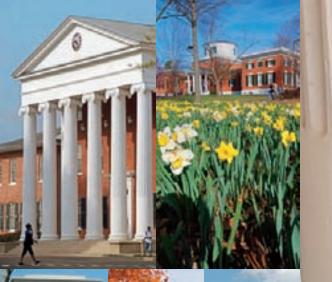


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FROM THE CHANCELLOR

19,651 DONORS

isualize the remarkable facilities and landscapes of the four campuses of The University of Mississippi. Review the extraordinary opportunities being offered to more than 17,000 students. Give thought to the important work of committed university faculty, physicians, researchers and staff. Review the defining moments of this year in the life of our beloved university, and be assured that the continued generosity of alumni and friends made this possible.

Effective builders—the individuals who strengthen The University of Mississippi—are the 19,651 donors who stepped forward this year with their support, undergirding the work of alumni and friends who came before them. Support from alumni and friends is an essential, enduring measure of institutional quality and has propelled this university to national prominence. The sum of our gifts is ensuring UM students are prepared for lives of leadership, service and professional achievement and is fueling life-changing innovation, discoveries and technology.

-ROBERT C. KHAYAT







From the Foundation Board Chair \$472 MILLION ENDOWMENT

ncome from The University of Mississippi Endowment contributed \$20 million to the university's annual budget this year, in addition to income being invested back into the endowment core. This contribution, coupled with the endowment total—\$472 million—represents tremendous achievements considering that our endowment has only been in existence 35 years. Only with the exceptional generosity of alumni and friends, a thriving economic climate and wise investment choices could this have been accomplished. Every gift to the university strengthens its financial stability and provides a margin of excellence. Endowed scholarships are vital to attracting the best and brightest students, and endowed chairs and professorships are crucial in recruiting outstanding faculty. A great public university cannot depend solely on state funding. The sum of our gifts ensures that the vibrant University of Mississippi we love today continues as a respected and effective force in the lives of people and the world.

-ROGER P. FRIOU



The University of Mississippi Foundation is a nonprofit corporation chartered in 1973 by the state of Mississippi to operate primarily for the benefit of the University of Mississippi. The foundation is responsible for receiving, receipting, investing and distributing all gifts for the benefit of The University of Mississippi. It pursues this mission in an environment of productive teamwork, effective communication and relentless service to our donors, university administrators, faculty, staff and students. Communication of university needs and priorities along with encouraging investment in the future of Ole Miss are integral to our success. Integrity, honor, civility, service and respect for our donors and their wishes serve as the foundation's guiding principles.

MISSION STATEMENT

THE SUM OF OUR GIFTS

\$472 MILLION
UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT

\$65.9 MILLION
GIETS IN 2007-2008

19,651
PRIVATE DONORS IN 2007-2008

2,923
STUDENTS ON PRIVATELY FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

658
ENDOWED ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

31
ENDOWED ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIPS

dd them up. Combine all the figures before us the number of alumni and friends who support The University of Mississippi with resources, the millions of dollars in contributions.

Factor in the number of UM students benefiting from increased exceptional academic experiences, as well as the number of ways UM academic, research, service and athletics programs are being strengthened and expanded. Factor in four strong UM campuses.

Multiply this by a heightened level of involvement and commitment coming from UM alumni and friends known as the Ole Miss family.

What is the sum of our gifts? The sum—the profound reach of our gifts defined by both tangibles and intangibles—is transforming the lives of students and the future of the world through education, research and opportunities.

Most UM alumni and friends generously embrace the philosophy of giving back and identify themselves as the giant taproot of Ole Miss. Lifetimes of connectivity and this sense of family devel-

oped at the university often help define graduates' lives and their careers. The Ole Miss family has seen state funding for the university decrease dramatically over the past 10 years, falling from 40 percent to just 17 percent, moving the university toward greater reliance on private support.

Undaunted by the challenge, we renewed our commitment to the UM traditions of excellence in teaching, research

and scholarship. The \$200 million *MomentUM: A Campaign for The University of Mississippi* was launched, and alumni and friends began generously adding gifts to ensure a level of academic excellence and student access that are possible only with private support.

The sum of our gifts? Take a moment to consider how our gifts are

• Providing scholarships and other assistance for students based

on academic merit and financial need. Extraordinary scholarships attract the brightest minds to study at UM, as well as help others fulfill the goal of pursuing higher education.

- Enabling students to develop from an array of exceptional opportunities: conducting research, participating in internships and travel, taking part in leadership training, and benefiting from mentoring.
- Funding innovative and rigorous academic, service and research programs, which expand human understanding and lead to important work and discoveries that improve the world. These programs also garner national attention and enhance funding and recruitment efforts of the university.
- Supporting UM faculty and researchers with competitive salaries and with endowed chairs and professorships. UM students deserve the influence, leadership and mentorship of prominent scholars, and direct societal benefits come from the remarkable minds and work of UM researchers.
- Creating a vibrant academic setting and campus environment that promote learning, inspire original thoughts, expand cultural arts exposure, create energy, and draw alumni and friends back for involvement and mentorship of students.

Part of this *UM Foundation Annual Report on Philanthropy 2007-2008* focuses on the careers and other pursuits of a group of former scholars to illustrate how privately funded scholarships are impacting their lives and their philosophies. This report also touches on three areas enhancing student development and strengthening the university: innovation, mentorship and planned gifts.

Add up all the parts of The University of Mississippi: the bright minds; stellar accomplishments; astounding innovations and technologies; important discoveries; and the preservation, creation and communication of knowledge.

What is the sum of our gifts? Together we have scaled heights many did not believe possible. From this new vantage point, we are able to envision even greater possibilities.





PEOPLE MAKE A UNIVERSITY GREAT

o know if investments in The University of Mississippi are paying dividends, donors can turn their attention to the university's success in effecting intellectual growth of the human mind and spirit, and treatments and discoveries for the betterment of society.

Higher education has to be relevant to our global society and marketplace. When evaluating "the sum of our gifts," a crucial indicator comes from how the university uses gifts to develop innovative programs and share intellectual resources. Another is the university's enrichment of scholarships with leadership training and mentoring. On the following pages, former scholars and current students share their thoughts on support they received.

In addition, donors' trust and confidence in the university and its utilization of resources can be seen through continued giving, particularly in the growth of planned and deferred gifts.

INNOVATION

• If there was ever a powerful medium for bringing attention to UM, it was the successful bid to host the first presidential debate of 2008. Gifts of more than \$3.2 million and in-kind gifts of time and resources made the production possible.

The nation's economic woes intensified interest in the debate week, which included many lectures and programs on the Oxford campus. Then the eyes and ears of the world turned to the university September 26, as U.S. senators Barack Obama and John McCain shared their plans to lead the nation.

"The footsteps of American history have passed through our campus several times in the last 160 years and they have found their way here again," said Chancellor Robert C. Khayat.

• The Department of Journalism is becoming a new journalism school. Alumni Ed and Becky Meek are making the development possible with their gift of \$5.4 million for the initial funding.

"The concept for the school is so exciting," said Ed Meek. "It's going to create an academic program in

journalism that stays ahead of the curve, looks into the future and returns to the curriculum an interdisciplinary approach that will give students a wide range of options."

• Football great Eli Manning, BankPlus and the Friends of the Children's Hospital have joined forces to attract \$2.5 million for the new Eli Manning Children's Clinics at the Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children at The University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson.

"With their care and dedication, the doctors, nurses and staff of Children's truly change the lives of so many Mississippi children," Manning said. "I am humbled by the work they do and am honored to make this five-year commitment to help raise funds to build this state-of-the-art clinic that will serve Mississippi families for years to come."

• A partnership among the university, the state and Toyota Motor Corp. aims to keep jobs at home by educating the nation's future manufacturing professionals. The three created the Center for Manufacturing Excellence, which will offer degrees in engineering with an emphasis in manufacturing and cross-disciplinary studies for other skills needed.

Funding for the \$22 million center is coming through part of a state incentive package that helped attract Toyota to Blue Springs in north Mississippi.

• The Center for Mathematics and Science Education, which is helping improve math and science education by fostering interaction between UM and K-12 public schools, received a \$150,000 gift from alumnus John G. Adler. The initial \$1.2 million funding for the center came from the Robert M. Hearin Support Foundation.

"One of our goals is to educate K-12 students about what engineers, mathematicians and scientists do," said John O'Haver, center director. "We need to explain the incredible need in our country for students to pursue these fields, and the opportunities and career paths that will be there for them."

■ The School of Law's Mississippi Innocence Project enables a group of second- and third-year law students—under the

supervision of the project's director—to take responsibility for cases of state prisoners serving significant periods of incarceration who have cognizable claims of wrongful conviction. To date, three Mississippians have been released due to the program. Together the men served more than 63 years in prison for crimes they did not commit.

The Mississippi Innocence Project received additional support from an anonymous donor, who provided \$225,000. The program also seeks to identify and address systemic problems in the criminal justice system and to develop initiatives to raise public awareness of wrongful convictions.

LEADERSHIP AND MENTORSHIP

Faculty members have long been recognized for their mentoring, and a long-held tradition of the university community is helping students hone leadership skills. UM is taking these beneficial elements to a higher level by developing collaborative leadership-mentorship efforts.

The scholars of the Ole Miss Women's Council, Ole Miss First and the Trent Lott Leadership Institute are being involved in a programmatic structure with the core values of educating future leaders to serve society. The aim is to expedite the reshaping of the institutional culture by encouraging alumni and friends

> to help educate the next generation.

"These scholars can form a critical mass that makes an exceptional contribution to Mississippi's intellectual property as committed, educated citizens," said Ellen Rolfes, a principal architect. "These bright, gifted students are our future."



Alumni and friends are lending support through planned and deferred giving. Take, for example, the late radiologist Clarence Thomas Hill Jr. of Clovis, N.M. His estate set aside \$1.4 million for

scholarships in liberal arts and medicine.

"Lives will be changed through this gift," said Dr. Dan Jones, vice chancellor for health affairs and dean of medicine. "Medical students will have the opportunity to choose a practice type ... with less burden of financial debt. And communities in Mississippi will benefit from having well-trained physicians to provide compassionate care."

