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## Oxford and University provide a safe way home

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The consequences of not choosing to designate a sober driver can be expensive.

The fine, alone, for a person's first DUI arrest can cost anywhere from \$250.00 to \$1,000, and it can also include imprisonment for up to 48 hours.

Although the price of a fine may be worth it to some, it is against the law to drive intoxicated and will result in a misdemeanor for a first and second DUI offense.

According to The Oxford Eagle, local law enforcement agencies decided on Aug. 20 to get more serious about DUI arrests, and they plan to continue this until Sept. 5.

Both the university and the city of Oxford have provided many different ways for students and residents to get home safely. University DD, multiple taxi services, Rebel Ride and sober friends are all options to prevent a DUI or even death.

"I prefer Rebel Taxi because I know the owner personally, and I feel like he does a really good job of making sure the drivers get to where they need to be really fast," Tylor Kircher, a senior education major from Philadelphia, Miss., said.

A designated driver getting behind the wheel of a friend's car can be safe and cheap, but could possibly lead to insurance issues if the passengers are involved in a traffic acci-

University DD is another option for students and residents if they are looking for a sober ride home.

It costs \$20 to pick up a customer without any additional charges for other passengers that can legally fit into the ve-

According to University DD's website, any number of stops is welcome for \$1 per minute each stop.

Many students can also choose to take Rebel Ride, a free shuttle that travels through the Square and around cam-

"I usually go with Rebel Ride because they are pretty reliable, and I know where they will be all of the time," John Jenks, a sophomore public policy major, said.

Created in 2004 by the student organization Students for a Safe Ride, Rebel Ride runs off of generous donations from students and alumni.

"Last fall alone, we had 50,000 student riders on Rebel Ride, which means people are choosing good behavior," said Linda Spargo, faculty advisor for Students for a Safe Ride.

According to Rebel Ride's website, the transportation system runs on weekends and Monday nights.

"We've worked closely with UPD and the health center to just make sure people are aware that they need to make good choices for themselves," Spargo said.

Although the price of a taxi may eventually add up with more passengers and stops, some students have chosen to use it as their way to make it home safely.

"Rebel Taxi is affordable and has always been very reliable for me," Kircher said.

With football season just around the corner, not only do Ole Miss students need to be aware of the dangers and consequences that drunk diving can lead to, so do Oxford residents.

Although some people may not think twice before getting behind the wheel drunk, the risks of what could happen on the way home are never worth

For more information, go to www.universitydd.com, www. olemiss.edu/rebelride, www.mississippidui.com.

# Oxford and Starkville face increasing DUI numbers

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According to local law enforcement officials, the number of arrests for driving under the influence of alcohol has increased in both Oxford and Starkville.

Oxford Police Chief Mike Martin stated that 296 DUI arrests have occurred so far in 2011, in contrast to 274 arrests in 2010, an 8 percent in-

Starkville Police Department Master Sergeant and DUI specialist Shawn Word said the number of arrests in Starkville were also slightly up, noting that 432 arrests took place in 2010 compared to more than 500 made in 2011.

One reason for the increase, Word said, is that police officers have received substantially more training when it comes to dealing with DUIs.

However, according Word, the primary goal is keeping people safe.

"It's not about arrests," he said. "I hope to stop someone from getting into a wreck and getting hurt or killed."

There are several laws and penalties in place to discourage people from drinking and driving that carry significant consequences if broken.

According to Mississippi law, a first offense DUI can carry a \$250-\$1000 fine, 48 hours in jail, a 1-year drivers' license suspension and taking a mandatory Alcohol Education Program. There are further costs such as jail-filing fees, bail, vehicle towing and the Alcohol Education Program.

Legal representation bears a further expense, which, according to Oxford-based attorney Dwight N. Ball, "depends on the experience of the lawver and the complexity of the case."

According to Mississippi Insurance Commissioner and State Fire Marshall Mike Chaney, one's insurance costs will also be affected.





DUI can carry a \$250-1000 fine, 48 hours in jail, one year of driver's license suspension and 30 percent increase on an insurance premium.

"A DUI in the insurance world is a very serious matter," Chaney said. "You can expect a minimum 30 percent-plus increase in your premium."

Second and third offense DUI charges can hold more severe consequences, such as a felony charge, up to five years in jail and several thousand dollars in fines.

A DUI constitutes being over 0.08 percent blood alcohol content for persons over age 21 and 0.02 percent for those 21 and under.

However, one doesn't have to be necessarily over the limit to be charged with a DUI.

"Alcohol effects people differently," Word said. "If you fail the field sobriety tests, you're going to jail."

One area of controversy is the use of sobriety checkpoints or "roadblocks" by police to stop vehicles and determine whether the driver is operating under the influence of alcohol or other illicit substances.

