

BUSINESS PROGRAM RANKED NO. 1

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U.S. News & World Report has ranked the Moore School's graduate program in international business No. 1 for public institutions and No. 2 for all institutions in the country for the 16th year in a row.

USC's business school is the only public institution ranked among the top five in U.S. News & World Report. The school was ranked based on test scores, interviews and opinion polls. Business-school deans and program heads voted for the top international business programs.

Business school dean Joel Smith said in a news release that the school's success hinged on its capable faculty members.

"Maintaining this lofty perch over 16 years is further testimony to the outstanding contributions of the faculty, staff and students of the Moore School. Good faculty attract good students. Their service to the school is greatly appreciated, and we are pleased to see that performance reflected in this ranking," he said.

Ranking highly in the U.S. News & World Report provides good advertising for USC, drawing students from around the country as both graduates and undergraduates.

Second-year finance student Maggie Brock applied to USC's business and honors programs as a high-school senior after reading about USC in the U.S. News & World Report.

"The class size seems smaller than a lot of the other schools I looked at like UT-Austin, and I've enjoyed getting involved in the business school through Delta Sigma Pi," Brock said.

Brock was accepted to the undergraduate international

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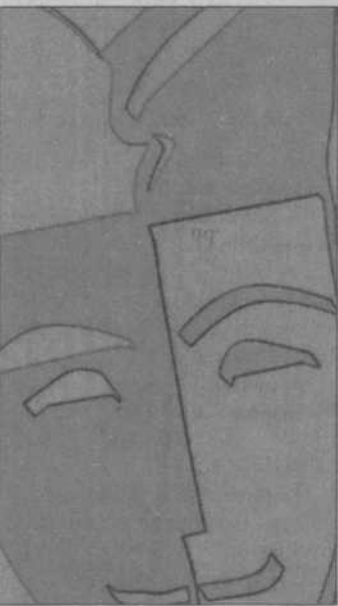
A look at one USC student's apprehensions about the popularity of McCarthyism on college campuses during the dawn of the Cold War era.

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McKissick Museum celebrates April Fool's Day with an art gala tonight showcasing the work of more than 50 S.C. artists.

