Upcoming events:

This week is **International Education Week** check out [ip.sc.edu](http://ip.sc.edu) for a complete listing of events!

**Monday Nov. 15**

**SPURS: National Philanthropy Day** 10am-2pm on Greene Street!
This academic year, the Office of Annual Giving launched SPURS (Students Promoting the University’s Reach for Success), USC’s first student philanthropy education program. SPURS is comprised of a group of select students, known as the Student Development Council, who help create awareness about private giving among the student body through peer-to-peer outreach and campus programming. During the trying economic times, the University has become even more dependent on private giving. Annual gifts from alumni and friends help bridge the financial gap after tuition and state appropriations; resulting in a better student experience. For more information, go to [www.facebook.com/scspurs](http://www.facebook.com/scspurs) or e-mail Anna Hecksher at hecksher@email.sc.edu.

**International Bazaar 11am - 2pm, Greene Street (RH 2nd Floor Lobby-rain location)**
Join us to celebrate cultures from around the world through dancing, food, music, and creative displays! International students from a variety of countries will share about their culture, and organizations and groups will share opportunities for international involvement.

**Caskey Lecture, 7:30 p.m. Lumpkin Auditorium of the Moore School of Business.**
The guest speaker will be Dr. Roger R. Markwald, Director of the Cardiovascular Developmental Biology Center at the Medical University of South Carolina. The topic of his talk is, "How the Adult Mammalian Heart Responds to Injury." Dr. Markwald will discuss the role the periostin gene plays in controlling and orchestrating changes in cells to help bring a damaged heart back to full functionality. Refreshments will be served after the lecture.

**Tuesday Nov. 16**

**Around the World Trivia Night, 7pm-9pm, Bates West Social Room**
Consider yourself a world-traveler? Think you’re knowledgeable about world events? PROVE IT! Test your knowledge of the world and compete for prizes! Gather your friends and enter our annual trivia competition. Teams of 3-5 may register at the event.

**Wednesday Nov. 17**

**State of the Student Body Address, 5:30 P.M in the Russell House Senate Chambers– Room 322/326.**
The University of South Carolina Student Government cordially invites you to Student Body President Ebbie Yazdani’s State of the Student Body Address. Please RSVP to Katie Spell at spellk@mailbox.sc.edu.

**Spoken Word Wednesday, featuring Ill-literacy, 8pm, Russell House Theater**
“Ill-literacy is a multi-cultural four member group known for their spectacular show with elements of spoken word, instrumentation, digital music and visual multimedia. They’ve worked with the likes of Common and Mos Def and have had their shows characterized as ‘spoken word-funk-rock-soul free for all’.”

**Thursday Nov. 18**

**“Understanding World Poverty: We want your two cents” 7-8p, East Quad Classroom**
Approximately 1.4 billion people are living on $1.25 a day. This means approximately one in six people are living in extreme impoverished conditions. Help change this by becoming more educated on world poverty issues; such as hunger, homelessness, lack of healthcare, poor education, limited rights, and more. At this event not only will you learn some basics on world poverty but also be part of a student dialogue discussion on poverty issues. As always there will be free food! Contact: Marcy La Bossiere
email: labossie@mailbox.sc.edu phone: (803) 777-4330

Freecycling: 7:00pm-9:00pm Green Quad Learning Center Lounge, Room 101
What is Freecycling? Exchanging usable unwanted items with others instead of disposing of them in landfills. This Freecycling event encourages the exchange of unwanted goods, like clothing that no longer fits and household items you no longer need, rather than disposing of them in landfills. We aim to discourage consumerism by drawing attention to our society’s strong tendency to buy everything new instead of looking for ways to exchange gently used items within the community. On November 18th, attendees will bring their unwanted items to the Green Quad Learning Center. Once everything is organized, the attendees will be free to roam about the room and take whatever they want/need. Any items that are not claimed by 9:00pm will be taken to a local Salvation Army or Goodwill Store. Items that participants are encouraged to bring include clothing (excluding socks and underwear), household items, sporting equipment, books, movies, CDs, Jewelry, Décor Items, etc.

International Dancing Extravaganza! 7pm – 9pm, ROTC Drill Hall, 513 Pickens Street
Last year’s popular event returns! Come learn dances and taste delicious food from every corner of the world! Featured dances are from Latin America, the Caribbean, India, and Africa.

Friday Nov. 19th
International Movie: The Stoning of Soraya M. (2008) 6pm, Russell House Theater
A drama set in 1986 Iran and centered on a man whose car breaks down in a remote village and enters into a conversation with Zahra, who relays to him the story about her niece, whose arranged marriage to an abusive tyrant had a tragic ending. (114 mins.)

Saturday Nov. 20th
Tailgate Recycling (Volunteers needed!) 9:00am-12:00pm, Farmer’s Market (Bluff Rd.)
University Facilities, along with Sonoco Recycling and Keep the Midlands Beautiful, is sponsoring tailgate recycling for the next three home football games! They will be focusing on the Farmer’s Market off Bluff Rd. Four hours prior to kickoff, volunteers will distribute bags to tailgaters and instruct them to leave their bag of recyclables at their tailgating spot. As tailgaters head to the stadium to watch our Gamecocks take on Troy, facilities staff will pick up the bags of recyclables. Volunteers are needed to help make this effort a success! Those who sign up will pick a one hour shift between 9:00am and 12:00pm and will not need to help during the game. If interested, please e-mail Malte Weiland (weiland@fmc.sc.edu). **Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt!**

Half-price late-night showing of BIG LOVE, 11pm, Longstreet Theatre
Big Love is a production by Charles Mee and directed by Chris Clavelli, enacted by MFA and BFA USC students. BIG LOVE contains strong adult language and adult situations and may not be suitable for children. Come join us for a TRUE battle of the Sexes! Tickets: 777-2551 (Discounts available for USC Students.)
Carolina Cares Holiday Donation Drive, November 2010

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to donate gifts to help less fortunate families in Columbia this holiday season and show the community that Carolina Cares!

**Fill a Stocking** - Will you help us fill over 1,000 stockings for local children? Stockings are available in the Campus Life Center, Russell House Suite 227 for sponsorship. Simply fill each stocking with small, age appropriate gifts and return them by November 29, 2010.

**Adopt a Family** - Are you looking for a project for your office or larger group of students? Adopt a family through the Nurturing Center and you will be responsible for donating items to fulfill a family's holiday "wish list." To participate, fill out an interest form online at: www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/carolinaCares.

**Register Your Holiday Service Project** - Is your student organization, office, or department sponsoring a donation drive or service project related to holiday needs during November 2010? We want to recognize your contributions to the community! Submit a Carolina Cares Service Project Submission Form online at: www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/carolinaCares for recognition.

**Tree Lighting Ceremony** - Mark your calendars now for the 56th Annual USC Tree Lighting Ceremony on Wednesday, December 1, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. on the historic Horseshoe. Come to listen to the carolers, sip hot cider, and celebrate the spirit of service!