The estates of the late faculty member Carl Nabors and his wife, Olivia Lewis Nabors, provided more than \$1 million for several areas. "Their life was very much enmeshed in this university," said Billy Bratton, a nephew. "From the very beginning they wanted to remember Ole Miss in this way."

Present faculty members also are making planned gifts. Dean of Pharmacy Barbara G. Wells, and her husband, Richard M. Wells, purchased a paid-up life insurance policy and directed the \$500,000 proceeds to create a pharmacy practice professorship.

"We decided that by putting our money into an endowed professorship, we could have an impact on both faculty and students," Dean Wells said.

Dr. Larry Cox of the School of Business Administration honored his parents with a bequest to support faculty in his department. A gift of \$50,000 established the C. Robert and Ruth A. Cox Endowment in Risk Management and Insurance.

"My father spent most of his career in the life insurance business, both of my children graduated from Ole Miss-with my daughter earning her degree in risk management and insurance and I've taught here for over 13 years, so this place is very special to our family," Larry Cox said. "If Ole Miss is to remain prominent in the field of risk management and insurance for future decades, then private support is critical."

UM Foundation board member, attorney Jamie Houston of Ridgeland, Miss., has planned a bequest to create the Jamie Houston Family Endowment to support the Patterson School of Accountancy and the School of Law. Houston chairs the foundation's Deferred and Planned Giving Society Committee, which educates alumni and friends about planned gifts.

"I think it's important to give and continue to be a part of the Ole Miss family no matter where we are," Houston said. "Providing scholarships to enrich the lives of students helps Ole Miss attract and retain the best and the brightest students As individuals and as a society, we receive immeasurable benefits from producing educated graduates who also feel a strong connection to Ole Miss."

The following profiles of current and former UM scholarship recipients are just one tangible representation of how our gifts add up to impact the future of our state and nation.





DAVID CARROLL

BREVARD SCHOLAR
Owner of D. Carroll Construction,
a commercial general contracting company

Hometown: Oxford, Miss. Graduation year: 2003

Degree: Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

How did receiving the Brevard Scholarship impact your life?

The scholarship enhanced my college experience, while offsetting out-of-state tuition costs. This made Ole Miss

a viable option for me and ultimately influenced my decision to choose Ole Miss.

How has receiving the Brevard Scholarship influenced your view of private gifts and the philosophy of giving back?

A It has led me to stay involved and to support the School of Engineering. As an alumnus, it's exciting to see enrollment in the civil engineering department nearly double in size since my graduation. This growth provides more opportunity and need for our alumni to stay involved with their time and financial contributions.

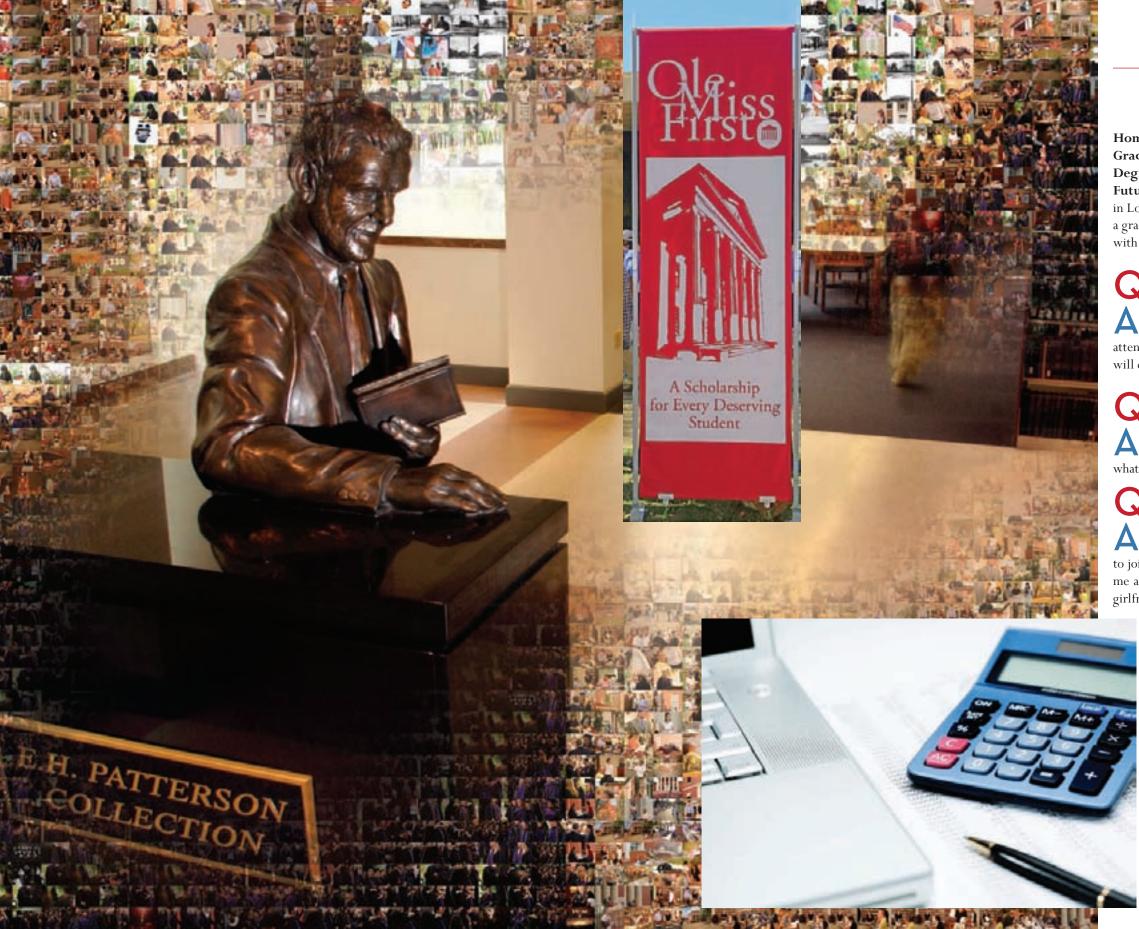
Specifically, my company recently completed constructing 11,000 square feet of laboratory space designed for the civil engineering department. This project added tremendous value to the department's research programs. D. Carroll Construction also has begun a historical renovation project of Hill Hall. Our efforts will bring this facility back to its original condition, while improving its energy efficiencies. It's very rewarding to have a positive impact on the campus that helped define my career.

What do you find fulfilling about your career and what about your Ole Miss experience has contributed to your early career success?

A In day-to-day business I enjoy the problem-solving aspects of my career. I consider problem solving to be the core learning principle associated with my degree in civil engineering. My Ole Miss experience led my wife and me back to Oxford and created a desire to work on projects that benefit the university. The network of Ole Miss alumni of which I'm a part has promoted, and continues to promote, growth for my business.

What values do you embrace in your life that you hope could be passed on to future generations?

Among values important to me are honesty, accountability and a spirit of community service.



SCOTT STEWART

OLE MISS FIRST SCHOLAR Senior

Hometown: Biloxi, Miss. Graduation year: 2008

Degree: Bachelor of Accountancy

Future plans: I will intern with Deloitte accounting firm in London and then return to Ole Miss. After completion of a graduate degree, I possibly will pursue a career in London with the U.S. Corporate Tax Department.



How did receiving the Ole Miss First Scholarship impact your life?

▲ It is difficult to comprehend how different my life would have been without receiving Athis scholarship. If I had not been chosen for the scholarship, I probably would not have attended Ole Miss. I would not have made the friends and enjoyed the experiences that I will cherish for a lifetime.

Mow has receiving the Ole Miss First Scholarship influenced your thoughts on the philosophy of giving back?

▲ I certainly appreciate the generosity that not only allowed me to attend this wonderful Auniversity but also helped me be successful while I was here. I look forward to giving what I can to help others like myself experience Ole Miss.

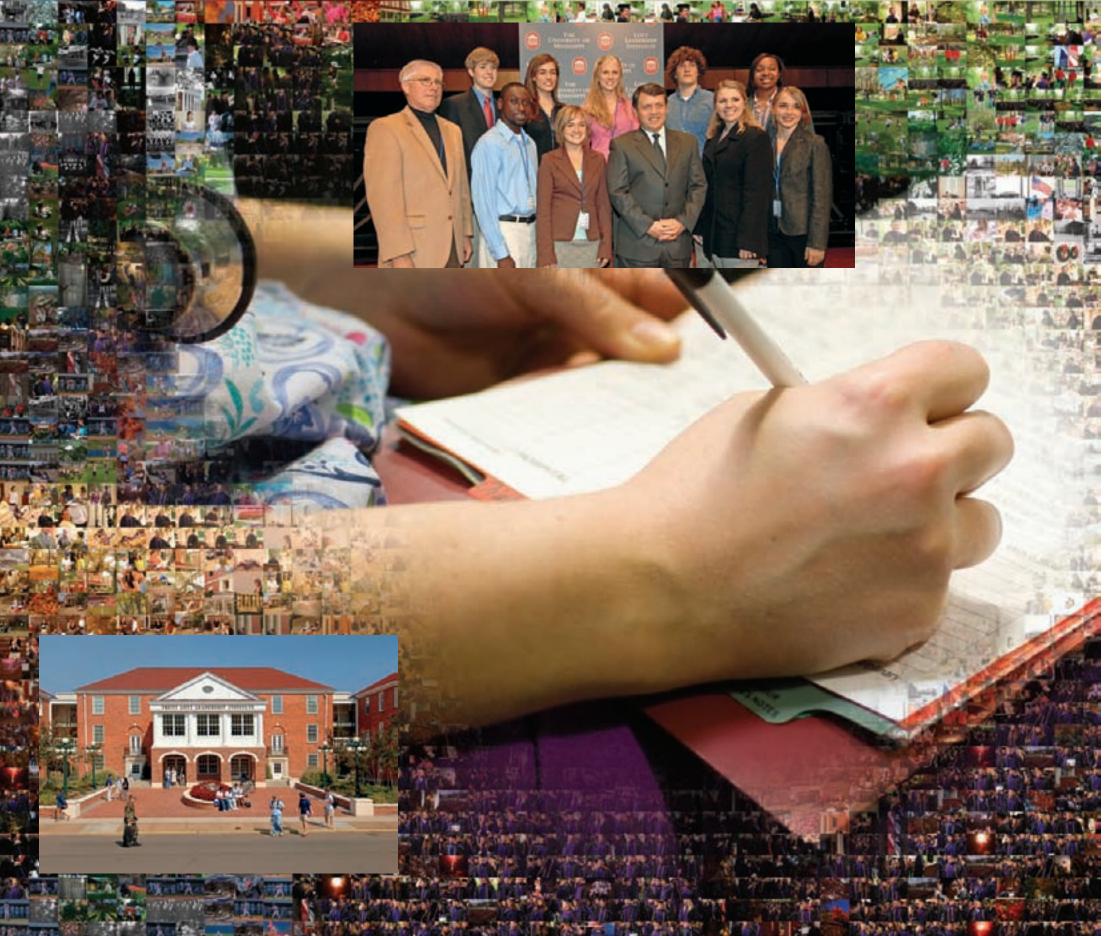
What are some of the top experiences of your time at Ole Miss?

