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'COLONEL REB' RULED UNCONSTITUTIONAL BY ASB JUDICIAL COUNCIL

The Associated Student Body Judicial Council ruled that the "Colonel Reb" title, the male counterpart to "Miss Ole Miss," was unconstitutional, and an investigation has been initiated regarding that decision.



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BY ADAM GANUCHEAU aganucheau24@gmail.com

The Associated Student Body (ASB) Judicial Council has ruled that the name "Colonel

Reb" will no longer be the title given to the equivalent of "Mr. Ole Miss," according to multiple current and former ASB members.

Former ASB Judicial Chair

Courtney Pearson, who presided over the ruling, confirmed that the decision was made by the judicial council March 25, the night before the inauguration of the newly-elected ASB officers.

"An anonymous complaint was filed and the ASB Judicial Council took the appropriate steps to hear the complaint," Pearson said. "We followed the appropriate guidelines that we could have according to the most current Codes and Constitution. The decision is final."

Newly-elected ASB Attorney General Rob Pillow also confirmed that the Judicial Council's decision is final. However, an investigation into how the Judicial Council came to the decision is underway.

"The final decision cannot be appealed," he said. "However, we are searching for more avenues to look at the way the process was done. If we find that the process was unconstitutional, the results would be null and void."

Newly-elected ASB President Gregory Alston believes that the situation was not handled cor-

"I completely disagree with how this whole situation was handled," Alston said. "It doesn't appear to have been handled properly at all, and the students didn't have representation. That's not what the students of Ole Miss deserve."

Pillow admits that there are

flaws in the current Constitution and Code of the University of Mississippi ASB, which does not directly address procedures involving anonymous complaints to the Judicial Council.

"There is no avenue to proceed through an anonymous submission to the Judicial Council," he said. "All submissions are supposed to be made to the Attorney General, and then from the Attorney General to the Judicial Chair."

Pillow, not yet inaugurated to the ASB Attorney General office, was at the Lyceum on the night of March 25 with then-ASB Attorney General Matthew Kiefer, and the two were told to sit in a different room

BY THE NUMBERS

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Faulkner awards are returned to descendants

After decades on deposit at the university library, Faulkner's awards were returned to to the family of William Faulkner.



Rowan Oak, the home of Nobel Prize winner William Faulkner.

KAYLA McCARTY | The Daily Mississippian

BY CHARLOTTE MONA ROI cmroi@go.olemiss.edu

After 60 years on deposit at J.D. Williams Library, William Faulkner's 1951 Ordre National de la Legion d'Honneur and the 1950 Nobel Prize for Literature have been returned to the Faulkner

family upon request.

Faulkner family members, namely William Faulkner's grandchildren, have plained to the university that after years of allowing the awards to remain on deposit, they want Faulkner's awards to be returned. Once returned, the awards are to be

auctioned off by the family.

These two awards, along with some of Faulkner's original manuscripts are expected to be auctioned by Sotheby's of New York.

Along with the two awards, Faulkner's Nobel handwritten acceptance speech draft

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STUDENTS STAND FOR A CURE

With RebelTHON quickly approaching, the committee and students are preparing for Friday's festivities.

BY SUMMER WIGLEY thedmnews@gmail.com

The final touches are being made for Friday's RebelTHON, which benefits Le Bonheur Children's Hospital in Memphis. RebelTHON will be held at the Jackson Center from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Those who sign up are encouraged to have a minimum \$75 fundraising goal.

Claire Reid, University of Mississippi senior Spanish and international studies major and executive director of RebelThon, said that 403 people have signed up for the event and that they have raised \$12,088.96 so far.

"We didn't set a goal originally, since this is our first year and we didn't know what to expect, so we've already exceeded our own expectations," Reid said.

This year's theme is "Stand for Hope. Dance for Life," and participants will be on their feet all night.

There will be themed hours throughout the 12 hour event. Every hour families of children treated at Le Bonheur will speak.

"Each of the 12 hours has been

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Why I am pro-life



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Prosecutors in Colorado decided Tuesday to seek the death penalty for James Holmes, the infamous Batman shooter in Aurora, Colo. The news was met with a round of applause in the courtroom, which included many victims' families and Holmes's parents.

As I read news articles detailing the way the courtroom crowd reacted, I gave a lot of thought about what I would do in the situation. Psychologically, I do not understand the impact of watching a close friend die from gunshot wounds in front of me when I thought we would simply be watching a movie. Hopefully, I will never have to

understand that.

