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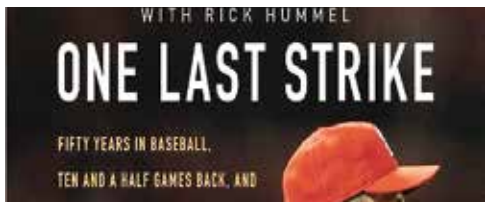
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Resurrecting 'dead week'

Students and faculty members alike have questioned whether or not a "Dead Week" policy exists preventing faculty from assigning heavily weighted assignments the week before finals. University policy put in place last year clarifies the matter.

BY GRANT BEEBE
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University policy established last year indicates that "guidelines exist to allow sufficient time for students and instructors to prepare for final examinations."

"During the period of Wednesday through Friday of the last week of class, instructors are not to give exams, tests, or quizzes that contribute more than 10% of the final grade for a class."

However, a number of stipulations exist that allow instructors to assign papers, exams, and other assignments during the period in question.

"An instructor can obtain

approval of the department chair and dean to give an exam, test, or quiz, of this weight, during this three day period."

"Instructors should return graded work and/or inform students of their grades on exams, tests, or quizzes prior to the beginning of finals week."

The policy exempts lab-based courses, technical writing courses, seminar courses that assign a term paper and senior design courses that assign a multi-faceted project in lieu of a final exam automatically.

However, major projects of

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North Ridge to be renamed

North Ridge, one of the three new freshman residence halls on campus, will be renamed in honor of Ole Miss graduate Lucian Minor and his family.

BY ADAM GANUCHEAU
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One of the three newest residence halls on The University of Mississippi campus will have a new name in the coming weeks after the state college board of trustees approved the university's request.

North Ridge, one of the three new freshman residence halls that were built within the last year, will be renamed after 1937 Ole Miss graduate Lucian Minor.

"We are currently in the process of scheduling a dedication ceremony," said Larry Sparks, vice chancellor of administration and



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finance at Ole Miss. "Also during this time, the exact name of the dorm will be nailed down."

Minor and his family recently gave \$5.2 million to the university's Patter-

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UNIVERSITY TRAILS RESIDENTS PETITION FOR MORE SAFETY

University Trails residents have petitioned for more advanced security after recent break-ins and other incidents.

BY JEREMY K. COLEMAN
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University Trails resident and University of Mississippi student DJ Gregory has started a petition to promote more advanced security after several break-ins and a student being held at gunpoint a few weeks ago.

"These apartment complexes are so close to the campus and historic Oxford Square, yet there is still so much crime and very little protection of students and residents," said Gregory, a junior political science major.

He was a victim of a break-in a couple months ago and said \$800 worth of electronics were stolen. He said he found the security unacceptable.

"The most the management of the apartments could tell us to do was to lock our doors," he said.

The petition he started to turn in to the complex has gotten a wide range of community attention, as it received about 60 signatures within a matter of two days.

"We feel our property, more importantly our safety, is at grave risk, and the management seems to care very little about those that pay rent here," Gregory said. "We want them to know our disdain."

University Trails apartment manager Augusta Dunazin said ensuring the protection of students and their belongings isn't easy and it is sometimes beyond the management's control.

"Crime in Oxford always increases over the holidays when students go home, and unfortunately, this is not



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something that we can 100 percent prevent," she said.

Oxford Police Chief Mike Martin agrees.

"Most of the burglaries that occur at these apartment complexes are gonna be at times when there are holidays," Martin said. "We always tell people to carry small things home with them when they leave."

Danielle Bean, a junior broadcast journalism student living in the community, said she does not feel very protected in her own home.

"(I) don't feel safe anymore and I don't imagine that anyone would," Bean stated. "It's not a safe place and they're not a very productive apartment complex."

It was said by many that security measures at the apartment buildings are not up

to par and there were many things that could be done to increase the safety of individuals who reside there.

"University Trails needs to work on their security for the safety of people," said Aisha Lions, a senior forensic chemistry major and resident at University Trails.

"The most important thing is to be alert," Chief Martin warns to residents of the apartment complexes.

Bean said the recent crimes that have occurred at the complex have changed her perspective.

"I trusted this place to be my home for a couple of years and it's not a home anymore," Bean said.

Campus News Editor Jennifer Nassar contributed to this report.

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POLL: What grade would
you give Hugh Freeze for his
first season as head coach?

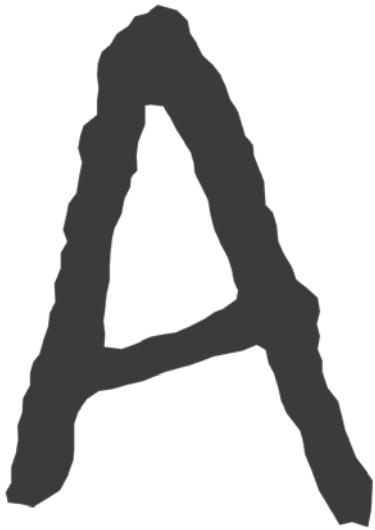
The poll was posted on theDMonline.com Monday, Nov. 26. The data was taken at the time of print Wednesday, Nov. 28. 238 readers voted in this poll and shared what grade Hugh Freeze earned for his first season as head coach. Ole Miss finished 6-6 and awaits its bowl destination, which will be announced Sunday. Of the five options, 94 percent (224 readers) voted “A” or “B,” including 73 percent (173 readers) who voted “A.”



