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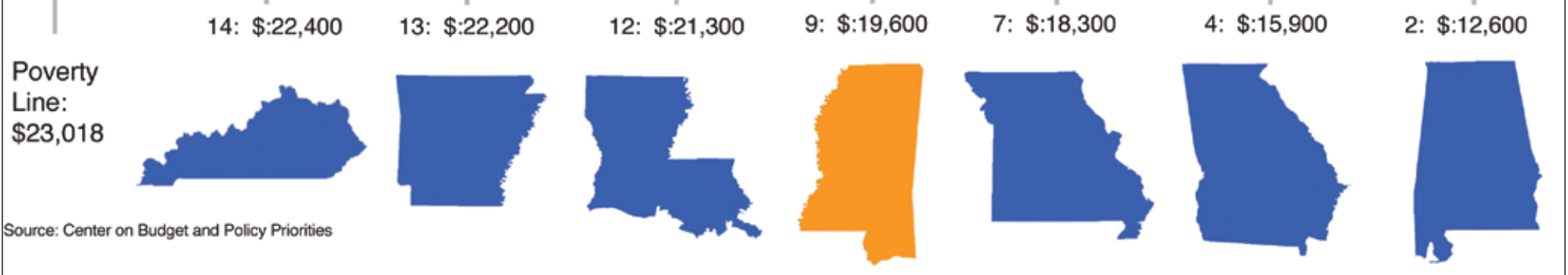
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## Mississippi's tax system hurting the poor?

Seven of 15 states that tax incomes below the poverty line. States with Southeastern Conference schools were chosen. These are the levels where each state starts taxing income for a married couple:



INFOGRAPHIC BY CAIN MADDEN | The Daily Mississippian

Mississippi is one of fifteen states to tax people with incomes below the poverty line of \$23,018.

BY LEE HARRIS  
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A recent study by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities suggested that Mississippi has a tax system that is penalizing the poor.

The article made this argument based on the idea that Mississippi's income tax threshold has not increased at the same rate as the federal poverty level over the past 20 years.

Mississippi residents, whose income is 15 percent below the federal poverty line, are still responsible for paying the state income tax, according to the study. In 1991, only those residents whose income was 15 percent above the poverty line fell into a taxable bracket.

Billy Rhodes, clinical assistant professor of accountancy at the University of Mississippi, said he does not view the taxation of lower income individuals' income as necessarily a bad thing.

"There's actually a psychological reason why everybody should pay taxes," Rhodes said. "It goes back to basic human nature. By paying taxes, you're part owner of the government. If you're part owner, then you expect more out of it and more accountability and better results."

Rhodes, who is an active CPA (Certified Public Accountant) and tax preparer, said the sense of ownership paying taxes provides often outweighs the loss of buying power a family might experience.

"In the grand scheme of things, the working poor's income tax may only be at most several hundred dollars," Rhodes said. "When everybody has to pay something, even a little bit, they buy in to the system. It makes people understand and appreciate the government and how the government spends that money."

Rhodes also noted that much of the poor in Mississippi is made up of elderly individuals.

Nearly 20 percent of Mississippi's poverty population consists of retirees aged 65 and over, according to statehealthfacts.org. Rhodes said that the majority of these retirees income is social security and retirement income, which are generally not taxable for

these individuals anyway.

"You can get statistics to say anything you want," Rhodes said. "But when you really get down to looking at it, it's not as regressive as it appears to be."

Regardless of whether or not the reasons for taxing the poor can be justified, the lowest earners in the poorest state are finding themselves with larger income tax bills than they would have had 20 years ago.

The other major issue in Mississippi's tax system that critics say hurts the poor is the state's taxation on food items.

It is taxes on necessities such as these that are seen as the most regressive, or as the most damaging to the poor. Items like food must be purchased

by all families regardless of their financial situation.

"I think it's interesting that Mississippi, being among the poorest, if not the poorest state, is the one of only two that taxes purchases of food," said accountancy professor Tanya Flesher.

More than half of the states in the country completely exempt grocery food items from sales tax.

Of the ones that do tax food items, most either use an alternate lower sales tax rate or provide credits or rebates to help offset the burden on the poor. Mississippi is one of only two states that continue to tax food items at the full sales tax rate.

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## University receives community service honor for second year in a row

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The University of Mississippi was recently admitted to the 2012 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for the second year in a row.

Kristen Pack, a sophomore hospitality management major, has been participating in volunteer efforts since she was a freshman.