I hope, though, that I would not be a part of the crowd that applauds when a prosecutor announces that he will seek the death penalty for another human. After all, even though I have never killed anyone nor committed an atrocious crime, I am nonetheless imperfect. Everyone would argue that the mistakes I have made do not warrant the death penalty. So, where do we draw the line?

Is there a definitive line between crimes that "deserve" the death penalty and those that do not? We scale the consequences of mistakes accordingly in today's society. A speeding ticket is a simple fine, while robbery can lead to many years in prison. We all understand why that is.

As a general rule, Americans believe that the death penalty is only warranted in situations involving the death of a victim. Death for death, right? Without getting into all of the times in which that general rule does not suffice, why do Americans largely hold to that rule?

Is sentencing a human to death – or celebrating that sentence – really any different from committing murder? The end result is the same: ending the life of another human.

Most in support of the death penalty will argue that the means, rather than the ends, distinguish murder and the death penalty. After all, men and women of the jury, who decide the fate of an accused murderer, are simply performing a public duty in the name of the state, rather than as individuals with malicious intent. On the other hand, a murderer who is facing the death penalty most likely committed the murder with malicious intent.

I understand the difference in the means but I cannot see

beyond the ends. Perhaps I am looking at it wrong, but I don't believe so. In the end, another human is dead. Regardless of what that human did and regardless of if twelve peers feel that he deserves, the end result is a loss of life.

We are filled with sympathy when we hear about a tragedy, such as the Batman shooting, due to the horrible loss of life, yet, some celebrate when it is announced that a prosecutor will also be seeking loss of life?

I firmly believe that people who commit crimes undoubtedly deserve punishment equal to that of the crime. However, I do not believe that any "deserve" the death penalty because we as humans should not deprive anyone of life. So when someone asks I can tell them that I am truly pro-life.

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MEMBER NEWSPAPER

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A religious example of cognitive dissonance

BY AHMED SEIF ahseif86@gmail.com

I would like first and foremost to unequivocally condemn the act of the Florida Atlantic University professor who instructed his students to write the word "Jesus" on a piece of paper, and then to stomp on it. I also believe that we, whatever our political or religious views may be, should not allow such acts to pass unmarked.

In an earlier issue of the Daily Mississippian, however, a column written by Mr. Trenton Winford suggested we contrast such an act with that of Pastor Terry Jones's call for his followers to burn the Quran, the Holy Book of Muslims, on the anniversary of 9-11.

This far-fetched juxtaposition desperately attempted to show that the liberal me-

dia, allegedly motivated by a hidden agenda, unfairly put the spotlight on the issue of burning the Quran, yet turned a blind eye on that of disrespecting the name of Jesus. And at the end, we are left prepared to sympathize with the "unsung hero," Pastor Jones.

This sympathy constitutes a blatant contradiction of thought. Here's how:

The Quran reveres Jesus. In fact, the Quran mentions Jesus by name 25 times. The following is one of those mentions: "When the angels said, 'Mary, God gives you good tidings of a Word from Him whose name is Messiah, Jesus, son of Mary; high honored shall he be in this world and the next, near stationed to God."

If you think about it, the sympathy expressed by the article for Pastor Jones is counter-productive to the very purpose of the article itself. On the one hand, it stands up for a pastor who calls upon his followers to burn the Quran, a book that glorifies Jesus. And on the other hand, it condemns the FAU professor for disrespecting the name of Jesus. The two positions are hardly reconcilable.

I must also add that it is completely false to say that Islam, as a faith, orders the death of homosexuals and considers a miscarriage a crime. Here it could be seen that Mr. Winford himself practices double-standards, the very same thing he criticizes

The extreme position that he unfairly attributes to Islam is precisely the same position taken by Pastor Jones whom he champions. Pastor Jones himself is notoriously anti-gay and antiabortion. He stated publicly that all "homosexuals are going to hell." In another statement the pastor says that gay people wearing the military uniform "bring discredit" and "disgrace" to the Armed Forces. The same pastor hanged an effigy of President Obama for his endorsement of same-sex marriage rights, and abortion.

Another example of religious radicalism is Pastor Charles Worley of Providence Road Baptist Church in Maiden, N.C. He stated sarcastically in a recent ceremony that he wanted to build an "electrified fence" and put all the "lesbians, queers and the homosexuals" behind it "so they can't get out."

My one and only intention behind mentioning these horrifying details is to pose the following questions: Do we hold Christianity responsible for such radical stances? Do we say these pastors are representative of all Christians? The answer to both questions is no.

