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## STUDENT EMPLOYEES LEFT UNPAID FOR 28 DAYS

BY CLARA TURNAGE  
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Community Assistants at the Residential College, shown above, were among other student resident assistants that did not receive compensation in August.

An error at The University of Mississippi's Department of Student Housing caused a delay in payment to around 130 student Community Assistants, formerly known as Residential Assistants, this month, leaving many to fend for themselves and inspiring others to help out.

CAs for the fall semester were required to arrive to campus on Aug. 3 and were supposed to receive their first paycheck on Aug. 15.

"The CAs are given the choice on how they want their compensation to be received, so we had to gather all of that information," said Tracey Vaughn, interim director of student housing. "So to pay the students it has to go through multiple steps, it's not just our office. It has to go through our office, the Vice Chancellor's office and then to (Human Resources). HR has to enter all of that information to get it into the system. The deadline to have that information was on the ninth. So with the time

"I do not think they ever intended on paying us on the 15th," the CA said. "I believe it was said as an incentive to get us back to school and motivated. And we were never given an explanation from the housing office."

there was no way we could have gotten all of those forms through."

The compensation error caused outrage from many CA's. One CA spoke with The DM, but wished to remain anonymous.

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tended on paying us on the 15th," the CA said. "I believe it was said as an incentive to get us back to school and motivated. And we were never given an explanation from the housing office."

The next university payday is this Friday, which is 28 days

since the CAs arrived on campus.

"(The unpaid employees) are all set to be paid on the 30th," Vaughn said. "They will be paid for what they would have gotten on the 15th as well as the 30th."

Many of the student employ-

ees expressed concerns about everyday life, such as having money to buy provisions.

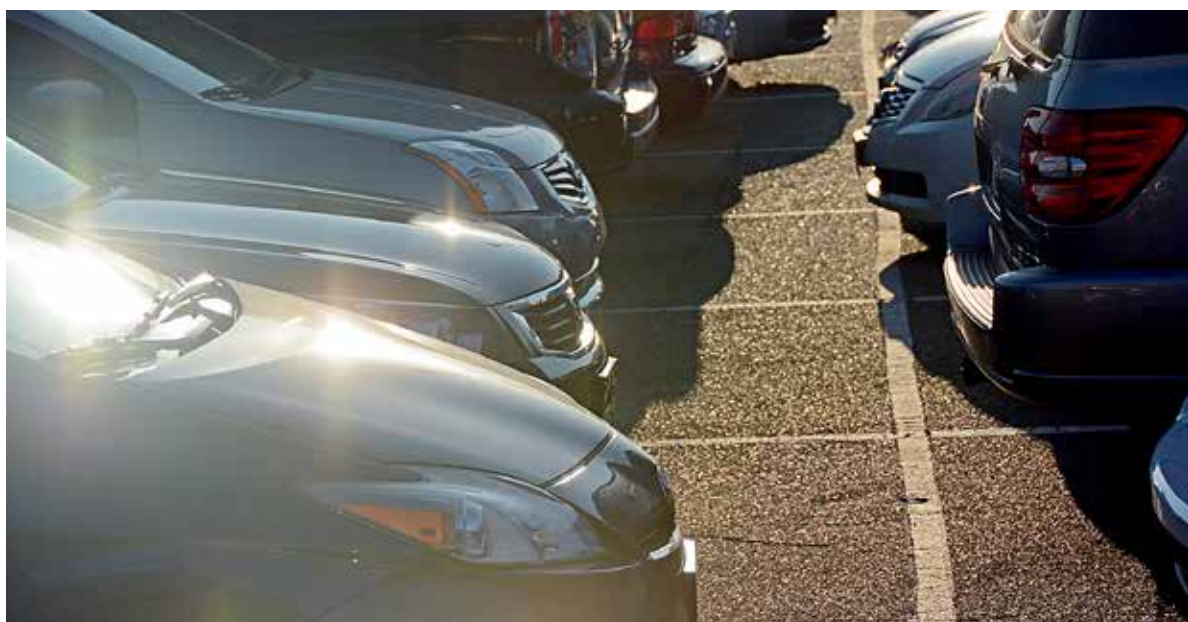
Most university dining facilities were not open until Aug. 23. Ole Miss Housing offered boxed lunches to the student employees, but did not provide breakfast or dinner.

"When we first got here, the cafeterias were not open and paying for your own food got expensive, so they were also paying for that," freshman business administration major Georgia Norfleet said.

Residential College South Senior Faculty Fellow Marvin King heard about the compensation confusion and wanted to help out.

"When I heard that the CAs didn't get paid, I felt so bad," King said. "They work so hard and the dining hall in the RC was closed. I asked what they would do for food and they said Housing provided them a boxed lunch each day. So, one night I bought them pizza from Soulshine and another night I brought in biscuit sandwiches from Embers. I didn't think twice about it."

## Students express frustration over parking after first day of semester



KATIE WILLIAMSON | The Daily Mississippian

Vehicles parked in a campus parking lot Monday afternoon.

BY PETE PORTER  
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Frustration and chaos were among the many things on the minds of faculty and students as everyone struggled to find parking spots on the first day of class.

Many, including senior Patrick Havird, were delayed getting to class due to the excessive amount of traffic on campus throughout the day even after efforts by the university to thin out the constant stream with traffic directors and other personnel.

