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Students have mixed feelings on Col. Reb legislation



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BY KAYLEIGH WEBB The Daily Mississippian

Mississippi District 19 Representative Mark Duvall said that since he proposed a bill to bring Colonel Reb back as the University of Mississippi's mascot, his email inbox has

been filled with messages of Miss culture. However, I think both support and outrage. it is sad that we have reached

Duvall said he has received some messages containing signatures of support for the bill, and other e-mails saying the state should not be meddling in the affairs of the University.

On campus, the views among students are similar.

"Colonel Rebel, while controversial, is a mascot that represents the University's history and uniqueness to other schools and alumni and student unity," said Kristen Ellis, a marketing communications major.

"I also wish that he would be mascot again too and hope the house bill will be considered and passed."

Ellis isn't alone in hoping to see Colonel Reb back on the sidelines of Vaught-Hemingway Stadium.

"I like the fact that the Colonel is being fought for," said Morgan Bradley, a freshman history and psychology double major. "He is a big part of Ole

Miss culture. However, I think it is sad that we have reached such a level of ignorance about what he stands for that the legislation has to be passed so we can have one of our oldest traditions. Either way, I love Colonel Reb and hope the bill passes."

Many other students feel like Colonel Reb should be left in the past, including freshman theatre major Camille Mullins.

"I think that people at the school should just accept that Colonel Reb is gone," Mullins said.

"People who have lived in Mississippi and have been exposed to Ole Miss their whole lives don't realize that the school is portrayed as a racist school. People miss Colonel Reb now and don't like the Rebel Black Bear but 10 years from now, Colonel Reb is just going to be a memory."

This bill, called House Bill 1106, requires that The University of Mississippi sporting

teams bear the name "Ole Miss Rebels," that the University's mascot be Colonel Rebel and that the University band play "Dixie" and "From Dixie With Love" at athletic events.

"If we don't stand up and try to preserve the traditions of the University, you'll just lose the identity of the University," Duvall, who attended Itawamba Community College and Mississippi State University, said.

Duvall proposed HB 1106 out of the concerns from constituents, students and alumni who dislike the mascot change to the Rebel Black Bear.

"It's obviously an issue that weighs on the hearts and minds of not only the alumni, but also the University and student population and all taxpayers," Duvall said. "Law is definitely not the best way, but it get's the administrations' attention."

Colonel Reb was retired in 2003, and last year the University adopted the Rebel Black Bear as its official mascot.

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FACULTY ARTISTS SERIES

The husband-wife piano duo of Diane Wang and Stacy Rodgers, faculty in the music department, will perform tonight as part of the Faculty Artists Series. The two will perform works of Telemann, Lili Boulanger, Francis Poulenc and Cecile Chaminade. The second half of the concert will consist solely of waltzes.

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Nine students to compete for Miss University Pageant on Wednesday

BY MARGARET BURGE

The Daily Mississippian

The Ford Center will host the 61st Miss University Pageant on Wednesday.

"The Miss University pageant is a preliminary to the Miss Mississippi and Miss America pageants," said Jennifer Taylor, director of campus programming.

Taylor has been involved with the Miss University pageant since 2002.

"My goal as director of the pageant is to promote a spirit of service," Taylor said. "I believe that this is a distinguishing characteristic of our pageant at Ole Miss."

There are four stages of competition in which each contestant must compete at the pageant: evening gown presentation, lifestyle and fitness in swimsuit, talent, and on-stage questions.

Before Wednesday, all the contestants will have a private interview with the judges, Tay-

lor said

After each phase the contestants will be scored on a scale of one to 10.

There are nine contestants competing this year: Mary Lauren Brunson, Madison Garrison, Marie Wicks, Poinesha Barnes, Katherine Barkett, Jenny Urban, Natalie Wood, Laken Hood and Maegan Ewing.

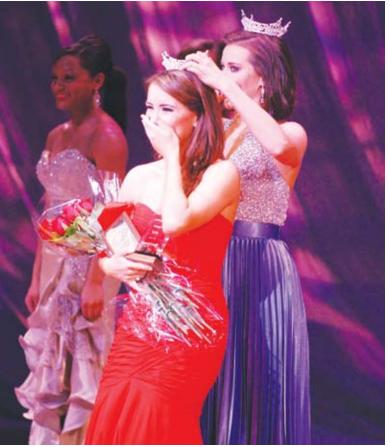
Hood said she has participated in pageants since she was young.

"I began strictly doing scholarship pageants when I was 8," Hood said. "I want to compete for Miss University for the sole purpose of representing the college I was raised to love, and since attending here, have truly grown to adore."

Brunsen said that she is especially anxious about the opportunity of becoming Miss University.

"I'm very excited for the pageant because it is such a prestigious title to compete for,"

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Adrian Turner won last year's Miss University contest. This year's pageant will take place at the Ford Center tommorrow at 7:30.

