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Two+2 Lunch Sharing Program succeeds | Holloway cleared by SEC



COURTESY ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY

LEFT TO RIGHT: Sallie Anglin, Stace Sievert, Desiree Kapler and Haley Hodges sit at High Pointe on The Square. The four students met as part of the Associated Student Body's Two+2 Lunch Sharing Program.

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Because of the growing number of University of Mississippi students, both from the United States and abroad, the Associated Student Body is taking steps toward diversity and unity.

After a mere three weeks of operation, ASB's new Two+2 Lunch Sharing Program has attracted over 200 members, including students, faculty, staff and administrators.

"I think it has gone really well, all things considered," ASB Pres-

ident Taylor McGraw said. "For a new program with limited resources, I think it has been great — only a few kinks."

McGraw said ASB has been receiving a lot of positive feedback from members of Two+2. The bulk of participants are underclassmen, but upperclassmen have also reported enjoying the program.

"My partner and I have only met two pairs so far in the Two+2 program, and I have loved it since the beginning," senior biochemistry major Ariel Rodgers said.

Rodgers said Two+2 is a great

opportunity to give advice to underclassmen, and it has been an easy, laid back way to meet different people.

Ryan Upshaw, admissions and recruitment coordinator at the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College, said he has enjoyed taking part in Two+2, as well.

"I would recommend participation to students as well as fellow staff and faculty," he said. "I think it's important for us to interact with students as much as possible since they are the reason

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FILE PHOTO | The Daily Mississippian

Junior forward Murphy Holloway throws down a dunk in a game two seasons ago.

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As expected, the Southeastern Conference announced Wednesday afternoon that junior forward Murphy Holloway has been granted immediate eligibility to compete with the Ole Miss basketball team this season.

The SEC's clearance and acceptance of the transfer rule waiver comes on the heels of the NCAA's clearance on Oct. 14.

Holloway returns to Ole

Miss, where he played his first two collegiate seasons after transferring to South Carolina. The Irmo, S.C., native sat out last season, paying his own way as a walk-on.

As a sophomore, Holloway started 30 of his 34 games and averaged 10.1 points and 7.6 rebounds, as Ole Miss advanced to the NIT Championship.

Holloway and the Ole Miss men's basketball team will open the 2011-12 season on Friday, Nov. 11, at 6:30 p.m. against Louisiana-Monroe at the Tad Smith Coliseum.

Old Taylor Road intersection issues to be fixed soon

BY JOE SCOTT
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If you have ever feared for your life walking across Old Taylor Road bridge or crossing between traffic, you'll be glad to know those problems are almost over.

The Board of Aldermen recently took another step closer

toward making the intersection of Highway 6 and Old Taylor Road safer.

Mayor "Pat" Patterson and the board approved a rezoning of property on the south side of the Old Taylor Road bridge that will be used to create the bridge.

The approval occurred last Tuesday at the board's regular meeting with little hesitation and no debate, reinforcing the city's intent to finish the project soon.

This approval marks another

big movement on the path to easing travel across the bridge, including roundabouts on both sides of the bridge along with a pedestrian bridge across the highway.

The merging of drivers exiting and entering Highway 6 on or from Old Taylor Road regularly causes hectic traffic jams and frequently distressed drivers.

"Honestly, I don't have any idea how I ever manage to get to class on time with the daily ca-

lamity on that bridge," Spencer Smith, an anthropology sophomore, said.

This step to improve Old Taylor comes after 14 years of planning and effort on the Highway 6 intersections of Jackson Avenue, Old Taylor Road and Lamar Boulevard.

"I feel like 14 years is long enough to work on some of this stuff," Patterson said.

The pedestrian bridge will be the most noticeable addition.

The design for the planned bridge will be about 250 ft. long and 8 ft. to 14 ft. wide, providing plenty of space for travel and encouraging students and citizens to walk or bike to class.

"This bridge will be very similar to the bridge over Jackson Avenue," said Tim Akers, city planning commission advisor.

The rezoning of property on Old Taylor is one of the final steps to making the several-month-long process a reality.

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Each Thursday The DM pits one columnist against another. Today we focus on the assassination of former Libyan president Muammar Gaddafi.

Gaddafi's assassination deserves a U.N. investigation



BY JAY NOGAMI
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Last week, Muammar Gaddafi was shot to death near his hometown of Sirte, Libya. The circumstances regarding his death, however, are still unclear. An investigation into his death needs to begin immediately, and the person or people responsible must be punished adequately.

Gaddafi was found alive in a sewer system and subsequently arrested. Once in custody, he somehow suffered a gunshot wound to the head that killed him. Video has been released of rebel fighters posing with Gaddafi's dead body in celebration.

An investigation to reveal the circumstances of his death is essential to maintain the credibility of the new Libyan leadership.

Gaddafi had clearly given himself up to the fighters and should have been given due process as promised by international law.

Completely undermining the system of justice that will be put in place by the new Libyan government is severely detrimental.

If Libyan leaders do not speak up and demand an investigation, the leaders will be making a statement that Gaddafi's assassination was OK.

Accepting the murder of a prisoner who had given himself up to authorities will set a horrible precedent for the brand new Libyan government. Without public support of an investigation into Gaddafi's murder, the new Libyan regime will already begin to move closer to the pre-

vious regime that largely ignored gross human rights violations.

While Gaddafi was a criminal and did commit and allow large human rights violations, he was still a human. Every human deserves a fair trial. It is certain that Gaddafi would have been found guilty and likely sentenced to execution.

This does not justify his premature death. Even the most despicable human deserves basic rights and an honorable death. The new Libyan leaders must show that they are better than Gaddafi and that they will respect the human rights of their citizens.

To show strong conviction, this investigation should be organized and led by new Libyan leadership. While assistance from international organizations will be necessary for a thorough investigation, Libya leading the way would be symbolic and create trust in a

new, honest government. Both internationally and within Libya itself, a strong response is what is best. Internationally, a Libyan investigation will show that the new leadership is serious about making Libya a better, more humane place to live. Several countries have already begun making calls for an investigation, including the United States.

Domestically, there are several issues that come into play for Libya.

Most importantly, now that the civil war is over, Gaddafi supporters must be encouraged to come together with the Libyan rebels.

If half of a country does not have any loyalty to the new government, accomplishing anything will be next to impossible. Allowing Gaddafi's murder to go unpunished will give pro-Gaddafi holdouts a reason to dislike the new government. Having a frac-

ture remain among the two sides will only cause more conflict. The new Libyan government cannot rule with military might.

