Lauterbach came after international searches.

"Dr. Hudson is an expert on the marketing of tourism, so his areas of interest are a perfect match for our state, where tourism is the No. 1 industry," Pastides said. "His research will be vital in making tourism a stronger economic force in the state."

Lauterbach is a well-known chemical engineer whose research has been funded by the National Science Foundation and the U.S. Department of Energy, as well as industries such as Ford Motor Co., Union Carbide, AlliedSignal, Shell, and Toyota.

"Dr. Lauterbach's science and engineering research will be an asset in attracting funding, faculty, and graduate students to study the environmental impacts of coal emissions from coal-fired plants," Pastides said.

Blair's leadership of the CoEE Technology Center to Advance Healthful Lifestyles is critical to helping curb the health problems related to the obesity epidemic in our state and nation, Pastides said. "Dr. Blair is one of the most respected scientists in the field of physical activity and health," Pastides said. "Our collaboration with MUSC comes at a time when too many children and adults are facing serious health problems related to sedentary lifestyles and unhealthy diets."

Hudson is the author of five books on tourism, including *Golf Tourism*, scheduled for publication in 2010 by Goodfellow Publishers Limited. He was selected for the 2003–04 Dean's Award for Outstanding Research Achievement at the University of Calgary.

Hudson has published numerous journal articles, book chapters, and magazine articles. He earned his diploma in marketing from Buckinghamshire College and a bachelor's degree in business studies at Brighton Polytechnic. He earned an MBA from California State University at Chico and a doctoral degree from the University of Surrey.

Lauterbach, who also has been a faculty member at Purdue University, was selected to receive the National Science Foundation's prestigious Career Development Award in 1998. He earned the Feodor Lynen Fellowship of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation in Germany and was the recipient of the Union Carbide Innovation Recognition Award in 2000. He was a finalist for the University of Delaware's Excellence in Teaching Award in 2008.

Lauterbach earned his undergraduate degree in technical physics from the University of Bayreuth in Germany and his doctoral degree from the Free University of Berlin and the Fritz Haber Institute of the Max Planck Society in Berlin.

Blair was a faculty member of the School of Public Health before being named director of the Cooper Institute in Dallas, Texas, in 1980. He was president and CEO of the Cooper Institute from 2002 to 2006, when he returned to Carolina as a professor in the Department of Exercise Science and the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics.

A past president of the American College of Sports Medicine, Blair is a recipient of the U.S. Surgeon General's Medal, the MERIT Award from the National Institutes of Health, and the American Heart Association's Population Science Award.

He earned his bachelor's degree from Kansas Wesleyan University and master's and doctoral degrees from Indiana University.

Visit [www.scoee.org](http://www.scoee.org) to learn more about the CoEE program, established in 2002 by the S.C. General Assembly to fund research programs that will drive economic development in the Palmetto State.

## Seeing red: Course requirement helps education students get professionally published

By Chris Horn

Students get used to seeing red in education professor Jennifer Bloom's courses. Her editing pen has a field day on nearly every page of their assigned articles.

But there's an upside to all that bleeding ink: Bloom's students are also getting used to seeing their bylines in professional journals in the field of higher education.

"Over the past two years, more than 60 of my students have had their papers published, and they understand the value and benefit of that," said Bloom, who teaches graduate courses on student affairs administration and academic advising in the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies. "Publications are a respected currency in higher education, but it's not easy for students to earn that respect."

Bloom was the associate dean for student affairs at the University of Illinois' medical school in Urbana-Champaign and an adjunct associate professor of higher education when she first started assigning graduate students the task of writing papers for scholarly publications. The process is rigorous, requiring back-and-forth editing and rewriting before a paper is ready to pass muster with a publication editor.

"I don't make it a requirement that a student's paper has to be published, but they do have to submit a finished, polished paper that I've signed off on," Bloom said. "You learn a lot going through the process."

For Alex Fippinger, the process was an education in itself. "This experience helped me gain confidence in my writing



Bloom

## Family Fund Kickoff demonstrates early success in faculty-staff giving

By Larry Di Giovanni

Participation in the 2009–10 Family Fund already is up 5 percent from this time last year, Lola Mauer announced at a kick-off luncheon Nov. 4 for the University's annual giving campaign.

Last year, University faculty and staff contributed \$3.6 million to the Family Fund, setting an all-time record. The Family Fund encourages each college, school, or department to achieve 100 percent employee participation.

"We lead the SEC and the state in faculty and staff giving and are now focused on surpassing last year's total in this, our Family Fund campaign's 33rd year," said Mauer, director of the Office of Annual Giving Programs.

Carolina First Lady Patricia Moore-Pastides noted that \$1 million designated to the Family Fund so far in 2009–10 demonstrated the level of commitment participants have at Carolina to improve programs and student opportunities.

The Family Fund allows donors to designate annual contributions to thousands of causes: from scholarships and study-abroad stipends to technology needs, books, and research funds.

"I'm a strong believer in the Family Fund," said Ann Cameron, director of external relations for the College of Arts and Sciences. "I think it's an opportunity for faculty and staff to

## Library exhibit pays homage to Carolina football

When University archivist Elizabeth Cassidy West began work on a South Caroliniana Library exhibit to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Williams-Brice Stadium, it wasn't long before she had a major epiphany.

It was the realization that 2009 was also the 25th anniversary of the Gamecocks' 1984 "Black Magic" season when the team went 10–2, a record for the most wins in a single season; the 40th anniversary of USC's Atlantic Coast Conference football championship; and the 50th anniversary of the last Big Thursday game played in Columbia against Clemson.

The result was an expansion of the exhibit to include the other notable highlights of Carolina's gridiron history. The exhibit is on display in the library's first-floor Lumpkin Foyer through November.

"We included information on everything," said West, who developed an in-depth knowledge and appreciation of Gamecock football as a result of her work last year on an illustrated history of Carolina football, *University of South Carolina Football Vault: The History of the Gamecocks* (Whitman, Atlanta).

Much of the heart and soul of Carolina football is embodied in Williams-Brice Stadium, the 80,250-seat Southeastern Conference showcase. The stadium dates to 1934 when the city of Columbia built what was then known as Municipal Stadium, which held all of some 17,000 spectators.

Through the years, the stadium gradually grew to a capacity of about 42,000 until the 1960s when Paul Dietzel arrived

skills and recognize that I have what it takes to successfully write an article for publication," she said. "Dr. Bloom's encouragement was also a key part of the process because she really convinced my fellow classmates and me that we were capable of writing for publication and generating original ideas."

Ashley Bailey-Taylor is a financial aid counselor at Carolina who graduated in May after completing Bloom's course.

"Writing an article in Dr. Bloom's class was an intense process," she said. "I always wanted to make sure I got it right so I would have the best chance of getting published."

"These articles set me apart when I was looking for jobs in higher education, and getting my name out there has been very beneficial to my early career as a higher education professional."

An article Bailey-Taylor wrote that was published in *Student Aid Transcript* resulted in an invitation from a Virginia community college to give a workshop.

