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Carolina fans will celebrate College Colors Day Kickoff on the eve of the annual event when the Gamecock football team takes on the University of Southern Mississippi at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 2 at Williams-Brice Stadium.

College Colors Day will be Sept. 3. The annual celebration encourages fans across America to wear their favorite college or university apparel throughout the day to promote the traditions and spirit of the college experience.

"College Colors Day celebrates the spirit of higher learning and the tradition of college sports, and we are honored to have been chosen as ambassadors for such an exciting event," President Pastides said.

"The kickoff is a fantastic way for South Carolina fans across the state and country to gear up and show their enthusiasm for Gamecock athletics," said Steve Spurrier, head football coach. "We trust the entire community will unite and wear their garnet and black on College Colors Day."

The USC-Southern Mississippi game will be televised on ESPN.

## Private giving up 9.4 percent

The University received unprecedented donor financial support that lifted private giving to a record \$117.6 million for the year ending June 30.



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The amount is a 9.4 percent increase above 2009's total of \$107.5 million. More than 47,000 donors made gifts and pledges, also a record.

The new fundraising milestone comes at a time when *The Chronicle of Philanthropy*, after citing a 6 percent

drop in charitable giving to education in 2008, is reporting a 3.2 percent decrease for education in 2009.

"This year's campaign success is validation of donor confidence in the University's core mission of teaching, research, and outreach," President Pastides said. "Just as the baseball team came through when its back was against the wall in Omaha, our University of South Carolina alumni and friends came through with unprecedented support during a very difficult budget year."

The gift highlights include:

- \$65.1 million in program enhancements for research and outreach
- \$29.8 million in scholarships, assistantships, and fellowships
- \$13.5 million in capital projects
- \$5.3 million in unrestricted gifts
- \$3.9 million for faculty support, including endowed professorships and chairs.

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## ■ Changing the educational climate in New Orleans

# Teacher joins class act to refigure schools

By Larry Wood

Five years after Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans' public schools, a new wind to rebuild and energize them is blowing through the Crescent City.

And first-year teacher Caroline Welsh is part of that renewed educational climate.

Welsh, who graduated from Carolina in May with a master's in language and literacy, is one of 50 teachers recruited from around the country for the teachNOLA Master Teacher Corps. The goal of the highly selective initiative is for every classroom in New Orleans to have an

effective teacher who has the drive and desire to raise student achievement in some of America's lowest performing schools. Teachers in the program have the autonomy to do whatever is best for their students.

"I'll be able to do whatever I need to do in my classroom to help my students learn," said Welsh, who is teaching 27 energetic second graders at S.J. Green Charter School, known for its Edible School Yard Garden. "I'm ecstatic and very excited to be part of the change that's



Welsh

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### A la cart

Hello, dolly! Tom Halasz, left, director of the Career Center; his son, Jack; and Scott Verzyl, associate vice president for enrollment management, wheel freshman Anna Capps into the Honors College residence hall on Moving-in Day Aug. 14. The University welcomed more than 4,000 freshmen, the largest class ever, for the fall semester.

Michael Brown

## ■ Board of Trustees

# Medical education expansion for Greenville approved

The University's Board of Trustees took action Aug. 6 to address the state's growing shortage of primary-care physicians and improve access to health care in the Palmetto State.

The board approved a plan to expand medical education in Greenville and announced plans to explore opportunities with Palmetto Health to increase capacity for training more physicians at the USC School of Medicine in Columbia.

The Greenville expansion of USC's medical-education program will be at the Greenville Hospital System (GHS)

University Medical Center, which has been a campus of the USC School of Medicine since 1991.

The GHS board also approved the expanded program, which must be accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME).

The initiative builds on a partnership that has been in place since 1991. That partnership allows third- and fourth-year USC medical students to complete their final two years of education at GHS. Under the proposed expansion, approximately 40 students annually will be able to spend all four years of their medical training at GHS as early as 2012. That number is expected to grow.

USC also announced plans to work with Palmetto Health to increase the number of medical students trained at the USC School of Medicine campus in Columbia.

President Pastides said the actions will address a critical shortage of primary-care physicians in the state.

"We must take immediate steps to produce more physicians of excellence to offset a growing healthcare crisis in our state," Pastides said. "Thus, we are very excited to announce an agreement to expand our programs in Greenville and to work with the Palmetto Health healthcare system to add as many additional physicians



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## Research funding increases 4 percent in FY2010

Research funding at the University reached \$218.8 million in fiscal year 2010 (ending June 30), a 4 percent increase over last year's total (\$210.5 million) and 26 percent more than five years ago.

University researchers were particularly successful in competing for federal research funds, which totaled \$153.9 million, an 18.7 percent increase over FY09 primarily because of USC's competitive proposals for federal stimulus funding.

The University's research funding from the U.S. Department of Education has increased by 38 percent in the past two years, totaling \$13.5 million in FY10, and research awards from the National Science Foundation (NSF) have increased nearly 53 percent in the same time period, totaling \$27.4 million in FY10.

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# Briefly

**NEW MEMBERS NAMED TO BPF:** Seven new members have been named to the board of trustees of the USC Business Partnership Foundation (BPF). Founded in 1969, the BPF provides private financial support and leadership to the Darla Moore School of Business. The new trustees are:

- Ray August, president of Computer Sciences Corp.'s (CSC) Financial Services Group
- Judy Davis, executive vice president and chief legal officer for BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina and its Companion companies
- Walter Davis, managing partner and one of the founders of Integrated Capital Strategies LLC
- John Fennebresque Jr., managing director of Fennebresque & Co
- Pamela Lackey, president of AT&T South Carolina
- Drew Atkinson Putt, president of commercial markets for RBC Bank
- Mary Kennemur, president of Wealth Management Group for JHS Capital Advisors Inc. Kennemur is rejoining the BPF as a board member after having served as the BPF executive director last year and spearheading the successful \$45 million Darla Moore Match Campaign.

**2010 CAROLINA SCHOLARS ANNOUNCED:**

Twenty students from South Carolina high schools have been named 2010 Carolina Scholars at the University, and another two have been selected as Carolina Scholar Finalists. Carolina Scholars and Finalists are admitted into the Honors College and are awarded an annual scholarship (\$10,000 for Carolina Scholars and \$7,000 for Finalists), a laptop computer, and first choices in parking and housing. The Carolina Scholars are Avnika Bhavesh Amin of Columbia, Runjhun Bhatia of Greer, Marc-Oliver Blais of Irmo, Lawton Cole Burkhalter of Chapin, Alice Ying Ying Chang of Summerville, William Ellis Culp of Greenville, Kristina Michelle Drake of Irmo, Leila Marie Heidari of Columbia, Kathleen Rose Higgins of Charleston, Charles Michael Hood of Columbia, Priyanka Sandhir Juneja of Irmo, Jessica Victoria Kaczmarek of North Augusta, Niki Paulette Koutroulakis of Columbia, Sarah Amelia Law of Elgin, Emily Clark Padgett of Columbia, Savannah Allyn Poskevich of Moore, Jake Garner Ross of Greenville, Samruddhi Prashant Somani of Summerville, Felician Georg Stratmann of Irmo, and Mackenzie Ann Sunday of Columbia. The Carolina Scholar Finalists are Rachel Lee Price of Hopkins and Dylan John Wolfinger of Greer.

**5K RACE SET FOR PARENTS WEEKEND:**

The 12th-annual Parents Weekend 5K will begin at 8 a.m. Sept. 18 outside the Solomon Blatt Physical Education Center. The race will be held rain or shine. Pre-registration is available through 5 p.m. Sept. 8. To pre-register, go to [campusrec.sc.edu/Parents/10](http://campusrec.sc.edu/Parents/10). For questions, contact Erica Choutka at [choutka@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:choutka@mailbox.sc.edu). Race participants can learn more about Genesis 2015, a collaborative movement facilitated by the Department of Vehicle Management and Parking Services to reduce fuel emissions from the University vehicle fleet by 90 percent by the year 2015. The USC hydrogen bus will be on the course. For more information about Genesis 2015, go to [www.sc.edu/news/newsarticle.php?nid=632](http://www.sc.edu/news/newsarticle.php?nid=632). For a complete schedule of Parents Weekend activities and more information about Parents Weekend, go to [www.sa.sc.edu/parents](http://www.sa.sc.edu/parents).

**JEWISH STUDIES TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE:**

The Jewish Studies Program will hold an open house from noon to 1:30 p.m. Sept. 17 in Gambrell Hall, Room 006. Participants can attend a session of Saskia Coenen-Snyder's History 492G class on the Holocaust. The open house will begin at noon, and the class will start at 12:20 p.m. The open house and class will include a short introduction to the Holocaust as a topic of scholarly investigation in the college classroom by Coenen-Snyder and Federica K. Clementi, from their respective fields of history and literature. They will discuss their approaches to the Holocaust and the challenges it produces for professors and students. They will argue for the necessity of Holocaust courses in the core curriculum, while recognizing that the Holocaust is only one component in the history of the Jewish people.

