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IHL approves \$50 million UM Union expansion

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It is 12:15 p.m., students are just out of class and some skipped breakfast.

When Terrance Martin was a freshman, he might have stopped by the Union on the way to his next class, but now the senior goes hungry.

"I just skip it," the marketing major said. "Most times people are in a rush and don't have time to wait, what, 30 minutes? I'll just be hungry until class lets out."

Martin said being hungry during class isn't really ideal, however, as it makes it harder to concentrate.

"It is so difficult," he said. "I was in class today about to die because I had no food."

Future students might be in better shape as the Institutes of Higher Learning recently approved the University of Mississippi's \$50 million bid to expand the Student Union last week; however, though it will come at a cost.

Chancellor Dan Jones said final financing details are still being worked out but that the funding would come from three sources:

existing funds, state bonds from the Mississippi legislature and indebtedness that would add a fee to students.

"In years past, students have shown a willingness to have additional funds for a new Union," Jones said. "Last year's Associated Student Body president Virginia Burke led a voluntary effort to raise money for the Union — the Legacy Campaign."

Jones added that decreasing state funding has made it difficult for university projects to not be partially student-funded, as there are larger budget needs, such as being fair with the pay of faculty and staff.

The Student Union was completed in the 1970s, when the campus had 8,000 students. With the student population nearly double that now, Jones said the university has been working for a number of years to expand and renovate the Union.

"This is a student-centered university, and the Union is an important gathering place, but there is not sufficient space now," Jones said. "The Union is a great tool for enhancing the community on campus."

It will be a 2-phase project that takes 3-5 years, and Jones said it would allow them to add an additional 50 percent of space to the current facility, while also renovating it. The expansion will go behind the Union, where the current service area is.

Jones said it would take 12-to-18 months to plan the project, and 18-to-24 months each for the two phases.

While there would be some inconveniences during the construction, Dean of Students Sparky Reardon said upgrading the Union will be well worth it.

Reardon said this is because the Union has several needs that could help make it better for students, including a place exclusively for student organizations to gather, a banquet hall and an auditorium.

Reardon said it was important to provide office space for student organizations in a central location.

"There is a great deal of learning to be done in a building that brings students from diverse backgrounds and areas together," he said.

A banquet hall exclusively for students could provide them



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Students file into the crowded Student Union during lunch hour. Because the Union is the central-most dining area on campus, grabbing a quick bite between classes has become near impossible for students with time constraints.

with a cheaper option for hosting events, Reardon said.

"Students struggle to plan events, parties or dances," he said. "To do it, they have to rely on places that are a lot more expensive and more boozy."

Having an auditorium would be a place to showcase films, outside of the elements, that are between the movie theatre and DVD re-

lease, Reardon said. It could also be a place to host lectures, bands and comedians, he added.

Martin said expanding the Union was a good idea, but he said he wished it would have happened sooner.

"Maybe by the time my little boy comes to school here, he will be like, 'Yay! the Union,'" Martin said.

Oxford strives to become more biker-friendly

BY WILL BEDWELL
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The Oxford Pathways Commission has almost transformed the local community into a cyclist-friendly haven but has now run into a wall.

After Phase Two was initially approved by the Mississippi Department of Transportation, all bids on creating the new lanes were too high for the city's budget. New plans must be made to fit a \$2 million budget, forcing the commission's engineers to redesign their blueprints.

The Phase Two project, which consists of implementing 13 more miles of bike lanes on South and North Lamar Road, Sisk Road and Bramlet Avenue and creating a BMX track at the FNC park, are still pending final approval.

In 1999, the Oxford Traffic Commission predicted the Oxford community would either

have overwhelming traffic issues or be forced to find other ways for people to travel through town. Over a decade later, the Pathways Commission's plans of avoiding "carmageddon" by giving people alternative means of transportation is at a stand still.

Mike Mossing, chair of the Pathways Commission, bikes to work every day and helped establish the commission's mission statement: "To provide people a way to get around Oxford with or without a car."

So far the commission has completed Phase One of their plans, which converted the railroad next to campus into a bike and walking path and added a mile of bike lanes that connect to the path. These lanes are on Gertrude Ford Parkway, Old Taylor Road, McElroy Drive and Molly Barr Road.

Pathways Commission member Scott Rone hopes the plan will be approved next year. Rone, 52, has been a member of the Oxford community since

he was 17 and is amazed by the recent change he's witnessed in the community.

"(Oxford) has always been relatively bike-friendly compared to the rest of Mississippi, but it has improved a very large amount in the past five to 10 years," Rone said.

Rone believes there are many ways in which the university can become more cyclist-friendly. He would like to bike to work, but since bike lanes on South Lamar have not yet been built, this task is next to impossible.

"I would have to leave at 6 in the morning to get to work safely and in one piece," Rone said.

He would like bike lanes to be built next to the major thoroughfares on campus and weather-proof bike garages to be placed in front of all residence halls.

Both Mossing and Rone believe the community will be healthier and happier if more

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Neal McMillin, sophomore southern studies major, rides his bike to class after lunch in the Student Union. Many students ride bikes on campus to save gas and time.

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Letter to the Editor

Most things become dangerous with excess. We can clearly see it with power, wealth, food and even sex. Religious beliefs aside, I think that the “powers that be” aren’t trying to suppress knowledge but actually understand the full consequences of an excess of sex.

As much as we’d like to turn our eyes away from it, there are more hazards other than venereal diseases to too much sex, and I’ll leave it to the reader to do their own research on the topic.

Although I feel that most articles in The DM are cases of students “trolling” (fishing for a response), I’d like to take this opportunity to make one point in regards to Mr. White’s article (“Sexing it up”). None of us are blind to the desperation of this world, especially in America. There are children starving in third world countries and obese people right next door. There are parents that can’t have children while young couples are having abortions.

