Student Spotlight: Caroline Worthy

Caroline Worthy is a Psychology major from Simpsonville, SC. This is her second year living in Preston. “I love how close everyone in Preston is... I love how small and close knit the whole community is.”

She chose USC because all of her cousins came here and that provided her with wonderful stories of their times here. “I also loved the atmosphere whenever I visited the school. I just knew it was the right place for me.” She plans to use the skills she learns here in the PsyC program to become a child psychologist. “My areas of interest right now include eating disorder prevention and treatment, gender-based violence prevention, and early intervention treatments for autism, although I’m not sure which area of specialty I will end up choosing for my career.”

Caroline is a member of the USC Mock Trial Team. “Initially, I was drawn to Mock Trial because I love acting, public speaking, and competition, I quickly realized that there was something very unique about the people in mock trial. They are the most open and accepting group of people I have ever met and they are like a second family to me. They care about everyone with a kind of love that extends far beyond competitions and practices.” She has been with them for two years now, is a member of their executive board and has received several different awards, which include an All-Nation award. In a recent online power poll, she was ranked 95 in the nation among college mock trial competitors.

Her involvement with the Mock Trial Team afforded her the opportunity to coach a high school mock trial team this past summer. “We traveled to Chicago for the National Judicial Competition that was held at the Chicago Bar Association and the American Bar Association. The students competed in several rounds against teams from across the country while also getting to explore Chicago. It was my first big city experience and I had to make sure the students got on the metro and around the city safely, which was difficult since I had no experience in the kind of environment. The trip was a big test in leadership and responsibility. It was one of the most rewarding experiences I have had, though, because the students worked so hard and had such a passion for what they were doing. We got to see their hard work pay off when they competed in the final showcase round and received second place in the nation at the end of the competition.”
Preston Dining!

Monday
Pasta Bar
Baked Ziti Casserole
Spaghetti with Meatballs
Pepperoni Pizza
Cheese Pizza
Marinara Sauce
Vegetable Lasagna

Tuesday
Taco/Burrito Bar
Taco Meat and Taco Chicken
Hard & Soft Shells
Chips. Salsa, Sour Cream
and Shredded Lettuce
Spanish Rice
Refried Beans
Vegetarian Enchiladas

Wednesday
Southern Cuisine
Fried Chicken Barbeque Brisket
Macaroni and Cheese
Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Brown Gravy
Green Beans
Vegetable Quiche

Thursday
Asian Cuisine
Sesame Chicken Beef Stir Fry
Vegetable Fried Rice
Lo Mein Noodles
Stir Fry Veggie Medley
Spring Rolls
Stir Fry Tofu with Vegetables

Grilled Italian
Chicken Breast

Hot Off the Grill!
Grilled Cheese
Quesadilla
Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Hibachi Steak

happy birthday Preston!

Michael Coutts 4/1  Connor Cashman 4/4
Lauren Oljar 4/4 Taylor Des Marais 4/5
Caitlin Menne 4/5 Christopher Dunn 4/6
Thomas Privette 4/6 William Dillard 4/7

Sunday
3/31

Monday
4/1
Cereal Killers
10:08pm

Tuesday
4/2

Wednesday
4/3

Thursday
4/4

Friday
4/5
Holi Festival of Colors
5pm

Saturday
4/6
Open-House Tours
3pm

4/7
Sundaes on Sunday
10:08pm

4/8

4/9

4/10

4/11

4/12

4/13
Open-House Tours
12pm
Cocky’s Quest
Friday, April 5 in the RH Ballroom

Cocky’s Quest, the campus wide scavenger hunt will be held on Friday, April 5th.
Registration will begin at the Russell House in the SEC Room at 4pm and will close at 8pm.
Come early to register your team and get your team name submitted for custom team t-shirts!
All team members must be present at registration with their valid Carolina Cards.
For more information, please visit http://www.sa.sc.edu/cad/2013/01/03/cockys-quest-friday-april-5-rh-ballroom/

National Survey of Student Engagement Survey
Opportunity to win prizes!

Greetings Freshmen and Senior Gamecocks! Have you recently received an invitation asking you to participate in the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) from Dr. Dennis Pruitt? If you have, great news for you! If you complete this short survey by Friday, April 26th, you will have the opportunity to be entered into a drawing for one of 10 gift certificates from vendors such as Moe’s, Yoghut and the Russell House bookstore (values ranging from $5 - $100). Winners will be notified via email during the week of April 29.

If you are uncertain whether you have been selected to take the survey, look in your email inbox for an email from NSSE inviting you to participate on February 12. If you have any questions about the survey or how to access it, please feel free to e-mail Megan Penfield of the Office of Institutional Assessment and Compliance at kula@mailbox.sc.edu.

Thank you for your time!
Goldwater Scholarship with SMART Workshop
Workshop: Tuesday, April 2, at 3:30 p.m., Legare College 322
Goldwater Scholarship: $7,500 goes to sophomores and juniors pursuing bachelor’s degrees in science, mathematics, or engineering. Candidates must have a strong GPA, research experience and a commitment to a career in research.
SMART (Science, Math, and Research for Transformation): An estimated $42,200 goes to students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) disciplines, and who want to work at DOD laboratories.
**Application Deadline: December 2013**

Truman Scholarship with Pickering Workshop
Workshop: Wednesday, April 3, at 3:30 p.m., Legare College 322
Up to $30,000 to juniors (any major) preparing for a career in public service with demonstrated leadership, academic achievement, service accomplishments, and a commitment to public service.
USC Pickering: Up to $40,000 for undergraduate and/or graduate study for applicants who plan to enter the US Foreign Service.
**Application Deadline: February 2014.**
Preston Relay for Life Team
Friday, April 19th @ 7 PM
@ Blatt PE Fields
Heeyyyy Preston!