It was argued in the U.S. Supreme Court that the roadblocks were unconstitutional in light of the Fourth Amendment. In order to pull someone over, the police must have at least a reasonable suspicion that someone has or was about to commit a crime, which would seem to conflict with police stopping someone at random at a checkpoint.

However, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the position that the checkpoints were constitutional in the 1990 case of Michigan Dept. of State Police v. Sitz. The Court held that properly-conducted DUI checkpoints were constitu-

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## Unchartered territories



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Yesterday, many of you embarked on a long-awaited journey.

For some, it's their freshman year in Hotty Toddy land, and for others, it's their senior year and potentially last football season living in Oxford. For those in between, it's just another year full of fun and long walks through the Grove.

But for all, it's a journey through unchartered territories. None of us know what the semester holds; however, what we do know is we must remain vigilant in our quest to dominate the SEC, without Texas A&M, for now, and we must work-hard to ensure successful paths to gradua-

While I'm not an expert on successful completion of college, I can provide advice for freshmen, sophomores and juniors as you prepare to venture through unchartered territories.

Freshmen, remember that what you do this year will stick with you from now until you die, but especially for the next four years.

You will be reminded of that night you came into Stockard wasted and couldn't get to your room without help from your over-worked, under-paid RA. Remember, your RA is not your mother, and he or she doesn't get paid to baby-sit you.

Also, many of you will start this journey wanting to be one thing and will quickly learn that just might not be where your passion lies. So, take some time to evaluate your interests and plan ac-

cordingly. Also, remember, a fake ID is subject to confisca-

Sophomores, we understand that you've been here a year and now you are the expert.

Many of you made it through your freshman year easily, while others might have struggled. You've mastered the game of partying all night and somehow waking up hungover to take a test only to find that you somehow you made an A. Be aware that it doesn't get easier. Now, because you are a sophomore, you are expected to know better and do more.

It's time to start using successful planning techniques because most likely your involvement has increased, whether that may be through Greek life or other organiza-

It's time to get your planning game on.

Juniors, you are now at that place where you have to make a decision about your major, if you have not already.

Mom wants you to be teacher, Dad wants you to be an engineer and what you want to be is yet to be determined. Word of advice: figure it out soon. You do not have much time left if you plan to graduate in four years.

This year you will have a tendency to slack, given that you've overcome two years, and many of you will hit the

As you may already know, that differs in Oxford.

Seniors, I don't know what the future holds for us, but let the good times roll, and remember to hit that degree audit button in myOleMiss before the year moves too fast to make sure you can graduate at the expected time.

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# What are you drinking?

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CBS News recently reported that New York City's Department of Environmental Protection found traces of medicines and personal care products in the city's drinking

New York City is not the first to find traces of pharmaceuticals in its drinking water, and it will not be the last. In 2008, the Associated Press began researching the quality of United States drinking water and found antibiotics, anti-convulsants, mood stabilizers and sex hormones in the drinking water supply of over 41 Americans in 24 maior metropolitan areas, from Detroit to Louisville.

As the U.S. population continues to grow, so will the contamination of our drinking

The government needs to take action and have higher standards for our drinking water before it is too late. The water providers often times know that there are traces of pharmaceuticals but rarely inform the public of the results from pharmaceutical screenings. Many times pharmaceuticals are detected in watersheds, but then the drinking water is not tested.

How clean is our drinking

City officials said there was nothing to worry about because the levels are too low. I am not convinced, and neither is Dr. Olga Naidenko, a scien- See DRINKING, PAGE 3

tist with the D.C. watchdog organization Environmental Working Group. Naidenko believes that we have reason to still be concerned because we do not know if the mixture of these compounds found from various medicines is safe.

Some of the discovered pharmecuticals included Acetaminophen (nonprescription pain reliever and fever reducer), Butalbital (a sedative or hypnotic drug prescribed as pain reliever), Carbamazipine (prescription anti-convulsant), Continine (byproduct of nicotine found in tobacco), DEET (used in insect repellents), Diltiazem (prescribed to treat high blood pressure and chest pain), Ibuprofen (nonprescrip-

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## To be [Greek], or not to be [Greek].... that is the [freshman] question.



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All right, let's be honest.

I know I am not the only student on this campus that is finding it a little hard to believe yet another summer has come and gone and that fall semester begins anew this week.

To all of the freshmen, welcome, and to all of my fellow upperclassmen, welcome back.

As a junior with two years down and two to go, I am feeling a bit old. If looking at all of the new, scared freshmen faces in Oxford this past week has been any indication, I have grown a lot in the past two years. Coming back to Oxford this August no longer felt like the beginning of something new, but rather like something routine.

Catching up with friends is something that I looked forward to all summer, and although I have only been back for less than a week, I have met a lot of new people, too. And though most of them are upperclassmen, I have met quite a few freshmen as well.

