#### ON CAMPUS

#### Senate looking for students' opinions

Student senate will man a table 1 Tuesday and Wednesday on Greene Street to gauge students' opinions of what SG can do to improve campus. All students are encouraged to give input. For more information, call Rebecca Payne at 544-3177.

#### Gamecock Club to have cookout

The Student Gamecock Club is having its annual spring cookout at 6 p.m. Tuesday on the Roost Patio. All members, athletes and coaches are invited. Elections for club offices will also be held.

#### Garnet & Black looks for editors

The Garnet & Black is looking for section editors for the 1999-2000 school year. Applications are due Friday and are available in RH 331. For more information, call 777-1149.

#### Freshmen residence halls to hold luau

Moore, Snowden, Douglas, Patterson and Bates residence halls are holding "Carolina Luau '99" from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday in the Bates House social room and on the patio and lawn behind Bates. The event will have traditional luau food, including roasted pig. Activities include a dunk tank and music by local band Blackbeard's Truck. The luau is free and open to the residents of the dorms involved. For more information, call Grant Wooten at 544-3098 or Holly Hallmann at 777-0378.

#### Stanford professor to discuss poetry of Shakespeare

Bradley Efron, a professor of statistics at Stanford University, will discuss "Shakespeare and the Case of the Suspicious Statisticians" at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Jones Physical Science 210. The lecture, sponsored by the College of Science and Mathematics, will discuss how a statistical method originally developed to estimate missing butterfly species can help determine the authenticity of a poem attributed to William Shakespeare. The lecture is free and open to the public.

#### Leukemia walk to be held

The Student Personnel Association is hosting the "Fidler 5" campus walk to benefit leukemia research and honor Paul Fidler with the Division of Student Affairs, who is retiring this year. Registration for the walk will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday on the Horseshoe. There will be a reception following the walk in the Gressette Room in Harper College with speakers and refreshments. All proceeds will benefit the Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia Foundation. For more information, call Vickie Shaw at 777-6343.

#### AAAS sponsoring scholarship pageant

The Association of African-American Students will sponsor the Elite Male Scholarship Pageant the weekend of April 23. Those interested in participating can pick up an application in the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs. For more information, call Jotaka Eaddy at 544-1764 or Aisha Taylor at 544-1052.

#### Multicultural **Student Affairs** to form workshops

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs is recruiting students to help with "Students Educating and Empowering for Diversity" educational workshops in University 101 classes in the fall. The training will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, visit the Office of Multicultural Affairs or call Jeff Temoney at 777-4330.

Briefs for On Campus can be submitted to RH 333. Submissions should be in writing and include a contact name and phone number. We can't promise to print everytuing, but we can promise to try.

## Birth-control pills can help control acne

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A decade ago, "patients certainly didn't ask for things by name," said Dr. Robert Latta, director of the student health center at San Jose State

"You feel like Cosmopolitan can have more credibility than you," said Tepper, whose clinic added Ortho Tri-Cyclen to its offerings this school year because of growing student demand.

Although the product has been sold as a birth-control pill since 1992, only in recent years have sales sky-

rocketed. Before the FDA approved

in 1996, Ortho Tri-Cyclen was the seventh most popular birth-control pill. In 1998, after intensive marketing on prime-time television shows and in magazines popular with teens, it was No. 1, according to IMS Health, a health-care information company based in Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

Generally, the estrogen in birthcontrol pills is thought to decrease the level of other hormones in the body that contribute to the development of acne-producing agents. But Ortho-McNeil says its pill is different from others because it contains a patented

it for the treatment of moderate acne brand of progestin called Norgestimate, which other manufacturers won't have access to until the company's patent expires. Progestin, the second hormone present in birth-control pills, is thought to interfere with the acnereducing benefits of estrogen. But Norgestimate doesn't have that effect, said Dr. Joel Lippman, vice president of clinical trials for Ortho-McNeil.

The drug does come with some caveats. Ortho Tri-Cyclen is recommended by the FDA as an acne treatment only for women 15 or over with mild to moderate acne who have reached menstruation.

## Minuses up to faculty's discretion, Palms says

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hard and get A's? Parents will call me and say, Look, I know my child is a Cstudent in high school, but he was not mature ... give him a chance, and he can make it at the university.' I say, which South Carolinian would you like me to deny admittance?

The Gamecock: What do you think about the minus system to be implemented here?

