

Northern students make USC home

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Each year hundreds of Northern people arrive at USC to begin their college education.

Coming from the North to the South is like stepping into a new lifestyle. Northern students expect to only have to adjust to the typical problems of college existence.

However, after spending a week at USC, one might discover there are more challenging transitions to be made.

The first question most Southerners ask Northerners is why they chose USC as a place to receive their education. The response is always likely to be, "South Carolina offers a wide variety of choices for a major," and "the climate and pace of life here is very pleasant."

Chris Bardak, a freshman from Maryland offers his perception of the people at USC, "People are a lot nicer here, no one is in a rush to get anywhere."

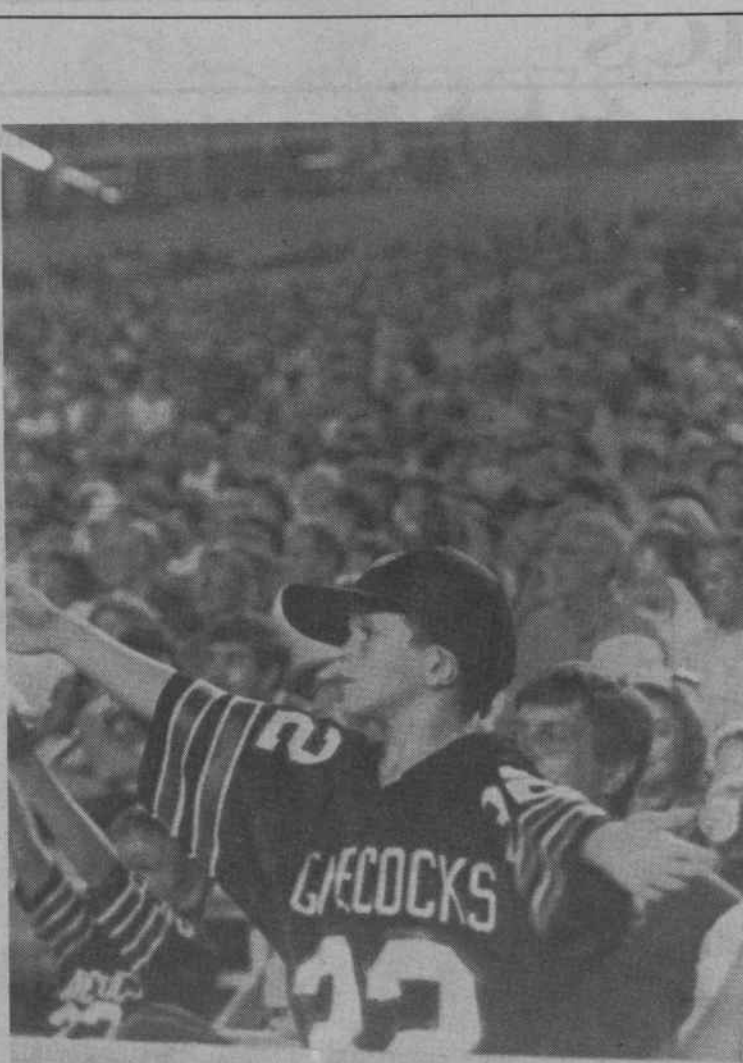
J.T. Wagenheim of New Jersey shares his enthusiasm about driving in Columbia. "The people down here are more courteous drivers than they are up North, you can pass into a lane without getting cut off," he said.

Southern cuisine is prepared slightly different from Northern food. "Grits, gravy and grease, I've never seen that okra stuff," one student from Connecticut complains.

However, the majority of freshmen here are extremely pleased with the wide variety of food choices the USC campus offers.

Accents and regional expressions will often lead to miscommunications between Northern and Southern people. Some southern expressions Northerners find peculiar are: "I'm fix'in to get ready" — "I reckon" — "I suppose" and "mudd-in." Some Northern expressions Southerners make fun of are: "I'm psyched" — "girlfriend" and "dude." Foremost, it is more acceptable to greet a person at USC with a "Hey" rather than a "Hi."

There are obvious differences between Northern and Southern practices. Despite this fact one thing remains clear — students should respect each other's individual qualities and right to be themselves.



Go Cocks!