Bloom has advice for faculty who are considering adding professional writing assignments to their classroom experience:

- know the appropriate publications in your field (probably not research journals but professional publications dedicated to pedagogy or other issues) to which students should submit their edited articles
- be explicit in giving instructions for selecting topics, writing outlines, and giving final deadlines for papers
- be realistic in terms of the time required to grade and edit student papers multiple times
- be honest yet encouraging with students about the quality of their writing. "It's going to hurt a bit for them to see all of that red ink, but that's part of the process," Bloom said.



The Family Fund's kick-off luncheon Nov. 4 was spearheaded by Lola Mauer, director; left; Steven Farwick, assistant director; and Keith Bone, data coordinator, all from the Office of Annual Giving Programs.

strengthen the institutions where we work by actively participating in where our money is needed the most. You can tailor your gift toward your own interests."

Almost 600 faculty and staff members attended the barbecue luncheon, which included a Carolina trivia challenge. Sponsors provided more than 60 prizes, ranging from oil changes to a two-night stay at the Inn at USC, for the winners.

Ericka Burroughs in the Arnold School of Public Health's Prevention Research Center received an oil change from Goodyear for knowing the campus' zip code: 29208. "I have given to the Family Fund every year for the past four years," she said. "It makes me feel like I'm part of something."

# November & December

# Calendar

## ■ Lectures

**Nov. 19 Physics and astronomy**, Edmund Myers, Department of Physics, Florida State University, 3:30 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 409.

**Nov. 20 Center for Teaching Excellence**, Power Lunch for Columbia Faculty, "Teaching and Research in Tenure and Promotion," presented by Christine Curtis, vice provost for faculty development at Carolina, and Matthew Boylan, an associate professor of mathematics. 12:15–1:45 p.m., Thomas Cooper Library, Room 511. Registration is required at [www.sc.edu/cte/power/columbia](http://www.sc.edu/cte/power/columbia).

**Nov. 20 Marine science**, "Acquired Phototrophy in Aquatic Protists," Diane Stoecker, Horn Point Laboratory, Maryland, 3 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 104.

**Nov. 20 Philosophy**, "The Derivative and Incomplete Understanding," Sheldon Smith, UCLA, 3:30 p.m., Byrnes Building, Room 413.

**Nov. 20 Chemistry and biochemistry**, "Properties and Structures of Metal Complexes Synthesized from 'Designer' Ligands," Daniel Reger, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Carolina, 4 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 006.



DeLoach

**Dec. 2 Moore School**, Economic Outlook Conference, "Recovery or Relapse in 2010," 11:30 a.m.–4 p.m., Moore School, BA Building, Lumpkin Auditorium. Keynote address to be "Lean, Fit, and Ready to Grow," Harris DeLoach Jr., Sonoco Products chair, president, and CEO, 3:15–4 p.m. Cost is \$55. Advance registration is required and can be done online at <http://mooreschool.sc.edu> by clicking on Events. Deadline for registration is Nov. 25. For information, contact Nancy Beym, at 800-393-2362 or [nbeym@moore.sc.edu](mailto:nbeym@moore.sc.edu).

**Dec. 3 Physics and astronomy**, "ALICE at the Dawn of LHC," Kai Schweda, Heidelberg University, 3:30 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 409.



Stubbe

**Dec. 4 Chemistry and biochemistry**, "Ribonucleotide Reductases: Something for Everyone," JoAnne Stubbe, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 4 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 006.

**Dec. 4 Social work**, Research Colloquia Series, "Community of Scholars," "Streamlining Data Collection and Entry! Pros and Cons of Using Adobe

Live Cycle," Cynthia Flynn, research assistant professor and interim director of the Education and Community Initiatives Division and the Research, Planning, and Evaluation Division, Center for Child and Family Studies, College of Social Work at Carolina; and Sheila Lilly, administrative assistant, Center for Child and Family Studies. Adobe Live Cycle might be the answer for people who need to gather information from a large group of people, avoid deciphering handwriting of those completing a form, or struggling to find people to enter data in preparation for analysis. Noon–1 p.m., Old Alumni House, Conference Room. Free and open to public. For information, call 6-6074 or e-mail [pweiss@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:pweiss@mailbox.sc.edu).

## ■ 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@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:kdowell@mailbox.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 Dec. 10.

## ■ Online calendar

USC Calendar of Events is at <http://events.sc.edu>. To add events here, contact Cassandra Pope at [popcepl@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:popcepl@mailbox.sc.edu) or 7-0019.

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



The University Chorus' fall concert will feature works by several composers, including Ralph Vaughan Williams, J.S. Bach, Johannes Brahms, Rene Clausen, and Gabriel Fauré.

## ■ Concerts

**Nov. 20 School of Music**: "Life, Loss, Love: Music from the Renaissance to the 21st Century," University Chorus, directed by Joseph Modica and accompanied by Rosemarie Suniga. 7:30 p.m., St. Andrews Baptist Church, free.

**Nov. 22 School of Music**: Palmetto Concert Band, 4 p.m., Koger Center.

**Nov. 29 School of Music**: Governor's All Star Chorus and Carolighting, 6 p.m., Statehouse steps.

**Nov. 29 Colonial Life Arena**: Trans-Siberian Orchestra Winter Tour 2009, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. For information, go to [www.coloniallifearena.com](http://www.coloniallifearena.com).

**Dec. 4 and 6 School of Music**: USC Concert Choir, annual Christmas concert, featuring works by Palestrina, Mendelssohn, Parry, and Woo. 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4, First Presbyterian Church, and 6 p.m. Dec. 6, Shandon University Methodist Church, free.

**Dec. 8 School of Music**: "Christmas Traditions," Colla Voce, directed by Larry Wyatt and accompanied by Ann Wilson. Guest organist will be Mark Husey. 7:30 p.m., St. Peter's Catholic Church. Tickets are \$10, available at the door.

## ■ Theatre/opera/dance

**Nov. 19–22 Lab Theater**: *Language of Angels*, a drama by Tokyo-born American playwright Naomi Iizuka, who is a theatre professor at the University of California–San Diego. Directed by Amy Holtcamp, an adjunct professor in the Department of Theater and Dance at Carolina. 8 p.m., with an additional late night performance at 10:30 p.m. Nov. 20. Lab Theater, Booker T. Washington Building, Wheat Street, between Sumter and Pickens streets, across from the Blatt P.E. Center. All shows are \$5; tickets sold only at the door.



Parker

**Through Nov. 22 Theatre South Carolina**: *Radium Girls*, a play by Pulitzer Prize–nominated writer Dorothy W. Gregory. Directed by special guest artist Shanga Parker, an associate professor of acting at the University of Washington and a professional television and film actor. For show times and ticket information, go to [www.cas.sc.edu/thea/season09-10.html](http://www.cas.sc.edu/thea/season09-10.html).

**Through Nov. 22 Theater**: *Flight*, conceived and directed by Carolina theatre faculty member Steven Pearson, text by Carolina student Robyn Hunt. Presented by the Center for Performance Experiment at Carolina, 8 p.m., Hamilton Gymnasium, southwest corner of Pendleton and Pickens streets. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

**Dec. 2–4 Dance**: *Without Boundaries*, USC Contemporary Dance Showcase, 6 p.m., Drayton Hall. Tickets are \$16 for the public; \$14 faculty, staff, military, and seniors; and \$10 students. To charge by phone, call 251-2222.