"I volunteered at the Big Event this year and last year, and I was very glad that I participated," she said. "The turnout this year was huge, and I was happy that I got to be a part of it."

The Big Event, which is in its second year, is one of the many ways to help students get involved in the commu-

nity. It offers a multitude of projects for an entire day of service.

While there is no question that there are ways to help out all year, many students may not know how to find out about projects, or they might not yet know what they are passionate about and where to volunteer to fulfill that passion.

Kelly Shannon, the director of Volunteer Oxford, explained that her organization is a way for people of all ages to stay up-to-date on ways to get involved on campus and in the surrounding areas, simply by going to the website [www.volunteeroxford.org](http://www.volunteeroxford.org).

"We are the community volunteer center for Lafayette County, Oxford and university communities, and we focus

on matching volunteers, from high school-age kids to college students to seniors and retirees to stay-at-home moms, with organizations that need volunteers," Shannon said. "We are kind of like a matchmaker."

This gives not only students but people of all ages various opportunities to give back to the community.

Valeria Jones, the assistant dean of students for multicultural affairs and volunteer services, can also help students find projects that are more specifically created for students on campus.

Shannon said that while Volunteer Oxford is a new organization, it continues to grow.

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Sam Harris, assistant director of operations for the Big Event, volunteers to do yard work at this past year's big event.



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## Voting Democrat or Republican? There are other choices.

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Most would think that the 2012 presidential race has come down to two candidates: incumbent President Barack Obama and challenger Mitt Romney, former governor of Massachusetts. However, those two are not America's only choices this fall. Supporting an independent candidate may be the only way to get the U.S. on a path of progress, whether you are liberal or conservative.

In recent years, the only way to describe our political process in the United States has been "gridlock." Democrats and Republicans have been in a constant war against each other. Especially since the 2008 election, nearly every move made by Democrats has been chastised by Republicans as "socialist," while every move made by Republicans has been la-

beled as "catering to the elite."

Both parties preach compromise on issues that they don't agree on and staunchly oppose any changes to ideals they support. Consider how many Republicans have spoken of compromise when it comes to Medicare but have signed the Americans for Tax Reform's Taxpayers Protection Pledge, promising never to vote for any legislation that might raise taxes for anyone, regardless of any other portions of the bill. Countless Democrats have advocated for a compromise between increases in taxation and cutting spending but are staunchly opposed to any changes to our social welfare system, where costs are spiraling out of control.

This is nothing new. It is the same careful political dance that has defined the modern politician. It is the closest thing to George Orwell's "doublespeak" that we have ever seen. Politicians are able

to say one thing and do the opposite and still have our support. Our government and our voice have been corrupted by Democrats and Republicans.

While we have seen nothing but Democrats and Republicans having a legitimate run in a presidential race our entire lives, there are other choices. Socially liberal, but still opposed to large government? The Republican crusade against gay marriage and women's rights has probably alienated you. Don't just vote down party lines, consider the Libertarian Party. Do you think even the Democrats haven't done enough to improve still-shaky race relations or have not done enough to substantially protect our environment? Think Green Party. Do you believe in a greater social safety net than either Democrats or Republicans have advocated? Vote for the Democratic Socialists of America.

Independent party candidates are at an extreme disadvantage in our political system, and, as citizens, we can use that to our advantage. Third-party candidates cannot afford to flip-flop or take "wishy-washy" stances on anything. They cannot back down from their platforms, as their platforms are all they have. They have to listen to the citizens and understand what their citizens want. They don't have the support of huge political machines or seemingly bottomless funding from super PACs.

In our age of political gridlock, new voices can never hurt. New voices can only lead to more discussion, and hopefully, for once, some real concrete action. While it is doubtful that any third-party candidate will win a presidential election, wouldn't it be refreshing to hear a third voice at the debates, one who isn't stuck to moderate,

flip-flop politics? A voice with which you can truly agree, not one who agrees with rigid foundations of uttered compromise without any action?

Why merely tweak a system that has led us down our current path? Why trust the parties who have betrayed us over and over again? As Americans, we shouldn't support Democrats or Republicans just because they are the mainstream parties. Show support for those who truly stand for your beliefs. And unless you're a fan of seemingly ceaseless war and out-of-control debt, Republicans and Democrats in the past decade haven't said a single word with which the American people would agree.