**WORKSHOPS OFFERED FOR ADVISORS:**

The Office of Student Organizations will sponsor workshops for faculty and staff members who are advisors of student organizations on campus. The workshops will offer an opportunity to learn more about the services the office provides and information related to the annual renewal and requesting of funds from Student Government. The workshops will be at noon Sept. 2 and at 4 p.m. Sept. 8 in the Russell House, Room 201.

**DAWSON NAMED AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY FELLOW:**

John H. Dawson, chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, has been named to the 2010 class of American Chemical Society (ACS) fellows. He is one of 192 distinguished scientists who have demonstrated outstanding accomplishments in chemistry and made important contributions to ACS, the world's largest scientific society. The 2010 fellows represent academe, industry, and government.

**CAROLINA DINING IS ON FACEBOOK:** Check out the new features and dining options at Carolina on the Carolina Dining Services Facebook page at <http://companies.to/carolinadining>. Become a fan on Facebook to get the latest news, coupons, tastings, and specials at Carolina Dining.

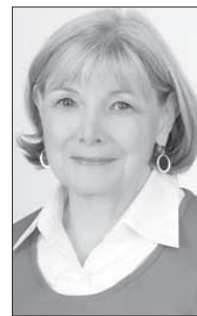
# Sheraton becomes first corporate partner of CAA

The Sheraton Columbia Downtown Hotel has become the first corporate partner of the Carolina Alumni Association, offering USC alumni discounts to the hotel.

The program is designed to expand service and discount benefits to members of the alumni association while providing promotional opportunities for corporate partners to reach Carolina alumni.

"We are delighted to welcome the Sheraton Downtown to the alumni family," said Marsha Cole, executive director of the Carolina Alumni Association.

"The people at the Sheraton have enthusiastically embraced our mission. Their support means so much to us and our members. We are looking forward to our partnership with the Sheraton Columbia Downtown Hotel and encourage



Cole

Carolina alumni to support them at every opportunity."

As a corporate partner, the Sheraton Columbia Downtown Hotel, a member of the internationally recognized Starwood brand of hotels, will provide room and dining discounts to members of the Carolina Alumni Association. Information on the discounts is available online at [www.MyCarolina.org/benefits](http://www.MyCarolina.org/benefits).

"We immediately recognized the tremendous value of working with the Carolina Alumni Association," said Ken Patel, partner and general manager of the hotel. "We are looking forward to supporting the alumni association, hosting association events, and making Carolina alumni feel they are part of the Sheraton family whenever they visit Columbia."



**Israeli visit**

President Pastides and First Lady Patricia Moore-Pastides were in Israel recently as part of a trip sponsored by the American Jewish Federation for presidents and their respective spouses of several major U.S. research universities, including Cornell, San Jose State, the University of Miami, and California Polytechnic State University. In addition to meetings with administrators at several Israeli and Palestinian universities, the group met with Shimon Peres, president of the State of Israel, pictured at left, center, as well as Salam Fayyad, prime minister of the Palestinian National Authority. "There is much that South Carolina can learn from Israel in terms of investing in education and creating more high-tech startup companies," Pastides said. "Israel trails only the United States in the number of startups, and that's partly because Israeli universities reward and incentivize interactions with industry."

## Volunteers needed for study of postpartum depression

The Arnold School of Public Health is seeking volunteers for a study to determine whether bright light therapy can relieve symptoms of postpartum depression.

At least 15 percent of new mothers experience postpartum symptoms that frequently go undiagnosed and untreated, said Shannon Cornelius, an exercise science doctoral student who is leading the study.

"A driving force behind this project is that there is no Food and Drug Administration-approved medication for these women. There have been no studies to see what happens when medications currently available to treat postpartum depression pass through to the infant in the mother's milk."

The study is recruiting 20 new mothers who have given birth within a year. Participants can have a variety of symptoms, including depression; loss of interest or pleasure in activities; sleep and/or appetite disturbances; loss of energy/fatigue; and feelings of worthlessness/guilt.

After an initial interview, eligible mothers will have a baseline fMRI—a specialized MRI scan to map brain activity—and complete baseline questionnaires about their mood, fatigue, sleep quality, and general wellbeing.

For two weeks, one group of women will self-administer bright light therapy for 30 minutes a day upon rising. The procedure involves sitting or working near a light therapy box, which emits bright light similar to natural outdoor light.

Other study participants will undergo a similar therapy using a negative ion generator for the same duration. During the course of the study, participants also will be asked to wear a wrist monitor, called an actigraph, which measures sleep quality and daily light exposure.

The study will conclude with a final round of questions and a second fMRI to measure any physiological changes that occur with the therapy. Participants' identities will be confidential throughout the study.

For information on participation in the study, contact Cornelius at 7-7296 or send an e-mail to [Cornelsk@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:Cornelsk@mailbox.sc.edu).

## EPI is looking for conversation partners

English Programs for Internationals (EPI) at USC is looking for volunteers to be conversation partners with international students who are studying English and American culture at USC.

The partners meet for at least one hour a week to give the international students the opportunity to practice their oral English. The American partner also has the opportunity to learn some of the language and culture of the partner.

EPI students are available during lunch from 12:10 to 1:30 p.m., after 3:30 p.m., and on Fridays after 12:10 p.m. Partners also can meet on weekends. Partners coordinate their own times and usually meet on campus or the surrounding area. The commitment is for only one EPI term, about seven to eight weeks.

To apply, go to [www.epi.sc.edu/cp.html](http://www.epi.sc.edu/cp.html) to fill out an application form, including information about availability and preferences. For more information, send an e-mail to [cpp@epi.sc.edu](mailto:cpp@epi.sc.edu).

## SLIS receives more than \$1.1 million in grants

The School of Library and Information Science (SLIS) has been awarded a \$857,489 grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services to support seven doctoral fellowships.

With a matching award of \$271,043 from USC's College of Mass Communication and Information Studies, the SLIS will give doctoral students the opportunity to participate in a specially designed course and to work in field placements that explore the common threads that unite museums, libraries, and other cultural institutions.

The school offers bachelor's, master's, and doctoral programs, as well as three additional certification programs and a comprehensive distance-education program for graduate study.

## Douppnik, Ford named vice provosts

Provost Michael Amiridis has announced the appointment of two new vice provosts, Tim Douppnik and Lacy Ford.

Douppnik, chair of the accounting department in the Moore School of Business, will assume duties as vice provost effective Oct. 1. His mission will be to create new opportunities for students and faculty to pursue with other institutions of higher education around the world. He also will be responsible for recruiting a small number international undergraduate students to the University.

Ford, chair of the history department in the College of Arts and Sciences, will become vice provost effective Sept. 1. He will work with colleges around the University to enhance and, in some cases, create facilities for distance education instruction.

Several academic units within the University, including nursing, social work, library and information science, and engineering, have well-developed distance education programs, but other areas would benefit from revitalization efforts.

# NASCAR or football?

## Debate series to tackle loaded question Sept. 29

By Chris Horn

By late September, the Gamecocks will have played Southern Miss, Georgia, Furman, and Auburn, and NASCAR's Sprint Cup drivers will have traded paint in 28 races.

And on Sept. 29, two history scholars will visit Carolina to engage in what promises to be a lively debate about which sport is more important to the South: NASCAR or football. It's the fifth installment of the ongoing Take on the South series, directed by Carolina history professors Walter Edgar and Mark Smith and sponsored by a grant from the Watson-Brown Foundation.

Like previous debates, which have focused on Southern presidential politics, Southern literature, and Southern food, this episode on Southern sport will be moderated by Edgar, taped at S.C. ETV studios, and televised at a later date.

For Harvey H. "Hardy" Jackson, the Eminent Scholar in History at Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville, Ala., the pigskin is preeminent.



Jackson

"Football has been around longer," Jackson said. "About the time [the South] was done with Reconstruction, we started playing football. I'm not going to put down NASCAR, but its strength is rather localized, even in the South. Football, on the other hand, is big in nearly every community and town that fields a high school team."

"Personally, I've never been able to get excited about watching people driving fast and turning left. But we all have our quirks."

Dan Pierce, a professor of Southern and Appalachian history at UNC-Asheville who attended his first NASCAR race in 1994 at Bristol Motor Speedway in Tennessee, begs to differ.

"NASCAR is the most Southern sport in terms of its roots," said Pierce, whose latest book is *Real NASCAR: White Lightning, Red Clay, and Big Bill France* (UNC Press). "Stock car racing emerged from the working class and was built by the working class—that makes it the more important Southern sport."

Pierce set out to dispel myths about the early history of NASCAR in his book, among them the stories about early drivers honing their skills by running moonshine in souped-up hot rods.

