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## FOR COLLEGES, TENURE MAY BE ON ITS WAY OUT

*This is the first installment of a two part series examining tenure on college campuses today. Tenure is a hotly debated topic on college campuses today with some calling for its reform or even abolition.*

BY DAVID HOPPER  
The Daily Mississippian

Critics of tenure, which provides job security to professors who earn it, say it encourages laziness among an aging academy, blocks opportunities for young faculty members and promotes useless research.

On the other hand, tenure supporters argue that professors with job security are able to challenge students by risking unpopularity and may express controversial opinions without fear of retribution.

Tenure has received increased attention in Mississippi over the past year.

Last December the state College Board gave initial approval to policy changes that would reduce how much warning time is required to terminate tenured professors for budgetary reasons. The University of Mississippi drafted a response opposing the policy, according to minutes from a Jan. 26 Faculty Senate meeting.

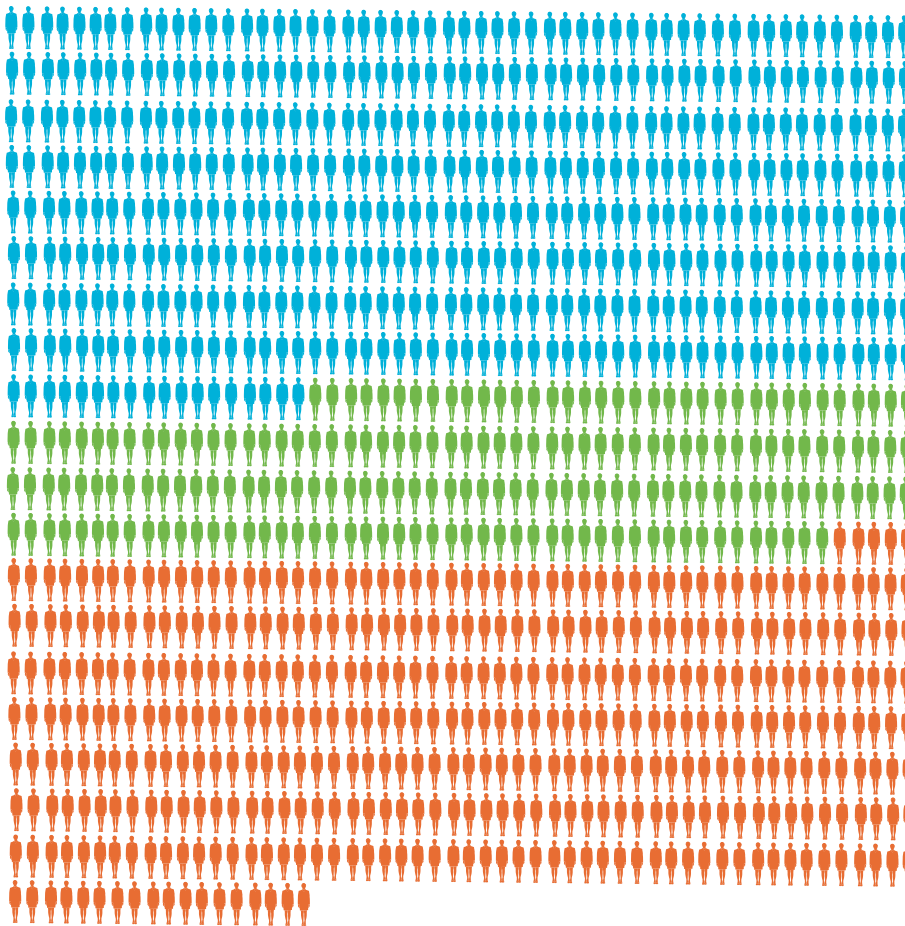
Maurice Eftink, Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate School who reviews all applications for tenure by faculty, said the tenure policy at Ole Miss has been the same for years and there are no plans to change it.

"For institutions of our type that are more traditional institutions that value teaching, research and service, tenure is of continuing value to us," he said. "There are some universities where tenure has been scrapped. I'm not a

334 Tenured

168 Tenure track

375 Non-tenured



proponent of that at all."

At the beginning of this school year, 29 University of Southern Mississippi faculty members, half of whom are tenured, were notified they would lose their jobs after this year.

The professors are in programs, including recreation administration and German, which the university plans to eliminate due to budget constraints.

Also, a bill was proposed in the state legislature that would prohibit all universities in the state from granting tenure. Lacking

support, it died in committee last February.

Faculty Senate Chair Robert Albritton, a political science professor, said he feels there's a movement from outside the academy to abolish tenure.

"It comes from political forces," he said. "It comes from people who want to direct universities in a little bit different way. For example, some people want to turn major research institutions into community colleges. They want to, I would say, overemphasize the teaching function, whereas

we hire people on the basis of their research productivity."

According to the U.S. Department of Education, the proportion of college instructors who are tenured or on the tenure track declined from 57 percent in 1975 to 31 percent in 2007. At Ole Miss, 57 percent of faculty were tenured or on the tenure track last school year.

There were 334 tenured, 168 tenure track, and 375 non-tenured faculty members, according

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## How prepared is UM for an earthquake?

BY LANCE INGRAM  
City News Editor

The Mississippi Minerals Research Institute (MRI) at Ole Miss is continuing their research and mapping of potential mineral areas and fault areas in Northeast Mississippi.

While mapping the researchers also identify new, never before characterized faults, that may form potential trapping mechanisms for hydrocarbons and yield new data on geologi-

cal units that form aquifer recharge areas according to their website.

Part of the research they are doing is discovering fault lines and studying them to better understand earthquakes and when local faults may move said Charles Swann, associate director for state programs for MRI.

