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Puppet Regime elects officers

The Puppet Regime will meet 5 p.m. today in Longstreet Theatre green room. Officers will be elected.

USC leadership conference to be held

The Student Leadership Training Conference will be held Saturday at USC. Final deadline for registration is Wednesday. For more information call 777-6688.

SALA sponsors dance lessons

SALA will sponsor a salsa dance lesson from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Blatt P.E. Center dance studio. Reservations required. For more information call 777-6359.

Host families needed for exchange

ASSE International Student Exchange Program needs Columbia families to host students. The students would stay for a school year. For more information call Diana Hackbarth at 699-6728.

Turkey subject of panel

The office of International Programs for Students and the Turkish Student Association will sponsor a panel discussion and cultural presentation on Turkey 7 p.m. Feb. 10 in Harper College's Gressette Room. For more information call 777-7461.

Professor to lecture on James, Astaire

Stanley Cavell of Harvard University's philosophy department will hold a lecture at 4 p.m. Feb. 16 in Gambrell 153. The lecture is "Identifying Praise: At Moments in Henry James and Fred Astaire."

DATEBOOK

MONDAY 2
Golden Key National Honor Society, 6 p.m., first Monday of the month, RH 309.
"Into the Streets," 7 p.m., every other Monday, RH 302.

TUESDAY 3
PRSSA meeting, 5:30 p.m., Feb. 3, Coliseum CEO room.
Coping with Living, 3 p.m., begins Feb. 3, Counseling and Human Development Center.

"The Connection I Need to Grow," 3 p.m., Feb. 3 and Feb. 10, Counseling and Human Development Center.
Office of Community Service Programs' Open House, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Feb. 3, Campus Activities Center.
Appreciating Self, 2 p.m., Feb. 17, Counseling and Human Development Center.
The World Tae Kwon Do Club, 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Booker T. Washington Gym.
Students Allied for a Greener Earth, 7:30 p.m., Calcott 312.
Palm Campus prayer meeting, 12:30 p.m., PALM Center.
Fellowship of Christian Athletes prayer meeting, 7 a.m., Rutledge Chapel.
Fencing Club meeting, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Blatt 308.

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Manager pulls plug twice over weekend

Porn stars, 'Pirate Radio' at crux of WUSC controversy

copy desk chief **CHRIS DIXON**
news editor **CARA PELLATT**

WUSC Public Affairs Director Bin Wilcenski was taken off the air twice in 24 hours for questionable content.

During an interview with two porn stars Friday, Wilcenski was ordered by Student Media Director Ellen Parsons to end the discussion. He was 30 minutes into the interview about the porn industry.

"I've done much worse interviews with bands, and they weren't stopped," Wilcenski said in an interview Sunday. "I wasn't doing anything wrong. It could have been much worse. It could have been a total porno, tasteless thing."

Wilcenski said Parsons' reason for ending the interview was that it was inappropriate for a radio station run by the Board of Trustees. He said Parsons mentioned nothing specific that was said in the interview. He believes she had a problem with the overall idea.

Parsons said in an interview that the subject of the broadcast was inappropriate.

"The station manager and I spoke, and the decision was made that it was running too close to violations. It was deemed not appropriate," she said.

Early Saturday morning, Wilcenski and other DJs also were ordered to end the "Pirate Radio" show. The show's format includes taking calls from listeners.

One of these calls was a factor in the show's removal when a caller used the word "shit." Another factor in ending the show was Wilcenski's use of the word "dickhead."

The DJs were then suspended from the station.

Wilcenski believes the words would have been inappropriate during the day, but they were used during the FCC's safe harbor, which is the operating time between 10 p.m.

and 10 a.m. when language rules are less strict.

"This is the most toned-down pirate radio I've ever been a part of," Wilcenski said.

"This borders on censorship. It seems to promote one person's morals. It's just one person speculating on the thoughts of others."

"Pirate Radio" was a part of the Spring 1997 WUSC schedule.

Both incidents are under investigation. Station Manager Drew Harton is scheduling meetings this week with the DJs involved to determine if any policies were violated. Information gathered during the investigation will help decide how long the DJs will be suspended and if the cases should be turned over to student discipline or the Board of Student Publications and Communications.



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COMEBACK!