"I went to campus 30 minutes early for my 8 a.m. class and it was still packed," said

Havird, a senior marketing major from Greenville, S.C. "I normally park in one of the lots next to my fraternity house but both of those were filled, even after I drove around them a second time and still didn't find a spot, only to find a spot out towards the law school. After the 10-minute walk, I finally made it to my class about five minutes late, which is obviously frustrating, especially on the first day of class."

Havird said that fixing the parking situation could start with both the students and the university.

"I think the students can

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**COLUMN**

## Have Sex, with your Fear!

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As a new academic year dawns upon us, I thought I would take a break from politics and write instead about a positive message that we all need to hear on occasion. It is about fear of achievement. Fear of realizing one's potential has been the subject matter of many self-help books. In their discussion of fear, writers often associate fear with animosity as in "face your fear," "break your fear," "conquer your fear," "defeat your fear," and so forth. I write this, so daringly, to repudiate the idea of that association, and suggest instead that you create a different mental image of fear. How about ... love your fear?

The problem with conceiving of fear as an enemy is that it misleads you into thinking that there are only two scenarios at hand: either fear breaks you, or you it. While this perception is partially true, it creates the illusion of a once-and-for-all "boxing round" between you and

fear. The bell will ring, leaving you victorious or defeated, and then the fighting will cease. Ain't gonna happen! There never comes a point when you become completely fearless. To put it in another way, fear is here to stay. You'd better learn how to coexist with it, not break it.

Imagine how it would be if you had a constant enemy haunting you everywhere you go. You would always be under the stress of dodging attacks, and fighting them back. That is the same stress of continuing to experience fear as a bitter foe. It will beat you to the ground. So I suggest instead that you make peace with your fear. Seek to understand it rather than dominate it. Get it. Give it a character, a human character. Become its friend. Have a dialogue with it, sort things out with it. You will be surprised how fast friendship can grow between the two of you. I will even go so radically far as to suggest that you give it not only a human character, but also a human gender. Not

any gender, but the gender you feel attracted to. Date it. Get to know one another well, and when you fall in love with it, go to the next level, and propose to it. Marry it, marry your fear!

Isn't it interesting how nervous we feel before going on the first date, and the second, and the third? And when you are about to marry your fiancé, aren't you scared of commitment? And after marriage, do arguments ever end between you and your wife/husband? Do you ever stop worrying if you are meeting your life partner's expectations? Do you ever stop wondering if you still make her/him just as proud as ever? Does the fear of losing face in her/his presence ever leave you? No! Yet people still date. Couples still marry, because, after all, we know it is a beautiful bond worth having, don't we? A bond that yields a family to belong to, love to water and memories to cherish. You can choose to develop a love bond like that of marriage with your fear. This

bond, like the marriage bond, has its inevitable anxieties and insecurities as part of the package, but it always can lead us to great inspirations and achievements if we let it.

So get out of your comfort zone right now and make love to your fear! Feel the harmony between the both of you. Do something you're absolutely scared to do. Gain some muscles. Learn a foreign language. Do a presentation. Sing. Take an acting class. Read a difficult book. Dare to dream. Ask a girl out. Approach the dance floor. Dance! Get inspired by your favorite music as it reaches the crescendo. Trade the security of the familiar for the orgasm of a wild experience. Go bungee jumping or skydiving. Travel. And most importantly, love!

And here I come to my destination: You can never break your fear and live "fearlessly" ever after, but you can embrace it and live "happily" ever after.

Have a good morning, everybody!

**COLUMN**

## Will Syria be Obama's Iraq?



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During George H.W. Bush's first term, America had the opportunity to take Saddam Hussein out of power. Instead, the forces were ordered to cease after 100 hours, allowing many Iraqi forces to escape and Hussein to stay in power.

In response to criticisms, Bush said that such a decision would have "incurred incalculable human and political costs ... We would have been forced to occupy Baghdad and, in effect, rule Iraq."

Of course, as everyone knows, the second President Bush was forced to do exactly that since Hussein was continuing to defy international agreements. Once Hussein was

ousted from power, American forces occupied Iraq for many years.

Fast forward to today, where Bashar al Assad has ruled Syria with an iron fist, including recent use of chemical weapons against Syrian civilians. In 2012, Obama had warned that America would respond promptly if Assad were to use chemical weapons, much less against his own civilians. However, Obama appears to be wavering on that announcement, despite the fact that top officials have reported that there is no doubt that chemical weapons were used in Syria. Obama has the benefit of hindsight, however, even the past does not provide him with a clear picture of where to go from here. With the first Bush, Obama learns the lesson that sometimes a tyrant must be taken out when the opportunity arises. On the other hand, the second Bush teaches Obama that

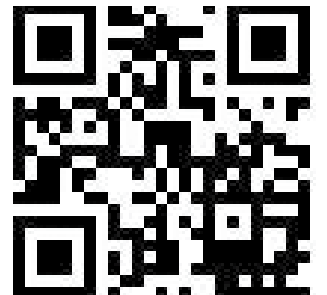
such action will not be quick and easy, potentially leading to years of occupation.

The American military is the strongest in the world, and many men and women enlist in order to serve the ideals America represents. We as Americans believe that all individuals, regardless of native country, are guaranteed basic civil rights. As a result, our military fights to protect those rights, again, regardless of native country. I often hear that one of the military mantras is "to fight for those who cannot fight for themselves." To many people, this means taking out dictators that turn their weapons on their own civilians.