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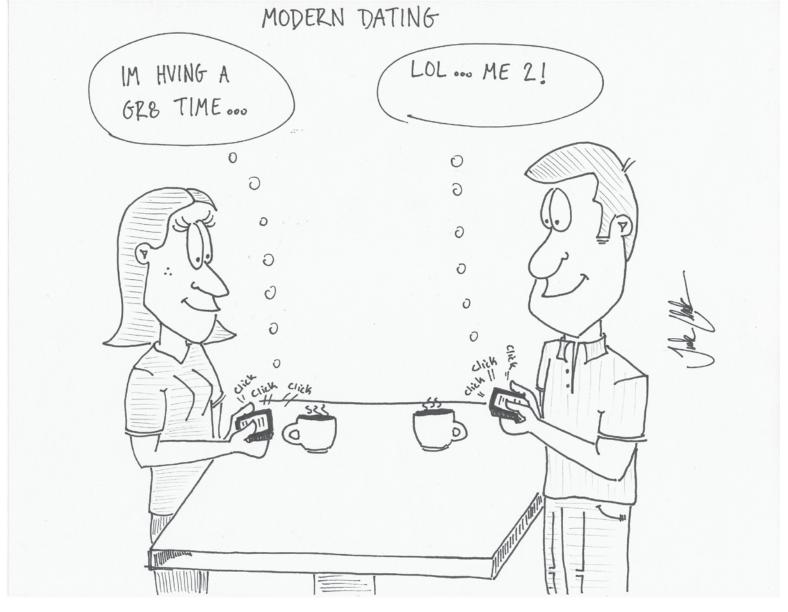
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BY JOSH CLARK Cartoonist



Speaking of That: Smokers are killing the Champion Tree



MCGRAW Columnist

The Champion Tree by the Union should not be a smokers' circle.

Technically, the nearest designated smoking area is listed as "Behind the northeast corner of Bryant Hall," but a group of students dragged an ashtray under the tree a few years ago and University Police haven't seemed to mind.

Whether by law or by practice, everyone on campus knows the Champion Tree has turned into a hangout for smokers.

The goal of the designating smoking areas, which the University updated to 39 in 2009, was to place them as far away from the general public as possible. Not only is the Champion Tree one of the most heavily trafficked areas on campus, it is one of the prettiest – until you look at the ground littered with cigarette butts.

I am not one of these wacky, liberal green fanatics, but I like that tree. It is one of the coolest places on campus, so when I pass by and see people lounging and puffing smoke, it upsets me and makes me question the message we are sending.

We have essentially turned one of our most treasured pieces of nature into a haven for all sorts of harmful airborne agents that are slowly destroying it.

Prolonged exposure to the ethylene content in cigarette smoke causes leaves to droop and can make them fall off abnormally. Sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide and other particles stick to stems and leaves and inhibit the photosynthesis process and proper gas exchange that trees and other plants need to thrive.

And this isn't just any tree. Champion Trees are the largest reported trees of their species in the state and are selected by the Mississippi Forestry Commission.

The one by the Union is the largest Northern Catalpa with a height of 76 feet and a circumference of more than 20 feet. We should start treating it with a little more respect.

I walked under the tree by myself the other day to read the newspaper, and I had to throw away two empty cigarette packs and a used-up lighter. I didn't fool with the dozens of butts on the ground.

As soon as I sat down in the chair and propped my feet up (those are deceptively comfortable outdoor chairs, by the way) I began to smell smoke. I swiveled around to see if anyone had lit up, but there was no one in sight. So, unless there is a smoking ghost

roaming campus (and if there is, we should call Ghostbusters), then the smoke smell seems to have attached itself to the area.

I guess it's kind of like a Denny's or a smoking room at a Motel 6 – smells like smoke even when no one is smoking.

Fearful that the smell might attach itself to me, I got up and left.

As a community, we need to seriously consider our priorities and decide whether we promote smoking habits over nature (and our own health).

Every student has a right to smoke. Smoke until you are sweating out nicotine, but please do it somewhere besides under the Champion Tree.

If it helps, I will chip in to buy some more of those comfortable chairs to place in some of the other 38 designated smoking areas. CAROLINE LEE editor-in-chief

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Bring on the Basketball



BY ALEXANDRA DONALDSON

The names Chris Warren, Reginald Buckner, Kayla Melson and Courtney Marbra may not ring many bells.

However, not a soul is confused when the names Michael Oher, Dexter McCluster, Archie Manning or Jeremiah Masoli are mentioned. Many people on campus claim to be a football trivia star.

How is it that we know the stars of our football teams, past and present, yet we can't name more than a handful of

the Rebel basketball legacies?

Is it because basketball players have less athletic merit than the others? Anyone who has ventured into the Tad Pad knows that certainly isn't the case.

Overall, Ole Miss basketball is not promoted or attended nearly as regularly as football, but there is no substantial reason for this disparity.

Maybe more people favor football at Ole Miss.

Maybe some people only go to the football games because of the Grove.

Maybe football is more popular overall in the SEC than basketball is.

While there are a few ads posted around campus and emailed to us in the morning's Ole Miss Today, these efforts don't seem to be enough to recruit the attention of anyone other than the basketball regulars.

I believe if the men's and women's basketball games were given more attention, more fans would attend the games. As members of the Ole Miss community, we ought to support all of our athletic teams equally.

One thing the Ole Miss basketball team has that the Ole Miss football team does not have (obviously) is a women's team.

Did you know that a former Ole Miss All-American women's basketball player is now the head coach of the WNBA's Los Angeles Sparks? In case you're still confused, the names that I mentioned earlier were athletes from Ole Miss' men's and women's basketball teams.

On the men's team, Warren is a senior who plays guard and Buckner is in his sophomore year as forward. On the women's team. Melson is a senior who plays point and Marbra is a sophomore forward.

One important thing that the basketball games have that Vaught-Hemingway Stadium and Swayze Field lack is protection from inclement winter weather.

Even when it's snowing, the Rebel basketball teams will gladly entertain fans while keeping everyone warm, dry and cheering away. We know that the men's and women's basketball teams work as hard year-round as everyone else, yet they never seem to get the support they deserve.

So let's show our support by going to the next basketball game for the men's and the women's team.

For the women's team the next home game is Sunday, Feb. 6 at 1 p.m. against LSU and the next home game for the men's team is Tuesday, Feb. 1 at 6 p.m. against top-ranked Kentucky.

Tweet it. Post it. Text it. Let's pack the Tad Pad for the rest of the season.

