



SHOWDOWN

The Gamecock Sports staff takes an in-depth look at Saturday's matchup between USC and Florida in this week's Friday Football Blitz.

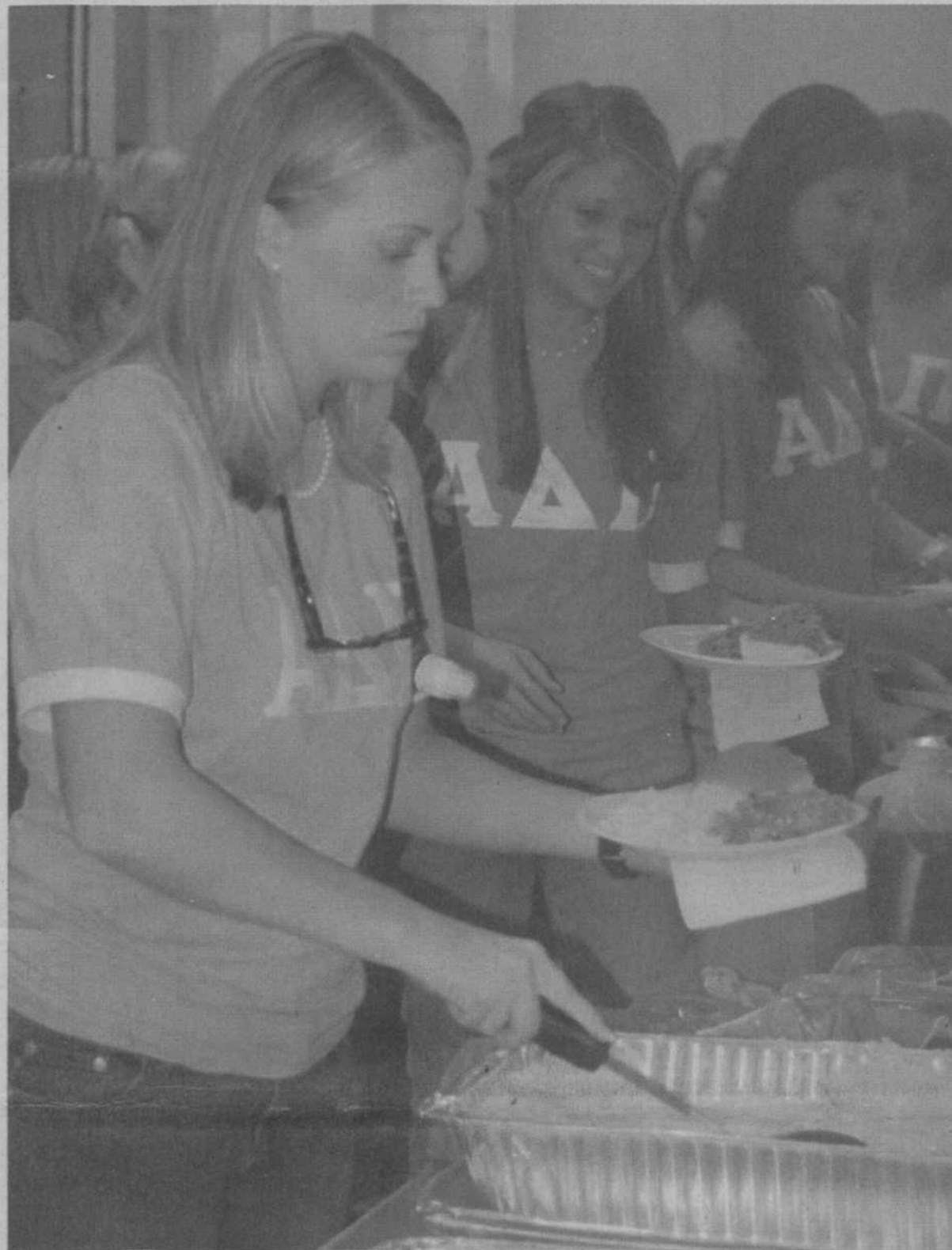


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Third-year exercise science student Kaitlin Davis gets food at ADPi's "Hoops and Hogs" event. Proceeds from ticket sales went to benefit Ronald McDonald House, a nationwide charity that helps critically ill children.

HAPPY MEAL

Alpha Delta Pi holds 'eat-a-thon' for philanthropy

Jackie Alexander
FOR THE GAMECOCK

Alpha Delta Pi sorority held its Hoops and Hogs Eat-a-Thon on Wednesday with a sorority and fraternity basketball tournament and a barbecue.

The event began with all-you-can-eat cheeseburgers and apple pies from noon to 2 p.m. ADPi made \$250, selling 50 tickets. Food was partly donated McDonald's.

The basketball tournament started with eight fraternities and eight sororities in single-elimination games.