Which brings me to the topic of this column.

When meeting the freshmen — girls in particular — I will inevitably get this question within the first few minutes of our conversation: "Are you in a sorority?"

Now, it is no secret that one of the largest stereotypes at Ole Miss is that you have to be Greek in order to have any resemblance of a social life. I myself remember thinking the same thing heading into my freshman year, and I also remember being that freshman girl asking the upperclassman what sorority she was in.

My mother was in a sorority at Mizzou and she had a fantastic experience. It seemed that every other girl at this school was rushing, so why would I want to miss out?

So I rushed, I pledged and I was active my entire freshman year. I met some awesome girls and I made some fantastic friends. But over the summer between my freshman and sophomore year, I decided that sorority life at Ole Miss wasn't for me.

Let me take a second to explain what this column is not. It is not an attack on the Greek system here in Oxford.

I think that sororities and fraternities give a lot of students the opportunity to meet new people, and they offer a sense of "belonging" for many of us that are far from home.

What I am going to argue against, however, is the absurdity of the belief that it is impossible to have a social life without Greek letters across your chest. After spending one year in the system and one year out of it, I can say from experience that this is just not the case.

We all managed to make friends on our own in grade school, and we do not lose that ability when we go to college. I have made a ton of friends that are both in and out of the Greek system, many of whom I know will be friends for life.

Although my decision to drop my sorority was a tough one and something I was worried about regretting, I know now that I made the right choice.

Going into it, I had no idea not only how expensive it would be (the typical sorority or fraternity dues cost thousands of dollars a year), but I also had no idea how much of a time commitment it was. As an Honors student with two majors and two minors and juggling as many as 19 hours a semester, I was overwhelmed the spring of my freshman year, and I knew that something had to give.

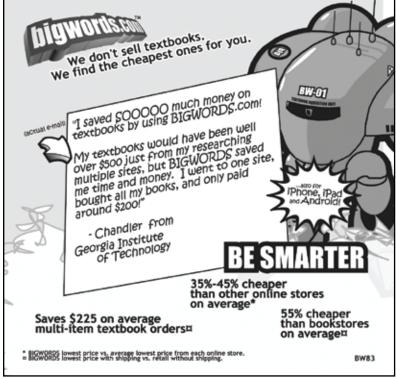
Although it was tough to break the news to my sorority sisters, the vast majority of them were amazingly supportive and are still my friends today. If I had not joined the sorority in the first place, I probably would not have met many of them, so I am grateful for the opportunity that rushing gave me.

In many ways, I think that my "social life" was actually better my sophomore year. I was forced to meet new people, and it was then that I met the group that I now consider to be my best friends here at Ole Miss. I wouldn't give them up for the world.

So here is my advice to my freshmen readers out there: if you are thinking about rushing, go ahead and try it out. If it is not for you, you will figure it out on your own. Trust yourself to figure out what is best for you.

Never let anyone tell you that you won't have any friends if you are not Greek at Ole Miss — anyone who tells you that is just insulting your social skills.

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tion drug used to relieve pain and reduce fevers) and Primidone (an anti-epileptic drug used to treat seizure disorders)

We should be concerned because we consume large amounts of water every day. The medications found in the water are different from other regulated contaminants like pesticides, lead and PCBs because they are created to act on the human body. They are unique, and thus, we don't know what the long-term dangers could and will be.

Every time we use the bathroom or flush an old prescription down the toilet there is a chance that antibiotic residues could end up in our drinking water. The process for cleaning the water we drink does not attempt to rid the tap water of the numerous chemical compounds from pharmaceuticals.

There are currently no regulations for pharmaceuticals and other compounds besides herbicide atrazine.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency only regulates limits on 100 of the 60,000 chemicals that are used throughout the country. These chemicals can and have found their way into our drinking water.

Environmental Health Perspectives reported that 126 different antibiotics and anti-

infectives have been found in our drinking water.

The increasing frequency of pharmaceuticals and hormonally-active chemicals are currently appearing in low levels and are not yet considered a health concern to the average individual.

But Christian Daughton, of the EPA's National Exposure Research Laboratory, said although there is no reason to be concerned about your health from drinking water, "several point to the potential risk — especially for the fetus and those with severely compromised health."

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# NewsWatch revamps image over summer





LEFT: Lindsey Neyman and Artesha Dunning run the audio and video, while Stewart Pirani directs NewsWatch. RIGHT: Brittani Acuff and Kyndall Cox anchor the first show of the 2011-12 school year Monday.

BY MADISON HILL mmhill 1 @olemiss.edu

While many people spent July sitting by the pool and soaking up the last bit of summer, the NewsWatch team was hard at work on a set redesign to begin

Station manager Brian Spurlock, a junior biological sciences and chemistry major, said NewsWatch broadcasts daily, even throughout the summer. This summer, however, the staff spent over \$1,000 developing a much-needed new set during the month of July.