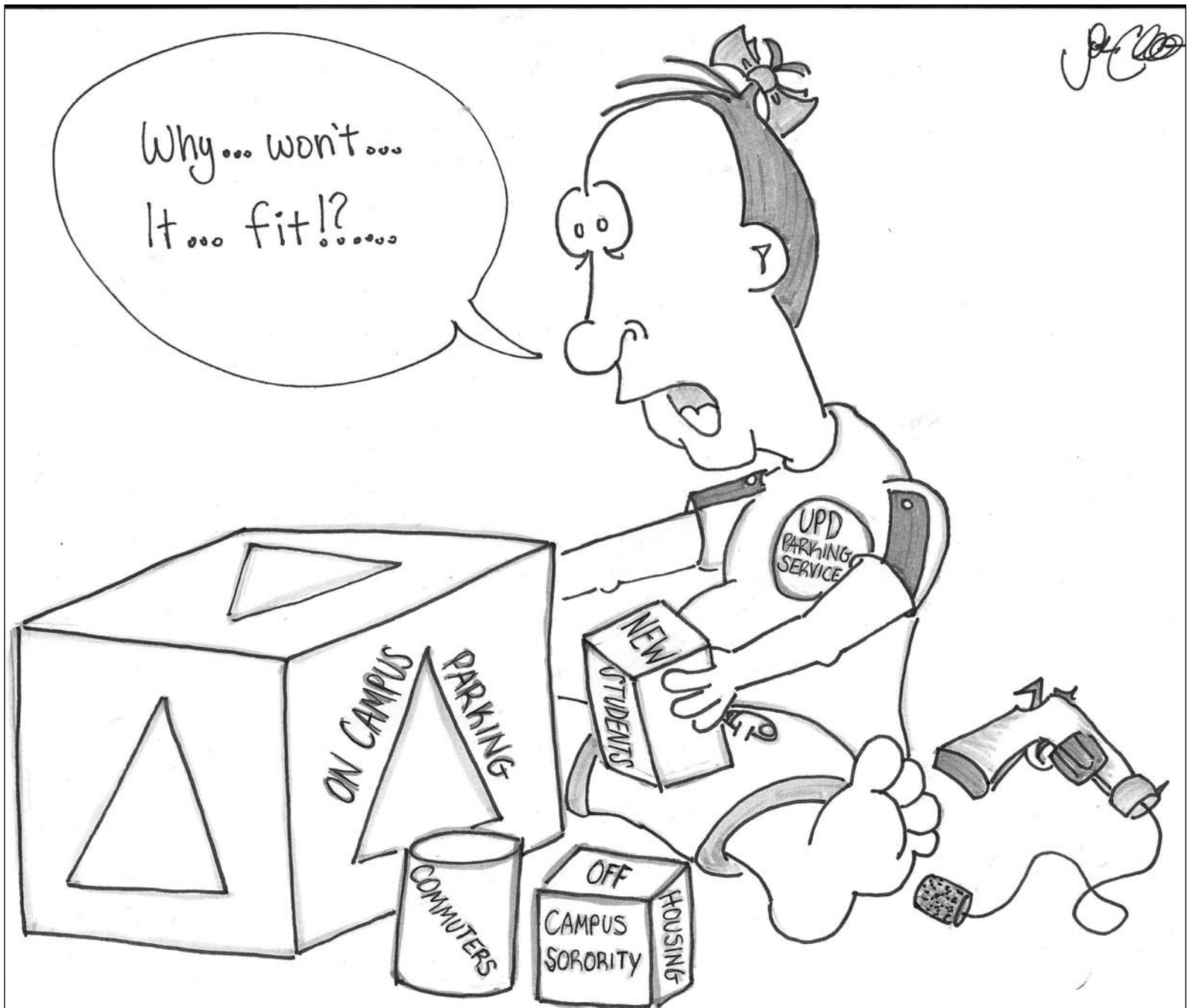
I say this not to be hateful or to hurt anyone but to open our eyes to the contradictions of an ever-increasing craving for an ever-diminishing pleasure.

The fact that we can get whatever we want in a matter of seconds, and that most consequences for our actions are continuously erased, has led us towards a very dangerous downward spiral.

While sex is a pleasurable, beautiful and meaningful act, I think we can learn an important lesson from remaining taciturn, not only in speech, but with our wants and physical bodies as well.

May we finally awake from our current slumber and recognize that pleasures always become dulled with excess and that control and limitation of instant gratification is necessary for our continued survival. I welcome any questions or comments.

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Cooper v. Stockett: The Help and its legal consequences

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Kathryn Stockett’s best-selling novel, “The Help,” has stirred up a great amount of controversy in Mississippi, while also refocusing our nation’s and the world’s attention on racial tensions in the South.

A small example of the consequences resulting from the publication and subsequent movie depiction of the novel occurred on Feb. 9 in Hinds County.

On that day, Ablene Cooper, a longtime maid and nanny for Stockett’s brother, filed a civil suit against the author.

Stockett gave Cooper a copy of “The Help” in 2009, shortly before its initial publication. Cooper, however, did not read the novel until the summer of 2010. At that time, Cooper began to notice similarities between herself and the novel’s African-American protagonist, Aibileen Clark.

As a result, Cooper brought

suit against Stockett, in the form of a torts claim: a civil, as opposed to criminal, action in which Cooper alleges that Stockett violated a duty the law imposes upon Stockett and upon all of us in regard to our interactions with others.

Cooper claims that Stockett misappropriated her likeness and shed false light on Cooper’s character in the public eye. Basically, she alleges that Stockett invaded her privacy, took her name and likeness for commer-

cial gain and acted indifferently towards the accuracies of the publication.

In order to win on this claim, Cooper must prove that Stockett actually used her name and likeness without her consent and for commercial gain. If this claim fails, Cooper can fall back on the “false light” claim. There, Cooper must prove that the story Stockett published is actually about her.

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Is the grading system change good or bad?

BY STEFF THOMAS
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Those of you who picked up a copy of The DM this week and actually read it are well aware of the new grading system Ole Miss has adopted.

New may not be the word for it, as many other universities have been using it for quite some time.

Some, but not all, teachers will be switching to the plus/minus grading scale this semester.

As I write this, I can hear the moans and groans about the topic.

This will be an influential factor when it comes to grades and overall GPA at the end of each semester.

With most aspects in life, there are pros and cons. In this particular situation, however, the cons outweigh the pros.

If you have not yet read up on the issue, this is what the Ole Miss website says: "The primary purpose of adding

the + and - grade options is to give instructors the ability to more accurately assess and report a student's performance."

There are also several reasons why this being implemented is a good thing - motivation, expectation and improvement.

With the former system, motivation was lacking.

Why put the maximum effort into something if you can get the same grade and still slack-off a little?

The new grading system will hopefully push students to not only work harder in the classroom to make the grades, but also get the most out of their education.

I hate to be the one to say this, but it isn't exactly a secret the expectations for Ole Miss students have not always been the highest.

The change in grading system will not only help the university to match other school requirements, but also to raise expectations inside and out-

side of the classroom.

The change may also help students to improve in certain areas they may be struggling with and are unaware of.

While those are good things, the bad things are what is important to us as students.

For most majors, there are a certain amount of hours required to be taken in that subject before a student can graduate with a degree in his or her field.

Because of this, failing a class is not an option.

To move on to another course in the journalism field, you have to pass each class with a C or better.

In other words, you might as well be failing if you make anything below average.

In addition to those field requirements, we journalists also have to juggle core classes and courses that correspond to our area of interest or minor.