"If these faults are moving in the recent past then we could suffer more from a local earthquake and one closer could be

smaller but do more damage than a big one further away, so they're working on that and finding those faults," Swann said.

Swann said they're always looking for things that tend to indicate there has been earthquake activity in the area.

"We found there are evidence of earthquake activity 60 or 70 million years old so this part of the world has a long history of earthquake activity its worth looking at," he said.

In the northeast part of the state is the south end of the New Madrid Seismic Zone (NMSZ), which stretches from southern Illinois down into West Memphis and parts of Arkansas. The seismic zone is responsible for producing earthquakes that measured an 8.0 in magnitude, which moved furniture in the White House, rang church bells in Boston and according to some reports,

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I really enjoyed the article on Wednesday about Mississippi law enforcement fighting new drugs. While I agree that bath salts could be the death of us all if not immediately banned, I want to bring to people's attention a far more serious malady afflicting our community: spinning in office chairs. This dangerous addiction has seriously affected large cities, particularly those known to have corporate office space, but

reports of it have been cropping up more and more in the law firms and doctor's offices of our very own Oxford. Known side effects are dizziness and sometimes nausea and studies have shown that it is an effective gateway drug that can lead to far more dangerous habits like sliding down the handrails on a staircase or reading the DM at face value. Commander Keith Davis of the local narcotics unit has the right idea and knows something we should have learned a long

time ago: anytime you ban something people instantly stop using it. It is time to use the fearsome power of arbitrary words on paper to put an end to office chair spinning before it tears apart this beautiful town. I encourage everyone to contact their local bureaucrat and bring this matter to their attention.

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# New trends aren't always good ideas

As we get closer to the end of the semester, everyone knows that the dreadful finals week is approaching.

Something that comes even before finals week, as we are experiencing now, is a plethora of last-minute quizzes, tests, and papers to give one last push to that final grade. It gets stressful, and anyone who has ever been in college will attest to that.

So stressful, in fact, that people are taking drastic measures to get those grades as high as they possibly can and to get away from that stress through partying.

The problem that is becoming more serious in today's colleges and universities is the abuse of ADHD medication by students who aren't prescribed ADHD to enhance grades. Common ADHD medications such as Adderall, Concerta, Ritalin and Vyvanse are being abused across the country.

Here's how it works.

In ADHD patients whose brains are determined as "hyperactive" these medications work by altering the way signals are transmitted in the brain. In essence, the drugs slow brain activity down to allow ADHD patients to concentrate on important tasks, improve in social

situations and reduce family problems.

In non-ADHD patients, the drugs take an incredible affect on not only your brain, but your body as well.

Obviously, a non-ADHD patient's brain is not hyperactive. Therefore, its signals are not meant to slow down anymore than they already are.

For those of you who have never taken these medications, you are probably wondering why people take them.

They allow you to focus on basically anything you want to focus on. For example, if you have a big test the next day, you can study for literally 6 hours straight without a break.

They also allow you to stay up later. If you know you don't know the material for your test the next day, then you can easily pull an all-nighter to get the highest grade possible by taking ADHD medication.

This is where it gets scary.

Another trend in colleges today is taking these medications to party longer. "Hey, let's go see how much we can drink since we can stay up all night through this ADHD medicine!"

You might as well just party at the hospital because that's where you are going to end up.

When you drink in excess, your body shuts down at a certain point (vomiting, passing out, etc.). When you take ADHD medicine and then drink, your brain is receiving two contrasting signals.

One is to stay up, and the other is to pass out. When that happens, a great number of bad things can happen (alcohol poisoning, black-outs, etc.).

Doesn't sound too bad yet, does it? Keep reading.

Side effects for an ADHD patient taking these medications include fast or uneven heartbeats, fainting, increased blood pressure, headache, dizziness, diarrhea, loss of appetite, loss of an interest in sex and long-term sleep problems.

For non-ADHD patients, these side effects can be greatly increased. When taken with other drugs like alcohol, these medications can cause long-term medical problems that often cannot be fixed.

Still not convinced?

ADHD medication is very much as addicting as cocaine, meth, LSD, heroine, and any other con-

trolled substance. There have been numerous reports of people without ADHD dying of overdose on ADHD medication.

There are special rehabilitation clinics set up across the country designed specifically for ADHD medication abuse. It is a felony to possess these drugs without a prescription in your name.

You might as well be carrying weed around in your pockets because you can go to jail just as long and be fined just as much.

How stupid could you possibly be to take this stuff?

It will not get you a better grade. If anything, it will get you a worse grade.

It will not let you have a better time at a party because you will most likely not remember a thing about it.

Think about it.

It's a logical decision to not take it. Study on your own and make good grades without the help of a controlled substance.

You will feel better about yourself at the end of finals week and you will know that you are healthy.

Don't conform to this trend because it truly is a very bad idea.