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SEMESTER REPORT CARD

Name: Hugh Freeze Grades submitted: 238
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A.....	73% 173 Votes
B.....	21% 51 Votes
C.....	5% 11 Votes
D.....	0% 0 Votes
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C O L U M N

1,138 reasons why the Defense of Marriage Act is unconstitutional

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This week, the Supreme Court is likely to decide which cases they will hear regarding same-sex marriage and the rights of gay and lesbian couples.

Some of the possible cases include the constitutionality of California’s Proposition 8 and the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA). This term we really have the opportunity to see the true colors of the Supreme Court. Will the Supreme Court let the injustice and subjugation of gays and lesbians continue? My hope is that they will finally end the rampant discrimination against same-sex couples by DOMA.

The Defense of Marriage

Act was passed in the 1990s, barring same-sex couples from receiving federal benefits. Congressional Republicans used DOMA to rally angry supporters before the November 1996 elections, and spineless Democrats and the Clinton administration followed along with the Republican majority out of political expedience.

So, although a handful of states recognize gay marriage, the federal definition of marriage is between one man and one woman. This exclusive definition of marriage creates an enormous disparity between the rights of heterosexual and same-sex married couples.

According to the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO),

there are 1,138 benefits, rights and protections provided on the basis of marital status in federal law. Because the Defense of Marriage Act defines “marriage” as only a legal union between one man and one woman. Same-sex couples – although they are legally married in their state – will not be considered spouses for purposes of federal law (taxes, social security, etc.).

In the case of Windsor v. United States, Edith Windsor of New York City married her longtime partner, Thea Clara Spyer, in 2007 in Canada. When Ms. Spyer died in 2009, Ms. Windsor inherited her property. Because the Internal Revenue Service was not allowed, under the Defense of Marriage

Act, to consider her a surviving spouse, she faced a tax bill of \$363,053 that she would not have had to pay if the federal government recognized her marriage for legal purposes, or if she had married a person of the opposite sex.

Eight federal courts have found sections of DOMA unconstitutional and discriminatory. The United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (in Windsor v. United States) became the second federal appellate court in the nation to rule that DOMA violates equal protection by barring same-sex couples from receiving federal benefits.

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Growing up and growing apart in college



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Well, it's that time of year again. With less than two weeks left in the semester, I know I am not alone in saying that the mounting pressures of final papers, assignments and exams have pushed me to the ultimate level of procrastination.

I, for one, have terrible self-control when it comes to Internet browsing. In past years I have stooped so low as to have my friends change my Facebook password in order to keep me from wasting time on the site. While I have yet to resort to that this semester, I have a feeling the breaking point is getting close.

Earlier this week while researching Brazilian penal

code for my thesis – in Portuguese, of course – I let myself take a 15-minute “Facebook break.” But just as it has happened so many times before, 15 minutes quickly turned into an hour.

After browsing my News-Feed and chatting with a few friends, I started looking through my photo albums from my freshman year at Ole Miss, which I have not paid attention to in years. But besides the obligatory, horrified thoughts that ran through my mind while going through the old pictures (did I really look that young ...?!), I was left with an emotion that I did not expect.

Guilt.

The feeling triggered when I started counting the faces of friends who were such a big part of my life that first year, but who I rarely see or talk to anymore. Sure, some have graduated and their lives have taken them far from Oxford, but many more are still students at Ole Miss.

How could I have let those friendships fade when they are only a phone call, email or Facebook message away?

I am a completely different person from the girl staring back at me in those Facebook albums. Three years ago I was naïve and unsure of myself, even though I tried so hard to prove otherwise. But in retrospect, I know that my old friends from those pictures were just as nervous and insecure as I was. Like every other freshman on campus, we were trying to find our “place” at this university and were completely clueless about how to go about it. Bonded by our naiveté, we embarked on this new chapter together and didn't even stop to think how life would eventually set us on separate paths.

My closest group of friends at Ole Miss today is – with only a few exceptions – completely different.

People will forever walk in and out of our lives, but

I'm not saying that my old friends no longer matter to me just because we have grown apart. To the contrary, I would argue that they are more important than some of my “new” friends today. We helped each other through one of the toughest transitions in a young adult's life, and I would not be the same person today without their influence and support during my freshman year.

So to all of my old friends reading this today, I want to thank you for touching my life and contributing to my experience at Ole Miss. Just because we haven't spoken in a while doesn't mean that I've forgotten the memories we share.

Good luck on your final exams. Now if you will excuse me, I have to get back to my thesis.

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interpretation of the Constitution demands that the Supreme Court overturn DOMA.

Moreover, DOMA allows states to legalize same-sex marriage if they choose, however, no U.S. state is required to recognize a same-sex marriage legally recognized in another state. For example, a marriage license issued in Massachusetts to a same-sex couple does not have to be honored in a state like Mississippi. However, I personally believe the Constitution suggests states act otherwise.

Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution reads, “Full faith and credit shall be given in each state to the public acts, records, and judicial proceedings of every other state.”