On the other hand, Americans grow weary of occupation. Iraq is a very recent example of that. Americans joined together in calling for military action against Hussein, but years later, many seemed to have forgotten that

fact. Bush's decision on Iraq raised his popularity at the beginning, but toward the end of his second term, Iraq was the cause of his decline in popularity.

So what should Obama do? Obama should make his decision without consideration of his own political ramifications, though that appears to be what he is doing. What he should be concerned with is the destruction of innocent lives at the hands of a tyrant. The American military is ready to answer the call to fight for those who cannot fight for themselves. It is time Obama lets them.



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# TOP 10 Stories You Missed This Summer: Part 1

This is part one of a two-part series The DM has compiled of what we think are the most important stories that happened this summer.



KATIE WILLIAMSON | The Daily Mississippian

Oxford Mayor Pat Patterson, right, is congratulated by a supporter after his re-election.

BY PETE PORTER  
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1. Patterson back for four more The mayoral race saw the status quo go unchanged as the incumbent Democrat George "Pat" Patterson won re-election for mayor of Oxford on June 5 by 902 votes over Independent opposer and former Ole Miss football player Todd Wade. Patterson had 2,122 total votes compared to Wade's 1,220.

New additions are coming to the Board of Aldermen, however, after both incumbents fell in their respective races. "JP" Jay Hughes Jr. edged out incumbent Ney Williams by 35 votes in Ward 1 by a count of 485 to 450, while newcomer Robyn Tannehill had a blowout win in Ward 2 with 664 votes compared to incumbent Ernest "E.O." Oliver's 216.

Patterson said he believes the election showed Oxford residents' approval of the direction the city is headed.

"It shows the people respect a positive campaign," said Patterson, a life-long Oxford resident and an alumnus of Ole Miss. "I think the people appreciate what we have done, along with the Board of Aldermen. I look forward to working with the new Board of Aldermen and living up to the campaign promise 'Common Sense Government, with a focus on service.'"

When asked about his plans for the next four years, Patterson said he plans to continue to work hard for Oxford and its citizens. "I'm going to put my head down, head into the wind and work like hell," Patterson said.

2. University of Mississippi player dies in car wreck

The Ole Miss family is still grieving over a student death as a member of the football team was killed July 10 in a traffic accident in Chickasaw County.

friends, our team and all those he touched during his life."

Stevens was known as humble, caring and loyal to teammates and many friends. Off the field Stevens spent a lot of time serving others through the Joy Prom, Boys and Girls Club and Special Olympics.

He attended East Central Community College for two years where he played right guard in 2012 before transferring to Ole Miss in the spring as a walk-on to fulfill his life-long dream of playing SEC football, going through spring drills as a backup offensive lineman. His hard work paid off as he earned numerous reps in the 2013 Grove Bowl.

Stevens is survived by his parents Dean and Gail Stevens of Columbus, along with with his brother, Terry Dale Cruse of St. Louis, Mo., and his sister Tina Beth Brown of Columbus.

3. Suspect arrested in connection with bomb threat called in at Oxford Mall

Investigators with the Oxford Police Department (OPD) have made an arrest in connection with a bomb threat at the Oxford Mall on July 14. Matthew Allen, a 29-year old from Bruce, Miss., was arrested on Tuesday, July 16 as a result of the investigation. He was charged with false report of a bomb.

If convicted, Allen faces a \$10,000 fine and up to 10 years in a penitentiary. An email from Oxford's Deputy Chief Kevin Stark stated Allen's bond was set at \$10,000.

"On July 16, investigators with the Oxford Police Department

arrested Matthew Allen, 29, from Bruce, Miss, as a result of the investigation of the incident at the Oxford Mall Parking Lot on July 14," Stark stated in the email. "Mr. Allen was charged with False Report of a Bomb."

The Oxford Mall as well as surrounding businesses were evacuated after a report of a suspicious package outside of the Malco Oxford Theatre. In a press statement issued from the OPD on July 14, Stark said the responding officers deemed the package suspicious based on the circumstances.

"At approximately 6:30 p.m. the Oxford Police Department received a call about a suspicious package in the parking lot of the Oxford Mall," said Stark the night of the report.

The area was secured and assistance was requested from the Tupelo Bomb Squad. There were no injuries to report. OPD also had the assistance of the FBI, ATF, the

Oxford Fire Department and Oxford Emergency Management the night of the threat.

4. Marshall Henderson suspended indefinitely

In a release on July 10, The University of Mississippi announced Marshall Henderson had been suspended indefinitely because of a "violation of team rules," but it did not provide any details about the violations.

"Since the season ended, we have talked a lot about Marshall taking a greater leadership role with our team," said Ole Miss coach Andy Kennedy in a statement. "With that comes greater responsibility, and he must do a better job of living up to the high standard we expect from him and he desires from himself?"

Henderson was also reprimanded by the NCAA in June for making an "inappropriate ges-

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A Westboro Baptist Church supporter protests on Jackson Avenue May 18.

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ture" following the Rebels' loss to LaSalle in the third round of the NCAA tournament. He averaged 20.1 points per game last season, bombing 3-pointers from nearly

every inch of the court. He helped the Rebels win the SEC Championship and advance to the NCAA tournament for the first time since 2002.