Additionally, rebel supporters must have continual faith in their new government. Allowing such a travesty to slip through the cracks will not sit well with many of the activists that led the rebels.

Muammar Gaddafi was not a good man. Bad does not even begin to describe him; he was truly vile.

Despite this, he was mistreated while under custody of Libyan rebels. Strong actions must be taken to find those responsible and to punish them appropriately for the good of Libya itself.

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Gaddafi received his just desserts

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Few times throughout recorded history has one man been so hated by the people he ruled. However, it seems violent overthrow has become more common in recent decades, from Pahlavi in Iran to Hussein in Iraq, and most recently Gaddafi in Libya.

Most overthrows have a few things in common: a nation divided along ethnic or religious lines, a great divide between the leaders and the people, and masses incited to action.

Gaddafi hated the Berbers, the indigenous people of North Africa, whom he blamed for Libyan struggles. He outlawed Berber names on birth certifi-

cates, and he banned the use of their language in schools.

Gaddafi, like those overthrown before him, secluded and even harshly discriminated against a certain ethnic group.

Let it be known that to most outsiders, Gaddafi was a good politician.

Under his guidance, Libya prospered as an oil-producing country with the highest standard of living in Africa. Life expectancy rose from age 57 to 77, and the literacy rate rose from 10 percent to almost 90 percent under his rule.

Gaddafi used the natural resources Libya had to offer to improve roadways and build the Great Manmade River so that citizens had a supply of freshwater and fund public education.

However, he failed as a leader. He ruled Libya with an iron fist and ordered massacres of civilians to keep the citizenry in line. Gaddafi, from the very beginning, established committees to keep a check on internal dissent. The government often executed dissidents publicly.

Gaddafi used the oil revenue the country was bringing in from exports to purchase arms and provide elaborate lifestyles for him and his friends. Meanwhile, a striking percentage of the citizenry lived in poverty.

Protests against the Gaddafi regime began in February. The protests were peaceful until Gaddafi used force to attempt to squash them. In return, violence erupted. An opposing government was established, named the

National Transitional Council. The NTC aimed to overthrow Gaddafi and hold democratic elections. The NTC was officially recognized by the United Nations as the Libyan seat of government on Sept. 16.

However, Gaddafi was still at large and loyal forces were still fighting. On Oct. 20, the final stronghold of Gaddafi's forces was captured, and he died of unclear causes. He was not given a trial, but he was certainly found guilty.

The opposition need not give Gaddafi a trial because his crimes against humanity were obvious to the Libyans. The UN even issued an arrest warrant for Gaddafi.

There is no question Gaddafi failed his citizens. He bullied

and intimidated them through censorship and forced submission, and like so many dictators before him, he paid for his transgressions with his life at the hands of the opposition.

As a result of the conditions surrounding his death, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said she supports calls for an UN investigation to determine the circumstances and to punish those responsible.

In the minds of those who have been controlled by Gaddafi for far too long, his death is reason to celebrate, not reason to investigate.

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Withdrawing is just smoke and mirrors



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Here in Oxford, we're stretched thin with events and activities vying for our time and attention.

Jerrell Powe just signed on to the onslaught of the Forward Rebels.

We're more stressed out about midterms than Boone must be about his job, and apparently this thing called a "Green Fund" should be important to us, too.

If you're not paying careful attention, you'd barely notice that Obama said he's bringing our troops home from Iraq.

"Today, I can report that, as promised, the rest of our troops in Iraq will come home by the end of the year," he announced last Friday.

We have no need to worry though — it's just a gimmick. Rest assured: America's nation building, creating a global alliance of enemies and intervening in sovereign nations that never attacked us shall continue.

The idea of exiting Iraq a year from now was signed into law by the Bush administration in 2008. Obama is just using what's already scheduled for campaign purposes. We'll continue to occupy Iraq, just more indirectly.

America will allegedly withdraw combat troops under Obama's plan, but pay attention to what will stay. We will keep a \$1 billion embassy, the largest embassy of any country in the world. We'll also keep 15,000 troops at the embassy, troops to protect our oil interests, a dominant CIA presence and a majority of our bases.

On the same day as Obama's declaration, his deputy national security advisor said we'll keep 4,000 to 5,000 "civilian" soldiers in the country. We won't have Marines fighting Iraqis, just mercenaries to do it for us. We're replacing troops with hired guns who have different laws restricting their actions and who aren't counted in the death toll.

Obama will also keep soldiers to train Iraqi security forces to fight on our behalf.

It's the same soap opera just with different characters.

According to a foreign service officer at the State Department by the name of Peter Van Buren, the department is asking for \$5 billion from Congress to subsidize police in Iraq. Forget Memphis and Detroit — the peace-loving candidate is doing more to promote law and order in third-world countries than his own.

Don't expect this to mean Obama will cut defense spending any time soon.

The troop withdrawal isn't fooling anyone. The real enemy in the eyes of the Obama adminis-

tration is Iran, and we still have a major presence in neighboring Afghanistan. Our president said this agreement is "between sovereign nations. An equal partnership based on mutual interests and self respect."

Hillary Rodham Clinton then warned Iran to stay clear of Iraq. So much for sovereignty.

What isn't reported in the news is that there is a growing civil war in Northern Iraq and a growing alliance with Iran, Turkey and China. The Obama administration's attitudes simply invite a bigger war we have no business fighting.

Americans have woken up to the fact that unconstitutionally bombing women and children in Yemen, Libya and Pakistan doesn't really fit the description of

the man who won the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize. The longer he resides in the White House, the more he looks like the guy he replaced. It should come as no surprise that this alleged exit doesn't take effect until right before the 2012 elections.

A good amount of Obama's base is shifting to the Republican Party for anti-war candidates like Ron Paul and John Huntsman, though, and the president is nervous about this election cycle. He's proven he can't do anything good for the economy; pretending to be a man of peace is his last resort. The only candidates who deserve any credit are the ones who demand we get out of the Middle East completely.

There's no shame in caring more about things here in Oxford

than Obama's smoke and mirrors.

At least the popularity contests of the elections on campus are more genuine than what we see on a national level. The Forward Rebels call for more meaningful change than anything Obama brought. A raise in tuition for a green fund might achieve more

tangible results than our troop withdrawal.

Obama's announcement is irrelevant for a reason — it's too good to be true.

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Security cameras deemed success by Oxford police

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Two months and \$37,000 later, Oxford Police Department's security cameras on the Square are still filming in an effort to decrease crime.