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# The war on women

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Recently, there has been a lot of discussion about a “war on women” in the United States. A lot of the debate surrounding this topic has stemmed from Obama’s healthcare mandate requiring that insurance companies provide birth control free of charge. The GOP was quick to condemn the mandate as an attack on religious liberties because the Roman Catholic Church is strongly opposed to contraceptives. In return, many on the Left took these GOP attacks as attacks on women.

Various legislation has been accused as waging war on women as well. Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell signed a bill that would require women seeking an abortion to undergo an unnecessary transvaginal ultrasound. This bill caused such an uproar that it forced Virginia legislators to change the bill to allow women to opt for an external ultrasound instead.

In Mississippi, the personhood amendment raised the question of women’s rights as well.

Its wording was vague, and it seemed to imply that, if passed, it could possibly make some forms of birth control illegal and allow women to be investigated if they miscarried. It could also jeopardize fertility procedures like in vitro fertilization.

And these issues all deserved the debate that they received. The Virginia bill was most certainly a gross invasion of privacy. I don’t seek to discount the severity of these issues, but I would argue that while American women may experience certain inequalities at times, we are by no means alone in our struggles. In fact our “battles” pale in comparison to those fought by women in other parts of the world. We certainly need to stand up for our rights, but we must look beyond our problems as well and fight for women in other countries suffering worse abuses.

In her article “Why Do They Hate Us?,” Mona Eltahawy explores the “war on women” in the Middle East. She looks at laws in various Middle Eastern countries and certain practices in the region that are degrading and/or dangerous for the women who live there.

In Egypt, there is an article in the criminal code that allows a man to beat his wife as long as he has “good intentions.” Also in Egypt, a number of women have been subject to “virginity tests” by the government for simply speaking out in protest of the government. In Yemen, many young girls are forced into marriage; in fact, just a couple of years ago, CNN reported about a 12-year-old Yemeni girl that died in childbirth. And, of course, we’ve all heard about the law forbidding Saudi Arabian women to drive.

These are only a few examples of the injustices suffered by women. During the 22-year civil war in South Sudan, 2 million women have been raped. And in Nigeria, 60 percent of women have endured genital-cutting.

The organization Women for Women International has been fighting for women in war-torn countries for years now. They are located in eight countries and work to provide women with skilled jobs and economic stability through education. They work with women who have been raped, abandoned or live in poverty.

It’s high time that women of the world stood up for one another. Yes, a woman in Virginia being forced to undergo an unnecessary transvaginal ultrasound is terrible. I simply propose that we not only stand with her but also with women in Egypt being subject to rape disguised as a “virginity test.” I ask that while we fight legislation that could potentially take away our right to birth control, we also fight legislation in Saudi Arabia keeping women from driving. We need to ask more questions. Why is it that women in Afghanistan often die in childbirth? What can we do to help women in the Congo who have been raped numerous times because they were in the wrong place at the wrong time? How can we give these women hope?

There may be a war on women in the United States, but here’s the difference in our war and theirs: We can fight back. We have just as many rights as

the people who oppose us. We can speak out without fear. But these women across the world from us who have been subject to child marriages, genital cutting and government-sanctioned sexual assault don’t have these same rights. We have the ability to stand with these women, to write letters to their government, to send money to support organizations like Women for Women International and to be aware of their circumstances. Let us not get so focused on our troubles that we forget about the troubles of women everywhere. As Eltahawy eloquently put it in her article mentioned above, “We are more than our headscarves and our hymens.” It’s time that the women of America stood with the women of other countries and made this fact known.

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“When I moved here, there was nothing like this — an organization where I could walk in and say, ‘I want to volunteer’ — because I had a lot of free time when I first moved here a year and a half ago,” she said.

“We are brand new and will be a year old in August, but we currently have 38 organizations that we are involved with on our website.”

Pack said she believes everyone should help the university continue receiving this honor.

“I definitely encourage everyone to volunteer at least once before they graduate,” she said.



# Phi Kappa Theta fraternity to return this fall



FILE PHOTO (CAIN MADDEN) | The Daily Mississippian

New fraternity members line up near the union to greet the new sorority members.

BY FRANCES ALLISON  
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Phi Kappa Theta fraternity will be on campus this fall and will participate in formal recruitment, according to the Interfraternity Council (IFC).

National members are currently on campus recruiting members to form a colony.

This is not the first time that the fraternity will have a chapter

at the University of Mississippi, Phi Kappa Theta had a chapter at Ole Miss from 1971-1988, said associate dean of students Coulter Ward.

