

USC greeks begin their Greek Week festivities Friday to raise money for the Adam Walsh Center.

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## Rockafellas' still welcomes 18-year-olds

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A local nightclub would like to set things straight. Rockafellas' is, and has always been, a club admitting persons 18 years of age and older, said Derek Chiarenza, co-owner of the club.

The club has suffered greatly since St. Patrick's Day, when the management took extra measures to prevent underage drinking, he said.

While the St. Patrick's Day weekend celebration in Five Points brought in extra business for the town's bars and clubs, it also created a lot of pressure for them, he said.

When underage persons are caught drinking or possessing alcohol, they face legal prosecution that can result in up to 30 days in jail and/or a substantial fine.

"Not only does the individual face prosecution," Chiarenza said, "the club also faces it, and that can lead to our losing our license."

Because of this, many clubs were extra careful of who they let in not only on St. Patrick's Day, but during the week or so preceding the gala weekend.

Rockafellas' policy changed slightly during this time. "It was kind of left up to the doormen," Chiarenza said. "They could let in anyone 21 and over, and it's kind of easy to see which people under 21 intend to drink and who is there just to see the show."

To be on the safe side, however, the management told callers that the policy was 21 and over, he said.

This practice, word-of-mouth and a letter printed last week in *The Gamecock* written by advertising junior David Oventhal all worked to hurt the club's business.

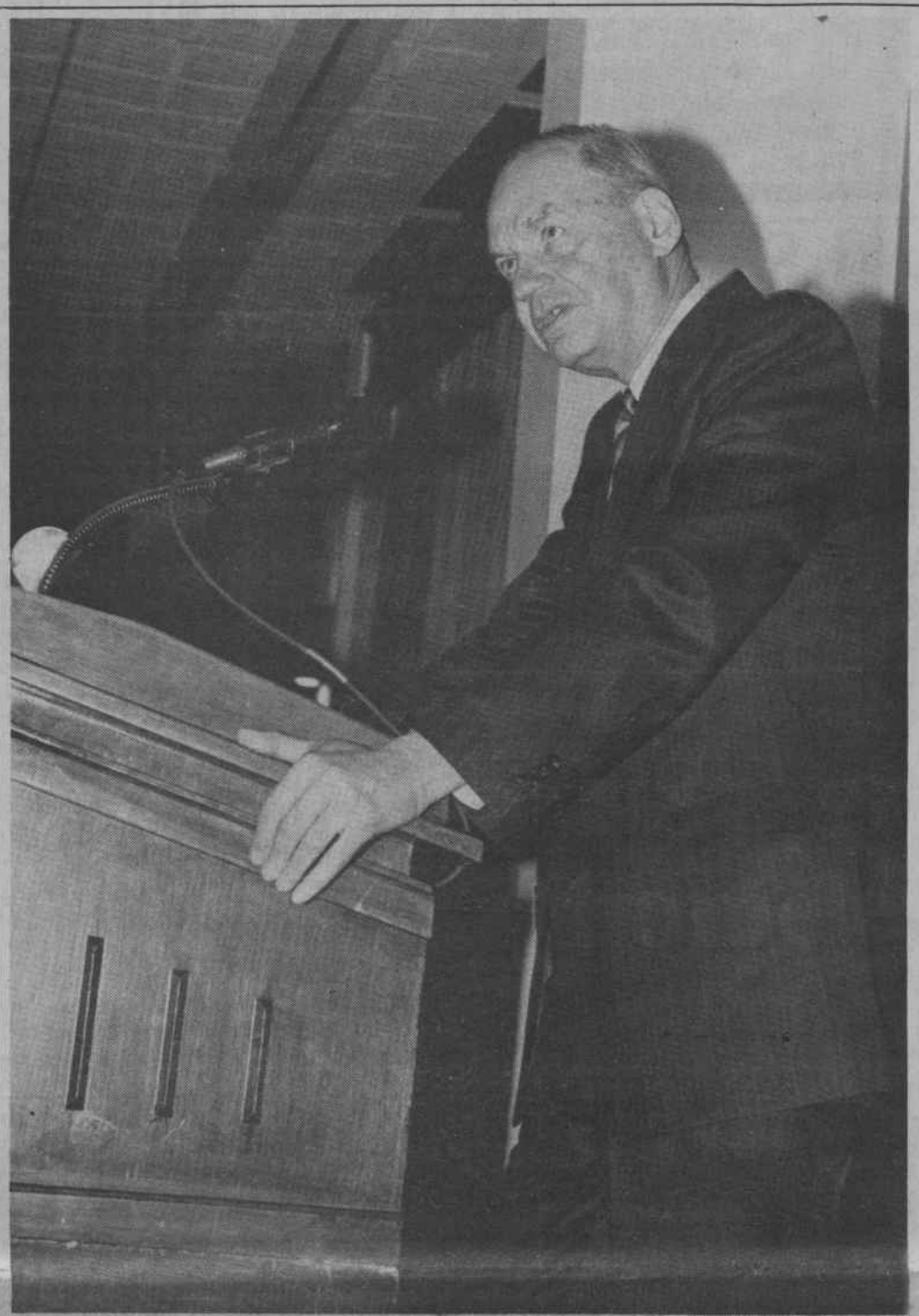
Oventhal wrote to complain that Rockafellas' had changed their policy and were no longer allowing those under 21 into the club.