Driven to put out a better product, the NewsWatch staff

collectively decided that it was simply time for change.

The news station has developed a new slogan, new advertising logos, new liners, a new run-down of the show and most noticeably, a brand new set.

"It was a general consensus that we definitely needed a new set," Spurlock said.

"It just took initiative and time."

NewsWatch technical director Stewart Pirani, sophomore broadcast journalism major, said the NewsWatch staff began working together to brainstorm for the new show in May.

"It took about a month for a total revamp," said Pirani, who constructed the new set.

Stephen Goforth, faculty advisor of the Student Media Center and journalism professor, describes the news station as an outlet for broadcast journalism majors.

"For us, it was just about putting out a better product than we'd been putting out," he said.

Goforth said the enthusiasm for success will encourage other areas of the Student Media Center to be better and be more engaged.

"I think this will make the product better because the people who are involved are going to feel better about what they're doing," he said.

Goforth said he is really excited that students get to work in a better looking set and more professional atmosphere.

"You have an opportunity here that you don't have at most college campuses," he said.

NewsWatch will have auditions for anchor positions Wednesday, Aug. 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the S. Gale Denley Student Media Center located in Bishop Hall, room 201.

"We put on a pretty good show, so watch us," Spurlock said.

In the new and improved words of NewsWatch, "keep it local, keep it here."

NewsWatch airs every weekday at 5:30 p.m. on Channel 99.

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#### Starbucks to replace Java City in J.D. Williams Library

BY ION MOSBY jontariusmosby@gmail.com

Ole Miss students will soon have a new place to grab their frappucinos, lattes and sandwiches.

A full-service Starbucks will open in the J.D. Williams library, replacing the Java City coffee location.

"There was a general sense from university administration that more food services products and locations needed to be offered," Stan Whitehorn, operations manager for university libraries, said.

The coffee shop will open at 7 a.m., 45 minutes earlier than the Starbucks coffee-serving Barnes & Noble Cafe in the Union. Closing hours have yet to be determined.

"There has been some discussion of increasing hours and maybe extending some hours into the weekend," Whitehorn said. "After reviewing entry figures, university contractual services in conjuction with Starbucks will determine the hours of operation."

Joshua Halliday, marketing programs manager for Ole Miss Dining, said they have expanded their staff due to the new location so that they can accommodate the anticipated increased demand.

The coffee shop will accept the same payment options as other dining services locations, such as students' flex and express accounts.

The new location will not only consume the room previously occupied by Java City, but it will also take the space of a classroom adjacent to the Baxter periodicals room. Although the classroom was removed, the library added two additional classrooms. The location will seat 70 people, 56 more than Java City.

The style of the location will match that of the J.D. Williams library. The type of wood found throughout the library will also be used at the Starbucks location.

Dining Services also shut down the Java City location in the Johnson Commons in favor of a new meal-to-go style dining option and now offers Grills in the Union and Subway Mobile near Vardaman Hall in the Grove.

The tentative opening date for the new location is Sept.

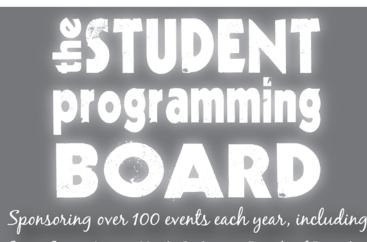




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For more information you may contact: Stan Wood, P.O. Box 1355, Brandon, MS 39043 (601) 331-7616



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tionally-permissible because the states' interests in reducing drunk driving outweighed any constitutional concerns that roadblocks may violate.

According to Ole Miss law professor Thomas Clancy, this was the only time the U.S. Supreme Court assessed the constitutionality of DUI checkpoints and upheld their use under certain circumstances.

"Since this time, DUI checkpoints have been allowed not because the person who is driving to the checkpoint is suspected of criminal activity, but because of the danger of DUIs, driving while intoxicated, has to society at large," Clancy said.

Clancy stated that instead of looking for probable cause as to a specific individual, the Court set out criteria by which to measure the legality of checkpoints, such as limiting police discretion when setting up and using the checkpoints.

"For example, in Oxford, when the police set up a checkpoint now they typically will stop everybody at the checkpoint and have a brief inquiry of them to determine whether or not there are any signs of intoxication," Clancy said. "If there are, now the police have probable cause to continue to hold the person and do the sobriety tests on that individual person."

Although they may pose an inconvenience to some citizens, law enforcement officials maintain that the checkpoints help keep roads safe.

"They help in catching those driving impaired and without a license or insurance," Martin said. "Checkpoints also provide a deterrent for those who might drink and drive because it increases their chances of getting caught behind the wheel when they are impaired."

