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Literary Roundtable will meet Oct. 1 at 8 p.m. in Gambrell Hall 321. The reading will be Steppenwolf by Hermann Hesse.

Sundays

- PALM Campus Ministry, Worship and Dinner, 5:30 p.m., 728 Pickens St.
- Cabinet, 6 p.m., Witten Rm.

Mondays

- Fraternity Council, 4:30 p.m.
- Peer Conduct Board, 7:30 p.m., RH 303
- Homecoming Commission, 6:30 p.m., RH 348
- Sorority Council, 5 p.m.

Tuesdays

- AAAS, 6 p.m., RH Theater
- Bodybuilding & Fitness Club, 7 p.m., Blatt 135
- Phi Sigma Pi, 8:30 p.m., Nursing 127
- Oxfam Carolina, 4 p.m., the PALM Center, 728 Pickens St.
- Newman Club, 7 p.m., St. Thomas More Center
- Carolina Cares, 7 p.m., RH 302
- Hillel, 7 p.m., RH 203
- Young Democrats, 7 p.m. RH 305

Wednesdays

- Leadership Team, 4:15 p.m.
- Campus Judicial Board, 3:30 p.m.
- Student Government Senate, 5 p.m., RH Theater
- Amnesty International, 5 p.m., RH 302
- Scuba Club, 5:30 p.m., Blatt P.E. Center
- PALM Ministries, Body & Soul, 5:30 p.m., 728 Pickens St.
- Intersivity Chapter Prayer, 7:15 a.m., RH 315
- Women Student's Association, 8 p.m., RH
- American Marketing Associations, 8:30 p.m., BA 002
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 9:15 p.m.
- BGLA, 8 p.m., BA 436
- Into the Streets, 4 p.m., Preston Seminar Room
- Carolina Productions Concerts, 7 p.m., RH Witten Room
- Carolina for Kids, 8:30 p.m., RH 302
- College Republicans, 7:30 p.m., Gambrell 250
- International Students Association, every other week
- Mountaineering and White Water Club, 7:30 p.m., RH 205
- Habitat for Humanity, 7 p.m., Gambrell 204.

Thursdays

- Intersivity Christian Fellowship, 7:30 p.m., RH 322
- BSU, Heart to Heart, 7 p.m., Baptist Student Center
- Undergraduate ACS, 5 p.m.
- Campus Crusade for Christ, Prime Time, 7:30 p.m., Nursing 127

Saturdays

- Round Table Gaming Society, 12 p.m., Leconte 112
- Carolina Productions, 8 p.m., RH Theater

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Smith also has thirteen baby Canebrake Rattlesnakes, and one adult one. According to Smith, someone in South Carolina called USC and told the school that he had found a "bunch of baby rattlers." Smith made the arrangements to pick up the snakes, and when he arrived, he found all thirteen waiting in a large bucket. "I met the person there, and he said, 'Would you like to see where the babies came from?' I said, 'Sure!'" Smith said. "So we go back behind this house, where it's quite wooded, and there's this big stump left over from where a tree had fallen over. He had found these snakes on top of the stump,"

Smith said. "So, I'm walking around and there's some holes in the ground around the stump. And as I got around to the other side of the stump, (the mother of the baby rattlesnakes) was curled up right there." "She was beautiful. So, she came back with us, too. Now we have thirteen babies and their mother." The baby rattlesnakes are being used in a food assimilation study, measuring what percentage of the food they eat actually goes toward the snake itself. The food is weighed before it is given to the snakes, and the snake is also weighed. As the snakes get older, Smith has plans to do a DNA workup on them, and then check the DNA of the mother.

By comparing these two workups of DNA, it may be possible to determine whether all the snakes have the same father. Some snake species are known to be born of multiple paternities (more than one father), but to this point, no one knows if that happens with these rattlesnakes. Other studies planned for Smith's collection of snakes includes study of the viper pits that the snakes use to sense changes in heat above the ambient temperature and locate prey. Smith got his first snake when he was only eight years old from a friend's backyard. He has been working with snakes in an academic or professional setting for eighteen years.

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continued from page 1 students the time to voice their opinion on matters such as stereotypes and misconceptions. "I think the workshops are very efficient. Many freshmen have no idea about anything but the United States because it is so big," Vanessa Bourquard said, a senior from Brazil. During the last 15 minutes of each workshop, a study abroad adviser talks to the students about the options of experiencing the reality of being a transfer student in another country. There are ten international students currently enrolled in the "Thinking Globally" program from countries all around the world. The majority of the students are upperclassmen or graduate students willing to promote international awareness for a \$25 stipend.