This standard should be applied to civil marriages performed for same-sex couples.

There's no reason why a marriage recognized in Massachusetts should be invalid if a couple decides to move to Mississippi, or any other state for that matter.

In the coming days, my hope is that the Supreme Court will decide to hear cases challenging the constitutionality of DOMA and ultimately render the law unconstitutional. The federal government cannot constitutionally grant rights to heterosexual married couples while denying the same rights to homosexual married couples. It violates equal protection.

There are over 1,138 reasons the Supreme Court should strike down the Defense of Marriage Act; what's a reason they should keep it?

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COLUMN

Obscure last words



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Space is something I want more of most weeks. It's hard to scratch the surface of some topics with 700 words and a week of writing. This semester, I rehashed exclusivism, marijuana prohibition, freedom, what love is and so on. Before I go, I have some final thoughts.

The column on marijuana prohibition was cut for space, but we should note the measure to legalize marijuana received 53,000+ more votes than President Obama in Colorado, and Washington expects to generate almost \$2 billion in taxes in the first five years. What if capitalism ever gets a hold of cannabis? We'll get the Denver “Funk Nug-

gets” – that's what.

There were two write-ups regarding exclusivism this semester. I'm from an exclusivist tradition, which I have been ambivalent toward for as long as I can remember. I was not the camp-going kind of teenager and I did not have the attention span to last an entire sermon.

Something is going to be lost in translation when experiences are shoehorned into a linguistic framework, so I reject that a single tradition can articulate and solve the human condition. This path works for one; that path works for another; no path can work for us all.

Remember that strange conversation we had about freedom? If I had space I would have inserted a character who would argue that freedom lives in thought and our potential to change how we experience the world. Then he would implore the writers around him to start

spoon feeding existentialism to the masses because he believes his existence precedes his essence.

I wrote about a patient with Alzheimer's disease and the measures his daughter have taken to ensure he is as comfortable as possible, even though he has no hope for regaining autonomy. The question I want to raise is: What is the measure of love if not the extent to which we are willing to sacrifice ourselves? There is no other imaginable reason for her to do what she does.

What else is there? A friend pointed out to me that the description of Ole Miss as a tease I delivered after the Vanderbilt loss failed to mention that she also puts out, as the pile-driving of Mississippi State last week proved. I thank the team and coaches for a full season of heart.

I suppose all I have left to offer are my two favorite questions: “What is there?”

and “What is it like?” These two can help get to the bottom of things no matter what I have in front of me. Sometimes while brushing my teeth I look into the bathroom mirror at the eyes looking back and ask: What is there? And what is it like? The answer to the first question is an open mind. The answer to the second question is that it is free to go wherever it wants to – within reason.

Thanks for the time.

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Overcoming Ulcerative Colitis

Ole Miss students Jori LaVoy and Michala Burman develop strategies to manage and overcome ulcerative colitis.

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Every night before bed 21-year-old Jori LaVoy washes her face, brushes her teeth and then proceeds to do something that few other college students do: She takes the first of 13 pills to control her ulcerative colitis. For many students, college is an important first step in growing up, experiencing freedom and learning how to manage one’s time. For LaVoy, however, that transition was made much harder when she was diagnosed with a severe case of ulcerative colitis

during the fall of her junior year. LaVoy, who is currently a senior at The University of Mississippi, said that sharp cramps, overwhelming bouts of diarrhea, fatigue and blood in the stool led her to seek medical attention and eventually get a colonoscopy in September 2011. Her diagnosis came as a shock. “I thought there was no way,” she said. “I was like, ‘I’m too young, that stuff is for old people’”. LaVoy was wrong. Ulcerative colitis is a chronic, incurable form of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) that typ-



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ically exhibits symptoms in people ages 15-30. It is characterized by inflammation of the colon due to the formation of ulcers, which can cause pain, uncontrollable diarrhea, weight loss and other health problems. Student Michala Burman had a reaction similar to LaVoy’s when she learned she had the disease following her freshman year at Ole Miss. “It was hard for me to take in because no one tells you how to understand that kind of news,” Burman said. “I just wanted a cure, and then my doctor told us it was chronic. It’s like, ‘This is how I am now.’” Dr. Ernest Williams, a gas-

troenterologist who works at the Gastroenterology Associates and Endoscopy Center of North Mississippi, said that because of the disease’s tendency to manifest in young people, it’s not unusual for him to see Ole Miss students in his practice. “We have a fair number that we treat,” Williams said. “Some because they’ve moved here with (ulcerative colitis) already from high school and others that we diagnose here.” LaVoy said it’s been hard to deal with health problems and medical appointments so far away from her hometown of Houston. “It was a scary time because

I felt so alone; I mean, I had friends that went with me most of the time, but sometimes you just need your dad there, you know?” she said. The exact cause of ulcerative colitis remains unknown, so for now, it is unpreventable. Many specialists, including Williams, classify it as an autoimmune disorder, potentially caused by genetics or an unidentified germ or microorganism. In many patients, stress is a factor that can aggravate symptoms. “Usually right after Christmas and in January there will be a little bulk of people who have little flares in their colitis where they just barely made it through exams, and some will start to flare before exams,” Williams said.