Henderson came to Ole Miss with a history of discipline problems, having been arrested in both 2009 and 2011 as well as serving

time in jail after the second arrest because he violated his probation. Ole Miss said the coaches were aware of Henderson's past when he signed with the program.

5. Westboro Baptist Church protests in Oxford  
Westboro Baptist Church of Topeka, Kan., visited Jackson Avenue in Oxford on May 18.

About 15 church members showed up as part of the group's national campaign to picket in areas they feel are sinful. The church has a flier on its website saying that Oxford residents and Rebels fans are idolizers of football. The site bashes the movie "The Blind Side" and says it furthers the sin of idolatry.

The protesters showed up on Jackson Avenue in the early morning rain carrying signs saying "USA's Doom," "Death Penalty for Fags" and more. The group sang pop songs but changed the lyrics to promote their cause. The songs included Maroon 5's "This Love" that was changed to "This Lust" and Lady Gaga's "Poker Face." The picketers were a range of ages, from children to senior citizens. They live-tweeted and posted pictures throughout the protest to keep their followers informed.

About 20 Oxford residents organized a counter-protest across the street from the Westboro group, wearing "Love thy Neighbor" stickers as well as singing and dancing while holding their signs.

"We're all just here because the community is phenomenal," said Jade Genga, a senior BFA musical theatre major and organizer of the counter-protest. "Not because we're idolizing our football team but because we're proud of them and the hard work they've put in."

Sparky Reardon, dean of students, encouraged the Ole Miss family to "use this as an opportunity to review the (university) Creed and remain committed to

## PARKING,

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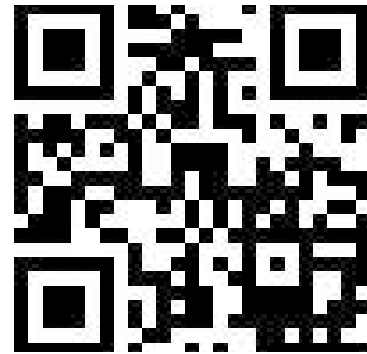
help out with this by commuting together with roommates whenever possible, but the school should really look into having more people use the park and ride option to get to campus. Both of those would be great starts to help lower the traffic."

Elizabeth Tyson also had trouble finding a parking spot Monday and expressed her displeasure.

"I tried parking in the Tad Pad parking lot where I usually park, but it was filled and I had

to keep driving around campus for quite a few minutes," said Tyson, a junior hospitality management major from Richmond, Va. "I finally found a spot near the Residential College but was still five minutes late for class. We really need another parking lot."

Many students took to social media to express their displeasure with the new parking policies and the problems they have caused.



## REBELS REACT

Courtney Hudspeth  
**@Quart\_Knee**

Drove around for 45 minutes, was 5 minutes late to class and looked like a freshman running across campus. Thanks #OleMissParking.

Thomas Yoste  
**@YostecontheMost**

How is there still a line. I waited 2 freakin weeks #OleMissParking

Batman  
**@\_GrandMarquis**

Will not be buying an ole miss parking decal. These folks on that stuff. I will be the dude on the bus thuggin out like Rosa parks #transit

Dreamer.  
**@WeLoveTori**

All of this money y'all have and all of the money we pay for tuition & you mean to tell me that we don't have enough parking?! @olemiss

Ashlee Johnson  
**@ashleejohnson91**

Finding a good parking spot at Ole Miss is about as lucky as winning the lottery.

Bill Shaw  
**@wildbillshaw**

I have not been into the heart of the wilderness we know as #OleMissParking. I am led to believe, however, that it is something of a warzone

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## The Best Years Are Always Ahead of Us



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Members of the freshman class gathered during a UM Welcome Week picnic Saturday.

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The beginning of a new academic year evokes many emotions among the student populace. A new semester means many things. It is a time to

re-evaluate one's successes and failures and an opportunity to continue to strive for one's goals. More than that, fall semester at The University of Mississippi presents an undeniably unique chance for students to create the fond memo-

ries our university is seemingly built upon. And whether you are a freshman or a senior this fall, the excitement and anxiety that a new semester promises are definitely real.

For students entering The University of Mississippi for the first time, opportunities to improve and define themselves are seemingly endless. For freshman journalism student Belle Ernst, her first semester at Ole Miss is a chance to improve herself.

"I really want to make new friends, become a better student and be more self-disciplined," she said when asked what she was looking forward to her freshman year. Her only real worries about this year are maintaining her finances. Regardless of this worry, Belle is very optimistic about her im-

pending college experience. She already has a job on campus and hopes to get involved in various student organizations.

Senior general studies major Cedric Garron also expressed his excitement about his last fall semester at Ole Miss.

"I'm ready to build on relationships with my friends and finish the Ole Miss Bucket List," said Cedric in regard to the new semester. While he is afraid of graduating and what comes after, Cedric believes that his time at Ole Miss has given him the confidence to pursue his goals.

Looking back on his tenure here, he remembers the first time he saw the Grove on game day.

"It was the first time I saw the Ole Miss family idea per-

sonified." Realizing that he was a part of the Ole Miss family was a crucial part of defining Cedric's college experience, and he attributes his success as a student to the support he has received from the many faculty, staff and friends he has met over the years. His advice to freshmen is to be confident and take chances.

