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### Do you think U of M should pave the campus garden to build a parking lot?

BY EMILY OKINS | STAFF



*"It makes me feel better that it will be a parking lot because parking is terrible. I like the garden, but I guess paving over this one is okay."*

- Kaviem Boyd, business, 18



*"That's kind of destroying nature and the hard work that's been put into making the garden. It's not fair."*

- Amber Phillips, psychology, 22



### Tigers hope to match last season's win total with win at Cincinnati

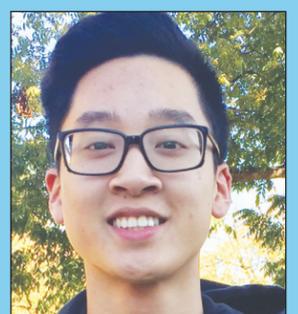
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BY JON BELL



*"It would be good to keep it, but I won't be extremely angry if they pave over it. I'm indifferent. I'm Switzerland."*

- Maddy McKissack, organizational leadership, 19



*"I like nature and I don't want any nature ruined by pavement."*

- Anthony Nguyen, biology, 18

### Where's the best place near campus to grab a drink?

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BY CHIP WILLIAMS

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# Campus Crime Log

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## 1. Non-student caught trespassing more than once Psychology Building / 3693 Norriswood

A 26-year-old male was arrested after officers responded to a call about a suspicious person at the Psychology Building on Nov. 9. Officer Chanancy Donaldson wrote the report. The man had already been arrested once previously for trespassing. Officers took him into custody and transported him to jail.

## 2. Computer stolen in chemistry building Smith Chemistry Building room 315 / 3744 Walker Ave.

A female student's laptop was stolen after she left it in room 315 of Smith Chemistry Building on Nov. 8. Officer Claude Berry reported the laptop was not in the room when the 25-year-old student returned. The victim did not have a model or serial number of the property. Due to lack of evidence, there are no suspects at this time.

## 3. Boyfriend steals battery out of car after argument South Lot / Rec Center / 3700 BLK Southern Ave.

A man vandalized his girlfriend's car and tried to steal her purse after the couple had a heated argument on University of Memphis property on Nov. 8, according to a police report written by officer Yotis Norwood.

The 34-year-old victim and her boyfriend were involved in an argument as he picked her up from work. Later, the victim said she saw the suspect under the hood of her vehicle, taking the battery and ripping out the radiator hose. The suspect also took the victim's purse and was not on the scene when officers arrived.



The battery was recovered. However, police services said they are unsure if the car was able to run afterwards.

## 4. ROTC students' property stolen on Halloween Hayden Hall 3795 Desoto Two U of M Air Force ROTC

students found their property missing after returning to the ROTC lounge, according to a campus police report by officer John Hudgens. One of the victims, a 19-year-old male, told police the belongings went missing overnight on Oct. 31 - Halloween. The

report said the lounge doors were locked and had no sign of forced entry.

## 5. Student's credit card charged at online hair store Centennial Place 3615

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A female student's credit card was used fraudulently, according to a campus police report written by officer Chanancy Donaldson. The 18-year-old victim noticed that her card had been used at an online hair store and was charged \$45 on Nov. 6.

**6. Bleacher stolen from Tiger Garden**

*Elma Roane Fieldhouse*

A bleacher was stolen from the TIGUrS garden, according to a campus police report by officer Kelly Straub. Straub responded to a faculty member's complaint on Nov. 5, who said he saw a class of students sitting on the bleacher five days before. The 58-year-old

faculty member said he searched the area "in case the bleacher was re-located," but was unsuccessful.

**7. Student threatened by ex-boyfriend and his new girlfriend**

*Carpenter Apartments 3896 Tiger Paw South*

An 18-year-old female student told campus police that her ex-boyfriend, 20, and his new girlfriend, 18,

had attempted to corner her into a physical altercation, according to a report by officer Scott Templeton. Templeton responded to the intimidation threat on Nov. 1 at Carpenter Apartments. The two suspects are not students at the university.