**Dec. 2–4 Dance**: *Balance*, an original work by Thaddeus Wideman and Tanya Wideman-Davis, guest artists in dance at Carolina. 8 p.m., Drayton Hall. Tickets are \$16 for the public; \$14 faculty, staff, military, and seniors; and \$10 students. To charge by phone, call 251-2222.

**Dec. 6 Colonial Life Arena**: *Radio City Christmas Spectacular starring the Rockettes*, a holiday show for the whole family. Tickets are \$44.55 to \$60.75 and are on sale now. For more information, go to [www.coloniallifearena.com](http://www.coloniallifearena.com).

## ■ Around the campuses

**Nov. 19 USC Beaufort**: Lecture, Mark Danner, a professor of journalism at the University of California Berkeley, Henry R. Luce Professor of Human Rights and Journalism at Bard College, and author of *Torture and Truth: American, Abu Ghraib, and the War on Terror*, 7 p.m., Hilton Head Gateway Campus, Hargray Building, Room 156.

**Nov. 19 USC Beaufort**: Lunch with Authors, Jeanne Moutoussamy-Ashe, in celebration of the 25th anniversary edition of her *Daufuskie Island* photo book, which won the Essence Photography Literary Award immediately upon publication. Noon, Holiday Inn Beaufort, 2225 Boundary St. To make reservations, call 843-521-4147.

**Nov. 19 USC Salkehatchie**: Lowcountry Community Players, Reader's Theater, 12:15 p.m., West Campus, SCB Atrium. For information, call Jane Brewer at 51-3446

**Nov. 19 USC Salkehatchie**: Leadership Barnwell Meeting, 9 a.m., Leadership Institute, West Campus. For information, call Anne Rice at 51-3446.

**Nov. 20 USC Beaufort**: Executive Speaker Series, Cyndy Nayer, president and CEO, Center for Health Values Innovation, will speak on healthcare reform, 1:30 p.m., Hilton Head Gateway Campus, Hargray Building, Room 156, Cost is \$75 for the series. To make reservations, call 843-208-8231.

**Nov. 21, 22, and 24 USC Sumter**: Big Wednesday, 16th-annual golf, tennis, and tailgate party leading up to the Carolina v. Clemson football game. All proceeds support student academic scholarships, Fire Ants athletic scholarships, and the USC Sumter Alumni Association. For more information, call Erica Christmas, alumni director, at 55-3851 or go to [www.uscsumter.edu](http://www.uscsumter.edu).

**Nov. 23 USC Aiken**: Play, *Stuart Little*, based on the book by E.B. White, 7:30 p.m., University Main Theater. For information, call 56-3305.

**Nov. 23 USC Salkehatchie**: Annual Salkehatchie Dove Shoot, 11:30 a.m., The Grove, West Campus. For information, call Ann Carmichael at 51-3446.



Casting Crowns comes to Aiken Nov. 27.

9 a.m., Leadership Institute, West Campus.

**Dec. 3 USC Salkehatchie**: Visit by University Provost Michael Amiridis, 10 a.m., East Campus, 4 p.m. West Campus.

**Dec. 4 USC Upstate**: Arbor Day Celebration, lecture, "Plant Marriages: Exceptional Combinations of Flower and Foliage Location," Daniel J. Hinkley, author and plant collector. Sponsored by the USC Upstate Alumni Association. Lecture begins at 11 a.m., Humanities and Performing Arts Center, followed by lunch at noon, Campus Life Center Ballroom. Tickets are \$10. For tickets, call 52-5235.

**Dec. 8 USC Salkehatchie**: Holiday Open House, Salkehatchie Arts Center. For information, call Anne Rice at 51-3446.

## ■ Sports

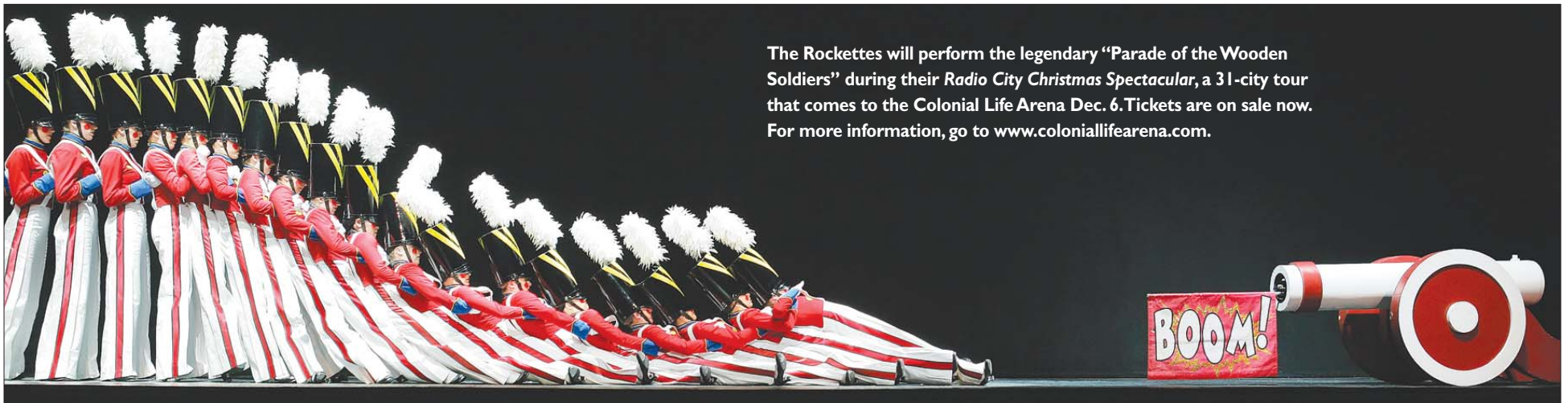
**Nov. 22 Women's basketball**: Penn State, 3 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

**Nov. 27 Men's basketball**: Jacksonville, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

**Nov. 28 Football**: Clemson, TBA, Williams-Brice Stadium.

**Dec. 2 Men's basketball**: Western Kentucky, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

**Dec. 2 Women's basketball**: High Point, 11 a.m., Colonial Life Arena.



The Rockettes will perform the legendary "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers" during their *Radio City Christmas Spectacular*, a 31-city tour that comes to the Colonial Life Arena Dec. 6. Tickets are on sale now. For more information, go to [www.coloniallifearena.com](http://www.coloniallifearena.com).

## Miscellany

**Nov. 19 Speaker @ The Center:** Author and photographer Stanley F. Lanzano discusses *True Places: A Lowcountry Preacher, His Church, and His People*. Noon–1 p.m., S.C. State Library, Administration Building, 1430 Senate St., Free and open to the public. Participants can bring a bag lunch. Presented by the S.C. Center for the Book, a cooperative project of the S.C. State Library, the School of Library and Information Science at Carolina, and the Humanities Council of South Carolina. For information, go to [www.sccenterforthebook.org/6/12.html](http://www.sccenterforthebook.org/6/12.html).

**Nov. 19 Book signing:** *The Way We Read James Dickey*, by William B. Thesing, a distinguished professor emeritus of English at Carolina, and Theda Wrede, former editorial assistant for the *James Dickey Newsletter*, book signing and reception, 4:30 p.m., remarks at 5 p.m. Sponsored by the Thomas Cooper Society, USC Press, and University Libraries Department of Rare Books and Special Collections. Thomas Cooper Library, Graniteville Room. Free and open to the public.