Regardless of whether we are a freshman, senior or anything in between this year, I think it safe to say that the best years of our lives are still ahead of us. So, students, stand up, express yourself and let your voice be heard. Maybe if you scream loud enough your voice will echo throughout the buildings of our beautiful campus, and you too will never forget the fond memories of this wonderful place and time in your lives.

## UM Alum New Book Strikes Interest in TV Producers



Merle Temple  
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With Merle Temple's novel, "A Ghostly Shade of Pale" possibly being pitched for a television series by the producers of "Criminal Minds," it seems only fair to say that the Tupelo native has a gift for transferring real-life action to a book.

Temple, an Ole Miss alumnus, graduated with a master's in criminal justice. He was the first captain for the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics in the 1970s and was even held hostage while working undercover. When asked if he missed the excitement of the job he replied, "I miss the people, not the life."

Though fictional, "A Ghostly Shade of Pale" is based on the experiences in Temple's early career.

"I have a duty to write about it," Temple said when asked how he felt about writing being so personal. It is his way of honoring friends who lost their

lives in the line of duty.

Some people might assume the prospect of Temple's novel becoming a Hollywood series to be the most fascinating experience of his life so far. But Temple would not necessarily agree. He said the novel has allowed him to say "thank you" and "I'm sorry" to all those he has loved and lost. He wanted to write something that was genuine and allowed a wide range of people to enjoy it.

Having a passion for meet-

ing new and diverse groups of people, he has many hopes for the readers of his new novel.

"I want to take people to a place they've never been, but when they arrive they are not strangers," Temple said.

The producers of "Criminal Minds" have met Temple and believe his novel is something special. Temple recently returned from Hollywood where, he admitted, was almost like a dream. He was able to get a feel for what the business is

like and imagine how his novel would be portrayed on television. He said he is not afraid of Hollywood changing his story, because he is good friends with Jim Clemente, who has written many episodes of "Criminal Minds."

Overcoming many obstacles and having a passion to share his imagination, Temple has the ability to bring his readers into a very personal place, allowing them to resonate with him as an author and even with

the characters in his novel.

Temple identified with Michael Parker, the main character of the novel, because Temple intended the novel to be genuine and true. In the book, Michael Parker says, "I got nothing that I asked for, but everything I would have hoped for among men. I am most blessed, and that's my story."

And what an amazing story Merle Temple has shared with his readers.

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## Ole Miss Students Excel in the New York Internship Experience



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Students at the New York Internship Experience gather for a dinner this summer.

**BY ANN-MARIE HEROD**  
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This past summer select University of Mississippi students had the opportunity to experience the internships of a lifetime.

Each summer The University of Mississippi sends select students to Washington D.C. and New York to intern in diverse fields that are similar to

their major of interest.

The Washington Internship Experience has been active since 2008 and in 2009 the Associate Provost of Outreach decided to start a similar program in New York. Students not only have the opportunity to intern but they also have the chance to earn academic credit while working.

Before leaving, students go through an orientation where

they learn about the city, a professional etiquette dinner where they learn about workplace culture, attend a week of orientation in New York where they meet New York-based UM alumni, visit key cultural sites and learn how to ride the subway.

Laura Antonow, the director of college programs for the division of outreach, is in charge of the New York Internship Experience Program and helps guide the students as they prepare for the internship and helps them adjust to life in New York.

"I go with the students for a week and a half in June when the students first arrive. I think that reassures both the students and their parents, as New York can be overwhelming initially," Antonow said. "Then I return

at the end of the summer for a week to conduct site visits at the various companies and agencies and host a farewell dinner for students and their supervisors."

In order to apply students must be juniors or seniors. The Internship Experience covers numerous fields, so it encourages applicants from all majors. The students must also go through an interview process to help determine if they are ready to compete for the different internships in New York.

"We take into consideration a student's academic achievement, campus and community involvement, work experience, writing skills and recommendations from professors and employers," Antonow said. "It's a very competitive market, and our goal is to only send students

who we feel will be successful."

Students such as Breonna Barnes and Bobby Kelly were chosen from competitive application pool.

Barnes, a senior IMC major had the chance to intern for a company called Fashion Update. They are a public relations firm that specializes in Fashion, Beauty, and Lifestyle. Barnes, a lover of fashion, speaks highly of the program and recommends it for others.

"It's more than just the internship, its the total experience all together. You will excel on a personal level and grow stronger career wise," Barnes said. "This is a life changing opportunity. I met people who were so different from me but they taught me so much. I begin to learn who I was and what I wanted for myself. On the other hand you will work in a fast pace city that will honestly prepare you to be able to handle any situation with confidence."

Bobby Kelly, a junior psychology major, who also interned in New York, said that his studies helped him tremendously with interning. He interned at the Bronx-Lebanon Hospital in NYC. He split his time in the hospital, so he was able to work in the clinic with physicians as well as around the office with medical consultants.

"My studies have been very helpful to me in this internship," Kelly said. "All of the science I have learned has helped me understand the basis of different processes and procedures, and psychology plays a huge role in medicine and dealing with different kinds of patients. But nothing can teach you more than actually experiencing the work, first hand."

