

ROY HOWARD COMMUNITY JOURNALISM CENTER

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MEDIA MENTORS Friday, April 11 at 11 a.m. Stout Hall, Room B RSVP at rhcjcnews.com/mm

SPEAKER EMILY WAGSTER PETTUS, RETIRED JOURNALIST

Pettus, a journalist who has covered Mississippi-based politics and courts as well as civil rights, will be the speaker. Pettus worked for The Associated Press from 2001 until 2025 and previously worked for *The Clarion-Ledger*, *The Vicksburg Evening Post*, *The Oxford Eagle* and *The Daily Mississippian*. After her retirement from the AP, she was recognized by the Mississippi Legislature for her years of reporting.

WHAT IS MEDIA MENTORS?

A learning and development series hosted by the Roy Howard Community Journalism Center at The University of Southern Mississippi, Media Mentors connects students with pros in journalism, broadcasting, public relations and digital media. Each session provides career advice, industry insights and direct Q&A opportunities with media leaders.



Funded by the Scripps Howard Foundation beginning in 2025, the Roy Howard Community Journalism Center employs seven full-time media professionals and more than 20 student workers. They produce community journalism-focused content and aim to improve media literacy efforts.



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