We already have more classes to take than we have the time to take them in.

This new system also adds

more work to a professor's already overflowing plate.

Now, instead of giving a solid grade for work, there is math involved.

No one likes math, except for math teachers.

Don't fret yet, my friends. Not all teachers will accept this new form of grading.

One of my professors left the decision up to the stu-

dents and the end result was unanimous. There was nothing wrong with the old grading system.

And if it was up to me, I would give this new system an F for "forget it."

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Cooper claims she asked Stockett to not use her name or likeness in the novel and that Stockett agreed to do so.

Stockett, in several interviews, insists that the book is a work of fiction and that she hardly knows Cooper. But the similarities between the characters are striking, at least on the surface.

First, their names: Ablene vs. Aibileen. As Cooper told The New York Times, "There ain't too many Ablenes," in this world.

Second, their teeth: Both women have a gold tooth. But as a result of the low quality dental care available to African-Americans in the 1960s and '70s, it is unlikely that Cooper was the only nanny with a gold tooth.

Third, their sons: Cooper and Clark each lost a son shortly before beginning work for the Stocketts and the Mobleys, respectively.

These similarities, however, could be characterized as superficial. Many who read the novel describe Aibileen Clark as "wise" and even "saintly."

The character endures and rises up against hardship in a pivotal time in our country, region and state's history.

But, to Cooper, the portrayal is embarrassing.

Another, more cynical viewpoint, is that Cooper is simply looking for her share of the lucrative deal Stockett has made for herself.

It is interesting to note the amount of damages sought in the suit. Under federal law, a suit for more than \$75,000 can be removed to federal court. By keeping the claim at exactly \$75,000, Cooper ensures that her claim stays in Hinds County, a jurisdiction she undoubtedly believes will be friendlier to her claim.

But unfortunately for Cooper, every tort claim has a statute of limitations: a rule establishing a time limit for suing in a civil case. For misappropriation cases, the statute of limitations

is one year.

According to the Honorable Judge Tomie Green, the injury to Cooper occurred in 2009 when she first received the novel and when it was published shortly thereafter.

Therefore, the judge dismissed Cooper's claim because it was filed after the statute of limitations had expired.

Though Cooper argues that the statute should not begin to run until she discovered the likeness in 2010, the judge denied her motion for reconsideration.

Ultimately, this suit demonstrates the continued stress "between white families and the black women who raise their children and keep their houses clean" (The New York Times).

The suit and "The Help" have restarted a national conversation about a topic most southern families would rather have left unsaid.

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University installs fix-it stations



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Jason Finch, president of the Oxford Cycling Club, fixes a bike outside the Student Union. The bike repair stand is a new addition to Ole Miss this fall and can be used by students to make simple bicycle repairs.

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The university recently installed a self-serve bicycle repair station at the Student Union for use by students and faculty. The station is set by the bike racks at the corner of the Union.

The idea for the repair station originated with the Office of Campus Sustainability, and met approval from the Associated Student Body.

Funding for the project came from leftover grant money from Rebel Pedals, the university's bike-share program.

Anne McCauley, 32, the project coordinator for the Office of Campus Sustainability, said they are always looking for ways to improve the bike infrastructure on campus.

"Any way that we can support students riding bikes – encourage that to happen – we are going to pursue new ideas as we think of them," McCauley said.

Sophomore John Reynolds

Myers said he thinks the bike station is a great addition to campus.

"I definitely could use (the bike repair station)," he said. "Especially last semester; my chain came off."

Though the station doesn't have an instruction manual on how to fix a bicycle, Oxford Cycling has agreed to staff the bike station every Tuesday for the first six weeks of the school year from noon to 1 p.m. to show students how to fix their bikes.

"In the future, we look to expand the educational materials connected to the station," McCauley said.

Will Gates, a freshman political science major, grew up working on his bikes and loves the convenience the bike station presents.

"I usually have a small pump to air up tires but this one works better," Gates said.

If the bike station is utilized by cyclists, then students can expect to see more stations on campus.

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Dedication of MLK Memorial postponed

WASHINGTON (AP) — A planned weekend dedication of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial on the National Mall has been postponed until September or October as approaching Hurricane Irene dashed hopes of paying tribute to the late civil rights activist on the 48th anniversary of his "I Have a Dream" speech, organizers said Thursday.

Executive architect Ed Jackson Jr. told The Associated Press that the hurricane bearing down on the East Coast had forced the postponement of the dedication originally planned for 11 a.m. Sunday. President Barack Obama was to have been one of the scheduled speakers beside the King sculpture erected on a 4-acre site in the nation's capital.

Harry Johnson, the president of the foundation that built the memorial, said at a subsequent news conference that he decided Thursday afternoon to postpone the dedication after study-

ing forecasts suggesting Irene's passage would potentially make weather conditions unsafe for visitors amid the threat of high winds and rains. He also said a Saturday black-tie gala event had to be postponed.

"We all are saddened by this. I remained optimistic all day, but Mother Nature is Mother Nature," Johnson said at a news conference. But he added, "The memorial is going to be there forever."

The forecasts threatened heavy winds and rains in Washington as Irene was expected to take an unpredictable path up the East Coast this coming weekend, the weather service said.

Organizers had previously said they had expected up to 250,000 people for the dedication and celebration of the King legacy on the mall. The memorial was to have been dedicated on the 48th anniversary of King's famous speech delivered less than a mile away on the steps of the

Lincoln Memorial.

The hurricane was only the second disruption or organizers who also had to contend with a rare East Coast earthquake on Tuesday.

The 5.8-magnitude earthquake that caused a crack on the upper part of the Washington Monument had forced organizers to change a venue for a Saturday service anticipating the memorial's dedication. The interfaith service had been planned Saturday the National Cathedral, but that landmark building suffered damages from falling capstones from the quake centered in neighboring Virginia.

Located between monuments to Presidents Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Jefferson, King's memorial is the first monument on the National Mall honoring a black leader. The memorial is a 30-foot-tall sculpture in which King appears to emerge from granite carved to resemble the sides of a mountain.

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people choose to pedal to their destinations.

They are not the only pro-bike members in the area. Manager of parking services Linda Christian is glad students use bikes because she believes doing so makes for a safer campus – more bikes equal fewer cars and better pedestrian safety as long as cyclists remain on approved roads.

University Police Department regulations consider bikes to be a vehicle, meaning no biking is permitted on campus sidewalks. The common UPD saying, according to Christian, is, "Same road, same rules."

UPD has the right to ticket cyclists who use the sidewalks and has said they will do so at

their own discretion.