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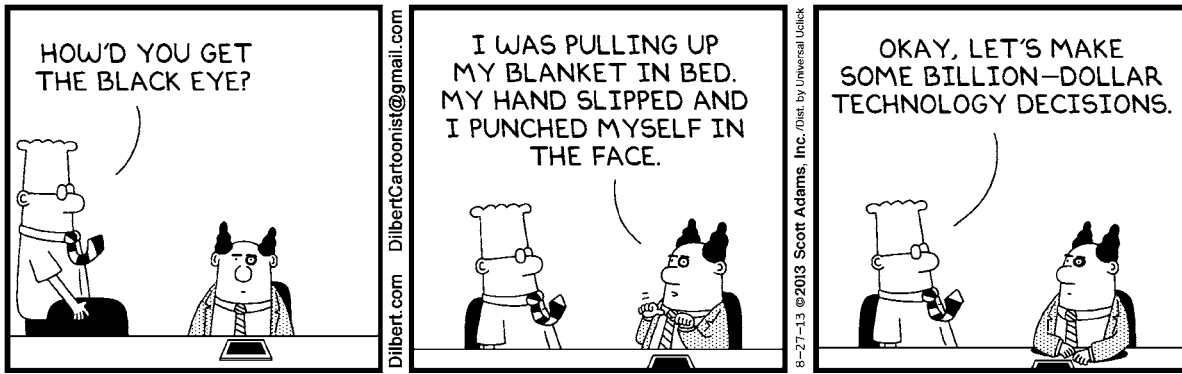
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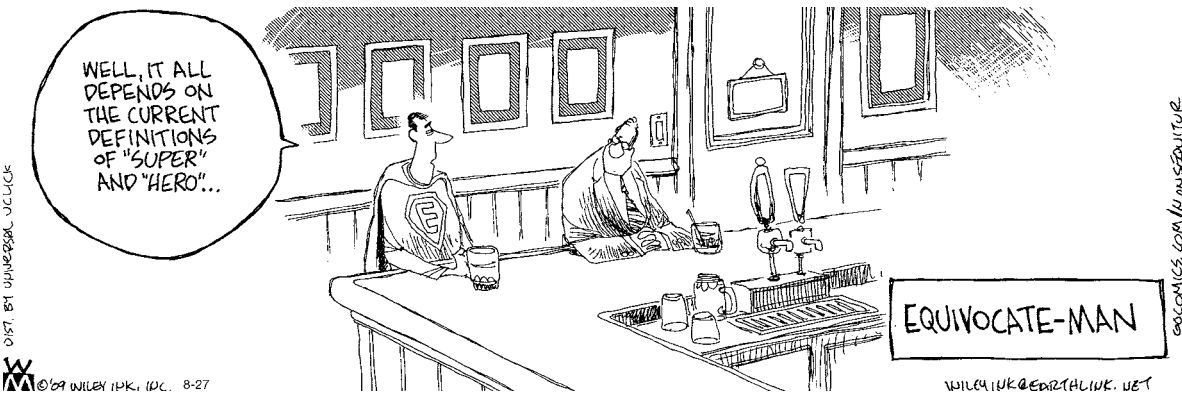
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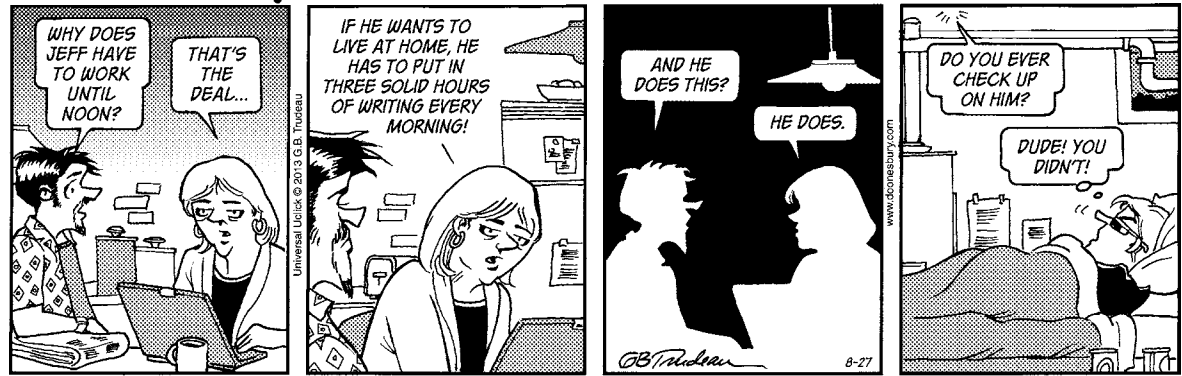
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# Swindall making the calls



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Offensive Line Coach Matt Luke talks to players during a practice last spring.

**BY JOHN LUKE MCCORD**

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Ole Miss senior center Evan Swindall is entering his fourth year in the program. There really isn't much that he hasn't seen or been asked to do at this point. However, for Swindall it isn't all about how far he can take himself, but how far he can take himself and the others around him, especially in year two of head coach Hugh Freeze's up-tempo offense.

"I feel more comfortable with the calls," Swindall said. "I think (the offensive line) will be better with (the up-tempo) this year just because of experience."

As previously mentioned, Swindall is counted upon to be a leader on the offense and help get everybody on the same page with the correct calls. However, his leadership is not limited to the other players on the field with him. He is also a key component in helping de-

velop depth at his own position.

Outside of A.J. Hawkins, who graduated last year, sophomore Ben Still was the primary backup at center last season. This season Still returns, but he is joined by former tackle and redshirt freshman Robert Conyers.

"They're learning," Swindall said of the young guys. "Every time we're in the film room I try to help them. I think they'll be ready if anything happens."

