

## EXTENDED FORECAST

◆ FRIDAY	◆ SATURDAY	◆ SUNDAY	◆ MONDAY	◆ TUESDAY
High 61 Low 33	High 58 Low 33	High 60 Low 49	High 66 Low 60	High 69 Low 44

## STATE

### Court hears case on bobtailing legislation

South Carolina Supreme Court justices heard arguments Thursday on the constitutionality of legislation that began as a research and economic development measure but ended up including at least 15 other subjects.

The state Constitution requires bills to deal with just one subject. The Life Sciences Act, passed by the General Assembly in March, originally was intended to give broader incentives to pharmaceutical companies. But lawmakers tacked on a number of amendments.

There are three sides to the issue. Justices will have to decide whether the act is completely unconstitutional, partly constitutional or completely constitutional.

### Old bridge could cost \$40 million to remove

CHARLESTON — As work on the most expensive bridge project in South Carolina history nears completion, the state may have to pay the \$40 million to remove the aging, twin spans that now cross the Cooper River.

The \$632 million Ravenel Bridge linking Charleston and Mount Pleasant is scheduled for completion next year.

The state Transportation Department then has six months to tear down the existing bridges but has not been able to find any other source of money for that work.

## NATION

### Babe's bat wins over \$1 million at auction

NEW YORK — Going, going, gone. The massive 46-ounce Louisville Slugger used by Babe Ruth to drill the first home run in Yankee Stadium history was sold for a record \$1.26 million Thursday to an unidentified private collector.

The bat, 36 inches of solid ash billed as "The Holy Grail of sports memorabilia," sold after about one minute of high-stakes bidding at Sotheby's auction house.

The bat was the third piece of sports memorabilia to break the \$1 million mark at auction.

### Government trying to change pot image

WASHINGTON — Many teen drivers believe it's less dangerous to drive after smoking marijuana than after drinking alcohol, a perception the government wants to change.

Bush administration's drug policy office is spending \$10 million on an ad and other efforts to teach teens and their parents about the danger of drugged driving. There also are brochures that are being distributed in high schools and state motor vehicle offices.

Marijuana can affect concentration, perception and reaction time up to 24 hours after it's smoked, director John Walters said.

## WORLD

### U.S. shifts focus onto Afghan democracy

KABUL, Afghanistan — For a time, the U.S. military in Afghanistan was talking as if it would smoke Osama bin Laden out of a cave on the rocky Pakistan border within months, perhaps even ahead of President Bush's re-election.

Now, American commanders say protecting the country's fragile new democracy, reviving its economy and keeping Taliban militants on the run are the priorities.

Spies, informers, electronic listening devices and surveillance from the air all belong to the U.S. arsenal. American officials has acknowledged videotapes featuring a sprightly looking bin Laden.

### Ukraine court weighs overturning election

KIEV, Ukraine — Tens of thousands of opposition supporters partied in Kiev's main square Thursday, erecting a Christmas tree and waving orange flags, in a show of confidence as the Supreme Court heard final arguments on whether to overturn disputed election results.

With Ukraine's political crisis nearing a decisive turning point, Russian President Vladimir Putin took the government's side in a deepening dispute over how to proceed once the judges issue a ruling.

## Bush starts tasks of refilling top seats

WASHINGTON — President Bush has chosen former New York police commissioner Bernard Kerik, who helped oversee the city's response to the Sept. 11 attacks, to run the Department of Homeland Security, a senior administration official said Thursday.

Bush also announced his choice of Nebraska Gov. Mike Johanns to be agriculture secretary, choosing a dairy farmer's son who has traveled widely to promote American farm sales abroad.

And, in a third development, U.N. Ambassador John Danforth submitted his resignation, an official said. Danforth had taken the post last June.

The flurry of announcements came as Bush reshaped his team for his second term in office.

Kerik's path to the top anti-terrorism position, replacing Tom Ridge, has been anything but conventional.

A military policeman in South Korea in the 1970s, Kerik's first anti-terrorism work was as a paid private security worker in Saudi Arabia.