Because of the current amount of cyclists, the university has been taking its own measures to improve bikers' experiences on campus. Besides helping keep students' bikes safe by offering free registration and engraving at UPD headquarters in Kinard Hall, the university is also attempting to make campus more cyclist-friendly through the Rebel Pedals program, which was created two years ago.

Students can rent bikes Monday through Friday for \$20 a year. Alex Peal, a freshman marketing communications major, has already taken advantage of the program.

"I didn't bring a car to school because I'm from Virginia, so renting a bike is a good investment for me, and it's faster than walking," Peal said.

Mossing said some members of the community, however, be-

lieve the city's funds shouldn't be used for bike lanes, as expressed in letters to the editor of The Oxford Eagle newspaper. Their opinion is that not enough people use the current bike lanes to warrant their further funding.

In order to prove the worth of the Pathways Commission's efforts, Mossing and other members have organized two volunteer counting days, Sept. 13 and Sept. 17, in order to determine how many people use the current bike lanes. They hope to have about 20 volunteers who will stand at designated spots on the bike lanes and count how many people are using the paths.

Whether or not citizens and students agree that there are enough cyclists to deserve more bike lanes, Mossing believes Oxford is doubtlessly becoming a community that endorses shared roads for all.



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Technical education changes might affect construction

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Technical education is changing in the Oxford School District, and it might affect design plans for the new high school.

The changes will also carry over to the uses of the current high school and middle schools.

With the exception of Computer Discovery, a basic computer use and keyboarding class for eighth graders, the Mississippi Department of Education has done away with other Discovery courses this year. The department will do away with the computer course at the end of the current school year.

Although the university houses a School of Applied Science, Oxford schools lack vocational classes, Superintendent Brian Harvey said.

"We're not looking to replace any of those classes," he said.

"We're looking to duplicate Allied Health because we have more students than we can offer the class to and only one teacher."

Harvey also said they would still be using the School of Applied Technology for the vocational courses but that the new Allied Health class could be moved from the School of Applied Science to the new high school.

Within the new Oxford High School, which will be located on Sisk Avenue, Harvey said two other classes will possibly be added.

Pre-Engineering and Culinary Arts are in the works, he said, because Oxford schools currently do not offer these courses to students who might be interested in these fields.

"It's all about a shifting of curriculum as well as a shift in funding," Harvey said. "(Discovery courses) are something the State Department has phased out; it's a shifting in priorities."

As for the replacement of some of the Discovery classes, middle school students will enroll in an

Information Computer Technology class, or ICT, beginning next year.

Harvey said the Science Technology Engineering and Math class will be moved down and available at the eighth grade level.

The Oxford School Board still has to approve the plans on Aug. 29.

Architectural firm Eley Guild Hardy will oversee the building project and will move forward with bids for construction once the decision is made.

"Our enrollment numbers continue to grow, so that's why we're moving forward with a new high school," Harvey said.

"Next year, we'll have more students at the middle school than high school."

Enrollment numbers within Oxford schools have increased with each passing year, so the new high school will be a timely solution to overcrowding.

The current high school will become the middle school, and Harvey said they are planning to convert the current middle school into a school strictly for fifth and sixth graders.

"We hope to be settled into the new high school by the fall of 2013," he said.

However, the adjustment to the new course changes will be gradual until 2015.

'True Blood' screenwriter joins UM faculty

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Oxford is a town well-known for its many literary celebrities: William Faulkner, John Grisham and Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Richard Ford, to name a few.

The culturally-driven town can now add another award-winning author and screen writer to the list. Chris Offutt, who has written two novels, one collection of short stories, two memoirs and several episodes for HBO, will teach two brand new classes at the university this semester.

Introduction to Film and Introduction to Screenwriting, both 300-level courses, will both be taught by Offutt. Chair of the English department Ivo Kamps said both of the classes filled up quickly, even though they were just added over the summer.

Kamps said the English department has been looking for a way to combine the "word with the image."

"Hiring a screenwriter was the perfect solution because it helps us show our students how their written words can end up on TV or on the silver screen," Kamps said.

"Visual media (is) becoming increasingly important in today's world," Kamps said. "Students are probably more visually-oriented than they were

a couple of decades ago."

Kamps said Offutt is a great addition to the program.

"Offutt is someone with enormous real world accomplishments in the area in which he teaches," Kamps said. "Students love to learn from a professor who has himself 'done it' -- done the things he teaches."

Offutt said he previously taught courses at the Iowa Writers' Workshop, the University of Montana, University of New Mexico and Mercer University.

"Learning to write screenplays is difficult," the Lexington, Kent., native said. "It can't be learned by watching movies and TV. A budding screenwriter needs to write everyday and read great literature."

Offutt has several published works, but he is most known for his contributions to HBO. He has written two episodes for the series "True Blood" and one for "Weeds." He said he is currently working on an episode for the series "Treme."

Having grown up in the southeastern region of the United States, Offutt said he is thrilled to return to the South.

"I've visited Oxford several times and always like it," he said.



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"The job came along at the right time for me. Oxford is the center of Southern literature, and it's great to be part of it. Plus the land is beautiful."

Offutt said the reception from the locals has been "extremely warm and welcoming."

"That's right down the line from the chancellor to the dean, my new colleagues, students and staff," he said. "I feel lucky to be here."



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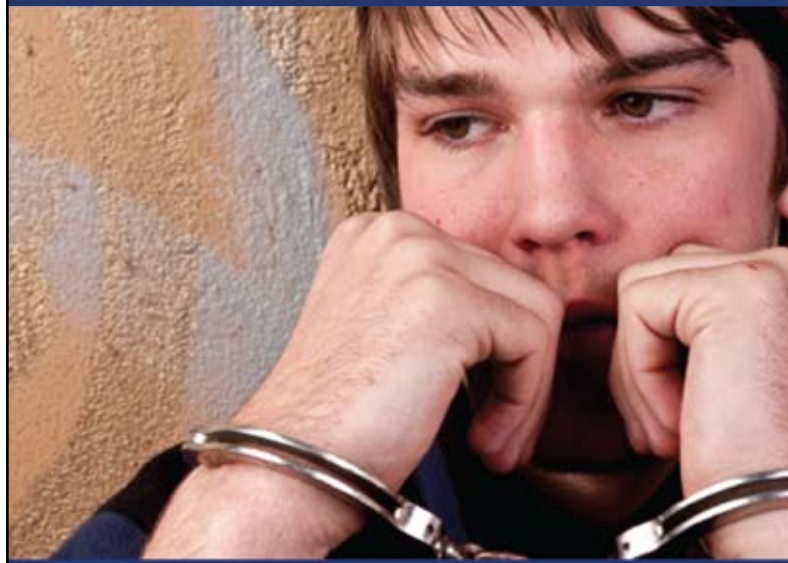
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DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER

How to fix a bike's flat tire

BY ALEX EDWARDS
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Students looking for a fast, easy and inexpensive way to commute to class often choose to ride a bike, but they are not without pitfalls. Below is a guide to changing a flat.