"I could understand the one night, but when I went back Sunday and still wasn't allowed in, I thought there was no reason for that," Oventhal said.

Chiarenza said business has not been up to par recently, and the false alarm hurt two local bands in particular. He said Hootie and the Blowfish and the Bachelors of Art both played in the past week, and turnout for the shows was less than expected.

"We still paid them," he said, "but we felt kind of bad about it all."

"Anyone 18 and older is more than welcome at my place," he said, "I just ask that they work with us. You know, you don't bite the hand that feeds you."



Guardian of the English language

Edwin Newman addresses the Shafto Awards Banquet Thursday night. Newman's speech ended the College of Journalism and Mass Communication's Media Week.

Open house today

## S.G. interacts with students

By ROBERT THOMAS  
Staff writer

Student Government will sponsor an open house from noon to 5 p.m. today to promote interaction and unity with the USC student body, S.G. President Marie-Louise Ramsdale said.

"It will be an open door policy from this day forth," Ramsdale said. "I think there is a kind of myth that we hide out in the Student Government office. We want students to come in and see what we are about."

The open house will take place in the Student Government office, Suite 112 in Russell House, and a similar function will take place in the fall, Ramsdale said.

The event, which is costing S.G. about \$175, is an effort to acquaint students with the executive and legislative branches of S.G., Ramsdale said.

"Our intention is to let the students know that we are here for them," S.G. Vice President John Leary said.

"I would like to see the students more involved and have the student put back into Student Government," Leary said. "In the past, Student Government might have become

divorced from the student."

Students will be able to pick up applications for various Student Government university committees, information on the current projects of the different branches, the goals of the entire Student Government and learn how they can become involved in current issues affecting USC.

The nearly 30 university committees generally have two to five members each and deal with such subjects as academic planning, student-faculty relations, parking and religious matters.

A complete committee list will be available at the open house and is also posted in front of the S.G. office.

"If you really care about visitation, we encourage you to come in and talk to us about it," Ramsdale said.

Ramsdale expects other major concerns of the students at the open house to be tuition and safety.

Students who express concern about tuition will be given information on the Senate phone drive.

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## Students to combat date rape fallacies

By LUCY SOTO  
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A group begun by Open Door Health and Wellness Programs and Women's Student Services is recruiting students to be peer educators in clearing up myths, misinformation and stereotypes associated with acquaintance rape.

"We're not sure what direction the group will take," Open Door Health Educator Lisa Zucker said. "The way I envision it is a group that has weekly meetings and plans activities."

She said there are three students going through peer education training and about 15 students who have shown interest in the group since the organizational meeting in February.

The students would give educational programs, plan activities and do media campaigns about acquaintance rape.

Leigh Stanton, director of Women's Student Services, said a lot of the programs about acquaintance rape didn't affect students personally.

"The biggest would be when you hear date or acquaintance rape. The impact of the word rape is lost. The myth would be that it's not as serious. It's a real violation of trust that's as serious as stranger rape."