He joined the New York Police Department in 1986, first walking a beat in Times Square when it was still a haven for small-time hustlers.

He eventually was tapped to lead the city's corrections department and was appointed commissioner in



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President Bush walks with Bernard Kerik. Kerik has been chosen to replace Tom Ridge as secretary of homeland security.

2000.

It was in that position that he became known to the rest of the country, supervising the NYPD's response to the 2001 terror attacks, often at the side of then-mayor Rudolph Giuliani. In 2003, he took on a temporary assignment in Iraq to help rebuild the country's police force.

After the 9/11 attack, Kerik helped rally a department that lost 23 members. Most recently, he has been a consultant for Giuliani Partners, working to rebuild Baghdad's police force.

Danforth had been mentioned as a successor to Secretary of State Colin Powell, but Bush picked Condoleezza Rice.

Danforth plans to retire.

# DAY

Friday, December 3, 2004

## FA LA LA LA LA



JASON STEELMAN/THE GAMECOCK

Cocktails sing at the Christmas tree lighting on Wednesday at the Horseshoe.

### Skater Hamilton to undergo surgery

LOS ANGELES — Former world champion figure skater Scott Hamilton will undergo high-tech radiation therapy for a non-cancerous brain tumor, his publicist said Thursday.

Hamilton, 46, will have "gamma knife" treatment later this month at The Cleveland Clinic in Ohio, according to a statement released by publicist Michael Sterling.

In the outpatient treatment, pinpoint doses of high radiation are delivered to kill the tumor while causing less damage to healthy tissue. The treatment will take only a single visit, but results usually are not known for several months.

He may later need other minimally invasive procedures to manage his tumor, Dr. Gene Barnett, chairman of the clinic's brain tumor institute, said in the statement.

Hamilton was diagnosed last month with the slow-growing tumor in the region of his pituitary gland. In 1997, he was diagnosed with testicular cancer and treated with surgery and chemotherapy.

"Scott's spirit and confidence in Dr. Barnett, his staff and the treatment remain very high," Sterling said. "Needless to say, Scott is no stranger to adversity and has always faced every challenge in his life with great enthusiasm and an uncommon level of optimism."

Hamilton, who lives in Los Angeles, is a four-time U.S. national champion, four-time world champion and the 1984 Olympic gold medalist. He is now a skating show producer.

### Apple will sell song for charity on iTunes

LONDON — Apple Computer Inc. has settled a dispute that was keeping the charity single "Do They Know It's Christmas?" off its iTunes

music store in Britain.

The song, released Monday, hadn't been available as a download from iTunes, reportedly because Apple declined to sell the song for more than the service's \$1.52 base price.

Rivals including HMV and Napster are selling the song for \$2.86, the price requested by the Band Aid Trust.

Apple said Wednesday it would sell the single for \$1.52 and donate the difference to the Band Aid famine-relief charity. It quickly became the best-selling iTunes download in Britain.

Apple's decision sparked criticism from its competitors. Napster said it was "disappointed they've chosen to use the biggest charity event of the year to undercut every other music retailer in the U.K."

The original Band Aid single, released in 1984, raised millions of dollars for victims of starvation in Ethiopia. It featured artists including Boy George, Duran Duran and Phil Collins.

The new single, which was released Monday, features artists including Dido, Coldplay's Chris Martin, Paul McCartney, U2's Bono and members of The Darkness. It will raise money for victims of strife in Sudan, where fighting has killed thousands of people and forced 1.8 million people to flee their homes.

### Armani launches haute couture show

MILAN, Italy — Giorgio Armani is upping the fashion stakes, taking on his French rivals with the launch of his first haute couture show in Paris next month.

The Giorgio Armani Atelier collection will be presented as an off-calendar show for 300 guests on Jan. 24, during the Paris Haute Couture fashion week, the Milan fashion house announced

"I am looking forward to representing Rotary International and America during my studies."

KAREN HENDERSON

FOURTH-YEAR POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDENT, ON WINNING THE ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP

## USC BRIEFS

### Graham to speak at graduation

U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham will deliver the commencement address for graduating seniors Monday, Dec. 13.

