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**SOFTBALL CONTINUES WIN STREAK  
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No. 18 Ole Miss faced Belmont on Tuesday and continued its winning ways with an 11-1 run-rule victory in Nashville after a big series win against No. 6 Florida.

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## DAVIS, MAYFIELD ADVANCE

As announced on Tuesday night in front the Lyceum, Leah Davis and Barron Mayfield will face off for the president's office in the Associated Student Body runoff election.



PHOTO: CHRISTIAN JOHNSON

Barron Mayfield received the highest percentage of votes for the position of ASB president at 38.79%.



PHOTO: DEVNA BOSE

Leah Davis won 32.08% of the vote for Associated Student Body president.

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Leah Davis and Barron Mayfield have advanced to the runoff election in the race for Associated Student Body president after none of the three candidates gained a majority of the student body's vote.

After 5,514 votes were counted, Mayfield had won 38.79% of the vote compared to Davis's 32.08%.

Mayfield, a junior public policy leadership major from Lubbock, Texas, based his campaign on pushing for student representation on the state college board.

Mayfield said he plans to keep campaigning like he did leading up to Tuesday's election, and he felt "energized" by the results.

"I've got a great team that's putting in a ton of work, and we're just



PHOTO: CHRISTIAN JOHNSON

Liza Boyer embraces a friend as her victory is announced in the election for judicial chair. She ran against Brynn Trahan.

going to keep on going," he said.

Davis, a junior psychology major from Tupelo, has centered her presidential initiative around making

ASB more diverse and addressing mental health issues on campus.

Davis said she feels incredible about advancing to the runoff, and

she plans to campaign hard during the next two days leading up to the runoff election.

"We're going to hone in on the platform and really hone in on why we care about students and what's going on," she said. "We're going to hone in on why we're the best candidate."

If Davis wins the presidency, she will be the first black female student body president since Kimberly Dandridge was elected ASB president in 2012 and only the second black female ASB president in school history.

Davis and Mayfield defeated Tom Fowlkes, who received 26.71% of the vote.

Fowlkes, a junior public policy leadership and accountancy major

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**COLUMN**

# Response: The right to life is fundamental



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Re: "Pro-choice or no choice:  
The war on Roe v. Wade"  
(March 28)

Mississippi is joining the ranks of states that are protecting the rights and lives of the unborn. On March 21, Gov. Phil Bryant signed Senate Bill 2116 which would prevent abortions once a heartbeat is detected. This is a huge win for pro-life activists and the unborn across the state of Mississippi. But not all Mississippians share the sentiment. The Jackson Women's Health Organization

and many on the left are outraged about the bill that would deny the right for a woman to choose abortion.

The "Pro-choice or no choice: The war on Roe v. Wade" piece argued that this legislation was unconstitutional and limited the freedoms of women. With deeper analysis, these arguments fall flat.

To begin, this legislation is not unconstitutional. Although Roe v. Wade pronounced that it is unconstitutional for a state to criminalize or unduly restrict access to abortion, the current precedent for abortion law lies with Planned Parenthood v. Casey. This foundational case gave states the right to determine appropriate abortion law as long as it does not create an "undue burden" for women seeking abortion. The language is vague, but the objective of the court is clear: Let the state make public policy.

Second, the right for a

woman to choose an abortion seems to completely ignore the right to life of the child in her womb. The Declaration of Independence lists three fundamental rights of U.S. citizens. They are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. If you believe in these rights, then you cannot take away the most fundamental right of life simply because that life is inconvenient, unplanned or unwanted.

A common argument by the left in favor of the right to choose to terminate life is that by making abortions legal, they are made safe, but the government should regulate abortion so that it would be rare. Hillary Clinton was a champion of this, saying in her 2008 bid for president that abortions should be "safe, legal and rare."

"Safe, legal and rare" is a myth. Abortions in the U.S. are now safe, and they are legal under the correct circumstances, but they are in no way rare. Since the passing

of Roe v. Wade, millions of pregnancies have been aborted. The right to life was terminated before the unborn had a chance to experience it.