One of the most common problems cyclists encounter while riding are flat tires.

I will teach you, step-by-step, how to properly change a front flat tire while on the road.

Things you will need:

- New inner tube that will fit the tire size. If you don't know the size, check with your local bike shop to get what you need.

- Tire levers to remove your tire from the rim.

- Some sort of bike pump that can be brought with you to pump up your tire after changing the tube.

- 15mm wrench if your bike is not equipped with quick release skewers to remove the wheel.

These items can be found at local bike shops around the area.

Step One: Determining the problem

Riding to campus, you notice the front tire has become soft and flat.

Pulling over to the side of the road, you check your tire and sure enough, you have a flat. After uttering every curse word in your vocabulary, the next thing is to change the flat.

Step Two: Removing the wheel

If your bike is equipped with quick release skewers, your next step is to open the skewer and unscrew several turns until you pass the safety tabs on your fork.

Release your front brake (remembering to reattach after changing flat) and slide your wheel out of the drop-out of the fork. Set the wheel down carefully, and lay your bike down with the

derailleur side pointing to the sky.

Step Three: Removing tire from the wheel

With your tire lever in hand, pick up your wheel and use the lever to remove the tire.

You will slide the flat side of the lever under the bead of the tire (where the bottom of the tire and tube meets) and pry part of the bead over the side of the rim.

Once you have successfully moved part of the bead over the rim, slide the tire lever around the entire rim, removing the entire bead from the side.

At this point, you can set your tire levers down and remove the tire from the wheel by hand.

Step Four: Checking the tire

Once the tire has been removed from the wheel, remove the inner tube (what actually holds the air) from the tire.

This next step is one of the most important steps in the tire changing process.

CAREFULLY slide your hands through the inside of the tire, checking for any road debris that potentially flattened your first tube.

Without completing this step, you are at the risk of getting more flats from the debris in the tire.

If debris is found, remove it from the tire. If no debris is found, you are most likely a victim of a pinch flat.

The easiest way to eliminate pinch flats is to inflate your tires every time you ride your bike to the max-recommended tire pressure.

This information can be found on the side of your tire.

Step Five: Replacing tire and tube

Now that you have determined the cause of your flat, you're ready to replace your tire and tube. Remount one side of your tire onto the rim.

Once the first side of the tire has



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been replaced on the rim, remove the tube from its packaging.

With your inflator, add a little air to give the tube shape to ease installation.

Now place the new tube into the tire lining up the valve of the tube with the valve hole in the rim. Make sure the tube is seated into the new tire.

After the tube has been moved into the tire, roll the other side of the bead onto the rim with your hands.

Only at the end of the reinstallation might you need to use your tire lever to move a portion of the tire onto the rim.

You will want to ensure your tube will not get pinched between the rim and tire by pushing back on the tire.

If you see overlap of the tube and tire, then you need to fix the issue by removing part of the tire.

Step Six: Inflating the tire

At this point, you are almost done with the flat change.

Place your tire inflator onto the valve of the tube, and slowly inflate the tire and tube.

As you inflate the tire, be sure to check to make sure the tire is not rolling off.

If it is beginning to peel off the rim, let some air out to ensure the fit of the tire on the rim.

If the tire stays on properly, then continue to slowly inflate the tire until it has reached a firm feel.

Step Seven: Replace the tire on the bike

With the inflated tire in hand, pick up the bike and slide the wheel back onto its fork mounts.

Tighten the quick release skewer, and reattach your front brake.

Once the wheel is attached to your bike, check to insure it was properly reinstalled by spinning the wheel.


If the wheel continuously rubs on one side of the brakes, re-center the wheel and try again.

Step Eight: Get to class

Remount your bike, and you will be ready to go.

If the problems continue, visit your local bike shop for further advice.

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Skloot sheds light on common reading experience



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Rebecca Skloot, author of the freshman common reading book speaks at the Freshman Convocation Ceremony in the Tad Smith Coliseum.

BY HILLARY HOUSTON
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The Freshman Convocation ceremony starts the first college chapter for the class of 2015.

Students and faculty joined together to welcome each other

on Thursday night at 7 p.m. in the Tad Smith Coliseum.

"It's the formal observance of the freshman start," said Leslie Banahan, assistant vice chancellor of student affairs.

"The idea is that this is convocation and in four years it will

be commencement. It's special because this group won't be together again until commencement."

The guest speaker, Rebecca Skloot, author of "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks", who campaigned the UM Com-

mon Reading Experience, a new program designed to unite Ole Miss students through the reading and discussing of one book.

"It's a community event that provides opportunities for us to ask questions, listen to opinions and really have a conversation with the students," Banahan said.

During summer orientation, the UM Common Reading Experience gave every freshman a copy of Skloot's book to read before the beginning of fall semester.

The same book will be used in numerous classes and campus events throughout the semester to promote conversation between the readers.

"This week has really made me feel welcome," said Lauryn Sperling, freshman biology major. "It's like we're apart of one big family."

Thursday night, the students were given the opportunity to actually ask Skloot questions about her book and have their books signed.

Ashley Gresham, freshman biology major, was one of a few students to ask Skloot a question.

"I really enjoyed reading Skloot's book over the summer," Gresham said. "It was so exciting to talk with her and hear her speak to us."

The students were also given a special edition University of Mississippi commemorative coin.

For the second consecutive year, the University distributed bronze coins to the incoming freshman class.

"The coins mark the beginning of their careers and membership of the Ole Miss family," said Larry Ridgeway, vice chancellor of student affairs. "It is an encouragement for them to come in, take care of business and hopefully graduate in the year 2015."

Each class coin is unique to its particular year and can only be obtained by attending Freshman Convocation.

The class of 2015 coin design includes an illustration of the Grove.

"I encourage you that you carry this coin with you, so that each time you look at it you will be reminded of your goal of graduating with your classmates in May of 2015," Ridgeway said.

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Relay for Life 5K to kick off this year's events



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Hemdeep Dulthummon talks with Kaitlyn Barton about Relay for Life at the campus and student organizations fair on Thursday.

BY ZACH MITCHELL
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The first weekend of the school year means a lot more than just partying and kicking back after a long week of classes.

On Aug. 27, both walkers and runners will line up at the Student Union to participate in the University of Mississippi chapter of Relay for Life's 5K for a Cure that kicks off their events for the school year.

Senior Amber Ward, head of the Ole Miss Relay for Life Planning Committee, has a very special attachment to the project.