A separate hooding ceremony for as many as 144 doctoral degree candidates will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Koger Center.

John McFadden of the USC College of Education will deliver the commencement address for that ceremony.

The university expects to award 2,525 degrees from USC's eight campuses.

From the Columbia campus, the number includes two associate's degrees, 1,043 bachelor's degrees, 18 law degrees, 43 graduate certificates, 496 master's degrees and 40 doctoral degrees in pharmacy.

### Awards calling for nominations

USC is accepting nominations for the Ada B. Thomas Faculty and Staff Advisors of the Year Awards as well as the Michael J. Mungo Distinguished Professor of the Year Award, which replaced the Amoco Teaching Award this year.

Requirements for the Thomas Awards are that the faculty/staff member must work full time and advise undergraduate students.

Nominations can be submitted online at <http://www.sc.edu/univ101/ad>.

Nominations for the Mungo Award must be submitted in writing to biology professor Richard Showman, chairman of the selection committee.

### Cocky ranks last in mascot bowl

The CapitalOne Mascot of the Year competition isn't over yet. Cocky has gone 2-5.

Cocky will appear on today's episodes of the CBS "Early Show" and the "Tony Danza Show" as USC's mascot competes against 11 other finalists in the CapitalOne Mascot of the Year competition.

Last year, Cocky finished third-place in online voting, but the judges named him No. 1 in the competition.

Other CapitalOne All-American Mascot finalists include the Air Force Academy's The Bird; Auburn's Aubie; James Madison University's Duke Dog; Georgia's Hairy Dawg; Kentucky's Scratch; Maryland's Testudo; Montana's Monte; University of Nevada-Las Vegas' Hey Reb; Virginia Tech's Hokie Bird; Western Kentucky's Big Red and Minnesota's Goldy Gopher.

To support Cocky in this year's competition, vote at [www.capitalonebowl.com](http://www.capitalonebowl.com).

### College GOP announces board

USC's College Republicans announced Thursday the members of its new executive board. Third-year political science and history student Breck Heidberg was elected chairman; second-year political science student Bob Jackman was elected first vice chairman; second-year print journalism student Katie Youmans was elected second vice chairman; first-year liberal arts student Anne Buchanan was elected secretary; third-year biology student Brandon Rinehart was elected treasurer; first-year business student Jeff Miles Martin was elected fraternity council liaison, and second-year business student Noel Ahearn was elected as sorority council liaison.

## POLICE REPORT



Each number on the map stands for a crime corresponding with numbered descriptions in the list below.

- DAY CRIMES (6 a.m.-6 p.m.)
- Violent
- Nonviolent
- NIGHT CRIMES (6 p.m.-6 a.m.)
- Violent
- Nonviolent
- CRIMES AT UNKNOWN HOURS
- Violent
- Nonviolent

Reports taken from the USC Police Department.

### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1

#### ① Accident Damage, Hampton Street Garage, 1600 Hampton St.

The complainant said a metal plate hanging from the ceiling fell and shattered his car's windshield. Officers Willis and Huggins reported to the accident scene.

Reporting officer: P. Morant

#### ② Petit Larceny/Shoplifting, Gibbs Court, 902 Barnwell St.

The complainant said a 6-foot-2-inch tall white male with blond hair took a soda without paying for it.

Reporting officer: J. Harrelson

#### ③ Grand Larceny of Laptop, Columbia Hall, 918 Barnwell St.

The victims said a black male between 25 and 30 years old took a Dell Inspiron 5100 worth \$2,000 and a Toshiba satellite laptop also worth \$2,000 from an unlocked room.

Reporting officer: A. Mitchell

#### ④ Larceny of Clothing, Blatt P.E. Center, 1328 Wheat St

The victim said someone removed his shorts while he was at the Blatt Center. His keys, driver's license and checking card were taken with the shorts. Reporting officer R. Millhouse advised him to cancel his card and keep an eye on his car.

