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Engineering school to celebrate 100th

USC's engineering graduates are invited to a special reunion Oct. 8-9 marking the centennial celebration of the College of Engineering.

The reunion, which will take place during USC's Homecoming Weekend, will kick off a yearlong series of activities highlighting a 100-year tradition of engineering education at USC. The university's first engineering classes began in 1894.

An alumni reunion party for members of all graduating classes and their families will begin at 7 p.m. Oct. 8 in the college's new Structures Laboratory, located on South Main Street across from the Swearingen Engineering Center. Tickets are \$25.

For more information, call the College of Engineering at 777-4259.

Management center to hold open house

USC's Daniel Management Center, the professional development arm of the College of Business Administration, will hold an open house for human resource professionals Oct. 19.

The free event will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will include presentations from center instructors, concurrent sessions of timely topics and information on the center's development seminars, customized courses and special programs.

Lunch and parking will be provided. Advance registration is required. Call 777-2231 for more information.

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willing to reduce the current five-day notice to 48 hours.

"In order to provide proper staffing, to provide for a conducive educational environment, you're going to have to have some registration notice system," said Jerry Brewer, director of Student Life.

The SGA proposal will probably not be what the alcohol policy becomes because the final decision is USC's. However, many groups will have a voice in the decision, so it's likely the new policy will be a blend of the old policy and the proposed one.

"Something in the middle between what we're doing now and what the proposal is will probably meet with everybody's approval," Brewer said.

Resident advisers and residence hall directors will be the ones required to enforce whatever policy is proposed.

"Provided residents act responsibly and do not cause problems for the other residents, a revision of the current policy has valid points,"

Congressman's class raises questions about mixing politics, academia

By College Press Service

MARIETTA, Ga. — A member of the House of Representatives who teaches a course beamed to 150 sites around the nation from a public Georgia college has raised questions about mixing politics and academia.

House Minority Whip Newt Gingrich, a conservative Republican who represents Georgia's sixth district in suburban north Atlanta, teaches a course titled "Renewing American Civilization" to 150 undergraduate and graduate students at Kennesaw State College at Marietta. The course, which began Sept. 18, is being broadcast by satellite to various sites around the nation.

The format involves a series of lectures by Gingrich on his vision for saving the country's moral and economic structure. Gingrich, co-founder of the Conservative Opportunity Society, is widely known for his conservative ideas and opposition to what he terms

"the welfare state."

The Gingrich-Kennesaw State joint venture raised objections among students and faculty who were concerned about a state-funded school offering classroom space and support services as a platform for a politician. Criticism intensified when it was discovered that some funds for the class were received from GOPAC, a Washington-based Republican political action committee that is chaired by Gingrich.

Supporters of the course accuse course detractors of attempting to muzzle the outspoken politician under a cloak of "political correctness."

In addition to funds from GOPAC, the 10-week class is bankrolled by foundations and private companies that have contributed to Gingrich's various political campaigns. There was more concern when it was revealed that GOPAC was involved in the planning of the curriculum of the

course.

Among the corporate contributors to the course are Turner Broadcasting Co., the Employer's Policy Institute and Cracker Barrel restaurants. The restaurant chain has been boycotted by gay rights groups for its policy that it won't hire gays and lesbians. Documents have revealed that the EPI gave \$25,000 to Gingrich and praised him for including in the curriculum promotion of minimum-wage jobs.

"If the Sierra Club did exactly the same thing for their values that (would be considered) wonderful, and it would be a positive story, warm and glowing and fuzzy," Gingrich said. "But the fact that somebody who believes in the private sector and believes in jobs wants to make sure that if they're going to support it, that the course is talking about the private sector and jobs, that's somehow dangerous."

Clinton implements national service program

By College Press Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Clinton signed into law a scaled-back version of his plan to promote national service among youth in exchange for federal help with the high cost of a college education.

Under the National Service and Community Trust Act, students could work for up to two years, making \$4,725 annually to pay for college or pay off existing loans. Students also would earn a minimum wage salary as they perform service in a variety of social service and environmental settings.

During the 1992 presidential campaign, Clinton envisioned national service as a way for all students to attend college. But his plan fell victim to various budget pressures, and the package ultimately approved by Congress is expected to reach only a fraction of

the 5 million college students who currently receive financial aid.

Nonetheless, the president, at a White House ceremony Sept. 21, touted the new plan as an important starting point to instill in youth a tradition of service.

"I hope, believe and dream that national service will remain throughout the life of America not a series of promises but a series of challenges across all the generations and all walks of life to help us rebuild our troubled, but wonderful, land," the president said.

To underscore the importance of the occasion, Clinton signed the bill with pens used by Franklin Roosevelt to create the Civilian Conservation Corps, a Depression-era service program, and John Kennedy to create the Peace Corps in the 1960s.

The bill authorizes \$300 million in 1994 to cover about 20,000 participants in the program. The bill

sets a goal of \$500 million in funding in 1995 and \$700 million in 1996 to recruit a growing number of students.

In addition to receiving minimum wage and college aid, participants will receive health insurance and child-care assistance if applicable during their service period.

The bill passed the House early in August by a vote of 275-152. Senate Democrats broke a Republican-led filibuster of the bill late in the summer and eventually approved the measure by a 57-40 vote Sept. 8.

Even before the bill's signing, Clinton kicked off his national service effort earlier this year with a "Summer of Service" for 1,500 students. These youths helped immunize children, rebuild communities and clean the environment at 16 programs in cities including Boston, Los Angeles, New Orleans, New York and Philadelphia.

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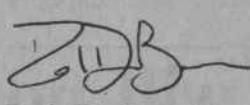
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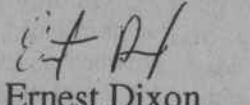
On behalf of the entire 1993 Gamecock Football Team, we want to express our sincere gratitude for your tremendous support throughout our first two home games. Your spirit and enthusiasm is heard and felt by all the players, and is a driving force for us to give our best each play.

As students of the University of South Carolina, we want to represent you, the faculty, staff and alumni in a way that makes you proud to be a Gamecock. Your continued support is ever so important as you ARE the 12th man. You do make a difference!

Finally, we want to dedicate the Alabama game to you, the students, because you deserve our best effort. We hope you'll join with us at the student section after each victory for the Fight Song and Alma Mater. We'll see you on Saturday as we, together, gear up to "Beat Bama."

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