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Columnist

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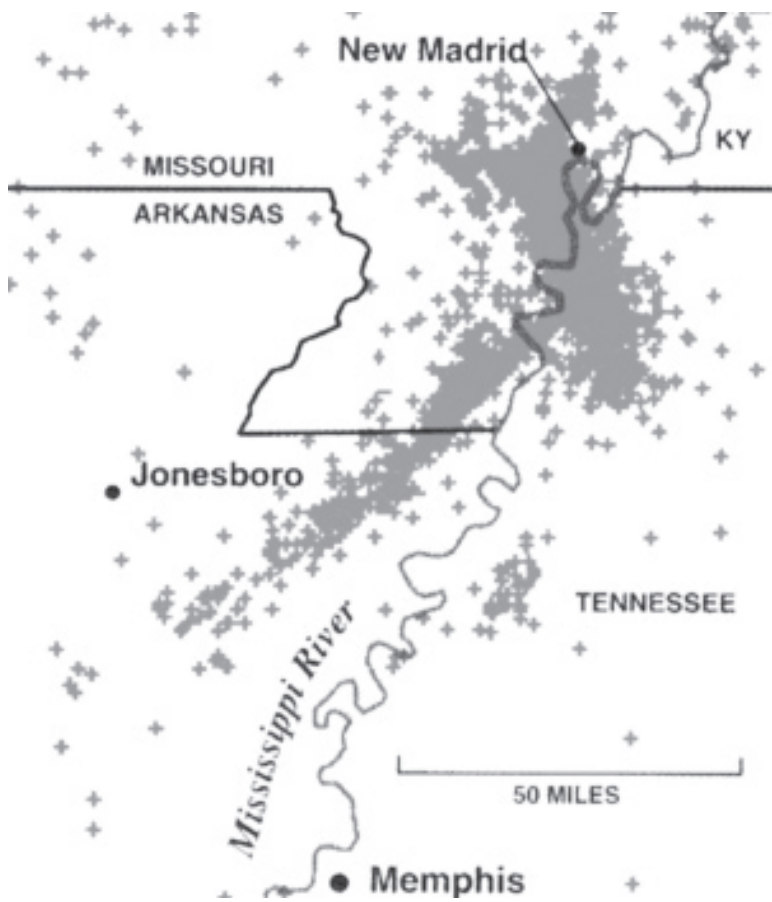
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caused the Mississippi river to flow backwards temporarily.

“Ole Miss has not done any studies into it (NMSZ) but what our activities that have been done within down in the state and since the NMSZ is not technically in the state we haven’t gotten involved with it,” Dr. Terry Panhorst, Assistant Professor of Geology and Geological Engineering, said.

The United States Geological Society (USGS) reports that it is estimated that the probability of a medium sized earthquake which has a magnitude 6.0 or larger has about 25-40 percent within the next 50 years. A large size quake, which has a 7.5-8.0 magnitude has a 7-10 percent chance, according to data the USGS.

Should the NMSZ produce a 6.0 or above, the University of Mississippi would sustain some damage that would primarily be nonstructural such as book cases falling over, and things falling off the walls, but very few injuries Swann said. He said it would be difficult to estimate how much damage because there are so many variables involved.

Although in the event of an 8.0, Lafayette County would be guaranteed to see major destruction, even death Swann said. Older buildings, like

some of the buildings in downtown Oxford and Memphis may have a problem in such an earthquake. Swann estimated that it could reach all the way down to the Gulf Coast.

“We’d see destruction like you’ve never seen before,” he said. “One of the things that we got in our favor here is building codes and in Haiti they didn’t have that because it was just whatever you wanted to put it up. But, here we have codes so the modern buildings are going to be a little more resistant.”

But this presents concerns of why the campus has not done much research into the seismic zone when an area of such high destructibility is so close.

“A lot of it has to do with money,” Swann said. “The administration wants to do something and make this a safer place, but the reality of the situation is it costs money to do that so, you have to come up with funds to do the mitigation.”

He added that from what he has heard from administration is they want to further pursue it over time.

The organization does study and create mitigation plans that the Disaster Resistant University Committee will review and renew the Natural Hazard

Mitigation Plan at their upcoming meeting, which is approaching within the year.

Although the campus hasn’t directly studied the seismic area, they have taken some steps of mitigation, including new gas valves, emergency generators and incorporated earthquake mitigation into building codes.

There are things that the university can continue to do to protect and Swann said he believes much of that is providing people with information.

Ole Miss senior from Macon, Georgia, Will Burton, said he has never heard of the seismic zone.

“I’ve never heard of it and I’ve been on this campus for four years,” he said. “It’s scary to think about something so deadly is so close to our campus and there hasn’t been more information provided to us about it.”

Panhorst said one of the problems with earthquakes in the area is because they are so infrequent that people don’t think about it, and when they are thinking about natural hazards they’re thinking about tornadoes.

“There is the consideration that you can go overboard (when informing people) and go into this doom and gloom and really freak people out,” Swann said. “You want people to be informed and aware of it but keep in mind the reality of the situation because you may be here for four years and never feel an earthquake at all. But if you go overboard then you’re going to oversell it so there’s got to be somewhere in between.”

At the end of the day there is only so much the university can say, the rest is up to the students to take mitigation into their own hands.

“Whether or not people listen to us is a different story,” Panhorst said. “We can provide the information, but how seriously are they going to take it?”



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to Institutional Research and Assessment.

Albritton said he supports tenure because it protects faculty from "arbitrary and capricious actions against them."

"The issue of tenure has always been pegged as having to do with freedom of speech and the ability to say controversial things," he said. "And if that's not allowed it would be very debilitating as far as classes are concerned. The issue is more about whether or not personal differences with administrators could lead to the termination of a contract."

Albritton said the national decline in tenure is troubling to him because it makes faculty members vulnerable.

"Let's suppose that I was a faculty member in the state of Mississippi and I was very vocal in attacking policies in the Bush Administration, or I was very critical of state government," he said. "The pressure could be put on the university to get rid of me, and if I didn't have some kind of protection then they could."

Michael Allen, chair of the psychology department, said he thinks tenure works and is necessary.

"Like the old adage goes, 'If it ain't broke don't fix it,'" he said. "The American university system as far as I know, if it's not the best, is certainly one of the best in the world. People come from all over the world to come to our universities so we must be doing something right."

Allen said if more universities change to the model of mostly non-tenure faculty members, the quality of education would suffer. He added that tenured faculty members are needed to mentor graduate students, the researchers of the future.