Ole Miss is looking at an enormous freshman class for next year and IFC president Brian Barnes said the IFC is always willing to expand.

“The IFC and Dean of Students Office are consistently contacted by various national

fraternity organizations that would like to be a part of our community,” Barnes said. “Occasionally, the possibility of expanding with one of these organizations is discussed and both the IFC and fraternity presidents vote in favor or against the move.”

Emmalee Rainey, a Greek student and current Associated Student Body vice president, said she believes the addition of

a new fraternity was inevitable due to the increase in student enrollment at Ole Miss.

“As our student population continues to increase, it not only affects the sizes of our classes, but it calls for us to accommodate a larger Greek community,” Rainey said.

“It is only logical for us to increase the numbers of our fraternities and sororities as to welcome the influx of students that wish to become Greek. I think it’s a great thing that we are welcoming another Greek house and opening new doors to students in the Greek community.”

There have not been any plans yet to build a fraternity house for Phi Kappa Theta.

“Adding a new fraternity to our community does not require the addition of a new fraternity house,” Barnes said. “There is no intention to add another fraternity house in the near future.”

Phi Kappa Theta will most likely have a tent on Fraternity Row during formal recruitment, much like Sigma Pi did a few years ago.

For more questions about Phi Kappa Theta, contact the national office at (317) 872-9934.

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# Breathalyzer machine available on the Square



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Rooster's Blues House and the Burgundy Room are the first establishments to have the Intox-Box, which will test your BAC.

BY CHELSEA BROCK  
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Breathalyzers in the form of vending machines have been installed in bars throughout the Oxford Square.

The IntoxBox is a wall-mounted, touchscreen machine that has the capability to measure a patron's blood alcohol content.

Rooster's Blues House and the Burgundy Room above Old Venice Pizza Co. are the first two homes of the Intox-Box.

"It's pretty accurate," Rooster's manager Cody Spaulding said.

"It's been tested against the police department's breathalyzers."

The buzz about the Intox-Box seems to show that Oxonians and University of Mississippi students are hoping to see an increase in safety on the streets.

a contractor for Night and Day Vending, is expanding the company's infrastructure to night-life establishments throughout Mississippi and Memphis.

"(To host an IntoxBox) doesn't cost anything to the bar owner," Weir said. "We're basically putting them in for free, and we maintain them."

For a customer, however, the price is \$2 for one blow and \$5 for three. To test BAC, a straw is released and the customer is instructed to insert the straw into a hole on the front of the machine and blow for three to five seconds. If the customer can correctly guess his or her BAC before it is presented on the screen, a voucher for one free use in the future is awarded.

"After 30 minutes of not drinking, then to test your breath would be best ... before you use this thing, or it will blow a .25," said Seth Kellum, front-of-the-house manager at Old Venice and the Burgundy Room.

If this seems like an easy way for a business to make a quick buck, take solace in knowing that the money stays close to home.

One dollar of the price to use the machine goes to the bar in which it's located, according to Kellum. Also, the screen allows for an opportunity for local business ads to cycle while the IntoxBox isn't in use.

Oxford can look forward to seeing more of the breathalyzer machines in the near future.

"We're trying to get more machines out by this week, if not next week," Weir said. "Three or four new locations are definitely looking into deciding whether or not they'd like the machines to be installed."

"I think these machines are absolutely necessary, especially after the death of Officer Robert Langley because of a (student) who drove while intoxicated," junior secondary education major Genia Paige Wilson said. "It's important for everyone to know when it's not OK for them to drive."

Should a person's BAC level turn out to be higher than the legal limit of .08, the machine will encourage calling a cab, an action that the machine can also perform.

Parker Stewart, business management student at Mississippi State University and president of Night and Day Vending, is responsible for the creation of the machine.

Ole Miss student Tyler Weir,

# TAX,

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The counterargument to the detrimental effect of taxing food items is that many of these lower-income families purchase their groceries with food stamps, which are not taxable.

In fact, nearly 23 percent of Mississippians purchase food with food stamps and are therefore exempt from this food tax.

Flesher, who teaches multiple tax classes on campus, said that it isn't necessarily the poorest members of society who are harmed by this tax.

