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WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

New social justice awards established in honor of MLK

The University will present a new 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 philosophy.

The deadline to submit applications is Dec. 18. Award winners will be announced at the University's annual King Breakfast. For more information, call Carl R. Wells at 7-9560 or send an e-mail to wells@sc.edu.

The theme for this year's Martin Luther King Jr. Day commemoration is "Where Do We Go from Here?" Planned events are:

■ Black Law Students Association Celebration, 6 p.m. Jan. 15, School of Law Auditorium. A panel discussion will feature I.S. Leevy Johnson, a partner with Johnson, Toal, and Battiste; Ernest A. Finney, a retired S.C. Supreme Court justice; and Justice Donald W. Beatty, S.C. Supreme Court.

■ Commemorative Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. Jan. 16, The Zone at Williams-Brice Stadium. The featured speaker will be U.S. Rep. James E. Clyburn, House Majority Whip. Tickets are \$8 for faculty and staff and \$2 for students. Tickets are available at the Carolina Coliseum box office and the Russell House.

■ Day of Service, 9:30 a.m. Jan. 19, registration and check in at the Russell House Second Floor Lobby. Registration is available online at www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/mlk.htm.

For more information, call the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs at 7-3854.

President discusses plans to address budget cuts

By Larry Wood

President Pastides outlined the steps the University is taking to address recent state budget cuts at the Faculty Senate meeting Dec. 3.

Pastides said he is finalizing plans now and has notified the Board of Trustees of the actions the University will take.

"Your deans and all deans in the system have been given the best guidance we have been able to provide centrally, and they are bringing their best recommendations to us on how they plan to manage their units," Pastides said. "We are

examining their recommendations through what I'll call a strategic filter, a filter that prioritizes educational quality and the environment for conducting advanced research, scholarship, and artistic performance."

The actions that are being taken include the following:

- cancelling some small classes
- suspending faculty and staff hiring except for mission critical positions, which will be autho-

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■ Town hall

President Pastides will hold a town hall meeting for faculty and staff at 4 p.m. Dec. 12 in the Law School Auditorium to answer questions and discuss the University's plans to address recent reductions in state appropriations.



Lighting up the season

President Pastides presided at the University's 54th-annual Tree Lighting Ceremony Dec. 3 on the Horseshoe. The event celebrated Carolina's dedication and commitment to serving others. As part of the 2008 Carolina Cares Program, faculty, staff, and students filled 1,500 stockings for low-income children in Columbia. Carolina Cares also included an Adopt-A-Family program in coordination with the Nurturing Center. Participants were assigned a family and donated items to fulfill the family's "wish list." Other holiday events include the 2009 holiday card exhibit, "Christmas on the Potomac," at Thomas Cooper Library's East Gallery through Jan. 15, 2009. The exhibit features Christmas Cards from Herbert Hoover to George W. Bush from University library collections.

Michael Brown



Deborah Neslon, left, Maggie Wirth, standing right, and Lynda Wyman are among the remaining librarians who used to file cards in the card catalog.

Once the library's nerve center, card catalog heads to oblivion

It has more than 3,000 drawers, nearly 4,000,000 reference cards, and countless fingerprints left behind by the students and faculty who once thumbed through its contents every day.

It's the card catalog at Thomas Cooper Library, a massive relic of the pre-digital past when library patrons manually combed through alphabetized paper cards to find call numbers and other related information about books and other reference materials. If that sounds like a quaint idea, you probably won't be saddened to learn that the library will soon bid adieu to its massive catalog, which has been out of service since the online version debuted in the early 1990s.

"As a reference librarian, I appreciate all of the intellectual value this catalog represents, but the online catalog offers so many other possibilities in searching and ease of use," said Marilee Birchfield, a reference librarian who joined Thomas Cooper Library about 16 years ago. "The card catalog is much loved, but its services are no longer required."

Even though it has been in mothballs for nearly two decades, the bulky catalog, handsomely crafted with dove-tailed maple drawers and brass pull handles, won't completely

■ Fast facts: The card catalog

- has 3,168 drawers, each containing about 1,260 cards
- contains the reference card for the University's first book, *The History of England from the Accession*, a three-volume set by John Adolphus
- has at least a couple of interesting drawer titles: No. 714's cards cover "Death - Debts"; No. 1009 covers "Fix - Flat"

vanish. The School of Music library will use at least a few of the catalog's 72-drawer sections because the dimensions of each drawer—five inches wide by 3.5 inches deep—are perfect for storing cassette tape boxes.

And the cards themselves might find some interesting re-use. Birchfield is exploring a number of possibilities, including

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Briefly

FIRST-YEAR CONFERENCE IS FEB. 6-10:

Following a successful National Conference on Students in Transition in its home city of Columbia, the National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition is looking forward to the 28th-annual Conference on The First-Year Experience Feb. 6-10, 2009, in Orlando, Fla. The deadline for early registration is Jan. 5, 2009. Professionals save up to \$35 by registering early. Full-time students registering by the early deadline can attend for \$285, a 50 percent savings off the regular registration rate of \$570. The conference will take place at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando. The conference room rate is \$175 single/double occupancy plus tax and expires Jan. 6, 2009. To make a reservation, call 800-204-7234 and mention the annual First-Year Experience Conference. Reservations must be made by Jan. 6, 2009, to receive the special rate. After this date, reservations will be accepted on a space-available basis and might not be available at the conference rate.

WANDERSMAN HONORED BY EVALUATION ASSOCIATION:

Abraham Wandersman, a professor in the Department of Psychology, has been honored by the American Evaluation Association for groundbreaking work to improve evaluation of community-based prevention programs worldwide. Wandersman co-wrote *Getting to Outcomes*, a 2004 publication that has been instrumental in helping state and federally funded agencies evaluate the outcomes of service programs. Since its publication by RAND, *Getting to Outcomes* has been used by a wide range of service providers, including the S.C. Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services and the New York State Office of Children and Family Services.

HRSM GIVES ALUMNI AWARDS: The College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management presented its Outstanding Alumni and Honored Friend Award during homecoming festivities. The college honored the following alumni: Stacey Tarpley, '98, enterprise project manager for Wachovia Corp.; Frankie Marion, '01, entrepreneur; Mike deMaine, '95, the general manager of the Greenville Drive; and Molly Britt, '94, designer and owner, MollyAnna, a maternity clothing line. The college also honored BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina with its Friend of the college Award. BlueCross BlueShield has continuously supported the college through the establishment and promotion of the Create IT Computer Camp and also by hiring and mentoring technology support and training management students.

JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATIONS HONORS ALUMNI:

The School of Journalism and Mass Communications presented seven alumni awards Nov. 6. Three graduates received the school's Distinguished Alumni Award: USC board of trustees member Mark Buyck Jr., University of Maryland professor Carl Sessions Stepp, and H.A. "Humpty" Wheeler, retired president and general manager of Lowe's Motor Speedway. Three others received the school's Outstanding Alumni Award: Tracy Bonds Bender, public relations director for Souper Bowl of Caring; Tara Bradshaw, who works in strategic communications for Washington Council Ernst and Young; and Kim Prunty, director of media relations for Walt Disney World. Lee Bussell, chair and chief executive officer of Chernoff Newman, received the Alumni Service Award.

MCNAIR ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM RECRUITING STUDENTS:

To increase diversity in higher education, the TRIO Ronald E. McNair Achievement Program provides research opportunities, financial resources, and faculty mentoring for economically disadvantaged and under-represented students who have the desire and potential to enter a doctoral program. The program currently is recruiting students for 2009, and the deadline for students to apply is Dec. 15. For more information or to nominate a student, contact Michelle Cooper, program coordinator, at rogersm8@mailbox.sc.edu or 7-5198 or go to www.sc.edu/trio/mcnair2.htm.