Delta Zeta, Chi Omega, Kappa Delta and Delta Delta Delta sororities and Kappa Sigma, Sigma Nu, Delta Upsilon and Chi Psi fraternities played in the semifinals at the Strom Thurmond Wellness and Fitness

GREEN ● 1



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Fourth-year public relations student Matt Palka, right, and fourth-year business student Keith Messimer compete in Alpha Delta Pi's "Hoops and Hogs" basketball tournament.

Dance Marathon members sold in date auction

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When they signed up to work with a charitable organization, being auctioned off to the highest bidder was the furthest thing from their minds, but for about a dozen members of Dance Marathon, Thursday night provided them the opportunity to do just that.

"To be honest, I don't know how much money I'll bring in. I'm

relying on being devilishly handsome and amazingly charming," said Justin Sharp, a second-year business administration student, Thursday afternoon. "I'm kind of a big deal."

Sharp, a member of Dance Marathon's executive board, helped auction off dates to raise money for Palmetto Health Children's Hospital. Bids for Sharp topped out at \$70, the highest of the night.

About a dozen members of the

executive board and the morale committee modeled dates at the first-ever Dance Marathon Date Auction, held at 6:30 p.m. in the Gambrell auditorium. The winning bidder could choose to take the Dance Marathon member as their date or bring someone else to one of a variety of dates that included tickets to an Elton John concert, dance lessons and ice skating.

DANCE ● 1

Investigators still probing online posts

Officials praise fraternity's cooperation in fratty.net case

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Kappa Sigma offered its full cooperation with USC officials and is no longer a part of an ongoing investigation into comments made on fratty.net, Student Life Director Jerry Brewer said Thursday.

In a prepared statement, Brewer said the fraternity's national office has scheduled racial sensitivity training for its USC chapter and has "provided the appropriate feedback and response" in dealing with the matter.

"Kappa Sigma has dealt with this situation in a superb manner and is to be highly commended for their internal handling of the matter," Brewer said in the statement.

Mitchell Wilson, spokesman and executive director of Kappa Sigma's national chapter, said Wednesday that the resignation of one of the fraternity's members was directly related to his participation on the Web site's message boards.

"The individual who submitted his resignation obviously did so because the information that he placed on this Web site was at conflict with the values

and ideals of Kappa Sigma Fraternity," Wilson said.

Vice President for Student Affairs Dennis Pruitt said Tuesday that instances involving USC fraternities' involvement with the site have been turned over to the Office of Student Judicial Programs and would, if necessary, be reviewed by the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs to determine whether university law or policy had been violated.

In a statement from Kappa Sigma, dated Nov. 3, the fraternity's executives said they were "infuriated" by the content of the fratty.net postings.

"We have taken it upon ourselves to conduct a thorough review of our membership," the statement read. "If we find proof that one of our brothers had a part in this, we will see to it that they are no longer a member."

Wilson said Kappa Sigma's national chapter would continue to work with its local chapter regarding the situation.

Staff writer Jess Davis contributed to this report.

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SG senators debate football game bills

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A slew of legislation was passed in Wednesday's session of the Student Senate, including an amendment to the Student Government constitution that, upon approval by three university administrators, will go before the student body as a referendum in February's elections.

The amendment, SBL(05) 061, would create a judicial branch within Student Government to proceed over impeachments as well as challenges to SG's constitution.

The so-called Constitutional Council, SG Vice President Ryan Holt said, is to bring SG in sync with other government structures such as the United States government.

The Carolina Student Judicial Council presides over duties the proposed council would assume. CSJC is administered by the Division of Student Affairs and the Office of Judicial Programs with no formal ties

to SG.

Under the new rules, five members would be appointed to the council by the next SG president to be elected, with one appointed Chief Justice. The five would then be confirmed by the senate.

There were two failed attempts to table the amendment as several senators expressed concern that the body needed a week to digest the lengthy amendment and explore ramifications of the proposed changes.

Yet with the deadline for amendments only two weeks away, Holt, a third-year political science student, advocated passage.

The vote tally ended with 24 senators approving passage, Sen. Michael Young voting no and Sen. Thomas Chandler abstaining. Chandler later said he did not vote on the measure because he felt he was ill-prepared to make a judgment.

SENATE ● 1

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Viewpoints

Aaron Brazier eschews rugby and the Gamecocks' bowl eligibility and instead berates the Kansas Board of Education's declaration that science no longer needs to be naturally explained; Chase Stoudenmire has somehow restrained himself from writing about girls long enough to dish the dirt on an uber-unsportsmanlike resolution that almost made it through the Student Government Senate.



The Mix

'Sex' in the Russell House Author of "Sex and The City" Candace Bushnell came to Carolina Wednesday night to dish out advice to young women

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