Both LaVoy and Burman said the disease has affected their performance in school. LaVoy said that she ended up failing three out of her six classes during the spring semester that followed her diagnosis. “I hated to fail,” she said. “But under the circumstances, my health had to come first and I just had to take a step back.” Burman said that she experienced something similar, but that in the end, she was able to suck up the pain. “My parents wanted me to take a semester off after we found out what it was, but I persisted and wouldn’t let them,” she said. “You just have to learn how to adapt to it because this is how your life is going to be.” Each woman has had to develop strategies for managing the disease. “Talking is really what gets me to relieve my stress,” LaVoy said. “It’s like I’ll talk to my best friends, I’ll talk to my parents, I’ll even sometimes talk to my doctors just to be reassured that I’m going to be OK.” Burman has had to learn her own limits.

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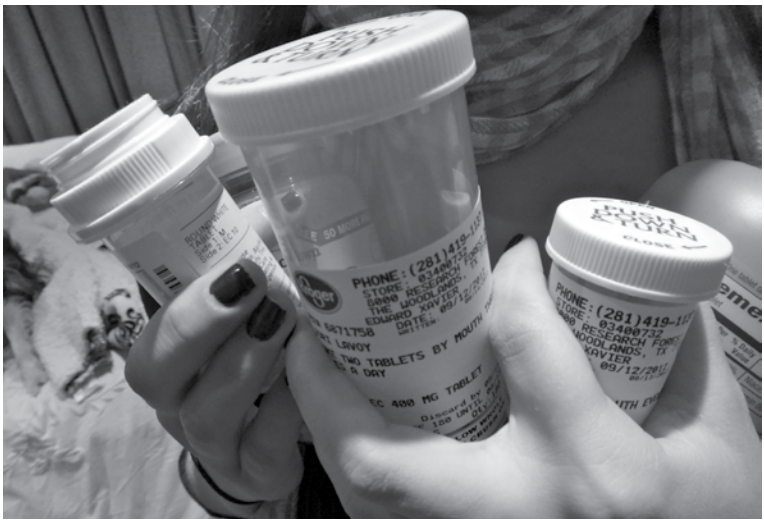
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“When you wanna go out with your friends or you wanna go out to a party one night, you’ve got to think, ‘Am I going to have enough energy tomorrow to do all of the things that I have to do?’” she said.

Many colitis patients are required to get annual or bi-annual colonoscopies and regular blood tests to monitor their symptoms and to be sure that serious complications, such as colorectal cancer or low hemoglobin levels, don’t develop. In the most severe ulcerative colitis cases, the colon may have to be surgically removed.

LaVoy said that, although she hates the check-up procedures, they ease her mind.

“When I get the results, it’s like weight has been lifted off my shoulders; there is not a better feeling than knowing that everything is finally working in my favor,” she said.

Sometimes, despite the careful use of medications and lifestyle adjustments, doctors have to get more aggressive. LaVoy said that after her second colonoscopy, she was put on the immune suppressing

medication Remicade, due to the fact that her symptoms failed to respond to other treatment.

“Realistically I was getting chemotherapy,” she said. “I lost a ton of hair, I was just so sick to my stomach, I didn’t do anything. I laid in bed all day long, I had headaches and I got nauseous. It was awful.”

Williams said the biggest challenge related to ulcerative colitis in college students is that many stop taking their medicine when they feel better.

“They need to recognize that this is a chronic disease and need to embrace it in a way that they can come to terms with,” he said, “By being on medication and by making a few little alterations to your life, people do much better with it and can stay in control of their lives.”

LaVoy said that her battle with colitis has been something that no 21-year-old should have to experience, but she remains optimistic about her future.

“If I had to say anything about the cards that I’ve been dealt, it’s that this has really taught me how to get to know myself better and understand how strong I really am,” she said.

Tony La Russa book signing

Former longtime St. Louis Cardinals manager Tony La Russa will be signing copies of his New York Times best-selling memoir “One Last Strike” at Square Books tonight.

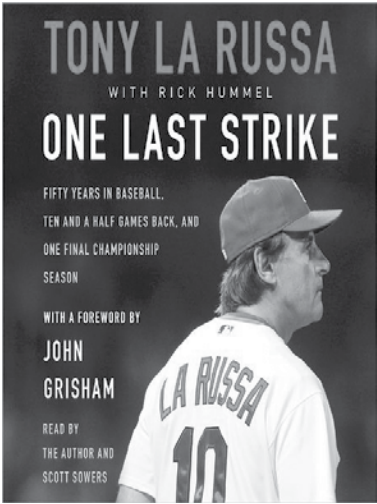
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The city of Oxford welcomes Tony La Russa as he will have a book signing tonight at 7 p.m. at Square Books.

La Russa managed the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team from 1996 to 2011 and won two World Series.

“One Last Strike” is a memoir in which La Russa gives the inside story behind his comeback and his career, explaining how a team with so much against it was able to succeed on baseball’s biggest stage.

Slade Lewis, floor manager at Square Books, said everyone in the signing line is required to have a ticket and at least one copy of the book.



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He said anyone who reads La Russa’s book will not only learn about baseball and his career as manager, but also about life in general and how to overcome tough situations.

