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ready to laugh.

So now Armed Chair is about to put its third sketch show under its belt and they've got the process down to a science. If you know anything about how Saturday Night Live puts on its shows every week, then you have the basic idea. However, those guys don't know real pressure. You'd have to take their process and put it inside of a giant boiler room filled with methamphetamine to

Chair goes through. seagull. But everyone is There is less time and fewer people to put on this show. Members of the group submit sketches and compile the order a week before the show goes up. On the Saturday before the show, all the actors have a read-through. For the rest of the week, these night owls work around their already busy schedules to meet at Trustus every night from about 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. They work together to organize props, costumes, lights and sound. These

understand what Armed shows are the epitome of 'em hard, hit 'em fast and group effort.

> Inspiration for the sketches can come from anything - from disturbing childhood memories to inside jokes and strange costumes found in the back of the theatre.

Most of the sketches evolve from the original script throughout the rehearsal process, adding in funny lines, simplifying the dialogue, etc. Sometimes completely new sketches come about and get put into the show. The main goal with each piece: hit get out.

Crazy things happen at these midnight-rendezvous, but if you want to hear about it you'll have to check back with The Gamecock on Friday for all the juicy little tidbits.

"Happy Explosion Sketch Comedy Show" begins Friday at 11:15 p.m. Tickets are \$5, and there will be free popcorn and goodies, plus a cash bar for those that are 21 and up.

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### **KLONDIKE BAR?**

"Not much. I've only had one. I guess I'd just ask politely and if refused, drop the subject."

### WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE SUMMER?

"I applied to work as staff for a Christian Mission trip. I worked there in high school with friends, and we're doing it again. We will do free home improvement projects to help those who cannot afford or cannot do such things themselves."

### WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE QUOTE?

"Dissent is the highest form of patriotism." -- Howard Zinn

### WHAT DO YOU WANT **EVERYONE READING THIS TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?**

"I really like USC and I'm really grateful for everyone making it the place it is. Freshman year has been great. I'd like everyone to know that they're awesome."

-- John Merriman

## CAST • CONTINUED FROM II

required uniforms for the athletic trainers.

Another part of the proceeds will go toward service projects put on by members of CAST.

"Other years we have hosted chili cook-offs. We have also participated in the 'Adopt-a-Family' program," Summer Faulkner, a two-year member of CAST and a third-year athletic training student, says.

The tournament will begin at noon on April 22. The tournament will be an 18-hole competition. Teams of four can register for \$225, or individuals can register for \$60.

"Individuals will be placed by us into a team of four, with three other single entrants," Faulkner savs.

There will be prizes awarded during the tournament as well. First, second and third places will be chosen in various categories like "Closest to the Pin" and "Longest Drive."

Each member of the team will be awarded the same prizes, which have been gift certificates from

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and is still an integral part of the college community. WUSC is present at almost all school events that involve music and offers an interesting and original musical experience for everyone within a 30mile area.

To Bovender, the station is more than just another school activity. He believes that throughout the music industry "the commercials are getting longer and

various businesses in the past.

CAST will also be hosting a silent auction at the tournament. The items in the auction will be various USC sports paraphernalia, which have been signed by coaches and players of the teams.

Faulkner also hinted at possible guest appearances by USC coaches.

The registration fee pays for a cookout dinner, green fees, carts and range balls. There will also be alcoholic beverages available, for those of you of age, for purchase.

Registration deadline is set for Friday, April 14.

Checks for the tournament should be made payable to CAST and may be mailed to the following address:

Dr. Jim Mensch

Athletic Training Program

Blatt PE Center Columbia, SC 29208.

Mensch can be reached at 777-3172 if you have any questions. You may also e-mail Maggie Windham at windhamm@mailbox. sc.edu.

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the music less diverse." He believes strongly in the station's focus on music and art instead of commercialism.

"College radio is about keeping the public airwaves free," Bovender said.

The station has information and a webstream available at www.wusc.sc.edu. You can get in touch with the station at 576-WUSCer

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#### IT BE AND WHY?

"I think the Allman Brothers because they always have great shows and people around here seem to like them, so they would be popular."

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ANIMAL?

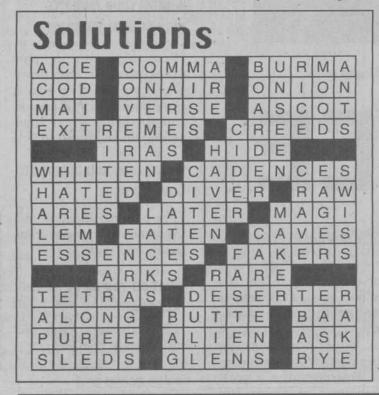
"Turtles. Definitely. Mostly because that when I was little I was influenced a lot is a great writer and I love by the teenage mutant ones and it stuck."

## **MOVIE AND WHY?**

"'The Blues Brothers.' The original with John Belushi,

### WITH ANY PERSON, WHO WOULD IT BE AND WHY?

"Probably J.K. Rowling. She





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WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE

because I like the music."

# IF YOU COULD EAT DINNER

her books. She's also rich now, so she could spring for

# a nice meal."

### WHAT'S THE WEIRDEST DREAM YOU HAVE EVER HAD?

"I think the weirdest was that one time I was sitting in the backseat of my Mom's car while she was shopping. I started to drive and a lunatic approached me and started shouting at me to stop."

## WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE

### **CLASS AND WHY?**

"English 102. Professor Miller is really personable, so it makes class interesting and fun."

### IF YOU HAD A MILLION DOLLARS, WHAT WOULD YOU BUY?

"I'd buy a lot of things. I wouldn't just blow it all on one thing. A new car, guitar ... I wouldn't want to spend it all on myself, so I'd definitely look towards charities as well."

### WHAT WOULD YOU DO FOR A

**Blayne Brown** 



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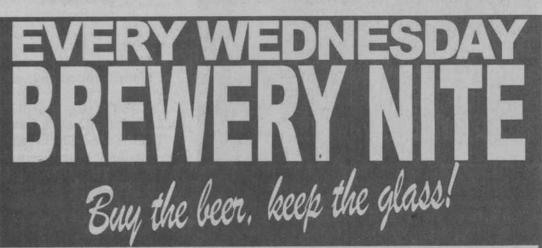
> 75% of all profits will go to Blayne's memory. Live entertainment featuring: David Beale, Kilcoy, and Villanova



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