PORTRAIT UNVEILING, SCHOLARSHIP HONOR MEMORY OF STUDENT KILLED IN FIRE:

The College of Engineering and Computing has unveiled a memorial portrait of Cassidy Fae Pendley in the Reading Room on the first floor of the Swearingen Engineering Center. Pendley, a first-year chemical engineering major and a Delta Delta Sorority pledge, died in a house fire at Ocean Isle Beach, N.C., in October 2007. Pendley's parents have established the Cassidy Fae Pendley Memorial Scholarship in Engineering Fund. The first recipient selected for the scholarship is Stephanie M. Johnson, a biomedical-engineering major from North Augusta.

RITE AID ENDOWS PHARMACY SCHOLARSHIP:

Rite Aid Corporation, based in Camp Hill, Pa., has established an endowed scholarship fund at the S.C. College of Pharmacy (SCCP) on the Columbia campus. Once endowed, the \$25,000 gift will generate perpetually an annual scholarship to students on SCCP's Columbia campus. Rite Aid will continue to provide \$5,000 per year to the campus for scholarships until its fund is fully endowed.



University Technology Services

Presidential investiture

Harris Pastides was installed as the University's 28th president at an investiture Nov. 21. More than 45 presidents and representatives of colleges and universities from throughout the United States attended the ceremony at the Koger Center. Pastides extolled the value of public education, especially public higher education during his address. "I was educated in public schools and at a public university, and I cherish the importance of keeping the University of South Carolina affordable and accessible to South Carolina families," said Pastides, who earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Albany, State University of New York. "No qualified South Carolinian should ever be denied the opportunity to learn because of cost." Pastides joined the University in 1998 as dean of the Arnold School of Public Health.

Chen, Jordan receive Governor's Awards

Two Carolina professors recently received Governor's Awards for 2008.

Donna Chen, an associate professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, received the Young Scientist Governor's Award for Excellence in Scientific Research, and Don M. Jordan, College of Arts and Sciences, Center for Science Education, received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Scientific Awareness.

Chen does pioneering work in nanoparticle chemistry and is emerging as a young leader at the national and international levels. In her five years at Carolina, Chen secured more than \$ 1.7 million in funding for



Chen



Jordan

her research program and played a key role in a successful \$2 million Catalyst Nanoscale Interdisciplinary Research Team grant application to the National Science Foundation.

Jordan has worked to increase science awareness in South Carolina for many years, both as a faculty member at Carolina and as a member of the S.C. Academy of Science. He was a finalist for the Distinguished Teacher Award in 1998 and was the winner of

the Distinguished Researcher and Scholarship Award from the College of Arts and Sciences in 1996.

Nominations open for University awards

Nominations are being accepted for a number of University teaching, research, and service awards. A list of the awards and who can nominate is as follows:

- Ada B. Thomas Outstanding Faculty/Staff Advisor Award—USC Columbia students, faculty, staff, or alumni
- Carolina Trustee Professorship—students, faculty, department chairs, and deans at all USC campuses
- Michael J. Mungo Distinguished Professor of the Year Award—USC Columbia students, faculty, administrators, and alumni
- Michael J. Mungo Graduate Teaching Award—USC Columbia students, faculty, department chairs, and deans
- Michael J. Mungo Undergraduate Teaching Award—USC Columbia students, faculty, department chairs, and deans
- Russell Research and USC Educational Foundation Research Awards—any faculty member at all USC campuses, including self-nominations
- USC Educational Foundation Outstanding Service Award—academic deans, department chairs, and directors at all USC campuses can nominate up to three faculty members from their respective units.

For deadlines and more information, go to www.sc.edu/provost/awards.shtml.

Upstate's Burroughs Center earns national accreditation

The Burroughs Child Development Center USC Upstate is one of the first early childhood programs to earn accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the nation's leading organization of early childhood professionals.

"We're proud to have earned the mark of quality from NAEYC and to be recognized for our commitment to reaching the highest professional standards," said Charles Love, dean of the School of Education at Upstate. "NAEYC Accreditation lets families in our community know that children in our program are getting the best care and early learning experiences possible."

The Burroughs Child Development Center provides quality childcare to University students, faculty, and staff, in addition to providing students the opportunity to observe and work with children.

"Students gain valuable observation lab and classroom experience," said Heidi From, center director. "Teaching Fellows also gain hands-on experience."

New CarolinaCards are required before Dec. 31

All faculty, staff, and students will be required to get a new CarolinaCard before Dec. 31.

New cards will replace old ID cards and will feature a new design, the latest technology, and more security. New ID cards also will be required for regional and senior campuses before Dec. 31.

The new CarolinaCard for Columbia campus faculty and staff will be distributed in the Russell House Ballroom from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Dec. 12. More information about the new CarolinaCard is as follows:

- the CarolinaCard office will use existing photos and information for the new cards; new photos are not needed, and any existing balances for CarolinaCash will be automatically transferred
- the old CarolinaCard MUST be turned in before the new card is activated
- there are no charges for the first new CarolinaCard
- the old CarolinaCard will not work after Dec. 31
- because of new technology, new cards cannot be punched with holes
- lost cards will be replaced for \$35; damaged cards will be replaced for \$25.

A few groups on the Columbia campus carry a CarolinaCard specific to their areas with features such as door access. These groups will work with the CarolinaCard office on a separate schedule and distribution process. These groups include USC Police, UTS, Housing, Innovista, NAC, and the Board of Trustees.

For more information, go to <http://carolinacard.sc.edu>.

Faculty, staff should verify their e-mail addresses:

To ensure all official University e-mail is being received at the proper e-mail address, faculty and staff should go to <https://vip.sc.edu> to verify e-mail. Users will be prompted to go to the address automatically in VIP when they log in. Faculty and staff also can verify this information by clicking on the Personal menu and choosing "Show Me Online Directory Data and Alias" to make sure information is correct. If not, click on the "Go to Update Form" button to update information. For questions or more information, call the University Technology Services Help Desk at 7-1800.

Staff tackles homeland security challenge

Editor's note: The following column is part of an occasional series addressing important issues at Carolina.

By Jane Jameson, Vice President for Human Resources

In January, the state of South Carolina will become one of several states in the nation that requires employers to electronically verify the employment eligibility of all newly hired employees through an Internet-based system called E-Verify, operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

The University stepped up to this challenge, successfully becoming an E-Verify employer on Nov. 1, two months early. This accomplishment was not an easy feat and was enabled by staff members across the University system working together.

Initially, the offices of Salary Administration and International Support for Faculty and Staff coordinated on-site and Web-based workshops to help educate more than 450 staff who played a role in the University's being able to go live with E-Verify. While this process was underway, the University's Legal Office worked with Human Resources to get the federal government's memorandum of understanding approved and signed.

The process to become an E-Verify employer has required 58 staff members to become certified as program administrators, with another 393 staff members being certified as general users of the system. Certification required each of these individuals to successfully complete an online E-Verify tutorial and mastery test.

All of these steps were accomplished within one month. This early start has allowed human resources liaisons from all of the University's campuses, colleges, and departments time to gain familiarity with the system. Although budget cuts obviously will reduce our January hiring, our staff will be better prepared to tackle this electronic companion to the familiar I-9 Form (the paper-based employment eligibility verification form used for all new hires).

The E-Verify process matches a new hire's Social Security Number with information from the I-9 Form in order to reduce unauthorized employment and minimize verification-related discrimination. It is designed to be a quick and non-burdensome process for employers, while protecting civil liberties and employee privacy.

E-Verify works by allowing participating employers to electronically compare employee information taken from the I-9 Form against more than 425 million records in the Social Security Administration's database and more than 60 million records in the Department of Homeland Security's immigration databases.