Another argument promoted by pro-choice advocates is that abortion should be legal so that those who are pregnant due to rape and incest have access to abortion. Here, the rare argument holds true. According to the Guttmacher Institute, 1.5% of abortions in the U.S. occur in cases of rape and incest. This is a rare occurrence that should not be bundled into the numbers of abortions that occur because the pregnancy is inconvenient for the parents.

The right to life should supersede the right to choose a more convenient path. Other states should join Mississippi in the fight for the lives of all members of society.

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# Chucky Mullins Drive reopens for commuter traffic

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Nearly a year after its closure in the summer of 2018, Chucky Mullins Drive has reopened to commuter traffic.

The university initially planned for the closed portion of Chucky Mullins Drive to be reopened in January 2019 but is three months behind schedule in its opening. It was closed to reroute traffic around construction on the new South Campus Recreation Center, which has yet to open.

The section of closed road spanned the Chucky Mullins exit from Highway 6 to Old Taylor Road. Because of its path into the rear entrance of campus, it was a popular route for students and administrators who live on Old Taylor Road.

Senior accounting major Landon Mount lives on Old Taylor Road and frequently used Chucky Mullins Drive before it was closed. He said he was relieved to hear the road has been reopened.

“Whenever Chucky Mullins was closed, I would have to take Old Taylor,” Mount said. “That route added about six minutes to my drive. ... Whenever there was traffic on

it at 8 o’clock in the morning or 5 in the afternoon, it would add about 10 to 15 minutes.”

Mount said his original route to campus only took him four minutes.

The road not only proved to be a valuable route for students to access campus but also to reduce congestion on Old Taylor Road. Now that Chucky Mullins Drive has reopened, the natural balance of traffic should even out between both entrances to campus.

While mentioning the benefits of having the road reopened, Mount posed an interesting question: What will happen to Chucky Mullins in the future?

Prior to the closure, the route went to the left of the parking area on top of the hill. Now, the route cuts directly through the parking lot.

This has Uber driver Michelle Shad worried.

Self-proclaimed “Best Uber Driver” on social media, Shad is in her car for eight to nine hours a day.

Shad said the closure of Chucky Mullins placed her under financial strain.

“(Closing) Chucky Mullins killed us. I mean, every night, we lost money,” she said. “Every night, every Uber



PHOTO: REED JONES

After being closed for almost a year, Chucky Mullins Drive’s reopening will likely benefit many students in their commutes to campus and help to reduce traffic around Oxford.

driver in town lost money by not having that access.”

By having to reroute, she would lose an average of two rides a day because of traffic and delay, Shad said. On

average, she said she receives \$7 per ride, which means that the closure of Chucky Mullins caused her to lose nearly \$400 of potential income per month of driving.

Shad was happy to have the mainline road reopened, but as she mentioned, she is uncertain about the future of driving on Chucky Mullins.

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# ASB ELECTION

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from Memphis, identified his ASB objective to engage with students more through Twitter polls and communicate with students more.

Sarah Doty and Charlotte Shackelford will also head to a runoff in the vice presidential race. Whichever of the two wins will be the first female ASB vice president since Morgan Gregory was elected to the office in 2013.

Doty garnered 28.28% of the vote, and Shackelford received 30.48%.

Doty, a public policy leadership major from Brookhaven, said she wants to focus on improving the everyday lives of students by focusing on issues in parking, housing and facilities on campus.

“I think students really are listening because ASB should be doing things that (students) care about instead of just fixing ASB,” she said. “That really has resonated, and I’m just going to keep on telling them the good word, I guess.”

Shackelford, a junior political science major from Mandeville, Louisiana, said her main goal is to build the relationship between senators and their constituents, which she hopes will result in increased accessibility to ASB for students.

“Honestly, I’m just really humbled and very thankful to even be in this position,” Shackelford said. “The



Gianna Schuetz, who has served as the interim ASB treasurer since November, won the uncontested election for treasurer.

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PHOTO: KATHERINE BUTLER

Charlotte Shackelford celebrates after learning that she received 30.48% of the vote for Associated Student Body vice president and will run against Sarah Doty in the runoff elections on Thursday.



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Sarah Doty embraces a friend after hearing that she won 28.28% of the vote for the vice president position at the Lyceum on Tuesday, making her eligible for the runoff.