Not all professors support the system, though.

Claire Potter, a professor of history at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn., says that tenure destroys mobility in the job market and professors would be better off in unions in terms of job security. Tenure creates positions that require little work and are undeserved in some cases, Potter argues.

"It is an endless waste of time, for the candidate and for the evaluators, that could be better spent writing and editing other people's work, [and] it creates a kind of power that is responsible and accountable to no one," she wrote on her blog *The Tenured Radical*.

Journalism professor Joe Atkins called Potter's argument the "same old claptrap."

"They throw up this bogus image of this tenured professor who, now that he has tenure, is going to lay back and do nothing," he said. "There are still pressures on that faculty member to perform. There are annual reviews and even with tenure, you can still

get fired."

According to university policy, in extraordinary cases a tenured professor can be terminated due to financial exigencies; termination or reduction of programs; malfeasance, inefficiency or contumacious conduct; and for cause.

Atkins said he thinks the decline of tenure is indicative of the increased corporatization of universities and the need for cheaper labor, especially in light of the current tough economy.

"It's not good for academia because I think it lacks integrity," he said. "We want our faculty members to feel like they're building a future so they can grow in their field with a level of security. I think it's a shame. It [the decline of tenure] should be an embarrassment to American

universities."

New York Times writer and college instructor Claudia Dreifus, who spoke on campus at the Overby Center earlier this month and co-authored the book "Higher Education? How Colleges are Wasting Our Money and Failing our Kids and What We Can Do About It," argues that tenure isn't necessary for academic freedom and may be creating too much knowledge.

"Love him as we do – does the world need almost 3,000 papers on William Faulkner? No, professors needing promotions need that many papers because that's how you get tenure," she said.

Dreifus said she sees tenure as a giant system that functions on its own with no one stopping it.

"It doesn't function with any direction and so there are all

these various interest groups of which students are the least organized and faculty the most," she said. "Administrators come and go, students come and go, but faculty with tenure remain, and they have a culture very unique to themselves."

Professors who receive tenure typically stay at that institution "eat up much of the budget in a pyramid-like way," she said.

"If you read *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, you'd think they're coal miners, but \$100,000 a year is a good salary, and \$175,000 a year is a great salary. And yet they say, 'We'd make so much more in the private sector.' I'm not so sure the same people would. If that was true they would churn around and move around more than they do."

At Ole Miss last school year,

the average salary for a full-time professor was \$103,123, and the average for an associate professor was \$75,588, according to Institutional Research and Assessment.

Eftink said while Ole Miss faculty members are not as paid as much as professors at other institutions in the southeast, one of the tradeoffs is the granting of tenure.

"Even though a person might be able to seek a higher salary working at some other institution, by granting them tenure we make that long-term commitment to employ the faculty member," he said. "Those institutions where they have given up tenure really have to be in the market to pay market prices for faculty because the faculty are not guaranteed employment."

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# Just a beast and a man, looking to entertain



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BY MIA CAMURATI  
Opinion Editor

This is the story of two people who have a passion for music and want to entertain anyone with the time to sit back, relax and just enjoy.

Chauncey and the Beast is composed of Anna Donnell, senior theatre major, and Alex Mauney, a recent alum of the University.

While the Oxford Shakespeare Festival was in full swing in the summer of 2008, Mauney found his petite female accomplice during one of their rehearsals. As soon as he heard her raspy voice, he knew he wanted to work with her.

Soon after, they began work-

ing together and composing music of their own to perform at Taylor's Farmers Market and any open mic night they could find.

Originally known as Kissin' Cousins, they later decided to take the band in a new direction with a new name.

"We wanted something bolder and more fun - definitely less icky," Mauney said. "Now when anyone asks me how we came up with the name, I simply point to Beasty and say, 'Just look at her.' Oh, and my real name is Chauncey."

With her sleek and slender stature, one look at Donnell gives the impression of meek and mild, but her voice says something different.

The atmosphere at their recent 208 lunch show was enhanced by the intimate upstairs setting surrounded by people who were there to listen to music, not to jam out and get hammered to incoherent vocals and loud bass beats.

Donnell's strong yet feminine vocals mix well with the instrumentals of Mauney on the guitar, banjo, harmonica, spoons or any other instrument he happens to play.

However, this is not just a girl and her backup acoustic musician.

They sing, play and write an even amount. Most of their songs are written together with all harmonies falling to Donnell alone.

"I can't write (harmonies) to save my life, but they melt out of her," Mauney said. "I got really lucky in this respect. She's able to make our songs 3-D with those vocals."

One of the best songs from that afternoon was a beautiful song written and performed by Mauney about the recent death of his father. Whether he's the star of the moment or supporting the Beast, the passion he has for their music is felt in every note and every strum.

Even with Donnell being a senior nursing and theatre major while Mauney lives in Ripley, they still manage to make it work and rehearse any way they can.

"When I was in Chicago all summer, we had lots of song-singing over the phone so that we could keep up with each other," Donnell said.

Playing off of influences like Neutral Milk Hotel and Bob Dylan, they bring a modern feel to the "ol'-banjo-on-the-porch" images usually associated with folk. They bring in aspects of blues and groove pop as well to create a sound unique to the pair.

"I think we are a little different because we have a very natural, raw sound," Donnell said. "We rely a lot on the simplicity of what we do and on how much we enjoy doing it."

They have been seen at local venues such as Thacker Mountain Radio, 208 and Proud Larry's, but they have also been asked to sing at more intimate and refined events such as weddings.

For those of you staying in town over the break, watch out for Chauncey and the Beast to be performing at an undisclosed location (as of yet) around the end of the year.