As seems to be the case with many government regulations, the requirement is to add a new procedure, not replace an existing process. Now, every time those nearly 400 general users across our system complete an I-9 Form on a new hire—including student employees—they also will go online and initiate the E-Verify process. There are strict time limits within which E-Verify must be completed, and the University will face civil fines and penalties if the time limits are violated. So, work with your human resources liaisons to help ensure E-Verify deadlines can be met.

Staff in the Division of Human Resources will continue to work with human resource liaisons across the system to clarify issues involving E-Verify. We've created an E-Verify resource on the HR Web site at <http://hr.sc.edu> under the Salary Administration link to help keep everyone up to date on the latest information. We also have established a dedicated E-Verify e-mail account (USCverify@sc.edu) to which staff can direct questions and concerns they might have about this new federal system that continues to evolve as more companies around the nation begin to use it.



Jameson

Carolina Scholar Award

Alumnus honors parents with newest endowment

By Larry Di Giovanni

Michael Bond, a successful corporate lawyer from a Fifth Avenue firm in New York, has become the newest donor to endow a Carolina Scholar Award.

Bond, who received his accounting degree from Carolina in 1977 and was himself a Carolina Scholar, has named the award in honor of his parents: The William H. and Ruth C. Bond Scholarship. The \$250,000 gift to the University will be used in perpetuity to fund a Carolina Scholar starting next fall. A Carolina Scholar Award is the most prestigious in-state scholarship the University offers, with a stipend that covers tuition, fees, books, and room and board. Recipients are automatically accepted into the Honors College.

The confluences of perfect timing came together for Bond in making the gift to his parents over Thanksgiving weekend in the family's hometown of Seneca. William and Ruth Bond celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary Nov. 16 and her 80th birthday Nov. 19.

"I think they were pretty shocked and deeply touched by it," Bond said of his gift. "It definitely made their day."

President Pastides wrote a letter to William and Ruth Bond, which their son hand-delivered. The president's remarks helped set the tone for an especially joyous family gathering as news of Michael's scholarship endowment was also shared with his sister, Karen, and her family. Michael Bond and his wife, Lynnette, have three children.

"As parents, the values you set for your children resulted in Mike's desire to recognize each of you in such a special manner," Pastides wrote.

The Carolina Scholars Program, established in 1969, is aimed at keeping South Carolina's brightest students in state. Bond said his own Carolina Scholar experience helped influence his decision. He wanted a special, lasting gift to honor his father, who worked 44 years for the state Highway Department, and his mother, a former book-keeper.

Encouragement toward the gift came from Bond's close childhood friend from Seneca, Jerry Brewer, the University's associate vice president for student affairs. For about a year, they had been discussing ways Bond could give back to Carolina.

Bond and Brewer played basketball together on the Seneca High team, with athletic roots harkening back to Little League competition.

Brewer describes Bond as a talented corporate lawyer for the firm of Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP and also a caring family man. "Mike indicated he wanted to name the endowment after his parents," Brewer said. "I think this reflects the love and affection he has for his parents and for South Carolina."



Bond



Members of Campus Wellness' Choose to Lose program, along with other faculty and staff members, sample healthy holiday foods at the Dec. 3 workshop.

Holiday food can be healthy food

The message was direct and simple: with a little awareness, you can eat and cook healthy during the holidays.

"There are many ways to create a healthy holiday," said University dietitian Deborah Zippel, who offered tips and recipes during a workshop at Russell House Dec. 3. "For example, when socializing, stay away from the food. Research has shown that the closer you socialize near food, the more you'll eat.

"When you do eat, eat only special foods," she continued. "Avoid foods you can eat any time, like potato chips and dip. And enjoy the special treats in moderation."

Zippel suggested a slew of other ideas to the crowd of about 30 faculty and staff members, including:

- Plan ahead. Resolve in advance to limit choices and eat small portions.
 - Don't go to a party overly hungry or you will overeat.
 - Be aware of calories in food and alcohol. Eggnog can have up to 250 calories for a half-cup, regular beer is 150 calories, a four-ounce glass of wine is about 100 calories, a shot of liquor is 100 calories, and a margarita is about 300 calories. Go for light beers, sparkling fruit juices, or mocktails, which are alcohol-free versions of cocktails.
 - Exercise. To help compensate for higher calorie intake, stay active.
 - When making holiday treats and favorite recipes, modify the recipes to make them lower in fat, sugar, and salt. Use low-fat cheese and cream cheese, low-fat soup mixes, add more fruits and vegetables. Cabot's Cheese is one of the better-tasting low-fat cheeses. Make fruit-based desserts, such as baked apples or poached pears. For more examples, refer to *Eating Well*, a cookbook, or *Cooking Light*, a monthly magazine.
- Zippel also shared a few holiday recipes for treats—Holiday Cheese Ball, Spinach Dip and Savory Pita Chips, and Mock Sangria—in their healthiest form.

Recipes that are jolly good for you

■ HOLIDAY CHEESE BALL

1 cup (4 ounces) finely shredded reduced-fat cheddar cheese
 ¼ cup light cream cheese
 2 Tbsp low-fat ricotta cheese
 1 Tbsp finely snipped fresh chives
 1 Tbsp chopped bottled roasted red peppers
 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
 1½ Tbsp poppy seeds

In a medium bowl, stir together cheddar cheese, cream cheese, and ricotta cheese until well combined. Stir in the chives, peppers, and Worcestershire sauce. Cover and chill in the refrigerator for 4 to 24 hours. Just before serving, shape the cheese mixture into a ball. Roll the ball in the poppy seeds. Let stand at room temperature for 15 minutes. Yields 12 servings.

Nutrition facts: 50 calories per serving, 3 g fat.

■ SPINACH DIP

1 (12 oz) carton 1 percent fat cottage cheese
 1 (10 oz.) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
 ½ cup low fat sour cream
 ¼ cup dry vegetable soup mix
 2 tsp grated fresh onion
 1 tsp lemon juice
 1 (8 oz.) can water chestnuts, drained, chopped

Process cottage cheese in food processor until smooth. Place in medium bowl and set aside. Press spinach between paper towels until barely moist. Add spinach and remaining ingredients to cheese mixture; stir well. Cover and refrigerate three hours. Yields three cups. Nutrition facts per Tbsp: 14 calories, 0.4 g fat, 65 mg sodium.

■ PITA CHIPS

1¼ cup olive oil
 2 Tbsp lemon juice
 ½ tsp ground cumin
 ½ tsp paprika
 1 tsp dried dill
 3 rounds of whole wheat pita bread

Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees. In a small bowl, whisk together olive oil, lemon juice, and seasonings. Brush the pita rounds on both sides with the seasoned oil. Cut each round into 12 wedges. Lay wedges on a baking sheet in a single layer. Bake for about 10 minutes. Turn wedges over and bake another three to five minutes. They should be darkened and crispy. Be careful not to burn. Cool completely and serve.

■ MOCK SANGRIA

2 cups orange juice, chilled
 1 cup unsweetened white grape juice, chilled
 1 cup reduced-calorie cranberry juice
 1 one-liter bottle diet lemon-lime carbonated beverage, chilled
 Ice cubes

2 cups assorted fresh fruit (such as oranges, cut into wedges; thinly sliced and halved lemons and/or limes; pineapple wedges; seedless red or green grapes; sliced, peeled and pitted peaches; and halved strawberries)
 Fresh mint sprigs

In a large bowl or pitcher, stir together chilled orange juice, white grape juice, and cranberry juice. Add the lemon-lime beverage; stir gently. Fill each of 10 glasses about two-thirds full with ice. Divide fruit among glasses. Pour juice mixture into glasses. Garnish with fresh mint sprigs. Yields 10 six-ounce servings. Nutrition facts per six oz serving: Calories 61, total fat 0 g, cholesterol 0 mg, sodium 25 mg, carbohydrate 15 g, protein 1 g.