**Nov. 24 McCutchen House:** Annual Pie Day, McCutchen House's signature dessert—chocolate walnut pie—will be available for sale for \$9 per pie. 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Pick up in the restaurant or in the parking lot behind it. To reserve a pie, call 7-4450.

**Dec. 5 School of Music:** An Evening of Silent Film, *Aelita: Queen of Mars*, 1924 Russian science-fiction film classic, with live accompaniment on organ and theremin by Dennis James, theater organist and research fellow in the Film and Media Arts program at Carolina, and sound effects by Mark Goldstein, Buchla Lightning. Sponsored by the Film and Media Studies program and the School of Music. 7:30 p.m., School of Music, Recital Hall. Free and open to the public. For information, call 7-2361.



Dupree

**Dec. 8 McCutchen House:** Wine class, "Spain and Portugal," 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$50 per person. Register online at [www.mccutchenhouse.sc.edu](http://www.mccutchenhouse.sc.edu).

**Dec. 10 Book signings:** Authors Jack Bass; Stephen Hoffius; Tom Moore Craig; Ben McC. Moise; Nathalie Dupree; Janet Hudson; Lacy Ford, chair, Department of History at Carolina; and Wilmot Irvin, 5:30–7 p.m., South Caroliniana Library, Reading Room. Free and open to the public.

**Dec. 10 Book signing:** Holiday coffee and book signing event for South Carolina authors Jack Bass and Nathalie Dupree, 10:15 a.m., Thomas Cooper Library, Graniteville Room. Free and open to the public.



Ford

**Dec. 10 Professional development:** "Use It or Lose It: Cognitive Health Skills," workshop will teach tips for memory. 11:15 a.m.–1 p.m., 1600 Hampton St., Room 101. Free. To register, go to <http://hr.sc.edu/profdevp/classes/useitorloseit.html>.

**Dec. 10 Speaker @ The Center:** Authors Mike Creel and Lynn Kelley will discuss their book, *The Boykin Spaniel: South Carolina's Dog*, and storyteller Ben McC. Moise will discuss *Ramblings of a Lowcountry Game Warden*. Noon–1 p.m., S.C. State Library, 1430 Senate St..

## Exhibits

**Through Nov. 25 South Caroliniana Library:** *Highlights of Gamecock Football History*. Lumpkin Foyer.

**Through Nov. 25 South Caroliniana Library:** *Winter in Midsummer: Oscar Montgomery Lieber and the Eclipse Expedition of 1860*. Lumpkin Foyer.

**Through Nov. 30 Thomas Cooper Library:** *Voices For Civil Rights: Modjeska Simkins, I. DeQuincey Newman and the NAACP*, from the S.C. Political Collections, East Gallery.

**Through Jan. 9, 2010 McKissick Museum:** *The Biennial Department of Art Faculty Exhibition*. Second floor.

**Through Jan. 15 Thomas Cooper Library:** *Christmas on the Potomac: Holiday Cards from the Holdings of S.C. Political Collections*, Main Floor; East Gallery.

**Through Jan. 16 McKissick Museum:** *Urban Archaeology in Columbia*. Third floor.

**Through Jan. 23 McKissick Museum:** *Southern Satire: The Illustrated World of Jak Smyrl*. Second floor.

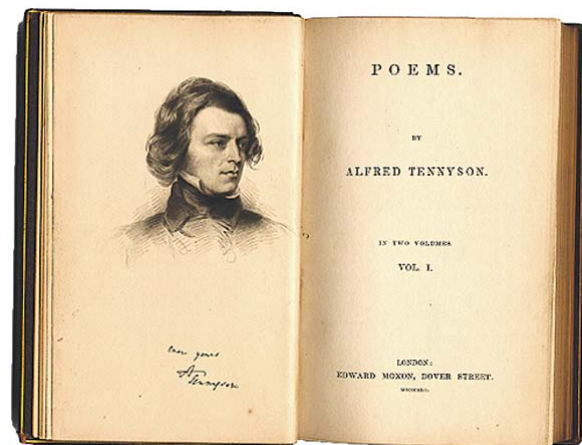


John Milton



Sara Milton, John's mother

**Through Jan. 29 Thomas Cooper Library:** *John Milton: Introducing the Koblenzer Portraits, with highlights from the Robert J. Wickenheiser Collection*, Graniteville Room.



This first edition of *Poems*, 1842, is part of the Alfred Tennyson exhibit.

**Through Jan. 29 Thomas Cooper Library:** *'A Use in Measured Language': An Exhibition for the Bicentenary of Alfred Tennyson*, Mezzanine Gallery.

**Through May Coleman Karesh Law Library:** *An Eighteenth Century Law Library: The Colcock-Hutson Collection*, School of Law, S.C. Legal History Room, Main Level.

**Through August Coleman Karesh Law Library:** *Memory Hold the Door*, a new exhibit highlighting four past honorees of *Memory Hold the Door*, a program of the USC School of Law and the S.C. Bar Association. School of Law, Main Level.

## Theatre review

### *Radium Girls* is all aglow with relevance, good acting

By Francee Levin

Guest director Shanga Parker's production of *Radium Girls*, by D.W. Gregory, Theatre South Carolina's show now playing at Longstreet Theatre, glows with relevance to the current healthcare debate, along with incredible lighting and special effects.

Even the director's note mentions the "challenges of receiving adequate and sufficient healthcare," along with the Michael Moore film *SICKO* and the plight of the 9/11 volunteers. However, in today's situation, the play's message comes through loud and clear, reminding us that the problem is not new, and the situation needs to be resolved now.

Based on a true story of Grace Fryer, a young factory worker who discovers her employer, US Radium, is responsible for poisoning her and the other young girls she works with, the story involves a 1920s court case. The play can get heavy and depressing, though there are some lighter moments. And the current healthcare crisis certainly adds far more impact.

Katie Krueger, as Grace, gives a lovely understated performance, staying in character throughout, and very moving without being maudlin. Most of the cast play multiple roles, which they do well, giving the appearance of an extremely large cast, and Parker's direction offers constant movement and action, with the characters creating multiple locations with simple elegance.

Technically, the show is excellent, with the aforementioned glowing lighting design by Zack Kennedy and Jim Hunter, and the deceptively simple set by Franklin Haley. Sound by Daniel Bumgardner and costumes by April Brown also are worthy of mention.

*Radium Girls* is playing at Longstreet through Nov. 22, and the timing is perfect. Call 7-2551 for reservations.

A holiday card from the Ambassador of Japan is part of the *Christmas on the Potomac* exhibit at Thomas Cooper Library through Jan. 15.



# Briefly

## WOMEN SCORE SEC CHAMPIONSHIP:

The women's soccer team won the 2009 SEC Tournament championship with a dramatic 8-7 edge in penalty kicks over LSU at the Orange Beach Sportsplex in Alabama. The title is the first in program history and the first SEC title won by a University team since the women's track and field team won the 2005 outdoor championships. "It's unbelievable," head coach Shelley Smith said. "It just shows the heart these players have had. You don't want it to be too dramatic, but it's well deserved today. They played their hearts out, battled, and never gave up. That's what this game is all about. I'm so happy for the seniors and the whole team. They deserve that championship."