My sophomore year I joined Ole Miss Ambassadors. One reason I came to this univer-Asity was the tour I received when I came for my first visit. I thought it would be great to join the organization that helped recruit me. During my junior year, a student stopped me and asked if I remembered him. He explained that I had given a tour to him and his girlfriend, and the deciding factor in their decision to attend Ole Miss was that tour.

During a recent visit to my grandparents in Atlanta, I went shopping with another family member. We bumped into a guy wearing an Ole Miss shirt. We struck up a conversation and ended up talking for some time on all sorts of topics. When we were parting, he gave me his name and information and told me if I ever needed anything to let him know. I realized that day I am truly part of a very large Ole Miss family.

What about your Ole Miss experience will have the greatest influence on your career success?

↑ One factor among many is the superior level of education I received through the Patterson School of Accountancy. The level of dedication to excellence exhibited by professors and support staff is unparalleled. Another is the social atmosphere at Ole Miss, which has helped me tremendously at recruiting events and in interviews with accounting firms.



Brittany Chapman

LOTT SCHOLAR
Senior in the first class of Lott Scholars/Lott
Leadership Institute

Hometown: Moss Point, Miss. Graduation year: 2009

Degree: Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Future plans: To obtain a master's degree in nurse

anesthesia

How did receiving the Lott Scholarship impact your life?

The Lott Scholarship was the reason I chose The University of Mississippi—a choice that has proven to be the right one. I've met students from diverse backgrounds with goals similar to my own. I've also had the tremendous privilege of participation that fosters leadership and personal and professional development.

What are some of the top experiences of your time at Ole Miss?

My top experiences have been participating in the Lott Leadership Exchange and meeting the King of Jordan. I traveled to South Africa in the summer of 2006 with the Lott Leadership Exchange. Studying abroad broadened my cultural views and helped me develop lasting relationships with students from South Africa. It also helped me identify my personal strengths and weaknesses, while challenging me to adapt to a new and unfamiliar environment.

Meeting the King of Jordan was an incredible experience, as well. I never imagined I would have the privilege of meeting a foreign head of state. Listening to this leader speak was enlightening. I was made aware of how globalization is becoming more of a reality and that it is up to each of us to learn more about different cultures to peacefully co-exist.

What are the benefits of the leadership/mentorship elements of the Lott Scholarship?

This program afforded me the opportunity to interact with an awesome mentor in my field, Julie Welch. Being paired with Ms. Welch has helped to guide and support me throughout my undergraduate journey. It has encouraged me to set new goals and achieve higher personal and professional standards.

Q How has receiving the Lott Scholarship influenced your thoughts on the philosophy of giving back?

My view of giving back has been greatly influenced by this exceptional opportunity. With the rich experiences I've gained and wonderful people I've met, I am sure that I won't hesitate to give back to the university that has given so much to me.



Dr. Calvin Thigpen

NEWMAN SCHOLAR Chief Resident/Internal Medicine, 2005 Medical Student of the Year, The University of Mississippi Medical Center; Rhodes Scholar

Hometown: Jackson, Miss.

Graduation years: 1999, 2005, 2008

Degrees: Bachelor of Science in chemistry, Bachelor of Science in math; Doctor of Medicine; internal medicine residency



How did receiving the Newman Scholarship impact your life?

↑ The scholarship made my dream of going to Ole Miss and being a part of a wide Avariety of campus activities much easier to fulfill. It gave me the flexibility to invest my time in running track and cross-country, in being a part of a fraternity, in participating in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and in serving in student government.

What are your future plans?

▲ I graduated from the internal medicine residency program at the Medical Center this Ayear and started a three-year hematology/oncology fellowship program. I chose internal medicine for two reasons: It allows for the development of long-term relationships with patients and provides continual challenges with the complex decision making that goes into each patient's care. I definitely plan to practice in Mississippi.

What contributions to society do you hope to make?

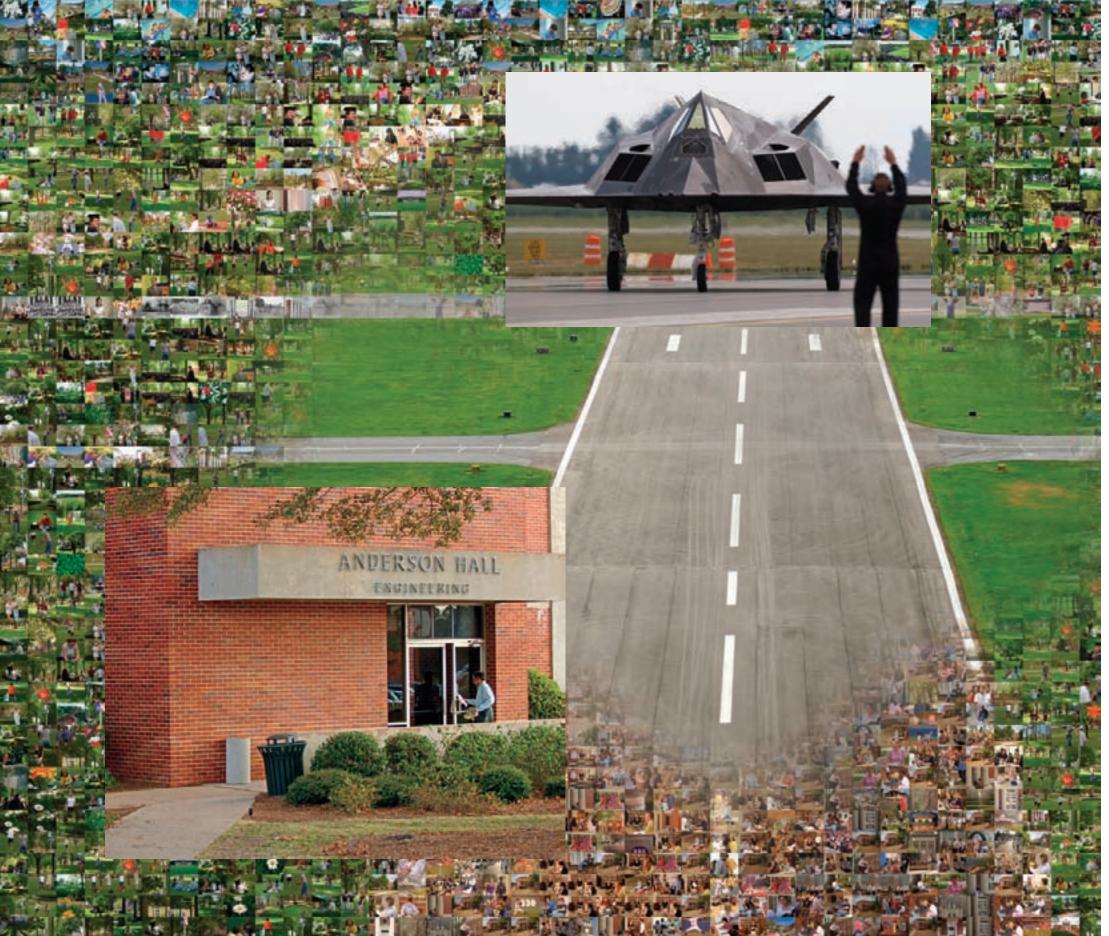
I hope to make the lives of the people I care for as a physician better by giving them Ahope for improved health and by providing comfort, emotionally and spiritually, if it is apparent that their physical health will not improve.

How did the Newman Scholarship influence your view of private gifts or the philosophy of giving back?

▲ It allowed me to see that one way to ensure students continue to have positive experi-Aences at Ole Miss is for those who've had those positive experiences in the past to share the fruits of those experiences with the university.

How would you describe your education experiences?

My educational experiences in Mississippi can be distinguished from those I've had out-Aside the state by the personal touch that has accompanied them. High school teachers, college professors, medical school lecturers, and attending physicians in the hospital have all demonstrated an interest not only in the facts being taught but also in the person to whom the facts are being taught.



Lucy P. Priddy

ADLER AND BREVARD SCHOLAR Research Civil Engineer, U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Vicksburg, Miss., and recipient of the "New Faces of Engineering Award" by the American Society of Civil Engineers

Hometown: Tunica, Miss. Graduation Years: 2002, 2005

Degrees: Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering; Master of Science in engineering, Mississippi State University



How did receiving the Adler and Brevard scholarships impact

Without the initial Adler Scholarship, I may never have pursued engineering or at-Atended the university. My father died unexpectedly during my freshman year, and the scholarship was absolutely necessary for me to stay in school. Even though I questioned my decision to pursue engineering, the fear of losing my scholarship prompted me to treat my time at Ole Miss as a job—making the best grades possible and completing my degree within four years. Fortunately along the way, I discovered I loved civil engineering.