**8. Approximately \$263 stolen from a Student's I.D.**

*Psychology Building 3693*

*Norriswood*

A student discovered approximately \$263 in Tiger Funds had been spent from his lost University I.D. card, according to a Nov. 3 campus police report by officer James Vickers. The male student last saw his card in the Psychology Building and discovered it was missing Sept. 8, but did not report the loss to police services that day.

# Memphis suspends decriminalization of marijuana ordinance

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City of Memphis officials suspended a decriminalization of marijuana measure Wednesday after Tennessee Attorney General Herbert Slatery III issued a statement questioning the legality of the ordinance.

"It's not right to pass something, then diminish and retract it. Especially, considering it's such a small amount of marijuana," University of Memphis freshman, Deonte Russell, said.

"I feel like taking away the ordinance is bull\*\*\*\*," Russell said.

The law, passed in an Oct. 4 city council meeting, allows Memphis police officers to determine the punishment of issuing a \$50 fine and community service for less than a half-ounce of marijuana in lieu of a criminal charge. However, possession of marijuana is still a federal crime in the state of Tennessee.

According to *The Commercial Appeal*, two Tennessee state senators had brought the ordinance to Slatery's attention questioning its legality. Slatery answered their questions with a strong "No."

Wednesday, Slatery released an opinion to Memphis City Council

questioning whether municipalities are legally empowered to enact a law that allows city police officers to issue a new fine for a small amount of marijuana.

"I don't think marijuana hurts people that much," University of Memphis freshman Jasmine Morris said. "For the city to pass that law, then take it back after the people are used to it, is really unfair."

Memphis' Chief Communications Officer, Ursula Madden, said in a statement Wednesday that the city council had received Slatery's opinion.

"[We] are in the process of reviewing it to determine how we will move forward," Madden said. "For now, we are suspending enforcement of the city ordinance."

Slatery cited a federal limitation that prevents municipalities from enacting measures that conflict with state law, which is the basis of the suspension. The statement said, "A municipal ordinance that attempts to regulate a field that is regulated by state statute cannot stand."

Arlenia Cole of the Memphis City Council Media Affairs department said there are currently no updates on the status of the suspension or when it will be lifted.

# Student government decides to keep the campus green

By Nick Lingerfelt  
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Student government President Jared Moses heeded student and faculty's opinions when he decided to make his recommendation that the University of Memphis should focus on parking and green space expansion at Richardson Towers and keep the garden where it currently is.

At the Town Hall meeting Wednesday, students and faculty vocalized their thoughts that the garden should remain in the same space and new parking should be found elsewhere on campus.

"(Richardson Towers) is going to be the main focus of parking expansion, and the garden will remain where it is," Moses said.

Moses plans to meet with leadership of the campus garden and come up with ways to

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-Jared Moses  
student government president

promote the garden.

"More students should know where the garden is," Moses said.

A bill proposed by senator Courtney Blanchard would reallocate funding for sustainability projects from the Green Fee to university funding.

The Green Fee is paid for by \$10 contributions from the tuition of students who take six or more hours at the U of M. The Green Fee is a committee made up of students and faculty that review sustainability projects submitted by other students and faculty.

The Green Fee recently received budget cuts in the new fiscal year. This made it harder to pass new proposals, like a new project to fund better lighting on campus.

Sustainability projects, like campus bike share and solar phone charging stations, used to be funded indefinitely by the Green Fee. Now, after a project has been funded for two years, the project must receive half of its funding from the U of M. After three years, the U of M must fund 100 percent of the project. The bill passed in the senate unanimously.

# Brookhaven wins Helmsman poll

By Chip Williams  
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For the third week in a row, justice has been served.

Brookhaven, one of my personal favorite local establishments, was voted the favorite place to get a drink near campus in this week's Twitter poll.

After Back Yard Burgers was heinously chosen as the best place to get a burger near campus, the following two weeks saw Ching's win the best hot wings and Memphis Pizza Café win the best pizza. With this week's Brookhaven victory, Helmsman Twitter poll voters have almost redeemed themselves.