"I randomly participated in high school, but it wasn't that big of a deal," she said.

"In my freshman year, I had an aunt who passed away from lung cancer, and at that point, I knew that I wanted to be more involved, rather than just being on a team or just coming to the actual event."

The 5K begins a year of events that includes a "Paint the Campus Purple" week in Sep-

tember, a "Little Black Dress" party, which includes a fashion show and a wine tasting featuring various food vendors in October, and an Ole Miss version of "Dancing with the Stars" in November.

These events lead up to a 12-hour relay in April.

Ward has set a lofty goal for the year's events: raising \$45,000.

However, after raising \$35,000 the first year and \$36,000 last year, she believes the school can raise enough.

Ole Miss has a friendly trophy competition with Mississippi State University.

MSU currently holds the trophy, beating Ole Miss by around \$600.

All the proceeds from the event help cancer patients both nationally and locally.

"The cool thing about Ole Miss is that a lot of the money stays in the county," Ward said. "The American Cancer Society donates a lot of money each year to the Ole Miss medical school for cancer research."

The money will also go to

travel expenses for cancer patients, hope lodges (a place where cancer patients can stay while receiving treatment) and national cancer research.

The 5K also introduces the Relay for Life's new theme, "Cancer Doesn't Take a Holiday."

"We're doing random holidays," Ward said. "For Paint the Campus Purple Week, each day will be a different holiday and on the night of the actual event, each team will decorate their tent for whatever holiday they want."

Registration for the race begins at 6 a.m., and the race itself is at 7 a.m.

Potential runners can also sign up at racesonline.com.

There are 50 runners already signed up, but Ward expects 15 more to join.

Both walkers and runners are welcome, though walkers do not have to walk the entire 3.1 miles (5 km) and can instead opt to walk two miles.

The race starts and ends at the Union.

COLUMN

Justin Moore returns to Oxford

BY NATHANIEL WEATHERSBY
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On Saturday, Justin Moore will return to the stage at the Lyric for another show in Oxford.

This time, his performance will include songs from his new album "Outlaws Like Me," which released June 21.

The Poyen, Ark., native grew up in a rich, country, homespun atmosphere. He worked on his grandparents' farm and sang gospel songs at church.

In his youth, Moore even performed and excelled in a school talent show, but the singer found his calling with country music.

Moore studied the genre and prepared himself for the fame that was destined to come.

After graduating high school, Moore moved to Nashville and found a manager. His first position was as a writer for Big Picture Music/Valory Music Company, which houses Taylor Swift, Reba and Jewel.

Moore later made a name for himself as a singer with his first Top 40 single, "Back That Thing Up."

The rising singer didn't stop there, following up with his second hit single, "Small Town USA," released in the spring of 2009.

"Small Town USA" led Moore to become the first solo artist to have a song hit No. 1 status from a debut album since Taylor Swift. Moore released his first studio album following "Small Town USA."

The self-titled album produced four singles that found cozy homes on the Billboard Charts. His new album seems

to be following in its predecessor's footsteps.

"Outlaws Like Me" has already produced two rising singles: "If Heaven Wasn't So Far Away" and "Bait A Hook."

The album contains 13 new songs that embody the core soul of country music.

Since his previous single, "If Heaven Wasn't So Far Away," Moore's latest masterpiece tells of longing for past happiness and never-to-be-forgotten memories.

When listening to the song, one can feel the nostalgia Moore wove into every lyric he wrote.

You cannot help but look back on your past, remembering the good times and those influential people who passed on as you grew into the person they help shaped you to be.

"Bait A Hook," the second single released from the album, is a less serious selection, outlining Moore's thoughts toward the new boyfriend of his ex-girlfriend.

This variation in song types exemplifies Moore's flexibility as a musical artist.

Moore's history as a performer is no different. Cradling his ride to fame, Moore has been on stage alongside greats ranging from Trace Adkins, Brooks & Dunn and Luke Bryan to ZZ Top, Lynyrd Skynyrd and Hank Williams, Jr.

Moore's past and present experiences tell the story of a fame that will span many years before approaching an end.

Moore will be stopping at The Lyric during his country-wide tour Saturday at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$28 the day of the show.

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Interested faculty and staff should contact Lorinda Krhut, Director of University Housing at lkrhut@olemiss.edu. Deadline for volunteering is Friday, August 26, 2011. Please consider joining the House Calls faculty and staff.

