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## DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH BEGINS IN APRIL

Oxford's Board of Aldermen declared April Disabilities Awareness Month, and The Office of Student Disability Services at Ole Miss has jumped on board, taking advantage of the decision by planning events for students to raise awareness of the services they offer on campus.

BY LOGAN KIRKLAND  
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It's official, April has been declared Disability Awareness month in Oxford, and the university is wasting no time getting involved.

The Office of Student Disability Services (SDS) at The University of Mississippi is taking advantage of the Board of Aldermen's proclamation Disability Awareness Month by holding events to raise awareness of the office, its services and ways to get involved.

This will be the 4th annual Disability Awareness Month for the Oxford-university community.

Robin Yekaitis, a disability specialist for SDS, said there will be a multitude of events to help people get involved.

"These events would include a student panel, which will have students representing different disability groups to discuss their experiences on campus," Yekaitis said.

"There will also be a Special Olympics, a signing rave during Union Unplugged, demonstra-



The Oxford Board of Aldermen meeting in City Hall

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tion from Apple for different accessibility options for Apple products, wheelchair basketball, Mississippi Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf state conference, and an open house will be held for the (Office of) Student Disabilities Services."

A list of the events will be available on SDS's website soon.

Janice Antonow, Ward III alderman, said the mayor's commission on disability issues will meet at the beginning of April to decide how to participate in

the events held at Ole Miss.

"We have a fairly significant number of people with disabilities in the community," Antonow said.

"One of the goals of anyone who has worked in the field of disabilities or anybody on the mayor's commission is to raise awareness."

Ronda Bryan, an SDS disability specialist, said the proclamation provides a way for the Disability Services Office to achieve recognition among students.

"It's an added layer of sup-

port that the city recognizes and values citizens and visitors with disabilities," Bryan said. "That allows us (Student Disability Services) to also get recognition and get our name out there so students actually seek our services."

Yekaitis said their primary focus is to provide classroom accommodations for students with a diagnosed disability or those impacted by a diagnosed medical condition.

According to Bryan, SDS provides about 600 students

with assistance, which includes extended time on tests, alternate testing environments and alternatively formatted reading materials, such as Braille and audio.

Yekaitis said SDS is only responsible for aid within the classroom, however, like accessible desks and recording devices to aid note-taking.

"Any problem a student faces outside of the classroom is taken care of by another office," Bryan said.

If a student volunteers to take notes for a student with a disability, he or she can receive up to 30 service hours, Bryan added.

Bryan and Yekaitis agreed that the most rewarding part of their job is seeing students succeed with the services the office provides.

"We are giving them an opportunity to reflect what they know," Bryan said.

Yekaitis and Bryan want to encourage everyone across campus and the city to participate in the events around campus.

"We want to create awareness outside of our bubble, and we really want to involve people across campus," Bryan said.

### news brief

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#### MISSING LAFAYETTE COUNTY MAN FOUND DEAD SUNDAY

McKenzie Darrell Frierson was found dead in a creek in Lafayette County Sunday. Frierson, 31, had been missing since Jan. 31.

Scott Mills, chief investigator for the Lafayette County Sheriff's Department, said Frierson's cause of death will not be publicly released as the investigation continues. The case is being investigated as a homicide.

Frierson's body was identified by the sheriff's department.

## 'A beautiful town, wonderful community'

Retirees are flocking to Oxford, attracted by the low cost of living, the lively, diverse culture and the ease of transition.

BY GIANA LEONE  
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Before Chicago native Carol Borrow took a job as chief marketing officer for a local Oxford company, she and her husband, Frank, never thought they would move south. Five years later, they are still here, and they are in Oxford to stay.

"We discovered that Oxford has so much going on, such a vibrant arts scene and community, that we were overwhelmed with how much richness there was," Carol Borrow said.

Anecdotal evidence sug-

gests retirees are moving to college towns in greater numbers. According to Jon Maynard, the executive vice president at the Oxford-Lafayette County Economic Development Foundation, Oxford is part of this trend. Since the inception of the foundation's retiree attraction program, more than 1,300 retirees have joined the Oxford Newcomers Club, which helps new residents make the transition to living in the town.

