

**Forecast**

Today  
Mostly sunny  
High 65  
Low 44

Thursday  
Partly cloudy  
High 63  
Low 40



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## NEWS

### NATIONWIDE

**KOBE, Japan (AP)**—Survivors with blank expressions wandered battered streets Tuesday in a city that was supposed to stand up to earthquakes, their faith in technology smashed by a disaster that killed at least 1,800 people.

Elevated roads and bridges that Japanese engineers boasted were quake-proof were broken at crazy angles, flung to earth by the force of nature, crushing whatever was beneath them.

Motorists perished as their cars skidded off the collapsing highways. Tracks and bridges for Japan's famous "bullet" trains were damaged badly enough to be out of action for months. Hundreds of thousands of survivors struggled to live without electricity, gas or water.

Hardly a block in this industrial port city of 1.4 million people had a house or building intact. Many streets were reduced to piles of rubble, leftovers from the strongest quake to strike an urban area of Japan since 1948.

Osaka, Japan's second-largest city and across the bay from Kobe, was also heavily damaged by the 7.2-magnitude quake that struck before dawn Tuesday. The wreckage extended 50 miles northwest of Kobe to the sacred temples and statues of the ancient city of Kyoto.

Nearly 4,000 buildings were destroyed, and hundreds of aftershocks continued through the night, forcing many to sleep outside for fear of further damage to buildings left standing.

National police said 1,805 people were known dead by Wednesday morning, 1,036 were missing and 6,337 injured. The toll was expected to rise as communications were restored.

### TODAY

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 18, the 18th day of 1995. There are 347 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Jan. 18, 1912, English explorer Robert F. Scott and his expedition reached the South Pole, only to discover that Roald Amundsen had gotten there first. (Scott and his party died during the return trip.)

**On this date:**

In 1892, comedian Oliver Hardy was born in Harlem, Ga.

In 1911, the first landing of an aircraft on a ship took place as pilot Eugene B. Ely brought his plane in for a safe landing on the deck of the USS Pennsylvania in San Francisco Harbor.

In 1919, the World War I Peace Congress opened in Versailles, France.

In 1943, during World War II, the Soviets announced they'd broken the long Nazi siege of Leningrad.

In 1943, a wartime ban on the sale of pre-sliced bread in the U.S. — aimed at reducing demand for metal replacement parts at bakeries — went into effect.

In 1967, Albert DeSalvo, who claimed to be the "Boston Strangler," was convicted in Cambridge, Mass., of armed robbery, assault and sex offenses. (Sentenced to life, DeSalvo was killed by a fellow inmate in 1973.)

In 1975, the situation comedy "The Jeffersons," a spin-off from "All in the Family," premiered on CBS.

### NOTEBOOK

**Leadership conference registration ongoing**

The Student Leadership Training Conference will be Feb. 4 at USC. The one-day conference will feature workshops and a morning keynote address by Joe Paul, vice president for Student Affairs and an associate professor of counseling psychology at the University of Southern Mississippi.

A reception will be hosted by the S.C. College Personnel Association and the USC Student Personnel Association for students interested in meeting Student Affairs professionals to learn more about this career field. A swap shop and luncheon are scheduled to provide students opportunities to meet and share leadership experiences and ideas.

The cost for the conference is \$15 for USC-Columbia students and \$35 for non-USC-Columbia students. Fees include a continental breakfast, refreshments, a luncheon and conference materials. The registration deadline is Jan. 27.

**Postal kiosk no longer on Russell House Patio**

The postal kiosk was removed from the Russell House Patio over winter break.

Richard Wertz, in the business affairs office, said the postal kiosk was not turning a profit for the U.S. Postal Service.

"They had to send someone over daily to collect the mail and to repair the machine when it broke," Wertz said. "It just wasn't worth it."

Stamps can be purchased at the Russell House and the USC Post Office on Main Street.

Sean Rankin, Staff Writer

**Public health school offers aerobics training**

The department of health promotion and education at the USC School of Public Health is offering a 13-week training program for aerobics instructors.

The program will be from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays through April 19 at the Blatt P.E. Center.

The \$225 fee includes course materials and instruction in exercise and safety training, American Red Cross Adult CPR and aerobic dance choreography.

The registration deadline is today, and space is limited. A \$50 deposit will guarantee enrollment. For more information, call 777-7636.

## Kaplan, ETS clash over GRE's vulnerability

**ERIN GALLOWAY** News Editor

The Educational Testing Service is suing Kaplan Educational Services after Kaplan researchers recreated portions of the computerized Graduate Record Examination.

ETS, which writes and administers the GRE, filed the suit Dec. 30, and Kaplan signed a two-week agreement with ETS.