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WORKSHOP SET:

An emergency preparedness workshop will be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 19 in the Russell House Theatre. Topics to be covered include an overview of active shooter incidents and lessons learned from various school, workplace, and public arena shootings. Survival tactics and mitigation strategies for victims who are caught in an incident will be discussed, as well as information regarding overall campus safety. Following the presentation, a question-and-answer session will allow attendees to have specific questions addressed. Presenters will be Ernest Ellis, director of law enforcement and safety, and T.J. Gear, police sergeant. All faculty and staff are invited to attend this free workshop. To register, go to [www.sc.edu/provost/rsvp](http://www.sc.edu/provost/rsvp).

**"GREEN" FILM EVENT IS NOV. 19:** West "Green" Quad will present the award-winning film *Taking Root: The Vision of Wangari Maathai* at 7 p.m. Nov. 19 in the Quad's Learning Center. The free screening is part of the Green Action Film Series and the new series on Exploring Global Sustainability. *Taking Root* tells the dramatic story of Kenyan Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Maathai, whose simple act of planting trees grew into a nationwide movement to safeguard the environment, protect human rights, and defend democracy.

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projects? Intellectual property is the traditional path that brings industry to a university, but there are other ways for it to happen.

"Then it's decided how much involvement there will be. Do they want to hire our graduates or put their people on site for training, or set up joint seminars. Once you do those things, you begin to develop mutual trust and that potentially leads to investment, which can be joint grants, direct research funding, or co-locating labs in our facilities."

Benicewicz said the wet lab space planned for private industrial research partners in the Horizon I Building in Innovista will be one of several ways to promote collaboration.

"I think we'll start seeing what people have wanted to see all along in Innovista. The Centers of Economic Excellence are beginning to launch companies, and we'll see more evidence of private investment in the research enterprise here," she said.

Benicewicz' industrial research background includes her work with GE where she was also an experimental physicist, specializing in the area of optical physics. Her work included developing laser-based spectroscopic techniques and systems that provided in-situ, real-time evaluation of materials as well

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it's just a tool to get to deep learning." Peters doesn't require students to join Facebook, acknowledging that some have told him they quit using the popular site because it was too time consuming. Instead, he posts all classroom information on BlackBoard and other venues in addition to Facebook.

One participant in the seminar, math instructor Ronda Sanders, set up a Facebook page during fall break for Pi Mu Epsilon and the Gamecock Math Club. Posting photos from club events will help build a sense of community, Sanders said.

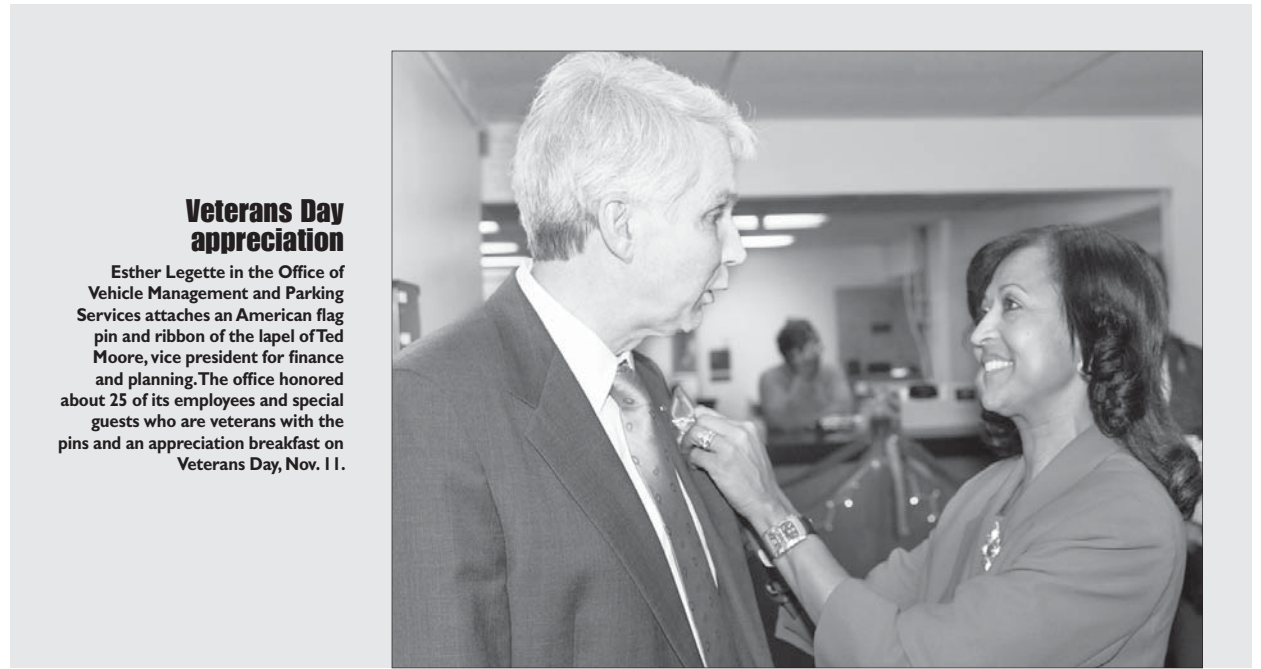
"I posted pictures of our first event, an introductory dessert and games night, and the members have already been tagging the photos so that the people in the pictures are associated with names," she said. "Everyone likes it when someone cares enough to remember their name."

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David Parker, a research assistant professor in the Department of Internal Medicine and director of the Department of Internal Medicine's Office of Supportive Housing. That office is the largest supportive service provider for the homeless in the six-county area of Richland, Lexington, Saluda, Calhoun, Fairfield, and Kershaw.

"We need personal care items, such as toothbrushes and soap," Parker said. "If someone has clothing they no longer need, they can donate those clothes and they will be used and appreciated. Monetary donations are always welcome, but with today's economy, it may be more feasible for someone to give their gently used items."

Donations will go to specific shelters in the Midlands, one of which is the emergency shelter being run by the Coopera-



## Veterans Day appreciation

Esther Legette in the Office of Vehicle Management and Parking Services attaches an American flag pin and ribbon to the lapel of Ted Moore, vice president for finance and planning. The office honored about 25 of its employees and special guests who are veterans with the pins and an appreciation breakfast on Veterans Day, Nov. 11.

Kim Truett

## New book explores cultural landmarks of river area

USC Aiken English professor Tom Mack will sign copies of his new book, *Circling the Savannah: Cultural Landmarks of the Central Savannah River Area* (The History Press, Charleston, S.C.) on the following dates: 2 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Aiken County Library; 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Dec. 5 at the Aiken County Historical Museum; and at 6 p.m. Dec. 10 at Books-A-Million in Aiken.

In the 128-page book, Mack shares his favorite places in the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA), including landmarks such as the remnants of Aiken's winter colony, Barnwell's sundial, and Woodrow Wilson's boyhood home in Augusta. Thirty-six sections, each devoted to a cultural landmark, and

50 photographs detail the cultural history of the CSRA.