Greg Rickabaugh/The Gamecock

A young fan cheers on the Gamecocks Saturday night.

USC defeated in cola war

By KIPP SHIVES
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It never hit me until the other day.

I was over in the Towers and my throat was kind of dry and I said, "Hey, I'll just run down to the lobby and grab me a Coke." But it didn't hit me until I reached the lobby, where a beautiful wet-looking Pepsi machine stood...

Over the summer, a bunch of trucks came and took the Coke machines away to some far off place. And then, these other trucks came and dropped off Pepsi machines exactly where the Coke machines had once stood.

This didn't bother me at first. As a matter of fact, at first I was content, just standing there looking at the new drink machine. "I kinda like Pepsi," I thought. "Maybe I'll just drink a Mountain Dew." I don't really believe in a distinct difference between the two beverage companies anyway.

But, none of the Pepsi machines had the cool video game that several of the Coke machines had. You know, you pop in your quarters, make your selection, and for the next 30 seconds you get to annoy the person in line behind you by making the little guy run back and forth catching the Coke cans as they fell from the sky.

You could never ever win the damn thing, but it was reassuring just having it there. It broke up the monotony of my day. It made me late to class. It made me feel good about myself.

Thanks, Pepsi. Thanks.

Ah, the Dave Smith Acoustic Jazz Ensemble. (Yes, there is a point to today's little column.)

This past year sometime, I stumbled across the Dave Smith Acoustic Jazz Ensemble entertaining passers-by over near the Humanities complex and the art building. Acoustic jazz, you say?

The Dave Smith brand of acoustic jazz consists of banging on

trash cans, playing various string instruments and blowing horns: Kind of neat, isn't it?

Well, they seem to think so.

Smith, the group's leader, said the ensemble fired up about two years ago and he and his friends have been "jamming" ever since. They formed the group out of complete boredom with Columbia music. They continue to play, so I suspect they must still be bored.

You can catch Dave and his irregular band of minstrels usually on Wednesdays out behind McKisick Museum around lunch. They welcome anyone who might want to join in or simply hang out and take in the vibes.

WUSC plans to bring them to the Russell House patio for a free midday performance Sept. 25. Acoustic jazz for your dining enjoyment.

Bad jokes I heard this week: (part one)

Q: Did you hear who quit smoking? A: Pee Wee Gaskin.

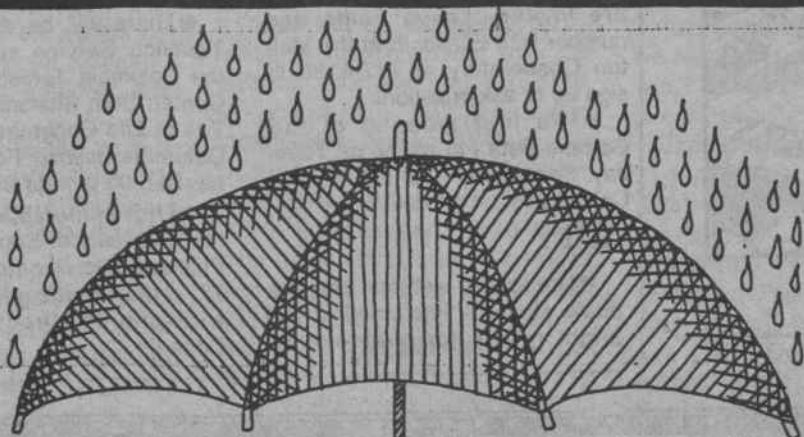
Two bums are walking down the street together and one accidentally heads down the subway entrance and back up the exit. The first bum says to the other, "Man, where'd you go?" The second bum says, "Some guys basement, and boy did he have a great set of trains."

Well, tonight at Rockafella's, Fireball XL-5 will play a special 8 p.m. primetime showcase. I understand they rock pretty hard.

The show not to miss this week is Friday, when 49 Reasons, Kindred Soul and 10 X Big share the stage.

Kindred Soul is an up and coming reggae/funk/thrash outfit from here in Columbia who mix classic Hendrix, Bob Marley and Bad Brains covers with their own powerful originals. I have seen Kindred Soul several times and each time they put on an incredible show reminiscent of the Fishbone.

Next time, look forward to more senseless wit and regular nonsense!



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