"The Oxford Newcomers Club is our best conduit for

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Two men both named George Harris stop at Square Books while visiting from Louisiana.

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## Learning China in the U.S.



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The hottest article on the New York Times' Chinese website recently was "Learning China in the U.S.," which was written by a Chinese graduate candidate at Columbia University on March 4. Her article made me think about my own learning experience in the U.S.

China and Mississippi have an 11-hour time difference. The work and rest times are just the opposite, so it's hard to coordinate a time to talk with my family. Fortunately, we set up every weekend to do a video call. My father is a patriot

who pays a lot of attention to politics and world affairs, and as such, he reads both the national and international news everyday. Every week when we talk, he broadcasts some important and relevant news, makes comments and discusses them with me.

Sometimes I get the U.S. news from my father, which is embarrassing because I'm a journalism student. Due to my living in the U.S. now, my father loves to discuss international relations and sensitive issues between China and the U.S. We have different opinions, on certain things, though, and even conflicts with some issues. We received different views from Chinese and American media on the same news.

The recent Tibetan self-burning event led to a fierce conflict between my father

and me. Our Chinese media said those self-burning Tibetans were encouraged by the Tibetan Department of Voice of America (VOA). Since I have done an internship at Voice of America, I could tell the emotion on his face when he talked about this news with me. I was trying to tell him that I have met the people working at the Tibetan Department. I don't think they would encourage this event. I said that he needed to read more coverage from other media sources, but he ignored what I said and told me what he had read.

After the video call, I searched this news at Google and Baidu (Chinese Google). I found totally different content. The search results of Google were diverse, while the results of Baidu were similar.

For thousands of years, Chi-

na has been ruled by a single power. We are used to getting unified opinions and answers from a single resource. But we have too much filtered news. It oppresses the different voices and ideas. I learned to think and critique rather than getting the "correct answer" a long time ago. Here, I can get different aspects or opinions, which makes me rethink a lot of things.

As an old Chinese poem said, "We cannot see what Mount Lu really looks like, because we are in the mountain itself."

It seems like I am understanding my country better when I am not in it.

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## Scoreboard: A political column



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The lady at the other end of the drive-through speaker asked me if I wanted to make it a meal. I said no, just a sandwich. I drove away without fries and without my soft drink. I regretted that decision about as much as Bob Woodward is going to regret his stance on the automatic spending cuts that have taken place, and that's to say I got a drink when I got home.

Woodward has essentially unlimited access to White House goings-on (Uncovering the biggest known conspiracy in American history can do that for a guy).

Bob Woodward, who is essentially journalism's only legendary rock star, published the book "The Price of Politics" in the months leading up to the 2012 presidential election. The book very clearly and dryly explains how our country has attempted to deal with the financial situation and who has been blaming whom. In addition to changing my vote, Woodward did three other things.

First, he made me real-

ize that Larry Summers is exactly as vain in political matters as his character is portrayed to be in "The Social Network." Anyone who dismissed the magnitude of what Facebook could be should have never been making key decisions in the White House.

Second, Woodward said that the so-called sequester (across-the-board spending cuts) was basically a way for the Democrats to taunt the Republicans.

The Democrats thought the other side would never go for cutting defense spending. Now that the White House and left party leaders have had their bluff called, they no longer have the pull in Congress to prevent automatic cuts from taking place.

And finally, Woodward pulled the curtain back on the relationships between the lawmakers and the executive branch. Oftentimes, Obama got along with the speaker of the House much better than he did with his own party.

Recently, Woodward resurfaced in the media after a spat with the Obama White House. The story had the same intensity of an ABC Family show, complete with apologies and a cute lesson to be learned. Woodward and Gene Sperling, director of the National Economic

Council, got in an argument over the sequester, after which, in an email, Sperling apologized for raising his voice and said "... I think you will regret staking out that claim." Woodward stayed on the boring train by saying that there was no need for Sterling to apologize.

The so-called fight did a fantastic job of putting America to sleep and also of masking the greater story surrounding the sequester: The Republicans won.