They deserve our support from the stands and lasting until that final buzzer, and it's about time we gave it to them.

The Connected States of America



BY MATTHEW HENRY
Columnist

Those who watched the State of the Union address last week heard President Obama talk about a number of goals for the next few years.

While this speech was markedly different from State of the Union speeches in the past, I feel that Obama's focus on the Internet and related technologies was an important point.

The fact is that the Internet will be the most important resource in the next decade. It is not only a communication platform, but also the fastest growing platform for businesses.

The Internet, or, rather, access to the Internet, needs to be a priority on our national agenda. Obama stated in his speech,

"Within the next five years, we will make it possible for business to deploy the next generation of high-speed wireless coverage to 98 percent of all Americans."

This is a great goal, but before I can get behind such a lofty ideal, we need to have a concrete plan in place. It is crucial to focus on the infrastructure aspect, because without access, or even decent access, the Internet is completely useless to individual consumers.

The President went on to talk about how the United States used to have the best infrastructure, but that our position has fallen in recent years, and that is very true. The simple fact is that we are not at the top of the heap when it comes to infrastructure, especially high-speed Internet infrastructure.

Only when lawmakers at the national, state and local level – as well as the telecommunication companies – make it a top priority will things begin to change

for the better.

So what can we do to fix this issue in the United States?

First and foremost, there must be a renewed focus on research and development. We must develop ways to incentivize new technologies that will provide low-cost broadband to all citizens in the United States, be they in rural or urban areas.

Next, we must begin to deploy these new technologies and existing technologies at a higher rate than we are currently doing.

The President talked about wireless Internet access (4G, a faster network than current 3G) as an answer to our problems. That may very well be the case, but the fact is that in many rural areas, 3G has not even been fully deployed.

If you look at a map of Mississippi detailing the cellular coverage you will see 3G in Jackson, the coast, and Oxford (we got it because of the presidential debate in 2008), and then along

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While it may be easy to say we can cover 98 percent of Americans within five years, it may prove to be more difficult in the long run. We need to find areas that have poor coverage, both from wireless and wired (Cable and DSL) networks) and focus on those.

It will take large-scale invest-

ment from both private and public entities to achieve such a goal.

I have every bit of faith that every citizen in the United States will be able to have coverage, but it is going to be an uphill battle.

The United States can be a connected society with a little time, money and American ingenuity.





NEWS

Egyptian protests continue, military stands by

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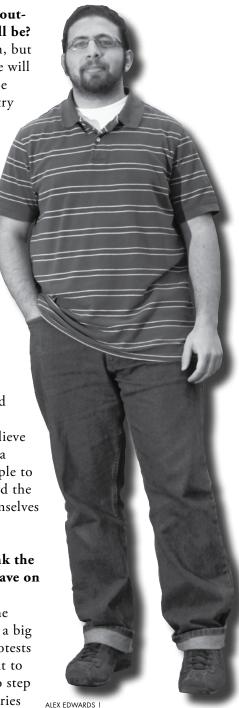
What do you think the outcome of the protests will be? I think he will step down, but be fore he steps down, he will fix the people who will be responsible for the country after him and to be the same system. And the second thing is to save some kind of protection for him, to live peacefully in Egypt.

Did you see any signs of political unrest before the riots?

Other protests have happened over the last two years, but they were small, and the police could always control the protesters. I went to Egypt over the break, and there were no signs that this would happen. I believe what happened in Tunisia definitely motivated people to use Facebook, Twitter and the Internet to organize themselves to protest.

What effect do you think the protests in Egypt will have on other countries?

Egypt is the biggest of the Arab countries. And for a big country like Egypt, if protests can make the government to resign or the president to step down, many other countries like Yemen and Sudan will be motivated to protest.



Ahmed KhidreEngineering Grad Student
Cairo, Egypt

BY ANDREW WISE

The Daily Mississippian

Today marks the eighth day of massive protests in Egypt in which rioters have attempted to overthrow the regime of President Hosni Mubarak. With support all over the Middle East, millions continue to march to address grievances such as high unemployment, torture, rampant corruption, injustice, and a general lack of dignity afforded them by Mubarak's regime.

Inspiration from the protests came from the toppling of Ben Ali's regime in Tuni-Tunisian unrest began after Mohamed Bouazizi, a college-educated, unemployed man set himself on fire in response to authorities seizing his fruit cart, his only source of income. Bouazizi's public self-immolation, which has become a symbol for those who feel that their governments have blocked all means to address their grievances, sparked riots in Tunisia and dissatisfaction across the Middle East, especially in Egypt.

The widespread dissatisfaction became a shared experience for Arabs all over the Middle East, transcending borders in a region known for drawing stark political and ideological lines.

People in Egypt faced the same socioeconomic hardships as their counterparts in Tunisia and began to riot too.

"It's really the very basic human condition, meaning unemployment, lack of transparency and accountability. These have not been addressed for 30 years in the case of Egypt," Ahmet Yukleyen, an assistant professor of anthropology for the Croft Institute, said in regard to the Egyptian people's condition. "There are people who are smart who know what's happening in the rest of the world. They see all those things that they cannot reach in their own country, so when these two come together, that's where you have this kind of revolution."

On Friday, as Egypt went dark from a government-orchestrated Internet, landline and cell network shutdown, Obama called for Mubarak "to refrain from any violence against peaceful protesters" and to turn a "moment of volatility" into a "moment of promise," but didn't call for him to step down.

The Obama administration's reluctance to directly call for the resignation of a known autocrat caused worldwide speculation.

"I think America wants the current government, not necessarily the president, but the government and the system," said Ahmed Khidre, an engineering graduate student at Ole Miss who is originally from the suburb Heliopolis of Cairo. "Of course, they have fears of other people stepping up to the government, especially the Muslim Brotherhood, because it would change the policies of Egypt. So I think they want Mubarak to step down, but they want the policies to be the same."