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mission is the same as it's always been: just sharing my platform and getting it out to everyone.”

In the only other contested election, Liza Boyer defeated Brynn Trahan for the office of judicial chair. Boyer, a junior political science major from Houston, Mississippi, has served on the ASB Judicial Council for the past year and

received 63.24% of the vote.

Elections for the offices of attorney general, treasurer and secretary were uncontested.

Austin Fiala won the race for attorney general and will begin his second term following his appointment last fall. Gianna Schuetz, who has served as interim treasurer since Jonathan Cox stepped

down in November, was elected to the same position. Hannah Chauvin, a junior political science major from Columbus, Ohio, was elected as secretary.

The runoff election will take place on Thursday, and students will be able to vote from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on their myOleMiss accounts through the “Get Involved” tab.



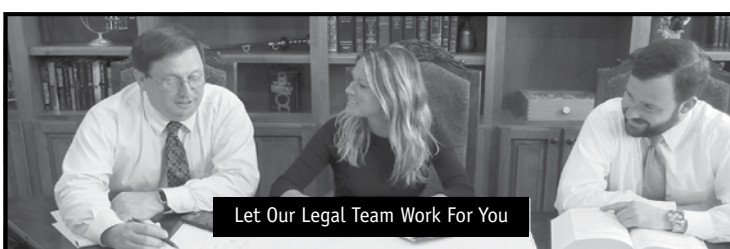
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# Southern Gothic author to present from new memoir

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River Jordan, playwright and author of Southern Gothics like “The Gin Girl” and “Saints in Limbo,” will read from and speak about her new memoir at 5:30 p.m. tonight at Off Square Books. Jordan is stopping in Oxford on tour with the memoir, which came out on Tuesday.

Her book, titled “Confessions of a Christian Mystic,” discusses her own life’s journey, from her Southern upbringing to her life as an author. From personal notes sent by family and friends to anecdotes about disco nights and midnight rides, Jordan details the moments that made her who she is.

In a newsletter to her fans, Jordan said she wanted “Confessions of a Christian Mystic” to be an authentic representation of her life and that her memoir is something that she’s wanted to write for a while.

“I thought, ‘Life is short. No matter how long it is, it’s short,’” Jordan said. “And I only have this little bit of time to say what it is that I have left to say. Should I live to be 100 years old, there is only now — this small, beautiful



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shadow to step into and out of — and then we move to the beyond. I wanted to say the most important words I had to offer in those years. This was this moment.”

Jordan, whose fiction often

takes place in the South, said that the stories in her memoir are placed in the environment that has inspired her work. To Jordan, there was no better place for a writer to grow up.

“(My life was) growing

up very Southern in the rural landscape of what you might call a Southern Gothic backdrop of family and a foreground of dirt, lighting, heat, fireflies, gulf waters and palm trees,” she said. “My

time was divided between the salty, white sands of the beach and the backwoods of my grandparents.”

In addition to living in the moment, Jordan credited her upbringing and family as other factors motivating her to write her book. She said that growing up in the South and in the church are part of the large landscape of the memoir.

“(My childhood home) was as perfect for a little girl born to write as it could be. When I was eleven years old, my mother joined the Episcopal Church. It had quiet and candles and reverence and a holy hush,” she said. “The result of all of those experiences, of family and love, writing and living and loving, of spiritual experiences and midnight road trips are captured in this little book.”

Lyn Roberts, the general manager of Square Books, said that asking Jordan back to Oxford was an obvious “yes.”

“We work with publishers when new books come out, and when we saw she was coming back with another book, we invited her,” Roberts said. “(Her memoir) is very spiritual, so anybody that’s a seeker would be interested in coming to see her speak.”



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BASEBALL

# Bases loaded: Rebels exposed after shocking loss

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Midweek matchups with recently elevated Division I programs can only hurt a resume. There is nothing to gain by beating them, but there sure is a downside to losing the game. Ole Miss will now experience the negative effects of such a loss after falling 10-6 to North Alabama on Tuesday afternoon.