According to Word, more students are arrested for DUI charges than anybody else. In light of this, there are several education and outreach programs in place to help students become aware of and avoid the negative consequences of alcohol abuse.

The University of Mississippi Office of Health Promotion works in collaboration with the University Counseling Center and local law enforcement officials to make educational and prevention resources available for students.

One program, Alcohol.edu, sponsored by the Office of Health Promotion since 2006, is an online course mandated for incoming freshmen and transfer students to assess their knowledge coming into college with regards to alcohol.

According to Erin Cromeans, assistant director of health promotions, Alcohol.edu can be used to test students' knowledge about alcohol before entering college, and then to see if their

experience in college, or the "college effect" has influenced their use and attitude towards alcohol. It also instructs students about blood alcohol levels, negative consequences of drinking and about protective behaviors.

However, there's more to the program than just telling underage students not to drink.

"It's also teaching protective behaviors if you decide that you are going to break the law and drink," Cromeans said. "We need to know that they are prepared and educated on what could happen if they decide to drink."

Some students, like senior speech pathology major, Amanda Spencer, feel they could do without the hassle of the program.

"I kind of thought it was annoying," she said. "I really didn't think it was very helpful at all. It was stuff that we had already learned all our lives."

There are also avenues for students to seek help if they are struggling with alcohol issues through the University Counseling Center.

According to Amy Fisher, substance abuse coordinator and staff counselor, there's a problem when alcohol starts to cost you something.

"If the person goes ahead and chooses alcohol over what they're losing, then that's usually when we call it misuse or abuse," Fisher said.

Also, Fisher feels students shouldn't be afraid to seek help if they feel they are struggling.

"There's no judgment here," she said.

"Sometimes students are afraid we will shake our fingers here and that we are the alcohol police. We're not."



Workers put up a new sign on the west side of Vaught-Hemingway Stadium.

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# Ole Miss Top Party School, Accurate or Amiss?

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Lots of Hard

Liquor

Students Study

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The University of Mississippi has once again been ranked as one of the top party schools in the country, according to the Princeton Review.

This year, the university makes the leap from No. 5 to No. 3. However, Chancellor Dan Jones said the party school and alcohol rankings seem to receive more attention than other rankings.

According to the Office of Health Promotion, core data from surveys of Ole Miss students show students perceive other students use alcohol three times per week, while actual use is only reported as once per week. Previous surveys of Ole Miss students state most UM students think that nearly 75 percent of Ole Miss students drink on a regular basis, when in reality, only 20 percent use alcohol more than 10 days a month.

"Every school in the country has partying," said Coulter Ward, assistant dean of students for student involvement. "We are no different. I feel like for whatever reason, our 'partying nature' gets more publicized then at other schools. I have attended quite a few schools and worked at a few more, and all of them could have been ranked."

According to its website, the Princeton Review comes to its conclusions by surveying students. Most of the surveys were completed online, but some were distributed and collected on the campuses at one or more frequently-trafficked locations by a representative of the Princeton Review or someone from the college.

Charlie Mitchell, assistant dean of the Meek School of Journalism and New Media said the survey is not scientific and even compared it to TV show "American Idol."

Not all published rankings of the university have been negative or alcohol related. In fact, Ole Miss has been near the top of some prestigious rankings in recent years, including the top 20 of Forbes' "Best Buy Colleges" this year.

The university was recently included in the "Fiske Guide to Colleges" for 2012, which profiles the top 300 colleges and universities in the United States, Candada and Great Britain.

"In the overall rankings, regardless of price, we were the

the Least Major Frat and

Sorority Scene

3rd

10th Best College Newspaper

Happiest Students )th

**14**th

Above are the 2011-12 Princeton Review rankings for the University of Mississippi.

Great Financial Aid **R**th

the Stadium

Students Pack

Best Quality

of Life

Most Beautiful Campus

Party

School

3rd

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highest ranked public university in the five state area of Mississippi and the four contiguous states," Jones said. "In the Southeastern Conference, we were the third highest ranked public university after Florida and Georgia."

Another survey conducted by StateUniversity.com ranked Ole Miss as the safest college campus in the SEC and one of the top in the country as well.

Larry Ridgeway, vice chancellor of student affairs, said it all starts by having a "safe and beautiful campus in a wonderful, small college town."

"Our relatively small student enrollment matched with bigtime college sports makes us attractive to many students," Ridgeway said. "We work hard to provide a wide array of student activities and programs that enhance the students' overall experience, both in and out of the classroom."

Despite some rankings that may cast a negative shadow

over the university, Ole Miss is a highly accredited university where the students do more than

A quick glance will show that there are more positive rankings for the university than negative

"Ole Miss is a family environment," Ward said. "We legitimately want our students to succeed and be as healthy, mentally and physically, as possible. It truly is an effort that everyone contributes to."