"My assumption was that the bootlegging connection was overblown and mythologized. But the deeper I looked, the more liquor I found," he said. "In fact, I found that some of the early racetrack owners built their tracks using revenue from bootlegging."

Bootlegging is not a peculiarly Southern thing, Pierce said, but its fingerprints on the formative years of NASCAR lend to the sport's Southern mystique.

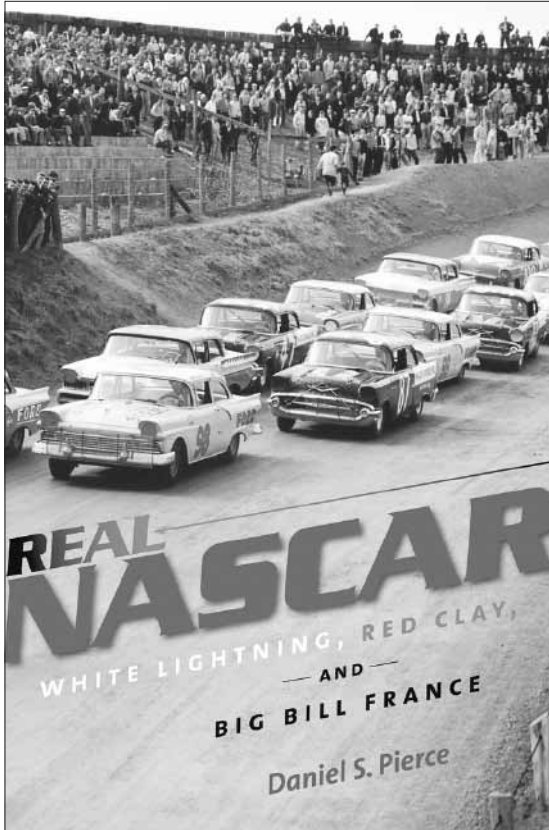
"Besides, football started out as an elite Ivy League sport. It didn't originate in the South," he said. "Maybe we play the game better and with more passion in the South, but that doesn't make it more important."

For Jackson, football's origins in the Ivy League don't matter. The sport found a true home in the South, where it became a community-based enterprise, he said.

"It's participatory: you've got 45 kids playing the game, 20 cheerleaders, 100 people in the band, and their parents and friends showing up every Friday night for a game," he said. "And it became a bonding experience, forging friendships between city kids and rural kids."

"At the college level, Southern football became synonymous with Southern pride, especially when Alabama won the Rose Bowl in 1926, then turned around and won it again. Politicians played that to great effect."

The NASCAR/football debate takes place Sept. 29 at the S.C. ETV studios on George Rogers Boulevard. To attend the event, contact Bob Ellis at the Institute for Southern Studies at 7-2340.



UNC-Asheville history professor Daniel S. Pierce examines the myths of early NASCAR in his latest book.



Pierce

## Williams awarded Pfizer Fellowship

Edith Williams in the Arnold School of Public Health has been awarded the 2010 Pfizer Fellowship in Health Disparities.

Williams is deputy director for research and sustainability at the Institute for Partnerships to Eliminate Health Disparities and a research assistant professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics.

The Pfizer Award, which carries a stipend of \$130,000 over two years, is designed to support the career development of talented junior researchers. The fellowship awards program is open to researchers in U.S. schools of medicine and public health, nursing and pharmacy schools, and colleges of osteopathic medicine.

Williams' study will focus on an intervention to reduce the psychosocial and biological indicators of stress in African-American lupus patients. She will collaborate with the Medical University of South Carolina's Lupus Erythematosus Clinical Research Group.

"Patients with lupus and other autoimmune diseases are encouraged to avoid stress in their lives," Williams said. "Stressful situations can exacerbate lupus."

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reports that African-American women are three times more likely to get lupus than white women. They also tend to develop lupus at a younger age and have more severe symptoms than whites.

Williams said the Pfizer Fellowship will enable her to focus her research efforts on lupus.

"This is an important area of study for me," she said. "It also is significant because it can open doors to conducting large-scale studies in the Southeast on lupus in African-American women, something that has not been done before."

Before coming to the Arnold School, Williams had a key role in the Buffalo, N.Y., Lupus Project. The five-year, community-based participatory study examined asthma and autoimmune diseases in minorities in the Buffalo area. Funded by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, the project explored the high risk of infection among African Americans from environmental toxic pollutants. At the Institute for Partnerships to Eliminate Health Disparities, Williams is involved in developing a research program on minority women's health.



Williams

## Archaeologist's research has impact on South Carolina heritage tourism

By Marshall Swanson

Francis Marion, South Carolina's legendary Swamp Fox who helped repel the British during the Revolutionary War, is a legend in American history.

But how do you get Mom and Dad to stop in the Palmetto State and tell Marion's story to their kids on their way to Florida?

There are no interpretive centers at any of the places Marion frequented during his lifetime, though there could be in the future, thanks in part to the work of Steven D. Smith, associate director of applied research at the S.C. Institute of Archeology and Anthropology at the University.

Smith, who oversees the Institute's Military Sites Program, has been conducting archaeological research at Revolutionary War battlefields since 2002. He has been the principal investigator for archival and field surveys at battlefields such as Camden, Blackstocks, Musgrove Mill, and Fort Motte, and Francis Marion battlefields such as Blue Savannah, Snow's Island, Wadboo Plantation, and Parker's Ferry.

The research is helping South Carolina's heritage tourism industry to interpret the sites for tourists.

"You need an infrastructure in order for tourism to work, and you need to interpret the story," said Smith, who recently confirmed the location of a Revolutionary War battlefield called Williamson's Plantation at Historic Brattonsville for the York County Culture and Heritage Museums.

"The centers have to be developed," Smith said, "but our research provides the history and archaeology that will be used to develop accurate language for signage, interpretive programs, and tours."

In the past, Smith's field survey and research with institute colleague James B. Legg has led to a battlefield interpretive trail at the Battle of Camden for the Palmetto Conservation Foundation.

The idea, Smith said, is to entice people off the interstate to spend time and money in South Carolina while learning about a unique chapter in American history.

Attracting visitors could be especially important in the economically depressed Lowcountry in the area of Georgetown, Charleston, and Florence, where Francis Marion lived and fought the British. The state's Francis Marion Trail Commission sponsored Smith's archaeological study of Marion's battlefields in that region.

Developing tourism related to the Swamp Fox is actually just a byproduct of Smith's personal interest and research on the famous partisan fighter.

He's been pursuing Marion's legacy ever since 1993 when he began to receive grant and contract funding from organizations such as the Sonoco Products Co., the Lowcountry Council of Governments, and, most recently, the trail commission to confirm the authenticity of sites associated with the Swamp Fox.

Over time, the research enabled Smith to enter the Ph.D. program in anthropology at Carolina and begin work on his dissertation, which focuses on the partisan community around Snow's Island, S.C., during the Revolution. The area provided a base of operations, secure campsites, supplies, and men who helped Marion, who is "widely acknowledged as America's most successful partisan fighter," Smith said.

Smith's dissertation examines the Snow's Island community, including analysis of historic documents, landscape, and archaeology. It also will review the national memory of Marion from the early 19th century to the present.

In addition to Snow's Island, Smith's dissertation will examine another Marion site known as Dunham's Bluff, as well as Wadboo Plantation in the Moncks Corner area.

All told, Smith has examined 15 sites since the start of his research on Marion, five of which have turned up material evidence of a campground or battlefield where the Swamp Fox lived or fought, and which hold promise that they could be incorporated into some type of an interpretive center, trail, or program.

"Step one is to find the sites; step two is to develop the infrastructure for interpreting those sites; and step three is the acquisition of the sites in order to preserve them," Smith said.

A long-range plan by the Francis Marion Trail Commission, he added, calls for facilities that would attract visitors at places such as Francis Marion University, Moncks Corner, and Georgetown.

In addition to confirming the location of places frequented by Marion, Smith has also begun to rethink how Marion fought the British as a result of his research. Increasingly, he said, archeologists and artifact hunters working with him are finding fewer musket balls than expected and instead are turning up smaller caliber lead shot in battlefields.

That finding indicates to Smith that Marion's forces relied more on smooth bore trade guns, and rifles, and they often fired birdshot, evidence of yet another classic guerilla tactic for which Marion was well known.

The smaller weapons were still quite effective as "you didn't have to kill the enemy, you could just disperse him or put him out of commission," Smith said.

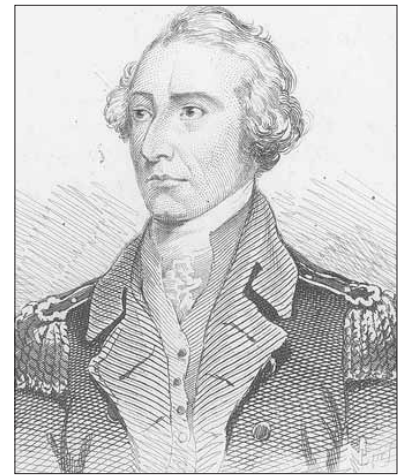
"I'm kind of an old-fashioned historian in the sense that I still like facts," Smith said. "I like to try to verify the past as much as I can using the evidence of archaeology, so my main interest in Marion is to combine primary source material and archaeology to wrest from the mythology who the real Francis Marion was."