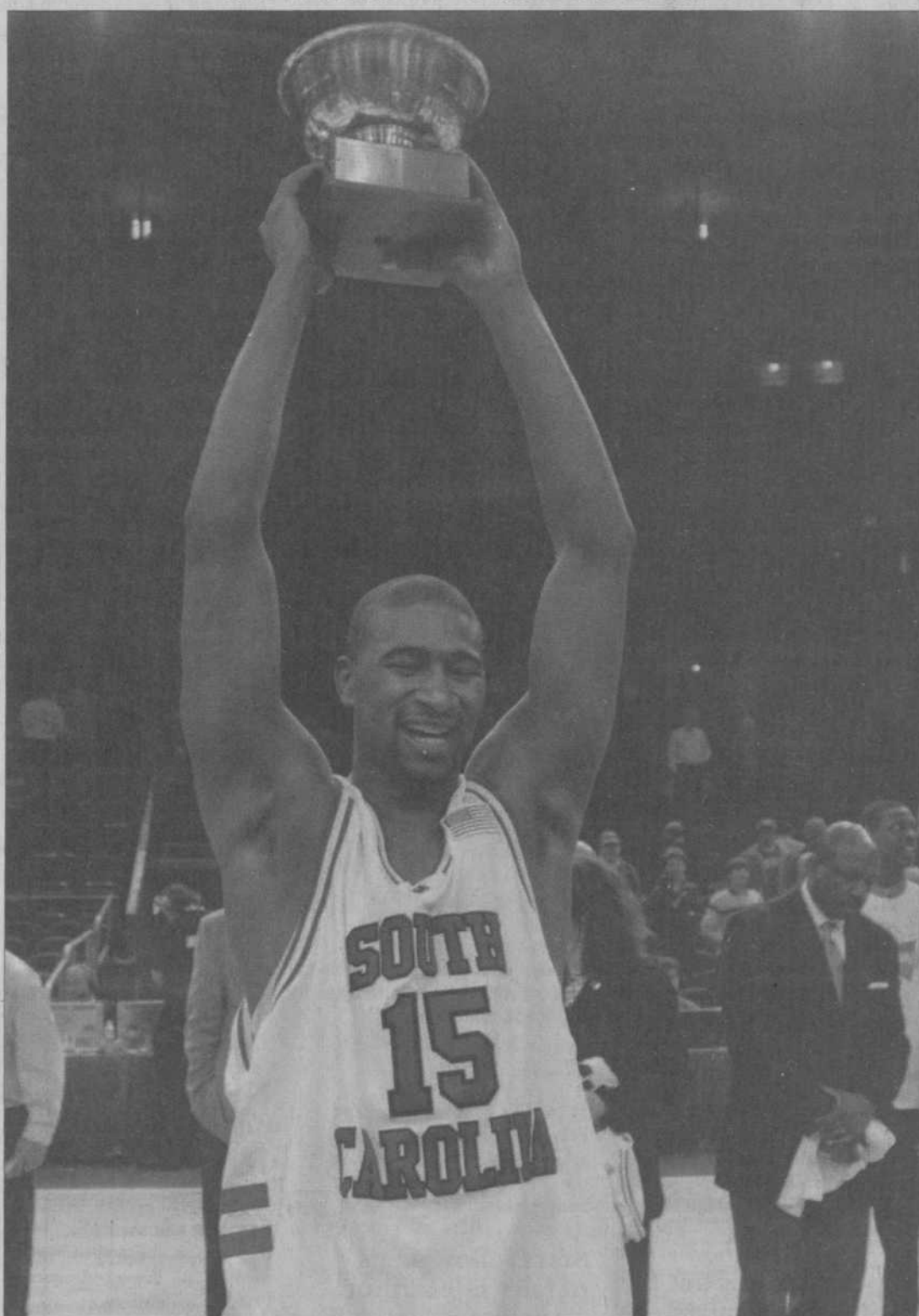


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KATIE KIRKLAND/THE GAMECOCK

USC senior forward Carlos Powell raises the Most Valuable Player trophy on Thursday night after the Gamecocks defeated St. Joseph's 60-57 at Madison Square Garden in the NIT championship.

Schiavo dies after 13 days

By MIKE SCHNEIDER
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PINELLAS PARK, Fla. — Terri Schiavo, the severely brain-damaged woman who spent 15 years connected to a feeding tube in an epic legal and medical battle that went all the way to the White House and Congress, died Thursday, 13 days after the tube was removed. She was 41.

Schiavo died about 9 a.m. at the Pinellas Park hospice where she lay for years while her husband and her parents fought over her in what was easily the longest, most bitter — and most heavily litigated — right-to-die dispute in U.S. history.

Michael Schiavo was at his wife's bedside, cradling her, when she died a "calm, peaceful and gentle" death, said his attorney, George Felos.

"Mr. Schiavo's overriding concern here was to provide for Terri a peaceful death with dignity," Felos said. "This death was not for the siblings, and not for the spouse and not for the parents. This was for Terri."

The feud between the parents and their son-in-law continued even after her death: The



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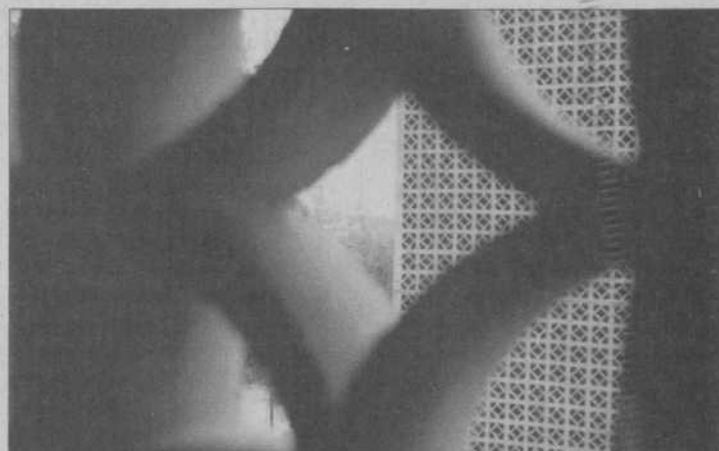
Louis Menchaca, of New York, N.Y., left, and Mary Porta, of St. Petersburg, Fla., right, say a prayer for Terri Schiavo after she died at the Woodside Hospice in Pinellas Park, Fla., on Thursday.

Schindlers' advisers complained that Schiavo's brother and sister had been at her bedside a few minutes before the end came, but were not there at the moment of her death because Michael Schiavo would not let them in the room.

"And so his heartless cruelty continues until this very last moment," said the Rev. Frank

Pavone, a Roman Catholic priest. He added: "This is not only a death, with all the sadness that brings, but this is a killing, and for that we not only grieve that Terri has passed but we grieve that our nation has allowed such an atrocity as this and we pray that it will never happen again."

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NICK ESARES/THE GAMECOCK

USC Housing officials are moving more than 100 upperclassmen to LaBorde to make room for the new Capstone Scholars Program.

LaBorde to house 124 upperclassmen

By TAYLOR SMITH
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USC officials have said that to make room for freshman students, 124 upperclassmen will be moved to LaBorde this fall.

As part of USC's Capstone Scholar Program, space formerly occupied by upperclassmen in the Capstone residence hall will be inhabited almost exclusively by freshmen.