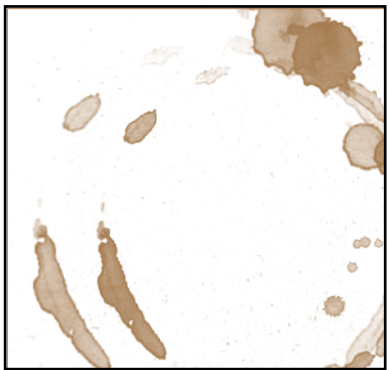
"It doesn't really hurt the lower-income families because many of them are buying their groceries with food stamps," she said. "The ones it probably hurts the most are those who are lower income but don't qualify for food stamps, the so-called 'working poor.' Those are the ones who get hit the hardest and what makes the tax regressive."

Flesher pointed to the state's recent budget shortfalls as a reason why this was a difficult issue to address in recent years. However, she said the recovering economy could provide an opportunity for Mississippi to begin to address what many people see as a problem.

"It's tough for states to think about right now when they've been struggling with lower revenues," Flesher said. "But states' revenues are now turning the corner and going the other direction. So it might

be something that Mississippi might consider in the future is to at least do away with some parts of the sales tax on food."

Despite the fact that these low-income earners are facing rising taxes on the state level, most of these lower-earning individuals whose income are around the poverty line would still be exempt from federal income tax, which is usually the much larger liability for individuals.



## SENIOR HONORS THESIS PRESENTATION

Vihara Dharmaratne

"Oil Wells and Well-Oiled Guns: The Resource Curse and Government-Directed Violence during the Arab Spring Uprisings"

Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 p.m.

Croft Building Boardroom

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**Marief Parman**

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NASCAR: Scott Seymour, Show Car Exhibit Manager gives Mayor Pat Patterson (left) and FNC CEO Bill Rayburn (right) a tour of the number 39 Quicken Loans NASCAR. The Quicken Loans car stopped for an exhibit before continuing onto Little Rock, Ark. GREEN WEEK FASHION: As part of Green Week, the student members of Campus for Clean Energy hosted a fashion show at the Powerhouse. TOP RIGHT: A model showcases a 'recycled retail' dress. BOTTOM RIGHT: A model showcases a 'going green' dress.

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**Sam Harris**

**Hormone Levels and Calling Behavior in the Green Treefrog, *Hyla cinerea***  
Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m.  
Shoemaker Hall Room 219

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**SENIOR HONORS THESIS PRESENTATION**  
**Nick Judin**

**"Untranslatables"**  
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## Oxford native Kendricks breaks school record, ranks among nation's leaders in pole vault

BY MATT SIGLER  
mcsigler@olemiss.edu

For Sam Kendricks, track was always around. The Ole Miss freshman admits, though, that he wasn't the most natural track and field athlete before his days at Ole Miss.

"I've been around track my entire life, and just seeing people getting better and better the harder they worked caught my eye," Kendricks said. "I wasn't a very good athlete in high school, so I knew I had to work really hard if I was going to be good at it. Everyone in the sport is an athlete, which I thought was cool."

What Kendricks thought was even cooler, however, was the success he would experience when he mastered his event, the pole vault.

In high school, Kendricks captured the Gatorade Athlete of the Year award for Mississippi and also Mr. Track and Field in Mississippi his senior year. Now, his talent has transferred to the collegiate level, and many are seeing the potential he has.

"I think Sam is going to be an outstanding pole vaulter," head coach Joe Walker said. "He is an outstanding person. He's got everything in order and he is a talented guy. He is going to have a phenomenal career."

Kendricks earned his second Southeastern Conference freshman of the week honor this season after breaking the 27-year-old pole vault school record over the weekend at the LSU Alumni Gold meet. It was his sixth victory in the last seven meets in which he has competed.

He now ranks seventh in the NCAA, second nationally among freshmen, first in the NCAA East Region and 19th in the world in the pole vault this year.

"This season has been more than anything than I expected," Kendricks said. "I came into the season with a goal: I wanted to improve a foot. I came out of high school with my best jump at 17 feet. I'm on my way to jumping better. I just wanted to improve every meet and I can say that I've done that."

Suffice it to say, Kendricks has enjoyed his time in the red and blue and is looking forward to what the future holds.

"It has been incredible," Kendricks said. "I don't think I could imagine doing anything else."

Now that he has nearly a full year under his belt, Kendricks has been able to develop into what many think is going to be the next elite pole vaulter in school history.

"He is having a phenomenal year for us as a freshman," Walker said. "He and Coach



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Freshman Sam Kendricks set a pole vault school record this past weekend and earned SEC Freshman of the Week honors Tuesday.