"One portion is that Kaplan agrees not to go into the test centers and reproduce questions," said Ray Nicosia, an ETS representative.

ETS said Kaplan researchers took the computerized GRE to memorize questions, not to earn a score. Kaplan said the purpose of recreating questions was to show ETS the computerized exam's vulnerability, however.

Kaplan maintains no questions were distributed to students, according to a Kaplan press release.

After filing the lawsuit, ETS announced a reduction in computerized GRE test dates. Sylvan Learning Centers administers the

exam for ETS. Marsha Malek, a test administrator with the center, said Sylvan is offering the computerized test now through Jan. 21.

The next administration of the computerized GRE will be the week of Jan. 30. Starting in February the computerized GRE will be given one week a month through June.

"I haven't had any problems scheduling anybody," Malek said. "But if somebody has a February deadline, that could be a problem."

USC normally administers the "pencil-and-paper" GRE to 300 students four times a year, October, December, April and June, said Sissy Whitlock, coordinator of testing for USC.

"Those students who need a test score between now and June 1 will have to take the computerized test," she said. "We've been at full capacity lately. Several students have been turned down."

USC also administers the Miller Analogies Test, which some schools will accept instead

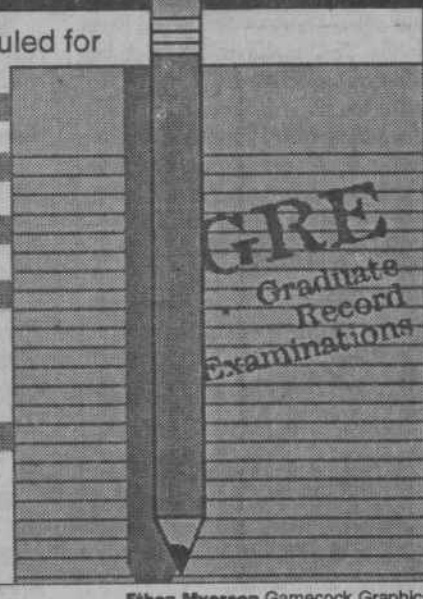
**GRE TEST DATES**

The computerized GRE is scheduled for the following dates:

January 16-21
30
31
February 1-4
March 6-11
April 3-8
May 1-6
June 5-10

The "paper-and-pencil" GRE will be on the following dates:

April 8
June 3



Ethan Myerson Gamecock Graphics



English sophomore Chris Livingston plays pool Tuesday afternoon in the Russell House gameroom. Half of the gameroom will be converted to the Residential College dining hall.

## Students to play with food, not games

**STEPHANIE SONNENFELD** Staff Writer

USC's newest addition, Preston Residential College is offering a little more to its residents via the stomach.

Incorporated in the day to day life of a Residential College inhabitant is a nightly dinner with fellow college and faculty members in the new dining facility. The dining hall will take up half of the space in the current gameroom located in the Russell House. The gameroom will still exist minus a few pool tables.

According to Don Greiner, associate provost, the dining hall will hold up to 200 students. Tentatively, the doors to the facility will open around 5 p.m. for dinner and stay open until 8 p.m.

During this period, students in the college will be able to dine from a self-serve line, five out of seven nights a week. Students will be required to dine four to five of the nights. In addition to the students dining, Greiner said he hopes a staff or college faculty member will join students during dinner every night.

The dining room will serve as a lecture hall as well.

Greiner hopes a television will be installed in the hall so students can come together to watch shows of interest such as "concerts from Lincoln Center" and "presidential debates."

"There will be some special things that will happen up there in the Residential College," said Carl Chandler, general manager of Marriott Food Services. "From what I can see, the atmosphere in the dining hall will be very nice - there will be all round tables so that students may have conversations, and it will be self service. I really think it [the dining hall] is a neat concept."

Introducing the dining hall idea and other proposals regarding the Residential College was done through advertisements across campus and with a reception. The reception took place Tuesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., and interested students and faculty associates for the college attended. The principal of the Residential College, Kevin Lewis and his wife, Becky Lewis, attended along with other College faculty to answer questions students had about USC's newest tradition.

## Discussion groups seek to improve race relations

**CLIFTON CHESTNUT** Staff Writer

Law professor O'Neal Smalls, along with a committee of students, faculty and staff, has created Operation Community to advance race relations at USC.



The program will pair individuals or groups of students with students and faculty of opposite races in the hope that they will reach a common ground on issues specified on an application each participant will complete. As a part of Black History Month, Smalls plans to use the responses from students to improve attitudes and misconceptions he said everyone has.

"The purpose of the whole operation is to begin the process of bringing about racial harmony and unity here on campus," Smalls said.