After working on the idea of adding 10 extra video surveillance cameras on the Oxford Square since April, the Oxford Board of Aldermen approved the purchase July 5, and the cameras were installed on Aug. 15 by the Madison-based company ADGIX.

"With the increased late-night

activity, we have seen an increase in violence," Mayor George "Pat" Patterson said. "We should have had these cameras in place 10 years ago."

With a record increase in student population at the University of Mississippi, there has also been an increase of students on the Square late at night.

Patterson said the cameras have already served their purpose and have captured other unnamed occurrences that have concerned him and other Oxford city officials.

Oxford Police Chief Mike Martin said the cameras are be-

ing used to prevent crime, but they are also being used as a tool to catch someone who has committed a crime.

"There have been instances of assaults, in which the victims received severe injuries and no one would come forward as witnesses," he said. "The cameras can provide valuable evidence in solving these types of instances."

One of the main reasons for the additional cameras on the Square is to be able capture a crime on tape, as well as to prevent students and locals from getting into violent situations.

"We kind of hope that it's a preventative thing, so that people would start to think twice about what they are doing, because right now they obviously are not," Patterson said.

Patterson said he has heard mixed responses to the cameras' installations, but he said he believes it is something that needed to be done years ago.

"I've heard some students

complain that it is an invasion of their privacy, and my response is, 'Behave yourself and there isn't an issue,'" he said.

Andrew Abrams, a real estate senior from Atlanta, said he feels comfortable with the installation of the cameras.

"I don't see anything wrong with putting up some cameras on the Square," Abrams said. "If anything, they are probably making the Square a safer place for students and Oxford locals."

Abrams said he believes the cameras will eventually prevent people from becoming violent on the Square once they are caught on tape a few times.

Oxford has continually increased its implementation of security, from more police officers on the Square to officers on horseback and now to security cameras.

Patterson said the increase of security has only been to protect students and citizens of the Oxford community, and he said the city officials will do whatever

they need to keep violence from the Square.

While the cameras record happenings on the Square, they also stream live footage to a dispatch officer at Oxford Police Department. This gives OPD the ability to recognize a crime early so they will be able to dispatch officers to the exact location of the offense. OPD assigns an officer to be on duty at the police station who watches the cameras and informs the officers on the Square as to where an incident might be forming.

Martin believes the cameras, along with officers on horseback and officers on foot, are all playing a major role in making the Square a safer place to be at night.

"Any time you have an area with thousands of people in it, there is always the possibility of trouble," he said. "The police department is tasked with using any resource it can (to) provide a safe environment for its citizens."

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PlayStation Dorm Crashers visit campus

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PlayStation's Dorm Crashers has come to campus to show off its new PlayStation 3D Display.

Oxford is one of 28 cities in the United States that the Dorm Crashers will visit to show off new equipment and games to top colleges and universities before they go on the market.

The University of Mississip-

pi was chosen to be one of the Dorm Crashers' stops because PlayStation "felt that this was a great opportunity for students, who are among our most loyal fans, to learn more about PlayStation products and get hands on with the newest PS3 games and accessories," according to a Sony Computer Entertainment America representative.

Joseph Katool, a graphic design junior, who admittedly doesn't

play video games but plans to pursue a career in marketing, believes Dorm Crashers is a great strategy by PlayStation.

"There's a fair number of college students that do play video games, and so for them to actually come and give their target demographic an opportunity to get hands-on experience with the products they want to sell to them, I think that's a good thing," he said.

The areas set up for students to try out new games include six PlayStation 3D Gaming Kiosks, as well as new and unreleased games to play.

"The 3D Display that we're showcasing gives students access to 3D gaming at an affordable price with a streamline form factor that's ideal for dorm rooms and bedrooms," the representative said.

PlayStation's 3D display is a 24-inch LCD monitor with HD 1080p picture that works with 3D glasses.

This not only shows the game in 3D, but also gives each player a full screen of view when playing with other gamers, whereas other monitors would show a split screen to each player.

Micheal Gaylor, a chemical engineering freshman and member of the Ole Miss Gamers Association, said he is excited to try out the new 3D system.

"The entire Ole Miss Gamers Association is pumped about it," he said. "They've been talking it up for the past few weeks."

The Dorm Crashers will be at the Student Union from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and at The Levee from 9 p.m. until 12 a.m. The Dorm Crashers will meet with the Gamers Association on Friday.

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Mississippi Innocence Film Shown at Overby Center

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After freeing two men who were wrongly convicted of murder, a group started by the University of Mississippi Law School has now hit the big screen.

The Overby Center for Southern Journalism and Politics held a screening of the documentary film "Mississippi Innocence" from the Mississippi Innocence Project Tuesday evening.

The film focused on how MIP freed Kennedy Brewer and Levon Brooks of Noxubee County in 2008, both of whom were wrongly convicted of murder.

After the film, a panel led by former MSNBC producer and current Ole Miss journalism professor Cynthia Joyce, asked questions of four panelists, including filmmaker Joe York, New York Times reporter Campbell Robertson, senior writer for the Huffington Post Radley Balko and former Mississippi Supreme Court Justice Fred Banks.

Banks, who served as a presiding judge in the Brewer case, commented on the state of the criminal defense system in Mississippi.

"We've been for years trying to get an adequate criminal defense system because we don't have an adequate defense and real criminals go free, (whereas) other people get wrongfully convicted, and what this film depicts is just that," he said.

The discussion covered incompetence in the Mississippi justice system that led to the wrongful convictions of the two men. The main focus was on Dr. Steven Hayne, who was not interviewed in the film, and Noxubee County District Attorney Forrest Allgood, who prosecuted both cases.

Hayne did the autopsies for both murder cases and was proven wrong in his evidence for both the Brewer and Brooks cases. It turned out Noxubee County citizen Justin Johnson admitted to the rape and murder of both the little girls once the evidence came out against him.

Balko talked about how Hayne took over the autopsy processes in both cases even though there were many reasons to question his credentials.

"It's a system where the incentives are set up to sort of reward people who are willing to be corrupted," he said. "And that is how Dr. Hayne was basically able to monopoli-



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LEFT TO RIGHT: Campbell Robertson, Fred Banks, Joe York, and Radley Balko are led in a discussion by Cynthia Joyce about the Mississippi Innocence Project screening.

lize the autopsy system in Mississippi."

Toward the end of the film, Allgood said that the system failed in one sense, but in another sense it worked and nobody died. This statement provoked some emotion, considering the fact that the two girls were murdered by the same person.