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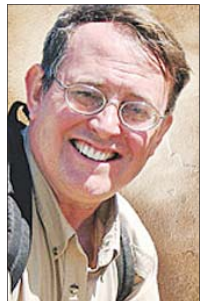
Calendar

■ Lectures

Dec. 11 and 12 Professional Development: "Assertiveness at Work," two-session workshop, 8:45 a.m.–noon, 1600 Hampton St., Suite 101. Free. For more information or to register, go to <http://hr.sc.edu/profdevp/classes/assertive.html> or call 7-6578.

Dec. 12 Mathematics, "Primality Testing," Carl Pomerance, distinguished professor of mathematics, Dartmouth College, 12:30 p.m., LeConte College, Room 412.

Jan. 12 Koger Center, *Celebrating Charles Darwin, Evolution: What Fossils Say and Why It Matters*, presentation by Donald R. Prothero, geology professor at Columbia University and author of several books about evolution. 7:30 p.m., Koger Center. Tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 students and educators. For more information, go to www.koger.sc.edu/02cal/bancroft.html.



Prothero

Jan. 21 Center for Teaching Excellence, Early Career Teaching Workshop, "Learning Outcomes," will assist faculty and instructors in developing syllabi that result in measurable outcomes and integrate into a comprehensive curriculum. 12:20–1:10 p.m., Center for Teaching Excellence, Thomas Cooper Library. For more information, go to www.sc.edu/cte.

Jan. 22 Center for Teaching Excellence, Teaching Excellence Seminar, "Strategies for Surviving, Balancing Expectations, and Assuring Quality Online," Lawrence C. Ragan, director of faculty development at Penn State World Campus. Ragan has taught in the online classroom for nine years and has experience with integrating a wide range of electronic media technologies into the instructional process. 9:30–10:45 a.m., College of Nursing, Room 409 Studio. For more information, go to www.sc.edu/cte.

Jan. 22 Center for Teaching Excellence, Teaching Excellence Workshop, "Using Flip Videos," Lawrence C. Ragan, director of faculty development at Penn State World Campus, 12:30–1:45 p.m., Center for Teaching Excellence, Thomas Cooper Library, Room 511. For more information, go to www.sc.edu/cte.



Lear

Jan. 23 Philosophy, "Irony and Ethics," Jonathan Lear, John U. Nef Distinguished Service Professor in the Committee on Social Thought at the University of Chicago. 3:30 p.m., Wardlaw, Room 126.

■ 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; 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 Jan. 22.

■ Online calendar

USC Calendar of Events is at <http://events.sc.edu>. To add events here, contact Denise Wellman at denisew@mailbox.sc.edu or 7-0169.

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

■ Around the campuses

Dec. 12–13 USC Upstate: *A Tuna Christmas*, written by Ed Howard, Joe Sears, and Jaston Williams. Performed by the Shoestring Players. Proceeds support scholarships for theatre students. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Guests can reserve tables of four or eight. Seating is limited to 80 people per performance. 7:30 p.m., doors open; 8 p.m., show begins. Humanities and Performing Arts Center, Studio Theatre. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased in advance by calling the USC Upstate Box Office at 52-5695.

Dec. 13, 19, 20, 23, 26, 27, 30 USC Aiken: *'Tis the Season*, DuPont Planetarium Show, 7 and 8 p.m., Ruth Patrick Science Education Center. For more information, call 56-3654.

Through Dec. 15 USC Sumter: Exhibit, *Digitally Manipulated Photography*, works by Columbia artist Edward Shmunes, University Gallery, Anderson Library. For more information, call Laura Cardello at 55-3858 or Cara-lin Getty at 55-3727.

Through Dec. 15 USC Sumter: Exhibit, *Variety—The Spice of Life*, oil paintings by Sumter artist Carl Bell, Ump-teenth Gallery, Arts and Letters Building. For more information, call Laura Cardello at 55-3858 or Cara-lin Getty at 55-3727.

Through Dec. 15 USC Sumter: Exhibit, *An Expedition into the Subconscious*, works in pen and graphite on paper by Sumter Artist and Carolina graduate Michelle Macias, Upstairs Gallery, Administration Building. For more information, call Laura Cardello at 55-3858 or Cara-lin Getty at 55-3727.

Jan. 3 USC Aiken: *Larry Cat, Digistar Laser Fantasy*, DuPont Planetarium Show, 4, 5, 7, and 8 p.m., Ruth Patrick Science Center. Other showings on additional dates are scheduled. For more information, call 56-3769.

Jan. 16 USC Aiken: Martin Luther King Jr. Remembrance Celebration, noon. For more information, call 56-3442.

Jan. 16–Feb. 19 USC Sumter: Exhibit, works by sculptor Mark Gordon. Artist lecture will be held at 4:30 p.m. Feb. 19 with reception to follow. University Gallery, Performing Arts Center. For more information, contact Jane Nodine, gallery director, at jnodine@uscupstate.edu or 55-5838.

Jan. 23–24 USC Aiken: Dance Marathon, USC Aiken's second-annual event to raise money for the Medical College of Georgia's Children's Medical Center. Sponsored by Impact. 10 a.m., Convocation Center. For more information, call 56-3776 or go to www.usca.edu/impact/dance_marathon.htm.

Jan. 23–31 USC Aiken: Homecoming 2009, events will include Paint the Streets, Dance Marathon, parade, and alumni reunions. Sponsored by Student Involvement and the Office of Alumni Relations. For more information, call 56-3412 or go to www.usca.edu/alumni/homecoming/index.html.

■ Concerts

Dec. 12 School of Music: "Christmas Favorites and Christmas Surprises," a wide variety of music performed by Colla Voce, a chamber choir made up of professional musicians from the Midlands, directed by Larry Wyatt, director of choral studies at the University. 7:30 p.m., St. Peter's Catholic Church, 1529 Assembly St., downtown Columbia. Tickets are \$10, available at the door and from members in advance. For more information, call 7-5369.

Dec. 14 Holiday music: "Angelic Voices," presented by the Árpád Darázs Singers, formed in 1987 to honor the memory of Árpád Darázs, a former choral conductor at the University. Selections include the 18th-century *Angel's Song*, by Pergolesi, and the contemporary *Lux Aurumque*, by Eric Whitacre. 4 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 170 St. Andrews Road, Columbia. For more information, go to ADSingers.org.



The Árpád Darázs Singers perform holiday music Dec. 14.

■ Theater

Jan. 20–21 Koger Center: *Cats*, presented by Broadway in Columbia, 7:30 p.m. For more information, go to www.broadwayincolumbia.com.

■ Sports

Dec. 16 Women's basketball: USC Upstate, 5:30 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 16 Men's basketball: North Carolina Central, 8 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 19 Women's basketball: Stanford, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 20 Men's basketball: The Citadel, 5 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 21 Women's basketball: Charlotte, 1:30 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 23 Men's basketball: Presbyterian College, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 28 Women's basketball: Connecticut, 3 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 30 Women's basketball: Jacksonville, 3 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Dec. 30 Men's basketball: Clemson, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Jan. 5 Men's basketball: Wofford, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Jan. 8 Women's basketball: Auburn, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Jan. 10 Men's basketball: Auburn, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Jan. 15 Women's basketball: Florida, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Jan. 21 Men's basketball: Florida, 7 p.m., Colonial Life Arena.

Photo exhibit focuses on camp meetings

A photography exhibit detailing the cultural history of African-American camp meetings in the Carolinas is on display at McKissick Museum.

"This Far by Faith: Carolina Camp Meetings, an African American Tradition" boasts more than 42 large black-and-white photographs by Minuette Floyd, an associate professor in the Department of Art, and is accompanied by text panels and video footage of camp meetings held in seven locations in the Carolinas.

The exhibit, which is free and open to the public, will remain on display through March 14, 2009.