Blackwell work really well together, and he is getting better every week. I think you're looking at the making of a truly great vaulter before his career is over."

His success, Kendricks said, has ultimately come from the program and everything that he has been able to use at his time at Ole Miss.

"I've been blessed with all these resources that Ole Miss has to offer — all the coaching, poles they given me and the opportu-

nities to have to jump have allowed me to improve," he said.

The outdoor season for the No. 11 Ole Miss track and field team is approaching the most important part of the schedule with the SEC Championships (May 10-13), NCAA East Regional (May 24-26) and NCAA Championships (June 6-9) right around the corner, and Kendricks is focused on improving and making a strong showing in these last competitions.

"Naturally I just want to jump higher and higher," he said. "After watching my last jumps on video, there is more height there that I just haven't taken advantage of yet. So I think I can really exploit that and jump maybe even six more inches this year."

"I hope to go to both the NCAA Regional and national meet. If I jump high enough, then maybe even a couple more meets, maybe USA Juniors or perhaps the Olympic Trials."

## DEFENSE,

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nation of players. Junior Mike Marry figures to be one of the constants after recording 81 tackles in 2011. The big question is to see who emerges from a group that includes sophomore Serderius Bryant, senior Joel Kight, redshirt freshman Denzel Nkemdiche and senior Aaron Garbutt, among others. Sophomore Keith Lewis also will be added to the equation during fall practice after missing the spring due to injury. At the Husky position, which is a linebacker/safety hybrid position, junior Brishen Matthews has been the number one there all spring. Other possibilities there include senior Ivan Nicholas, Garbutt and Nkemdiche.

### Safeties:

One of the safety spots is locked up with that position belonging to junior Charles Sawyer. Sawyer is both the best safety and cornerback that Ole Miss has, which is both good and bad. Wommack admitted during the spring that in a perfect world, he'd play Sawyer at corner, but their safety play isn't good enough now to allow them to do so. Raw but athletic redshirt freshman Chief Brown manned the other safety spot during the spring. Because of his inexperience, he is prone

to mistakes, but the ability is there.

### Cornerbacks:

The Rebels have reason to feel good about their situation at corner. Senior Wesley Pendleton had a very productive spring, emerging as a potential above-average starter. Junior college transfer Dehendret Collins also had a good spring, consistently making plays during the spring.

The unit will potentially add more depth with sophomores Senquez Golson and Nickolas Brassell and the freshman signees, notably Trae Elson of Oxford, Ala.



Sophomore defensive tackle Carlton Martin pressures quarterback Barry Brunetti.



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Ole Miss defensive coordinator Dave Wommack

**SENIOR HONORS THESIS PRESENTATION**  
**Hillary Howell**  
"Investigation of a Brown Recluse (*Loxosceles reclusa*) and Black Widow (*Latrodectus mactans*) Spider-Bite Diagnoses by Medical Professionals Across Three Regions of Mississippi"  
**Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 2:30 p.m.**  
**Shoemaker Hall Room 219**  
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**SENIOR HONORS THESIS PRESENTATION**  
**Sarah Wood**  
Latin American Mississippians: Ethnography of a Growing Immigrant Population in Northern Mississippi  
**Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 4:00 p.m.**  
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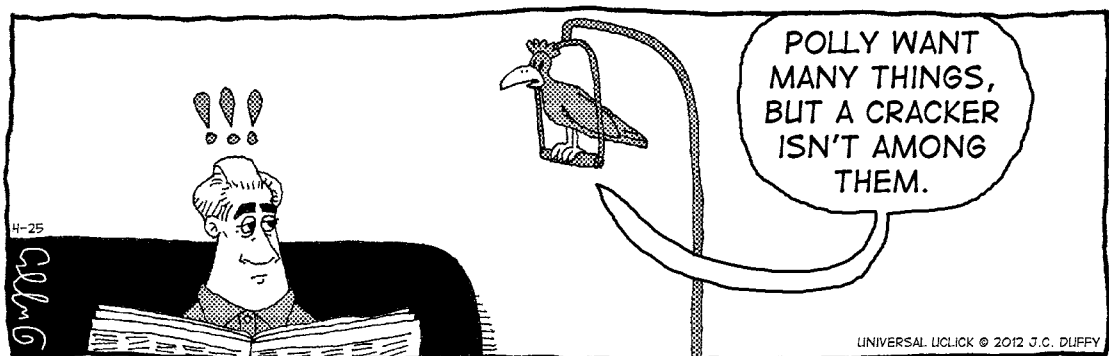