Egypt has been a close ally of the U.S. and supporter of Israel since before Mubarak came to power.

"The current regime in Egypt only became an ally of the United States after it signed the peace treaty with Israel. So it's not that the U.S. supports an authoritarian regime," said Miguel Centellas, an assistant professor of political science at the Croft Institute. "There's also the consideration that we have to maintain friendship with (Egypt) because it's of particular importance it doesn't attack our (allies)."

After the regime's security

forces failed to contain the protesters over three hectic days, Mubarak finally ordered the military to take up positions within major cities. However, the military, which requires service by all Egyptian men, is respected more than any other institution within the regime. Throughout the uprising, the military has neither engaged the protesters nor hindered their protests.

"Of course, there's a lot of friends of Hosni Mubarak in the army," said Ahmed Khidre. "And he himself was in the military, so they want to be neutral somehow. They want to protect him. At the same time, they don't want to be violent to the people. So I think they are trying to prompt Mubarak to step down, but for the system to be the same."

On Monday, protest leaders announced their Thursday morning deadline for the military to take a side or to be considered an enemy of the uprising.

How the uprising will end is the subject of continued debate.

"I don't think anyone knows," Centelles said. "There are lots of extremes. One extreme is that this could turn into a fully functioning liberal democracy like the popular uprisings in Eastern Europe and the Prague Spring of 1990. Or it could be the beginning of a revolutionary process like in Iran in '79. Or it could be clamped down, and Mubarak could step down but maintain the same kind of regime with minor modifications."

Most political analysts concur that the situation is too dynamic to predict the outcome.

"It comes down to very personal ties (between the army generals and Mubarak), which not too many people have direct access to," Yukleyen said. "And to what extent the generals are reading into the signals coming from the U.S., Europe and neighbors."





not just losing weight



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BY MALLORY SIMERVILLE The Daily Mississippian

Over 600 Oxford and Lafayette County citizens are participating in a free program called "Healthy You, Healthy L.O.U.," which promotes a healthy lifestyle.

The program is conducted by Baptist Memorial Hospital, the United Way of Oxford/ Lafayette County and the Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce.

"We are not promoting weight loss- of course, that's a benefit- and there's a lot of us who need to lose weight, but our focus is overall wellness, how to eat well and get physical activity every day," Mandy Sullivan, chief clinical manager at Baptist Memorial Hospital, said.

The Healthy L.O.U program encourages area businesses to form teams and take part in the Corporate Challenge during the last event. Individuals can also form teams consisting of five people they regularly interact with, such as family, co-workers or friends.

Participants begin the fivemonth program with a registration session to record weight, body mass index and blood pressure. The information gathered is used to establish a starting point.

Once registered, the program features biweekly meetings that focus on wellness education and fitness.

The first meeting included ballroom dancing and a discussion about eating. The next meeting will feature Patrick House, the Season 10 winner of NBC show "The Biggest

Sullivan and William Norris, the director of food and nutrition, speak to the participants each week about healthy eating and lifestyle changes. Each session features an "Ask the Dietician" segment, where participants can pose questions about healthy meals and

"We encourage balance, checking your diet and understanding what your intakes are, but also balancing your life, getting out and getting active," Norris said.

Other events include lunchtime walks that end with a healthy brown bag lunch and a cooking demonstration by executive chefs.

The final event will be a field day in which teams will compete against one another. Trophies will be awarded during the Corporate Challenge and to individuals.

For additional information on meeting locations and times, or to learn more about joining, visit www.loubehealthy.com or call 662-232-

LOU program aimed at healthy lifestyles, Engineers Without Borders host Togo Trot to fund water project

BY BRIT STACK The Daily Mississippian

The Ole Miss chapter of Engineers Without Borders will host Togo Trot, a 5K walk/run on Saturday, Feb. 19, to benefit one of the organization's projects.

The money raised from the run will be used to help pay for supplies needed to complete a water purification project designed by Ole Miss engineering students to be constructed in Akoumape, Togo, Africa, for which Togo Trot is named.

"The water purification facility, which is being developed on the Ole Miss campus, uses no electricity or fuel and will be very simple to use," Jonathan Jones, president of the Ole Miss chapter of Engineers Without Borders, said. "The project will benefit all 200 families in the village."

According to Marni Kendricks, faculty project mentor for the organization, there will be testing done to make sure the project works.

Testing and building will be completed over three Saturdays in February at the old Walmart building on Jackson Avenue.

The test days will take the group's ideas from paper to reality, Jones said.

'We will run Lake Patsy water through the system and optimize our process based on the results," Jones said. "Not only will we have a better system but we will be fluent in its actual workings before we build the same system in Akoumape."

Kendricks said some testing on the project has already been done in respect to how ultraviolet radiation affects the water purification process. She said every 15 minutes she and the students collect water samples from the roof and then have to take the samples to the basement for testing.

The Ole Miss chapter was founded in February 2010. Members decided on the project for water purification in Akoumape last November. It will be a long-term project and will likely last at least 10 years.

While the travel team that will be sent to construct the actual purification systems has not been decided, Jones said he anticipates between four and eight students going on the trip scheduled for August 2012.

Team members will include a design manager, a health and safety officer, and a professional mentor, among other specialized roles, Jones said.

Each chapter of Engineers Without Borders is required to complete its own projects through grants, donations and fundraisers. There are currently over 250 professional and student chapters in the United

Togo Trot will have an oncampus route and will start at 8 a.m. The walk/run costs \$15 per participant and includes a T-shirt. The option to sponsor a runner is also available.

