

# EXTENDED FORECAST

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
High 76 Low 49	High 72 Low 47	High 77 Low 54	High 72 Low 56	High 71 Low 52

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**SPORTS** Results of USC baseball's home game against Davidson.

**THE MIX** Theaters will premiere several action flicks this spring. Learn the inside scoop on "Sin City," "Sahara" and others.

# 2 DAY

Wednesday, March 23, 2005

## STATE

### EPA finds pollution at Pickens plant site

**PICKENS** — Contaminated groundwater has been found at a former industrial site a decade after the Environmental Protection Agency began clearing the property.

New wells and additional pumping power likely will be added underground at the former Sangamo Weston plant to help reduce the remaining contamination, according to an EPA official.

### Divers recover body from Upstate river

**GREENVILLE** — Divers have removed a body from the Reedy River that authorities think could have been dead for a month.

A couple walking on a path along the river found the partially submerged body Monday afternoon.

The identity of the body has not been released. A cause of death could not immediately be determined, but the person appeared to have been dead for about a month, authorities said.

## NATION

### Inflation fears spur interest rate increase

**WASHINGTON** — The Federal Reserve Board on Tuesday pushed a key interest rate up by a quarter-point to 2.75 percent as it continued its campaign to gradually nudge rates high enough to make sure that a rebounding economy does not trigger unwanted inflation.

The increase in the federal funds rate marked the seventh time the central bank has pushed rates higher since it started its current credit tightening campaign last June.

### Tobacco companies see stock values rise

**NEW YORK** — Tobacco stocks mostly rose Tuesday in the wake of a published report that the nation's largest cigarette makers and prosecutors have met secretly at least once with a court-appointed mediator to try to reach a settlement of the government's civil fraud and racketeering case against the companies.

The talks follow a ruling last month by a federal appeals court that narrowed the remedies available to the government in the case.

## WORLD

### Israel turns over city to Palestinian forces

**TULKAREM, West Bank** — Israel completed the handover of the West Bank town of Tulkarem to Palestinian control Tuesday, ceremonially unlocking a gate that had blocked traffic between the town and main points in the West Bank.

Israeli and Palestinian commanders sealed the handover with a handshake at the gate, which was later hauled off by an Israeli truck. The transfer of control to Palestinian forces, which began Monday night, has nudged along a conciliation process that has proceeded fitfully since leaders announced an end to four years of bloodshed.

### Kyrgyzstani groups unite against protests

**BISHKEK, Kyrgyzstan** — Opposition supporters and police formed joint patrols to keep order in a southern city of Kyrgyzstan where protesters have seized government offices, and President Askar Akayev pledged Tuesday he would not impose a state of emergency despite demonstrations over alleged election fraud.

### Ex-child star pleads guilty to driving intoxicated

**VENTURA, Calif.** — Former "Growing Pains" actress **Tracey Gold** was placed on three years' probation after she pleaded guilty to a second felony drunken driving charge in a rollover crash that injured her husband and two of their three children.

On Monday, a Superior Court judge decided to reduce the charge to a misdemeanor, but Deputy District Attorney Jeff Gorrell objected and said an earlier plea bargain was off and he wouldn't drop the child-endangerment charges against Marshall.

To avoid those charges, she pleaded guilty to the second felony drunken-driving charge. Judge Bruce Clark then

**weight** 7 pounds, 5 ounces. "They are really great, really great," Madore said.

Denton, 42, plays Mike Delfino on ABC's "Desperate Housewives." The couple have a 22-month old son, Sheppard.



Tracey Gold Marshall, 35, stands with her husband Roby Marshall, 39, at the Ventura County, Calif. Courthouse

placed Marshall on three years' probation, ordered her to complete 30 days of work release supervised by the jail and 240 hours of community service.

Marshall, who starred on "Growing Pains" from 1985 to 1992, was behind the wheel of a sport utility vehicle on Sept. 3, 2004, when it went off a highway in Moorpark and rolled down an embankment.