“He didn’t approach the game from an emotional perspective as he did a mathematical perspective, so he would always be grounded and make the right decision,” Strouth said.

“He would make his decision on not what he was feeling inside, but what he knew was going to work, and that’s what 30 years of baseball can do for you.”

Lewis said he doesn’t know how La Russa found Square Books, but that La Russa was quoted as saying that when he retires he wants to open a book store.

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son School of Accountancy, adding to earlier financial support from the family.

The Ole Miss School of Accountancy has received national attention lately and is currently one of the top 10 schools of accountancy in the nation.

“Mary and Lucian Minor have been some of our most faithful supporters for many years, and we are humbled by their generosity,” Dean of Accountancy Mark Wilder said.

“Their support will help to further strengthen the Patterson School and enable us

to continue building on our strong teaching and mentoring tradition, a trademark of our program and a vital reason for the successes we enjoy.”

The Board of Trustees for the Institutes for Higher Learning (IHL) approved the request in their Nov. 15 meeting in Jackson.

“UM respectfully requests approval to name a new residence hall on the Oxford campus in honor of Lucian Minor for his support and longtime investments that have helped propel the accountancy programs to national prominence,” the university’s request to IHL read.

Though a specific name

for the residence hall has not yet been determined, Sparks said he thinks it will be called “Lucian Minor Hall.”

Minor, a native of Macon, was recruited by General Mills Inc., in Minneapolis after graduating from Ole Miss. He was a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy as a cost inspector and passed the CPA exam during his enlistment.

He opened his own accounting firm in Memphis and retired in 1978. He was inducted into the Patterson School of Accountancy’s Hall of Fame in 1997 and the Ole Miss Alumni Association’s Hall of Fame in 2005.

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FAR LEFT: Ole Miss students were treated with a variety of festivities last night, including ice skating, at "Grand Ole Christmas," which was sponsored by the Student Programming Board. LEFT: The Ole Miss Christmas tree in front of the Lyceum was also lit last night in a ceremony that included Chancellor Dan Jones, Athletics Director Ross Bjork and The University of Mississippi Gospel Choir. For a video slideshow of last night's events go to thedmonline.com.



REED KNIGHT
Sophomore, Exercise Science

“ I knew we didn’t have a dead week because I’ve got two tests this week and my teachers keep piling more work on top of it. ”



JADE ERWIN
Senior, Legal Studies

“ I know that I’m not getting any sleep (with cramming everything in one week). There is no time to study for finals except for the night before. ”



PEYTON PERRY
Sophomore, Art

“ If dead week was really real, I believe anybody could actually make good grades on their (final) exams. ”

ABOVE: Quotes from students around the Ole Miss campus who were asked what they thought about “dead week” and studying for finals. RIGHT: The University “Last Week” Policy is accessible on the Ole Miss policy directory. The associated student body drafted a “dead week” policy and sent it to the Provost’s office. The “Last Week” policy is the result of that process and is currently in effect.

DEAD WEEK,
continued from page 1

10 percent weight or greater must be disclosed at the beginning of the term.

President of the University of Mississippi Associated Student Body Kimbrey Dandridge said that the policy as it stands today is not what originated from ASB senate legislation.

“It’s not called ‘Dead

Week,’” Dandridge said. “Basically, what it says is that professors cannot give an assignment worth more than 10 percent of the grade Wednesday through Friday, and that is where the confusion is coming in.”

“The problem is that professors can ask the dean of their school for permission to give an exam – that’s the catch.”

Dandridge said that she notified Ole Miss students via twitter about the policy and asked that they notify her of

violations on the part of professors.

“The Provost’s office has been asking deans about whether or not they have approved assignments,” Dandridge said.

“When the University gives us policy as students, we are expected to adhere, to follow those policies,” Dandridge said. “And, if we don’t follow those, then we have consequences, but there are no consequences for faculty and professors.”

Regulations Governing All Examinations • A student’s failure to appear for an examination without an acceptable excuse, inability to present valid identification, absence from the room during the course of an examination without the consent of the examiner, or attempting any portion of an examination without submitting his or her answers shall result in failure of the examination. Tardiness beyond 15 minutes forfeits a student’s right to an examination.

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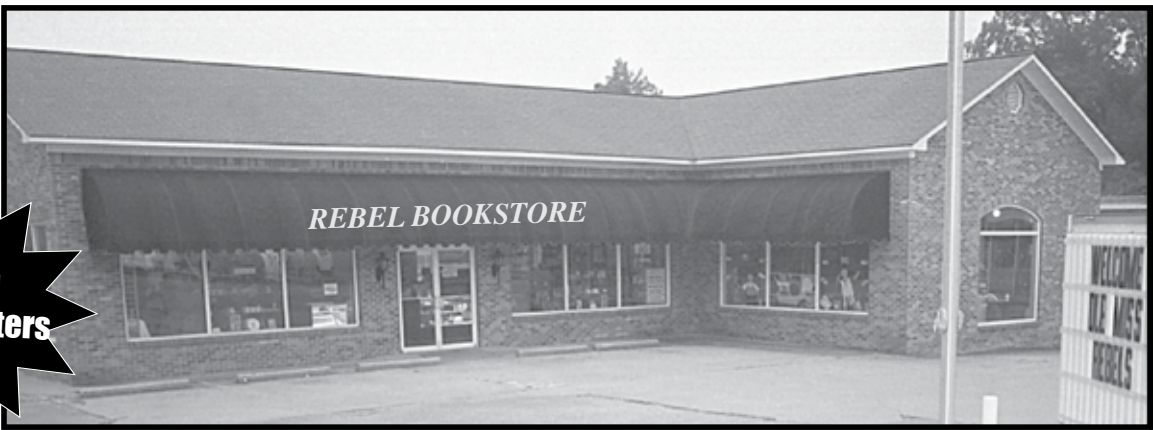
During the period of Wednesday through Friday of the last week of class, instructors are not to give exams, tests, or quizzes that contribute more than 10% of the final grade for a class. An instructor can obtain approval of the department chair and dean to give an exam, test, or quiz, of this weight, during this three day period. Instructors should return graded work and/or inform students of their grades on exams, tests, or quizzes prior to the beginning of finals week.