Gamecocks full of miracles

Grant's second buzzer-beater in as many games lifts USC over No. 18 Cincinnati

asst. sports editor **NATHAN BROWN**

There can be no doubt in the world, or even in the universe, about the existence of God after the last two Carolina basketball games. Last Wednesday, a shot, with nine tenths of a second left, went in to lift USC past Florida, 74-72.

On His day of the week, Sunday, the Almighty looked down on Frank McGuire Arena and blessed the No. 13 Gamecocks (16-3, 6-2 SEC) for the second time in two games. Carolina hit a 3-pointer with no time remaining on the clock to beat No. 18 Cincinnati 67-65.

If God looks after USC basketball, Antonio Grant is His blessed son. In the Florida contest, Grant tipped in the winning shot. Against the Bearcats, Grant did something more impressive than Moses' parting of the sea. He picked up the loose ball with less than one second left on the clock and stroked a 3-pointer that hit nothing but the net, just as the buzzer sounded.

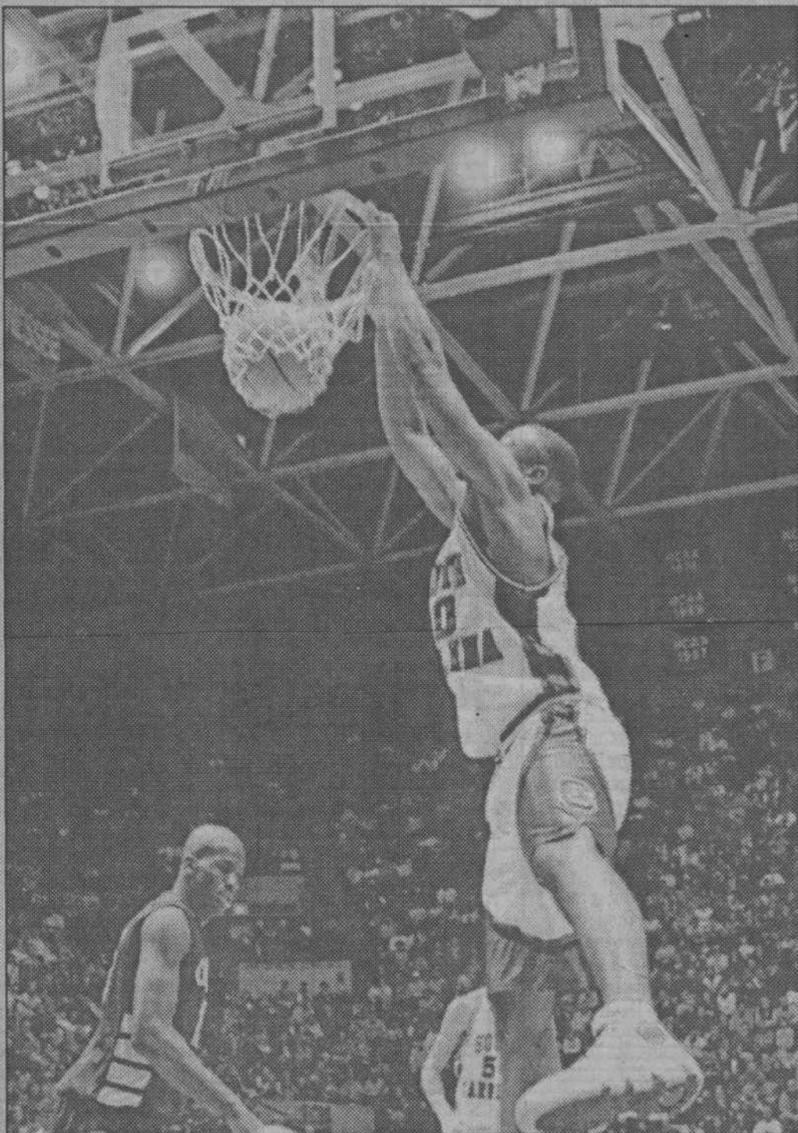
"The ball popped out, and I just picked it up and shot it," Grant said.

"I was just picking up and releasing. That was my intention. I got knots on my forehead [from the crowd charging the court]. People were jumping up on me. I was just trying to hold my head down. I was ready to get out of there."

After the first half, Cincinnati probably thought they were going to get out of the Coliseum with a win. The Cats dominated the first 20 minutes of play outscoring Carolina 39-19. Carolina was outperformed in nearly every category of the first half.