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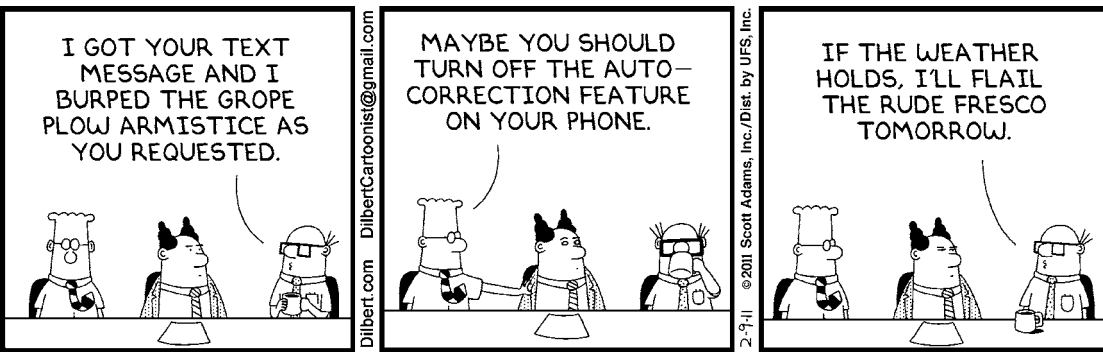
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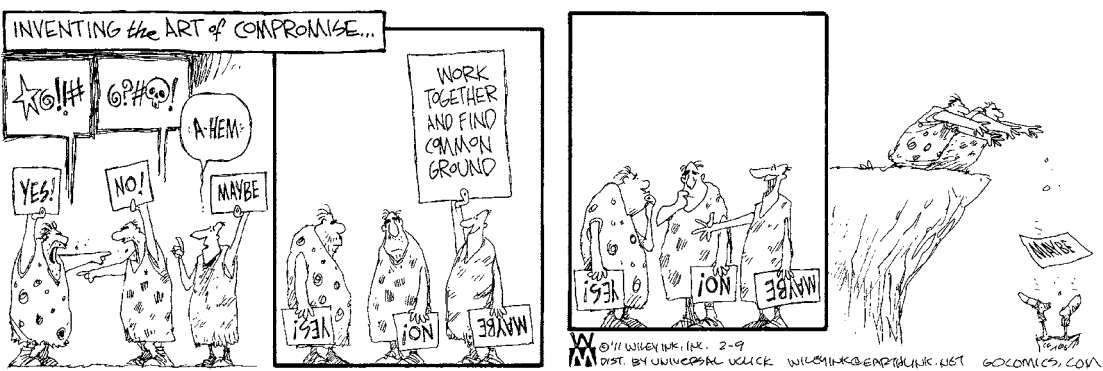
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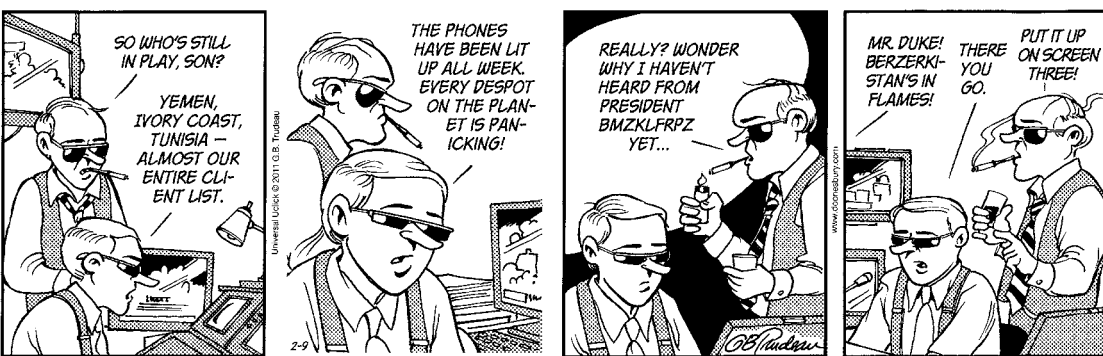
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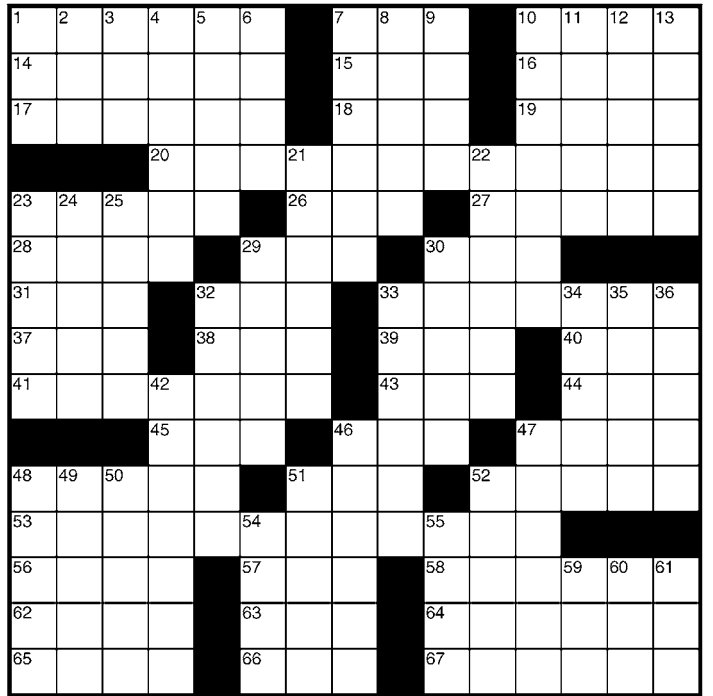
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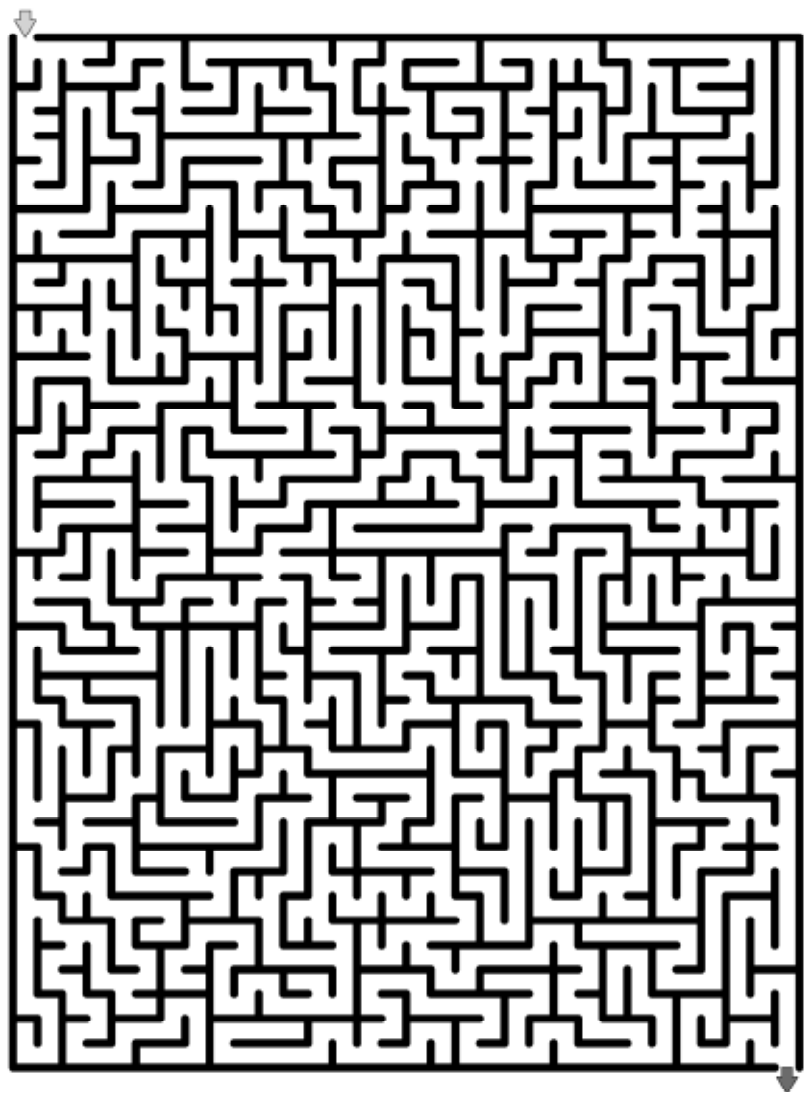
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Challenging slate to start 2011 for Ole Miss volleyball

BY MATT SIGLER
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Following an NCAA tournament bid in 2010, Ole Miss Volleyball has high hopes its improved talent will take them further.

Last season, the Rebels finished 19-11, earning the school's third NCAA Tournament in five years.

"We are really excited," head coach Joe Getzin said. "We could be a little healthier, and (we) have lost a couple of back row specialists."