The Republicans got across-the-board spending cuts without increasing revenue in the slightest. The Tea Party and the Reds have been wearing out their soap boxes saying the government needs to tighten its belt the same way American middle-class families have been doing since the bubble popped in 2008. That means that the Republicans have taken an early lead in the competition with the Obama administration. 1-0, Reds.

The next time a member of the Cabinet says Woodward will regret staking a claim, he can and should respond with the two most devastating syllables in the English language: "Scoreboard."

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

While I applaud the efforts to improve parking and transportation (the bus system is great), the proposal to sell individual reserved parking places strikes me as ludicrous. Ignore for a minute that the parking "crisis" on campus is exaggerated (talk to any faculty member about where they have been before). Faculty members make more than staff, and presumably have more ability to buy a slot. The optics of staff (often female) walking in past empty parking lots simply because they could not afford a reserved slot is not something the university can afford to see happen. Moreover, this entire notion feeds a sense that walking five minutes or catching a shuttle bus in order to get to my car is somehow an undue burden. I heard the argument that parents need to be close to their car "just in case." As a parent, I understand this, but it is always possible to park within five minutes of

your office. That rationale simply carries insufficient weight to justify the policy.

It is possible that I missed the primary purpose of this. Perhaps this is all about increasing revenue from parking by increasing the yield per slot. If this is the case, I propose we abolish distinctions between faculty, staff, dorm residents, and commuters, and just replace them with a series of concentric zones, auctioning them to the highest bidder. Perhaps violators can have their vehicles auctioned off for additional revenue!

If the university does decide to go this route, they should learn from the Ole Miss Athletics Foundation and require a "donation" to support academic endeavors that is in proportion to the proximity of the parking place. After all, if you are in for a dollar....

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## Rebels run to rescue

Students on campus are joining the fight to stop worldwide slavery, starting with a 5K run. The group hopes to shine light on the issue, while also raising money and gaining support from the Oxford-University community.

BY MOLLIE MANSFIELD  
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Ole Miss students have aligned themselves with the International Justice Mission to fight slavery worldwide, starting with Run to Rescue.

Lucus Jackson, a recent Ole Miss graduate and Baptist Student Union intern, participated in Mississippi State University's Run to Rescue last year.

Jackson said the group has raised approximately \$1,000 to date and will continue to

seek the support of the university community.

"We don't want to limit ourselves, but the minimum is \$4,500 for the mission because that's how much it costs to sponsor a raid to rescue victims of slavery," he said.

The group's aspiration extend beyond that number, though, as they hope to surpass the minimum amount.

"We definitely want to blow that out of the water," Jackson said. "We have faith that we can do that."

On April 1, the Monday before the 5K race, a worship service will be held at 8 p.m. in the Grove.

Run to Rescue registration is open to the general public and costs \$20, which includes a T-shirt.

The race is scheduled for 6 p.m. April 4 on campus, and anyone interested can register online at [runtorescueolemiss.wordpress.com](http://runtorescueolemiss.wordpress.com).

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those who retire here to get immersed into the community," Maynard said.

When David Dyke moved to Oxford, he joined the 280-member club. The 76-year-old retired U.S. Navy pilot has been to all 50 states and decided Oxford was the right place for him, along with his wife Betsy, to settle down.

"We came here at first because of our two grandchildren but realized there is a whole lot more – a beautiful town, wonderful community," Dyke said.

Maynard said the city of Oxford does not offer specific incentives to draw retirees to the community, and he does not think it has to.

"We do believe in enticing retirees to our community on the value that is intrinsic to living in Oxford," Maynard said.

Retirees' money also goes further in Oxford than in some other places. The cost of living is roughly 10 percent below the national average, according to Maynard.

Maynard added that Oxford has three things retirees look for when choosing a new



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Celia Jarvis browses through the merchandise at Off Square Books.

home: bang for their buck, quality of life and ease of transition.

Jim and Marge McCauley, who retired to Oxford in 2001, keep busy in many groups, including the Oxford Newcomers Club. They agreed that the club makes it easy for new residents to feel at home.

Jim is also on the Oxford Tourism Council and the Ox-

ford Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors, while Marge McCauley serves as president of the Oxford Garden Club.

Staying busy has helped the McCauleys enjoy their retirement.

"A lot of people consider themselves a family here in the community," Marge McCauley said.



