

CAROLINA BRIEF

USC's donation helps improve local literacy

USC hopes a \$6 million plan to connect children and parents to local libraries will stimulate reading in a state with the nation's third-highest adult illiteracy rate.

called The initiative, "Children, Libraries and Literacy," will create reading centers in Columbia, send a converted RV across the state to show people what libraries have to offer and fund an endowed chair for literacy research.

"If kids are not reading-ready when they go to school, then they're going to be behind for the rest of their academic career," said Dan Barron, director of USC's School of Library and Information Science.

The program should be operating by 2008.

The South Carolina Center for Children's Books and Literacy, which will be located at the State Museum, will feature a collection of new children's books and will conduct workshops, conferences and other programming at libraries and daycare facilities.

A satellite location at USC's Child Development and Research Center will include books on parenting and teaching children to read.

THIS WEEK @ USC TODAY

Petrea Warneck doctoral oboe recital: 6 p.m. School of Music 206

Fall 2005 Seminar Series -Wally Scrivens, "Polymer Nanocomposites and Nanomaterials at USC": 4 p.m. Jones Physical Science Center 006

Illustrator E.B. Lewis: 7 p.m. Swearingen 1C01 **SUNDAY**

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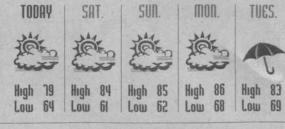
THE BASS-ICS



Kilcoy bassist Brett Smith plays during Wednesday night's Battle of the Bands in the Russell House.

No. Contraction	State	Nation	World
	Sanford staff member jailed for intoxication		Researchers capture giant squid on film
		LOS ANGELES — A wind-	

Weather Forecast



POLICE REPORT

MONDAY, SEPT. 26 Malicious injury to private property, 11:30 p.m.

East Quad,

1400 Blossom St. Tericka Sanders, 20, said someone flattened her rear right tire. No suspect information was available. Estimated value: \$150.

Reporting officer: M.J. Winnington

TUESDAY, **SEPT. 27**

Petit larceny of hammock, 9 a.m.

Rutledge College, 902 Sumter St.

Someone removed a singleperson, chair-style hammock from a resident's third-floor balcony. Estimated value: \$150.

Reporting officer: A. Mitchell

Driving under suspension, first degree, improper displaying of a vehicle license, 12:16 p.m.

Corner of Huger and Devine streets

Reporting officer J. M. Harrelson stopped a white Oldsmobile because its S.C. license plate was improperly displayed. Upon running a check on the license of drive Jeffery Smith, 20, Harrelson discovered his license was suspended. Smith was arrested and taken to Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center.

Illegal use of telephone, 1:19 p.m.

The victim said he was receiving threatening calls from a 20-year-old man. The victim said he did not wish to press charges.

Reporting officer: A. Mitchell Disorderly conduct,

7:45 p.m.

1501 Senate St.

Reporting officer M. J. Winnington found Terry Morris, 45, in a parking lot, unsteady on his feet, slurring his speech and using profane language. Morris was arrested and taken to Glenn Detention Center.

WEDNESDAY, **SEPT. 28**

Grand larceny of scales, 2 p.m. Jones Physical Science

Center, 712 Main St.

Someone removed an electronic scale from an unlocked room. The scale was locked to an electrical conduit in the center of the room. Estimated value: \$1,500.

Reporting officers: S. Wilcox, M. Wheeler



Cornelia Freeman Concert Series, Program No. 5 — American: 3 p.m. School of Music 206

MONDAY

Robert Cavanaugh young saxophone recital: 6 p.m. School of Music 206

Justin S. Fulkerson junior tuba recital: 7:30 p.m. School of Music 206

TUESDAY

Deanna Moore doctoral piano recital: 7:30 p.m. School of Music 206

Drew Allen junior tuba recital: 6 p.m. School of Music

Year Languages of Celebration, the Inauguration of the French House: 4 p.m. 820 Henderson St.

WEDNESDAY

Last Lecture Series -Claudia Benitez-Nelson, "'The Day After Tomorrow"? Global climate change over the last century": p.m. Harper/Elliot Gressette Room Washington Post associate editor Jim Hoagland: 7 p.m. law school auditorium

was arrested early Thursday and charged with public drunkenness.