For more information, contact Jonathan Jones at 228-265-3723 or e-mail ewb.olemiss@ gmail.com.

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Brunsen said. "I feel that this opportunity is very worthwhile, and I am thankful for being blessed enough to have a chance to represent our University."

Each winner of Miss University proceeds to the Miss Mississippi competition, like 2010 Miss University Adrian Turner

'When I was awarded the title of Miss University last February, I felt so honored to be the representative for my school,"

Turner said.

After winning, Turner said she began working on her community service, which included a toy and book drive with Willie Price University nursery school, a bake sale and coin drop, as well as an auction benefiting Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center.

'The experience as a representative through the University and being able to serve my community through service has truly been an honor," Turner

Through this experience, Turner said she has gained much support and is grateful for the opportunities she has had.

"It's been an unforgettable and special year," Turner said.

Tickets for this year's pageant are \$15 and can be purchased at the UM Box Office in the Student Union, or online at http:// www.olemiss.edu/depts/tickets/ order.htm.

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New cinema minor slated for fall semester

BY MIA CAMURATI
The Daily Mississippian

Six months ago, Alan Arrivee took a position in a state he'd never lived in, all for the sake of helping students achieve their potential and teach his passion of cinema to the masses.

He barely has what any student at Ole Miss would consider a proper office, but Arrivee doesn't let his lack of equipment or space diminish his spirit or determination.

In the fall of 2011, a cinema minor will be added to the Liberal Arts catalogue for any student who wants to take their love for movies and turn it into a career.

As with most minors, it takes 18 hours to complete. There are two required courses - one in the English department and one in theater - followed by multiple options to fulfill the remaining 12 hours of electives necessary to receive the minor.

One of the required courses delves into the basics of film production while the other focuses more on the theoretical side of the film process.

"People who don't ever want to hear about analyzing a film have to, and people who think picking up a camera is too much like a trade school activity, they have to, so they at least understand the perspective of both sides," Arrivee said.

Beyond the two requirements, the courses range from the typical film-acting course expected in such a program to courses about films in most modern languages, such as Russian, Spanish and German.

After winning multiple awards from film festivals around the world, including the European Independent Film Festival, Arrivee is more than qualified to spearhead such an undertaking in building a film department for the Ole Miss community, but he is not alone in his efforts.

Twenty other professors from departments all over campus are on board with the cinema minor and are teaching many of the wide array of course choices.

While only 20 people have expressed interest thus far, "it's a good number to start with," Arrivee said.

One perk of the new minor is not only students getting to make their own films, but also having the ability to have the films screened both on campus and, hopefully one day, at the Oxford Film Festival.

"It's only natural for cinema that there's an audience, so we're not trying to make it a filmmaker's workshop where the only people who critique the films are in class," Arrivee said.

"There are in-class projects that don't necessarily go any place else, but I always remind the students if something turns out of really high quality, then we'll include it in the cinema slot in the theater season."

This season, the theater department has decided to replace the option of an additional play with a night of screenings done by both Arrivee and students who placed in the Ole Miss Film Competition.

Jordan Berger and Houston Settle, junior theatre majors from Chattanooga, Tenn., are the winners of the competition and have become a true "powwwer couple" when it comes to Ole Miss cin-

While Settle has been seen onscreen in more than his fair share of short films, Berger can often be found behind the camera concentrating on the cinematography.

Despite his lack of previous act-

ing experience, Berger understands the importance of being able to look at the films from all angles.

"I definitely want to get the feel for the acting aspect of it," Berger said. "Even if you're the director, you've got to know how to communicate with your actors."

The film they are creating for this semester is loosely based on "In the Aeroplane Over the Sea" by Neutral Milk Hotel, which was written about a series of dreams involving a girl from the 1940s.

"For so long, we've talked about wanting to make a short film, and now we get that opportunity," Settle said. "If (Arrivee) hadn't come along, we probably wouldn't be making this film at all."

Having taken cinema courses in the past, they are grateful for all that Arrivee is putting into the program for the benefit of his students.

"Last year, he got people making all sorts of films in his classes," Settle said. "Everybody was making short films, I think that's what really started motivating people. Once they saw their projects, they realized they could really do this."

Berger and Settle are both in the documentary fieldwork course this semester and are already planning how to put the material to good use.

"Next year, we want to make a full-length documentary about the nightlife in Oxford, like the world through the eyes of an Ole Miss student," Settle said. "You know, show a bit of a darker side."

Above all, Arrivee wants to reach as many students as possible and become more involved in the program.

"I'm promoting the program openly," Arrivee said. "I want people to get involved in this and take the plunge and say one of the things I want to study is cinema. However much interest there is will be however much commitment there is from the University as a whole."

To declare the cinema minor, go to Ventress Hall during the first few days of the fall semester and register.

For more information on the minor, visit Arrivee in Isom Hall or check out the website at http://olemiss.edu/depts/theatre_arts/.

Silent Radio, a short film by Arrivee, and three other short films done by the winners of the Ole Miss Film Competition will be screened April 7 through 9 in Meek Auditorium.



Ole Miss holds a host of events during celebration of Black History Month

BY KATIE WILLIAMSON

The Daily Mississippian

African-American Studies director Charles Ross said each February offers the University a chance to move forward.

"One of the ways we have been able to move forward as an institution is that we are constantly speaking about race and issues pertaining to race," Ross said. "We probably have more responsibility than any other institution in the country to continue to dialogue and to ensure that we are not becoming stagnant, that we are not going backwards as it relates to issues surrounding race and racial discourse."

and lectures are the cornerstones of this year's events, which run from today to Feb.

The kick-off for the Black History Month will feature Markeeva Morgan, alumnus of The University of Mississippi, who will speak at noon today in the Student Union lobby.