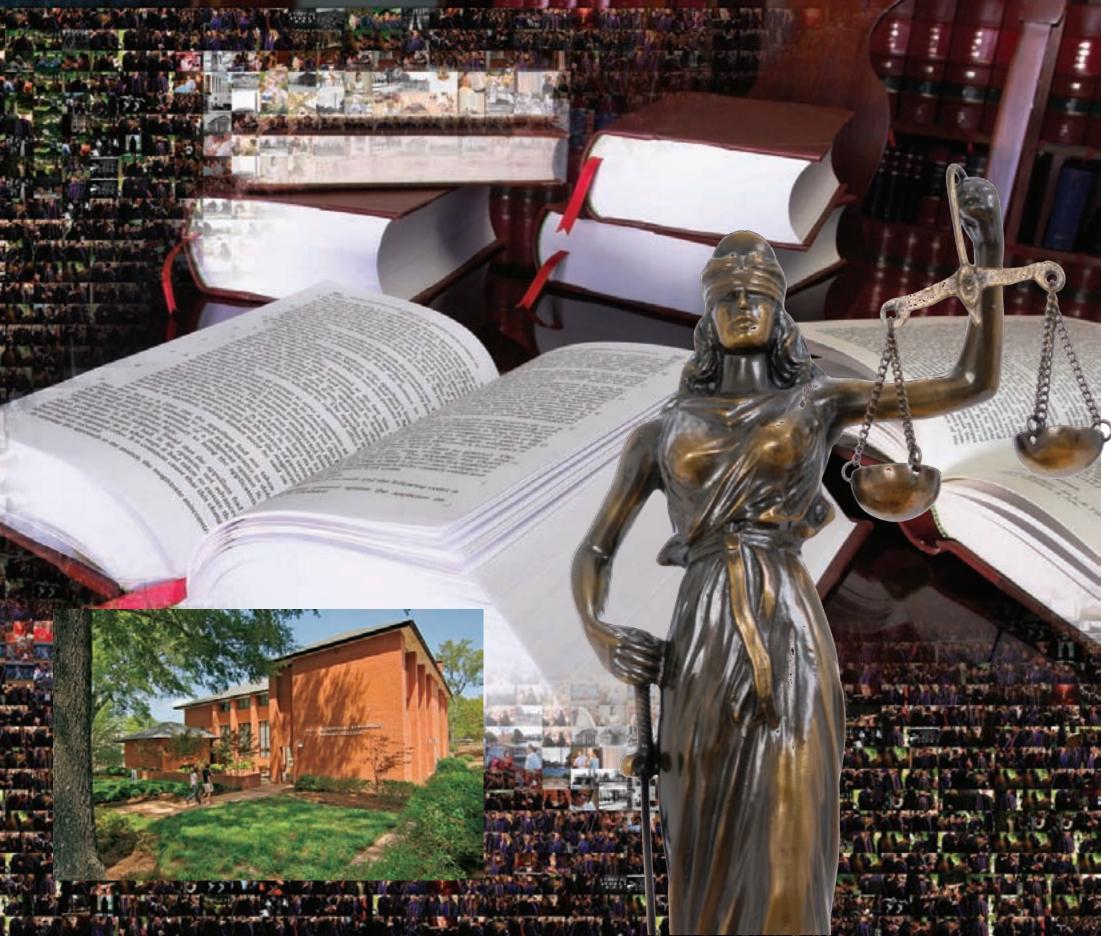
What do you find most fulfilling about your career and what about your Ole Miss experience has contributed to your career success?

There are two aspects, the first being conducting research that directly impacts our Anation's military through airfields and pavements, with my focus on new repair techniques for military airfields. Working with our military personnel to develop new methods and technologies that will help prevent loss of life is exciting and fulfilling. Being able to work as a research assistant as a student at Ole Miss definitely contributed to my early success. I met many experts in the field of pavement research and work with some of them today. I also was introduced to the idea that research could be conducted outside a university. Instead of designing roads or structures based on formulas and concepts developed by others, I can help develop formulas and design concepts for future generations.

The second aspect is helping others identify their talents and leadership potential through our development program. Serving in leadership roles in student organizations and as the Ole Miss engineering student body president definitely led to my early selection into competitive leadership programs and enabled me to help develop programs. I serve as the co-facilitator for my laboratory's leadership program at the Engineer Research and Development Center.

What contributions to society do you hope to make through your

I think one of the most important contributions we can make as engineers is to pro-Amote engineering to young people in our communities.



Tamika Montgomery

McDonnell-Barksdale Scholar
Associate Attorney,
Securities and Corporate Government
Litigation, Weil Gotshal & Manges, New York

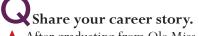
Hometown: Jackson, Miss. Graduation Years: 1999, 2006

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts in English, political science and

Spanish; Juris Doctor, University of Georgia

How did receiving the McDonnell-Barksdale Scholarship impact your life?

As a student who bore the primary responsibility for the cost of my college education, I often wondered exactly how I would make everything work. Through the kindness and generosity of others in the way of scholarships, those financial stresses were greatly reduced during my time at Ole Miss. This allowed me to enjoy my college experience and to focus on my education. Some of these wonderful experiences included singing in the Gospel Choir, joining the dynamic Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., and studying abroad in Costa Rica and Spain.



After graduating from Ole Miss, I attended the University of Georgia School of Law. While there, I took an interest in corporate governance law, which led me to apply for a clerkship at the Delaware Court of Chancery, widely recognized as the premier corporate governance court in the United States. During my clerkship, many law firms appeared before the court, but I was most impressed with the attorneys at Weil Gotshal & Manges. When the attorneys asked me to interview, I gladly accepted, and the rest is history.

What aspects of the Ole Miss experience are positively impacting your career today?

I had the opportunity to participate in the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College, which remains one of the most humbling experiences in my life. The curriculum was challenging; the professors demanded our best; and my peers were academically gifted. I quickly realized that to be successful in that environment I would have to be extremely dedicated and focused. This lesson was reinforced in law school and continues today in my career as an attorney. You are never as good as you think you are. There is always someone just as "smart" or "talented." The difference between success and failure is often one's willingness to work.

How did the McDonnell-Barksdale Scholarship influence your view of private gifts or the philosophy of giving back?

This scholarship reinforced the importance of service and the impact that it has on the lives of others. I have made it a point to give back financially and otherwise. In addition, I always am looking for opportunities to ensure that my life changes the lives of others.



BRIAN HEY

HEARIN-HESS SCHOLAR Senior Associate, KPMG in Memphis, Tenn.

Hometown: Jackson, Miss. **Graduation year: 2006**

Degrees: Bachelor of Business Administration with emphasis in banking and finance/managerial financial, Bachelor of

How did receiving the Hearin-Hess Scholarship impact your life?

The scholarship was very instrumental in many ways.

The first was recognition for hard work put forth in previous endeavors. This became a motivational lesson that showed me hard work does result in recognition and can lead to

Secondly, it introduced me to new people who encouraged me to become involved in School of Business Administration organizations and student government, all of which turned out to be very positive influences. Lastly, the financial stimulus provides the student with the

benefit of being able to dedicate more time to being a student and being involved, where in some cases a student might not be able to enjoy the collegiate experience due to financial constraints.

What aspects of the Ole Miss experience are positively impacting your career today?

Ole Miss offered an education that was not limited to the classroom. It provided me with the ability to step outside of books and meet people, network and grow my knowledge of how getting things done often involved working with people you have met along the way. That being said, the classroom experience was definitely a positive influence. The business and accountancy schools alike have done a good job of bringing in faculty members who have real-world experience.

What contributions to society do you hope to make through your career or community service?

A central theme addressed in many of my classes, especially with Dexter Barr, was that as a professional you are part of a community, and, as part of that community, it is your responsibility to

give back. This topic was most effectively illustrated by the fact that Mr. Barr was teaching my banking class at the time on a volunteer basis simply because he wanted to have a positive influence on the next generation of people in the business community. Hopefully the career I follow, based on the education I received, will provide me with the opportunity to contribute to more than one student's education.



NEELY LOTT METCALF

LUCKYDAY SCHOLAR Teacher in Math Lab, Oakhurst Middle School, Clarksdale, Miss.

Hometown: Grenada, Miss. Graduation Year: 2005

Degree: Bachelor of Business Administration in marketing communications; pursuing an MBA at Delta State University

How did receiving the Luckyday Scholarship change your life?

A Not only did the scholarship impact me academically by keeping me focused on the ultimate goal of graduating in four years, but it also impacted me financially. I did not have to take out any loans or endure any financial strain to fund my education.

If you could speak directly to people who provide funds for scholarships, what would you tell them?

Never second guess the contributions that you are making. Let your heart lead you in deciding how much to give. You never know when the gifts that you give are planting the seeds for recipients like myself to keep the cycle going. Future educators, lawyers, doctors, scientists and engineers never would have gotten the opportunity for a college education had it not been for the contributions you made.

☑ Did your scholarship lead you to Ole Miss?

My mother had been a stay-at-home mom for more than 20 years, and my father worked at a factory for more than 20 years. Had I not received the Luckyday Scholarship, I would have been attending a community college near home. I would not trade my Ole Miss experience for the world. The friendships, organizations and courses were so memorable and enjoyable that I know I would not have been able to experience such a high-caliber of experience anywhere else.

Why did you choose to go into teaching?

A I have a passion to share knowledge and understanding with my students as my teachers shared with me. One day I hope to teach on the college level. In addition, as a mother of two and a wife of a high-school football coach, I needed a profession that gives me time to spend with my family and to be a supportive wife and mother.

What contributions to society do you hope to make through your career?

A I am molding the minds of young people daily through teaching, and I sponsor a local chapter of SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) at my school. I also sponsor a group for girls who aspire to become members of my former sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha.



REV. ANDY JAMES PICHITINO SCHOLAR

PICHITINO SCHOLAR
Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of
Whitestone, Queens, N.Y.

Hometown: Brandon, Miss. Graduation years: 2001, 2005

Degrees: Bachelor of Arts in history; Master of Divinity,

Columbia Theological Seminary

Future plans: To continue a ministry in the Presbyterian

Church (USA)

How did receiving the Pichitino Scholarship impact your life?