"I think that he is unfeeling to say that no one died, to let those words escape your

mouth," York said.

York said he did not believe Allgood could see past winning a case.

"I thought it was really eye-opening that even when we consider ourselves so modern, that that type of injustice on that big of a scale could still be going on, especially in your home state," public policy leadership freshman Joseph Duffy said. "It's just kind of shocking."

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we are here."

The program is led by ASB Director of Diversity Kaylen Addison, who is also a member of the program.

"I really love the program," she said. "I love that it's a chance for people to meet others that they probably never would have met before, which is exactly what diversity is about."

McGraw said they have encountered no major problems with the program, and he said he hopes it will become a permanent program at Ole Miss.

"Any changes will come by way of improvements on our end," McGraw said. "We are going to start doing a better job of communication and advertising."

Addison also said they have not come across many problems, and ASB is constantly working to improve the program.

"Every single week, we work out a glitch that we had from the previous week to improve the process," she said.

Several members have said they hope and expect the Two+2 program to become permanent.

"I think Two+2 will be here to stay as long as ASB publicizes it well," Rodgers said. "If they can keep this an ongoing program and start earlier in the year, then this will be a great success."

The program will continue until the week before Thanksgiving break and start back up again in the spring semester.

Those interested can apply for the program at the ASB office or online.

"You're going to eat lunch anyway, so you might as well eat with somebody," Addison said.

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Water leaks call for policy adjustment in Oxford



PETRE THOMAS | The Daily Mississippian
Because leaking faucets have been causing water bills to rise, The City Water Adjustment Policy has decided to cut bills in half.

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If you are an Oxford resident worried about a water leak driving up your water bill, then you may have a reason to relax.

Last Tuesday in a regular meeting, the Board of Aldermen passed a measure to displace the cost of water bills altered by on-property leaks.

The City Water Adjustment Policy is a measure that cuts off half of your water bill and half of your sewage bill if a leak is found on your property.

If the leak is outdoors, then it will be half off your water bill and fully take away sewage charges.

"If there is a leak on your

property, and we can verify that there was a leak, then there is certainly a need for adjustment," Bart Robinson of the City Planning Commission said.

This adjustment in city policy comes after several complaints made by city residents after receiving extensive water bills, and then discovered a leak in their properties' pipes.

The city has made adjustments in the past to help residents with the problem, but the old policy was too flawed and murky.

The answer to this issue comes after a good deal of debate by the Board of Aldermen and city officials, and it has been a topic at board meetings since it was introduced at a special meeting in

August.

"This comes after a lot of discussion, and we believe this is the best answer," Robinson said.

The measure passed will put a restriction on your bill if you have already received the adjustment for a water leak, consequently making you ineligible for the next year.

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Broadcast journalism junior Natalie Wood is crowned the 2011 "Most Beautiful" by Caroline Conerly on Wednesday. Wood was named the 61st most beautiful. The Parade of Beauties, which is held by the Student Programming Board, was judged by Ann Bailey, Hozay Hausley, Robert Harris and Barbara Shackelford.

FITNESS COLUMN

Inhale, exhale: the benefits of meditation

BY MEGAN MASSEY
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Meditation is often thought of as a practice belonging solely to Eastern religions. However, most religions have some form of meditation practice.

Today, there is evidence of meditation being a healthy practice for all, especially those of us who are overwhelmed by school and work.

To meditate, one must simply clear his or her mind, breathe deeply and relax; it's about learning to focus on the present instead of living in the past or the future.

There are many different forms of meditation.

Basic meditation involves sitting in a comfortable position, closing the eyes, taking deep breaths through the nose and clearing the mind. Yet many people find it difficult to be still or keep their minds clear.

In order to rectify this, you can light a candle and focus on the flame or count to four on your "inhales" and "exhales."

Another more involved alternative to basic meditation is "active" meditation, which could be a number of activi-

ties, including hiking or jogging, which helps to focus the mind on the present moment and focus on breathing.

Yoga is another form of meditation that has a number of benefits.

Not only does yoga help one's mental state, it also helps to relieve back pain, improve digestion, build muscle and stretch the body.

The point of the practice is to center oneself, to acknowledge the world around you and to be OK with what you see.

Because of its calming nature, meditation aids in stress reduction, something that most of us desperately need post-midterms with finals looming on the horizon.

By taking a few minutes each day to relax and clear the mind, it becomes easier to cope with difficult situations and to have peace of mind.

Meditation also helps people who have "loud" minds.

Sometimes we tend to let our minds race, making it difficult to study or sleep.

A few minutes of meditation before bed can help still the mind, making the body more susceptible to sleep.

It also aids in learning to focus on the task at hand, making it easier to retain information when studying because you aren't having to go back and read the same sentence over again.

By learning to "live in the present moment" and enjoying it, we focus less on the disappointments of the past and the worries of the future.

If you should have started studying yesterday for an exam but didn't, stressing about that today isn't going to help you. All that does is frustrate you and make it more difficult to focus right now.

With the busy lifestyles that most of us lead, taking a few moments out of our day to let go of the things that wear on us and stress us out helps us put our troubles into perspective.

Being calm is a characteristic that many of us are not familiar with, especially when the semester feels as though it's rushing to an end.

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Baseball notebook: wrapping up fall practice

BY AUSTIN MILLER
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Top-five recruiting class to be counted on early

The 2011 recruiting class, ranked third nationally by Collegiate Baseball and fifth nationally by Baseball America, is finishing up their first fall practice that lasted six weeks and included the Red-Blue scrimmage Oct. 15, 17 other intra-squad scrimmages and this week's Red-Blue World Series.

Nine players from this class were selected in this past June's Major League Baseball Draft.

To this point, it's the pitchers,

led by freshman right-hander Josh Laxer, that stands out to head coach Mike Bianco.

"To this point, (Josh) Laxer, by evidence of him throwing in the Red-Blue scrimmage has done a little bit better than the other freshman pitchers," Bianco said. "Hawtin (Buchanan) and Chris (Ellis) have done well and just need to continue to improve."

Other newcomers Bianco mentioned were junior college transfer Andrew Mistone, who is competing with sophomore Preston Overbey at third base, and freshmen Will Jamison, Auston Bousfield and Senquez Golson, who will all be competing with

junior Tanner Mathis and senior Zach Kirksey for playing time in the outfield.