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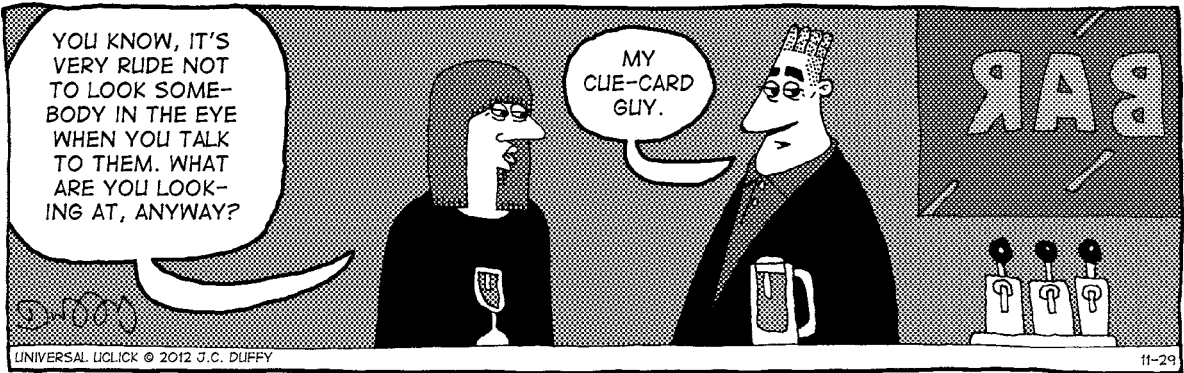
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ONE MADE IT TO A PHONE

BY JIM DAVIS

THE FUSCO BROTHERS

BY J.C. DUFFY



YOU KNOW, IT'S VERY RUDE NOT TO LOOK SOMEBODY IN THE EYE WHEN YOU TALK TO THEM. WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT, ANYWAY?

MY CUE-CARD GLY.

DILBERT

BY SCOTT ADAMS



DILBERT, I NEED YOU TO TAKE CARE OF THIS.



I'D LOVE TO, BUT IT ISN'T ON THE LIST OF PRIORITIES YOU GAVE ME AN HOUR AGO.



DO WHAT I TELL YOU TO DO, NOT WHAT I SAY YOU SHOULD DO.

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BY WILEY



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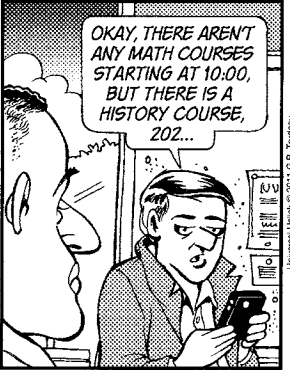
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BY GARRY TRUDEAU




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202! THAT'S IT!

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39 Bauble
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63 Eat graciously
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Exam week survival guide: Eat, drink and take a deep breath

BY MARY B. SELLERS
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So, exams, we meet again. Students develop this strange, yet fascinating complex, every December and May. It involves amounts of coffee that surely aren't FDA-approved, possible use of prescription drugs bummed from friends and that glassy-eyed, bewildered look that holds both desperation and maniacal glee. They babble incessantly about terms and titles and authors, their fingers are stained with pen, and Facebook is probably checked more frequently by sheer routine so it is frightening to even check to see who is online at 2 a.m. on a Tuesday.

It's interesting from an anthropological viewpoint: Did the great men before us resemble this as they scurried through Oxford and Cambridge hallways? Did the great scholars of our past experience several nervous breakdowns in their private rooms before their oral exams? Did they worry about reciting their Latin wrong? Did they even understand what the hell a Lagrangian really was, or the correct conjugation of the past-perfect tense of "juggle" in German? Does that even exist? I don't know. Exams bring a prevailing mass hysteria among the general student population. If you're studying, and you look over to see that girl who hasn't bathed in three days highlighting every sentence in her 1,000 page book of "Renaissance Literature, Second Ed.," you automatically feel as if you have failed somehow. Highlighting only the terms now seems lazy. Or, if you are one of the lucky fools who do not have many finals, you still catch yourself feeling as if you should study, just a little, for something. It is the constant pressure of knowing what ev-