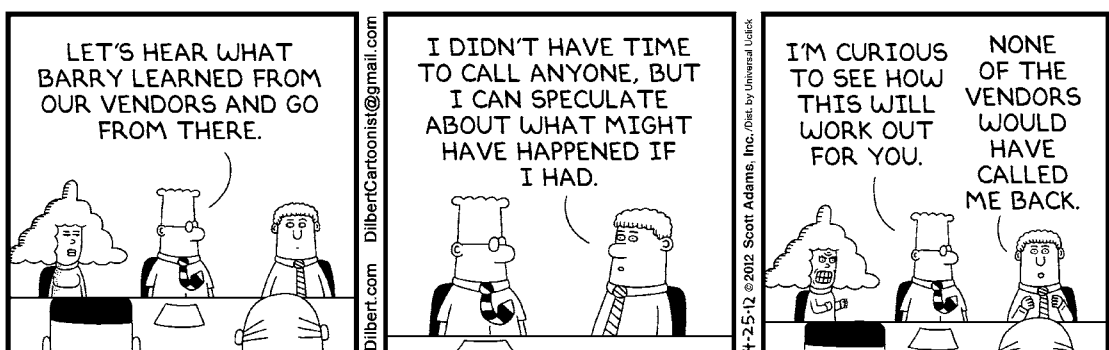
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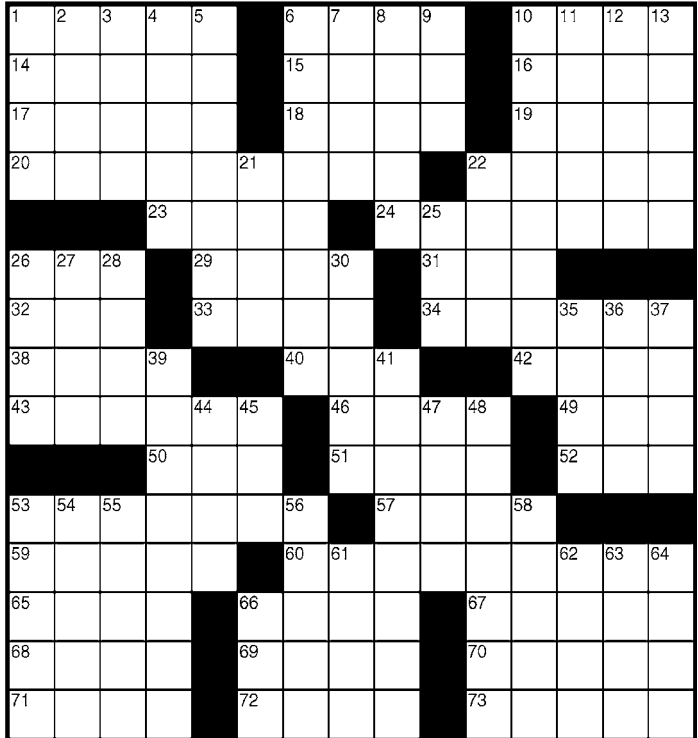
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## sports briefs

## Ole Miss Legend Roland Dale Passes Away

JACKSON, Miss. — Ole Miss lost another of its football legends Sunday with the passing of Roland H. Dale, 84, an outstanding player with the Rebels who later became one of Coach John Vaught's top assistant coaches before enjoying a successful career in athletics administration as Director of Athletics at the University of Southern Mississippi.

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## BASEBALL,

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four batters in his outing.

"I thought he was terrific," Bianco said of Bailey's outing. "He did what we thought he would do and what he's done all year. He filled up the strike zone with his fastball and slider and even some changeups. He just keeps the hitters off balance and does a great job."

Bailey said he felt great out on the mound.

"It felt great just to go out there, make pitches, get outs and go through a couple of innings for these guys," Bailey said. "It was coach Bianco's decision (to take him out of the game), and I respect it. I was just trying to go out and go as long as I could for him."

Bianco said Bailey's outing was cut short, so he can be ready to go for this weekend's series at Mississippi State.

"He was at about 60 pitches, and he had never thrown that many," Bianco said. "If we're going to have a chance to have him on the weekend, that was enough."

In the fifth, the Rebels got on the board with a two-out, bases loaded infield single by Mathis. A second runner crossed the plate on the same play on a throwing error by the Memphis' senior third baseman Jacob Wilson.