"The next step is helping people function in healthy relationships," Stanton said. "Or helping people develop healthy relationships where

each person expresses their needs and wants, and trust is respected. Maybe students will listen to other students talk about those kinds of issues."

"Acquaintance rape is when a woman is forced against her will to engage in sexual activity," Zucker said. "It could be your boyfriend or the handyman. It's someone that you know. It's very unreported and something you don't talk about. We need to change campus and community mind set on that any forced sex is rape. It doesn't matter if it's someone you know."

Stanton said there are no conclusive studies about acquaintance rape done at USC, but there are national studies about occurrences on college campuses.

According to one national survey, one in three female students report rape or attempted sexual assault since the age of 14. More than 75 percent of student victims knew their assailants and 57 percent of them were dates.

There will be two sessions for peer educators given by the Rape Crisis Network on April 5 from 5 to 8 p.m. and April 7 from 12 to 4:30 p.m. Another training session will be given in the fall.

"Anyone is welcome, men as well as women. It would be good to get members from the greek system and other large organizations to be trained so they can be a contact person in their organization," Zucker said.

## Bombs, raids plague El Salvador

# Civil war violence hurts university

Special from MAX FRIEDMAN  
College press service

Shortly after midnight on Jan. 13th, a powerful explosion destroyed the home of Catalina Machuca de Merino, a dean at the University of El Salvador.

The explosion was caused by a bomb set by the death squad ARDE, the Revolutionary Anti-Communist Extermination Action. Her sleeping children were buried in glass and debris, but no one was killed.

The next morning, university authorities held a press conference in a campus auditorium to denounce the attack and a campaign waged against them by the government and armed forces.

But UES's rector's description of the bombing was drowned out as military helicopters buzzed the auditorium six times.

Nine years of civil war have hit hard at the University of El Salvador.

The nation's lone public institution of higher learning, UES, is the only campus open to students from poor families. Eighty percent of UES's 35,000 students come from lower-income homes, many of them working for the minimum wage of \$3 a day before starting four hours of classes each evening.

"The military cordon... is an unacceptable interruption of our studies."

Vice president  
General Students Association  
University of El Salvador

The university also has long been a center of criticism of the small clique of families that has ruled El Salvador for more than a hundred years. So, as El Salvador's political situation has deteriorated into civil war, it's also been host to student, faculty, administration and UES worker dissent from the war and continuing violations of human rights.

There's been a high cost in repression. Especially as the civil war intensified and the FMLN guerrillas, who pledge to redistribute wealth in the nation, proved to be powerful foes, frustrated army commanders came to vent their anger on the university community. They call it a "sanctuary for subversion."

The campus was heavily militarized. Soldiers guarded each entrance and searched students for weapons and subversive literature. They maintain-

ed a cordon around the periphery of the campus to "protect" it.

At midnight on Dec. 23, about 30 well-armed men, some in uniform, cut the fence surrounding the university, killed a night watchman and blew up the biology building.

On Jan. 10, a campus auditorium was destroyed by an explosion. The newly formed death squad ARDE took responsibility.

And on Feb. 2, economics student Mario Flores Cubas was taken from his San Salvador home by uniformed soldiers of the National Guard. His bullet-ridden body, showing signs of torture, turned up the next day in Sonsoate province.

When news of Cubas' death reached the campus, students hit the streets in fierce demonstrations.

Violence against UES is not new. In June, 1980, the army put down student demonstrations by invading at gunpoint. They attacked professors in their classrooms. They looted the buildings. Several students were raped.

The campus was closed and stayed closed until 1984, when its students, teachers and staff began

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## USC groups join to help homeless, combat litter

By CARYN CRABB  
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Columbia's homeless could benefit each time a USC student throws away an old soda can or newspaper, thanks to combined efforts by USC organizations.

"There's plenty of trash to go around," said Dal Greco, theater and speech sophomore and a co-chairman of a campus-based group that organizes the collection of garbage, sells it to recycling companies and donates the profits to charities.

The Carolina Recycling Project is responsible for raising more than a thousand dollars for the Providence Home, a shelter for the homeless in Columbia.

The idea originated with Jason Terry of Delta Upsilon fraternity, who noticed all the wastefulness on the USC campus and realized that much of the garbage could be recycled.