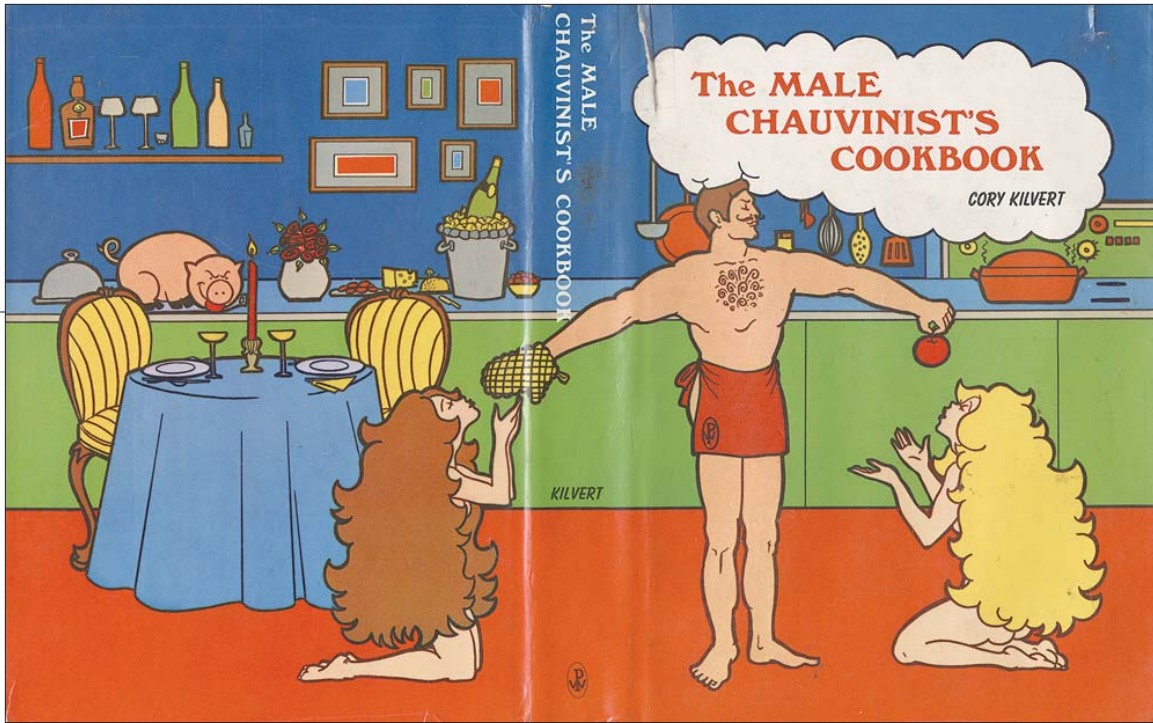
The weeklong African-American camp meetings, held annually from the mid-1800s to the present in designated campgrounds during harvest time (July through October), play an important role in maintaining a sense of cultural history and community identity and in strengthening family relationships.

"People travel many miles to the camps each year so that they can renew friendships and see family members and friends they haven't seen in a long time. Sometimes, there will be four or five generations of family members present," Floyd said. "The camp meeting is an important part of the historical, cultural, social, and religious heritage of African Americans. I especially want children to understand that importance because they will be the future campground leaders."

Floyd's photos range in size from 11-by-14 inches to 16-by-20 inches and capture different aspects of the camp meeting, including the tents, structure, and arbor; the food, games, and activities; the preaching and music; and the gathering and reminiscing of people.

Southerners, black and white, in the antebellum South would travel great distances to attend religious gatherings held at campgrounds and led by "circuit" preachers.

"For African-American slaves, it was one of the few places they could meet and enjoy some sense of freedom," Floyd said. "They brought everything they needed to survive, from tents to chickens."



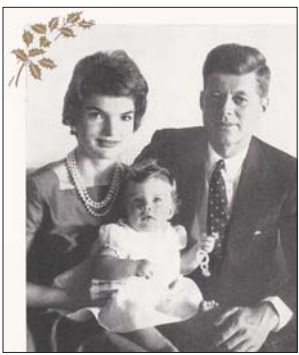
Thomas Cooper Library has prepared *Cookbooks and Gender in Postwar America*, an exhibit that includes *The Male Chauvinist's Cookbook* (1974) by Cory Kilvert, above, and *The Busy Woman's Cook Book* (1951) by Ann Williams-Heller, below.

Exhibits

Dec. 19–May 10 Columbia Museum of Art: *Eye to the East: The Turner Collection of Chinese Art*, approximately 70 works in the exhibition range from rare painted ceramics and bronzes of Neolithic times to ceramics, vessels, tomb figures, and Buddhist sculpture from the Golden Age of China, the Tang dynasty. The museum is located at the northwest corner of Main at Hampton streets, downtown Columbia. For more information, including admission prices, call 799-2810 or go to www.columbiamuseum.org.

Through Dec. 23 South Caroliniana Library: *Dear Mom and Dad: Carolina Students Write Home*, letters and images from the collection of the South Caroliniana Library and University Archives. Lumpkin Foyer.

Through Dec. 31 Thomas Cooper Library: *Collecting a Victorian Poet: Arthur Hugh Clough (1819–1861)*, Graniteville Room.



Holiday card sent in 1958 by then U.S. Sen. John F. Kennedy.

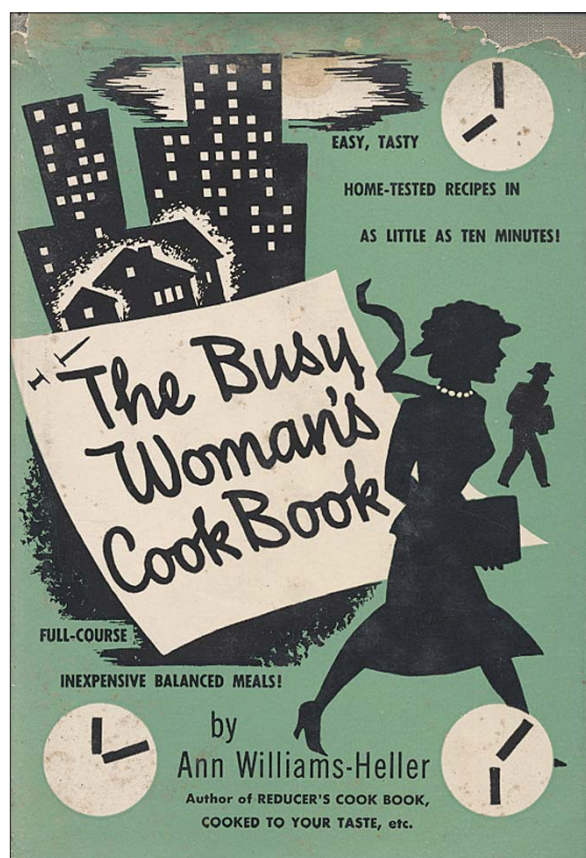
Through Jan. 15 Thomas Cooper Library: *Christmas on the Potomac: Holiday Cards from the Holdings of South Carolina Political Collections*, Main Level, East Gallery.

Through Jan. 24 McKissick Museum: *Carrying the State: Presidential Campaigns and Politics in South Carolina*, explores the role South Carolina has had in presidential

elections and the evolution of the voting process and methods. Exhibit curated by graduate students in the University's Museum Management Program.

Through January Thomas Cooper Library: *Imagining Paradise: An Exhibition for the John Milton Quartercentenary*, original art, engravings, and illustrated books from the Robert J. Wickenheiser Collection of John Milton, Mezzanine Gallery.

Through January Thomas Cooper Library: *Cookbooks and Gender in Postwar America*, Main Level, West Gallery.



Exhibits

January–February 2009 Thomas Cooper Library: *John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress and its Readers*, books from the collection formed by Robert J. Wickenheiser, Graniteville Room.