I chose to go to The University of Mississippi over several other institutions because of the generosity of the Pichitino Scholarship. At UM, I found a wide range of opportunities inside and outside the classroom that enriched my life, my understanding of history and my sense of making an impact on the world.

What did your Ole Miss experience mean to you?

Through my experience, I built relationships that helped me see things in new ways. Beginning in a class in the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College and going out into the life of Students Envisioning Equality through Diversity (a student organization devoted to bringing people together across racial lines), I had the opportunity to listen and hear the pain and struggle of racism and its associated poverty that marks so many lives in Mississippi. Those stories inspired me to keep listening and to a part of bringing about reconciliation in the world.

What values do you embrace in your life that you hope could be passed on to future generations?

I deeply value reconciliation in the life of the world. In my life of faith and my leadership in the community of faith, I find reconciliation lived out perfectly in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. I know that it is my call—and our common call—to live out this way of reconciliation in the world. This way of life is not easy—it often goes against everything the world demands of us—but I believe that we nonetheless must pursue it, giving up self-interest as we seek the well-being of all.



Heidi Ladd

2+2 SCHOLAR Accountant, F.O. Givens & Company accountancy firm in Southaven, Miss.

Hometown: Loveland, Colo. **Graduation Year: 2008 Degree:** Bachelor of Accountancy

Future plans: Completing a Master of Accountancy (projected graduation in 2010) and becoming a CPA



How did receiving the 2+2 Scholarship from the UM-DeSoto Center impact your life?

When I moved from Colorado to DeSoto County in 2003, I was ready for a new start And saw an opportunity to pursue a secret ambition: earning a college degree. An advertisement about The University of Mississippi-DeSoto Center caught my attention. I found out I could continue my job at Home Depot and attend school, first at Northwest Mississippi Community College and then at The University of Mississippi-DeSoto Center. I could not have completed my bachelor's degree without the wonderful financial aid opportunities that were available to me at the DeSoto Center. This was especially true when my daughter started to college. Being a mom, you know your kids have to come first. If there had not been funding available for both of us, I might have had to discontinue taking classes in order for her education to become the top priority.

How has your Ole Miss experience contributed to your career success?

My caring and knowledgeable accounting professors played a big role in helping me Acomplete my degree. They shared real-world experiences in the classroom. Our lectures were about how the words in our textbooks relate to the everyday activities and issues that accountants deal with. That, to me, is the best way to learn. Our professors had experience and knowledge, and they knew how to share both in an interesting way. I would like to return the investment one day by teaching accounting classes myself.

What would you say to individuals and organizations that are considering providing resources for UM scholarships?

I feel it's a wonderful opportunity to help someone else make the most of their dreams, And I can't wait until I'm able to "pay it forward" by helping someone else.

What does Ladd's family think about her college pursuits?

"It takes guts to go back to school after 20 years," said daughter Kirsten Ladd, who Aalso is pursuing an accountancy degree. "When Mom graduated, our family from Colorado came to the ceremony in Oxford. We were excited for her because we knew how hard she had worked to make her dream come true."



Dr. Greg Vaughn

BARKSDALE SCHOLAR Resident in Anesthesiology, The University of Mississippi Medical Center

Hometown: Meridian, Miss. Graduation Years: 2003, 2007

Degrees: Bachelor of Science in chemistry, Jackson State University; Doctor of Medicine, The University of

Mississippi School of Medicine



How did receiving the Barksdale Scholarship impact your life?

I was given the opportunity to obtain a medical school education without the bur-Aden of student loans. The impact that this will have on my life will be enormous.

Did the Barksdale Scholarship lead you to choose your medical school home?

↑ The University of Mississippi School of Medicine was my first and only medi-Acal school interview—shortly after my interview I was offered an acceptance letter. It was later that I was informed I had been chosen as a Barksdale Scholar. The scholarship reassured me I had definitely made the right choice in deciding to stay in Mississippi to obtain my medical training.

₩hy did you decide to go into medicine?

▲ I have always had an interest in science and thought that I would pursue a doctorate in chemistry. However, I was given the opportunity to shadow a physician while attending a summer research program prior to my junior year of college. It was then that I decided I would like to pursue a career where I would be able to continue to explore my love for science while at the same time impact lives. I chose anesthesiology because it is a unique specialty that encompasses almost every field of medicine. I also was attracted to the art of the practice of anesthesia and the procedure-oriented nature of the field.

What contributions to society do you hope to make through your career?

↑ I plan to one day become active in mentoring high school and undergraduate. students—specifically those interested in the sciences and medicine.

How did your scholarship influence your view of the philosophy of giving back?

By being a recipient of the generous gift that the Jim Barksdale family provided, I personally observed the importance of not only recognizing that there is always a need for philanthropy but also that we are all responsible for doing our part, be it large or small, in making our society a better place for generations to come.



LEE ANNE TADLOCK

LUCKYDAY SCHOLAR
Pharmacy Manager, CVS Pharmacy in
Raleigh, N.C.

Hometown: New Albany, Miss. Graduation Years: 2006, 2008

Degrees: Bachelor of Science in pharmaceutical sciences, Doctor of Pharmacy

How did receiving the Luckyday Scholarship impact your life?

↑ The scholarship eased my financial burden so

Athat I did not have to have a full-time job in order to eat, live in the dorm and go to school. This freed my time so that my part-time jobs on campus all helped point me to where I am now. The jobs helped me answer questions about whether I liked research or writing and have directed me to my current position in retail/community pharmacy. Luckyday also allowed me to tutor other Luckyday Scholars. This experience showed me how much I like to teach others, and now I am always looking for ways to teach my employees and patients something new.

What makes your career fulfilling?

A The most gratifying part of my career is when I make a personal connection with one of my patients and know I have made a difference in their lives. I also am continuing to develop new management skills in my career at CVS.

How has the Luckyday Scholarship influenced your view of private gifts and the philosophy of giving back?

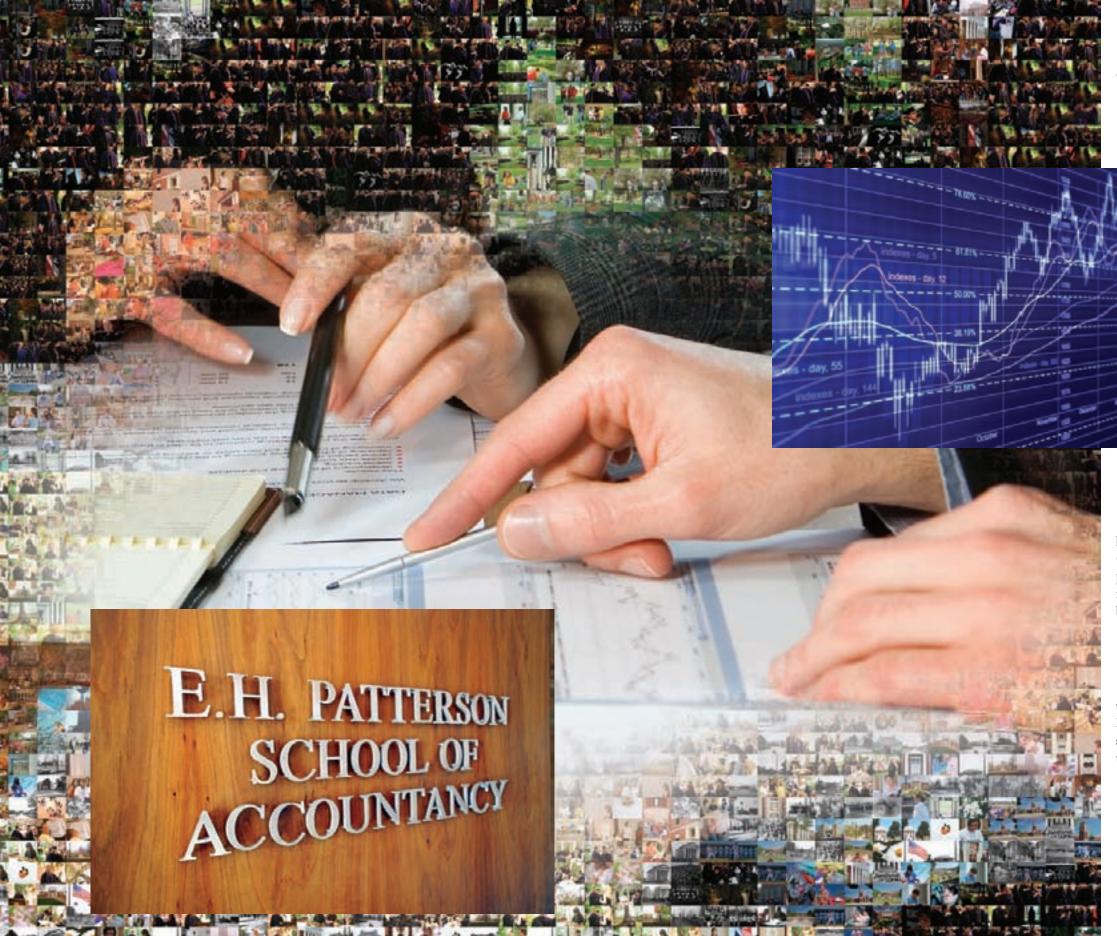
A I know that because someone else created and funded the Luckyday Foundation I was able to receive so much from my time at Ole Miss. I know I need to give back so that other students can focus on their futures and developing their careers and less about basic survival while in school.

Did your selection as a Luckyday Scholar lead you to choose The University of Mississippi over other colleges?

When choosing where to go to school, my dad and I talked our way through a proand-con list: close to home, farther from home, more scholarships, fewer scholarships, pharmacy school acceptance, no pharmacy school. Through these pros and cons, my dad helped me decide to go to Ole Miss. Having a Luckyday Scholarship did play a part in that.

What is something unique about your life?

Al'm married to a Luckyday Merit Scholar, Kyle Tadlock, who will be pursuing a graduate degree in history in 2009.