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## Welcome Week 2011





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Left: Emily Corbin passes out a student planner to Brandon Smith in front of the Student Union. The planners were given out by the ASB. Right: Daniel Miller, liberal arts undecided major, receives directions around campus on the first day of classes from Margaret Ann Morgan.

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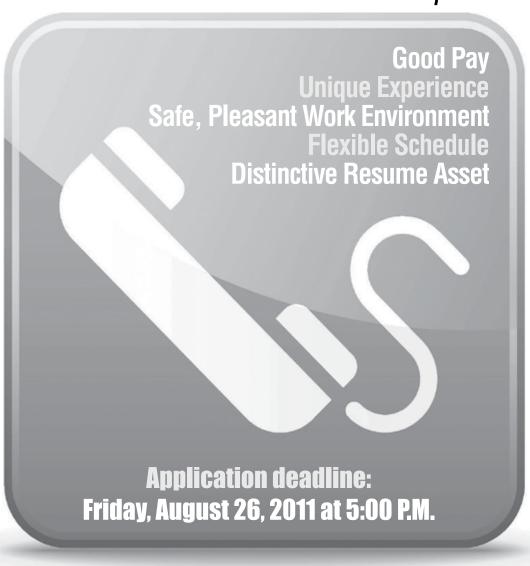
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# The new GRE might make testing more student-friendly

BY ELLIE TURNER eeturne 1 @olemiss.edu

No student is surprised when he or she hears about the scarcity of jobs or an increase in unemployment.

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The six sections fall under three categories: analytical, verbal and quantitative.

In August 2011, there were changes made to the test so that it would better measure the abilities of the test taker to determine if the applicant is ready for graduate-level work.

Graduate School dean Maurice Eftink said the Educational Testing Service, or ETS, made the changes in hopes of improving the validity of the test in predicting potential for success in graduate school.

"From what I have read,

vinced that the new version will be better in this regard," Eftink said.

The revisions made the test design more student-friendly by allowing the test-taker to skip around and go back and edit previous questions within a section.

There is also an on-screen calculator for the quantitative reasoning section of the computer-based test.

Another aspect from the previous test that will be removed is that the difficulty of the questions will not depend on how the test-taker answered previous questions.

Eftink believes the question revisions that were made to the verbal and quantitative sections, which will give reallife scenarios that the person would encounter in graduate or business school and in their career, is the most important

Also, the new format scores

in increments of one instead of 10, which ETS hopes will make the applicant look better. So instead of being worth 1600 points, the test is only worth 340.

The new GRE test scores will not be out until Nov. 7 of this year, which means Ole Miss will not receive any scores until then.

Test scores from the older version of the test will still be valid for five years from the day the test was taken.

When you look at the numbers, graduate school is an option everyone should con-

A person with a master's degree has an \$10,000 to \$15,000 increase in salary compared to a bachelor degree holder. Doctoral degree holders will have a salary increase of \$30,000.

"Continuing on to graduate school can be an investment that is worth a million dollars in lifetime earnings," Eftink

So now you might be thinking, "What do I do to prepare?" Educational Testing Service's website, www.ets. org, has all types of preparation materials to give students an idea of what the test will be like.

Senior speech pathology major Morgan Leslie uses all types of sources. One of her favorites and the one she thinks is the most beneficial is flashcards. They are convenient and cover every section of the test.

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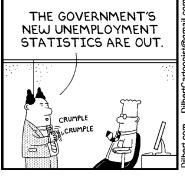


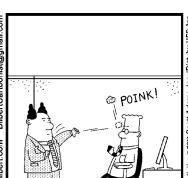
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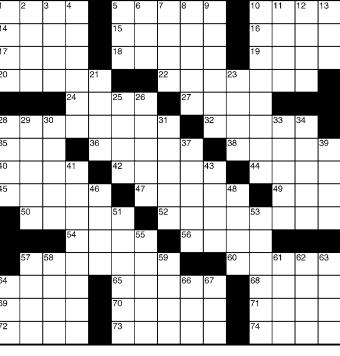
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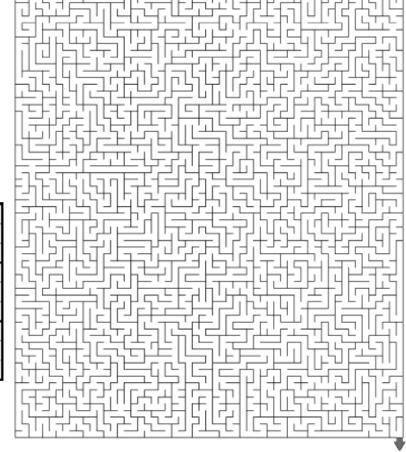
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Also included in the new arena will be an Ole Miss Athletics Hall of Fame, which will exhibit the history, tradition and achievements of Ole Miss Athletics.