Through March 14 McKissick Museum: *This Far by Faith: Carolina Camp Meetings, An African American Tradition*, photographs and oral histories by Carolina art professor Minuette Floyd. (See story page 4.)



Eye to the East: The Turner Collection of Chinese Art opens at the Columbia Museum of Art Dec. 19. Works in the exhibit include a 7th–10th century ceramic lokapala, or Buddhist guardian king, above, and a marble lotus leaf jar, c. 618–906, below.



Upstate offers new degree program in art education

Charlotte Kerr is spending her afternoons in second grade art class at Woodland Heights Elementary where she is helping the children master abstract expressionism. Music plays while the children dip paintbrushes into bright colors of paint and transform a plain canvas into a work of art.

Kerr, a junior from Gaffney majoring in elementary education at USC Upstate, is taking advantage of a new degree program the campus began offering this fall to expand her career choices. She is pursuing a BA in art education with teacher certification. The degree prepares students for careers as K–12 art teachers, for graduate work in art education, and for employment in schools, museums, community art organizations, and libraries. The program also has a strong focus in technology and works in concert with the BFA in studio art with an emphasis in graphic design.

"This experience has completely opened my eyes, and it helped me choose elementary education as my intended profession," said Kerr, who originally majored in art.

Kerr is observing Catherine Vitale's art classes at Woodland Heights and getting instruction from the 29-year veteran.

"This program is a great opportunity for the college students in that it gives them real hands-on experience in teaching art and working with the children," Vitale said.



Junior Charlotte Kerr is pursuing a BA in art education with teacher certification, a new program at USC Upstate. A research study found the possibility of 50 vacancies for art teachers in the Upstate within five years.

"They also learn how to introduce a lesson and see how the children are working with art."

It is valuable experience that Kerr appreciates.

"Seeing how I can put my art skills to work in a classroom has been a major revelation," she said. "Now I can't wait to begin a career as an elementary art teacher."

That's good news for many school districts in the Upstate. Mary Lou Hightower, director of the art education program at USC Upstate, conducted a research study on the retirement trends of art teachers in the Upstate. She found the possibility of more than 50 vacancies in art teacher positions within the next three to five years.

"There has been a critical need for trained art teachers for the public schools," Hightower said. "After completing this study, I began working on the creation of an art education major here at Upstate."

Five students are enrolled in the program with another 15 awaiting admission pending their Praxis 1 score and fulfillment of other general education requirements.

"I am receiving at least three calls a week from students interested in this new program; so, I anticipate a steady increase in enrollment for each year," Hightower said.

For further information, contact Hightower at (864) 503-5817 or mhightower@uscupstate.edu.



Ring ceremony

President Pastides presented students with their official Carolina rings at a ceremony on the Horseshoe. Students who have earned 60 credit hours or more are eligible to purchase a ring. The ring symbolizes achievement and links Carolina students to their alma mater and to the history and traditions of the University. For more information about the ring ceremony, go to www.CarolinaAlumni.org/officialring.

Setzler to speak at fall commencement Dec. 15

Nikki G. Setzler, a Carolina alumnus and state senator, will be the guest speaker at fall commencement exercises. The ceremony for baccalaureate, master's, and professional degree candidates will be held at 3:30 p.m. Dec. 15 in the Colonial Life Arena.

Setzler will receive an honorary degree of doctor of laws. Former University president Andrew A. Sorensen will receive an honorary degree of doctor of public service, and his wife, Donna Ingemie Sorensen, will receive an honorary degree of doctor of humane letters.

The University expects to award more than 2,400 degrees to candidates from all campuses, including three associate; 1,183 baccalaureate; 10 law; 34 graduate certificates; 378 master's; and 15 graduate specialists.

The University also will award 40 baccalaureate degrees from USC Beaufort; 24 associate degrees from USC Lancaster; 11 associate degrees from USC Salkehatchie; 17 associate degrees from USC Sumter; and eight associate degrees from USC Union.

The doctoral hooding ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 15 in the Koger Center. Venkat Lakshmi, a professor in and the chair of the Department of Geological Sciences, will be the speaker, and 160 doctoral degrees will be conferred.

USC Aiken will hold its December convocation ceremony at 7 p.m. Dec. 11 in the Convocation Center. The campus expects to award 163 baccalaureate degrees

and five master's degrees. Craig Wheeland, a professor of political science at Villanova University and an alumnus of USC Aiken, will be the guest speaker. Wheeland graduated from USC Aiken in 1979 with a BA in history.

USC Upstate will hold a convocation honoring December graduates at 7 p.m. Dec. 16 at the Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium. The campus expects to award 419 baccalaureate degrees. U.S. Representative Bob Inglis, who represents the Fourth District of South Carolina, will give the address.

Setzler earned a BA degree in political science in 1968 and a juris doctorate in 1971 from the University. He was elected to the South Carolina Senate in 1977 and has represented District 26 (Aiken, Lexington, and Saluda counties) for 31 years.

Sorensen retired this past summer after having been the University's 27th president for six years. He is continuing his University service as a professor in the School of Medicine and as president of the Institute for the Advancement of Health Care at the USC/Greenville Hospital System Academic Health System.

Mrs. Sorensen was the University's First Lady from 2002 to 2008. In Columbia, she was a board member of the S.C. Department of Education Task Force on Nutrition and Health of Our Youth, which focused on childhood obesity and its prevention.

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rized at the highest levels of the administration

- reducing travel expenditures
- economizing on energy and other service domains.

The University's plans also call for limited reductions in force and non-renewal of instructors but not tenure-track faculty. Some part-time faculty and staff positions will be discontinued. Enrollment in some small programs might be frozen, and some faculty and staff who are retiring will not be replaced.

"It's tough, I know, and there is no immediate promise of things getting better," Pastides said. "We've been alerted to another reduction before the end of the calendar year, meaning another 4 percent or more. Depending on holiday sales receipts, we almost surely will be hit with another significant cut in February or March, and the General Assembly is directing us to prepare for the possibility of even more cuts."

The University has benefited, in a way, from the redefining the OneCarolina program, a multi-year project to replace outdated administrative systems throughout the University system. "We're simply not going to be able to afford to do all that right now, and some of those savings will be distributed across the University to alleviate what would otherwise be a deeper burden," Pastides said.

Pastides commended faculty and staff for meeting the challenges of the reduced budget.

"I'm informed almost daily that individual faculty are stepping forward and volunteering to teach extra classes," he said. "Faculty and staff have volunteered to make other financial sacrifices. They are pulling together to preserve the core mission and the character of the University of South Carolina."

Pastides also recognized recent achievements of several faculty members:

- Tim Mousseau, a professor in the Department of Biological Sciences and associate dean for research and graduate education in the College of Arts and Sciences, and Thomas Vogt, a professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry and director of the USC NanoCenter, have been elected as fellows to the American Association for the Advancement of Science, an international, nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing science around the world.

- Kwame Dawes, a professor in the Department of English, is the winner of the 2008 Zora Neale Hurston/Richard Wright Foundation Legacy Award for Debut Fiction. The foundation recognizes the significance of black writers and the stories they tell.

- Ann Bartow, an associate professor in the School of Law, was inducted into the American Law Institute.

In other business, senators unanimously approved proposed changes to the University's class attendance policy. The changes are online at www.sc.edu/faculty/senate/08/agenda/1203.ssp.pdf. Senators elected Patrick Nolan, sociology, chair-elect of the Senate.

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be at 3 p.m. Feb. 4, 2009, in the School of Law Auditorium.

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giving some away as souvenirs to library users who want their very own piece of the past (or perhaps the card that bears the name of their dissertation). Some libraries across the country have donated their obsolete cards to schools for use in unusual art displays.

Once the library finds a green use for the cards and a new home for the catalog drawer units, the card catalog will be no more.