"For more than twenty years, I have had the pleasure of contributing a weekly column to *The Aiken Standard*," Mack said. "During that time, the columns devoted to regional landmarks have often garnered the most attention, and I have received many requests to collect those texts into a single source. This volume is the answer to those reader requests."

Mack has been a member of the USC Aiken faculty since 1976. In addition to teaching and advising students, he serves as chair of the English department and coordinator of the College Council of Humanities and Social Sciences.

## In Memoriam: Aiken professor Stephen Gardner

USC Aiken English professor Stephen L. Gardner Jr. passed away Nov. 10. Gardner taught at Aiken from 1971 to 2008. He was named the campus' Professor of the Year in 1974.

At different stages during his academic career at Aiken, he was dean of humanities, the G.L. Toole Professor of English, and Distinguished Professor of English. He was the author of two poetry collections, *This Book Belongs to Eva* (1996) and *Taking the Switchback* (2009). For more than a decade, Gardner was editor and publisher of *Kudzu Poetry Magazine*, *The Devil's Millhopper Poetry Magazine*, and TDM Press.

He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Aiken Center for the Arts and former president of the Board of Governors of the S.C. Academy of Authors. With William Wright, Gardner was co-editor of the first two volumes of *The Southern Poetry Anthology*.

Gardner is survived by his wife, Josephine Biga Gardner (JoAnn); mother, Ida R. Gardner; sister Lynn G. Newman; nieces and a nephew.

A scholarship fund has been established in Gardner's memory. For information or to send a donation, write to The Stephen Gardner English Scholarship Endowment Fund, Department of English, University of South Carolina-Aiken, 471 University Parkway, Aiken, SC 29801. Gardner's online guest book may be signed at [www.shellhousefuneralhome.com](http://www.shellhousefuneralhome.com).

as developing optical diagnostic techniques to monitor laser-based processes, such as laser shock peening. She holds seven U.S. patents from her work at GE with an additional three patents pending.

Prior to her positions at GE, Benicewicz was a research professor at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y. Her responsibilities included teaching and establishing a research program based on the use of lasers and optical techniques to detect and identify hazardous materials in the environment. From 1993 until 1997, she was a team leader and staff member at Los Alamos National Laboratory, where she was responsible for the leadership, technical direction, and financial management of a team of research scientists and technicians engaged in the study of the chemical and physical properties of heavy metals.

Benicewicz and her husband, Brian Benicewicz, USC Educational Foundation Distinguished Professor and Endowed Chair in Polymer Nanocomposite Research, have two children. Derek is a doctoral candidate in chemistry at Georgia Tech, and Leigh Ann is a junior majoring in public relations at Boston University.

Sanders also thinks posting information about club events will reach more members and increase participation because "students are often more likely to check their Facebook pages than their University e-mail. And Facebook is easier to update than a Web page, so the information provided should remain current and useful."

Peters suggested other uses for Facebook such as a venue for classroom discussion, staying in touch with former students, and promoting group advising.

"If I can get freshmen talking to seniors, that's where a lot of the nuts-and-bolts advising can happen, and I just get out of the way," he said.

tive Ministry and the School of Medicine. The drive also will provide supplies to homeless clients who receive services from Supportive Housing Services. There are three ways to help.

■ Donate personal care items: toothpaste, toothbrush, new socks (men and women), new washcloth/towel, new underwear (men and women), plastic razor, and travel-sized shampoo/soap, lotion, and hand sanitizer. Put items in completed "kits" in quart- or gallon-sized zip bags.

■ Donate bulk items, such as clothing.

■ Volunteer to help sort and distribute items.

Donations should be taken no later than Nov. 25 to Trenholm Road United Methodist Church, 3401 Trenholm Road, 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Monday–Thursday and 8 a.m.–4 p.m. Friday.



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**D. Eric Holt**, languages, literatures, and cultures, and linguistics, "Linguistic factors in the acquisition of connected speech in second language Spanish," Hispanic Linguistic Symposium, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras.

**Walter Collins**, French and English, Lancaster, "It's my turn to speak: Talking Towards Cultural Stabilization in Sefi Atta's *Swallow*," Southern Comparative Literature Association, Phoenix, Ariz.

**R. Gregg Dwyer**, neuropsychiatry and behavioral science (medicine), J.N. Kenan, S. Billick, D. De Crise, F. Saleh, and C. Thompson, "Child Sexual Abuse Allegations in Custody Evaluations," American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, Baltimore, Md., and, same conference, with C.L. Meyers, C.S. Kim, and F.M. Saleh, "Elderly with Problem Sexual Behaviors: Ethical/Clinical Issues," and, "Child Pornography and Child Molestation: Is there a Relationship?"

**John T. Addison**, economics, "The Extent of Collective Bargaining and Workplace Representation in Germany and Britain," Comparative Analysis of Enterprise Data 2009 Conference, Tokyo, and, "The Effects of Minimum Wages on Labor Market Outcomes: County-Level Estimates from the U.S. Restaurant and Bar Sector," Institut für Arbeitsmarkt- und Berufsforschung der Bundesagentur für Arbeit, Nuremberg, Germany.

## ■ OTHER

**Jan Yow**, instruction and teacher education, successfully renewed his National Board Certification, which he originally earned as a high school mathematics teacher.

**Scott Phinney**, music library, re-elected secretary-treasurer of the Southeast Chapter of the Music Library Association.

**Gail Crouch**, business, received a 2009 Palmetto Award from the International Association of Business Communicators of South Carolina for her article "True Grit," published in the 2008 issue of *Moore Business*.

## Fidler grant awarded to Syracuse researcher

The National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition named Syracuse University's Rachel Smith the recipient of the 2009–10 Paul P. Fidler Research Grant.

The center, based at the University, recognized Smith, a doctoral student in education, at its 16th National Conference on Students in Transition in Salt Lake City.

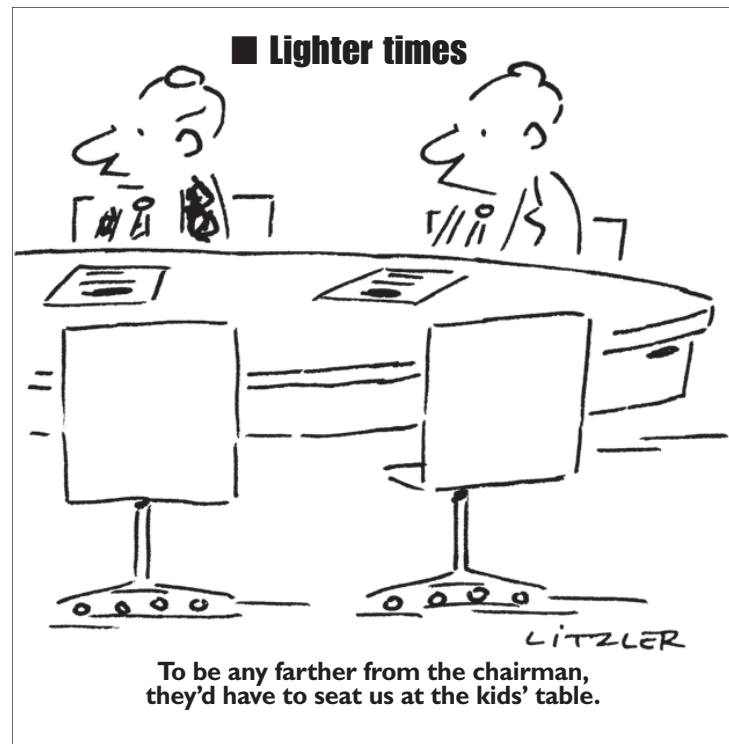
The Paul P. Fidler Research Grant is designed to encourage the development and dissemination of knowledge that has the potential to improve the experiences of college students in transition. The grant is named in memory of Paul P. Fidler, a faculty member at Carolina, whose pioneering research on student learning and success had a vital impact on work being done to promote the success of all students in transition.