The keynote speaker will be Ntozake Shange, who is bestknown for her Obie Awardwinning play "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf." Shange will speak Feb. 28 at 6 p.m. in the Ford Center and is free.

Other events include "The

Speakers, art exhibits, films Civil Rights Struggle: African-American G.I.s in Germany,' which is a museum exhibit, Oxford Film Festival movies such as Mississippi Innocence and a Blues Today Symposium with the theme "Missing Chapters in Blues History."

> To find a complete list of Black History Month events, log onto the University calendar or pick up a calendar in the Student Union 422.

> Assistant provost Donald Cole said Black History Month is not limited by race.

"The notion that Black History Month is simply for black people is as old as the notion that history is just for historians or mathematics are just for mathematicians," Cole said. "The liberal arts education is an inclusive one, and until recently, historians disregarded a large and significant part of history.'

Cole said that Black History Month is growing.

"Like other academic disciplines, Black History Month is evolving as we learn more and become more appreciative of its unique structure," Cole said. "From a fact-finding research venture, to a socially educational movement, Black History Month is currently a racial reconciliation enhancement for the U.S. and beyond."

Ross encouraged students to take in as many events as pos-

"Students should all take the opportunity to participate in those programs," Ross said. "This is an opportunity where students from all walks of life, all ethnic backgrounds and all racial backgrounds can take advantage of programs."

Marketing and communication major Tiffanny Nettles said she is excited about Black History Month.

"Black History Month gives us the opportunity to reflect on not only the history of African-Americans, but the history of our University," Nettles said. "It gives us a chance to enhance the segment of our creed that is diversity."

FEBRUARY

2nd Annual "Because of Who You Are" Award

Dates: Whole month of February Time: TBA Location: All over Oxford and Lafayette County This event is free and open to the public

FEBRUARY 1

Markeeva Morgan, alumni of The University of Mississippi, will speak.

Time: 12:00 pm Location: Union Lobby This event is free and open to the public.

FEBRUARY 2

On Whose Legacy I Build...

Dates: Wednesday, February 2, 9, 16, and 23, 2011 Time: 11:00 am - 1:00 pmLocation: Union Lobby

Peter Rutkoff, Kenyon College, "The Great Migration," Lecture

Date: Wednesday, February 2, 2011

Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pmLocation: Tupelo Room, Barnard Observatory

This is event is free and open to the public

FEBRUARY 9

The Civil Rights Struggle: African-American G.I.'s in Germany

Date: Wednesday, February 9 - Monday, March 14, 2011 Time: Opening Reception, Tuesday, February 8, 2011 from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pmLocation: University Museum This event is free and open to the public

FEBRUARY 10

Black Law Students Association – Constance Slaughter-Harvey Chapter: Annual **Black History Program**

Date: Thursday, February 10, 2011

Time: 7:00 pm Location: Law School This event is free and open to the public

FEBRUARY 11

Conversation with Andrew Meyer (Producer)

Date: Friday, February 11, 2011

Time: 9:00 am Location: Fulton Chapel Delta Sigma Tau: Girl Talk:

FEBRUARY 15

Where I've Come From to Where I'm Going

Date: Tuesday, February 15, 2011

Time: 7:00 pm Location: Southern Breeze

FEBRUARY 17

The Uganda Project: Come & See - Go & Tell

Dates: Thursday, February 17, Friday, February 18, and Saturday, February 19, 2011 Time: 8:00 pm Location: Fulton Chapel Tickets available at Central

FEBRUARY 21

Ticket Office

Letters to my Daughter

Date: Monday, February 21, 2011

Time: 7:00 pm Location: TBA

This event is free and open to females of adolescent age and up, as well as embracing sisters from across multiethnic backgrounds

FEBRUARY 22

Paul Saltzman Lecture

Date: Tuesday, February 22,

Time: 7:00 pm Location: Overby Center Auditorium

FEBRUARY 24

Black History Month Con-

Date: Thursday, February 24, 2011 Time: 7:30 pm

Location: Nutt Auditorium

Blues Today Symposium with the theme "Missing

Chapters in Blues History"

Dates: Thursday, February 24 - Friday, February 25, 2011 Time: TBA

Location: Blues Archive, J.D. Williams Library, Third Floor This event is free and open to the public

FEBRUARY 26

T.P. Vinson Memorial Scholarship Banquet

Date: Saturday, February 26, 2011

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Johnson Commons Ballroom

Cost of the Event: \$35.00





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Charleston's Southern Gentleman: Spotlight on Thomas Bullington

BY ASHLEY D. BALL The Daily Mississippian

Sporting a three-piece suit, a bow tie and a pocket square, a gentleman saunters into Bondurant Hall. His debonair style makes him look as though he has wandered from the pages of British novel, an appropriate conjec-

ture for someone with his job. Thomas Bullington is a graduate teaching assistant for the University of Mississippi's English department and a full-time Ph.D. candidate studying 18th century British literature.

Originally from Charleston, S.C., he came to Oxford several years ago to pursue his doctorate degree.

Bullington says he owes his love of reading and literature to the maternal side of his family.

"My mom's mom made my dad read Lord of Rings once," Bullington said. "My dad really liked it a lot. He bought each of us a copy."

In that moment, Bullington found his literary niche. He continued to read more books like "The Chronicles of Narnia." He also began writing stories.

However, Bullington did not discover that he wanted to teach until 11th grade.

"I was sitting in my Honors American Lit class," Bullington said. "And my teacher asked us who wanted to teach lit. I'll let you take a guess who raised his

hand first." Bullington speaks candidly on his favorite and least favorite parts of being a teacher.