"I like to understand history in terms of the way people understood themselves rather than the way we want to look at them. That is my thing, and Francis Marion is sort of my cause célèbre for that."



Steven D. Smith

Michael Brown



Francis Marion

Courtesy of South Caroliniana Library

# August & September Calendar

## ■ Miscellany

**Aug. 26 McCutchen House:** Lunch buffet opens, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Tuesday–Friday. The cost is \$10 per person. For reservations, call 7-4450. For more information, go to [www.hrsm.sc.edu/mccutchen-house/](http://www.hrsm.sc.edu/mccutchen-house/).

**Aug. 31–Sept. 28 Healthy Carolina Farmers Market:** The University will sponsor the Healthy Carolina Farmers Market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Tuesday from Aug. 31 to Sept. 28 on Greene Street in front of the Russell House between the iron gates. Products include chicken, eggs, heirloom vegetables, butter beans, bread, and other items. The market is cash and carry, with cash payment due to the farmer at the time of purchase. For more information, contact Holly Harring at [harrinha@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:harrinha@mailbox.sc.edu) or go to [www.sc.edu/healthycarolina](http://www.sc.edu/healthycarolina).

**Sept. 1 Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs Javits Fellowship Workshop:** 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322. The Javits Fellowship is available to students of superior academic ability with demonstrated achievements and promise who will pursue doctoral or MFA degrees. The awards cover graduate study in selected fields of the arts, humanities, and social sciences. For more information call 7-0958, send an e-mail to [ofsp@sc.edu](mailto:ofsp@sc.edu), or go to [www.sc.edu/ofsp](http://www.sc.edu/ofsp).

**Sept. 7, 14, 21, and 28 McCutchen House:** Wine 101 Time, 6:30–8:30 p.m. The cost is \$179 per person. To register, go to [www.mccutchenhouse.sc.edu](http://www.mccutchenhouse.sc.edu).

### Sept. 8 Women's Faculty

**Organization:** 4–5 p.m., Hollings Library, Program Room. The first meeting of the Women's Faculty Organization will feature Patricia Moore-Pastides, Carolina's First Lady, who will preview her upcoming cookbook, *Greek Revival: Cooking for Life*, to be published in late September by the USC Press. A celebration of the health benefits of the traditional Greek diet, the illustrated cookbook will include more than 80 recipes coupled with anecdotes about Greek culture. Book sales will benefit the USC Health and Sustainability Fund. Preorders will be taken at the meeting.



Pastides

**Sept. 8 Office of Fellowships and Scholar Programs Truman Scholar Workshop:** 4 p.m., Legare College, Room 322. The Truman Scholar program is for juniors (any major) preparing for a career in public service with demonstrated leadership abilities, academic achievement and potential, community service accomplishments, and a commitment to public service. The highly competitive scholarship provides up to \$30,000 for graduate school. Students must be nominated by the University. For more information, call 7-0958, send an e-mail to [ofsp@sc.edu](mailto:ofsp@sc.edu), or go to [www.sc.edu/ofsp](http://www.sc.edu/ofsp).

## Bobcats, Pistons take to the court Oct. 16

Hall of Fame head coach Larry Brown will lead the Charlotte Bobcats in a preseason matchup with Richard Hamilton, Tayshaun Prince, and the Detroit Pistons at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 16 at Colonial Life Arena.

Coming off their first postseason appearance, the Bobcats are looking to improve on last year's franchise record 44-win campaign and stay competitive in the NBA's toughest division. Joining All-Star forward Gerald Wallace and leading scorer Stephen Jackson are summer league standouts Gerald Henderson and Derrick Brown, third-year point guard D.J. Augustin, and a talented group of rookies and veterans looking to make the Bobcats roster.

This year will mark the team's third preseason game in South Carolina and second in Columbia.

Tickets start at \$15 with a limited number of VIP seats available. Group, military, college, and children discounts also available based on availability. Tickets are available at the Time Warner Cable Box Office at Colonial Life Arena, Play it Again Sports outlets in Northeast Columbia and Lexington, online at [www.TWCtix.com](http://www.TWCtix.com), or charge by phone at 1-877-4-TWC-TIX (1-877-489-2849).

## ■ Miscellany

**Sept. 8 Center for Digital Humanities Open House:** 4:30–6:30 p.m., Russell House, Grand Ballroom. The open house, which is free and open to the public, is for faculty, staff, and students to celebrate the formal recognition of the Center for Digital Humanities. The event will feature exhibitions from faculty and students in humanities, arts, sciences, and computing from across campus. Refreshments will be served. For more information, go to <http://cdh.sc.edu> or send an e-mail to [jenguiliano@gmail.com](mailto:jenguiliano@gmail.com).

**Sept. 8 Center for Teaching Excellence:** "Improve Your Classroom Voice," featuring Erica Tobolski, an assistant professor in the Department of Theatre and Dance, 2:30–3:45 p.m., Longstreet Theater. Participants should enter through the breezeway behind the theater. Tobolski works professionally as a voice and text coach at leading theaters around the country and performs as an actress and voice-over artist. To RSVP, send an e-mail to [cte@sc.edu](mailto:cte@sc.edu), call 7-8322, or go to [www.sc.edu/cte/workshops/classroomvoice/](http://www.sc.edu/cte/workshops/classroomvoice/).

**Sept. 9 University Women's Club:** Fall Social Afternoon Reception, 4–5:30 p.m., President's House. University Women's Club (UWC) members, including Patricia Moore-Pastides, Carolina's First Lady, will become reacquainted and meet with potential new members at a wine and cheese social in the reception room of the President's House. Membership in the UWC is open to wives of faculty and administrative officers, including retirees, and to women who are current or retired faculty or administrative officers. RSVP by Sept. 2 to Nancy Mullen at [ds401@roadrunner.com](mailto:ds401@roadrunner.com).

**Sept. 9 McCutchen House:** "Thursdays at McCutchen," a four- or five-course evening dinner designed and prepared by the students of the Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management Program (HRTM) under the direction of teaching staff and chefs. Guests will be seated from 6:30 to 6:45 p.m., using a "cruise ship or making new dining friends" seating arrangement: reservations for individuals or two guests will be seated together at tables accommodating no more than six guests. The dinner will give students an opportunity to expand their expertise in menu and operational management—one of the Blue Print for Excellence goals of the College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management. The event accommodates the need for additional and improved learning opportunities for the growing HRTM student body. Menus typically include soup, salad, fish or pasta, main entrée, dessert, bread, coffee, and iced tea. The cost is \$20 per person, including tax. Menus and payment options will be linked from the McCutchen House home page at [mccutchenhouse.sc.edu](http://mccutchenhouse.sc.edu).

**Sept. 22. Service Learning:** "Community Partner Breakfast," 7:30–9 a.m., Russell House Ballroom. Network with Columbia nonprofits and explore potential partnerships. Free. For more information, go to [www.sc.edu/servicelearning](http://www.sc.edu/servicelearning).

## ■ Sports

**Aug. 27 Women's soccer:** Louisville, 7:30 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Aug. 28 Men's soccer:** College of Charleston, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Aug. 29 Women's soccer:** Ohio, 2:30 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 3 Men's soccer:** Clemson, 8 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 5 Women's soccer:** Arizona State, 2 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 9 Football:** Southern Miss, 7:30 p.m., Williams-Brice Stadium.

**Sept. 10 Women's soccer:** Clemson, 7:30 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 11 Football:** Georgia, noon, Williams-Brice Stadium.