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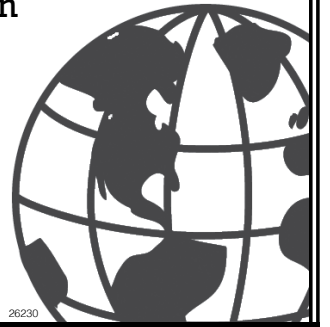
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## From Cairo to Oxford and then to the world

Amina Al Sherif, a linguistics senior with a focus in Arabic, has spent her life on two continents and said she hopes to continue traveling the world.

BY CHARLOTTE MONA ROI  
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Cairo native Amina Al Sherif has been recognized in The University of Mississippi's Department of Modern Languages Hall of Fame for her mastery of Arabic, which, along with English, is her native language. She is proficient in French and Farsi as well.

But she is not only skilled in various languages. Al Sherif is also a standout member of the university's Army ROTC.

Currently, she is the only female competitor from Ole Miss in the Ranger Challenge, an annual event involving teams composed of the 12 most physically able members of Army ROTC groups from different schools. The team trains every day during the school week, sometimes on Saturdays, too.

Competition begins with navigation and firearms.

The next day, participants compete in a 14-mile run that includes five fitness challenges, such as an obstacle course and rope bridge while carrying a 30-pound rucksack. The challenge allows the team to demonstrate mental and physical strength under harsh conditions.

"We set records for the one-rope bridge event and the zodiac event, coming in fifth out of the SEC teams that competed," Al Sherif said.

Al Sherif has found acceptance not only in the ROTC but also in the university community.

The cultures of Cairo and the South display some parallels, according to Al Sherif. She said that these similarities alleviated some of the culture shock.

"It is very different, but there are some points that I connect with," Al Sherif said. "That did make it a little easier than any other



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move that I could have made."

When asked what it was like to be an Egyptian woman in the ROTC, Al Sherif's response was positive.

She said the diversity of the Army as a whole is displayed in the university's ROTC program.

"This is a benefit to the overall intellectual capacity of the Army," she said.

Jarrold Snell, a history senior and media liaison for the university's ROTC program, agreed and said someone like Al Sherif contributes much to the ROTC program.

"Al Sherif is a well-rounded cadet who is a great representation of the quality Army officers that this program develops," Snell said.

Al Sherif said she has high hopes for her plans after graduation and believes that her experiences in ROTC have prepared her for success in the future.

"The thing about the Army lifestyle is that you go," Al

Sherif said. "I see myself traveling everywhere, and I'd like to see the world."

When Al Sherif is commissioned in either December 2013 or May 2014, she said she hopes to be assigned to an armored vehicle or to a tanker, and she said she considers the opportunity to use her skills in the Army as a potential career.

If not on active service, Al Sherif said she sees herself using her language skills in private intelligence contract work or by becoming a field agent.

"There's 50 different ways I could go," she said.

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## GLOVER WINS OLE MISS IDOL

Yasmin Glover, a paralegal studies freshman, sang "All I could Do Was Cry" and "I Know I've Been Changed" for the final round of Ole Miss Idol last night in the Student Union. Glover won the contest, edging out five other singers