"Our plan is to build a firstclass, state-of-the-art basketball facility that will be home to our men's and women's basketball programs that our fans, coaches and studentathletes can be proud of," White said of phase one in a pre-recorded video shown to those in attendance.

The remaining \$50 million | will be used in phase two of construction to bowl in the North Endzone of the football stadium, bringing capacity to over 70,000, including additional seating in the endzone as well as new club seats and suites.

"The Grove is the greatest tailgating atmosphere in college football," White said at the event. "We want to cater to that culture. We want to have a North Endzone plaza facing the Grove that will serve as an impressive front door to the football stadium."

The goal is for the basketball arena and football concourse renovations and improvement to be finished prior to the 2015 season. The North Endzone addition would follow after that.

After the announcement, men's basketball head coach Andy Kennedy discussed what the new arena will mean to his program.

"What this allows us, specifically as a men's basketball program, is to say that we have obviously dealt with an aging facility, and that facilevent.

Kennedy said the transition will help with marketing men's Rebel basketball.

"More than anything, it creates a unique game day experience for our fans, and I think we are the only sport currently that can't create that, just based on the logistics of the age of our facility," Kennedy went on to say.

"I think that it immediately addresses that, and it obviously gives us something to sell to future Rebels."

Forward Together will be the biggest campaign in Ole Miss history.

To view renderings of the projects or to donate to the Forward Together campaign, visit www.ForwardTogether-Rebels.com.

## Fall Practice Notebook: Week 1

Ole Miss wrapped up its second week of fall camp with a scrimmage inside Vaught-Hemingway Stadium this past Saturday. This is the first of a two-part series. Tomorrow: Week 2.

BY DAVID HENSON dahenson@olemiss.edu

#### Nutt loves his freshmen

The Ole Miss 2011 recruiting class arrived on campus with lofty expectations, and the freshmen did not disappoint in the Rebels' first day of practice on Aug. 6.

Head coach Houston Nutt was all smiles after the day's

"I love them," Nutt said of the 2011 recruits on Aug. 6. "I love them more today than I did on signing day. We threw them right out there in the middle of it."

Nutt said many of the newcomers may also be called on during their first season with the Rebels.

"We have done it before with one, two or three (players)," Nutt said. "We have never done it with this many. We have never done it with nine, 10 or 11."

The freshmen made several big plays that brought applause from the fans in attendance. No applause was bigger than the one freshman two-way player Nickolas Brassell received after making an outstanding interception by jumping and then keeping his body inbounds before falling to the turf.

The newcomers on the defensive side also stood out the first day, Nutt said. After practice, Nutt said several recruits in the secondary had a great practice, including Senquez Golson, Cody Prewitt and Chief Brown. Freshman linebackers Keith Lewis, C.J. Johnson and Serderius Bryant also had a great practice.

Nutt thought the high skill level the freshmen class brought with them helped motivate some of the older players.

"It raised everybody's level ity has had issues from time today," Nutt said. "They know to time," Kennedy said at the 1 they better. They better because there are guys right there that don't know the playbook quite yet, but they are com-

#### **Defense shines early**

The quarterback race dominated the conversation, but the defense dominated the play the first week of practice.

"I thought they ran to the ball, caused a lot of turnovers today and it came in groves," Nutt said on Aug. 7. "It seemed like interception after interception or fumble after fumble. By no means am I saying we are there or are we playing at an all-time level, but we got better today on defense."

The secondary stood out in the second day of practice with three consecutive interceptions during 7-on-7 skeleton drills.

"They are showing a lot of speed and they are breaking on the ball with a lot of agility and athleticism," Nutt said on Aug. 7.

It wasn't just the secondary that stood out during week one of practice as the defensive line also showed out, particularly when the team moved to shoulder pads Aug. 8 and then full pads Aug. 10

"There is some intensity we are seeing at defense at times," Nutt said on Aug. 8. "Not all of the time, but at times.

"And I thought the defensive line moved around very well today. Wayne Dorsey, Jason Jones, Carlos Thompson and Gerald Rivers, I thought they all really showed up, and then Uriah Grant showed up in the middle. He is a strong force and is going to be able to help

#### Rebels scrimmage for first time

The 2011 Ole Miss football team played its first scrimmage of fall camp Aug. 13 in front of approximately 2,000 fans at Vaught-Hemmingway Sta-

After the scrimmage, Nutt said he was impressed with his team's performance.

"I thought we had a good day," Nutt said of the scrimmage. "It was so good to see Lockett out there — good to see him get some of the rust off. I thought that the offensive line did a really good job on a couple of series. I thought they executed really well."

"They came after it," Nutt said of the freshmen in the scrimmage. "I love their energy. I love what the freshmen bring to our team — they don't act like freshmen."