Marshall and her 4-month-old son weren't hurt, but her husband, Roby Marshall, and the couple's 5- and 7-year-old sons were injured.

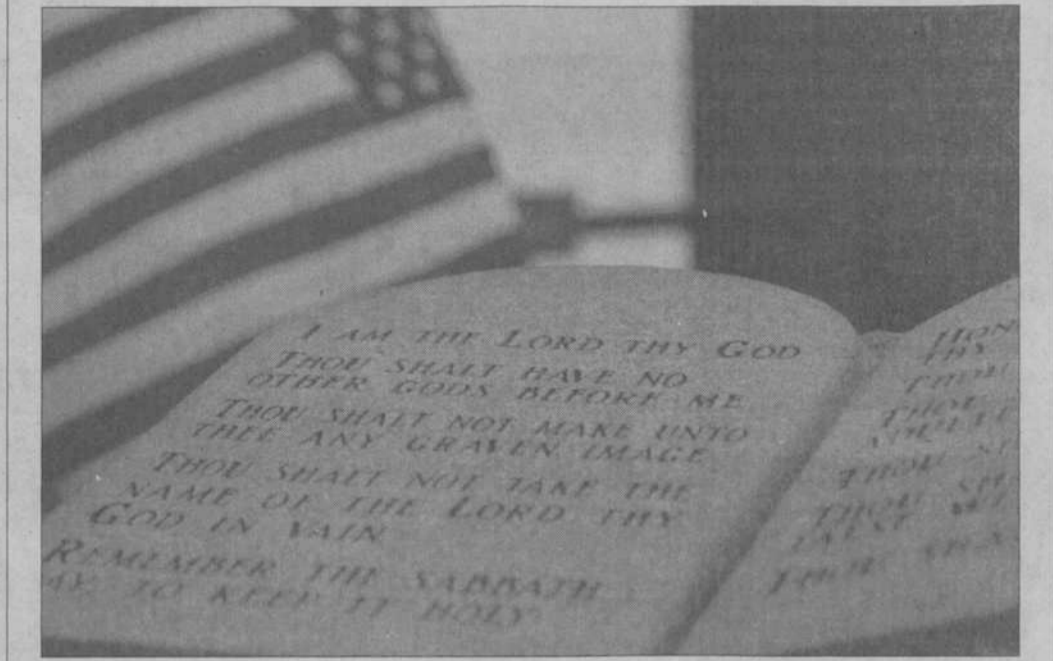
Since the crash, Marshall has spoken to high school and college audiences about the hazards of driving while drunk.

### 'Housewives' actor welcomes baby girl

**LOS ANGELES** — It's a girl for "Desperate Housewives" actor **James Denton** and his wife, Erin O'Brien Denton.

Malin O'Brien Denton was born early Tuesday at a Los Angeles area hospital, publicist Susan Madore said. The baby

## CHURCH AND SLATE



Former Alabama Judge Roy Moore's controversial Ten Commandments monument was displayed at the State House on Tuesday as part of the Ten Commandments Tour.

### Police free Sizzla after questioning

**KINGSTON, Jamaica** — **Sizzla** was released from custody after police questioned him in connection with alleged involvement in gunrunning and gang violence, his lawyer said Tuesday.

The 28-year-old dancehall reggae singer was among 33 people arrested Thursday after police and military raided the community of August Town in Kingston. Authorities seized six AK-47 rifles, three sniper rifles, a submachine gun and 58 rounds of ammunition.

Sizzla, whose real name is Miguel Collins, was released Monday, his lawyer, Glen Cruickshank, said.

"They questioned him (Sizzla) about violence in August Town and the guns, and he denied knowledge of both. They could not carry that to court," Cruickshank said.

Three men have been charged with illegal possession of weapons and ammunition. Police said others were still being questioned.

Some August Town residents have accused Sizzla of inciting violence between gunmen from Judgement Yard,

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The August Town section where he lives, and Jungle 12, a neighboring section.

Last year, Sizzla's Jungle 12 home was fire-bombed, allegedly by Judgement Yard residents.