Ashley R. Perryman

OLE MISS WOMEN'S COUNCIL FOR
PHILANTHROPY SCHOLARSHIP
Accounting Associate,
PricewaterhouseCoopers, Atlanta

Hometown: Philadelphia, Miss. Graduation Years: 2005, 2006

Degrees: Bachelor of Accountancy, Master of

Accountancy

How did receiving the Christine

Hickonbottom Women's Council Scholarship impact your life?

A will never forget receiving the phone call from the OMWC informing me of my selection as a scholar. After attending one Red Plate Supper, I quickly realized the OMWC offered much more than meets the eye with traditional scholarships. The mentorship and leadership that the OMWC provided were invaluable. Over the course of college, I was able to meet several influential leaders who helped shape my definition of leadership/mentorship and helped me to understand that, like life, leadership falls into various boxes, not just one neat box with a pretty bow.

How has your scholarship influenced your view of private gifts and the philosophy of giving back?

The Christine Hickonbottom Scholarship had a tremendous influence on my view of private gifts and giving back to society. I would not be where I am today without the help and support of others who gave back—such as my scholarship donor, Edith Kelly-Green, or the fabulous ladies of the OMWC. Even now in the early stages of my life both professionally and personally, I always feel I can find some way to give back, whether it be monetarily or simply devoting my time to a special cause. Receiving gifts are wonderful but being able to give back is priceless.

What do you find fulfilling about your career?

Pricewaterhouse Coopers put together two teams of professionals for the PwC Teaches program at Morehouse College and Clark Atlanta University. I was selected for one of the teams, which volunteered in excess of 2,000 hours to teach Accounting I and Auditing I classes. Team members provided meaningful real-life experiences along with their extensive knowledge as accountants in this community. This level of leadership contributed to the overall impact we hope to have on many more campuses in the future.



JACOB PATTON

CROFT SCHOLAR
Owner and President of Trisignia, LLC,
a Web-development firm based in
Washington, D.C.

Hometown: Oxford, Miss. Graduation Year: 2003

Degree: Bachelor of Arts in international studies

How did receiving the Croft Scholarship impact your life?

A Only as a recipient of the Croft Scholarship could I have afforded to travel to some of the most far-flung and interesting places on the globe as part of my studies at the Croft Institute.

How did involvement in the Croft Institute for International Studies change your view of the world?

The Croft Institute gave me the opportunity to be a student in some of the most enlightening and enriching classes I have ever attended. In Dr. Katsuaki Terasawa's economics courses, I learned about the intricacies of the global economy, and in seminars with Dr. Michael Metcalf, I learned of the effects of globalization—even as the concept of "globalization" was just starting to gain ground. Through the broader Croft curriculum, I was exposed to some of the amazing cultural and political environments of countries in Europe and in Asia. At Croft, I developed the belief that we all have a role to play in improving our world.

What contributions to society do you hope to make through your career?

A I intend to use the Internet and information technology to broaden access to education materials for the world's poor and to help connect people in more developed parts of the world with the issues affecting people elsewhere on the globe.

How has your scholarship influenced your view of private gifts and the philosophy of giving back?

The Croft Scholarship helped me understand that donations can directly benefit specific, individual recipients in ways that are sometimes hidden in broader, general donations to an organization or cause. Rather than funding just administrative work and upkeep, the Croft trustees can be proud, I hope, that they had a direct, personal effect in my life and in the lives of other Croft recipients.

What values do you embrace that you hope could be passed on to future generations?

A I hope to pass on my beliefs of charity and hard work, of the strength of human dignity and the universality of human rights, and of equal access to education for all people.

How Giving Impacts Academics and Athletics

xperience the energy and momentum on The University of Mississippi's four campuses—Oxford, Jackson, Southaven and Tupelo. Private support from alumni and friends is helping fuel progress and growth that will impact generations to come.

Of the \$65.9 million in gifts contributed during the fiscal year, \$10.3 million was designated for The University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, the campus for the schools of Medicine, Nursing, Health Related Professionals, Dentistry and Graduate Studies in Health Sciences.

For Mississippi's Better Health: MomentUM is under way on the Medical Center campus as part of the university's overall capital campaign. The \$50 million being sought is to support a new Cancer Institute; a new heart and vascular center; relocation and renovation of the existing children's clinics, which will allow for the relocation and expansion of the children's emergency department; a medical research scholars program; and distinguished chair endowments.

Ole Miss athletics received \$13.5 million of the total gifts. In addition to outstanding team performances in various sports, the university saw 148 student-athletes named to Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Rolls during the past year.

Among noteworthy highlights from the year are the following:

■ The E.H. Patterson School of Accountancy's doctoral program garnered attention by earning a place among the nation's top 30 programs. The school's undergraduate and graduate programs have been ranked in the top 30 in national accounting school rankings each year for the last three years.

In addition, the accounting firm KPMG granted the School of Accountancy Premier Status, a designation awarded to only 40 schools nationwide for placing high-achieving employees in KPMG's worldwide offices. The school's internship program enjoyed its largest participation ever, with 69 students placed in more than 20 companies in the United States and abroad.

The School of Accountancy received \$775,638 in gifts from 478 donors.

• The School of Applied Sciences launched three graduate

programs, offering new master's degrees in social work, criminal justice, and food and nutrition services. Private gifts to the School of Applied Sciences came to \$273,452 from 389 donors.



■ The School of Business Administration enjoyed a ranking in the Top 100
Business Schools by *U.S. News & World Report*. Donors who supported the school numbered 1,143 and gave \$614,686.

More than 100 business leaders from around the country spoke to undergraduate and graduate classes as part of the Connected to Commerce program. The Master of Business Administration program moved to the "flexible and focused" format, which includes the Speaker's Edge competition.

 The School of Education received reaccreditation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.
 Plans were approved for a new \$2.5 million annex to the school's facility.

Seven hundred twenty-eight donors gave \$1,386,835 to support the School of Education.

The state of Mississippi and Toyota Motor Co. joined the university to announce the creation of the Center for Manufacturing Excellence in the School of Engineering, which will offer a degree in engineering with an emphasis in manufacturing.

A total of \$1,064,273 in private gifts came from 454 donors who chose to invest in the School of Engineering. Exterior renovations to Old Chemistry were under way as part of a capital campaign for the engineering school.

■ The campaign for the School of Law drew more than \$30.5 million in gifts and pledges toward the new law school building goal of \$35 million. The groundbreaking ceremony was held for the building, which is expected to be complete in summer 2010. As part of the campaign, more than \$5 million was received for new scholarships.

In addition, 934 donors contributed \$4.6 million, and the Lamar Order Endowment's value reached \$2.4 mil-

lion. The interest earned from this endowment supports various law school programs and scholarships.

 More than 2,600 donors gave their support to the College of Liberal Arts for a total of almost \$8.2 million in gifts, including almost \$5.4 million from Ed and Becky Meek of Oxford to help create a new journalism school.

The college's Mock Trial Program—an effort involving the Lott Leadership Institute, Forensics Program and Department of Political Science—achieved success at the national level for the third consecutive year. The Department of Music offered a new doctoral program in music education. Two faculty members and two recent graduates of the College of Liberal Arts received prestigious Fulbright Awards.

 The School of Pharmacy was ranked third among 104 pharmacy schools in the nation for total extramural funding for research. Faculty and researchers garnered approximately \$18 million for the year.

Celebrating its centennial, the pharmacy school also formulated plans for a capital campaign to construct a new pharmacy practice building on the Medical Center campus in Jackson and increase an endowment for student and faculty support. Four of the last six graduating classes posted a 100 percent pass rate on the national licensure exam on students' first attempt. The UM school is tied for the No. 1 ranking for pass rate on this exam.

Five hundred five donors contributed \$366,774 to the School of Pharmacy.

Other contributions of interest include the following:

- Corporations and foundations provided \$17.3 million.
- Alumni and friends stepped forward with \$16 million for The Inn at Ole Miss. The total project had a goal of \$20 million, and construction was completed.
- Almost \$6.8 million was provided to the university through Annual Giving, the program defined as all gifts less than \$25,000.
- A faculty/staff campaign garnered \$1.7 million for the university.
- More than \$870,000 was dedicated to the Ole Miss Women's Council for Philanthropy Scholarship program to bring its total endowment to \$9.4 million.
- The Ole Miss First scholarship program attracted \$585,695.
 This initiative, which addresses the university's greatest need by seeking scholarships for every deserving student, has received almost \$5.4 million since its inception.
- A Parents Campaign secured \$255,750 in support.
- The University Libraries attracted some \$227,673 for its programs and services, as well as a commitment of three new collections of papers.
- Contributions of \$106,340 were committed to the Pride of the South Band.



Major Gifts of 2007-2008

number of major gifts helped strengthen and enhance The University of Mississippi in 2007-2008. A sampling of these important gifts are described below.

- Jim and Donna Barksdale of Jackson, Miss., pledged \$12.8 million to support and enrich the educational opportunities of the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College.
- Ed and Becky Meek of Oxford, Miss., helped create the new, innovative journalism school with a \$5.4 million gift.
- The Luckyday Foundation of Jackson, Miss., continued its funding of student scholarships with a \$3.3 million gift.
- A \$2.5 million contribution by an anonymous donor advanced the School of Law Campaign, which includes construction of a new law school facility. Other major gifts supporting this campaign included a \$500,000 pledge by Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens and Cannada, a Jackson, Miss., law firm; and a \$200,000 pledge by Michael T. Lewis of Clarksdale, Miss.
- With a \$1.5 million gift, the Madison Foundation of Houston, Texas, embraced programs on two UM campuses: \$1 million for the renovation of the Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children's Pediatric Emergency Department at The University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson and \$500,000 for an Ole Miss First Scholarship endowment on the Oxford campus.
- The first presidential debate of 2008 was held on the UM-Oxford campus, and leadership gifts came from the Robert M. Hearin Foundation of Jackson, Miss., and Bancorp South of Tupelo, Miss. Other major gifts were provided by Mississippi Power, Southern Company Charitable Foundation, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Federal Express Corp. and Sanderson Farms.
- The E.H. Sumner Foundation of Eupora, Miss., continued its long-term support of student scholarships with \$1.1 million in funding.
- Lucian S. Minor of Memphis established a second \$1 mil-

lion trust to benefit the Patterson School of Accountancy.