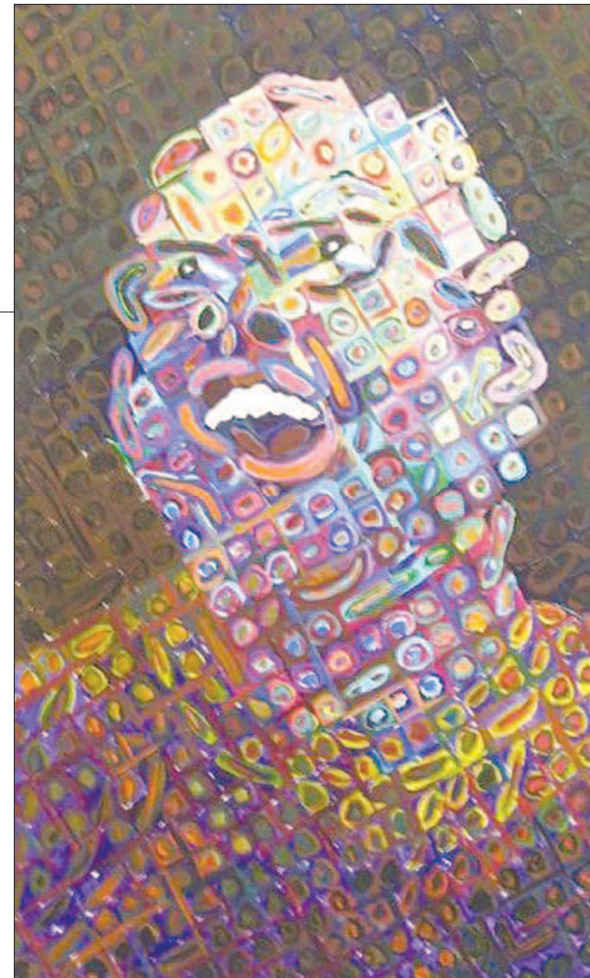
**Sept. 12 Women's soccer:** Furman, 2:30 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 16 Women's soccer:** Minnesota, 7 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 17 Men's soccer:** Iona, 7:30 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 19 Men's soccer:** Connecticut, 1 p.m., Stone Stadium.

**Sept. 19 Football:** Furman, 7 p.m., Williams-Brice Stadium.



Works by USC Upstate student Christopher Adam Turner, including *Self Portrait*, above, will be on display through Aug. 29 at the West Main Artist Co-op in Spartanburg.

## ■ Around the campuses

**Aug. 20–22 and 26–28 USC Upstate:** The Shoestring Players will present *The Hallelujah Girls* at 8 p.m. Aug. 20–21 and 26–28 and at 3 p.m. Aug. 22 in the Humanities and Performing Arts Center. When the Hallelujah girls in Eden Falls, Ga., decide to open SPA-DEE-DAH in an abandoned church, they change their lives and pursue their dreams. Carlene has buried three husbands; Nita can't keep her son out of trouble with his probation officer; and Mavis is trying to think of a way to fake her own death to get out of her marriage. All the while, Crystal perks everyone up with her hilarious lyrics to Christmas carols. When an old boyfriend shows up, Sugar Lee's rival tries to steal the spa, and an unexpected marriage proposal shocks everyone. By the end of the evening, even the audience will shout Hallelujah! For more information, call 864-503-5880 or send an e-mail to [bwhitfielduscupstate.edu](mailto:bwhitfielduscupstate.edu).



**Through Aug. 29 USC Upstate:** "Current Reflections of Self and Current Work," an exhibit featuring works by artist Christopher Adam Turner. Turner, the first student to receive the USC Upstate Artist Fellowship for the West Main Artist Co-op Studio in Spartanburg, will exhibit his work through Aug. 29 at the West Main Artist Co-op Studio. The exhibit concludes Turner's fellowship. Turner, a native of Spartanburg, is pursuing a degree in art education at USC Upstate. The West Main Artist Co-op Studio is at 578 West Main St. in Spartanburg. For more information, send an e-mail to [turnerca@email.uscupstate.edu](mailto:turnerca@email.uscupstate.edu).

## Opera's season opens with *Mr. Scrooge*

Opera at USC has announced its 2010–11 season. The performances are:

- *Mr. Scrooge*, by Samuel O. Douglas, and *Miss Havisham's Wedding Night*, by Dominick Argento; Nov. 5 and 6, with a matinee Nov. 7; Drayton Hall
  - *Cendrillon*, by Jules Massenet, to be performed in French; Feb. 25 and 26, with a matinee Feb. 27; Drayton Hall
  - *An Evening of One Acts*, featuring *La Dolorosa* (abridged), by José Serrano, and *Goyescas*, by Enrique Granados, performed in Spanish with English dialogue; April 9–10, School of Music Recital Hall.
- For more information, go to [www.music.sc.edu/ea/Opera/index.html](http://www.music.sc.edu/ea/Opera/index.html).

## Lectures

**Aug. 26 Physics and astronomy**, Colloquium Faculty Presentations, 3:30 p.m., 516 Main St., Room 122. Refreshments served at 3:15 p.m. For more information, call 7-8105, contact Mary Papp at [papp@physics.sc.edu](mailto:papp@physics.sc.edu) or go to [www.physics.sc.edu](http://www.physics.sc.edu).

**Aug. 26 History Center**, "The Institute for Historical Studies at UT Austin: Lessons Learned over the First Three Years," Julie Hardwick, University of Texas, 3:30–5 p.m., Gambrell Hall, Room 152. Harwick will share her perspective on starting and running an institution similar to USC's History Center. She will answer questions after her presentation.

**Aug. 31 Center for Teaching Excellence**, "Under the Bigtop: What to do with the Large Lecture," featuring David Miller, Carolina Distinguished Professor of English and Comparative Literature, 11 a.m.–2:15 p.m., College of Nursing, Williams-Brice Building, Room 409. To RSVP, send an e-mail to [cte@sc.edu](mailto:cte@sc.edu), call 7-8322, or go online at [www.sc.edu/cte/davidmiller/](http://www.sc.edu/cte/davidmiller/).

**Sept. 2 Chemistry and biochemistry**, Qian Wang, 4 p.m., Jones Physical Sciences Center, Room 006. Refreshments served at 3:45.

**Sept. 9 Physics and astronomy, Colloquium**, "Weak Mixing Angle and Strangeness Content of the Nucleon," Roberto Petti, 3:30 p.m., 516 Main St., Room 122. Refreshments will be served at 3:15 p.m. For more information, call 7-8105, send an e-mail to Mary Papp at [papp@physics.sc.edu](mailto:papp@physics.sc.edu), or go to [www.physics.sc.edu](http://www.physics.sc.edu).

**Sept. 9 Center for Digital Humanities Future**, Knowledge Speaker Series, featuring Alan Liu, Department of English, University of California at Santa Barbara, 4–5 p.m., Lumpkin Auditorium, eighth floor, Moore School of Business. In his talk, "From Reading to Social Computing," Liu will explore how literary study can incorporate the new social networking and other socially oriented technologies to recover, and extend, the collective dimension of experiencing literature. He also will provide a sneak peak at Rose, the new Research-oriented Social Environment his collaborative group has been building. Refreshments will follow the lecture. For more information, go to <http://cdh.sc.edu> or send an e-mail to [jenguiliano@gmail.com](mailto:jenguiliano@gmail.com).

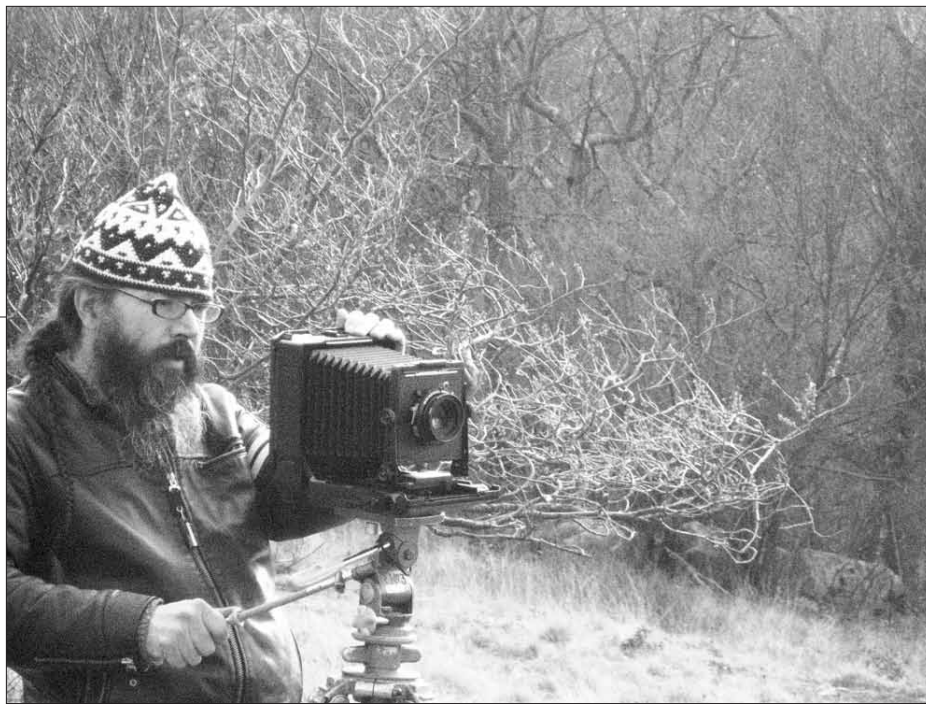
**Sept. 10 Chemistry and biochemistry**, John L. Ferry, 4 p.m., Jones Physical Science Center, Room 006. Refreshments will be served at 3:45 p.m.