Smalls said he initiated the program after students and faculty voiced concerns about racism on campus.

"Students and faculty members have indicated to us that there's a fair amount of segregation on campus, and we're looking at the whole question of how to move that forward," he said.

Sophomore Darcie Shively, who is a member of the planning committee, has been involved in the planning process of Operation Community. She sees the program as a way for students to learn about their peers and ease racial intolerance.

"What we want to do is find out what the concerns of the students are, and try to pinpoint those concerns," Shively said. "Then we can go from there maybe to work on another project."

Shively said she believes the program will be received well by students, and she feels it will have positive impact on everyone.

**Operation Community**

"There's no way to really predict the outcome, but I think it will definitely be something that this campus hasn't done before," she said.

In addition to having students meet with members of the opposite race, Smalls plans to use the results of the meetings to improve the African American studies program. He has formed a committee to study the department, and he hopes to increase the number faculty within in.

"The president and the provost have accepted the proposal to strengthen the program. We're now recruiting, and I think the plans have been laid out for increasing the number of faculty members there and increasing the number of courses in the program," Smalls said.

Applications for Operation Community will be available in the Student Government Office Jan. 19 through Jan. 26, and the meetings will occur Jan. 30 through Feb. 6. Smalls is suggesting that students have a meal together in order to discuss the issues on the application.

"This provides a meaningful exchange between black and white students, and it's an information gathering device for us. Once they [participants] have given us their written response, our committee will receive those and we will decide where to go from there," Smalls said.

## GAMECOCK GREENBACKS

### Business-related fellowships, study-abroad opportunities open

**TIFFA HARPER** Asst. News Editor

State Farm Insurance Company and Rotary International are offering fellowships and study-abroad opportunities for college junior, seniors and graduate students.

The State Farm Companies Foundation's 50 Exceptional Student Fellowship awards offer fellowships to juniors or seniors demonstrating strong leadership abilities and majoring in business or a business-related field.

Fellowships can be used for the completion of undergraduate work or the first year of graduate work.

Eligibility is not based on financial status. Applicants should have demonstrated leadership, scholarship, character and career goals and must be a U.S. citizen. Applicants must be nominated by USC to be considered.

Applications and nomination forms are available in the Office of Fellowships and Summer Programs. The deadline is Jan. 27.

Rotary International is offering scholarships to students interested in study abroad. Foundation scholars are expected to be ambassadors of goodwill and must strive to contribute to world understanding and peace as they pursue their studies.

Rotary offers three scholarships with different funding that provide intensive study in language and cultural immersion, one year of study abroad or study for two to three years in another country.

"Since 1985, 13 University of South Carolina students have received Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarships," said Novella Beskid, coordinator of Fellowships and Summer Programs. "This is an excellent study abroad opportunity students should consider."

Ashley Derrick, Shawn Galloway, Cassandra Sturkie and Cynthia Mallard have won Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships for the 1995-96 academic year.

For more information, contact Novella Beskid at Fellowships and Summer Programs, 777-0958.

## Break crime low

**ANNE PAGE** Staff Writer

Reported crime incidents were lower during the winter holidays than when students leave campus during other breaks, said Carl Stokes, director of Law Enforcement and Safety at USCPD.

While students were away, however, USCPD officers were busy making an impact in the community.

"When students leave campus, we usually have some problems, but this time seemed to be particularly quiet," Stokes said.

According to USCPD incident reports, students in two residence hall rooms, one in Columbia Hall and the other in Desaussure College, returned to campus and found personal belongings missing. A third student found a screen to her Thornwell room cut, but there was no apparent entry to the room. Other thefts also were reported.

Stokes attributed the low level of crimes during the break to the increased consciousness of students and staff in securing their belongings. He said this awareness is a result of community policing.

"That is what community policing is all about," he said, "having the community assist police officers."

During the break, USCPD officers assisted in the search for suspects in the Jan. 4 shooting of a Columbia police officer at the corner of Pendleton and Oak streets.

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"[The Columbia Police Department] put out an all-points bulletin indicating they had an officer shot," said Lawrence Pathel, chief of Investigation and Administration at USCPD. "We had three of our Crime Reduction Unit officers and our patrol lieutenant in charge of the shift that night help set up the perimeter."

USCPD officers also successfully intervened in a suicide attempt during break. Shortly after 4 p.m. Dec. 31, Officer Richard "Eric" Brown noticed a woman standing on the edge of the Blossom Street bridge while he was driving home, Pathel said. The woman had one leg over the railing.

Brown and two assisting officers who arrived on the scene restrained the woman when she tried to jump and stayed with her until Richland County Emergency Medical Service personnel arrived, Pathel said.

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