The pitching staff never looked comfortable, and the offense sputtered against a team that is no stranger to giving up runs. The visiting team in no way resembled a team earning its sixth win of the season. This matchup is one to circle when assessing resumes after the SEC Tournament.

**First base: Midweek starting pitching is a looming issue.**

Mike Bianco altered his normal approach of starting Jordan Fowler during mid-week games to give Max Cioffi the start. Cioffi's performance this season makes him one of the most reliable arms in the bullpen. In his first start of the season, however, he did not perform at the expected level. He surrendered 5 runs over 3.2 innings, and only two of those runs were earned.

The worst thing that could have happened for the Ole Miss pitching staff happened on Tuesday. With Cioffi's early exit, Bianco had to dip into the bullpen often. Seven pitchers took the mound in the loss to North Alabama. Connor Green, Taylor Broadway and Houston Roth all pitched at least an inning. Ryan Olenek pitched a clean ninth inning to save other arms for the weekend.

North Alabama tied its



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Ole Miss outfielder Tim Elko steals second base during the Rebels' matchup against UT Martin earlier this season. Ole Miss won the game 12-6.

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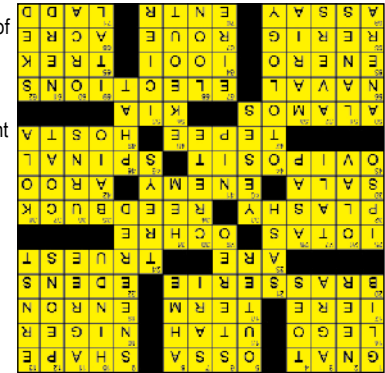
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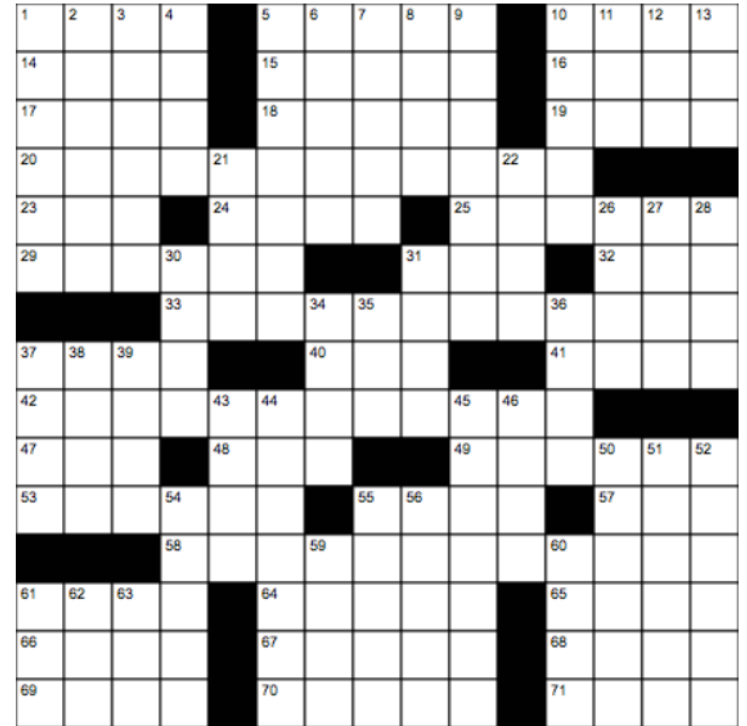
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- 1- Bangkok tongue
  - 5- Transparent
  - 10- Franc replacement
  - 14- Entanglements
  - 15- Baseball manager Joe
  - 16- Not fer
  - 17- Actor Ken
  - 18- "No bid," in bridge
  - 19- Ammo
  - 20- Comfort for some kids
  - 23- Like Bruckner's Symphony No. 7
  - 24- Type of ranch
  - 25- Feel intense aversion
  - 29- Pendent ornament
  - 31- Egg cells
  - 32- Poet's dusk
  - 33- Activated by small change
  - 37- Queens stadium
  - 40- Former Justice Fortas
  - 41- Beatty and Rorem
  - 42- Biased
  - 47- Help
  - 48- Not for a Scot
  - 49- Invertebrate creature
  - 53- Eats grass
  - 55- Portrayal by an actor