- The estates of longtime accountancy professor Carl Nabors and his wife, Olivia Lewis Nabors, of Oxford provided \$1 million for the University Museum, J.D. Williams Library, Ole Miss First and Ole Miss Women's Council for Philanthropy scholarship endowments, and the Basketball Campaign.
- A \$1 million pledge came from Mississippi Power to embrace the work of the Center for Manufacturing Excellence and to assist the School of Law Campaign.
- · The Gertrude C. Ford Foundation of Jackson, Miss., stepped forward with a \$1 million pledge for The Inn at Ole Miss. Other gifts for the new alumni hotel facility included a pledge of \$350,000 by Dr. Darden H. North of Jackson, Miss.
- The Basketball Campaign, which focuses on a 46,000-squarefoot practice facility, received a number of major gifts, including \$500,000 pledge from Robert H. Dunlap of Batesville, Miss.; \$500,000 pledge from Sam M. Millette Jr. of Pascagoula, Miss.; \$500,000 pledge from Charley Myers of Oxford, Miss.; \$300,000 pledge from J.T. Keeton Jr. of Grenada, Miss.; and \$200,000 pledge from Victor H. Meena Ir. of Jackson, Miss.
- · The Robert M. Hearin Foundation endorsed the new Center for Manufacturing Excellence with a \$400,000 gift, directed another \$300,000 in funds to extend the work of the Center for Excellence in Literacy Instruction, designated a \$250,000 gift for the William Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation and contributed \$110,726 to the School of Education.
- · J.T. Keeton Jr. of Grenada, Miss., established a fourth trust for the John and Margaret Keeton Fund, which provides student scholarships.
- A \$600,000 bequest from Dr. Alan E. Freeland, professor of orthopedic surgery, created the Freeland Professorship in Orthopedics in the School of Medicine.
- · The estate of Lanelle Guyton Gafford of Jackson, Miss., designated additional gifts for student scholarships.



- A planned gift of life insurance gift came from Steve Castleman of Birmingham, Ala., for student services support.
- The Donald S. Pichitino Educational Trust of Milwaukee provided \$482,180 in student scholarships.
- Harper Johnson Jr. of Greenwood, Miss., presented a significant contribution to advance the Elsie and Harper Johnson Ir. Scholarship Endowment in the School of Engineering.
- A generous stock gift from Frederick A. and Beth Jones of Columbus, Miss., bolstered the Chancellor's Trust, a fund used at the chancellor's discretion to address the university's greatest needs.
- A \$350,000 pledge from Medical Marketing Economics, consultants based in Oxford, supported the School of Pharmacy in three areas.
- · Neal and John Sumner of Winona, Miss., joined the 1848 Society with an insurance gift that will allow the university

- to determine where the funds are needed most.
- · Delta Gamma House Corp. pledged resources toward the construction of the Delta Gamma entrance gates.
- A generous gift of \$250,000 was added to the Patricia Lott Scholarship Endowment to provide for leadership scholarships.
- An anonymous pledge was made to support the work of the Mississippi Innocence Project in the School of Law.
- Dr. Max D. and Rosalie Cooper of Birmingham provided a generous contribution to the Otis Noah and Lily Carpenter Cooper Education Fund for student scholarships.
- The Overby Center for Southern Journalism and Politics received a gift from the Freedom Forum.
- · A gift from the Yates Companies based in Philadelphia, Miss., enhanced the Yates Endowment in support of athletics and academics.



THANK YOU...

generosity factor continues to figure prominently into the Ole Miss family equation. As the number of University of Mississippi alumni and friends grows, so does the shared sense of responsibility to prepare the way for coming generations, to extend the university's impact on society. An excellent example of this sense of responsibility in action can be seen through response to the successful new \$200 million MomentUM: A Campaign for The University of Mississippi.

In exploring the sum of our gifts, the realization comes that every single gift matters regardless of the size. Understandably, everyone who contributes to UM has the desire to see tangible results—to know a positive difference was made. The UM Foundation *Annual Report on Philanthropy 2007-2008* provides a look at results and offers a window into the lives of some young alumni and students who have benefited from private support. They are an impressive group now. Imagine measuring their influence and contributions in years to come.

Gifts entrusted to the university are monitored for results through the scholarships and programs they support, as well as for their long-term investment growth. We are living in a turbulent world with a volatile economic climate. Good stewardship continues to stand as a crucial cornerstone of this university, and current conditions demand unique strategies and management to protect and grow our gifts and the university endowment. Rest assured that some of the best financial minds have a constant watch on university assets to promote their long-term good health and stability.

We also characterize stewardship in terms of taking care of our university and current students, reaching out to prospective students and ensuring they have the resources to attend college, expanding opportunities and making wise use of all gifts. We all are privileged to participate in, and contribute to, the life of The University of Mississippi, and we have the honor and continuing responsibility to build an even greater institution for the generations that follow.

Bringing about sustained growth and progress requires exceptional planning, attention and focus—-and at every point in the journey, unwavering dedication, perseverance and passion.

For the contributions that came this year—contributions that, in many instances, came straight from the heart—profound gratitude is expressed. As members of the Ole Miss family we all must continually embrace our commitment to The University of Mississippi and provide for its future.



Strengthening the University

here are countless ways to support The University of Mississippi, from a gift of \$50 to a commitment of millions.

Consider the life-changing gift of a scholarship, enabling a student to pursue a college degree, or direct your gift to a favorite school, college, department or athletics program. Every area of the university offers opportunities to make a difference.

"The theme chosen for this annual report on philanthropy—'The Sum of Our Gifts'—represents the enormous impact our combined gifts have on students, the university and the world," said Sandra Guest, vice president of the UM Foundation. "Whatever the size, every single gift helps strengthen the university. The commitment and tenacity of alumni and friends continue to be a hallmark of the Ole Miss family. Step back and examine the tremendous progress

that has occurred in the life of this university, and know that the achievements have come from the combined support of thousands."

Naming opportunities are available for many gifts, which create lasting legacies.

Give some thought to the following array of ideas to strengthen the university or call on the UM Foundation staff to offer other suggestions:

- \$50 would purchase a book for the University Libraries, \$500 would buy 100 books, \$1,000 would fund a new library workstation, and \$7,500 would provide a one-year subscription to a research database.
- \$100 would purchase a frame for a print at the University

- Museum, \$500 would fund a frame for a painting, \$1,000 would provide resources to conserve a painting, and \$10,000 would purchase a painting to add to the collection.
- \$300 would purchase a new uniform for a Pride of the South band member, \$800 would add a new snare drum to the band, and \$4,000 would purchase a marching tuba.
- \$500 would give an art student resources to purchase materials and supplies required for art courses; \$5,000 would offset tuition costs for an art student, helping her to purchase supplies and to work fewer hours at a job outside the university setting and spend more time creating in an art studio.
- \$100 would allow the Gertrude C. Ford Center to replace the lamps in two stage lighting fixtures for a performance or tune the concert grand piano; \$500 would host a dinner for a ballet company performing at the center or set up the stage for a band, choir or orchestra ensemble; \$1,000 would purchase one month of advertising in a regional magazine; and \$5,000 would pay for loading in and loading out a Broadway touring production.
- \$500 would plant a stately tree on campus, \$5,000 would plant a cottage patch, and \$50,000 would provide resources to create a new garden area.
- \$110 would purchase a three-year individual Ole Miss Alumni Association membership, which helps every area of campus; \$250 would purchase an engraved brick at the recently completed Inn at Ole Miss; and \$25,000 would sponsor the business center at the new alumni hotel.
- \$25,000 (\$5,000 annually for five years) would support the university through membership in the Chancellor's Trust, a fund Chancellor Robert Khayat depends on to address some of the greatest needs, including student scholarship assistance and faculty development.
- \$25,000 (\$5,000 annually for five years) would fund an Ole Miss First Scholarship for a student to attend college.
- \$25,000 would create a permanent named endowment, with the donor specifying how the income from the en-

- dowment would benefit the university.
- \$25,000 would sponsor an office for a visiting scholar in the new School of Law, \$50,000 would make possible a library group study room, and \$100,000 would provide the *Mississippi Law Journal* editor's office or the Moot Court staff workroom.
- \$25,000 would provide a new X-ray defraction or petrography rooms as part of the Engineering Campaign to renovate Old Chemistry, \$50,000 would support sedimentology or geochemistry labs, and \$100,000 would create a geological research lab.
- \$100,000 would fund a team locker room in the new Indoor

- Basketball Practice Facility, and \$250,000 would provide the resources for a weight room in the state-of-the-art building for student-athletes on the men's and women's teams.
- \$500,000 to \$750,000 would endow a named professorship in a specific academic area of the school or college of the donor's choice. Several state universities have asked the Institutions of Higher Learning to champion a bill in the Mississippi Legislature that, if passed, would provide matching funds from the state for endowed professorships and chairs.
- \$1.5 million to \$2 million would endow a named chair in a specific academic area of the school or college of the donor's choice.



Present and Future Needs

nvolvement is a hallmark of University of Mississippi alumni, friends, students, faculty and staff. These UM constituencies embrace opportunities for leadership that continually unfold, and the gifts of financial resources, expertise and time produce extraordinary results. Recent achievements—the sum of our gifts—are a source of great pride, as they should be. Today, however, the fervent call to contribute time and resources is repeated.

Included here are programs and initiatives in which alumni and friends can become involved.

OLE MISS FIRST SCHOLARSHIP INITIATIVE

Individuals, businesses and corporations can fund one student's education with a \$25,000 gift or establish a scholarship endowment. Contact Debbie Vaughn at 662-915-1687.

THE INN AT OLE MISS

A \$15 million expansion of the Alumni House Hotel is meeting the needs of alumni, friends and visitors from all over the world. The new Inn at Ole Miss offers the convenience of a campus location plus the opportunity for guests to be immersed in campus life. Contact Tim Walsh at 662-915-7375.

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE IN ENGINEERING Contact Debbie Vaughn at 662-915-1687.