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everyone is probably or should be doing that forces students into midweek crisis mode. Thankfully, instead of preparing for my own exams, I am here to provide a few tips. Limit your coffee intake: I get it. I'm recently recovering from an addiction myself. But having 10 cups of coffee in one sitting, or hell, day even, is bad. You know that feeling when your hands begin shaking and you do some awful twitch thing when someone approaches too closely? Yeah. Coffee can do that to you. If you have to have coffee, which the majority of us do, space it out over a day. Granted, you will drink more than average, and a week of this probably will not kill you, but please, try to limit yourself. Alternate between those double shots of espresso and "normal people" coffee. Or, even try a soft

drink now and then. Calories literally don't exist during exam week. Which brings me to my next point ... Eat whatever and whenever you want. Seriously. Have a bunch of meals left on your ID card? GO TO THE UNION. Buy that extra Chick-Fil-A fry, load it up with sauce and enjoy. Delivery was MADE for this kind of week. Places that deliver are the best. Food should be used as escapism during this week. You have plenty of time over the holidays to go back to eating a salad or piece of fruit a day. Right now, you need fuel. And fuel comes in the form of food. Splurge a little. Have a drink. I'm serious. Sitting for 14 hours at the honors college is not mentally healthy. You begin seeing ghosts of students past, and trust me, that ain't fun.

don't get carried away so you can return to your hole in the honors college or library. Make a playlist beforehand. Don't waste time when you are crunched for time. This week, sit down and pick out the most chill songs on your Spotify, and make a list for yourself. Make it long enough so you don't get bored. Share with your friends. Take a hot bath. There is nothing a hot bath can't cure. I butchered it, but Sylvia Plath said something like that once, and even though admittedly a nutcase, she had a point. Set aside your notes and go for a dip for an hour. Add in extra bubbles. I don't want to be responsible for any drowning, so don't fall asleep. But just relax for a little while. If you can't bear to part with your freshly-printed Sparknotes summaries, take them with you. You would be surprised how much you can accomplish while in a bubble bath.

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SEC Football Power Poll: End of Regular Season

In this week's installment, The Daily Mississippian's sports editor David Collier ranks the 14 Southeastern Conference teams. No. 2 Alabama will face No. 3 Georgia in the SEC Championship Game Saturday in Atlanta with the winner earning a spot in the BCS Championship Game.



1. Alabama (11-1, 7-1 SEC, 1st last week)



2. Georgia (11-1, 7-1 SEC, 3rd last week)



3. Florida (11-1, 7-1 SEC, 4th last week)



4. LSU (10-2, 6-2 SEC, 2nd last week)



5. Texas A&M (10-2, 6-2 SEC, 5th last week)



6. South Carolina (10-2, 6-2 SEC, 6th last week)



7. Vanderbilt (8-4, 5-3 SEC, 8th last week)



8. Ole Miss (6-6, 3-5 SEC, 9th last week)



9. Mississippi State (8-4, 4-4 SEC, 7th last week)



10. Arkansas (4-8, 2-6 SEC, 10th last week)



11. Missouri (5-7, 2-6 SEC, 11th last week)



12. Tennessee (5-7, 1-7 SEC, 12th last week)



13. Auburn (3-9, 0-8 SEC, 13th last week)



14. Kentucky (2-10, 0-8 SEC, 14th last week)

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TOP: New York Giants quarterback Eli Manning; BOTTOM: Pittsburgh Steelers wide receiver Mike Wallace

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shoulder surgery and missed time earlier in the season with the injury.

Eli Manning - QB - New York Giants

Manning has passed for 15 touchdowns this season, pushing his career total to 200 last weekend against the Green Bay Packers. Manning now holds the Giants' franchise record for passing touchdowns, having passed Phil Simms' 199.

Bobby Massie - OT - Arizona Cardinals

In his rookie season, Massie has started in all 11 games for the Cardinals.

Dexter McCluster - WR/RB - Kansas City Chiefs

McCluster continues to be a factor in a struggling Chiefs' offense, recording 38 receptions for 334 receiving yards. McCluster left the game against the Denver Broncos last weekend with a neck injury and is being evaluated this week.

Michael Oher- OT - Baltimore Ravens

Oher has started every game for the Ravens since entering the league in 2009. He continues to anchor the left of the offensive line.

Ashlee Palmer - LB - Detroit Lions

Palmer has totaled 19 tackles on the season with one forced fumble in 11 games of action, which includes two starts.

Jermey Parnell - OT - Dallas Cowboys

Parnell has played in all 11 games this season and received his first start of the year on Thanksgiving Day.

Jerrell Powe - DT - Kansas City Chiefs

Powe has seen action in seven games this season, tallying five tackles, four of which are for a loss.

Jamarca Sanford - SS - Minnesota Vikings

Sanford is third on the team with 54 tackles and has forced four fumbles on the season. He has started in eight of the 11 games this season.

Chris Spencer - OL - Chicago Bears

In his second season with the Bears, Spencer has started only three games this season. He left the game last weekend against the Minnesota Vikings with a knee injury.

Bradley Sowell - OL - Indianapolis Colts

Sowell has played in eight games this season.

