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Meadors attempted to use Thompson's written statement to investigators to establish that the defendant had knowledge of his actions and had participated in similar activity before.

Special investigator Kyle Mitchell read a statement given to him by Thompson after questioning March 1.

The statement acknowledges that a week before the Feb. 23 incident, Thompson and

Jermaine Sims, a senior football player, were discussing the differences between the football team and Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

Thompson then said he took a radio as a prank on Sims, also a member of Omega Psi Phi, before returning the item at the insistence of police.

Thompson's statement read that on the night of Feb. 23, he, Mainord, former player Demetris Summers, and current players Stanley Doughty, Noah

Whiteside and Matt Raysor were intoxicated after spending time at Club Rio and Fantasy Island, a local strip club, before returning to East Quad.

"It was about six of us, and we got stupid," Thompson wrote in a letter of apology to McArdle and LaRocque. "We all split up and started running through the quads. I'm pretty sure it was more than just K.T. and myself that went into your room. All I know

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Ron Glancy, general manager of the Inn at USC, said he can tell the people skills of a potential employee, and how they might deal with customers, after one interview.

"It is a people business, and one of the most important things is hiring people that have a great personality and like

dealing with people, because that's probably the most important part of any of their jobs," Glancy said.

Santry said the most challenging part of her job is the learning process because she has no prior front desk experience.

"I'm constantly learning new things and being asked questions that I don't know the

answer to," she said. "I think I'll be learning things for quite some time."

Lucas said meeting new people is one of the most rewarding aspects of his job.

"We also get to see the hotel that started with nothing ... grow."

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about psychiatric disorders; Mary Martin will speak about autism and possibly on behalf of the deaf community; and Adrial Bryan will speak on behalf of the blind community.

Kotti approached the speakers and "they jumped at it," Kotti said.

"I think kids just want to help each other," Kotti said.

"It's like cancer patients want to bond together, students with disabilities want to bond."

In addition to RAs, Student Senate and SG cabinet members were invited.

"And if RAs feel like bringing their residents, that's fine with me," Kotti said.

The forum is part of Disabilities Week, USC's recognition of Disabilities Month.

"Through educating the RAs, they'll understand more, and with each year the program will get better, and the RAs will get better, and more kids with disabilities will want to live on campus," Kotti said. "If we can improve the accessibility and social concerns, more kids will want to be here."

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only Industry University Cooperative Research Center for Fuel Cells, which USC houses.

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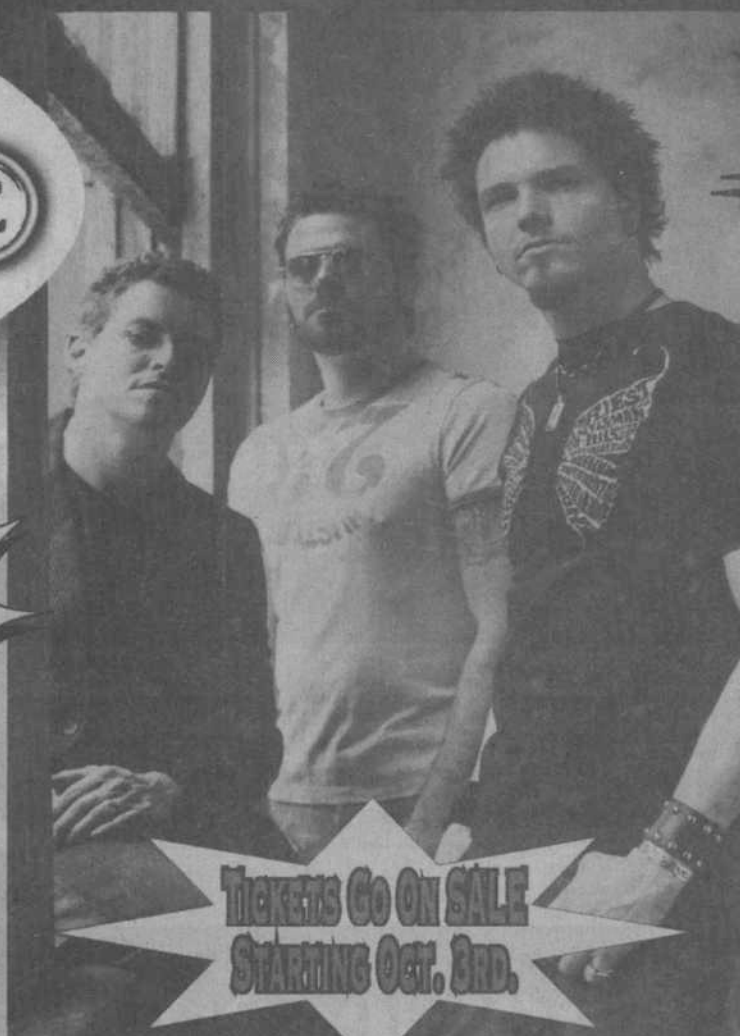
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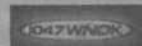
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