Just as we never associate Christianity or Judaism with regressive interpretations or radical behavior in their names, we should not associate Islam with regressive interpretation or radical behavior in its name. We are entitled to our opinion, but definitely not our facts. And the fact is there is no religion "stuck in the Middle Ages," as it was erroneously and arrogantly stated in the

Only radical "interpretations," made by Islamic preachers, Jewish rabbis or Christian pastors alike are medieval.

Ahmed Seif is a graduate student in the Modern Languages Department.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

In 2012 researchers at the Pew Research Center found that religious intolerance is on the rise worldwide for the second year in a row.

Unfortunately, the University of Mississippi has not been impervious to this rise in religious prejudice. In an opinion article published last Thursday in the DM, Ole Miss Student Trevor Winford called Islam a religion "stuck in the Middle Ages" and claimed that "riots and murders" were the "normal response" to "a simple announcement of intention to burn the Quran." The title of Mr. Winford's article was "Religious intolerance, a double standard," and his goal was to decry the lack of media attention garnished by the FAU "Jesus Stomp" incident compared to the uproar caused by similar anti-Islamic activities. One has to ask his or herself how, in an article intended to call out religious intolerance, Mr. Winford managed to be so, well, intolerant.

I can assert that Islam is not the religion portrayed by Mr. Winford. When the film "Innocence of Muslims" was released in August of 2012 I happened to be travelling in Egypt and Jordan. The majority of people that I spoke with understood that the majority of Americans do not feel negatively toward Islam and harbored no ill will toward the People of the United States.

I would hope that the purpose

of Mr. Winford's article was not to be religiously intolerant to Muslims and that it was simply a misguided side-effect. I decided to see if Mr. Winford's claim of a lack of coverage of the FAU incident in the "non-conservative media" was true. A Google search of Florida Atlantic University returned as the second result a detailed article about

the incident by the Huffington Post. I guess this is the one of the "Christian and conservative outlets" Mr. Winford mentioned in his article.

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assigned a theme with corresponding activities and music, including live music from Bonfire Orchestra, Ice Cream Social, and others," Reid said.

Among the themed hours will be a school spirit hour featuring the Ole Miss Rebelettes and Cheerleaders.

Reid said that Old Venice and tradition on campus. City Grocery are catering the well.

awesome new student organization and service opportunity," co-advisor for RebelTHON Ryan Upshaw said.

Upshaw also said that Ole

Miss is the first college to host a Dance Marathon, which is the official name for these events. He said that the university community has been very supportive of the students' efforts.

Once the event is over, next year's plans will begin.

"We will begin planning a color run and hold interviews for next year's executive board," Reid said.

Upshaw said the board hopes that RebelTHON will become a

"There are many members of event and there will be snacks the Ole Miss family whose chilfrom other local restaurants as dren have benefited from Le Bonheur's services," Upshaw "We want the entire university said. "It is a great that the student community to know about this body can participate in giving back to such a wonderful cause."

People can register or donate online at www.helpmakemiracles.org/event/RebelTHON.

Food Pantry Receives 8,000 Shipment

Oxford Food Pantry received a shipment of 8,000 pounds of foodstuffs from the USDA offices in Jackson Tuesday afternoon. A number of Honors College members volunteered alongside Oxford High School students and members of the Oxford-Lafayette community to assist in unloading and organizing the goods around 3 p.m Tuesday. Freshman pre-pharmacy major and member of the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College, Erin Moore was present at the event.









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while the case was being heard by the Judicial Council.

Pearson said that it is common for the ASB Attorney General to not be present during hearings, unless counsel is sought. She also said that the quorum of five voting judicial members was present when the decision was made.

"(Kiefer and Pillow) were brought in in case the council had questions," Pearson said. "The council did not have questions, and they were told to leave."

Pillow said the next step in the investigation is not yet clear.

"This is a very unique problem that hasn't come up before," he said. "We're not sure who's gonna be the governing body over it, how it will be appealed or the process of appealing something like this."

There is no set timetable on the completion of the investiga-



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Innovation and experimentation in music

The Music of the South Conference will be held today and tomorrow and will give attendants the opportunity to participate in talks centered around the music of the American South.

BY KATHERINE CARR

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Musicians, scholars and other active participants in the modern music world will gather today and tomorrow on The University of Mississippi campus and around Oxford for the 2013 Music of the South Confer-

The conference's events are sponsored by the Center for the Study of Southern Culture, Living Blues Magazine, the Blues Archive, the Ford Center and the Future of the South Endowment.