**Sept. 13 History Center**, Gary Gerstle, Vanderbilt University, 3–5 p.m., McMaster College, Room 214.



### Tomlin comes to Aiken Oct. 16

Christopher Tomlin, a Dove Award-winning Christian contemporary music artist, worship leader, and songwriter from Grand Saline, Texas, will perform at 7 p.m. Oct. 16 at USC Aiken's Convocation Center. Special guest will be Kristian Stanfill. Tickets are available online at [www.georgialinatix.com](http://www.georgialinatix.com), by phone at 866-722-8877, or at the Convocation Center box office. Some of his songs are *How Great Is Our God*, *Jesus Messiah*, and *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*. He is currently a lead worshipper at Passion City Church in Atlanta, Ga.



An exhibit of works by photographer F. Tobias Morriss opens Aug. 28 at McKissick Museum. Morriss left the Gulf Coast after Hurricane Katrina and became a popular instructor in USC's art department.

## Exhibits

**Through Dec. 14 McKissick Museum: The Art of Environmental Awareness: The Batiks of Mary Edna Fraser**, North Gallery, second floor. Known internationally, Mary Edna Fraser uses batik, an ancient medium of waxing and hand dyeing cloth, to express issues of climate change and the long-term effects on the environment. Her vivid large-scale aerial views of barrier islands, coastal regions, and rivers reference the geological and geographical studies used to document the changing face of the landscape. Flying in an open canopy 1946 Ercoupe airplane, with her brother as pilot, Fraser observes what few people clearly see of the Earth—change. Her batiks are both an art form and a vehicle for inspiring global awareness.



Artist Mary Edna Fraser irons away the wrinkles from one of her large silk batiks. Michael Brown

**Aug. 28–Dec. 18 McKissick Museum: Silver Yana: The Photographic Works of F. Tobias Morriss**, South Gallery, second floor. Toby Morris came to Columbia in 2005 fleeing the ravaged Gulf Coast following Hurricane Katrina. A popular instructor in USC's Department of Art, Morriss mentored dozens of photography students who remained in close contact with him after they completed their studies. Morriss was known for his stark and haunting images produced almost exclusively in black and white through the silver gelatin process. Morriss' life and career were cut short following a hit-and-run accident on Feb. 21, 2010. He was 36 years old.

## List your events

The *Times* calendar welcomes submissions of listings and photographs for upcoming campus events. Information should include the title of the event, starting time, location, speaker or presenter and their affiliation, cost to attend, and the host department or program. Send information or direct questions to Jane Jeffcoat at [jwj@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:jwj@mailbox.sc.edu) or 7-3683. The deadline for receipt of information is 11 business days prior to the publication date of issue. The next publication date is Sept. 9.

## Online calendar

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

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

## Exhibits

**Sept. 1–Dec. 18 South Caroliniana Library: A Gospel of Health: Hilla Sheriff's Crusade Against Malnutrition in South Carolina**, Lumpkin Foyer. One of very few female physicians in South Carolina in the early 20th century, Hilla Sheriff was a pioneer in implementing public health services in the state. Her innovative programs garnered national attention and served as models for other Southern states.

**Through September Hollings Library: Selected Treasures**, S.C. Political Collections Gallery. The exhibit showcases a few treasures from the collections.

**Through September Thomas Cooper Library: Absolute Freedom and Wildness: An Exhibition for the 2010 First-Year Reading Experience Selection Into the Wild**, West Gallery.

**Through October Hollings Library: Two Centuries of Collecting: Some Treasures from the Irvin Department of Rare Books and Special Collections**, Irvin Department Exhibition Gallery.

## Symphony opener stars Rachel Barton Pine

The USC Symphony Orchestra will open its 2010–11 season Sept. 23 with a performance by violinist Rachel Barton Pine. The complete season is:

- Sept. 23, 2010—*Star-Spangled Banner Festive Overture*, op. 96, by Shostakovich; *Scottish Fantasy*, op. 46, by Bruch, featuring Pine; and *Enigma Variations*, op. 36, by Elgar
- Oct. 19—*American Festival Overture* (1939), by William Schuman; *Cello Concerto in A minor*, op. 129, by Robert Schumann, featuring Wendy Warner, cello; and *Symphony No. 3*, op. 97, "Rhenish," by Robert Schumann
- Nov. 16—*Tragic Overture*, op. 81, by Brahms; *Songs of a Wayfarer*, by Mahler, featuring Janet Hopkins, mezzo-soprano; and *Pictures at an Exhibition*, by Mussorgsky (orch. Ravel)



Rachel Barton Pine began playing the violin when she was 3 years old.

the 2009 Donald Portnoy International Violin Competition: *Romanian Rhapsody No. 2*, op. 11, by Enesco; and *Firebird Suite* (1919 version), by Stravinsky

- March 15, 2011—Winners of the USC Concerto-Aria Competition (TBA); *Flute Concerto*, by Nielsen, featuring Jennifer Parker-Harley, flute; and *The Moldau*, by Smetana
- April 12, 2011—*Cuban Overture*, by Gershwin; *Piano Concerto in A major*, S. 125, by Liszt, featuring Judit Gábos, piano; and *Symphony No. 8*, op. 88, by Dvořák.

All concerts will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Koger Center. For more information, go to [www.music.sc.edu/ea/orchestra/USC%20Symphony%20Orchestra%202010-2011%20season.pdf](http://www.music.sc.edu/ea/orchestra/USC%20Symphony%20Orchestra%202010-2011%20season.pdf).

## U.S. News rankings: International business still No. 1

The same week that it welcomes its largest freshman class, the University was recognized in *U.S. News & World Report's* 2011 college guide for its outstanding programs that encourage student success and for having the nation's top undergraduate international business program.

The Darla Moore School of Business' undergraduate program in international business earned the No. 1 ranking for the 14th consecutive year, and the school itself held steady at the 42nd spot for overall business education nationally. The Moore School's undergraduate insurance program is ranked No. 10.

Among all national public universities, the University moved up three spots to 52nd.

The citations appear in *U.S. News & World Report's 2011 America's Best Colleges Guide*.

A section titled "A Strong Focus on Student Success" singles out the nation's institutions with the best student-enrichment offerings and cites USC for having one of the nation's best programs for First-Year Experience, Learning Communities, and Undergraduate Research/Creative Projects. A feature article, titled "The Care and Feeding of Freshmen," focuses on USC's first-year programs.

USC has earned recognition for its Learning Communities and pioneering First-Year Experience previously in the *U.S. News* guide, but the accolade for Undergraduate Research/Creative Projects is new and particularly gratifying for President Pastides, who launched the Magellan Scholars Program and the Office of Undergraduate Research in 2005 when he was USC's vice president for research.

"It is always gratifying to be recognized, and we are proud of the strides our faculty and students continue to make to warrant inclusion on these prestigious lists," he said. "We are especially pleased that our undergraduate research has been cited as a national leader."

USC Dean of Students Dennis Pruitt said the citations recognize coordinated integrated learning initiatives that have enhanced student success.

This year, 2,404 undergraduates will live in 115 living-and-learning communities on campus. These academically themed communities have become an integral part of the student experience, connecting undergraduates to the institution academically and socially. They include engineering and computing, journalism, music, Capstone Scholars, the S.C. Honors College, Magellan explorers, and Healthy Carolina wellness community. is one of many research-funding opportunities available to students through the office.

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"The NSF increase, in particular, is a positive reflection on the junior faculty we've recruited who have won early career awards and the continuing productivity of many senior faculty members," said Stephen Kresovich, vice president for research and graduate education. "The quest for research funding has become an ultra-competitive endeavor across the country, and, while we still have room to grow, we're pleased to have registered a funding increase this year."

Colleges that achieved notable growth in FY10 include arts and sciences (12 percent increase); engineering and computing (22 percent increase); and education (18.7 percent increase).

In addition, the University's regional and four-year campuses increased their collective research funding by more than 36 percent, from \$5.9 million in FY09 to \$8 million in FY10.

To retain its competitive edge, the University will work to develop interdisciplinary teams "that can put together regional, multi-institutional mega-grants in which we are a leader, not merely a participant," Kresovich said.

"In addition, there are three broad areas in which we have been particularly strong in the past 10 years: environmental sciences and sustainability, community health, and social justice," he said. "We want to rally our efforts in those areas and

also respond to opportunities such as Boeing's new manufacturing plant in South Carolina and the push for more nuclear energy and green energy in the Southeast."

Notable research awards in the past year include:

■ \$11.6 million (Department of Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering and Computing) from the Department of Energy to study nano-structure design and synthesis

■ \$4.9 million (Prevention Research Center in the Arnold School of Public Health) from the Centers for Disease Control/Health and Human Services to study health promotion and disease research

■ \$4.9 million (Earth Sciences and Resources Institute in the College of Arts and Sciences) from the Department of Energy to study geological characterization of the South Georgia Rift Basin for potential storage of CO<sub>2</sub>.