Things that Swindall mentions he helps the younger guys with the most are the calls at the line of scrimmage in reaction to the scheme the defense is in. The "thinking process" is the biggest adjustment for younger centers, according to Swindall.

As for himself, getting better is a bit of a different process.

"I try to practice hard every day," he said. "I also try to watch game film of myself, and I try to be as critical as pos-

sible."

Swindall has a simple goal when he is on the field.

"Well, I would love to never miss a block," he said, smiling. "I'd also like to grade out a 90. I haven't done that here yet, but I would like to do that a couple of times this season."

Swindall also talked about added depth that freshmen Laremy Tunsil and Austin Golson bring to the offensive line this season, saying it would be very advantageous in getting more drives in with tempo.

As for how much he thinks he will be able to come off the field this season, with two guys ready behind him?

"If I had it my way, I wouldn't," he joked. "I think whenever the coaches feel like they need to get Ben or Robert reps, they'll be ready."

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impact he will make against offenses that run multiple schemes.

On the offensive side of the ball, the freshman talk centers around wide receivers Laquon Treadwell and Quincy Adebeyejo.

"Laquon is a big body. He helps you as quarterback because defenders can't get around him to make a play on the ball," junior quarterback Bo Wallace said. "Quincy is a good route runner. He's a little banged up right now, but still looks good out there."

As for Wallace, he feels good about where his surgically repaired shoulder is and how he has progressed mentally in fall camp.

"I was stressed out after the first week or two of camp," Wallace said. "Finally, the game slowed back down for me, and it felt like it did at the end of last year. I think I was concentrating too much on my mechanics instead of just playing football. I'm just going to throw it. I don't care what it looks like as long as it gets there."

In last year's loss to Vanderbilt, much was made about the Rebels' inability to score touchdowns once they go into the red zone. This year, the offensive staff and personnel feel they are going to be better in that aspect.

"We feel like we will be a better offense this year just because so many of our guys are coming back," offensive coordinator Dan Werner said. "We just have to execute, and as coaches, we have to give them a better plan that will help them score down there."

On the injury front, Freeze

said everyone besides junior wide receiver Vince Sanders, who is out with a broken collarbone, and senior wideout Korvic Neat, who is out a month with a knee injury, should be ready to play Thursday.

The biggest concerns are at cornerback, which saw its two top returners, senior Charles Sawyer and junior Senquez Golson, miss a lot of time in fall camp.

"For all of camp, Charles has been doing conditioning," Freeze said. "The last week we turned him loose. The last few practices he's been in a normal jersey and playing. Senquez is not quite that way. He started Friday and was not as far along condition-wise as Charles is. (Sophomore) Quintavius (Burdette) will get the start. He's earned that. Senquez will come in. We'll see how the game goes. Charles is prepared to play both boundary and field corner."

Junior defensive end C.J. Johnson, senior defensive end Cameron Whigham, sophomore nose tackle Issac Gross and sophomore running back I'Tavius Mathers have all been nursing injuries during the fall, but Freeze thinks they will all be good to go for the season opener.

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Ole Miss football players run a play during practice last week.

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future,” Bjork said. “We like Texas. We like Atlanta. We like Florida. What makes sense from a recruiting standpoint? That’s where those neutral-site games are being held, so that’s what we’re looking at.”

Another hot topic during the football offseason has been the “Landshark,” which has been trademarked by Ole Miss, according to Bjork.

Bjork likes the way the shark fin hand gesture has taken off across sports all over campus and even joked that they have taught star basketball guard Marshall Henderson the correct way to do the gesture after many coined

his attempt at the shark fin as “the rooster thing.”

“I think we’ve embraced it as a program, and letting it grow organically has been really neat for our players and fans,” Bjork said. “But we’ve also embraced it with video. We’ll do a lot more things in-venue around the Landshark.”

“As things move along, we’ll have more plans for our program, but we also have Rebel, and Rebel is important in showcasing the Ole Miss Rebels. The kids love Rebel. Let the Landshark grow organically, and then, promote the fact that we’re the Ole Miss Rebels.”

For now, the term belongs to the university, and the hand gesture will be seen weekly

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throughout the football season, but the athletics department is exploring ways to incorporate the Landshark even more.

"We've had different things presented to us. Fin ideas, costume ideas," Bjork said. "I think embracing a logo right now or embracing anything else right now is not the way to go. Just let it grow and let people have fun with it. Let it be the hand to the forehead."

A lot has also been said about the new uniforms the football staff unveiled at the spring game. Bjork said nothing else is planned right now, but they are always in constant contact with Nike, the Rebels' uniform partner, about what new possibilities are.

"I think the good thing is we have a good relationship with Nike," Bjork said. "We can propose anything with them. The thing with us is tradition rules, and we can sprinkle in some new ideas every now and then."

On the men's basketball front, head coach Andy Kennedy got his squad over the hump and into the NCAA tournament for the first time in his tenure in Oxford after winning the SEC tournament.

So what's the next goal in improving the basketball program?

"Go to the next level," Bjork said. "I think that we made a big investment after the season. We're building a new basketball arena to be a destination place. I think basketball can be special here. I think the thing with basketball is to be consistent, be competing for the SEC Championship every year, getting to the NCAA tournament so there is no doubt that Ole Miss is in the tournament."