The grant encourages and enables scholarly research on issues related to college-student transitions and includes a stipend of \$5,000 and travel to the 17th and 18th National Conference on Students in Transition to be held respectively in November 2010 and 2011.

Research completed as a result of the Fidler grant will be featured in the *Journal of The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition*. Smith's study is titled "Connected in Learning: A Mixed Methods Study of First-Year Students' Academic and Social Networks." To understand how first-year students develop relationships critical to their academic success and social adjustment, Smith will compare a themed learning community with a traditional residence-hall floor using surveys, interviews, and observation.



Fidler



**John T. Addison**, economics, *The Economics of Codetermination: Lessons from the German Experience*, Palgrave Macmillan, New York, and, with Paul J.J. Wellens, *Innovation, Employment and Growth Policy Issues in the EU and the United States*, Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Heidelberg, and New York

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## ■ 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.

## Five alumni honored with awards at Homecoming gala

Five alumni were honored for their commitment to the University, their communities, or profession during Homecoming.

This year's recipients were William C. Hubbard, Distinguished Alumni Award; Sister Carol Keehan, Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award; Capt. Taj Troy, Outstanding Black Alumni Award; Sara Wardrip Armstrong, Outstanding Young Alumni Award; and Jerry Odom, Honorary Life Member Award.

Hubbard is a partner with the Columbia-based law firm of Nelson, Mullins, Riley, and Scarborough and has served the University in numerous capacities. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1986 and was chair from 1996 to 2000. He earned bachelor's and law degrees from the University in 1974 and 1977, respectively.

Keehan, a member of the Daughters of Charity for more than 40 years, graduated in 1980. She is president and CEO of the Catholic Health Association of the United States, the trade group for Catholic hospitals based in St. Louis, Mo.

Troy, a veteran with Air National Guard and business owner, is a 1998 graduate. He is a licensed funeral director and assistant manager for Troy's Funeral Homes Inc. in Mullins. The College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management honored Troy with an award for technology support and training management. While at Carolina, he became an F-16 pilot and flew

14 combat missions during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Armstrong is director of member services for the Republican National Committee and lives in Alexandria, Va. At the RNC, Armstrong helps recruit and assist candidates at the national, state, and local levels. She previously was deputy director of the first lady's Correspondence Office and director of the Visitors Office during the administration of George W. Bush. In 2007, she became Laura Bush's deputy chief of staff. The daughter of the late Jon Wardrip, a journalism faculty member at the University, Armstrong earned her bachelor's degree in 1994 and a master's degree in business administration in 1999.

Odom, a Carolina distinguished professor emeritus and provost emeritus, is executive director for University Foundations. In his 40 years at the University, which included being dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, Odom won numerous awards, including the Russell Research Award for Science and Engineering, the Mungo Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, Lilly Foundation Senior Teaching Fellow Mentor, Amoco Foundation Outstanding Teaching Award, and was an Alexander von Humbolt Fellow in Stuttgart, Germany. Odom is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and a doctoral graduate of Indiana University.



Hubbard



Odom

## Professor earns elite quality certification

Sanjay Ahire, a professor of management at the Darla Moore School of Business, has completed the requirements to be named an ASQ-Certified Six Sigma Black Belt.



Ahire

The designation indicates Ahire has attained proficiency and comprehension of Six Sigma principles and practices, according to the American Society for Quality, the sponsoring organization.

Ahire is one of the few academics and the first at the Darla Moore School to accomplish this goal.

"ASQ provides certification as a way to provide formal recognition to professionals who have demonstrated an understanding of, and a commitment to, quality techniques and practices in their job and career," said Peter Andres, ASQ president. "This is a great accomplishment, and, although not a formal registration or licensure, it represents a high level of peer recognition."

## Psychology professor, program honored

Metlife Foundation and the Afterschool Alliance have honored the Challenging Horizons Program (CHP) at the University with an Afterschool Innovator Award recognizing the program's success mentoring students and providing supplemental education.

The Challenging Horizons Program is directed by Brad Smith, an associate professor of psychology and



Smith

co-chair of the Carolina Service Learning Initiative. Using innovative approaches to mentoring and motivating students, the afterschool program involves undergraduate students in the program, which helps students who are falling behind academically be successful and well adjusted.

Currently, more than 350 public-school students are being served at five schools in the greater Columbia area. For more information on the CHP, go to [www.scstudentexcellence.org](http://www.scstudentexcellence.org).

## Learn how to tame the Tigers before the big game

There are two ways to beat the Clemson Tigers before our teams face off on the gridiron later this month: The Challenge, and the annual Blood Drive.

The Challenge is all about participation. The winner of this competition is not who raises the most money but who has the highest percentage of donor participation. Each gift made by a Carolina graduate before Dec. 31 counts toward beating Clemson. For more information or to participate, go to [www.beatclemson.org](http://www.beatclemson.org).

The 25th-annual Carolina/Clemson Blood Drive began Nov. 16 and continues through Nov. 20. All students, faculty, staff, alumni, and other football fans are eligible and encour-

aged to participate. Blood donations can be made in the Russell House Ballroom from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Greene Street blood mobile will be open Nov. 19 and 20 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The blood mobile outside the Colonial Life Arena will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 20. No appointment is necessary.

All blood drive participants will receive a commemorative long-sleeved T-shirt and a variety of free food. The blood drive trophy will be awarded to the winning team at the game on Nov. 28 at Williams-Brice Stadium. For more information, go to [www.sc.edu/news/newsarticle.php?nid=566](http://www.sc.edu/news/newsarticle.php?nid=566).

## H1N1 vaccination information will be posted on Web

By Marshall Swanson

Student Health Services is receiving allotments of the H1N1 vaccine, but because of unprecedented demand, it is difficult to predict when shipments will arrive.

As a result, faculty, staff, and students who want to receive the H1N1 vaccine on campus are being asked to check the Student Health Services' Web site on a daily basis at [http://www.sa.sc.edu/shs/H1N1\\_flu.shtml](http://www.sa.sc.edu/shs/H1N1_flu.shtml) for announcements on upcoming clinics.

"If you want to get the H1N1 vaccine, visit the site every morning for updates about availability," said Nicole Carrico, Student Health Services' public relations and quality assurance coordinator. "As soon as new shipments of vaccine arrive, we schedule clinics to administer them, and the Web site is the first place the information is posted.

"I encourage people who want the vaccine to check this site just like they check their e-mail. Information on the site is current."

In addition to reviewing the availability of the vaccine, which will be administered free to Carolina faculty, staff, and students, Carrico urged the University community to become familiar with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on priority groups for distribution of the vaccine.