The Tigers finally got their first runner aboard in the fifth on a throwing error by senior left-hander Jon Andy Scott, and that was a sign of things to come. Scott went 1.2 innings giving up nothing. In the seventh, Memphis got their first hit of the game off of sophomore right-hander Aaron Greenwood, but the Tigers weren't done there.

Memphis strung three singles together, two off Greenwood and one of junior left-hander Dylan Chavez to load the bases with no outs. Then, Chavez struck out two batters in a row before giving up a full-count single to senior first baseman T.J. Rich that tied the game at 2-2.

In the eighth, Wilson made up for his earlier error with a two-run home run to deep left field off of

Chavez to give the Tigers a 4-2 lead that they would not relinquish.

Freshman right-hander Chris Ellis came in to pitch the last 0.2 innings for the Rebels.

Ole Miss threatened in the ninth with back-to-back base hits from sophomore right fielder Preston Overbey and senior shortstop Blake Newalu to put runners on the corners with one out. Willis was lifted from the game after throwing 8.1 innings as he allowed two runs, one earned, on nine hits with a walk and three strikeouts.

Then, freshman center fielder Auston Bousfield hit a ball just foul down the right-field line before hitting into a game-ending double play on a great play by sophomore shortstop Ethan Gross on a ball hit up the middle.



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Junior right-hander Tanner Bailey

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# Rebels' bullpen blows 2-0 lead in loss to Memphis



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Junior left-hander Dylan Chavez takes the loss in relief allowing two runs on four hits with two strikeouts in 1.2 innings. Chavez gave up a two-run home run in the eighth to give Memphis a 4-2 lead.

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. — It took Memphis seven innings to get their first hit of the game, but junior left-hander Michael Wills threw nearly a complete game to lead the Tigers (18-23) to a 4-2 win over No. 18 Ole Miss (27-14) at AutoZone Park in Memphis on Tuesday night.

"It's a tough one," head coach Mike Bianco said. "You've got to

credit Memphis. I thought they did a great job. You've got to play all nine. They played a lot better than we did in the last couple of innings. They were able to bunch some hits together and some obviously very clutch hits.

"We've got to figure out how to finish it. It's disappointing to be that close. It's too many chances to extend the lead, and you don't. Then, you put yourself in that situation, and you need a hero. They had a lot of heroes there at

the end. They made great pitches and great at-bats, and we just didn't do that."

Ole Miss had a chance to get off to an early start with back-to-back, one-out singles from junior left fielder Tanner Mathis and junior second baseman Alex Yarbrough, but they couldn't push a run across. Yarbrough's single extended his hitting streak to 20 games, the sixth longest in school history.

Junior right-hander Tanner Bailey was lifted from the game after throwing 4.0 innings of perfect baseball due to a pre-determined start. He also struck out

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# Spring practice review: defense



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Junior defensive back Charles Sawyer

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*With the end of spring practice, football beat writer Bennett Hipp breaks down next year's Ole Miss football team position-by-position, starting with the defense. Tomorrow, he breaks down the offense.*

## Defensive ends:

The story of this spring at the end was sophomore C.J. Johnson who battled a hand injury and a concussion to put together a very productive spring. After shifting from linebacker to defensive end as a freshman, Johnson showed he

has the potential to be a force rushing the passer. That is big for a team like Ole Miss, who struggled mightily to generate a pass rush this past season. Juniors Cameron Whigham and Carlos Thompson both showed flashes of their potential during the spring but must become more consistent. Seniors Gerald Rivers and Chucky Mullins Award winner Jason Jones provide veteran depth. Freshman signee Channing Ward will also figure in the mix this fall.

## Defensive tackles:

While Ole Miss lacks depth at some positions, defensive tackle isn't one of those spots. The issue at tackle is health, as Uriah Grant and Byron Bennett both suffered injuries during the spring. Because of that, senior Gilbert Pena and redshirt freshman Woodrow Hamilton spent most of the spring running with the ones. Sophomore Carlton Martin capped off his spring with a pair of sacks in the Grove Bowl.

## Linebackers:

Defensive coordinator Dave Wommack brought his 4-2-5 defensive formations with him to Oxford from Arkansas State, but says that the defense will also be able to play in 4-3, 3-4 and 3-3-5 formations. During the spring, the Rebels rotated very liberally at the position, trying to find the best combi-

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