"I don't think anyone will shed a tear [about the card catalog going away]," Birchfield said. "Most people don't even know it still exists."



Apple Campus Store opens

The Apple Campus Store is now open in the Russell House opposite Pandinis and Zia Juice. The store offers special educational discounts for faculty, staff, and students. A grand opening is planned for the spring semester.

Sumter students earn top ranking

Students in USC Sumter business administration faculty member Hendrikus van Bulck's class recently participated in the international online Business Strategy Game (BSG) and earned a Global Top 100 ranking for their company's BSG-Online performance during the week of Oct. 27 through Nov. 2. According to BSG, 3,893 teams participated from 243 colleges and universities worldwide. The Business Strategy Game is an online exercise where class members are divided into teams and assigned the task of running an athletic footwear company in head-to-head competition against companies managed by other class members. Just as in the real-world, companies compete in a global market arena, selling branded and private-label athletic footwear in four geographic regions—Europe-Africa, North America, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America.

State economy will remain austere until mid-2009

South Carolinians can expect an austere 2009 as job opportunities decline and the unemployment rate continues to rise, according to a report released Dec. 3 by University economists at the Moore School of Business' 28th-annual Economic Outlook Conference.

The report, compiled by economists Paulo Guimarães and Douglas P. Woodward, foresees the net loss of 22,000 jobs next year and said the unemployment rate in the state will rise to 8.6 percent. Between February and October 2008, the state's unemployment rate went from a relatively low 5.5 percent to 8 percent, a 25-year high.

During the past year, the construction sector in South Carolina shed 17,700 jobs, Guimarães said, and job losses in this sector are expected to continue in 2009, with a decline of 8.3 percent. Single-family housing permits are expected to be off 35.5 percent next year. This comes on the heels of a similar drop in the number of such permits in 2008.

Statewide, retail sales are projected to edge up just 0.5 percent in 2009. Meanwhile, South Carolina's manufacturing employment is expected to retrench, with a projected job decline of 4.4 percent. The forecast predicts an 8.7 percent drop in nondurable-goods manufacturing jobs and a 6.4 percent decline in durable-goods industry employment. Other important sectors, such as government and professional/business services, also will continue to shed jobs next year, putting further pressure on the labor market, according to the report.

Personal income, another broad measure of the state's economic activity, should climb by 3.3 percent in 2009, down from 4.7 percent in 2008 and 5.4 percent in 2007.

For a copy of the report, go to mooreschool.sc.edu/moore/research.



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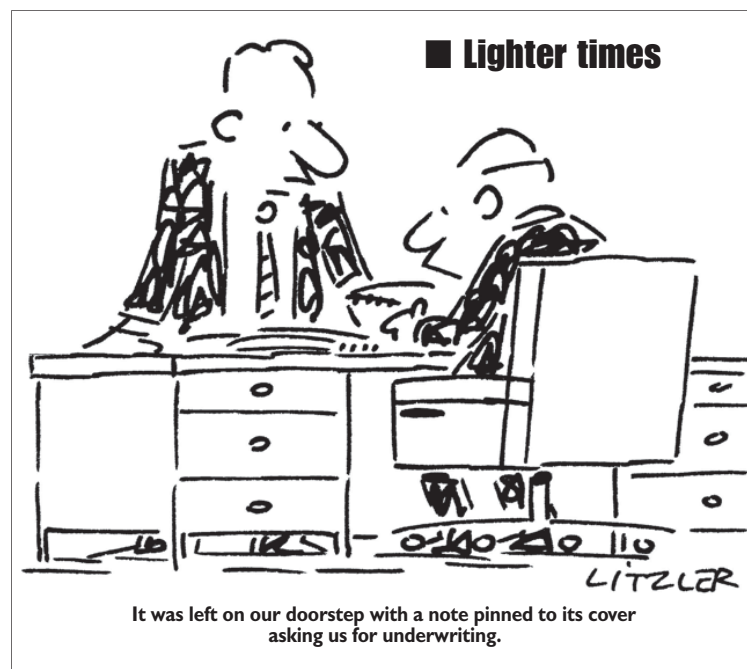
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John Dawson, chemistry and biochemistry, "His93Gly Myoglobin as a Versatile Template for Modeling Novel Heme States: Thioether and Amine Ligation of Heme Iron," International Conference on Porphyrins and Phthalocyanines, Moscow, Russia, and, "Mechanistic Studies of Oxidative Halophenol Dehalogenation by Heme-Containing Enzymes," invited lecture, Department of Chemistry, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia.

Johnny M. Jones and **Teresa Butkus**, Center for Child and Family Studies, College of Social Work, "Maximizing the Potential of University/Agency Partnerships as Change Agents," Council on Social Work Education, Philadelphia, Pa.

Chester B. DePratter, S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, Irvy R. Quitmyer, and Douglas S. Jones, "The Sclerochronology of Modern and Zooarchaeological Hard Clam Shells, *Mercenaria* spp. from the Georgia Bight: A Record Season of Harvest and Over-exploitation," Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Charlotte, N.C.

Julie Hubbert, music, "Reading Listening," Society for Music Theory and the American Musicological Society, Nashville, Tenn.

Erika Shofner, anthropology, and Meg Gaillard, "Archaeological Education of School Children in South Carolina," Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Charlotte, N.C.

David Hunter, system affairs, **Asheley Schryer**, Student Success Center, and **Jim White**, speech, Sumter, "The System Transfer Experience," National Conference on Students in Transition, Columbia.

Hayes Hampton, English, Sumter, "Degrees of Freedom: Occult Rhetoric in/as Phase Space," South Atlantic Modern Language Association, Louisville, Ky.

Peter Hoyt, music, "Haydn's Vision of Saint Peter: Perceiving English Anti-Catholicism During the French Revolution," Society for Music Theory and the American Musicological Society, Nashville, Tenn.

Patricia Willer, International Programs, "Beyond the Classroom: China," Association of International Educators, Columbia.

Keith Stephenson, S.C. Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, and Karen Y. Smith, "Middle Swift Creek/Weeden Island I Ceremonialism in the Interior Coastal Plain of Georgia," Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Charlotte, N.C.

Lee Ferguson, chemistry and biochemistry, "Association of ¹⁴C-labeled single-walled carbon nanotubes with natural particulate matter in aqueous solution," Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry, Tampa, Fla.

Donna Chen, chemistry and biochemistry, "Growth, Composition and Chemical Activity of Supported Au-Pt Bimetallic Clusters," invited lecture, Physical Chemistry Division, University of Wyoming, and, "Understanding Surface Chemistry on Metal Nanoclusters," invited lecture, Western Carolina University, Cullowee, N.C.

■ OTHER

Christopher Bundrick, English, Lancaster, chaired the South Central College English Association's panel for the 2008 South Central Modern Language Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas.

Joffery Blair, admissions, Beaufort, elected vice president of admissions and enrollment management on the Executive Committee of the Southern Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

Marius Valdes, art, has two corporate logos featured in the book *100's: Visual Ideas, Logos and Letterheads*, Angela Patchell Books Ltd., East Sussex, and received three nationally juried "InShow" awards for two poster designs and one illustration from the S.C. Chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts.

■ Job vacancies

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

Aiken chemistry professor receives international honor for research

Chad L. Leverette, an assistant professor of chemistry, recently was named a "Prominent Young Vibrational Spectroscopist" by the international journal *Vibrational Spectroscopy*. Only 20 scientists in the world were selected for the list.

Vibrational spectroscopy, Leverette's area of expertise, is one form of spectroscopy, which studies the interaction of light with matter.

"Vibrational spectroscopy is one of the most widely used analytical techniques that allows scientists to identify, quantify, and characterize a wide variety of chemical systems," Leverette said. "It is used in applications that include forensics, homeland security efforts, pharmaceuticals, and hydrogen research, to name a few."