### Minister convicted in Angilil extortion

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### Bollywood actress begins U.S. career

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### "As long as you're not in the building, and nobody complains about it, nobody really cares."

**DANIEL BALINT**  
FIRST-YEAR PSYCHOLOGY STUDENT ON USC HOUSING'S NO-SMOKING POLICY

## COMING UP @ USC

**TODAY**  
Craig N. Buying Clarinet  
Recital: 4:30 p.m. School of Music 206.  
Former defense secretary  
William S. Cohen: 8 p.m. Koger Center.

**THURSDAY**  
The Charles W. Knowlton  
Lecture featuring Professor G. Edward White of the University of Virginia: 5 p.m. Law Center.

**FRIDAY**  
Spring 2005 Seminar Series: 4 p.m. Jones Physical Science Center 006.  
Maureen J. Mullaney Junior Oboe Recital: 4 p.m. School of Music 206.  
Christopher Luke Gratton Junior Cello Recital: 5:30 p.m. School of Music 206.  
Alan Michael Rudell Graduate Piano Recital: 7:30 p.m. School of Music 206.

## USC BRIEFS

### Alumni group calls backers to capitol

The Carolina Alumni Association invites all USC alumni, faculty, staff members and friends to Carolina Day at the State House 2005 today at the Capital City Club and the S.C. State House. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., advocate training will begin at 10 a.m. and State House visits will begin at 10:30 a.m. USC President Andrew Sorensen will speak at lunch at noon. The event is free. Register at <http://www.carolinaalumni.org/advocacy/>.

### Professor emeritus to give WWII talk

The African-American Studies Program will feature John Hope Franklin in the Eighth Annual Robert Smalls Lecture.

The lecture topic is "Days of Infamy: Personal Reflections on World War II," and will take place Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Belk Auditorium of the Moore School of Business. Franklin is the James B. Duke Professor Emeritus of History, and for seven years was a legal history professor at the Duke University School of Law.

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## 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.

### MARCH 19

- 1 DeSaussure College, 902 Sumter St.**  
**Malicious Injury to Real Property**  
Someone called the USCPD headquarters and told them to come to the back of the college, where a picnic table was broken. The cause of the damage is unknown. Estimated damage: \$100.  
Reporting officer: C. Taylor.
- 2 Bates House 207A, 1423 Whaley St.**  
**Assistance Rendered**  
The victim was found on the floor, intoxicated and incoherent. First Responders and EMS were notified. EMS transported victim to Palmetto Health Baptist for further evaluation.  
Reporting officer: D. Adams.
- 3 Bull Street Garage, 611 Bull St.**  
**Disorderly Conduct**  
While reporting officer

Widdifield was on routine patrol, he observed a white Dodge van parked with the headlights on. The subject was sleeping in the back of the van under several blankets. The van was locked and the keys were in the ignition. Numerous attempts by Widdifield and officers Wheeler, Millhouse and Davis to wake the subject were not successful. The subject, Michael Mitchell, finally woke up and was ordered from the van. The subject was very unstable on his feet and had a strong smell of alcohol on his person. Mitchell did not have any form of identification on him except a business card. Mitchell became agitated and started to use profanity and abusive language directed at officers Widdifield and Wheeler. Mitchell was not cooperative during the interview. He was arrested for disorderly

conduct and searched. He was transported to Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center.

### MARCH 22

- 4 Carolina Gardens Apartment A1, 101 Pickens St.**  
**Information/Civil Dispute**  
Reporting officers Adams and Winnington responded in reference to a dispute between the complainant and James Nick III. Upon arrival the officer spoke with the complainant, who said Nick, her boyfriend, just arrived home and she wanted him to leave. The officers spoke with Nick, who said he had just arrived home and the complainant got upset with him. Nick said he would voluntarily leave the residence for a while to avoid any further problems. Nick left without further incident.

# Cultural Fact:

Who was Queen Elizabeth's mother?

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Answer: Also her father was King George IV