Ted Ownby, professor of history at Ole Miss and director for the Center for the Study of Southern Culture, said that the theme this year is innovation and experimentation in music, and

that the culture of the South will be examined through the lens of music theory.

"The conference will answer the question of where innovation in music comes from, but also the question of whether the South's existing and much celebrated types of music sometimes work against innovation," Ownby said.

The conference will start at 10 a.m. today on the third floor of the J.D. Williams Library. This first event will give attendants an opportunity to hear about new additions to the archive and to view materials from the Field School for Cultural Documentation, a project of the Library of Congress.

Topics that will be discussed throughout the twoday conference include cultural tourism, popular southern musicians and traditions. The conference will also evaluate race, history and music in the South, African American gospel quartets, Southern roots music and Swamp Sista culture. Other topics of discussion include music and the creative economy as well as creativity and its sources.

Mark Camarigg, publications manager at Living Blues Magazine, said that some events that might be particularly interesting to students, such as a Brown Bag lecture by music producer and sound engineer Mark Neill, scheduled for today at noon at the Barnard Observatory. Neill co-produced the "Brothers" album by the Black Keys and will talk about famous recording studios in the South.

Valerie June, a Memphisbased female blues musician, will perform at the Ford Center at 7 p.m. tonight.

"She's at a point in her career where she won't really be doing these types of shows anymore," Camarigg said. "So it's a good chance to see her in a more intimate setting than you're really ever going to see her."

Another event exploring New Orleans' hip-hop culture will take place at 4 p.m. on Thursday in the Blues Archive on the third floor of the library.

"The speaker is an expert on what's happening in the New Orleans hip-hop scene and how that differentiates it from other rap scenes in the South," Camarigg said.

The schedule also includes a film and several opportunities to hear live music both in the library and elsewhere. Thacker Mountain Radio will be hosting a special show in concordance with the conference on Thursday evening.

"After looking over what's going on here, I'm glad that this is being done because if people don't do things like this, it will be forgotten," said Silas Reed, Ole Miss senior and local frontman of the band Silas Reed N' Da Books.

A full schedule of events can be found on the Center for the Study of Southern Culture's website.

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and diploma are also included in the estate package. Other items to be auctioned include 26 letters and postcards sent by Faulkner, 25 leather-bound columns of the author's work, along with manuscripts of "The Trapper Story," "Vision in Spring," "Mammy Callie," and "Hog Pawn."

"The Trapper Story" manuscript is an unpublished work, and "Vision in Spring" was thought to have been lost, according to Sotheby's representatives.

According to Sotheby's, the unit of Faulkner memorabilia is expected to fetch close to \$2 million at the June 11 auction.

The Nobel Prize alone is said to be valued at \$500,000, according to Julia Rholes, dean of university libraries.

Rholes said this amount exceeds the library's available funds, so purchasing the item is not a realistic possibility.

However, Rholes hopes that one of the friends of the university will want the see the awards back on display.

"We're a little hopeful that someone will want the medal to come back here, that is our greatest hope," Rholes said.

Faulkner's Nobel Prize was put on display shortly after it was awarded to him, and was displayed in Archives and Special Collections in the J.D. Williams Library until its removal last month, and Rholes said that the medal was important for the community.

"It was won by a Mississippian who lived and worked in this town," Rholes said.

Many of the library staff members, including senior English major and library worker Jessica Gradolf, said they feel that the loss of these awards is a disappointment.

"The library held them the awards] dear, but you can't deny his kids," Gradolf said.

Librarian in the archives and special collections department Kathryn Michaelis said she understands the importance of the awards and what they mean to the university.

"It's sad that we could not have them longer, but we didn't own them — they were here on deposit," Michaelis said. "But we are honored to have them as long as we did."

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Blue Note Special: I Feel Like Going Home



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The story and origins of the blues are almost mythical in nature. With no agreed-upon "home," the claim to the original blues has floated all over the country. What makes the question so difficult is the nature of the genre itself.

The blues is so organic, so genuine and so innovative that it is almost impossible to pinpoint its home, especially since a number of areas can make factual, historical claims to it. I, like any, have my own perceptions.

The blues genre has many hometowns and father-figures hoping that their claim to it will prove the most binding. Some look for age to give them the best argument, like Oklahoma, which boasts the first known recorded blues song, "Dallas Blues" by Hart Wand in 1912. Some Baltimore natives say that the blues was in Baltimore as early as the 1890s.

Other locales, like Memphis and New Orleans, claim the genre due to the massive amount of blues musicians who flocked to their urban areas and found a home there.

