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## Special teams

Special teams play can make the difference between a win and a loss for the Wildcats this season. The kicking game this season will be led by senior Jacob Mitchell, who will handle field goals and extra points, punting duties and a good bit of the kick offs. Mitchell is shown (Above) getting ready to kick an extra point in the Cat's season opener at Biloxi. Sophomore Conner West is the holder for PATs and field goal tries.

Shown (Inset) is sophomore Scotty Nettles, who was the kicker for the Wildcats on two occasions against Biloxi and will get more opportunities throughout the season. Shown alongside Nettles on the kick coverage team is senior Tahj Johnson.

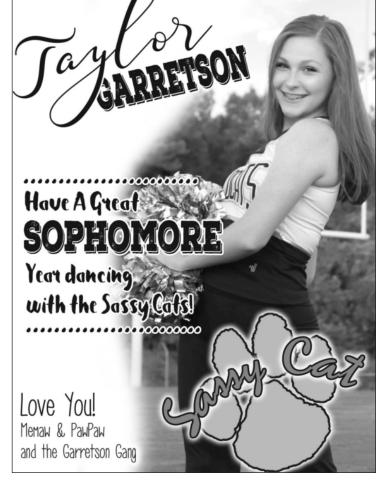
Serving as the long snapper on punts is junior Zane Turner, who had a solid night performing a difficult job at Biloxi.

Freshman K.J. Miller and seniors Anthony Calhoun and Peyton Roberts share the kick return responsibilities, with Roberts getting the lion's share of the work on punt returns and Calhoun and Miller getting most of the kickoff return action.

Special teams, particularly the kick and kick return groups, provide a lot of opportunities for younger players to make an impact for their team as well. So, be sure to look out for players trying to earn additional playing time with their efforts on those units. Shown (Bottom, Right) making one of those key plays is junior De'Andre Grice, who blocked two PATs, including this one, at Biloxi.









But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. ~ Isaiah 40:31





## **Expectations**

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ticipation was great. The attendance during the summer was really, really good and it has paid off."

Veteran assistant coach Rotch Dungan agreed.

"This offseason was huge for us," Dungan said recently. "The (strength) gains made in the weight room were the best we have had during my time here at them. Getting stronger is big boost in that area based Greene County."

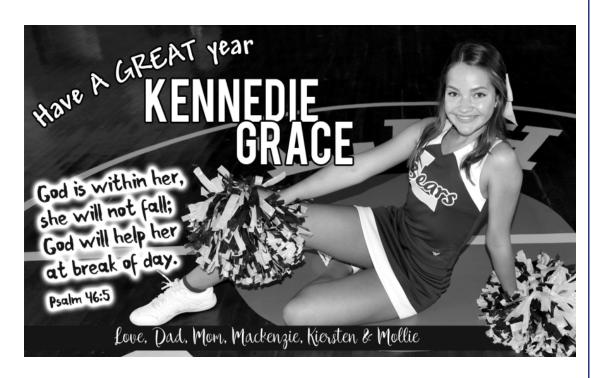
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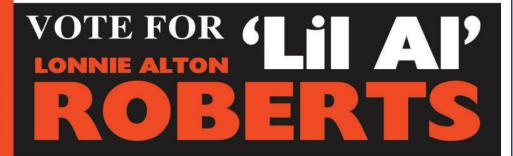
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confidence and I have seen a past several months."



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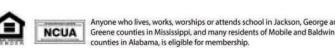
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