Snyder returns for senior season

Matt Snyder, who has battled left shoulder injuries each of the past two seasons, was selected in the 44th round by the Washington Nationals, but decided to return for his senior season. Last season, despite injuries, Snyder played in all 55 games, hit .301 and led the team with nine home runs and 39 runs batted in.

"To get a player like Matt (Snyder) back for his senior year doesn't happen much. Matt has been one of the best hitters that we've had since I've been here in 11 years," he said. "He's just an impact player in the middle of the lineup. To get him back is big. He's as healthy as he's ever been."

Wahl in line to be the Friday night starter

All three of last season's weekend starters - Matt Crouse, Austin Wright and David Goforth - were all selected in the MLB Draft and are now playing professional baseball. Sophomore right-hander Bobby Wahl, who burst onto the scene last season in the closer's role, is the leading candidate to be the Friday night starter. He appeared in 18 games and posted a 4.80 earned run average with four saves.

"If we were to start today, Bob-

by (Wahl) has kind of separated himself as the Friday night guy," he said. "He's done terrific in the intersquad-games, and it's probably the role that we imagined him in when we recruited him. He's done terrific and think he's going to be able to solidify that role on Friday night."

If the season were to start today, Bianco said senior right-hander R.J. Hively would be the Saturday night starter. Bianco is less sure who would be the Sunday night starter, but he mentioned the freshmen and junior right-hander Tanner Bailey. Junior right-hander Brett Huber is expected to return to his closer's role, where he earned Freshman All-America honors.

Road trips to TCU and Louisville to prepare Ole Miss for conference play

Bianco and Ole Miss baseball released the 2012 schedule last month that includes 32 home games and seven series against NCAA Tournament teams from last season.

Highlighting the non-conference is the three-game series at TCU to open the season. The Horned Frogs have reached eight straight NCAA Tournaments, including the College World Series two years ago.

After the TCU series, Ole Miss returns home for a 12-game home stand, before a two-game midweek series at Louisville, be-

fore the start of Southeastern Conference play. The Cardinals have made four of the last five NCAA Tournaments.

"Certainly to open up at TCU and then, a few weeks after, to go to Louisville is certainly going to be a big challenge for us and something that's going to prepare us," he said. "You need to be prepared going into our league."

In conference play, Ole Miss will play host to Auburn, Florida, Arkansas, LSU and Tennessee. The Rebels will go on to the road to play Alabama, Kentucky, Georgia, Mississippi State and Vanderbilt.

Of the 10 SEC teams on the schedule, six teams were selected to the NCAA Tournament, three reached the College World Series and South Carolina defeated Florida in the championship series.

Red team takes game one of the Red-Blue World Series/Pizza Bowl

Kirksey, Mistone and Snyder all homered, while sophomore right-hander Bobby Wahl pitched four scoreless innings to help the Red team to a 10-4 win. The two teams will play the second game of the best-of-three series tomorrow at 2:30 p.m., with an if-necessary game three set for 2:30 p.m. on Friday at Swayze Field.

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Cunningham makes an impact in her return from injury last season

BY MATT SIGLER
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The middle blocker position is not for the weak. It is not for anyone who is scared of the action or to find themselves in the thick of the action. The Ole Miss Rebel volleyball team has found a player who exemplifies what it takes to play this position in junior Courtney Cunningham.

The Chicago native was a four-year letter winner at Walter Payton College Prep and was named the No. 89 senior in the nation coming out of high school in 2008. As Cunningham's career continued into college, she made an instant impact at Ole Miss. In her freshman season, she played in 18 matches and made nine starts.

Things took a turn for the worse in her sophomore season, however, when Cunningham suffered a season-ending ACL tear after playing just 11 matches, drawing the start in two of them. Despite losing her season to injury, she was able to take a lot from the experience.

"It was a long process," Cunningham said. "It helped me to become a better player because with that I learned that patience really is a virtue. I learned that I

have to go at my own speed and just take it one day at a time."

Cunningham's road to recovery wasn't an easy one, but through trials and tribulations, she was able to pull through.

"I had to focus on the next thing to get better and still be there for my teammates even though I'm not physically on the court," she said. "I just had to pick up a different role with that injury, and getting back after going through all those trials, testing, jumping on my one leg and just getting back to normal made me focus."

Cunningham came back stronger after the injury and has made a shining impact for the Rebels with her play this season. So far this season, she has recorded 97 kills, averaging 1.47 per set and is second on the team with 57 total blocks. It is mainly her fearless attitude at the net that has caught the eye of many.

"It takes a strong mentality to go up there," Cunningham said. "Every play you have to know that if you make a misjudgment, you still have to put yourself out there and make a contribution to your team. You have to know that there are going to be plays where you're not going to make the right read, and you still have

to be strong and go up and get the next one."

Despite Cunningham's aggressive play at the net and contributions to the team, the Rebels have fallen into a bit of a slump this year with a 6-14 record, including a 2-10 mark in Southeastern Conference play. However, going into the second half of conference play, coming off a five-set win at LSU, the Rebels are looking to turn things around and salvage the season.

"Right now I wouldn't say that we have fallen off," Cunningham said. "I think right now it is just the little things that are killing us, and that is what we are trying to pick up on. We are trying to be more focused on just little ball drops, free balls that we can handle. We're trying to make better plays off of them. We're right up there with these big teams, and we have shown it consistently. We have the potential to be the best team in the SEC."

To reach that point, though, the Rebels are going to have to string together a lot of wins down the stretch to make a run at postseason play. It will take quite the effort to put themselves in position, but Cunningham and her teammates believe that at this point, they are ready.

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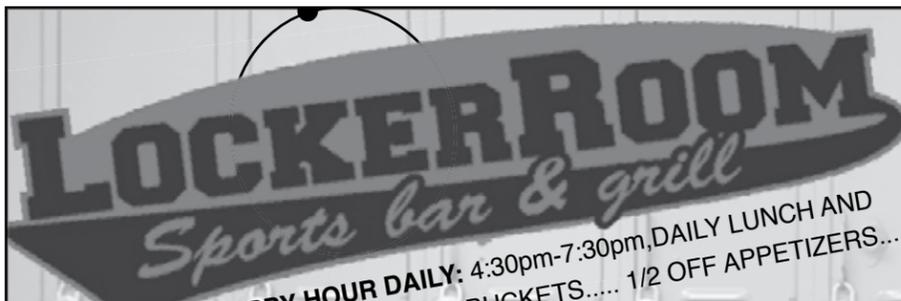
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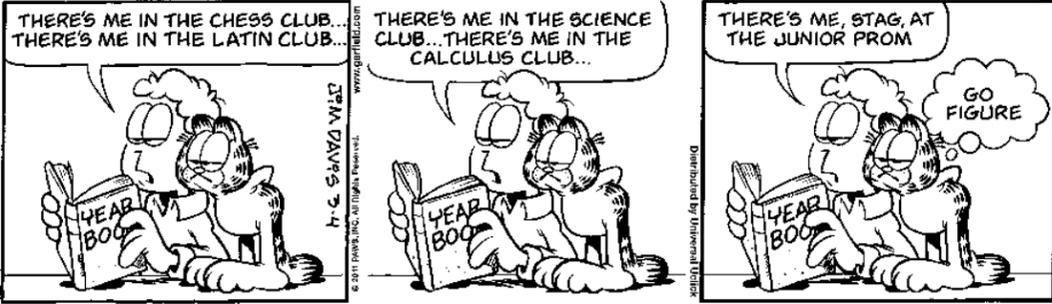