- DOWN**
- 1- Small-time
  - 2- Treasure State capital
  - 3- Dwells
  - 4- "\_\_\_ She Lovely?";
  - 5- Incentives
  - 6- Wished
  - 7- Rub out
  - 8- Prefix for while
  - 9- Determine
  - 10- Snap course
  - 11- Sound of disgust
  - 12- Road to \_\_\_
  - 13- Thunder Bay's prov.
  - 21- Prefix with logical
  - 22- Loud laugh
  - 26- Head of France
  - 27- Pay attention to

**SOLUTION TO DATE PUZZLE**



- 28- Pulls the plug on
- 30- Operation memento
- 31- More than ajar
- 34- Reputation
- 35- Japanese sash
- 36- No ifs, \_\_\_ or buts!
- 37- Fly in the ointment
- 38- Salon sweepings
- 39- Mother of the Valkyries
- 43- Singles
- 44- Loss by decay;
- 45- Widened; 46- Steven Chu's cabinet dept.
- 50- Beethoven's Third
- 51- Sporty Chevy
- 52- Tantalizes
- 54- Delineated by area
- 55- Some horses
- 56- Actor Davis
- 59- Zeno's home
- 60- Pluto's tail?
- 61- Writer Hentoff;
- 62- Language ending;
- 63- Lubricate;



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season record of 10 runs, and the Lions established a new season high of 14 hits.

**Second base: Our full-strength lineup is unable to outscore an inferior opponent.**

The Lions' starter Colin Chamblin came into Tuesday's game with a 6.21 ERA, having allowed 17 runs and 11 walks over 23 innings. He lasted 3.0 innings but only gave up 2 runs against Ole Miss.

Hunter Davidson, another Lion, entered the game in the fifth inning and completely shut down the Ole Miss lineup, keeping the Rebels scoreless over 4.0 innings of work. He surrendered a single hit and 3 walks.

Only two hitters in the Ole Miss lineup, Tyler Keenan and Jacob Adams, had multi-

ple hits, and Olenek and Carl Gindl each failed to register a hit. The team went 4-14 with runners in scoring position, stranding 11 runners on base. This is the second consecutive game in which the Ole Miss offense has left double-digit runners on base.

Kevin Graham was one bright spot of the offense. The freshman hit his fourth home run of the season in the ninth inning, showing that he is capable of being a power bat in the lineup going forward.

**Third base: A supposedly meaningless game could resurface down the road.**

Coming off a series win against a top-10 opponent on the road, the Rebels seemed to have turned a corner. Prior to Tuesday's game, the team's RPI was 30th in

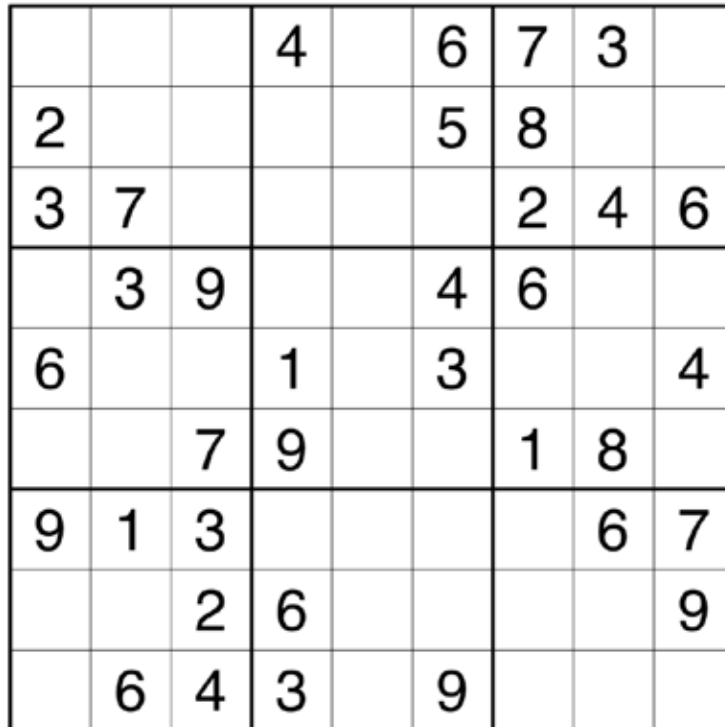
the country, whereas North Alabama's 5-21 record had them ranked 285 out of 299 schools. This loss is an RPI-dropper.