Palms: I have a hard enough time making up a test. I think just A, B, C and D is fair. A student got up in the faculty senate meeting the other day and said we don't mind the pluses, we don't want the minuses. We've already passed this. It's going to be up for reconsideration in the fall. ... If your particular instructor doesn't want to use it, they won't have to use it. Grading ity of jobs in this state ... we've had a is the responsibility of a faculty member. The trustees yesterday asked us, "Whatever happened to an A being a 94?" It just changes. A lot of faculty still grade on the curve. It's still as diverse as the faculty we have here

The Gamecock: Do you think a degree from USC will mean a lot more now than it did, say, five years ago?

Palms: It's already happening, particularly with the Honors College graduates. One guy's going to study art at Yale, someone else is going to medical school in the Ivy League. They're all going to first-choice graduate schools. The engineering, science amd math graduates' salaries are starting so high that they're not going to graduate school, ... We're trying to raise the qual-

lot of agricultural jobs first, and then manufacturing jobs ... now we're trying to get into the white-collar, hightechnology companies. A great research university helps recruit more businesses. If you go around Duke, Chapel Hill and N.C. State, you have all these companies in the triangle. If you go out to Stanford, you have the Silicon Valley. ... We're trying to get the Legislature to help us build a great university, and the companies will come. ... We've hired 400 new faculty in the last five years, from the best graduate schools in the country. We're trying to hire graduates of the AAU institutions. They come from a culture, and they come here, and they help us create the same culture.

# Students win scholarships

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Student Advisory Council for The Darla Moore School of Business.

"[Receiving the award] makes my senior year almost paid for, which is something I've been working hard for," Clardy said.

Eovito is an administrative chief in the U.S. Marine Corps. He's also a company first sergeant in USC's Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps and vice president of USC's Semper Fidelis

Eovito couldn't be reached for com-

Overall, 81 USC students have applied for national fellowships and scholarships during the 1998-99 academic

Of these, 38 have reached the final round of consideration in the various competitions.

As of press time, 18 awards of more than \$632,000 in national fellowship and scholarship competitions have been

Mathematics senior Jason Burns, music and psychology senior Sarah Creel and civil and environmental engineering senior Amy Cronican received the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship. Graduate students Jennifer Godbee, Taryn Jackson and Rebecca Kihslinger also got the NSF fellowship.

English senior Emilie Greene, public relations senior Kimberle Hartwell, English and French senior Amy Stephens, and international studies senior Jonathan Tillotson all received the Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarship.

Art history senior Marshall Kibbey has been named a finalist for both the British Marshall Scholarship and the Mellon Fellowship.

Baccalaureus artim et scientiae Shannon Cox received the National Security Education Program grant.

Accounting senior Marissa Barton won the South Carolina Tax Council

Marine science sophomore Tali Engoltz received the \$2,500 SEASPACE

### Bates residents won't pay for pipe burst

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Other charges range from the repainting of walls or ceilings (50 cents per square foot) to the replacement of a microfridge (\$435).

The respect students have for their rooms seems to be on the rise, according to Reyes.

"In general, students are showing more and more respect for the places they live," he said.

The recent pipe burst at Bates House will have no effect on students' room charges, Reyes said.

"The damages were already as-

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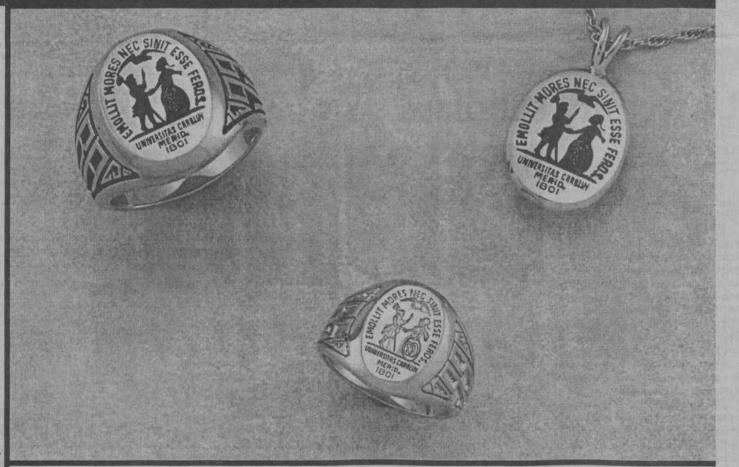
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