Residence Life Director Tim Coley said upperclassmen who wish to have their own private rooms rather than suite- or apartment-style residences may choose to stay in LaBorde.

"We wanted to see if upperclassmen were interested in having a private room," Coley said. "We offered it to them and they responded, so this tells me they are interested."

The residence hall has become so popular, Coley said, the waiting list is now 200 names long, but he emphasized that the university has always done well placing students.

"We are offering you private room in a pretty good location," Coley said. "I am not surprised we have had 124 students take us up on that."

Overall, the move adds space for freshman while slightly reducing upperclassmen housing.

The switch is because of the Capstone Scholars Program that will begin this fall. To qualify for the program, a prospective high-school student must achieve at

least a 1250 SAT score and maintain exceptional grades throughout high school.

With so many USC students moving in to the dorm this fall, Coley said the university had found fitting all upperclassmen students into the very popular quads impossible.

"It is a pretty clear message that (upperclassmen) would like to have a private room," Coley said. "And this is a simple way for us to offer that."

Changing the traditionally first-year residence hall to living quarters for half as many upperclassmen will not be an issue, Coley said. He said there would be no renovations made to the structure.

"It is not a dramatic change to LaBorde," Coley said. "Instead of two students, we are assigning one to the space."

Upperclassmen will have to live under the supervision of resident advisors as former LaBorde residents did, Coley said. The students will have a more lax USC code "C" visitation policy, which does not allow visitation by members of the opposite sex between 2 a.m. and 10 a.m. except for Friday and Saturday evenings.

"Visitation is a policy we feel like we can change," Coley said. "We just felt like a 'C' would be more appropriate. We just wanted it to be more like an upper-class hall for them."

With residence halls opening

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Pope receives last rites after developing fever

By FRANCES D'EMILIO
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

VATICAN CITY — Pope John Paul II developed a high fever Thursday because of a urinary tract infection and was being treated with antibiotics at the Vatican, his spokesman said. The latest health setback for the 84-year-old pontiff came one day after he began receiving nutrition through a feeding tube.

There were reports that the pope received the sacrament of the anointing of the sick — what used to be called the last rites.

But the Italian news agency Apcom, without citing any sources, reported that John Paul's condition was "stable" early Friday, several hours after he

started receiving antibiotics. Another Italian news agency, ANSA, said the pope "seems to showing a first positive reaction" to antibiotic therapy.

At the Gemelli Polyclinic, the hospital where the pope has been treated before, an emergency room chief said there were no plans to admit John Paul "at the moment," ANSA reported.

His assessment could mean that the Vatican medical staff feels confident it can handle the latest medical crisis with the sophisticated medical equipment installed at the Vatican.

But it could also mean that the pope's condition was considered so precarious it would be better not to

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Carolina Cup proves perennial favorite among Greeks

By KELLY CAVANAUGH
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Anybody who's anybody will be at the Carolina Cup on Saturday. In a big hat. With flowers.

The Cup, a 72-year South Carolina horseracing tradition, is seen by many as the premier social event of the season.

"I've been excited all week. It's what I live for. I love Cup," said Stephanie Day, a second-year journalism student. "Cup is my favorite event of the year, and of life, I think."

According to the Carolina Cup Racing Association Web site, carolina-cup.org, the event draws more than 70,000 fans from around the Southeast each year.

Day said she went through a "terrible ordeal" last year trying to find a dress and hat. This year, Day said, she bought an "absolutely fantastic" dress from Jcrew.com, only to discover that one of her sorority sisters will be wearing the same dress and tailgating with the same fraternity as she.

"It's OK though. We don't care," she said. Despite her

wardrobe malfunction, Day said she is "absolutely" excited about Saturday.

Melissa Javier, a second-year political-science student, said she was excited about attending her first Carolina Cup.

"It seems like a lot of fun, getting all dressed up, and just to go and party all day," she said, adding that the event's tradition adds to its appeal.

"It's a chance for everyone to tailgate all day and pretend it's like an old day at the races," Javier said she plans to wear a dress with red

polka dots and a "big red hat," both made by her mother.

"Since we don't have football games every semester," the event was something to look forward to, said Beth Ann Alexander, a second-year nursing student who attended the Cup last year. Alexander said she bought her dress, an Ann Taylor, two weeks ago.

Alexander said dressing up was all part of the tradition.

"I guess it's primarily southern to buy the dresses and wear the big hats, but it just goes back to the olden days," she said. "I had a blast

last year, and I am so looking forward to this weekend."

Alexander said college students come from all over to tailgate in an area called "College Park."

Day said USC students enjoy the Cup because "it's like tailgating — it's just an all-day social event. Everyone gets to dress up. It's football season all over again, at least for a day."

"Tailgating is such a huge part of what we are. So something that allows you to tailgate in the spring

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