"I teach 200-level literature," he said. "I enjoy seeing the transition my students make from just taking this class because it's required to actually enjoying the art of literature."

Grading is his least favorite part.

"I don't like giving bad grades to students," he said. "It can be annoying.

Although his life's path may seem straightforward, Bullington made it very clear that life has not been so easy.

He proudly discloses that getting into a doctorate program was one of the hardest processes of his life.

Bullington applied to six different doctoral programs and was rejected by all of them.

"Everyone always told me how smart I was," he said. "Then six different schools told me that I wasn't. I was angry. All my friends were getting into different programs, but I wasn't."

So Bullington took an unplanned detour.

He began teaching at a technical college in South Carolina, and after a short tenure there, he applied to a doctorate program again. This time he applied to Ole Miss.

Not willing to dwell on the negative, Bullington believes his



ASHLEY D BALL I The Daily Mississippian

Thomas Bullington, a British literature graduate student, shows off his polka-dotted bow tie and pocket square outside the

experience gave him an "opportunity to grow."

"A piece of advice [to college students], don't be afraid to take a detour into the real world," he

Bullington believes that the "out of school" experience was all he was missing.

Apart from being a scholar and teacher, Bullington is probably most known around campus for his quirky style and debonair

"Anything aged 20 years and gone out of style - I probably like it," he said.

With a timeless wardrobe filled with blazers and vibrant bow ties, Bullington has the air of a GQ

"Once I asked my students 'why are you in this class?" he said. "A guy yelled out 'to learn how to dress.'

Students are not the only ones impressed with Bullington's

"Occasionally, I want his bow ties," said Meredith Harper, another graduate teaching assistant of the English department. "And I suspect everyone else does too. He certainly sets a sartorial standard that is very hard to live up

"My style comes from the cult of the urban southern gentleman," Bullington said.

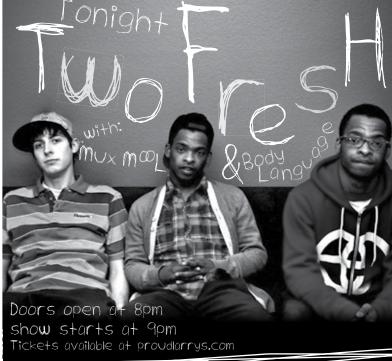
Nonetheless, he is not satisfied with today's modern pleasure that most young adults enjoy. If

time machines were real, Bullington would revisit Lake Geneva in June 1817 and listen to Lord Byron, Percy and Mary Shelley exchange ghost stories and hear about the birth of Frankenstein.

But for now, he will have to be satisfied with the novels and stories of ages ago.

Behind all the books, bow ties, and unplanned detours, Bullington is truly happy. Friends describe him as "kind, chivalrous and fastidious." He hopes to complete his doctorate program very soon, and receive the first Ph.D. in his family. Although he is not quite sure where he wants to pursue his English profession, one thing is sure—the polka-dotted bow ties will always follow.





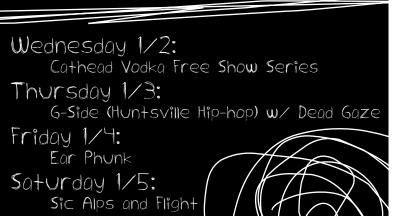




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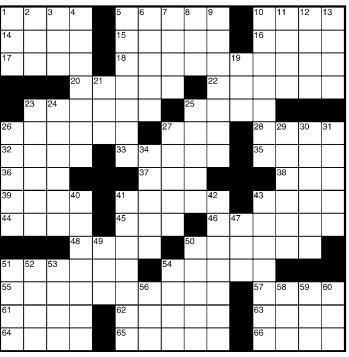
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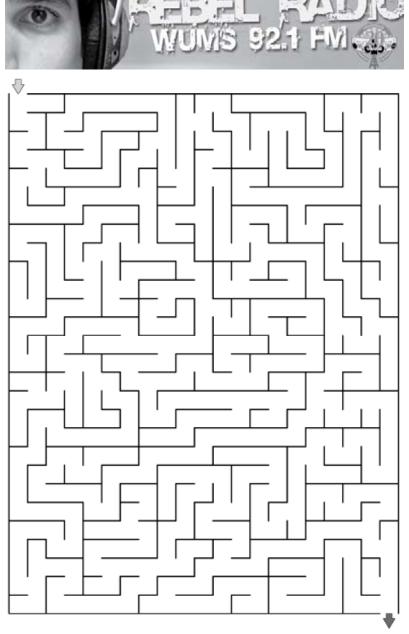
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Smith, Snyder headline Rebels' offense



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Matt Snyder prepares to bat last spring against Oakland. The junior designated hitter along with senior right fielder Matt Smith are expected to lead the offense this year for Ole Miss.

BY AUSTIN MILLER The Daily Mississippian

The return of senior Matt Smith and junior Matt Snyder bolster an improved, more balanced offense for this year's baseball team. The duo, last year's and expected to be this year's three and four-hole hitters, tied for the team lead in home runs with 12 each and lead a more physical, athletic lineup for the Rebels.

"It's huge to have (Smith and Snyder) back," Ole Miss hitting coach Matt Mossberg said. "To have a really successful offense, it's hard to find a substitute for a three or a four-hole hitter. It's hard to find a substitute for guys that drive in runs. If you don't have a leadoff guy or you don't have guys at the backend (of the lineup) that can get on base and be productive."

Smith led the team in batting average (.348), RBIs (54) and runs scored (63) last year and will likely start in right field for the Rebels, but may also see playing time at first base and designated hitter. He drove in all three runs in a 3-2 win over No. 9 Arkansas last year, but is best remembered for his walkgame of the 2009 Super Regional against Virginia.