Senior defensive end Lockett finished with two tackles and an interception, which he returned to the 1-yard line before being brought down by sophomore quarterback Barry Brunetti.

The Rebels went into their first scrimmage still undecided at quarterback. Nutt was pleased with how the quarterbacks performed in their first scrimmage, but admitted that they had some work to do.

"Each one of the quarterbacks can do something a little different, which is good," Nutt

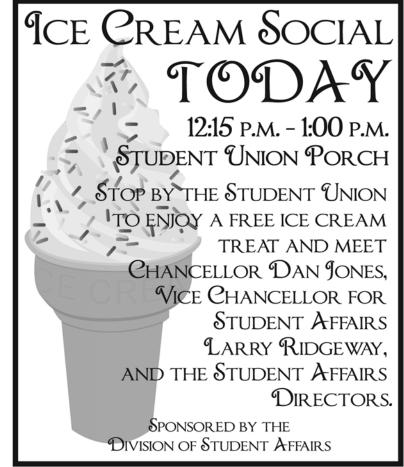
Brunetti was 2-for-6 passing for 25 yards with an interception, junior Randall Mackey was 3-for-9 passing for 82 yards and junior Zack Stoudt started slow, but finished the day 3-for-9 passing for 41 yards, including a touchdown toss to freshman wide receiver Donte Moncrief.

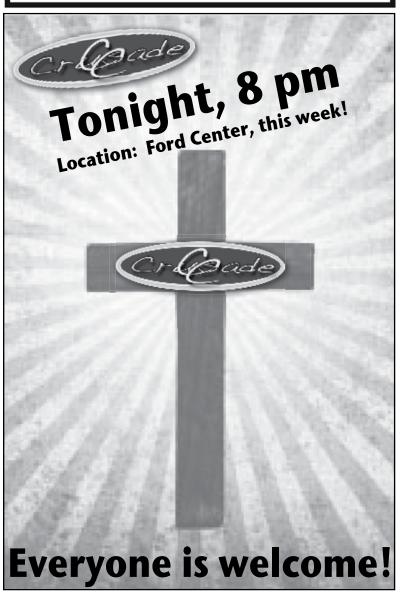




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Left:Freshman two-way player Nickolas Brassell takes an end around run in the team's first scrimmage on Aug. 13. Brassell played both wide receiver and defensive back during fall practice but moved mostly to the offensive side of the ball by the end of camp. Right: Senior defensive end Kentrell Lockett intercepts a throw from sophomore quarterback Barry Brunetti in the team's first scrimmage on Aug. 13.





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# Ole Miss athletics unveiled capital campaign fundraiser Aug. 9



PHOTO COURTESY OLE MISS SPORTS INFORMATION

The University announced Forward Together, a capital campaign fundraiser for Ole Miss Athletics, on Aug. 9 inside Vaught-Hemingway Stadium. Of the \$150 million goal, \$100 million will go toward a new 10,000-seat basketball arena.

BY DAVID HENSON

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Forward Together, a capital campaign fundraiser for Ole Miss Athletics, kicked off at a public announcement on Aug. 9 in the South Endzone Club at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium.

At the event, the University of Mississippi, including speakers Chancellor Dan Jones and Athletics Director Pete Broone, unveiled its vision for Ole Miss Athletics and announced two phases of facility enhancement.

Boone called the day a landmark event for Ole Miss Rebel fans.

"The \$150 million facilities initiative will be the cornerstone of future championships for the flagship university of this great state," Boone said at the event.

"Coming off of two consecutive years of record-breaking athletics giving, there is no better time than now." Boone went on to say, "The path we have chosen will lead to championships, and the path we have chosen, we can do."

Every bit of support will be critical to the success of creating these championship-level facilities."

Danny White, the executive director of the UMAA Foundation, said the capital campaign, Forward Together, calls for everyone to come together and help reach that goal. White said the process started about a year ago with gathering information and preparation for the campaign.

White also noted that Ole Miss is partnering with AECOM, a technology and management support firm, and Row 27, a web-based sports marketing firm.

In the two weeks since the announcement, fans have already started coming forward with their support for the initiative.

"The response since our campaign launched has been overwhelmingly positive," White said on Monday. "People are really excited to take this athletic department to the next level. We are already receiving gifts in the mail and online as people are stepping up really early in the process."

The total plan is to raise \$150 million. Of the \$150 million, approximately \$50 million will come from philanthropic giving and \$100 million will come from seat-related revenue, while none of the campaign will use public funding, according to the campaign's website.

Phase one of construction will dedicate \$100 million toward building a new 10,000-seat basketball arena, as well as concourse-related renovations to the football stadium.

In the new arena, which is to be located behind the Turner Center, students will have an exclusive entrance, which will be connected to a pre-game tailgate patio. Students will

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