"We have no VH1 Behind The Music aspirations," Mauney said. "I just want our music to be heard far and wide."

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# THE WEEKLY TOP TEN

BY ANDY PAUL The Daily Mississippian

## I Shouldn't Be Writing a Top Ten Right Now

### 1 Um, You Know, Finals Week:

This is how dedicated I am to comedy, readers. I am forgoing the crucial time I need to raise my grades to a non-crying-myself-to-sleep level by the end of this semester, and what am I doing instead? Writing this pinko-Commie, East Coast, granola-crunching, national security threat schlock. If I fail my psych final because of this, I will recommend you all to Obama's socialist death panels. See if I don't.

### 2 Victoria's Secret Fashion Show:

It's on TV as I am writing this. I have never seen this thing before, so for purely research purposes I am giving it a look. One, very prolonged, slavering, heathenish look. And so far, this is the most patriotic thing I have seen all year. Excess, greed, sexy sexiness and a coked-out Paris Hilton lurking in the corridors of the arena – I now can see what all the fuss is about.

### 3 We're About to Be Taken Over by Aliens:

By the time you have read this, NASA will have made, or is about to make, some form of announcement regarding possible extraterrestrial information. According to sources, they have gathered renowned geologists, ecologists and astronomers for this press conference. This can only mean one thing: the alien takeover is eminent. Start buying up jugs of water and practicing your bat-swinging a la M. Night Shamalamadingdong's (actual name) "Signs." It's about to get real. That, or...

### 4 I'm Dealing With Our Singular Aloneness in the Universe:

OK, so if all NASA is going to do is make another "We found a neat new rock nine billion light years away," I'm probably going to be crying in my room. Not because I failed my exam, or because my last lock of hair sent to Adriana Lima was returned un-mailed, but because NASA hasn't made an Earth-shattering (via evil alien laser beam) announcement. Oh, and I cry a lot. I welcome new alien masters and think that they might do better than some in charge now. You know how I know that?

### 5 I'm Too Busy Reading 250,000 WikiLeaks Messages:

Hey, shock of all shocks, world governments are both ineffective and petty. Apparently, people around the globe were not aware of this, though, and now WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange is pretty much a wanted man. I really don't see why, though. Everyone knows Iran and North Korea kind of suck; we don't need whistle blowers telling us this.

### 6 Kanye's Album is Out:

Go out and get his new album, "My Beautiful, Dark, Twisted Fantasy." If you haven't done so yet, well, you're missing out on one of the things that makes the United States of America the greatest country I've ever been to (I've been to two: America, and the United States). Riddle me this, audience: Why am I writing this article when I could be jumping around my room in a tin-foil Caesar crown to "Monster" by Yeezy?

### 7 It's Hanukkah, Schmucks:

As a Jewish kid, Hanukkah always seemed like the child who lived down the street from Christmas who used to eat leaves and small rocks. It just doesn't quite compare to the pageantry and grandiose nature of Xmas. That being said, I should be complaining about this to my mother and/or shrink instead of you people. It's what Jewish writer guys do best.

### 8 Tea Party-Palooza:

This week Judson Phillips, the President of the Tea Party, said he thought it'd be a good idea to restrict voting rights to property owners. I know, right? How dare he say something so low and uneducated? Not everyone can afford houses or apartments these days, Mr. Tea Party, especially when I just bought thirty-two copies of Kanye's album for myself and my family for the full eight days of Hanukkah.

### 9 I'm Huddled for Warmth:

These past few days, it's been colder in Oxford than Judson Phillips's property-owning heart. If you had trouble locating a copy of The DM today, it's probably because I've been hoarding newspapers to line my coats. I feel like Jake Gyllenhaal – not in The Day After Tomorrow, but in his new movie Love and Other Drugs. Honestly, how can he stay warm with a ninety-pound Anne Hathaway wrapped around him?

### 10 A Tenth What?:

Oh, I'm sorry. I dozed off for a few moments. And no, it wasn't because I was watching The Day After Tomorrow for research into this week's article. Seriously, it's like an episode of AMC's (slogan: It's not Mad Men, but please watch it anyway) "The Walking Dead" around campus these past few weeks. No one can focus given the amount of sleep deprivation we've experienced. I won't be surprised if we start feasting on human flesh soon. I don't know how many more turkey burgers I can take from Burger Studio, anyway.




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# Q&A: UM Athletics Director Pete Boone, part 3

The Daily Mississippian's sports editor Paul Katoool sat down with Ole Miss Athletics Director Pete Boone on Nov. 18 to discuss the state of Rebel athletics. This is part three of a three-part series.

BY PAUL KATOOL  
Sports Editor

## Talk about playing for coach Johnny Vaught and coach Billy Kinard.

Coach Vaught was a legend. He's one of those who you dream of when he might actually know your name. I remember the day he called me by my name. I re-

member going through two-a-day practices and he said "Pete!" and I couldn't believe he knew my name and unfortunately he said "You need to move out of the way so we can run this play." We had great coaches, Bruiser Kinard and the Pooles, Buster and Barney. It was just a good time to be here. Archie was here. We were in the Sugar and the Gator Bowl with coach Vaught and then the Peach Bowl

with coach Kinard. It was a totally different group of people. Coach Kinard brought in younger folks and a technique style. The old school coaches just go out there and whipped them. Coach Kinard brought in coaches like Ken Cooper and a lot of coaches that taught techniques and how to do thing and that helped me because I wasn't as fast as a lot of linemen and maybe not as strong. But the main thing was friendships. It was a great time here and we won a lot of ball games but it was the friends. And another part of that was that freshmen couldn't play varsity so we had our freshmen

team and we were all together for a year and so you bond together. I think that's missing right now. I wish to a certain extent they'd go back to 105 scholarships and not let the freshmen play. Give them a year and let them play three or four or five games against other freshmen and then let them get a year in the academics and get used to college and then let them play and then give them four years to play four. I think that's missing, but it was good for us and at the same time back then the upperclassmen were our big brothers and we were assigned to them which meant we washed their clothes, we washed

their car, we washed their clothes, we got our haircut, we got paddlings. All those things that sound like something someone would go to jail for today but it humbled a lot of All-Americans coming out of high school. You were one of the family here and one of the group. To me some of those things are missing. But with the life here and the friendship that go on and on. It couldn't get much better.