The Cats outrebounded USC 24-16, made a higher percentage of their shots 53.6 percent to 20 percent (the lowest shooting percentage under Eddie Fogler), and had six blocks to USC's one.

The difference between the first and second half was like night and day for the Gamecocks. Coming out of the locker room, Carolina was down by 20 and soon watched their deficit swell to 23. But after the 18:53



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William Gallman slams it home early in the game against Cincinnati. The Gamecocks trailed the entire game until Antonio Grant hit a buzzer-beating 3-pointer to win the game, 67-65.

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CP may cut movie program

asst. news editor **CARRIE MCCULLOUGH**

Students may have one less choice of on-campus things to do Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Carolina Productions is considering either running the free movie program every other week or discontinuing it all together, according to Brandon Anderson, CP cinematic arts commissioner.

"We have done just about everything we can. I'm still talking to my adviser about it though," Anderson said.

Anderson said it is not a question of the budget or a lack of good movies available. Instead he attributed the possible cancellation to a lack of student attendance.

He also said the money will not necessarily go to recouping CP's financial losses caused by "The Wallflowers" concert. A small turnout at the concert resulted in the campus programming organization losing more than \$40,000 in November.

He said it may go to other areas in Carolina Productions or to another student organization.

Jenny Shelley, a junior political science major, said she enjoys the movies. She usually attends on Thursdays.

"Sometimes they have some really good new movies and sometimes they have your old favorites," Shelley said.

Shelley added that when she has attended the movies, the theater was one half to three-fourths full.

Anderson said the tentative movies for this semester are "Men in Black,"

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Provost's office selects freshman 'experience'

staff writer **DANIEL WEAVER**

As high school seniors decide which college to attend, academic programs at USC prepare for their arrival.

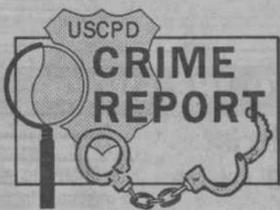
The Office for Academic Affairs and Provost has selected the novel to be featured in next August's First-Year Reading Experience.

"Who Will Run the Frog Hospital?" by Lorrie Moore has received rave reviews from critics, and staff hope incoming freshmen will love it.

Don Greiner, the Associate Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Affairs, wanted freshmen's first impression to be an academic event at the university. Greiner also knew that students wanted more academic affairs in common with each other and more ungraded contact with professors.

For the past three years, freshmen involved in the program have read a short story in August, then discussed it with other students and professors the day after moving in.

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compiled by **MATT MYERS**

January 22

Illegal Use of Computer, Patterson Hall. Victim stated that unknown person(s) sent her a threatening e-mail. Investigation continues.

January 23

Domestic Dispute, Carolina Gardens. Victim stated that she and her husband were having an argument when he became angry and struck her several times with his hand. Victim did not press charges. Victim's rights forms were signed.

Civil Disturbance, Wade Hampton residence hall. Complainant stated that she received verbal threats from subjects 7 to 10. In retaliation, subjects 1 to 6 returned verbal threats. Investigation continues.

January 24

Disorderly Conduct, 900 block Henderson Street. Subject was observed stumbling in the street. When responding officer approached the subject, a strong odor of alcohol was observed, and the subject's speech was incomprehensible. Subject was arrested and transported to Richland County Detention Center.

Assistance Rendered, Blatt P.E. Center. Victim dislocated knee while playing racketball. Victim was transported to Lexington Medical Hospital.

Malicious Injury to Real Property, Roost. Officers responded to a fire alarm at the Roost. The Columbia Fire Department responded. Upon further investigation a bulletin board had been burnt by unknown subject(s).

Estimated value: \$10.

January 25

Unlawful Possession of Beer, 1700 block College Street. While on patrol, officer observed subject walking with an open container of beer. It was discovered that subject was underage. Subject

was arrested and transported to Richland County Detention Center.

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January 27

Larceny of Calling Card, Bates West. Victim stated that unknown person(s) removed a calling card from her unsecured wallet. Estimated value: \$1.

Larceny of an End Table, Towers Lobby. Complainant reports that unknown person(s) removed one unattended end table from the lobby. Estimated value: \$151.65.

January 28

Assistance Rendered, Jones Physical Science. Victim stated that he splashed acid into his eyes. Victim was transported to Richland Memorial Hospital.