This is slightly more convincing to me, as these places not only use their historical fact, but also their own identity, arguing that the atmosphere and character of these cities created the blues just as much as the musicians themselves.

New Orleans folks like to define the blues as some byprod-

uct of the jazz explosion in the late 19th century; with some similar rhythms and many New Orleanian names playing a hybridized style of jazz and blues, they make a good case.

New Orleans hopefuls even have their own "we came first" story. Anthony Maggio, one jazz/blues welder, recorded "I Got The Blues" in 1908, four whole years before our friend Hart recorded his "Dallas Blues."

Memphis boasts one name that sets it apart from almost all of the blues' suitors: W. C. Handy, often called the Father of the Blues. Look no further! Father of the Blues; that's his title. He found his base in Memphis, and since then, the blues hasn't looked back. Handy, with the blues, in the ballroom, right? Wrong. It can't be that simple.

Handy is legendary for his work in developing the blues, as he used 12-bar patterns in almost all of his work from the first half of the 20th century, even producing the 1912 staple "Memphis Blues." His influence is indeed astounding.

All of these founding fathers were essentially musicians skilled in ragtime or jazz or vaudeville, and they slowly began to experiment with blues theory and technique, but they weren't playing the blues. In my opinion, the blues was and is played from within, not from a page of sheet music.

Around the same time in the early 1900s, something more natural occurred for the blues in Mississippi. These musicians were mostly poor, uneducated, newly-freed African-Americans, still suffering from the hateful hangover of the Civil War and slavery.

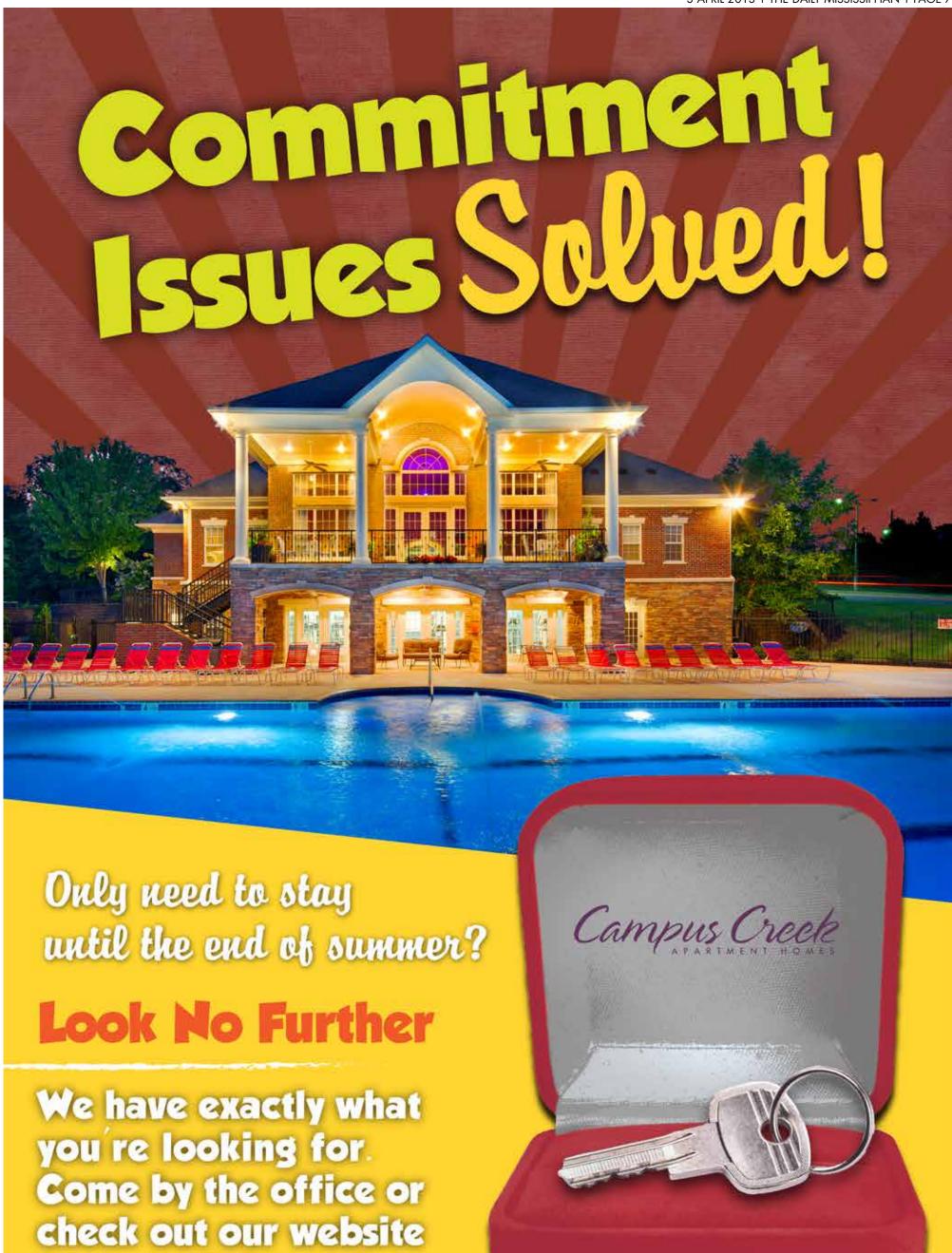
Unlike the other parts of the country, these musicians didn't have musical theory, much less any sheets upon which to write it