## I'm guessing you never planned on becoming the Ole Miss Athletics Director. How has your time here been?

I guess the way I got (the job) was a little odd in the sense that I was working in banking and I had been doing that and we sold the bank. I had a job with them but I was a little burned out and this job opened up. It's probably my love for Ole Miss and I didn't know the strength and weaknesses and the good things and the bad things. To me, it's about Ole Miss. I did that for a while and I was a lot younger then and probably a little more impatient to get things done. Some friends and I wanted to start a bank back in 1998 in Baton Rouge where I had been before. I did that for four years until the job went back up and (former Chancellor) Robert Khayat called me and asked me if I would come back. Again my wife and I kept a house here and we were going to retire here. I think at that time I was 53 or 54 years old and we decided to come back mainly because of Ole Miss and because of Oxford and I don't regret it. With any job there are a lot of good days and bad days, but that comes with any job that worth having. There is going to be a lot of excitement to it and sometimes the excitement is great and sometimes it's debilitating to a certain extent. But when you keep focused on it being about Ole Miss and not about me or not about a coach or not about a fan or even not about the Chancellor – it's about Ole Miss. Then you can make your best decisions when you are focused like that.

## Talk about your Twitter account (@peteboone).

It took me about a year to do it to decide to do it or maybe six or eight months. The Twitters that I saw I felt that they were somewhat frivolous because they didn't have as much substance to them. I didn't want to sit there and say "Hey I'm going to lunch with my wife today" or "We ate this" or "I saw so and so." In my opinion I can't say who wants to hear that unless it's Archie. I tried to figure out how I could say something on there. I'm hamstrung to a certain extent because anything I say on there that has some substance to it could be retweeted and people could start pulling it.