INDOOR PRACTICE FACILITY

Ole Miss is now home to the most progressive multisport indoor complex in the South. Contact George Smith at 662-915-7596 or Jeff Ulmer at 662-915-1929.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE FACILITY

As part of the continuing Basketball Campaign, a 46,000-square-foot practice facility is being constructed. Coaching offices and

study areas are a part of the facility. Contact George Smith at 662-915-7596 or Jeff Ulmer at 662-915-1929.

PATTERSON SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTANCY Contact Carol Anne Marion at 662-915-1758.

SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCES Contact Debbie Vaughn at 662-915-1687.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION Contact Debbie Vaughn at 662-915-1687.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
Contact Debbie Vaughn at 662-915-1687.

GRADUATE SCHOOL
Contact Dr. Maurice Eftink at 662-915-5974.

SCHOOL OF LAW Contact Jamie White at 662-915-6929.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS Contact Cody Giles at 662-915-6967.

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY Contact Sarah Hollis at 662-915-1584.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI-DESOTO CENTER Contact Dr. Bonnie Buntin at 662-342-4765.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI-TUPELO CENTER Contact Dr. James Pate at 662-844-5622.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER Contact Matt Isch at 601-984-2300.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES
Contact Michael Upton at 662-915-3027.

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF SOUTHERN CULTURE Contact Michael Upton at 662-915-3027.

CHANCELLOR'S TRUST INITIATIVE Contact Debbie Vaughn at 662-915-1687.

GERTRUDE C. FORD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Contact Debbie Vaughn at 662-915-1687.

OLE MISS WOMEN'S COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP INITIATIVE

Contact Sandra Guest at 662-915-5208.

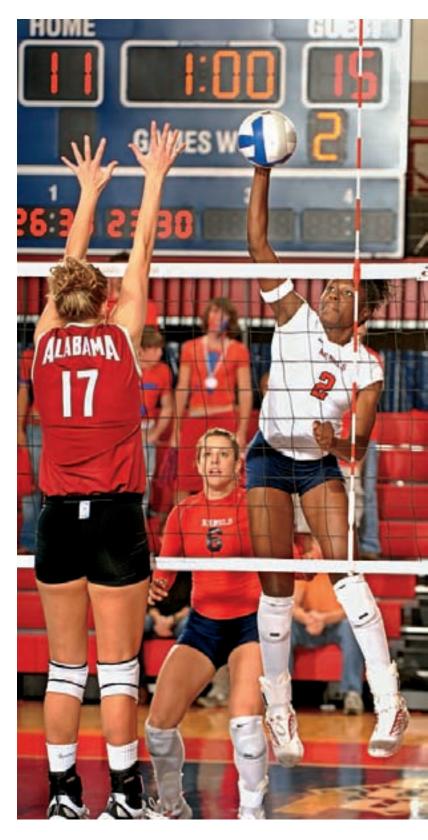
WILLIAM WINTER INSTITUTE FOR RACIAL RECONCILIATION

Contact Dr. Susan Glisson at 662-915-6727.

MISSISSIPPI PARTNERSHIP FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

This visionary initiative asks for state funding to match private gifts that endow faculty positions at all of the state's public universities. Contact Sandra Guest at 662-915-5208.

For information about becoming involved in meeting the university's needs, contact The University of Mississippi Foundation at 800-340-9542 or 662-915-5944. Please also visit the UM Foundation Web site at www.umf.olemiss.edu, or e-mail umf@olemiss.edu.

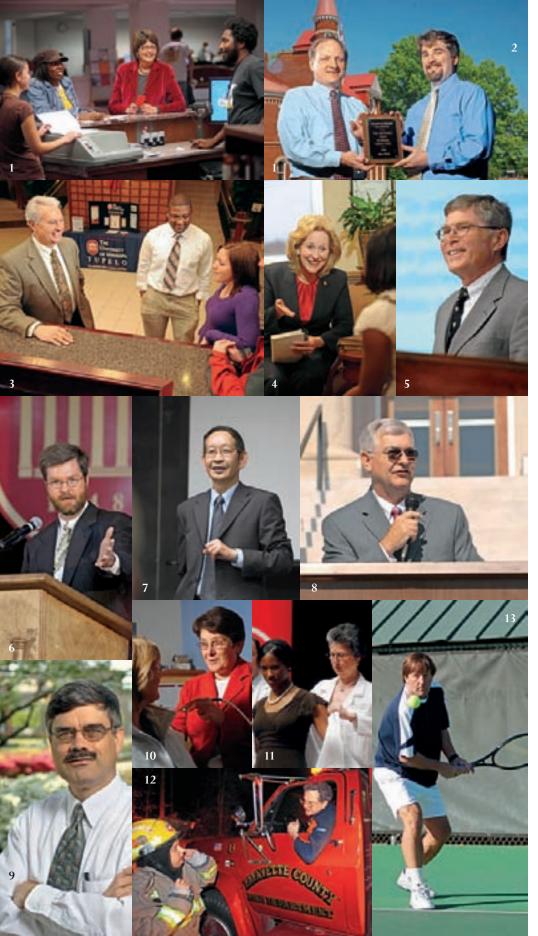


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EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

- 1. Director of Athletics James Taylor "Pete" Boone at a volleyball game.
- 2. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Larry Ridgeway (center).
- 3. University Attorney Lee Tyner (center) with his family.
- 4. Interim Provost Morris Stocks.
- 5. Executive Assistant to the Chancellor Andrew Mullins at the capitol in Jackson.
- 6. Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Larry Sparks with a biodiesel-powered lawn mower.
- 7. Executive Director of Alumni Affairs Tim Walsh.
- 8. Vice Chancellor for Research and Sponsored Programs Alice Clark.
- 9. Vice Chancellor for University Relations Gloria Kellum with James Meredith.
- 10. Special Assistant to the Chancellor Carolyn Ellis Staton University Architect Ian Banner at the site of the new Residential College.
- 11. Chancellor Robert Khayat (right) with commencement speaker Shepard Smith of Fox News.
- 12. Trent Lott Institute Director Bill Gottshall (center).
- 13. Special Assistant to the Chancellor for Multicultural Affairs Don Cole (left).
- 14. University of Mississippi Foundation President Wendell Weakley.





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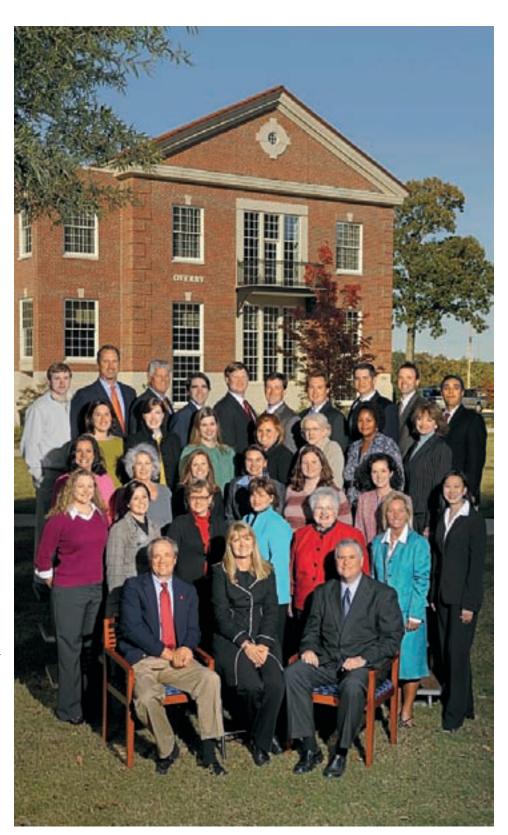
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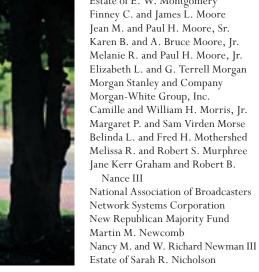
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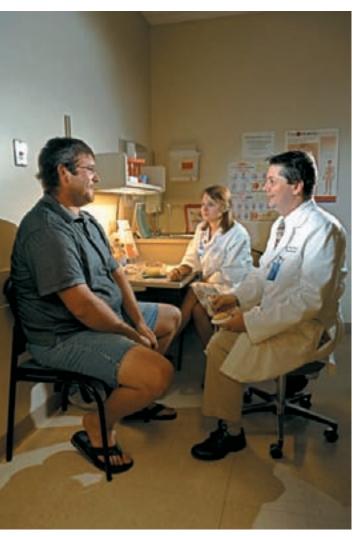
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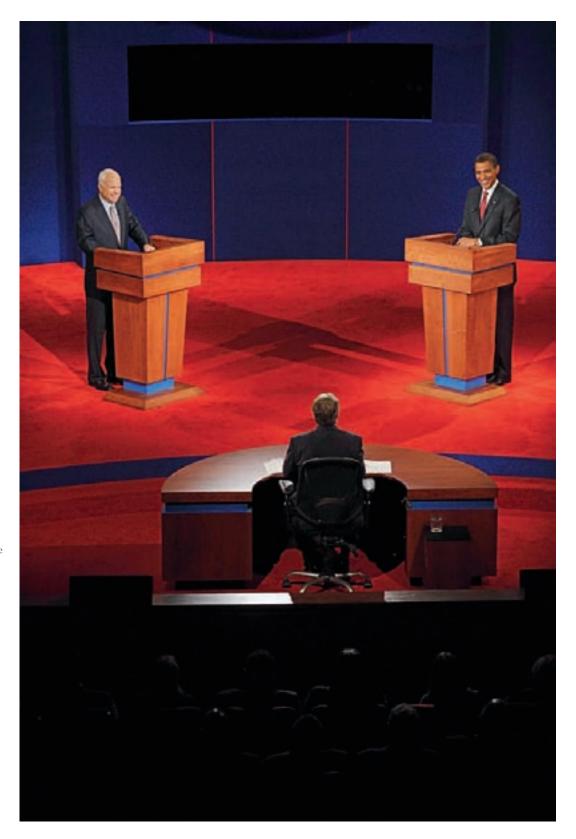
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