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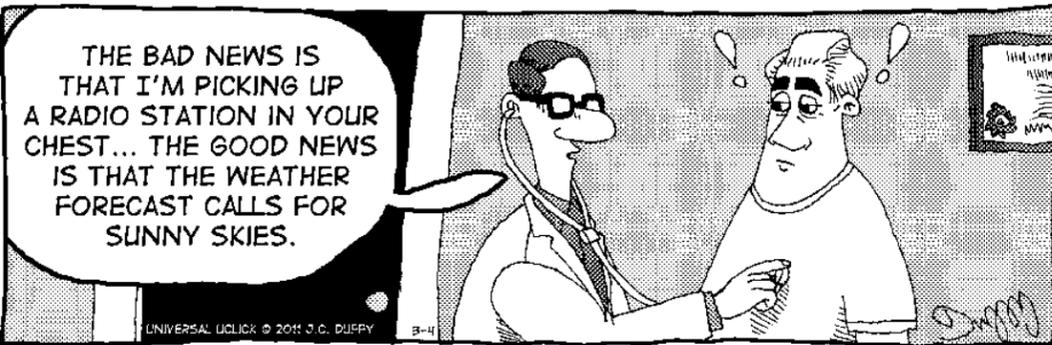
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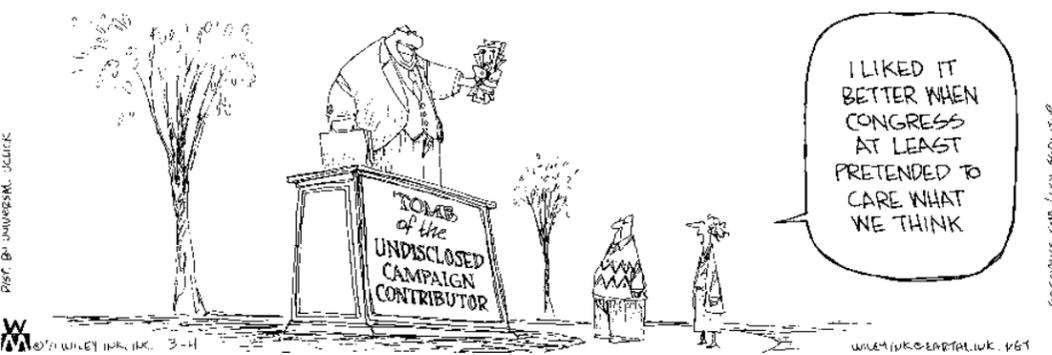
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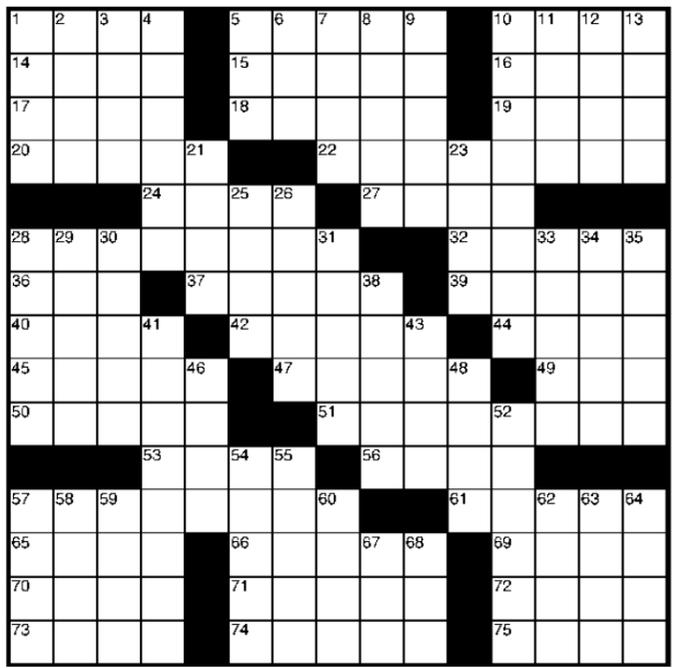
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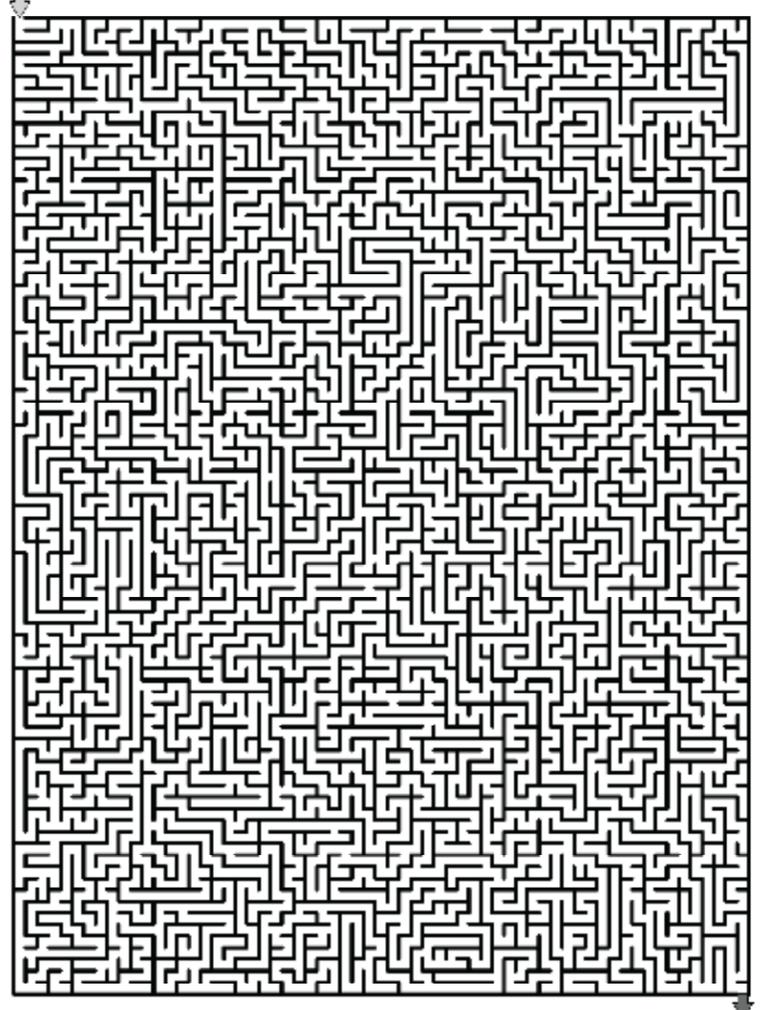
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SEC Football Power Poll: Week 9