Despite missing 21 games last season due to reoccurring shoulder injury, Snyder batted .347 on the year, including a team-leading .356 in Southeastern Conference play. After having offseason surgery, Snyder suffered another setback in Saturday's inter-squad scrimmage while trying to make a diving catch at first base. He visited the renowned Dr. James Andrews on Monday, but is not expected to miss time. However, like last year, he may be restricted to designated hit-

'(Snyder is) definitely a big bat in our lineup," Smith said. "If we can have those two positions in the lineup kind of set in stone on a day-to-day basis, then everybody else will fill out (the lineup) and get into their roles."

Among those vying for roles in the lineup and off the bench is sophomore Alex Yarbrough, who started 58 games last year as a freshman, and is expected to start at second base for the Rebels. Yarbrough, a two-time SEC Freshman of the Week, led the team last year with 22 off homerun in the opening multiple-hit games and hit a Kirksey, who won a national

walk-off RBI single in 9-8 win over No. 5 LSU last season.

The Rebels also return a platoon at the catcher position in senior Miles Hamblin and junior Taylor Hightower. With Snyder's shoulder injuries, Hamblin may also be moved to first base.

"Miles Hamblin got some big hits for us toward the end of the season and, statistically, he's capable of so much more here," Ole Miss coach Mike Bianco said. "I would think he's going to have a big offensive year for us."

Filling out the offense are sophomore Tanner Mathis, the offensive MVP of the fall and leading candidate to start in center field, and junior-college transfer Blake Newalu. Newalu is locked in a tight battle with freshman Austin Anderson at shortstop.

Two other freshmen, Preston Overbey and Gabe Woods, are competing for playing time at third base. Another freshman, Will Allen, is pushing for playing time at the crowded catcher position and may see action at first base and designated hitter. Senior Jordan King and junior-college transfer Zach championship at LSU-Eunice, are strong candidates at the corner outfield positions.

"There are going to be a lot of guys at a lot of different positions competing for (playing)

time," Mossberg said. "It's one of those things that we may not know what the lineup is until we get halfway through the season, which is a good problem to have."



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Reeling Rebels face formidable foe in No. 10 Kentucky

BY ALEX LAKE
The Daily Mississippian

Ole Miss coach Andy Kennedy made it clear Monday that this past weekend's 17-point loss to Tennessee came at the hands of the Rebels' most physical opponent to date.

Kennedy might need to update that statement after his Rebels' (13-8, 1-5 SEC) home game tonight at 6 p.m. with No. 10 Kentucky (16-4, 4-2 SEC), a team Ole Miss has beaten only 12 times in 109 tries.

"They've got size we haven't seen all year," Kennedy said.

Ole Miss enters the game with only one win in conference play. Even more alarming is the fact that the Rebels have two blowout losses – at Vanderbilt and against Tennessee–sandwiching a win at LSU.

Meanwhile, Kentucky comes into Oxford with only two losses in conference play – both on the road – to Georgia and Alabama. The Wildcats are led by freshman forward Terrence Jones, who averages 17.7 points and close to nine rebounds per game.

For senior guard Zach Graham, the key to the Rebels

turning around their season and possibly upsetting Jones and Kentucky is showing the same aggressiveness that fellow senior guard Chris Warren has.

"I think sometimes we do wait to see what Chris is going to do," Graham said. "We have to have consistent effort from every position and everyone has to contribute."

While Ole Miss had only two days to prepare for the Kentucky game, Graham feels this gives the Rebels a quick opportunity to get the bad taste of the Tennessee loss out of their mouths.

"I think we'll be ready," Graham said. "That's the good thing about basketball, games keep coming. It's about that time that we make that change and start rolling off some wins."

Kennedy said that his team has gotten mad about what has been a difficult go of things in SEC play but the only thing that Ole Miss can do is to look forward.

"We certainly don't like the position we've put ourselves in," Kennedy said. "But this team has shown capable, it's just a matter of us being consistent."

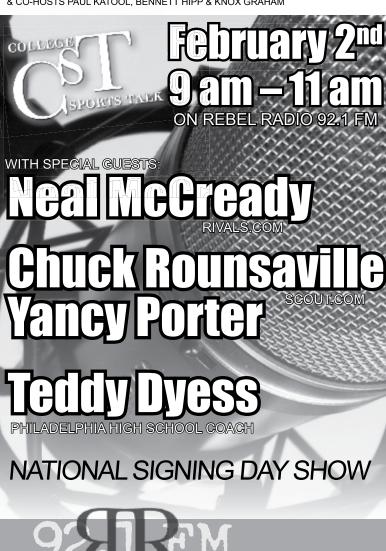


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Zach Graham, a senior guard, isn't worried the short ammount of time between the Rebels' loss to Tennessee and tonight's game against national powerhouse Kentucky.

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Bennie Abram clarification

BY PAUL KATOOL The Daily Mississippian

Because of technological problems, Monday's article about the parents of deceased Ole Miss football player Bennie Abram suing the University of Mississippi failed to provide the University's response.

Ole Miss Athletics Director Pete Boone released this statement through the school on Friday about the matter.

"The tragic loss of Bennie was immeasurable to not only the Abram family, but also the Ole Miss family," said Boone. "The well-being of our student-athletes has and always will be our highest priority. We reviewed all the actions taken by our medical professionals, athletic trainers and coaches and found that medical protocol and emergency action plans complied with the Best Practices at that time for such cases. We are surprised by this letter from the attorneys and are confident that the facts confirm that we followed the proper procedures."

University attorney Lee Tyner released this statement through the University.

"We just received the notice letter from the plaintiff's lawyer this morning (Friday)," said Tyner. "We will look into all the issues raised and handle it in due course."



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