They had only themselves, their work, their broken hearts and their guitars. Blues in Mississippi was around as early as, if not earlier than, all the recorded and documented "original" blues from Memphis or Oklahoma or New Orleans. And it was the real blues.

These weren't sheet music ditties that had hints of blues theory; these were beautifully gritty, angry, heartbroken, body-beaten songs, direct descendants of the camp hollers and field songs with which these legends grew up.

Mississippi created the blues, but not cheaply. From Mississippi's poisonous color line, the endless and brutal workdays, the perpetual cycle of poverty and the ashes of an evil institution emerged a bright, blue light.





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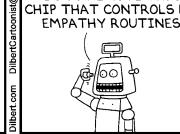
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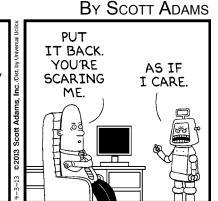
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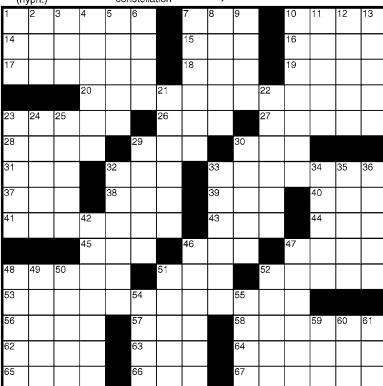
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Area IV Special Olympics Come to Ole Miss on Wednesday

Having a passion can help a person grow emotionally, socially and physically; competitive athletes have an enthusiasm and passion for their sport that require great determination and can be inspiring to witness.

BY CAMILLE MULLINS camillemullins@gmail.com

The Area IV Special Olympics Track and Field is today from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event takes place at The University of Mississippi's track and field beside the Indoor Practice Facility. The games range from tennis and softball to relay races and long jumps. The event is open to the public and free to attend.

The Special Olympics is a way for children and adults with intellectual disabilities to develop and improve their fitness and motor skills. Many of the athletes are able to boost self-confidence, while growing mentally and socially through the process. Getting involved in the events is a great way to volunteer in the community and have a fun time doing it.

The volunteers can help in many ways - timing, scorekeeping, awards personnel and finish line personnel are all important positions to volunteer for, and of course the best job ever ... the huggers! Yes, you can volunteer to give hugs and provide encouraging words.

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"We encourage people to come and take part because it is great to just see the athletes enjoy themselves and we need all the help we can get." said Dustin Bridges, senior physical therapy major.

The Department of Health, Exercise Science and Recreation Management is sponsoring this event and they need as many volunteers as possible this year. The expected turn out of athletes is 400-500 people from counties including Calhoun, Grenada, Lafayette, Panola, Tallahatchie and Yalobusha.

If there are athletes who want to participate, they should call the director of Area IV, Sarah Ball, to schedule their participation at 662-513-7900.

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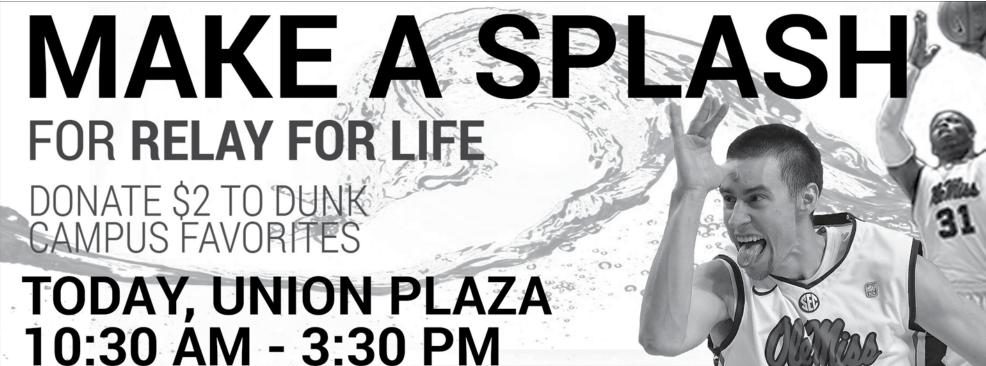