"That's obviously the first threshold, and then, you have to advance. We made the round of 32. Obviously, we have to get past to the next round."

Despite selling out seven consecutive SEC home games last year, Ole Miss basketball has not traditionally been a must-see sport on campus. Another task Bjork and his staff have is to get fans in the seats and make it a "can't miss" event.

"I think part of it has to do with our building and the functionality of an older building," Bjork said. "I think the new arena will solve some of that. But I also think just making our program more marketable and branding our program more."

During the offseason, Henderson made headlines after being suspended indefinitely. The suspension came after the Hurst, Texas, native failed a drug test, according to multiple media reports.

As for his future with the

program, Bjork said he re-joined the team as "part of the program" when he returned for the semester. Henderson will definitely miss a few games but should be back on the court for Ole Miss if he follows a plan the program has in place.

"So far, he has stuck to the plan. He's been terrific," Bjork said. "He had a great summer academically. We expect him to be a continuing part of our program, but he has work to be done. He knows the expectations."

Moving ahead to baseball, head coach Mike Bianco took his team to the NCAA tournament for the eleventh time in his 13 years at Ole Miss. However, Bianco's success has put major expectations on his program.

"We have a ton of confidence in Mike," Bjork said. "He's built the program to this level. He's been really consistent in reaching the NCAA tournament. We haven't gotten back to the 2009 status in being a couple plays away from going

to Omaha (College World Series).

"That's the realm that we have to get back to, being in the hunt. You look at this past year, the teams that went on to the Super Regionals, 14 of the 16 hosted. So getting back in the hosting conversation is a goal of ours. Mike knows baseball, he knows his program and he can sell Ole Miss as good as anybody. He believes in coaches, and we're recruiting at a much higher level since our staff has gelled in the last couple of years."

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## Freeze anxious to begin 2013 season



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Ole Miss Head Coach Hugh Freeze talks to the media during a press conference Monday afternoon.

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Ole Miss head coach Hugh Freeze kicked off game week Monday when he spoke to the media for the first press conference of the season.

Freeze, who enters his second season as the Rebel headman, is excited to get the season started. "To open the college season on opening night on national TV is somewhat of a responsibility our staff and our kids have to this great university to represent it well," Freeze said. "We don't take that lightly. We're very motivated. We've spent an enormous amount of time preparing, hopefully to go in with a very young football team in an environment with a very mature football team. That's somewhat of an unknown with how our young kids will perform."

"We don't get a warm-up shot with a tune-up game. We're going to have to do it for real in a tough environment against a team that's proven over the last few years that that opening game with them at home is something they're always ready for. No question Coach Franklin and his staff have his kids ready

to play. They're a play or two away from knocking a top-10 team off last year. It's going to be a great challenge. It's one we're very excited about."

Last season, the Rebels were hindered with depth issues, but with the progression of younger players and the addition of the talented recruiting class, it is not as big of an issue as it was last year.

"We're going to play a lot of young kids," Freeze said. "Last year, we played a lot of young kids. We're playing a lot of freshmen and sophomores. We have a few leadership seniors in some key spots. We'll need them to settle us down at times."

"We're still thin at some spots. I don't look at our depth chart right now and say we're totally there. We're not at where I perceive SEC depth charts to be. We're better than we were this time last year. I don't know if that will equate to more wins or not, but it was a step in the right direction."

All of the freshmen have done their jobs so far. In fact, Freeze even said, "Those guys are as ready as any freshman I've ever seen." However, the guy that takes most of the headline is the former No. 1 overall recruit, defensive end Robert Nkemdiche.

"If he can just understand to go out and play the game like he has the last four weeks, I think he'll be fine," defensive line coach Chris Kiffin said.

Freshman husky Tony Conner will also see a lot of playing time, and the coaches are excited to see how big of an

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## Bjork eager to take next step

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Ole Miss athletics director Ross Bjork's first year at the helm saw a good amount of success with his major programs, but he knows there is improvement to be made to begin competing for championships at a consistent level.

The football program had a remarkable turnaround in head coach Hugh Freeze's first season and finished 7-6 before making national headlines with a unanimous top-10 recruiting class in February.

Bjork likes the way Freeze is building his program, and the two see eye to eye on almost everything. That's a winning combination.

While Bjork wants Freeze to continue to succeed on the field, he knows he will have to find ways in the office to put Ole Miss at an advantage in the rigorous Southeastern Conference. One way he can do that is with scheduling, which seems to be a hot topic year-in and year-out among the college football landscape.

Some favor playing four lower-quality opponents in the nonconference slate, but others like having an attractive opponent, like Texas, which is on Ole Miss' schedule this year, or Boise State, which the Rebels will play in the 2014 season opener in Atlanta.

As for Bjork, it's simple: "Our philosophy is how do we become 4-0 in the nonconference because that's important playing in the toughest league in America," he said. "I think it's a balance. You have to look at your outliers too. How do you project your roster? How do you project recruiting? What makes sense for those matchups?"

The Rebels are renewing their series with Memphis next year when the Tigers come to Oxford, and the two schools will play each season through 2017. Bjork, who wants three nonconference games at home each season, called the trip to Memphis "another home game."

Ole Miss isn't set to play a team from a power conference again until a home and home series with Georgia Tech in 2017-18. However, Bjork is still looking for some marquee matchups.

"We like the neutral-site games, so we're exploring those moving ahead into the

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