Since Leverette joined the faculty at USC Aiken in 2004, he has acquired more than \$216,000 from grants to fund research and equipment in the Department of Chemistry and Physics.

Last year, Leverette successfully acquired a GLAD (glancing angle vapor deposition) system for the Aiken campus. It is one of only 25 systems in the world and is the only system of its kind at an undergraduate institution.

Leverette acquired the GLAD system through funding from a Research Equipment Program Award in 2007 from the University and a grant from the American Chemical Society. The equipment not only is used by Leverette and his students on the Aiken campus, but also by scientists at the Savannah River National Laboratory and at the University's NanoCenter.

"Chad embodies the true 'teacher-scholar' that we expect of our faculty," said Aiken Chancellor Tom Hallman. "Chad has some outstanding accomplishments, and he's done it all while teaching a full load of courses. His students benefit not only from his excellent instruction but also his involvement of them in the research process."

Southern discomfort: New course to trace path of disease in the South

By Chris Horn

When Mindi Spencer takes students on a journey through the American South next semester, some of the landmarks might sound a bit unfamiliar.

That's because the course, Southern Discomfort: Public Health and the American South (SOST 405Q), will focus on several obscure diseases such as hookworm and pellagra (as well as contemporary scourges such as sickle cell and HIV/AIDS) that have plagued the South at various times. Southern Discomfort also will discuss cultural attitudes and practices in the South and their possible role in disease.



Spencer

"We'll talk about how we shape our environment and how our environment shapes us," Spencer said. "When we talk about the stroke belt or the smoking belt, a lot of that can be explained by external factors. But part of it is culture. You can't

ignore the influence of the region, whether it's nutrition, attitudes toward exercise, or the acceptability of certain services."

Spencer was recruited through the Faculty Excellence Initiative with a joint appointment in the Institute for Southern Studies (ISS) and the Arnold School of Public Health's Department of Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior. While Spencer's dual appointment seems at first glance like an unusual pairing of academic units, it is really an extension of ISS' interdisciplinary nature, said institute director Walter Edgar.

"The Institute for Southern Studies was delighted to partner with public health in an FEI search for a faculty member specializing in health issues related to the American South," Edgar said. "Hiring Mindi Spencer is a tremendous boost to the institute's interdisciplinary course offerings for undergraduates."

Spencer, who earned her Ph.D. in psychology with an emphasis in gerontology and women's studies, is chiefly interested in diverse populations and health disparities in old age. Her research thus far has focused on American Indians, African Americans, and the elderly in Appalachia. A post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh, sponsored by the Kellogg Foundation, focused on the epidemiology of aging.

"I'm particularly interested in the role of the environment and functional abilities in old age," she said.

Spencer wants her research to help develop a better understanding of population groups in the South with the goal of applying that knowledge toward educational efforts that cultivate healthier lifestyles.

"Is there still a distinct Southern culture? Most would agree that it still exists, and that there are behavioral patterns that persist especially in older people, which affect health outcomes," Spencer said. "The challenge for health educators is to tailor messages that work with different populations in the region."

Honors College student receives Marshall Scholarship

A Carolina senior with a passion for medieval music has received a 2009 Marshall Scholarship.

Elizabeth Nyikos, an Honors College student majoring in piano performance, joins an elite group of American students chosen for this honor. Nyikos, who plans to pursue a master's degree in musicology at Oxford University, is the second Carolina student to be awarded a Marshall scholarship, following Nicholas Miller in 2001.



Nyikos

"The Marshall Scholarship has given me the opportunity to pursue a master's at the institution which is, beyond a doubt, the best place for me," Nyikos said.

Holder of a Palmetto Fellowship and National Merit Scholarship,

Nyikos was homeschooled and is multilingual. She is the daughter of Peter J. Nyikos, a professor in Carolina's Department of Mathematics, and Leila Maria Nyikos of Columbia.

Nyikos has conducted research in England, Spain, and Italy in pursuit of her passion for medieval music. She was awarded a Magellan Fellowship to study in Budapest, Hungary, and an Honors College Undergraduate Research Grant to help fund her research interests.

With her education in music performance and her research experience, Nyikos reconstructed the music of a 14th-century manuscript discovered at Columbia College by Scott Gwara, a professor in Carolina's English department. In collaboration with an Oxford University medievalist, Nyikos located similar manuscripts in Italy and Spain.

With information from the Columbia College manuscript and two additional sources, Nyikos assembled all three voices, thus reconstructing and performing the entire piece for the first time in 600 years. Since then, she has curated an exhibit of medieval music from the University's collection and founded the medieval vocal ensemble, Canticum Novum.



Jenna Marie Lindberg, Mark Sibley-Jones, Samantha James, Caitlin McLaren, and Jessie Walters-McCarthy share holiday stories around the Christmas tree.

Holiday drop-in is gift to faculty, friends

By Larry Wood

Jessie Walters-McCarthy has a biology exam in 30 minutes, but right now, she's facing an even greater test: finding the time to bake goodies, decorate her apartment, and trim the Christmas tree for a holiday drop-in just two days away on Dec. 5.

For two years, Jessie and her three roommates—Samantha James, Jenna Marie Lindberg, and Caitlin McLaren—have opened their home in Rutledge College to faculty, staff, and friends. The party celebrates not only the season but also the close ties they have made in the Carolina community for the past four years.

"It's really fun," said Jessie, a senior biology major from Shalimar, Fla., taking a break from her note cards and laptop. "It's neat to have that kind of relationship with your professors and your advisor."

Jessie and Caitlin, who lived in the same apartment last year, started the tradition in 2007. "We were decorating and getting excited and festive, and we decided we needed to show our handiwork to someone," said Caitlin, a senior public relations major from Richmond, Va. "It seemed so obvious to us. We live on campus. We're all in the Honors College. We're close to our professors. We can have it in the afternoon and invite them to drop by."

Last year, about 30 faculty and staff members did drop by, including Jim Burns, an associate dean in the Honors College; Mark Sibley-Jones, advisor and director of alumni relations in the Honors College; and Jan Smoak, associate director of Fellowships and Scholar Programs.

"It's really surprising how our professors responded," said Jenna, who also is a public relations major and is from Richmond. "These are the people who spend their time to make our experiences here really worthwhile. All four of us studied abroad, and students there feel a lack of connection to their schools. Coming back as seniors after that experience makes us realize what an amazing opportunity it is to live on campus and to have these relationships with professors who really know who you are and care about your future."

For this year's drop-in, the roommates created a whimsical holiday wonderland with a tree, a nativity scene, and giant red stockings big enough for the lovable Bumble from the classic animated special *Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer*. A nutcracker banner stood guard in the kitchen, and a colorful handmade paper chain draped in scallops from the ceiling.

The roommates served hot chocolate, brownies, and Jessie's Orange Blossom Cookies. "We bring out the family recipes," she said.

"Part of the charm of the drop-in is that it reminds us of being kids and doing the things we did when we were little," Jenna said. "Also, we're part of the overachievers club where everyone does just way too much—which is typical in the Honors College, I think. So, being able to have some fun and be ourselves and spend time with our friends is very important."



Photos by Kim Truett

Homes for the holidays

There was no downturn in new home construction at McCutchen House in December. Two gingerbread house workshops yielded about 35 abodes. "Every house is so different! You look around the room and see the variety, and it's just beautiful," said Jane Huggins, below left, a Lancaster resident who traveled to Columbia to attend the workshop. For the second year in a row, she and her husband, Rick, brought their two grandchildren, Ashley and Luke Tillman. This year, Ashley's friend, Lexi Watkins, below right, came, too. They used a combination of broken peppermint sticks, gumdrops, Twizzlers, Sweetarts, thick icing, and encouraging words to create the houses. And, yes, there was a fair amount of candy eating. All that was missing was that elusive Gingerbread Man.