Michael Cavanaugh, 53, "grossly intoxicated" was when he was arrested at 3:30 a.m. on the sidewalk of a city street, according to a Columbia police report.

to jail. He was released at Fernando Valley, at Los 11:57 a.m. and issued a summons. He did not need to and crept west toward post bail.

If convicted of the in Ventura County. misdemeanor charge, he faces a penalty of \$465 in court battled the blaze, Los Angeles fees and up to 30 days in jail.

Cavanaugh has worked for Sanford since November Thursday, with low humidity, 2003. The governor has not decided how to handle Cavanaugh's arrest. It was the area's dry brush. unclear whether he would be placed on leave from his \$74,245 a year job.

The arrest came one day after Sanford's former Will Folks spokesman pleaded guilty in Columbia Santa Ana winds have roared city court to criminal domestic violence.

whipped brush fire quickly doubled in size Thursday to 7,000 acres, destroying at least one home and prompting evacuations as flames rose along a ridge for miles.

Helicopters began dropping water on the flames at daybreak as the fire threatened Columbia police took him canyon homes in the San Angeles' westernmost edge, dwellings near Thousand Oaks

> More than 1,000 firefighters Fire Capt. Mark Savage said.

They expected a tough day triple-digit temperatures and brisk winds, combined with

The blaze, which was fivepercent contained, consumed a home and a detached garage and was threatening countless others, officials said.

Past wildfires fanned by south to Malibu, and firefighters feared a repeat with this blaze.

20-toot-long tentacie hauled aboard his research ship, Tsunemi Kubodera knew he had something big.

It was a rare giant squid, a creature that until then had eluded observation in the wild.

Kubodera's team captured photos of the 26-foot-long beast attacking its bait 3,000 feet below, then struggling for more than four hours to get free. The squid pulled so hard on the line that it severed one of its tentacles.

For centuries giant squids, formally called Architeuthis, have been the stuff of legends, but they had never been seen in their natural habitat, only caught in fishing nets or washed ashore dead or dying.

The Japanese team, capping a three-year effort, filmed the creature in September of last year, finding what one researcher called "the holy grail" of deep-sea animals.

Giant squid are the world's largest invertebrates, having been known to exceed 50 feet.



Reports are taken from the USC Police Department.

Graham says female S.C. judge should replace justice O'Connor

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - U.S.

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., is recommending a female judge from South Carolina as Supreme Court nominee.Karen Williams of Orangeburg, a judge on the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for 13 years, has made President Bush's list of possible replacements for retiring Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. His advisers have pored over her resume and judicial decisions.

enthusiastically "I'm advocating her selection," said Graham of Seneca. "I told the White House she would be a great nominee. She's a good conservative, and she's confirmable."

But court observers say it's unlikely Williams, a former Lexington and Orangeburg County school teacher, will make the short list of potential nominees.

"I'd be very surprised," said Jonathan Turley, a law professor George at Washington University.

Bush is expected to O'Connor's nominate replacement soon. Bush originally named John Roberts to succeed O'Connor. But the death of Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist earlier this month led Bush to nominate Roberts as his successor instead. The Senate confirmed Roberts on Thursday as chief justice of the United States.

O'Connor will remain on the court until the president selects a new replacement.

A confirmation of Williams, 54, would keep two women on the nine-member high court. And her conservative ideals mesh with the president's.

Williams, a former trial lawyer, is known as one of the most conservative judges on the nation's most conservative federal appeals court. Law professors point to Williams' resume, which includes decisions that would likely be questioned.

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when they finish the investigation and let the university know if it is something that requires further attention. "I have not received a report," Brewer said, "but I expect to get an update tomorrow."

The investigation occurs during National Hazing Prevention week, Sept. 26-29. Each chapter this week received information on how to prevent hazing, according to the Greek Web site, life www.sa.sc.edu/greeklife.

Beacham said headquarters will continue to work closely with the university.

"As things develop, we will release information," Beacham said.

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