Interested in joining the Preston Relay for Life team? Interested in helping our team reach its fundraising goal?
If so, please contact Sidney Fail at FAILS@EMAIL.SC.EDU

Diversity Dialogue – Little Princes: Uncovering the Lost Children of Nepal
On Thursday, April 11th at 12:30pm in Russell House 315, EMPOWER, co-sponsored by the Residence Hall Association, will be hosting a Diversity Dialogue titled, Little Princes: Uncovering the Lost Children of Nepal. Throughout this diversity dialogue, we will focus on the story of a man that volunteers at a children’s orphanage in Nepal, learns about the haunting past of these children, and makes it his mission to return them to their rightful homes. Join us for a night of dinner and dialogue as we uncover these stories and learn about children trafficking in Nepal.

Participants that preregister at https://sawebdev.wufoo.com/forms/diversity-dialogue-registration for this dialogue will receive a copy of Little Princes: One Man's Promise to Bring Home the Lost Children of Nepal and learn about the impact a common man makes on a community and the impact it makes on him.

Contact: Lizzie Dement dementm@mailbox.sc.edu with any questions.
Columbia International Festival 2013
Saturday, April 13 – 10AM– 7PM
Sunday, April 14 – 12– 6PM
Cantey Building, SC State Fairgrounds

The Columbia International Festival showcases the music, culture, food and performing arts of the various cultures, nationalities, races and language groups represented in South Carolina. The event brings all of the area's international communities together to build better community/race relations between various ethnic/cultural/language groups and with the South Carolina community at large.

- Volunteers needed to be responsible for service areas during the festival
- Students must be 16 yrs. old
- Greater need is for a 1-day commitment
- Volunteer Training Provided
- Free International meal of your choice
- Free parking
If interested, email Suzanne Santana at csuzannessantana@gmail.com or call 319-6884

Community Service Ambassador Interest Meetings
http://www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/community-service-ambassadors/
Tuesday, March 26 at 1pm

Alternative Break Council and Trip Leader Interest Meetings
http://www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/alternative-break-trips/
Wednesday, March 27 at 1pm

Please print out and sign. Return to the Campus Life Center (CLC) by Friday, March 29, 2013.
http://www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/files/2010/05/GAB-council-application.doc

Alternative Break Trip Leader for 2013–2014
Please print out and sign. Return to the Campus Life Center (CLC) by Friday, March 29, 2013.
http://www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/file/2010/05/GAB-Trip-Leader-description.docx

Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention & Prevention is looking for student groups, organizations and residence halls to paint T-shirts for display on Greene Street April 15 for the Clothesline Project!
The office will provide the T-shirts and paint. Students supply the talent and time.

The Clothesline Project, a national campaign that addresses violence against women and sexual assault, is part of Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention & Prevention's annual, on-campus Sexual Assault Awareness Month activities. This project offers T-shirt painting to all students as a vehicle for those affected by violence to express their emotion.

Students can participate by picking up T-shirts and paint at the SAVIP office, located on the first floor of the Thomson Student Health Center. Completed T-shirts should be returned to the office by April 8.
Call 803-777-8248 to get involved, or register online at http://www.sa.sc.edu/sh/SAVIP/clothesline.

UNIV 401b: Preparing for a Career in Student Affairs/Higher Education

Are you considering a career in student affairs or higher education? Did you know you can work at a college or university full-time in areas like residence life, student activities, fraternity and sorority life, academic support, or the first-year experience? If you are interested in learning more about the field of student affairs and higher education, or are beginning to prepare for graduate school in higher education and student affairs, consider taking this 3-credit seminar for juniors and seniors in Fall 2013. For more information about the course, please contact University 101 Programs at 803-777-6029, or e-mail Kevin Clarke at kclarke@sc.edu.
WHO? This effort is a city-wide grassroots effort, not sponsored by any particular organization but championed by everyone who wants to make Columbia a better city. A list of steering committee members shows that leaders from every sector of our community are contributing to this project.

WHAT? CityServe is an intensive week of service designed to involve thousands of Columbia citizens across all city domains (business, education, government, faith community, military, social sector, arts) working together to improve our city.

WHEN? April 20-28, 2013

WHY? A city-wide effort of this magnitude will release hundreds of thousands of volunteer hours into city improvement, uncover previously unserved or underserved needs, create synergy for ongoing community engagement, and raise the pride and investment level of Columbians in our home. Bottom line, we will have a better city, thanks to US!

How do I get involved? Every person who either lives, works, or goes to school in Columbia will be asked to do some special act of service during this week. These service projects can range from community beautification to school involvement to housing construction and repair to volunteering at existing community service programs. Every person or group will make their own decisions about what to do based on their available time, talent, and interest. The city will identify some city-wide initiatives that will require coordinated effort, but most activity will be self-selected and self-directed by individuals and groups.

For more information, please visit http://www.cityservecolumbia.com/