BY AUSTIN MILLER
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1. LSU (8-0, 5-0 SEC, 1st last week):



Even without star sophomore cornerback Tyrann Mathieu and two other suspended players, LSU continues to march toward next week's "Game of the Century" at Alabama with a 45-10 blowout of Auburn. Sophomore running back Michael Ford (82 yards) and freshman running back Kenny Hilliard (65 yards and two touchdowns) led the way on the ground, and senior quarterbacks Jarrett Lee and Jordan Jefferson threw for a combined 219 yards and three touchdowns. The defense had six sacks and two turnovers, including senior cornerback Ron Brooks' 28-yard interception return for a touchdown.

This week: Bye, Next week: at Alabama (8-0, 5-0 SEC), 7 p.m., CBS

2. Alabama (8-0, 5-0 SEC, 2nd last week):



For the third straight week, the Crimson Tide overcame a lackluster first half with a dominant second-half performance, as Alabama overwhelmed Tennessee 37-6 on Saturday. After going into halftime tied at 6-6, the Crimson Tide scored on their next five possessions. Coming off a career-high 183 yard and four touchdowns against Ole Miss, junior running back Trent Richardson could not make it seven straight 100-yard games, finishing with 77 yards and two touchdowns on 17 carries. Through the air, Sophomore quarterback AJ McCarron completed 17 of 26 passes for 284 yards, including a 39-yard touchdown pass.

This week: Bye, Next week: LSU (8-0, 5-0 SEC), 7 p.m., CBS

3. Arkansas (6-1, 2-1 SEC, 3rd last week):



The Razorbacks got off to another slow start Saturday, falling behind the Ole Miss 17-0 in the first half, but scored 29 unanswered points and held off a late fourth-quarter rally to win 29-24 in Oxford. At some point, perhaps this week at Vanderbilt, Arkansas will not have the luxury of coming back after a slow start. Junior quarterback Tyler Wilson was held in check for much of the game, completing just 13 of 28 passes for 232 yards and no touchdown. Junior running back Dennis Johnson had a breakout game on the ground, going for 160 yards on 15 carries, including a 52-yard touchdown run.

This week: at Vanderbilt (4-3, 1-3 SEC), 11:21 a.m., SEC Network

4. Georgia (5-2, 4-1 SEC, 5th last week):



Like last week, I think South Carolina has the better body of work for the season, but I think Georgia will win the SEC Eastern Division. However, that prediction starts and ends with the "World's Largest Outdoor Cocktail Party" this Saturday in Jacksonville against Florida. From there, it's a home game with Auburn and a road trip to Kentucky, while the Bulldogs need help in the way of a South Carolina loss to win the division. At Vanderbilt two weeks ago sophomore quarterback Aaron Murray threw for a career-high 326, as Georgia held off a furious comeback in a 33-28 win.

This week vs. Florida (4-3, 2-3 SEC), 2:30 p.m., CBS

5. South Carolina (6-1, 4-1 SEC, 6th last week):



The Gamecocks control their own destiny in the SEC Eastern Division race, but it starts a difficult three-game stretch to end conference play at Tennessee, followed by Arkansas on the road and then Florida at home. South Carolina will do so without star sophomore running back Marcus Lattimore, who is out for the season with a knee injury. At running back, the starter is now freshman Brandon Wilds with the possible return of junior Kenny Miles, who led the team in rushing two years ago. There is also more pressure than ever on sophomore quarterback Connor Shaw and junior wide receiver Alson Jeffery to make plays in the passing game and on the defense to carry the team the rest of the way.

This week: at Tennessee (3-4, 0-4 SEC), 6:15 p.m., ESPN2

6. Auburn (5-3, 3-2 SEC, 4th last week):



It was ugly and it was bad for first-time starting quarterback Clint Moseley and Auburn in Death Valley Saturday, as LSU dominated 45-10, including a stretch of 38 unanswered points. Moseley completed 12 of 20 passes for 145 yards, but was also sacked six times and threw an interception that was returned for a touchdown. The running game also struggled, going for 87 yards on 34 carries. The defense could not stop LSU on the ground (174 yards and two touchdowns) or through the air (219 yards and three touchdowns). After Ole Miss, Auburn gets a bye week, heading into a road game at rival Georgia.

This week: Ole Miss (2-5, 0-4 SEC), 6 p.m., ESPNU

7. Florida (4-3, 2-3 SEC, 7th last week):



Two weeks ago, the Gators were in all sorts of disarray, particularly on special teams, in a 17-6 loss at Auburn. After a bye week, senior quarterback John Brantley and senior running back Jeff Demps are expected to return from injury. Florida still has an outside shot in the SEC Eastern Division because of remaining games with Georgia and South Carolina, but they without a doubt will have a say in who wins the division. The Gators have dominated the series with the Bulldogs, having won 18 of the last 21 games, and with Georgia alum Will Muschamp roaming the Florida sidelines, there's even more at stake.

This week: vs. Georgia (5-2, 4-1 SEC), 2:30 p.m., CBS

8. Tennessee (3-4, 0-4 SEC, 8th last week):



The Volunteers played Alabama even for a half, before the Alabama Crimson Tide rolled to a 37-6 win, in which they dominated the second half. Tennessee converted two fourth downs to set up each of their first-half field goal drives. However, on a fourth-and-one play, senior quarterback Matt Simms was stopped short and then Alabama scored on the next play to go up 20-6 and it was off to the races for the Crimson Tide. Senior running back Tauren Poole rushed for 67 yards on 19 carries, but the offense only gained 155 yards of total offense, while Alabama finished with 437.