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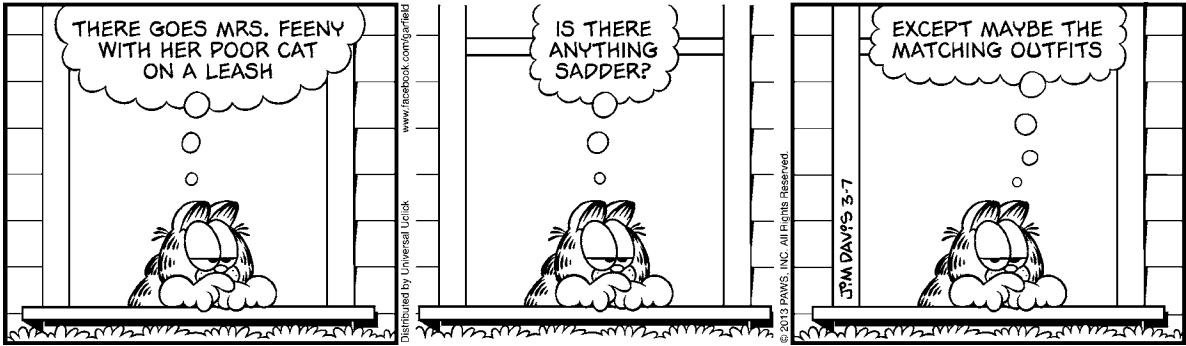
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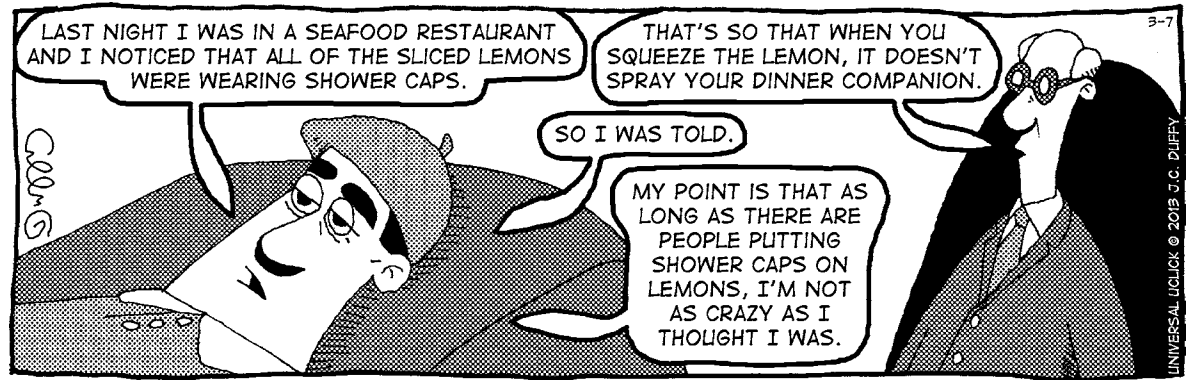
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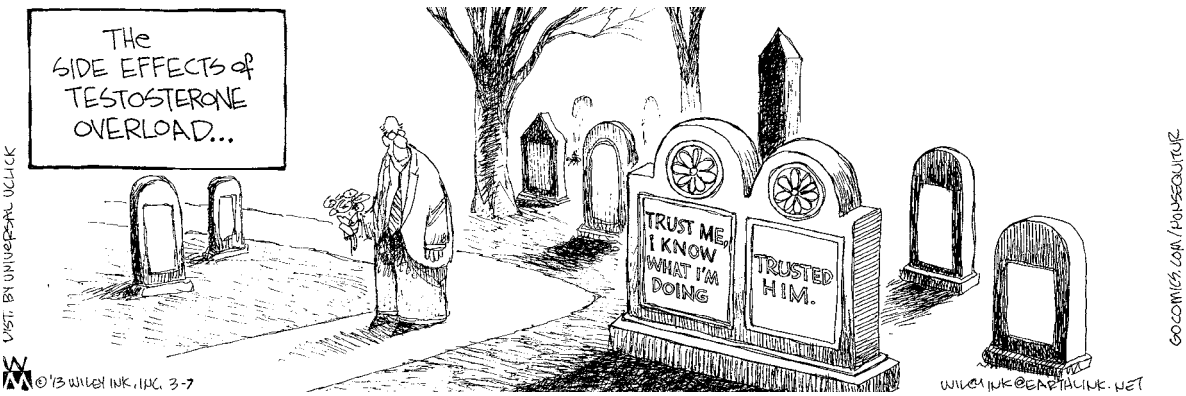
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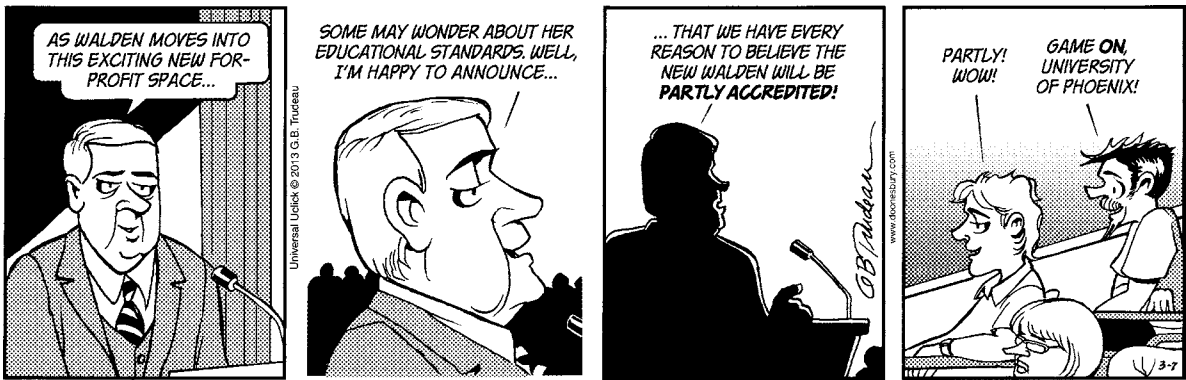
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BY ERIN SCOTT  
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**Drink responsibly** –

