

Shooting prompts S.C. to form hate-crime unit

COLUMBIA, S.C. — After a drive-by shooting that injured three black teenagers, state Attorney General Charlie Condon said Tuesday he will ask the Legislature to fund a hate-crime unit in

Clayton Spires Jr., 25, of Lexington and Joshua England, 18, of New Holland were charged in Sunday's shootings. Both men are white. They have attended Ku Klux Klan rallies and were at a Klan-sponsored event Friday, a Klan leader

"It appears that the climate for hate crimes has gotten worse, and I believe that the state needs a full-time prosecutor and investigator to pursue all hate crimes in South Carolina," Condon said. He also said he wants lawmakers to

increase the penalties for violent crimes linked to racial hatred.

"It is true you can't legislate morality, that you can't change people's hearts with a law," Condon said. "But we can make sure that this type of crime is more

than adequately punished."

Spires and England each face three counts of assault and battery with intent to kill and one count of possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime. If convicted, they face as long as 65 years

in prison.

Horace King, a grand dragon of the South Carolina Christian Knights, said the men had attended KKK rallies at his home and were at a Klan-sponsored tur-key shoot there Friday night, not Saturday as first reported.

Lexington County Sheriff James Metts said both men attended a Confederate flag rally Saturday in South Congaree sponsored by the St. Louis-based Counsponsored by the St. Louis-based Coun-icil of Conservative Citizens. "It's a splin-ter group, as we understand, from the KKK," Metts said. However, Samuel Dantzler, a state

director of the CCC from Orangeburg, said neither of the men were invited to nor attended the event. He said he saw all 36 people who were there and took pic-

tures of most of them.

Dantzler also denied the group has any connection with the Klan.

Two of the injured teen-agers, 18-year-old Hosea Brown of Swansea and 19year-old Dale Jones of Gaston, were treated at Lexington Medical Center and released. The other victim, 17-year-old Gary Jones of Gilbert, was in stable condition Tuesday, a hospital spokeswoman

Winston-Salem passes public masturbation law

WINSTON-SALEM - With no discussion and a unanimous vote, Winston-Salem officials have made it a crime to of the opposite sex.

"I call it the Pee Wee Herman law,"
Alderman Robert Norlander said with a

grin. "I'm glad we don't have a problem now. And I hope we don't." But other city officials were not so willing to discuss the matter.

"I just don't know what to say about is," said Mayor Martha Wood. "I didn't think it was a problem. The police chief thought it was and so did the board."

The law was passed Monday night at the request of Police Chief George Sweat. He said that Charlotte officials adopted the same ordinance in May after a rash of complaints about people masturbating in city parks.
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UNC senior teaches 'Lessons' on new Cl

BY SOPHIE MILAM STAFF WRITER

If the name Mike Garrigan sounds familiar to you, you're not alone. The UNC senior might be in one of your classes. Or you could have seen him in the spotlight of a smoky café, baring his soul while strumming his guitar.

And most recently, you might have seen his posters up around campus and on Franklin Street, heralding the release of Garrigan's second CD, *The Lessons of* Autumn. The history major from Fayetteville will perform tonight at his CD release party at Cat's Cradle.

Garrigan admits it was difficult as a

solo artist to establish a niche for himself.
"There isn't much in this town for a singer-songwriter; it's straight-up rock in most clubs." He said although he found it hard to get shows, he played for more mellow crowds at places such as the Skylight Exchange and the Intimate

The Lessons of Autumn is a concept album, Garrigan said; he uses the fall season as a centerpiece to tell a story of

He described the CD as "a mythology the record of my emotions, like a

diary. All the songs are related, like 11 chapters of one story."

Garrigan described this CD as "a more sophisticated-type recording," comparing it to the Sgt. Pepper's album from the Beatles—orchestrated with a sound store of the store o fell "full and good on your stereo." No song sounds like the one that preceded it, and, overall, he said he found it a better record than his debut release.

Garrigan will graduate from UNC in May, and he has a pretty good idea of what direction he would like his career to take. His current manager is "a guy who has had some success in the industry," and after graduation Garrigan intends to do some touring and "shop the (record)

Although he intends to play and perform for many years to come, Garrigan said whether or not he would make it his livelihood would be determined by his

success.

"I'll give it a shot," he said. However, he admitted he was also applying to law school in anticipation of a backup career.

Tonight's *The Lessons of Autumn CD* release party will feature Garrigan performing with both a string quartet and a full hand. The show starts around 10 full band. The show starts around 10

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campaigns, particularly the role of for-

eign contributions.
"Money is very important. (The United States) is not a political virgin," hesaid. "While we say that putting money into outside campaigns is bad, we've been putting money into the campaigns of other countries for years." Toward the end of his discussion, Beyle answered questions ranging from concerns about

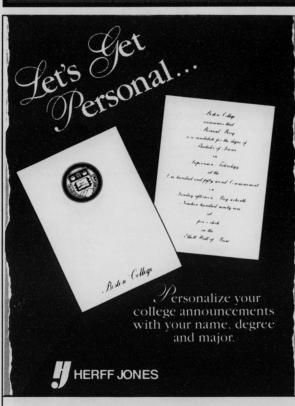
the gender gap to the gubernatorial veto.
"The gubernatorial veto should pass," Beyle said. "Most everybody and the governor wants the veto. It's a great weapon to have behind the door."



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