Micheal Spurlock - WR - Jacksonville Jaguars

After starting the season with the San Diego Chargers, Spurlock has found a new home in Jacksonville. He has returned six kickoffs for 118 yards and has 14 receptions for 121 yards and a touchdown.

Cassius Vaughn - DB - Indianapolis Colts

Vaughn has totaled 32 tackles this season in 11 games, which includes six starts.

Mike Wallace - WR - Pittsburgh Steelers

After back-to-back 1,000 receiving seasons, Wallace has 47 receptions for 572 yards. Last weekend, he caught one pass for nine yards.

Patrick Willis - LB - San Francisco 49ers

Willis continues to lead the best scoring defense in the NFL, totaling 89 tackles - second on the team - a forced fumble and an interception.

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HENDERSON’S FAST START A KEY FOR OLE MISS

Junior college transfer Marshall Henderson has been lighting up the scoreboard for Ole Miss this season, and he gives the Rebels a new weapon in its arsenal in their quest to reach the NCAA Tournament.



Junior guard Marshall Henderson

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Marshall Henderson made quite a few stops before arriving in Oxford, but he is quickly making a name for himself as a Rebel. Henderson has given Ole Miss an offensive weapon that last year’s team lacked. Ole Miss has scored 90 points in four of their five games this season. Last year, the Rebels surpassed 90 points just once. The Rebels are also winning by an average of 33.2 points per game. Henderson’s team-leading 17 points per game are one of the main reasons why the offense has clicked this season. The Hurst, Texas, native has done the majority of his

damage from long range. He has shot 56 three-pointers this season, the third-most in the NCAA. He has made 20 of those, which gives Ole Miss a deep shooting threat they lacked last season. This past season, senior guard Nick Williams led the team with 38 made three-pointers. Ole Miss, as a team this past season, ranked 305th in the NCAA in made three-pointers. Henderson has also helped Ole Miss at the free throw line, where he has gone 13-for-14 this season. The Rebels ranked 336th nationally last year by shooting 60 percent. The Ole Miss basketball team is off to a 5-0 start, due in part to Henderson’s shooting, but also his on-court energy.



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“He’s got passion,” head coach Andy Kennedy said after the Rebels’ victory over Coastal Carolina. “There’s a big difference between passion and emotion. Passion is good, emotion is bad.” Henderson is not afraid to show his passion on the court. He is frequently yelling and celebrating, or trying to pump the crowd up after a big play. Henderson has struggled shooting the ball in the last two games. He was 4-for-22 from three-point range in the Rebels’ two victories over Thanksgiving Break. “It’s not going to keep him from shooting the ball,” Kennedy said. “For him, it’s just a matter of finding rhythm. He’s got to be a little more patient in allowing the game to come to him. He’ll shoot his way out of it. He’ll be fine.” Henderson began his career as a Utah Ute. He averaged 11.8 points as a freshman at Utah, but then transferred to Texas Tech and sat out a season due to NCAA transfer rules. He would never play a game for Texas Tech because he transferred to South Plains College in Texas after the Red Raiders fired Pat Knight. He led South Plains to an undefeated nation-

al championship this past season by averaging 19.6 points per game and was named the National Junior College Player of the Year. Despite his many stops, Henderson said he already feels that Ole Miss is the right fit for him. “I’m 100 percent comfortable,” he said. “I love being here at Ole Miss. It’s a great support system here in the community of Oxford. It’s great to know that nationwide, anyone who has anything to do with Ole Miss has my back.” The ultimate goal of this team is to qualify for the NCAA Tournament for the first time under Kennedy. Senior forward Murphy Holloway thinks Henderson will be the difference this season. “I think Marshall (Henderson) gets us there,” Holloway said. Henderson and the Rebels will face their biggest test so far this season when they host Rutgers (4-1), as a part of the Big East-SEC Challenge, on Saturday at 1 p.m. from Tad Smith Coliseum. For continuing coverage of Ole Miss men’s basketball, follow @thedm_sports and @Tyler_RSR on Twitter.

Rebels in the NFL

Ole Miss has 20 former football players on NFL rosters. The Daily Mississippian’s Camal Petro gives an update on how they have done through the first 12 weeks of the season.

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Brandon Bolden – RB – New England Patriots
In Bolden’s rookie season, he has 234 yards on 43 attempts and two touchdowns. Bolden was suspended earlier this season for violating the league’s performance-enhancing substance policy. **BenJarvus Green-Ellis – RB – Cincinnati Bengals**

In his first season for the Bengals, Green-Ellis has recorded 767 yards on 201 carries and five touchdowns. However, he has fumbled the ball three times this season, the only fumbles of his five-year career. **Greg Hardy – DE – Carolina Panthers**
In his third and best season to date, Hardy has seven sacks, which is three more than last season, and 40 tackles. **John Jerry – OG – Miami Dolphins**
Jerry has started in all 11 games this season. He has 24 starts in 36 games played in his three-year career. **Peria Jerry – DT – Atlanta Falcons**
In his fourth season with the Falcons, Jerry has started nine games and tallied eight tackles. He missed last week’s game with a quadriceps injury. **Kendrick Lewis – FS – Kansas City Chiefs**
Lewis has 18 tackles and no takeaways this season, and he left the game last weekend with a shoulder injury. Lewis had offseason

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