With the exception of one year—2002—USC has achieved consecutive increases in annual research funding since 1983. Carolina is one of only 63 public universities listed by the Carnegie Foundation in the highest tier of research institutions in the United States.

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schooled in the Midlands as possible."

USC Provost Michael Amiridis said the expansion in Greenville complements USC's efforts to increase access to healthcare.

"Expanding the medical-education program in Greenville complements USC's initiatives to provide more healthcare professionals, from nursing and pharmacy to social work and public health, for South Carolina," Amiridis said.

Amiridis said the expanded medical-education program will feature innovative teaching practices, including sending students to community primary-care settings earlier to expose them to patient care. The program will have a dean who will report to the provost in Columbia.

USC and GHS officials said the launch of the expansion will not be financed with state funds and instead will be funded by GHS and by future-student tuition. Also, substantial infrastructure, including clinical faculty through its University Medical Group and 98,000 square feet of medical-education facilities, is already in place at the GHS campus.

Pastides said all those factors entered into the decision to expand in Greenville.

"This in no way represents a diminution of our commitment to our fine medical school in Columbia," Pastides said. "In fact, the expansion in Greenville and Columbia is an endorsement of its outstanding tradition of educating primary-care physicians."

Pastides said the expanded programs in Columbia and Greenville will emphasize the primary-care fields, including family medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, internal medicine, and psychiatry and focus on recruiting South Carolinians and encouraging them to remain in the state and practice in underserved rural areas.

"Increasingly, our school and the Medical University of South Carolina have had to turn away qualified applicants," Pastides said. "Those applicants either abandon their plans for medical school or go elsewhere. Either way, our state loses a pool of potential physicians, and we cannot afford to let that continue."

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taking place in New Orleans.

"According to articles I've been reading, New Orleans in the next five to 10 to 15 years is going to be THE city to go to for educational reforms because the things they're doing there are really great. As terrible as Katrina was, a lot of good things have come out of it."

Welsh, who is certified up to third grade, will teach all subjects but her specialty is reading. The College of Education's language and literacy program helped Welsh understand how to work with both struggling readers and children who are new to America and just learning English.

"I feel like I have all the skills I need to embark on this journey," said Welsh, who also received her undergraduate degree at USC. "I got so much knowledge while I was at Carolina. I'm ready to put everything I've learned into my own classroom for the first time."

When she was growing up, Welsh wanted to be a designer, not a teacher. But during her senior year of high school in Myrtle Beach, she took a teacher cadet class and fell in love with education.

"I felt it was something I was good at and could build a rapport with my students," said Welsh, whose mother teaches English as a Second Language to middle-school students. "So, I majored in education, and I have no regrets."

Welsh has no regrets either about her decision to begin her teaching career in a city that is beginning a new movement to transform its schools. She had never visited New Orleans before interviewing for teachNOLA, but she plans to make the city her permanent home.

"I would like to see the students I have my first year graduate from high school," Welsh said. "I feel like this is what I'm supposed to do."

## Aiken receives seventh No. 1 U.S. News ranking

USC Aiken is ranked first among the top public regional colleges in the South in the 2011 edition of *U.S. News & World Report's* guide *America's Best Colleges*. USC Aiken has been ranked in the top three public regional colleges in the South category by *U.S. News & World Report* for 13 consecutive years. USC Aiken has been ranked first seven times in 2002, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, and 2011.

"We are certainly proud of this recognition for USC Aiken. Our dedicated faculty and staff demonstrate their commitment to students each and every day and that makes this campus one of the best in the country," said Tom Hallman, USC Aiken Chancellor. "Even in difficult financial times, we have not lost sight of our core mission—providing a high quality educational experience for our students that seeks to maximize their potential."

USC Upstate ranked fourth among public regional colleges.

The exclusive rankings, available online at USNews.com, also will be published in the September issue of *U.S. News & World Report* on newsstands starting Aug. 31.

## Briefly

### THOMPSON RECEIVES YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD

**AWARD:** Paul Thompson, an associate professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, has received the Governor's Young Scientist Award for Excellence in Scientific Research. The award is given to young researchers in the state who have completed no more than 12 years beyond the Ph.D. and whose achievements and contributions to science merit special recognition. The award also promotes wider awareness of the quality and extent of scientific activity in South Carolina.

### TOUMEY AWARDED COOLIDGE FELLOWSHIP:

Chris Toumey, a faculty associate in the USC NanoCenter and Department of Anthropology, received a Coolidge Fellowship for the 2010 Research Colloquium of CrossCurrents, the Association for Religion and Intellectual Life. With a dozen other Coolidge fellows, Toumey spent four weeks in July at Union Theological Seminary in New York to study positions on science and technology that have been generated by various religious denominations. The project is part of his research on religious reactions to nanotechnology, which is funded by the National Science Foundation.

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University staff, faculty, and retirees contributed \$2.7 million. Private gifts also played a key role in shaping the newly dedicated Ernest F. Hollings Special Collections Library.

Michelle Dodenhoff, university vice president of development and alumni relations, said donors know that their gifts will make a real difference for students, faculty, programs, and capital needs.

"It's humbling to me to see how many alumni, friends, foundations, and other partners have illustrated their confidence in the great work and promise of our University by maintaining or increasing their support this past year," Dodenhoff said.

One of the many beneficiaries is the Gamecock Guarantee, which provides financial support to in-state, first-generation students with the greatest need for financial assistance. The program grew from 96 freshmen its first year to 125 last year.

Gamecock Guarantee recipient and Honors College student Chadwick Devlin from Anderson said, "Without the Gamecock Guarantee and the financial resources it provides, I would not be able to reach my greatest potential."



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**Sara Wilcox** and **Steven N. Blair**, exercise science, Meghan Baruth, Andrea L. Dunn, Abby C. King, Bess H. Marcus, W. Jack Rejeski, and James F. Sallis, "Psychosocial Mediators of Physical Activity and Fitness Changes in the Activity Counseling Trial," *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*.

**Patrick D. Nolan**, sociology, Jennifer Triplett and Shannon McDonough (both USC doctoral students in sociology), "Sociology's Suicide: A Forensic Autopsy?," *The American Sociologist*.

**Roberto Refinetti**, psychology, Salkehatchie, "Entrainment of circadian rhythm by ambient temperature cycles in mice," *Journal of Biological Rhythms*.

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**Richard Clodfelter**, retailing, "Biometric Technology in Retailing: Will Consumers Accept Fingerprint Authentication?," *Journal of Retailing and Consumer Services*.

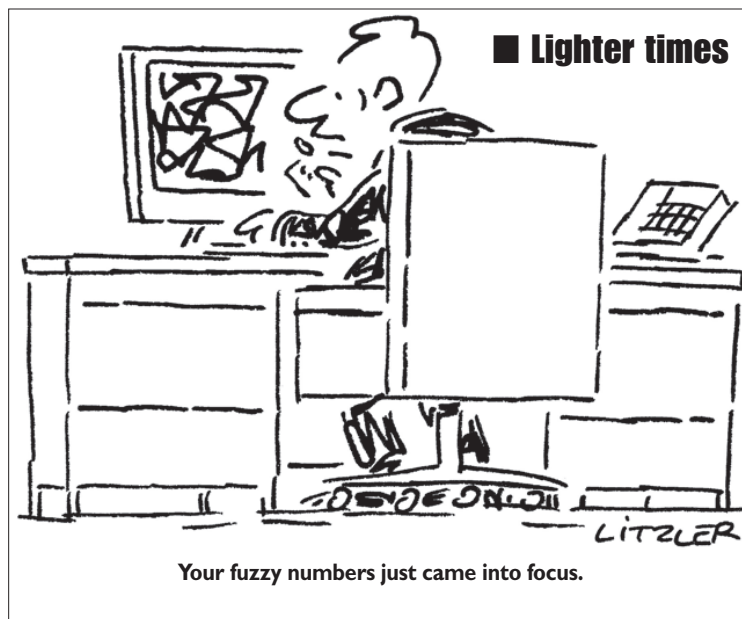
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**Jihong Liu** and **Natalie Colabianchi**, epidemiology and biostatistics, **Russell R. Pate**, exercise science, J. Kim, and A. Ortaglia, "Co-varying patterns of physical activity and sedentary behavior patterns among adolescents," *Journal of Physical Activity and Health*.

## ■ PRESENTATIONS

**Ed Madden**, English, "Sexual Citizenship, Gay Politics, Irish and Transnational Poetries," International Association for Studies in Irish Literature, Maynooth, Ireland, and "Tabhair Dom do Lamh: Austin Clarke's Encounter," Symposium on Ireland, Modernism, and the Fin de Siecle, University of Limerick, Limerick, Ireland.



**Rechelle Paranal**, Center for Child and Family Studies, social work, "High Stakes Training: Can (or Should) Value-Added Evaluation Help Participants Learn?," National Staff and Development Training Association conference, Boston, Mass.

