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Russell House, Scheffres said. Dining Services plans to expand seating in the Grand Marketplace and Gamecock Park next summer.

"We couldn't do everything right away," he said. "The expansion of the Grand Marketplace and Gamecock Park are much more significant renovations and must be done when everyone isn't here."

The plans call for the building to be extended into part of the outdoor seating behind the Russell House in order to create more indoor space for the dining facilities' seating. Scheffres said extending the building will create "up-to-date formats and flows" for the Russell House's daily rush of students and visitors.

The opening of Pandini's will come with the addition of approximately 50 seats outside the Russell House near the entrance to the bookstore.

While the Russell House gets a new look, Blossom Street's biggest construction project — the Strom Thurmond Fitness and Wellness Center — appears, externally, to be ready for use. But construction supervisors haven't given the approval to set an opening date.

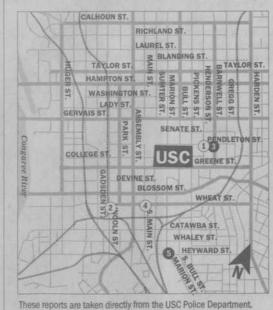
Members of the Boudroux Group, the facility's contractor, will meet with members of USC's Construction Services to discuss the building's substantial completion date — the date when the site officially meets all safety standards and is suitable for public use.

"The project has gone well really; it's just a complicated project," said Construction Services' project manager David Northam. "The last five percent on any construction is the toughest to get completed," he said.

Northam added that the construction was delayed slightly by last fall's bad weather, but a bigger delay was the university's increasing scope of work being done inside. An example would be the altered plans for increased dining facilities and retail space the university requested last year.

"There's a lot of things you don't see in operations of systems that have to be substantially complete before we declare the building formally available for the user's use," Northam said.

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POLICE REPORT

Wednesday, Jan. 8

Each number on

the map stands

corresponding with numbered

descriptions in

the list below.

DAY CRIMES (6 a.m.-6 p.m.)

Nonviolent

NIGHT CRIMES

(6 p.m.-6 a.m.)

Nonviolent

Violent

Violent

CRIMES AT

UNKNOWN

HOURS

Violent

Nonviolent

for a crime

(1) LARCENY OF COMPUTER, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1705 COLLEGE ST. Ronnie Joe Pugh said someone took a Dell laptop computer and a Samsung VCR from a secure location. Estimated value: \$1,770.00. Reporting officer: D. Pardue.

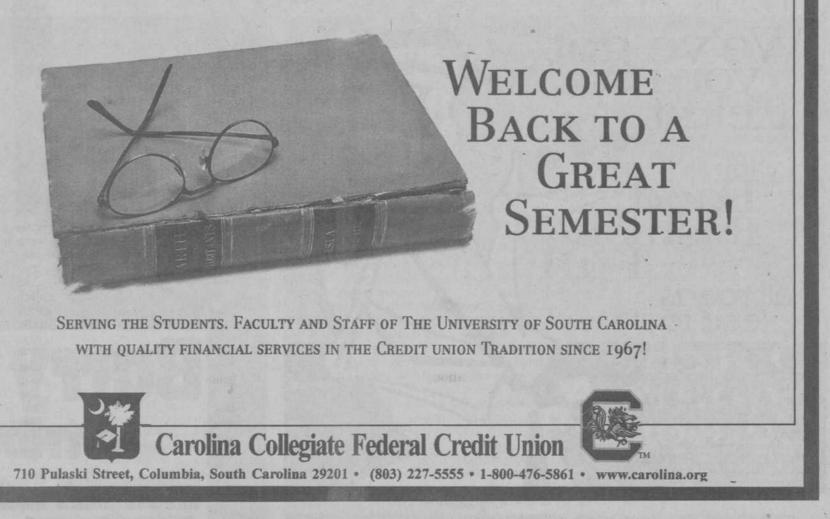
(2) LARCENY OF WALLET, PARTIAL RECOVERY, CAROLINA CENTER, LINCOLN STREET. Lynn McLeod, 48, from Asheville, N.C., said Peggy Wydam, 47, of Newberry, took her wallet from her purse. The wallet was later recovered outside the Carolina Center near the smoking area. One hundred dollars was missing from the wallet. Reporting officer: Nu Beza.

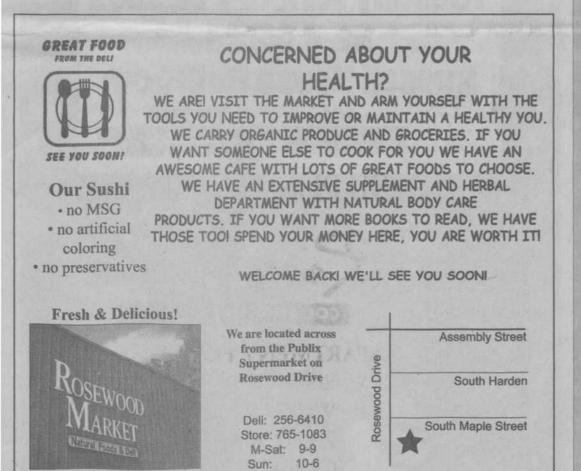
© LARCENY OF WALLET, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1705 COLLEGE ST. Bryan Vanuranken said someone took his wallet from his desk on the sixth floor of the building. Vanuranken said his wallet contained two credit cards, a bank card, a gift card, a check and \$10 cash. Estimated value: \$30.00. Reporting officer: G. Cox.

Thursday, Jan. 9

(LOST PROPERTY, USC POST OFFICE, 503 MAIN ST. Boris Craig said he dropped some -keys in a toilet and no one could get them out. Reporting officer: G. Cox.

GRAND LARCENY OF MOTOR VEHICLE, USC FIELD HOUSE, 116 MARION ST. Lakendrick Jones said someone stole his 1982 Monte Carlo from the USC Field House. The Richland County Sheriff's Department later recovered the car. Damages included a broken steering column and broken glove box. Reporting officers: J.A. Henry and Nu Beza.





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