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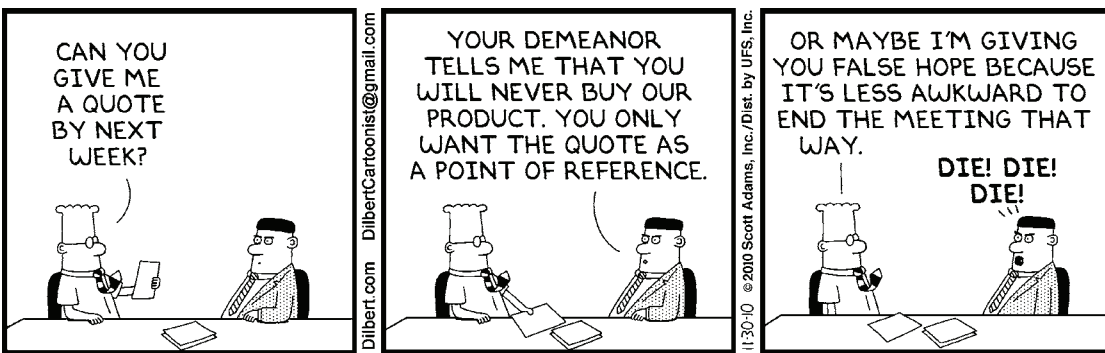
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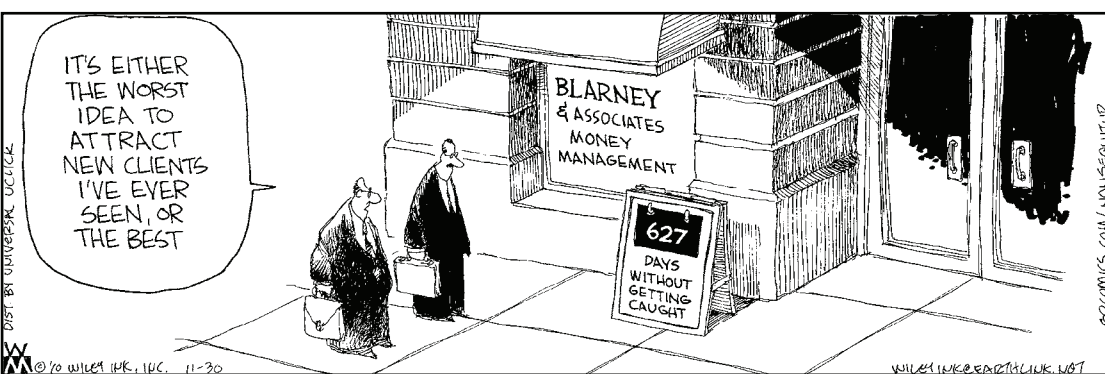
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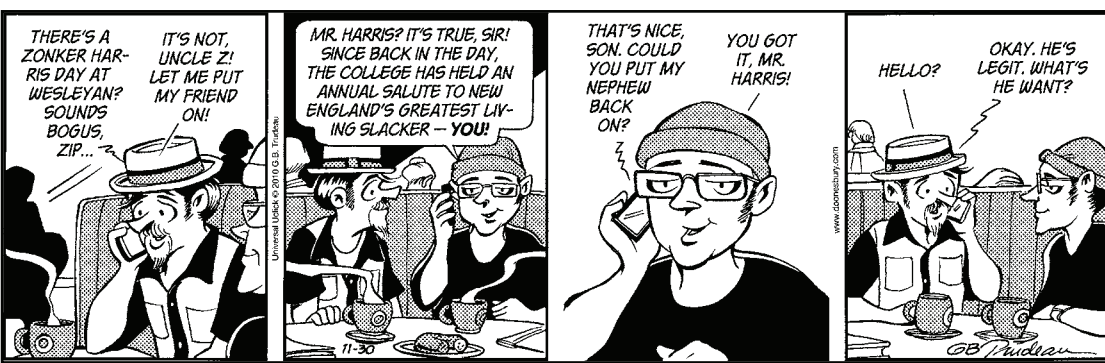
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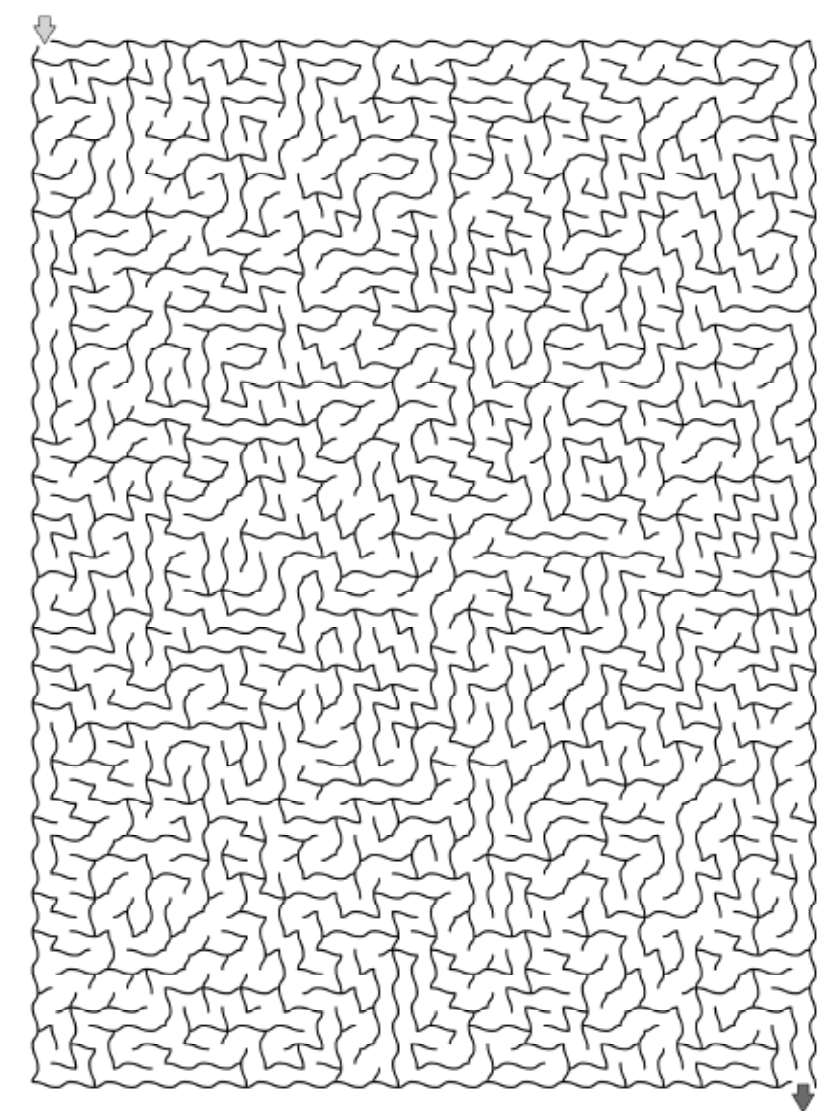
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# Paul's Power Poll: Final Rankings

**1. Auburn** (12-0 overall, 8-0 SEC): While Cam Newton could take up an entire highlight reel this year with did-you-see-that plays, Newton made his best play of year on Tuesday when he scrambled out of NCAA ineligibility. Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you the 2010 recipient of the Heisman Trophy, Mr. Cameron Newton.

**2. Arkansas** (10-2 overall, 6-2 SEC): If it weren't for Auburn, the Razorbacks would be at the top of the Southeastern Conference this year. The Razorbacks could feasibly be in Auburn's position right now if Bobby Petrino would have doled out a little cash for some run stoppers in February.

**3. South Carolina** (9-3 overall, 5-3 SEC): The Gamecocks emerged as the top team in an abysmal SEC East and now have the distinct pleasure of being taken behind a metaphorical barn in Atlanta to get the you know what kicked out of them. Expect Steve Spurrier's visor to be air-born early and often.

**4. LSU** (10-2 overall, 6-2 SEC): It seems that one can only get lucky so many times after the Tigers finally were nabbed by Arkansas on Saturday. After finishing third in the SEC West, will the hooligans in Baton Rouge run Les Miles out of town?

**5. Alabama** (9-3 overall, 5-3 SEC): It's a shame that such a colossal choke job happened under the watch of Nick Saban, one of the nicest guys in all of college football. Oh – wait – Saban is a hot-headed jerk who finally got his in the Iron Bowl. Take a chill pill Nick, and try again next year.

**6. Mississippi State** (8-4 overall, 4-4 SEC): After defeating the Rebels in Oxford, Dan Mullen made a decree that the Bulldogs would never lose to the Rebels again. Every time Mississippi State played a game this year I have been impressed with Mullen – that is until he opens his mouth.