Have an idea of how much you're drinking at night, if at all. Always open or buy your own drinks and watch the bartender pour to make sure nothing is tampered with. Hydrating is a good idea, switching between alcohol and water on a night out and then drinking plenty of water by the beach or lounging by the pool the next day. It's also wise to be aware of local liquor laws wherever you're vacationing.

If by land or by sea – Seat belts are always a good idea and knowing that your designated driver is worthy to drive and isn't a distracted driver. Taxis are a good option and having a card with your hotel's address and phone number is always a good idea in helping you get home – either in a

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**Water safety** – Lather up the sunscreen and be aware alcohol and water isn't the best mix. Swimming in spots near lifeguards and personal flotation devices on boats will keep you safe and make mom proud. Contrary to all scenes from "The Real World," being drunk in a hot tub isn't the best idea – the heat from the spa and the alcohol expand blood vessels and can result in unconsciousness.

Never leave a man behind – It's always best to use the buddy system and have a friend with you at all times. Go out with friends and go home with them. Even heading to the ATM, it's a wise idea to scan the surroundings, go in daylight and go in a group.

**Abroad tips** – The State Department has many tips for all travelers, but some advice for spring breakers as well, especially if you're traveling to Mexico. If traveling out of the country, you can also enroll in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) where once registered, you'll receive up-to-date information and travel advisories, and you're connected in case of an emergency from home or with you abroad. Check out the site at [travel.state.gov](http://travel.state.gov).

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# Scholtz handles pressure in sophomore campaign

Ole Miss men's tennis player Nik Scholtz entered this season with the weight of the world on his shoulders, and so far, he has handled the pressure. As the Rebels get further into SEC play, however, the South Africa native will rely on his collegiate, professional and national team experience to take the next step.

BY AUSTIN MILLER  
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Sophomore Nik Scholtz has a lot of pressure on his 6-foot-5-inch shoulders after a stellar freshman campaign. He earned All-American honors in singles and doubles, reaching the quarterfinals in singles and leading Ole Miss to a Sweet 16 appearance. As the Rebels continue Southeastern Conference play, he once again carries the banner as the team's No. 1 singles player and combines with junior Jonas Lutjen for the team's No. 1 doubles team.

"It's a lot of pressure on him," head coach Billy Chadwick said. "Anytime you're playing at that top position, you're playing against the top players in the entire nation. He has to be at his best every single match if he's going to be successful, but he's capable of doing that."

"And if he's going to play at that next level – the professional level – he's going to have to be able to have that high standard every time he walks on the court, and that's what he's developing."

At the age of 18, when he was playing juniors and traveling the world to play all the big junior events, Scholtz said he had a choice: whether to play tennis in the U.S. or turn pro. He said he didn't

feel he was quite ready to go pro, especially mentally or physically, so he decided to play college tennis.

"You'll never play tennis again that compares to college tennis," Scholtz said. "It's different. We don't get as big (of) crowds as you see at basketball games and stuff like that. I feel like you can have 10 people out there supporting you, and it just feels there's a thousand of them because you hear every noise they make because it's just you out there, and they're so close to you."