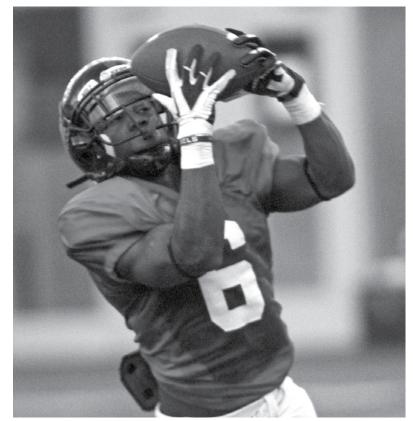








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Running back Jaylen Walton participates in a drill during practice.

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system.

"I try to block correctly, I try to pick up on assignments, all the little things I try to do them right," Walton said.

Mathers agreed that the extra bowl practices and this spring have helped him learn the playbook.

"I learned a lot of plays during the bowl week, watched extra film," Mathers said. "I feel like I know the offense a whole lot better than last year."

For young running backs, the extra practices and reps a bowl game brings can be huge

in their progression.

It's easy to see so far this spring that the bowl practices have benefitted Mathers and Walton; they'll even tell you as much. Now, it is important that they continue that progression into the offseason.

"The offseason is really important because you got to recover from previous injuries, get back in the weight room and get strong, get your body back in shape," Walton said. "It's just what it's all about."

While Walton's quickness and speed are what separates him from other players, Mathers is considered to be more of a traditional running back. One that can run between the tackles. He's used

the offseason to get more comfortable and put some extra weight on his 5-foot-11 frame.

"Extra film, looking back through my notes from the fall," Mathers said on what he's been doing in the offseason. "Probably gained five pounds.

"I feel like I'm the guy that can run between the tackles. Coach Freeze and (running backs) coach (Derrick) Nix just want me to look at the chains and pick up first downs."

As far as the running back group as a whole, it will require Mathers and Walton to each bring something different to the table, if it is to be effective. Walton won't be looked to pick up the tough yards inside like Mathers, but instead, he will be needed in a role similar to Scott, a home run hitter and effective receiver out of the backfield.

"We compete everyday because we know we all have a chance of doing something big with the ball," Walton said. "Everyone fits in well because we have different styles."

Although they still have a lot of area for improvement before the Rebels' season-opener against Vanderbilt on Aug. 29, Freeze spoke highly of the two young running backs in Monday night's practice.

"Don't think we missed on either one of them in recruiting," Freeze said. "Think we got two good ones for the future, and I think they're progressing nicely."

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Ole Miss, Memphis postponed



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Players watch on during a game earlier this season.

Due to a chance of inclement weather in the Memphis area, Tuesday night's baseball game between the 16th-ranked Ole Miss Rebels (23-6) and Memphis Tigers (15-13) scheduled to be played at Autozone Park has been postponed.

Details for a makeup date for the game between the two schools are not yet known, but will be released as soon as possible.

The two teams have played the annual contest at Autozone Park 11 of the last 12 seasons. The only time in the Bianco era the

two teams have not played the contest at Autozone Park prior to this season came in 2008 when a similar scenario with a chance of impending weather forced the postponement of the game.

The contest was later played on campus at the University of Memphis with the Rebels picking up a 10-1

Ole Miss will host No. 2 Vanderbilt this weekend in a three-game series at Swayze Field. Friday night's series opener is set for a 6:30 p.m. first pitch between the Rebels and the Commodores.