After fighting the injury bug last season, this year's Rebels are looking to stay healthier, especially with senior Regina Thomas back, who was named third team All-American and first team All-SEC last season and suffered an ACL tear 23 games in.

"Regina really burst onto the nation scene last year," Getzin said. "It is nice to get her presence back on the floor. She is close to the level of production she was last season when she got hurt."

Thomas cannot wait to get back onto the floor and, along with her teammates, is looking forward to a strong showing this year.

"We have a great group, with four new freshmen and 11 returning players," Thomas said. "Our level of experience is really good, and our intensity in the gym has been awesome."

Along with Thomas, rising star Allegra Wells will also be counted on to provide leadership and consistent play.

"Allegra is a powerhouse hitter," Thomas said. "She is really going to come out of her comfort zone this year and step up."

Wells, a junior, has started since her freshman year and this past summer had the chance to play for the USA National A2 program as part

of the USA Volleyball National Open Championship.

"It was a good experience for Allegra," Getzin said. "The program takes the top 30 kids in the country with Olympic potential and trains them. It showed her what the next step is, and she is arguably one of the best right side blockers in the country."

The Rebels are loaded with talent this season, not only with Thomas and Wells, but also with the likes of juniors Whitney Craven and Courtney Cunningham, who also return from injury this season.

The road to the top will not be an easy one for the Rebels, however, and their first test is quite the challenge. In this weekend's Burnt Orange Classic at the University of Texas, the Rebels will begin play with the Israeli National team.

"It's going to be great," Thomas said. "It is a big challenge, and you always want to challenge yourself."

Along with a challenging first weekend, which also includes Final Four participants Texas and Pepperdine, Ole Miss has scheduled arguably one of the toughest schedules in the country. Fourteen of the 29 teams the Rebels will play this season reached the NCAA Tournament last season.

"We scheduled aggressively," Getzin said. "You have to play the best in the country to get a championship team."

Getzin also believes the Rebels will have a new look with the 2011 team.

"You will see a scrappier defensive team with a lot of excitement," he said. "If you haven't been to a game in the Gillom Center, it is a small venue where you are close to the action. It is an intense and high-flying sport."

"Once we get you there, we have a lot of repeat fans, and they have a big impact on the game."

Soccer hits the road for first time this season

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The Ole Miss women's soccer team faces a tough away and home schedule this weekend, traveling to Lubbock, Texas, to face Texas Tech Friday night, and then returning home for a matchup against Jackson State Sunday night.

The Lady Rebels (1-0) will take on the Lady Red Raiders of Texas Tech (2-0). The team is treating this game as their biggest test of the early season, as Texas Tech only just missed the NCAA tournament last season.

"It'll be a big crowd; it'll be a great environment for us to play in this early in the season," head coach Matthew Mott said of the hostile environment in Lubbock. "It'll have a very SEC-type feel to it."

It's a rematch of last year's Inn at Saint Mary's Soccer Classic, where Texas Tech scored two quick goals to win 2-0.

"The revenge factor is big because when we played them, we didn't play our best and that wasn't the performance we wanted to give them on that day," senior defender Meredith Snow said. "And we're just ready to come out and show them really what we are capable of."

The girls will fly back after the game to prepare for the quick turnaround against Jackson State, who will play their first game of the season to defend their Southwestern Athletic Conference title.

"We will do our typical regeneration section where the players who played a lot of minutes will get a lot of stretching and massages and iced tubs to get them prepared for Sunday's game," Mott

said.

Ole Miss last played Jackson State in the 2009 season coming away with a convincing 6-0 victory.

"They are coming off a year where they won their conference and went to the NCAA tournament," Mott said. "They are a very athletic team. They have a number of foreign players, which is always a challenge because you don't know what to expect."

Despite the revenge factor in Friday night's game, the players also know they cannot look past the game Sunday.

"It's a game that we need to make sure we stay focused the entire time," Snow said.

Both games are scheduled for 7 p.m., and Sunday's home game will be held at the Ole Miss Soccer Stadium.



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Sophomore Rafaelle Souza dribbles against a Southern Miss defender in last Friday's 2-0 win. Souza scored both goals in the winning effort.

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Prewitt part of youth movement on defense

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Ole Miss went out to recruit a 2011 class that could have immediate impact.

One player who has taken that to heart and worked his way up to the second team is safety Cody Prewitt.

"I've been looking up to my upperclassmen, trying to get right in there with them and compete with them," he said. "I guess my competitive nature is just trying to compete with the upperclassmen that we have."

Prewitt said he was motivated to stay on the level of the upperclassmen.

"And I know if I keep watching them and keep learning, I'm going to be right up there with them one day in the rotation," Prewitt said.

Head coach Houston Nutt also noticed Prewitt's competi-

itive spirit as he continues to push for playing time at safety alongside sophomores Brishen Matthews, Frank Crawford and senior Damien Jackson.

"The competition that Cody Prewitt has brought to our team — I appreciate that," Nutt said. "He really took a step (forward)."

Prewitt, a 4-star recruit on Rivals.com, arrived in Oxford during the summer, which allowed him to get a head start on preparing for the beginning of his college career.

"(Getting to Oxford early) helped out a lot," Prewitt said. "I gained about 15 pounds just this summer, and I built up a lot of conditioning and stamina and stuff that I didn't already have."

"Doing 7-on-7 and stuff like that during the summer helped me learn a lot."

Gaining weight and getting a jump on learning the play-



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Freshman defensive back Cody Prewitt and junior safety Ivan Nicholas combine on a sideline tackle of junior wide receiver Philander Moore in the team's first scrimmage on Aug. 13.

book has helped Prewitt break into the rotation at safety, but there have been challenges.

"The biggest adjustment is probably the game speed," he said. "The mental part of the game — I think I've got that."

Game speed, however, he is

still working on.

"I'm not used to playing at this speed," Prewitt said. "I feel like I'm getting better every day and just have to keep up the work."

Knowing that Ole Miss was going to rely on the freshmen class early on "wasn't neces-

sarily a weight, but more of an anxiety," Prewitt said.

"We knew there was a depth issue, and we knew that would give us a chance to play," he said. "So if we come into two-a-days and come into practice going our hardest every play then we'll get to play, and that's exciting for any freshman."

Expectations for this freshman class are sky high, and Prewitt said he thinks big things could be in store for the group of newcomers on defense if everything goes right.

Among those on the defensive side of the ball: junior college transfers Uriah Grant and Gilbert Pena at defensive tackle, freshmen linebackers C.J. Johnson, Serderius Bryant and Keith Lewis and another defensive back in Senquez Golson.

"If that defensive group right there just sticks together the next four years, keeps our noses clean and stuff like that, I feel like we're going to do some great things," Prewitt said.

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