The Caledon, South Africa, native has also enjoyed the taste of professional and international tennis this past year. He defeated fellow countryman and former teammate Tucker Vorster en route to his first International Tennis Federation (ITF) title. He also had the opportunity to represent his country in the Davis Cup against Canada in Montreal. While he lost both of his singles matches, he described the experience as "a dream come true."

"That's obviously, I think, the closest you're ever going to come to college sports is when you play in Davis Cup, which is also the only time you can play tennis in a team format again," he said. "That's pretty intense because people are patriotic about their country, and they



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Sophomore Nik Scholtz hits the ball during a match earlier this season.

get pretty into it.

"The one time I played for my country, we played in Canada, so it wasn't like I really felt the home support. It was more against you. But like I said, it didn't really faze me because I have played matches at (Mississippi) State before, and I know what it's like when people hate you."

From last year, when he led the Rebels in the final individual rankings at No. 14 in singles and No. 10 in doubles, he said he has gained experience and a better understanding of college tennis, particularly in his second year of playing No. 1 singles.

"I feel like you always get better with age, unless you're like 40, then you get a little slow," he said. "At the age

right now, you're going to get better every year, and more experienced. A big part of the game is mental, and experience definitely counts toward that mental aspect."

Ranked No. 12 in the nation this season, Scholtz is 14-4, 6-2 at No. 1 singles, and forms the nation's No. 5 doubles team with Lutjen, which is 11-4, 9-1 at No. 1 doubles. He also earned SEC Player of the Week honors with a 7-0 record in singles and doubles last month, as he helped Ole Miss to a top-10 finish at the Intercollegiate Tennis Association National Team Indoor.

He said he looks to be more consistent and improve physically, specifically his forehand, as the season progresses.

"I know I started last year really well, and I kind of went through a phase where I lost a couple of matches I shouldn't have lost," he said. "This year, I have started pretty well, too. I feel like I just want to try to keep that going throughout the whole season and not have a lapse in the middle where I lose a couple of games I shouldn't be losing, and just stay solid and not be up and down."

"That's the big thing. If you can have your number-one player be really consistent, then you can always count on that position. It helps a lot, for you and obviously the whole team."

Chadwick agreed, as the Rebels enter a five-match, 10-day stretch with four opponents in the top 25, including three in the top 10.

"It's one of these things where you have one of the top players in the nation at the top of the lineup, and that's always a good, good thing because it's a trickle-down kind of effect," Chadwick said. "He's one of the harder workers. He's got his sights on being a professional, and that carries over to the rest of the team. He's going to have to be at his best."

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Junior guard Marshall Henderson

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down in Knoxville.

Ole Miss did fall at home to Kentucky, but that was prior to the season-ending injury that Nerlens Noel suffered. Kentucky is evaluated differently due to that injury, and the Wildcats' win in Oxford won't carry as much weight with Noel out.

With multiple SEC teams on the bubble, the SEC tournament will likely be a proving ground for these teams. If Ole Miss is matched up

with any of those teams, the opportunity to show which team is more deserving will be up for grabs.

Currently, the SEC standings are muddled with three teams tied for third – Missouri, Ole Miss and Alabama – and those three sit just half a game behind Kentucky for second. Ole Miss could finish as high as second or as low as fifth, depending on how the final weekend plays out.

At some point, Ole Miss will likely play either a fellow bubble member or a team that is already considered to be in the NCAA tournament, which would be Mis-

souri or Florida. Either way, Ole Miss will have the opportunity to pick up important wins.

The biggest strength for Ole Miss is its record. Ole Miss is 22-8. Most of the other teams in the bubble have not eclipsed the 20-win mark and have already lost 10 games. Kentucky is 20-9 but holds a 3-3 record since losing Noel, including the game in which he was injured.

However, Ole Miss has piled up those wins against a much easier schedule than those of most bubble teams. Ole Miss' strength of schedule comes in over 120, while most other bubble teams are well inside 100 or even 50 for strength of schedule.

Ole Miss has two terrible losses to Mississippi State and South Carolina, and it doesn't have the marquee wins to offset those losses.

The Rebels do have to win on the road against LSU this weekend to keep most of this talk alive, but Ole Miss has lost its last five road games.