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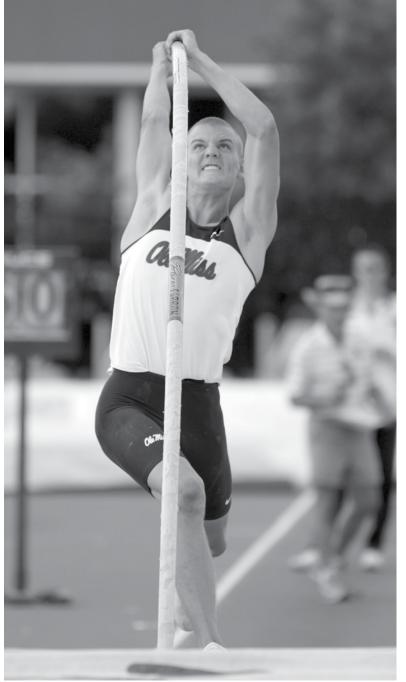
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Ole Miss' Sam Kendricks named SEC Field Athlete Of The Week



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Sam Kendricks competes during a meet.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. - After his record-breaking performance at the Texas Relays last weekend, Ole Miss sophomore pole vaulter Sam Kendricks has been named the Southeastern Conference Men's Field Athlete of the Week, the league office announced Tuesday.

Kendricks cleared a school-reord height of 19 feet, 3/4 inches to win a world-class pole vault competition in Austin.

His vault is the best in the world so far this year and is the best vault by an NCAA athlete since 1998. That performance moves Kendricks to No. 5 on the all-time collegiate list.

Kendricks was also recognized by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association as an honorable mention National Athlete of the Week on

Aside from SEC and NCAA Championships, Kendricks has now won six consecutive regular-season college pole vault competitions dating back to a fourth-place finish at Drake Relays last April. He has 12 career collegiate victories under his belt.

OLE MISS SPORTS INFORMATION

Ole Miss men's golf wraps up play in the BancorpSouth Intercollegiate



Sophomore Blake Morris hits the ball from the tee box.

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MADISON, Miss. – Ole Miss wrapped up play at the BancorpSouth Intercollegiate on Tuesday at the Reunion Golf and Country Club in Madison with a final round score of 306 and finished the two-day event in eighth place with a threeround total of 891.

Sophomore Joe Lewis shot a two-day total of 219, including a 3-over par 75 on Tuesday, to finish in a tie for 14th. Fellow sophomore Blake Morris fired a 4-over 76 on Tuesday to finish with a three-round score of 222 and in a tie for 25th.

Freshman Connor Davis carded a 6-over 78 in the final round to finish in a tie for 32nd with a two-day total of 224, while fellow freshman Forrest Gamble turned in a 79 in the

third round and finished in a tie for 51st with a three-round total of 228. Junior Tom Brown shot a 5-over 77 on Tuesday and posted a three-round total of 229 to tie for 54th. Freshman Chris Ingham, who competed as an individual, fired a final round score of 76 to finish tied for 40th with a total of 227.

"We had some bad play at

the turn and weren't able to overcome it," said Ole Miss head coach Ernest Ross. "We let some mistakes affect our attitude and we can't let that happen. We are in need of a major attitude adjustment."

Next up, the Rebels will remain in state with the Old Waverly Intercollegiate hosted by Mississippi State on April 8.

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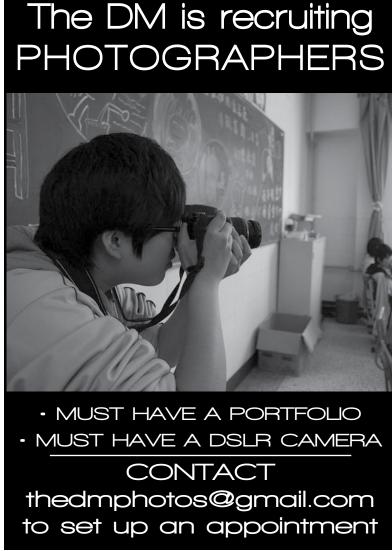


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MATHERS, WALTON TRYING TO TAKE NEXT STEP

Ole Miss is looking to add some depth at multiple positions this spring, but with sophomore running backs l'Tavius Mathers and Jaylen Walton backing up senior Jeff Scott, the Rebel ground game is in good hands.

BY JOHN LUKE MCCORD mccordjohnluke@yahoo.com

Sophomores I'Tavius Mathers and Jaylen Walton both arrived on campus last season as celebrated running back recruits who were poised to play early due to Ole Miss' lack of depth at the position.

Each played and got their feet wet in back up duty to senior running back Jeff Scott. Walton electrified the Vaught-Hemingway Stadium crowd with a 100-yard kickoff return for a touchdown against Texas. Mathers showed his potential with a 62-yard touchdown run late against Pittsburgh in the Compass bowl.

However, like young running backs do, they struggled with learning their pass protection assignments. Now each is a year older and a year smarter in head coach Hugh Freeze's

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Running back I'Tavius Mathers runs during practice Monday.

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