Almost. Brookhaven, which also has a much better hamburger than Back Yard Burgers, opened in 2002 on Brookhaven Circle near the

Clark Tower. It features a fully stocked bar, including local beers and a delicious pub grub menu featuring the Tiger Bleu Chips - my personal favorite.

There is a large patio outside that's great during warm nights, has heaters for the winter months and plays host to live entertainment on the weekends. There is also team trivia every Tuesday night.

R.P. Tracks, Young Avenue Deli, Fox and Hound, Huey's, Newby's, Celtic Crossing and P & H Café were the other seven choices in the Twitter poll. Brookhaven defeated Huey's in the first round, R.P. Tracks in the second round and Young Avenue Deli, winning 57 percent of the vote, in the championship round.

Naturally, *The Daily Helmsman* does not in any way advocate for under-age

or binge drinking and respects the fact that the University of Memphis is a dry campus. But, if you're of age looking for a great place to watch a sporting event, hear live music and enjoy some great food, Brookhaven is your place.

With exams right around the corner, next week's poll, and the final Twitter poll of the semester, will be the best place to study near campus.

**Best places near campus to study**

1. Avenue Coffee
2. City and State
3. Café Eclectic
4. Tart
5. Oasis Hookah Lounge
6. Starbucks
7. Panera Bread
8. Ugly Mug Coffee

The poll opens on Monday. To vote, go to @dailyhelmsman.

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# Tigers go for third-straight win

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The Memphis Tigers (6-4, 3-3) are traveling to Cincinnati to play the Bearcats (4-6, 1-5) Friday night. Memphis leads the all-time series 20-13, that started in 1966, and won the past two matchups.

### What's at Stake

After last week's close loss to South Florida, Memphis is looking to bounce back with a third straight win against Cincinnati. If they win out, including the bowl game, the Tigers can match last season's win total of 9.

Cincinnati has made bowl appearances five consecutive seasons. They are fighting to become bowl eligible by snapping a three-game losing streak and winning the final two games of the season. The only win against a team that now has a winning record came week one when they played University of Tennessee-Martin.

### Key Matchup

The key matchup Friday night will be the ability to pass the ball for both teams. Cincinnati has thrown 13 picks on the year, but have intercepted the ball 15 times. Memphis has thrown nine picks and has intercepted the ball 12 times.

Both defenses have shown the ability to play the passing lanes, but have also allowed opponents to score a lot of points. The team that can throw the ball with no turnovers will have a better chance to win the game.

### Players to Watch Memphis wide receiver Anthony Miller:

Last week, Miller broke the all-time record for receiving yards in a single season and is looking to add to the total. Miller, who has played well all season, has found a near unstoppable connection with Riley Ferguson over the past four games with 639 yards and six touchdowns.

### Memphis tight end Daniel Montiel:

Montiel has scored touchdowns in the past two games and had his first 100-yard game last week against South Florida. With Miller gaining more attention from the defense, he could be an open target for Ferguson throughout the game.

### Cincinnati running back Tion Green:

The Bearcats leading rusher has not had a 100-yard game all season and is tied with three other backs with two touchdowns each. But, the Memphis rush defense has allowed at least one 100-yard rusher in each loss on the season. He could have his best game of the season against a struggling Memphis defense.

### Cincinnati wide receiver Kahlil Lewis:

Lewis is the second on the Bearcats' team with 574 receiving yards, but leads the team in touchdowns with five. In Cincinnati's last win, he accounted for 150 yards and three touchdowns. He could add a much needed spark to their offense that has struggled over the past three weeks.



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Mike Norvell leads his Tigers onto the field prior to their game against Kansas earlier this season. Norvell and the Tigers can match last season's win total if they win out.

**Kickoff for Friday night's game is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Nippert Stadium in Cincinnati. The game will be nationally televised on CBS Sports Network.**

### WEEKEND BASKETBALL

Men's	Women's
Nov. 19: Savannah State 11 a.m.	Nov. 20: Kansas 2:00 PM
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