Even if the fans don't recognize it, they still have a chance; their season isn't a lost cause yet. They can still play their way into the elusive NCAA tournament without an SEC tournament championship.

*For continuing coverage of the Ole Miss men's basketball, follow @Tyler\_RSR and @thedm\_sports on Twitter.*



Junior catcher Stuart Turner

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news is he was able to make pitches.

"Once he got in a jam, he was able to make some pitches and not let the inning blow up on him. So that was good to see."

The Lions scratched across a run in the fifth off Bramlett and one more in the sixth off junior left-hander Austin Blunt, who gave up one run on a hit with a strikeout and two walks in 1.1 innings.

Sophomore right-hander Scott Weathersby finished

the seventh and worked the eighth, giving up just one hit and striking out three. Junior right-hander Aaron Greenwood pitched himself into trouble in the ninth inning, giving up two hits and a walk to load the bases with two outs before senior right-hander Tanner Bailey closed things out with a strikeout.

The Rebels will resume action Friday when they open a three-game series with Lipscomb at Oxford-University Stadium/Swayze Field.

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## OLE MISS SWEEPS MIDWEEK SERIES

The Diamond Rebels used a five-run first inning to propel themselves to a 6-2 win over Southeastern Louisiana Wednesday afternoon. Ole Miss returns to action Friday, beginning a three-game set with Lipscomb in Oxford.



Freshman right-hander Brady Bramlett (18) and junior catcher Stuart Turner (26)

BY MATT SIGLER  
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The No. 7 Ole Miss baseball team continued its hot start to the 2013 season Wednesday afternoon, defeating Southeastern Louisiana, 6-2. The win was the Rebels' sixth in a row.

Ole Miss was powered by a five-run first inning and a solid outing by freshman right-hander Brady Bramlett on the mound. However, head coach Mike Bianco said he believes that his team could have put in a better performance.

"I'm certainly happy that we won, but disappointed," Bianco said. "I didn't think we played very well today. I think the theme of the game was we did just enough. We pitched just enough, we hit just enough, we defended just

enough to win.

"At the end of the day you're just trying to get better, and I just think we didn't play very well today, so kind of a disappointing day. It was a game we feel fortunate to end up on the right side of."

The Rebels got off to a quick start, plating five runs on six hits. Sophomore first baseman Sikes Orvis, junior catcher Stuart Turner and junior designated hitter Will Allen all had RBI singles in the frame, while sophomore right fielder Will Jamison added an RBI double. Senior third baseman Andrew Mistone also got an RBI in the inning on a fielder's choice.

"It looked like we were locked in and had some really good at-bats in the first," Bianco said. "But then after that we didn't do much offensively."

In fact, after scoring five runs on six hits in the first, Ole Miss managed just four hits the rest of the way. Turner, who finished the day 2-for-3, knocked in his second run of the game with a single in the fourth to extend the lead to 6-0.

Bramlett (2-0) picked up the win for the Rebels, going five innings and giving up five hits and one run with two strikeouts and four walks. After a good first outing, Bianco believed that Bramlett had some room to improve Wednesday.

"I'm proud of Brady, but he knows he is better than he threw today," Bianco said. "He has great stuff, and he is a strike-thrower, but today he didn't do it, especially early in each inning, but the good

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COLUMN

## Not dead yet



BY TYLER BISCHOFF  
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Ole Miss has suffered two embarrassing losses to some of the worst teams in the Southeastern Conference. After both of those losses, fans have wanted to proclaim that the season is over, that this team has no shot at the NCAA tournament and that head coach Andy Kennedy should start looking for a job elsewhere. However, despite those losses, Ole Miss has found itself

in a position to still make the NCAA tournament as an at-large team.

Most bracketologists have Ole Miss as one of the first four teams out, meaning it can navigate its way into the tournament without winning the automatic bid that comes from an SEC tournament championship.

The bubble is heavily populated with other SEC teams such as Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama. Ole Miss defeated Alabama in their only meeting this season on Tuesday, and the Rebels knocked off Tennessee twice earlier this season, including an 18-point beat

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Freshman guard Derrick Millinghaus (3) celebrates with sophomore guard LaDarius White.

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