**7. Florida** (7-5 overall, 4-4 SEC): Last December, Urban Meyer an-

nounced his retirement from coaching only to come out of retirement a few weeks later. After a 7-5 year in Gainesville, I have a statement and a question. First of all, Meyers should have taken retirement more seriously. Secondly, how in the hell did the Gators finish second in the SEC West?

**8. Georgia** (6-6 overall, 3-5 SEC): It has yet been determined whether or not Mark Richt will get the Bulldog bite and be cast out of Athens. If he's back in 2011, he has a great young quarterback to work with in Aaron Murray, but stud wide receiver AJ Green is likely off to the NFL.

**9. Tennessee** (6-6 overall, 3-5 SEC): After looking dead in the water at the beginning of November, Derek Dooley inserted true freshman quarterback Tyler Bray into the starting line up. Bray and the Tennessee subsequently rattled off wins against four mediocre-at-best teams to become bowl eligible.

**10. Kentucky** (6-6 overall, 2-6

SEC): The Wildcats have two of the SEC's premier playmakers in Randall Cobb and Derrick Locke but failed to take things to the next level under first-year coach Joker Philips. Kentucky is nevertheless going bowling for the fifth straight year.

**11. Ole Miss** (4-8 overall, 1-7 SEC): Rumor had it Sunday night that Houston Nutt was leaving the Rebels to coach underwater basket weaving at the University of Vermont. Okay, that didn't really happen, but Nutt was linked to several coaching jobs after the Rebels fell to Mississippi State on Saturday. Nutt is staying, but he has a hell of a rebuilding job to do in Oxford.

**12. Vanderbilt** (2-10 overall, 1-7 SEC): After an exhaustive in-house search for the 'Dores next coach, I've found the perfect man for the job. Dr. Robert Scherrer is currently the department chair for Vandy's department of physics and astronomy. There's no telling what kind of wacky plays Dr. Scherrer might concoct in Nashville.



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## NCAA rules Newton eligible to play

AUBURN, Ala. (AP)—The NCAA has determined that the father of Auburn quarterback Cam Newton broke rules by shopping his son to Mississippi State, but that the overwhelming Heisman Trophy favorite apparently didn't know about it.

The college sports governing body said Wednesday that Newton is eligible to play for the second-ranked Tigers in the Southeastern Conference championship game against South Carolina on Saturday.

The NCAA had concluded on Monday that a violation of Newton's amateur status had occurred. A day later, Auburn declared Newton ineligible and requested his eligibility be reinstated.

The Heisman front-runner now has been cleared to compete without conditions with his team a win away from playing for a BCS title.

"Based on the information available to the reinstatement staff at this time, we do not have sufficient evidence that Cam Newton or anyone from Auburn was aware of this activity, which led to his reinstatement," Kevin Lennon, NCAA vice president for academic and membership affairs, said in a news release.

"From a student-athlete reinstatement perspective, Auburn University met its obligation under NCAA bylaw 14.11.1. Under this threshold, the student-athlete has not participated while ineligible."

The NCAA won't say its case is closed on Newton. However, its statement notes that reinstatement likely occurs "prior to the close of an investigation."

It's at least a temporary alleviation of fears that Auburn's 12 wins so far — and any titles

won—would wind up being vacated if the NCAA found that Newton had been ineligible because of violations committed before signing with the Tigers last New Year's Eve.

The NCAA became involved over the summer in the pay-for-play scheme that was discussed during Newton's recruitment. Two Mississippi State boosters have accused Cecil Newton and former Mississippi State player Kenny Rogers of trying to get up to \$180,000 for Cam Newton to play for the Bulldogs while he was being recruited out of junior college last year.

The NCAA said Wednesday that Auburn and NCAA enforcement staff agreed that Newton's father and an owner of a scouting service worked together on the scam. The NCAA did not name Rogers.

Auburn has agreed to limit Cecil Newton's access to its athletic program and Mississippi State has dissociated itself from Kenny Rogers, who worked for a sports agent.

"The conduct of Cam Newton's father and the involved individual is unacceptable and has no place in the SEC or in intercollegiate athletics," said Mike Slive, Southeastern Conference Commissioner. "The actions taken by Auburn University and Mississippi State University make it clear this behavior will not be tolerated in the SEC."

It wasn't immediately clear what access Cecil Newton would have at Auburn and school officials said they would have no immediate further comment.

Kenny Rogers' attorney, Doug Zeit, told The Associated Press that he had received a letter from Mississippi State on Wednesday morning stating

that Rogers has been disassociated from the school.

"We're not that surprised," Zeit told the AP. "From what I understand, anything that's related to athletics at Mississippi State, (Rogers) can't participate."

Zeit took issue with the wording of Mississippi State's letter. The attorney said the school's reasoning in the letter for dissociating itself with his client was because Rogers told the NCAA he made a solicitation for a player.

"Kenny Rogers never made a solicitation," Zeit said. "We never told the NCAA that. I want to make that perfectly clear. Cecil Newton asked for the money and then Kenny Rogers passed along Newton's message. That's what happened. Cecil Newton asked for the money. Kenny Rogers was the messenger."

Newton, who started his career at Florida, chose Auburn over Mississippi State after one season in junior college. He has been spectacular this year, leading Auburn to a 12-0 season.

But the allegations and media scrutiny have shadowed Newton and the Tigers for the past month, and the star quarterback hasn't spoken to reporters since Nov. 9.

Newton is the SEC's leading rusher, one of the nation's most efficient passers, and the league's first player to have 2,000 yards passing and 1,000 yards rushing in a season.

He accounted for all four of Auburn's touchdowns in last week's 28-27 win at Alabama, rallying from a 24-point deficit to keep the Tigers in contention for the national title.

AP Sports Writer David Brandt in Jackson, Miss., contributed to this report.

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