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Chapter will help in providing the "site, selection of family, and floor plans," according to Jim Nicols, a board member at the Central Carolina Chapter. Because Anderson "had so much fun in high school" and was able to "make a difference in someone's life," she and Mary got together their sophomore year at Carolina and reestablished Habitat for Humanity on campus. Their goal, according to Shirley is to build a house every year, starting now with the "first annual Habitat house" from the USC Chapter. Habitat for Humanity was founded in 1976 by Millard Fuller. Fuller was an extremely rich man who decided, when his family threatened to leave him because of his greed, to put all his money into houses for people who could

not afford them. His daughter, Faith Ford, now runs the organization that has built over 50,000 homes. Dr. Greg Carbone, faculty advisor along with Mike Walla, said the goal of Habitat is to provide, "a simple, decent place to live." Dr. Carbone's goal when the USC house is sponsored is to involve student groups. He said he believes the purposes of the USC Chapter are to reach out to the community and involve students with a similar desire to make it easier. According to Dr. Carbone, it takes three to four months to build a house. The local affiliate helps in the building while student organizations helps in painting and other work on the site. Dr. Carbone said he plans to schedule student groups throughout the

construction to help with each stage. Corporations such as electric and plumbing companies and plumbers donate their time to help out. People apply for a Habitat house. The applications go through a selections process to make sure the people who get the houses are the ones who really need them. The houses are usually two bedrooms, kitchen, bath and living room or three to four bedrooms for larger families. The families pay a minimum monthly payment for the house. Anyone on campus can get involved with the USC Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. They have meetings at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in Gambrell 204 for planning and organizing the fundraisers and building.

"It has been really great so far. The people seem nervous at first, but then they start asking questions. They seem to be very in the drinking ages in other countries," said Anne Terashima, a senior transfer student from Tokyo, Japan. There will be around 30 workshops scheduled this semester. Boston University has put together a video entitled "Cold Water" about certain international students' first experiences in the United States. The video is part of the workshops in the University 101 classes as well. "I think it is hard to get freshmen interested in varying topics. Sometimes I ask them where they think I am from and no one knows. A better structure of class would probably help the class lectures run more smoothly," said Adnan Omar, graduate student from Malaysia. International Programs for Students offers several other ways to experience the cultural diversity without leaving Columbia. International coffee houses are scheduled for October 10, 29 and November 12. Each coffee house offers features food, music and stories of foreign countries. A film festival is held every Sunday night in the B.A. Building at 7:00 p.m. The films are shown in their original language and equipped with subtitles. The Cinema Du Monde Film Festival is free of charge and aims at educating students of other cultures.

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are enrolled in if the student is less than full-time. "The graduate students wanted more money for speeches, research projects and this is a way of giving them more money. At the same time, we're giving a large chunk of this money to the undergraduate organizations," Siachos said. According to the treasurer, undergraduate organizations will have close to 100,000 dollars more than last year as a direct result of his programs.

"Really and truly, the treasurer's enumerated duties in the Constitution aren't that overwhelming," Siachos said. "There's lots of work that needs to be done on finances, but there's also lots of work that needs to be done around campus, like the voter registration drive, which I'll be running from Monday thru Thursday next week," Siachos said. "All I'm trying to do is be the most active treasurer that we've ever had at the University of South Carolina," Siachos said.

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Carter has interned at both Renaissance Inneractive, Inc., and Pinnacle East, Inc. "The most important lesson I received from my fortunate experiences was, I was able to really learn how the business world works, that I'd really have to bear down in the future and that just doesn't mean the normal 9 to 5," Carter said. Companies that will be visiting USC this month for possible internees include: National Cash Register Corp(NCR), based out of West Columbia; Life of Virginia, also based out of Columbia; and Walt Disney World.

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August 26 - September 26

Building Tours:		Network Tours:	
Mondays:	11 am	Mondays:	11:30 am
Tuesdays:	11 am	Tuesdays:	11:30 am
Wednesdays:	2:30 pm	Wednesdays:	3 pm
and	7 pm	and	7:30 pm
Thursdays:	4 pm	Thursdays:	4:30 pm

The Building Tours will last approximately 30 minutes. The tour will include many departments such as Reference, Science Reference, Government Documents, and Circulation.

Network Tours will last approximately 30 minutes and will focus on electronic resources available in Thomas Cooper Library. CD-ROM databases, USCAN, and the Internet will be demonstrated.

Tours for Students, Faculty, and Staff with Disabilities

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Tuesday, August 27th - 10:00 building tour/ 10:30 network tour
Monday, September 2nd - 2:00 building tour/ 2:30 network tour