Individuals in designated groups who are at higher risk for suffering complications or death if they contract the virus will be given priority for the vaccine.

"We reached out to pregnant women first and then moved on to the other target groups," said Carrico, adding that at Student Health Services' last two clinics in early November all faculty, staff, and students were able to receive the vaccination after populations at higher risk were contacted.

The injectable vaccine can be given only to people age 50 and older, women who are pregnant, people with children younger than six months of age at home, people age 49 and younger with chronic health conditions or compromised immunity, or individuals who are taking care of someone with a compromised immune system, Carrico said. The injectable vaccine contains no active or live virus.

All others who are 49 and under and in good health will be given the intranasal vaccine, of which there have been larger quantities in the past weeks.

Faculty, staff, and students who come to a clinic to be vaccinated will be screened by a clinic staff member to ensure they are receiving the correct vaccine, said Carrico. Individuals should also check the Web site for the availability of the type of vaccine recommended for their group to avoid being turned away at the clinic.

"There has been some frustration at our clinics because people couldn't get the type of vaccination they were supposed or preferred to receive," she said.

Guidelines on other aspects of the flu vaccine program are on the Health Services' Web site at <http://www.sc.edu/flu>. For additional information, contact Carrico at 7-4199.

## Bierbauer, Dodenhoff to lead new advancement units

The University's Advancement Division has been split into two new units: Communications, and Development and Alumni Relations.

Michelle Dodenhoff, who has been interim vice president for Advancement, has been named vice president of Development and Alumni Relations. Charles Bierbauer, dean of the College of Mass Communications and Information Studies, has been named interim vice president for Communications, which includes the offices of Media Relations, Marketing and Web Communications, Printing Services, and Publications. He will remain dean of the college.

"I am confident that these changes will provide strong leadership for the communications, alumni, and development units and allow everyone to maximize their talents and strengths," President Pastides said.

"Michelle has worked tirelessly in her interim capacity and, after working closely with her to achieve a record fund-raising year, I have concluded that she is the best-prepared and most-qualified individual to lead the alumni and development units.

"Charles' knowledge of the University and his extensive background as a communicator and administrator will make him a strong leader who can be effective in this position immediately," Pastides said.



Dodenhoff



Bierbauer

Despite severe state budget cuts and the harsh recession, Dodenhoff led the University's effort to raise a record \$107.5 million for the fiscal year 2008-09. A graduate of Hollins College, Dodenhoff began her career at Marymount Manhattan College and then was director of special gifts at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

She returned to her native New Orleans and worked as director of annual giving and alumni relations and later as director of major gifts at Tulane University Health Sciences Center. She joined Carolina in 2004 as associate vice president for development.

An award-winning journalist, Bierbauer joined the University in 2002 after a distinguished career that included serving as senior White House correspondent for CNN and overseas correspondent for ABC News. He is a graduate of Penn State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Russian as well as bachelor's and master's degrees in journalism. In 1997, he won an Emmy for anchoring CNN coverage of the 1996 Olympic Park bombing in Atlanta.

Gary Snyder and Larry DiGiovanni will work with Dodenhoff in Development Communications in preparation for the capital campaign, and John Brunelli will join the staff of University Technology Services.

The appointments are effective immediately.



### 'Language of Angels'

MFA acting student Todd Zimelman and junior theatre major Sarah Crouch will appear in Lab Theatre's

production of *Language of Angels*, a trio of interwoven ghost stories set in the cave country of rural North Carolina.

To some of the characters in the play, ghosts are guardian angels; to others, they are a reminder of guilt. Written by American playwright Naomi Iizuka, the drama tells the story of working-class youth bound by poverty and pushed to the limits of friendship as they deal with grief and loss in their lives.

*Language of Angels* runs Nov. 19-22.

Tickets are \$5, available only at the door. For more information about this and other upcoming Lab Theatre productions, including show times, go to [www.cas.sc.edu/thea/2010/LabTheater0910.html](http://www.cas.sc.edu/thea/2010/LabTheater0910.html).

### Equal Opportunity Programs

## Applications open for Social Justice Award

The University once again will present a Social Justice Award for faculty, staff, and students as part of this year's commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The faculty award will recognize outstanding accomplishments in teaching, research or creative work, and service and outreach. The staff and student awards will honor community service, social justice outreach, and achievements in racial reconciliation. The awards recognize individuals who have exemplified King's philosophies.

The deadline to submit applications is Dec. 1. Award winners will be announced at the University's annual King Breakfast in January 2010.

For more information, call Carl R. Wells, director of access and equity/diversity training in the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs, at 7-9560 or send an e-mail to [wellsr@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:wellsr@mailbox.sc.edu).

Applications also are available for download at the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs' Web site at [www.sc.edu/eop](http://www.sc.edu/eop).

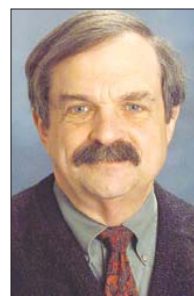
The Social Justice Award for faculty recognizes outstanding

accomplishments and general impact in the areas of teaching, research or creative work, and service and outreach. The 2009 recipient of the faculty award utilizes his or her creative work and research to challenge and teach about issues of race, social justice, and equality.

The first recipient of the faculty award, Thorne Hugh Compton, is chair of the art department and a professor in the Department of English Language and Literature.

The 2009 recipient of the staff award advocates on behalf of the poor and the oppressed through hours of volunteering with agencies and organizations that serve battered and abused women and children. The first recipient of the staff award, Cheryl Soehl, is an administrative coordinator in the Department of Student Life.

The recipient of the student award is Jelani Kerr, a graduate assistant and candidate for a Ph.D. in the Department of Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior, and a native of Atlanta. His community service and outreach involvements have centered on underprivileged youth and HIV prevention, education, and awareness.



Compton

## Two historic Milton portraits given to library's Rare Books collections

Two historic portraits of the poet John Milton and his mother, Sara, have been given to Thomas Cooper Library's rare books collections by distinguished art collectors Peter S. and Caroline S. Koblenzer of Philadelphia.

The portrait of John Milton at the age of 21, by Benjamin Vandergucht (1753-1794), dates from 1792. The portrait of Sara Milton, dating from 1621, has been identified in recent scholarship as the only known portrait of the poet's mother. Scholars have attributed the painting to various artists.

The Koblenzers selected the University for the gift when

they learned of the library's Robert J. Wickenheiser Collection of John Milton, one of the leading collections in the world, acquired for the University in 2006 with the leading support of William R. Richter and the William R. Richter Family Foundation.

The collection contains more than 6,000 volumes by and about Milton dating from the 17th to the 20th century, with special strength in illustrated Milton editions.

The Koblenzer portraits will be on display through January in the library's Graniteville Room. Their long-term home will

be alongside portions of the Wickenheiser Collection, in the main seminar room, the William L. Richter Room, and the Ernest L. Hollings Special Collections Library.

"Portraits like these help us tell students and visitors about the library's great collections," said Patrick Scott, director of special collections. "The Koblenzer portraits are beautiful and historically important, and the Koblenzer's gift shows that the Wickenheiser Collection has already caught national attention."

Images of the portraits are in the calendar on page 5.