There are still many RPI opportunities remaining in SEC play and the midweek schedule. However, dropping a game to a team that low puts pressure on the Rebels to win a lot of games down the stretch.

A bad loss to North Alabama on a Tuesday could potentially keep Ole Miss from hosting a regional or even getting into the tournament at season's end. If Ole Miss and another closely ranked team are being debated by the committee, this is a loss that could hold the Rebels back from a favorable seed in the tournament.

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# Unexpected upsets create exciting Final Four finale

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## NO. 1 VIRGINIA VERSUS NO. 2 MICHIGAN STATE



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Well, here we are. March has passed with its fair share of madness, excitement and suspense in the 60 games played these past few weeks.

The Final Four is now set: No. 1 seed Virginia, No. 2 seed Michigan State, No. 3 seed Texas Tech and No. 5 seed Auburn. One of these teams will soon earn its place in the history books and be crowned the kings of college basketball for a calendar year.

It seemed from the beginning that No. 1 seed Duke was destined to win the title, with players like Zion Williamson, R.J. Barrett, Cam Reddish and Tre Jones leading the way for the Blue Devils.

Four NBA Draft prospects, with hall of fame coach Mike Krzyzewski at the helm, ap-

peared unbeatable.

But that's why the tournament is like nothing else in the sporting world. Two missed tip-ins by UCF and Virginia Tech magically kept the Blue Devils' dream alive for a little longer. That is, until they ran into Cassius Winston and the Michigan State Spartans.

The game was decided by a single point, but this time, Duke couldn't escape.

Now that Duke is out, it seems that the prophesied winner hails from the Southeastern Conference. The Auburn Tigers are in their first Final Four in school history and are riding an improbable run to the final weekend.

Though Michigan State downed the vaunted Blue Devils of Duke in the Elite Eight, Auburn may have the most impressive run to the

Final Four of all time.

Kansas, North Carolina and Kentucky — the top three winningest programs in men's college basketball history — all lost to Auburn. With former Tennessee head coach Bruce Pearl running the show, I won't be surprised to see Auburn beat Virginia and represent the SEC in the championship game.

Virginia is also making history in this year's tournament. After becoming the first No. 1 seed to lose to a No. 16 seed, the Cavaliers avenged that embarrassing loss by reaching the Final Four for the third time in school history and the first time since 1984.

With Ty Jerome, Kyle Guy and Mamadi Diakite on the court, Virginia has the ability to beat anyone left in the tournament. However, I don't

see Auburn losing just yet.

For me, Texas Tech is the biggest wild card remaining. The Red Raiders, like their upcoming opponent Michigan State, have knocked off a No. 1 seed (Gonzaga) on their path to the Final Four. Unlike Michigan State, however, Texas Tech is playing for something more.

Prior to his passing on Sunday afternoon, California-based rapper Nipsey Hussle was seen cheering on Texas Tech against Gonzaga in Anaheim, California, on Saturday night. He was spotted sharing an embrace with Red Raider senior Brandone Francis following the team's upset win.

If we know anything about sports, it's that playing on emotion can carry a team to heights never thought possible. Texas Tech will shut

down Cassius Winston on Saturday evening and advance to the championship game.

Obviously, anything could happen this weekend when these four teams take the court. There are no teams that are head and heels above others, but with the circumstances presented, I see a championship game featuring Auburn and Texas Tech — two teams that few thought capable of playing at the level of the Final Four.

It's been a fun journey, and now we have three games left to enjoy until we wait to do it again next March.

Here's to the final weekend of college basketball.

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- Disinfectants
- Drain Opener
- Engine Fluids
- Fertilizers
- Furniture Polish
- Gasoline
- Gas Additives
- Glass Cleaner
- Glues
- Herbicides
- Insecticides
- Moth balls
- Motor Oil
- Oven Cleaner

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- Pesticides
- Photographic Chemicals
- Propane Cylinder Tanks
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