**Donna Privette** and **Jennifer Webb**, Center for Child and Family Studies, social work, "New Strategies for Changing Times: Engaging Learners Online," National Staff and Development Training Association, Boston, Mass.

**Dana DeHart**, Center for Child and Family Studies, social work, "Off the Beaten Path: How Child Welfare Workers Can Help Girls Journey Beyond Victimization & Delinquency," Practice and Research Together (PART) Webinar series for Canadian child welfare workers, and, with **Jennifer McLearn**, sociology, "Juvenile delinquency & childhood instability," American Sociological Association, Atlanta, Ga.

**Cynthia Flynn**, **Dana DeHart**, and **Suzanne Sutphin**, Center for Child and Family Studies, social work, and Diana Tester, "Community-Derived Research Partnerships: Working Together to Improve Human Services" panel to be presented at the annual conference of the American Evaluation Association in San Antonio, Texas.

**Jane Luther Smith**, music, Sumter, "God is in the House! Exploring the Piano Transcriptions of Art Tatum," American Matthey Association Piano Festival, Columbus, Ga.

**Bruce E. Konkle**, journalism and mass communications, "High school and collegiate journalism: The ties that bind (through an AEJMC division, and beyond)," Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Denver, Colo.

**DeAnne K. Hilfinger Messias**, nursing and Women's and Gender Studies, and Deborah Parra-Medina, "Addressing Barriers to Primary Health Care among Recent Latina Immigrants: Findings from South Carolina, USA," Global Network of World Health Organizations collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery, São Paulo, Brazil.

**Joshua Gold**, counselor education, "Clarifying the concepts of spiritual identity and maturity: Implications for counseling," Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling, Myrtle Beach.

## ■ OTHER

**Stanley South**, S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, was profiled in a recent issue of *The Journal of The Society for Historical Archaeology* in an interview with J.W. "Joe" Joseph, the journal's editor.

**Carolyn L. Hansen**, languages, literatures, and cultures, participated in the 2010 annual reading and scoring of the College Board's AP examinations in Spanish, Cincinnati, Ohio.

## ■ 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.

## Grant to fund research on Sherman's march

An archaeologist in the College of Arts and Sciences has been awarded a grant by the American Battlefield Protection Program, part of the National Park Service (NPS), to research Union Gen. William T. Sherman's campaign across South Carolina.

Steven D. Smith, associate director of applied research in the college's S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, will begin the two-year project this fall.

The \$64,200 grant calls for researching, identifying, locating, and providing a current status of multiple battlefields, skirmish sites, and camps associated with Sherman's march across the Palmetto State. Smith's research also will include the study of two "Yankee" POW camps within Columbia's city limits. He expects to document 60 sites; no excavation work will be done.

The grant is one of 25 NPS grants awarded to preserve and protect significant battle sites from all wars fought on American soil. Smith has spent 18 years conducting military site archaeology in South Carolina and the Southeast.



Smith

## Torres attends Riley Institute

Myriam Torres of the Arnold School of Public Health recently completed studies with the Diversity Leadership Initiative of the Richard W. Riley Institute of Government, Politics, and Public Leadership.



Torres

The institute, affiliated with the Department of Political Science at Furman University, is named for Richard Riley, the former governor of South Carolina and U.S. Secretary of Education. Participants selected for the institute undergo a program that comprises politics, public policy, and public leadership.

As part of her studies with the institute, Torres worked on a project that links youth groups with programs for senior citizens. Youth participating in this activity help seniors with yard work and small home repairs, or youth deliver warm meals and help take care of pets. A Web site is being established for the project.

"The institute has been an opportunity to meet wonderful people in leadership positions in South Carolina. Since I am the only Latina in the group, I have been able to share information about the Hispanic/Latino community in the state and in the United States," said Torres, director of the Consortium for Latino Immigration Studies and a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the Arnold School.

## ■ In memoriam: Betty Glad

Betty Glad, the Olin D. Johnston Professor of Political Science and Distinguished Professor Emerita of the University, died Aug. 2 in Columbia. She was 82. A memorial service was held Aug. 8 in Rutledge Chapel on the Horseshoe with burial next to her parents in Salt Lake City, Utah.



Glad

Glad was a distinguished scholar of American politics and foreign policy who was the author of four books. She also was the editor or co-editor of *The Psychological Dimensions of War*, *The Russian Transformation*, and other books.

She was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize for her first book on Charles Evans Hughes and received a Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Utah in 2009. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Chicago.

Glad is survived by a brother and sister-in-law and by her great nephew and niece. In lieu of flowers, tax deductible memorials may be sent to: The Betty Glad Legal Defense Fund of the Women's Caucus for Political Science, C/O Laura R. Woliver, 425 Dean Hall Lane, Columbia, S.C. 29209. Glad's guestbook is at [www.dunbarfunerals.com](http://www.dunbarfunerals.com).

## Baxter awarded \$2.7 million research grant from NIH

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute of the National Institutes of Health recently awarded Suzi Baxter a four-year, \$2.7 million R01 grant for her research project titled "Children's Dietary Recalls: Prompts, Retention Interval, and Accuracy."

The relationship between diet and disease is a critical one in public health, but dietary assessment is challenging, especially among school children. As parents are not present everywhere children eat meals (e.g., at school), many studies and surveys must rely on elementary school children in upper-grade levels to self-report dietary intake. Although accuracy of children's dietary recalls is problematic, research has shown that it can be improved by aspects under direct control of investigators and practitioners.

The R01 grant will compare crucial yet untested aspects

of commonly used protocols for obtaining 24-hour dietary recalls from fourth-grade children. Results from this research will provide empirical evidence for refining software to obtain more accurate 24-hour dietary recalls from children for epidemiologic studies, interventions, and clinical practice.

Baxter is a research professor in the College of Social Work and the Institute for Families in Society (IFS). Co-investigators on this grant are James Hardin, an associate research professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics and director of the Biostatistics Collaborative Unit for Health Sciences, and Dawn Wilson, a professor in the Department of Psychology.

The R01 application included results from a pilot study that was funded in part by the University's Research Consortium on Children and Families (RCCF).

# Summer vacation: What a trip!

From the top of Kilimanjaro to the barrio in Nicaragua, faculty and staff find fun and purpose during their travel adventures.



▲ Nancy Callicott, administrative assistant to the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at USC Upstate, and her daughter, Erin, returned to Nicaragua this summer on a mission trip with Chosen Children Ministries. They worked in the barrio, The Flags, outside Managua to build and reconstruct homes for the families living there. The team fixed more than 20 homes and built seven outhouses. "It was a blessing and a privilege to go again," Callicott said.



▲ Richard Clodfelter, retailing, swims in the clear, blue waters of the Mediterranean after hiking to the top of the rock at Monemvasia, in the background, during a three-week trip to Greece in May.



▲ Terry Wolfer, social work, climbed to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania after spending a couple of weeks on a service project in Uganda. He climbed with his wife, Regina, and sons, David and Matthew, a USC senior, but they all reached the summit at different times.



▲ Aiken English professor Tom Mack shares a USC Aiken umbrella with Mozart outside a shop in Salzburg, Austria, the city where the composer was born.



▲ Richard Conant, solo vocalist and a distinguished professor emeritus in the School of Music, spent part of this summer in Lake Tahoe.



▲ Sissie Stutts Probert, an academic advisor in the College of Nursing, and her husband, Tim, got married over the summer in a ceremony that included each of their daughters, Maddy Stutts [in front of Sissie] and Megan Probert. "I believe this is the most exciting summer I've had in my years with USC, and I just hit 10 years as an employee," said Probert, who also is an alumna. "Unfortunately, Tim is a big Clemson fan, but that's my only complaint!"

▲ Virginia Rogers, chemistry and biochemistry, traveled to Germany to visit her son, Patrick Hankins, '09, who was there on a Fulbright Grant. They visited St. Martins Kirche, a church their ancestors helped build in Spenge.

▲ Pete Liggett, right, associate director and licensed psychologist in the Counseling and Human Development Center; his wife, Alisa; and 13-year-old twins, Scott and Chloe, take the wheel of his parents' boat, Jackrabbit, in Point Richmond, Calif., in the Brickyard Cove Marina on San Francisco Bay. The family also traveled to Lake Tahoe and Stinson Beach during their two-week vacation.



▲ Andrew Graciano, art history, enjoys a pint of the local ale outside Kilkenny Castle, in Kilkenny, Ireland, after a private tour of the castle's painting collection. His wife, Holly Graciano, a professional photographer in Columbia, visited briefly and took the picture. Graciano was in Ireland for three weeks to complete his research on Benjamin Wilson, FRS (1721-88), the English painter and electrical scientist who spent two years in Dublin from 1748 to 1750 painting portraits and performing experiments.



▲ Raina Gable, engineering and computing, visited Giants Causeway during a trip to Ireland in July.