Receptacles were placed in South Tower and Patterson halls, and the leaders of the project are trying to spread the collection network across the entire campus.

Two other USC groups, Organization of Business Students for Environmental Responsibility and Students

for a Greener Environment, are involved in similar projects.

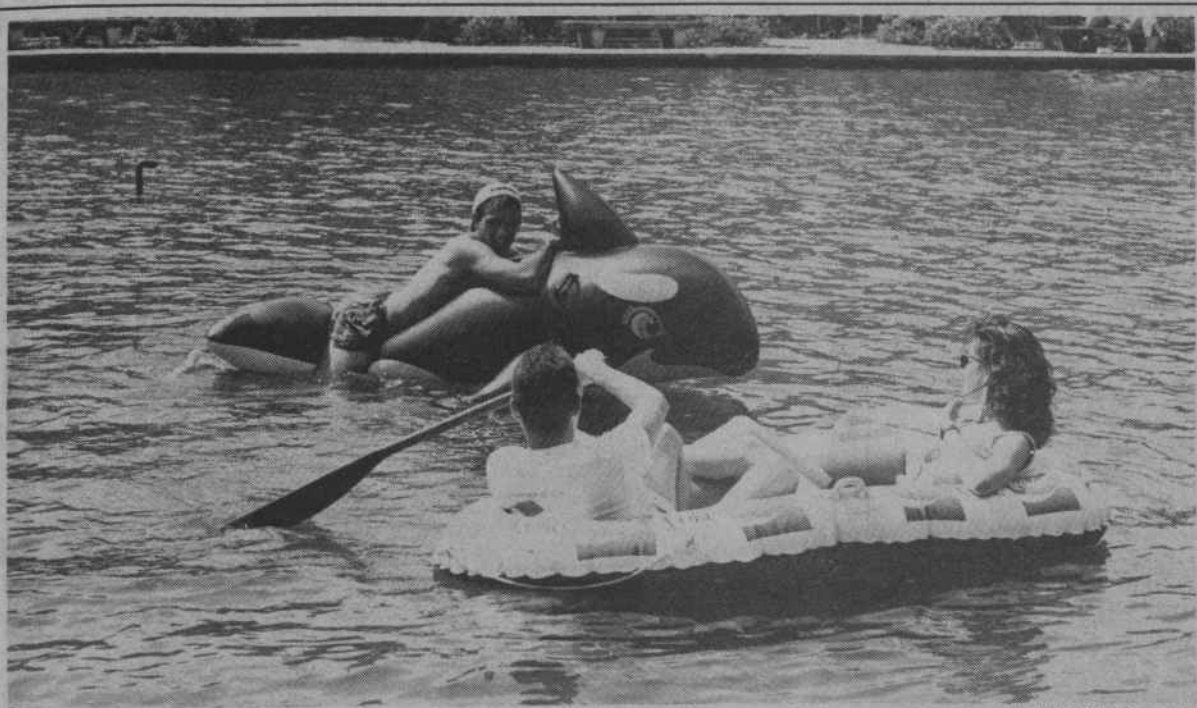
OBSERVE is trying to launch a pilot program of its own, said Eric Beck, a member of the club and a first-year graduate student in the International Business Program. The project is considering setting up collection containers in Gambrell and the Coker Life Sciences buildings.

When the Carolina Recycling Project first began, BFI, a collection company, donated a dumpster for aluminum storage. Carolina Glass did the same when the project recently expanded to include glass recycling. Now, with the help of Synoco, paper is also on the collection list.

The Carolina Recycling Project has been making a good amount of money, Greco said. "At the end of the semester we write a check to the Providence Home. Last semester, with all the money we collected, we donated \$1,700."

The Recycling Project set up collection sites at the recent St. Patrick's Day celebration in Five Points and plans to be at Riverfest on April 22 and Mayfest on April 6 or 7.

The project has received support from the Governor's task force on litter and from numerous paper, aluminum and glass recycling companies and has been well-received.



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Just when you thought it was safe...

Members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon and Alpha Chi Omega raft inside the pond at Thomas Cooper Library on Tuesday. They were trying to raise money for the library.