This week: South Carolina (6-1, 4-1 SEC), 6:15 p.m., ESPN2

9. Vanderbilt (4-3, 1-3 SEC, 9th last week):



Don't look now, but the Commodores are above .500 and have a bowl game firmly in their sights after 44-21 win over Army Saturday. In his first career start, junior quarterback Jordan Rodgers completed 10 of 27 passes for 186 yards and a touchdown. It was also Vanderbilt, and not Army, the nation's leading rushing attack, that dominated on the ground. Junior Zac Stacy ran for a career-high 198 yards and three touchdowns, while Rodgers added 96 yards and a touchdown. The Commodores are two wins from bowl eligibility, their first postseason appearance since 2008.

This week: Arkansas (6-1, 2-1 SEC), 11:21 a.m., SEC Network

10. Mississippi State (3-4, 0-4 SEC, 10th last week):



Two weeks ago, the Bulldogs outgained and led South Carolina for much of the game, but came up short in a 14-12 loss. Sophomore quarterback Tyler Russell started in place of benched senior quarterback Chris Relf, but for this Saturday's game at Kentucky, it remains unsettled who will get the start. Since close losses to Auburn and LSU early in the season, Mississippi State has been a disappointment and the bye week came at a good time to regroup and figure things out. The Bulldogs still have to play Alabama and Arkansas, so Kentucky this Saturday is a must-win for bowl eligibility.

This week: at Kentucky (3-4, 0-3 SEC), 6 p.m., Fox Sports Net

11. Ole Miss (2-4, 0-3 SEC, 11th last week):



The Rebels jumped out to a 17-0 lead on the Arkansas Razorbacks, but 29 unanswered points, including a 52-yard touchdown run before the half, was too much to overcome in a 29-24 loss Saturday. Junior quarterback Randall Mackey completed 18 of 30 passes for 219 yards with two touchdowns and an interception, while freshman wide receivers Donte Moncrief and Nickolas Brassell combined for 13 catches and 143 yards. On the ground, the difference in the game, Arkansas outgained Ole Miss 206-151. Like Mississippi State, four wins and bowl eligibility starts this Saturday at Auburn.

This week: at Auburn (5-3, 3-2 SEC), 6 p.m., ESPNU

12. Kentucky (3-4, 0-3 SEC, 12th last week):



After a slow start, the Wildcats avoided the upset and broke out with a season-high 445 yards of total offense in a 38-14 win over Jacksonville State. The offense, which ranks 118th in total offense and 111th in scoring offense, showed signs of life, heading into back-to-back home games with Mississippi State and Ole Miss. Junior quarterback Morgan Newton completed 10 of 16 passes for 105 yards and two touchdowns, while rushing for 75 yards and another touchdown. Carrying the load on the ground was CoShik Williams, who ran for a career-high 148 yards on 22 carries.

This week: Mississippi State (3-4, 0-4 SEC), 6 p.m., Fox Sports Net

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have to watch McCaleb getting the ball to the edge because he can run that sweep and hit the corner," he said.

Defensive Coordinator Tyrone Nix has been impressed with what he has seen from Auburn's offense.

"Auburn's offense is very multiple and very explosive," Nix said. "They do a great job of using formations. You have got to play very disciplined football. They are a run-first football team. It starts with their running backs and everybody else they put it in there."

Auburn has played three quarterbacks over the course of the season. Junior Barrett Trotter started the first seven games of the season, sophomore Clint Moseley got the starting nod in last week's 45-10 loss at LSU, and freshman Kiehl Frazier is the wildcard and a dual-threat option at quarterback.

"Trotter and Moseley are very similar," he said. "They run the same offense. The only time it changes is when Frazier comes in and you see a little bit more quarterback runs at that time."

The passing game has struggled this year for Auburn, as the Tigers come in to Saturday's game ranked 106th in the nation in passing (163.5 yards per game), Nix said the lack of explosiveness from the passing game is a result of injuries.

"I think what has happened is they have had some injuries at key positions which kept them from being as explosive in the passing game and they have had to rely on the running game a little bit more," he said.

The Rebels have had trouble making tackles at times this season, which is something Nix said the players have been working on this week in practice.

"We are trying to emphasize discipline, being where you are supposed to be and when you are there make the tackle," he said. "It's not always a kill shot. I think that is where some of the guys make a mistake trying to make a SportsCenter, NFL-type hit, but actually the most important thing is getting the guy on the ground with the fewest amount of yards gained as possible."

Mackey set to make first SEC road start

Randall Mackey made his first career start on the road at Ole Miss, and he will make his first SEC start on the road as well. Coach Nutt said Mackey will be as prepared as he can be going into the game.

"We are trying to get him prepared as best we can, you can never simulate 80 something thousand," Nutt said. "This will be a real good test and experience for him. After his third start he has done a good job got to keep coming and have really good concentration next few days. You can see him getting better and getting more comfortable."

Football Notebook: Stopping the Auburn offense and working on tackling

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Ole Miss head coach Houston Nutt met with media after practice Wednesday, as the Rebels continue to prepare for Saturday's game at Auburn. Nutt said one of the keys for his team this week is preventing big plays.

"I just don't like giving up long runs and giving up big plays es-

pecially when it is third and 13, that just breaks your back and you can't do that," Nutt said. "We are working hard on that. Everybody has a job responsibility to do, take care of your gap and go make a tackle. We have had been concentration on that but you have to do it in the game against the really good backs."

The biggest threat to break those big plays Saturday against the Ole

Miss defense is the one-two punch at running back in sophomore Michael Dyer and junior Onterio McCalebb. Leading the way on the ground is Dyer, who ranks third in the Southeastern Conference with 812 rushing yards and two touchdowns this season.

"He is one of the hardest running tailbacks in the league," he said of Dyer. "He is built low to the ground. He is very strong below the waist; he is strong legged, breaks tackles and is faster than you think."

Nutt has been equally as impressed with McCalebb, who has 387 rushing yards and two touchdowns this season.

"McCalebb is the guy that really sets up Dyer because you have to respect his speed," he said. "You



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Freshman linebacker Serderius Bryant tackles an Arkansas ballcarrier in last Saturday's 29-24 loss. Bryant, who has 23 tackles this season, is one of three freshmen linebackers contributing to the Ole Miss defense that looks to stop the run-first Auburn offense this Saturday.

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