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Nowhere to run: Mississippi State defenders K.J. Wright (34), and Charles Mitchell (4) trap Vanderbilt quarterback Chris Nickson during action in the second quarter Saturday. Attempting to go for their sixth win and attain bowl eligibility, the Commodores lost 17-14 to the Bulldogs on a day when they could get almost nothing going offensively. Vanderbilt set season lows in rushing and passing yards. [See page 6 for story.](#)

ADMINISTRATION

Ingram: BOT spotlight begins with chair

by **LAUREN KOENIG**
News Contributor



This is the first in a series of profiles highlighting the members of the Vanderbilt University Board of Trust.

Ever wondered about the face behind one of Vanderbilt's most ubiquitous names? Martha Robinson Rivers Ingram is more than chairman of the university's Board of Trust, she's also recognized as one of America's top business executives and a mainstay of Nashville society.



A graduate of Vassar College in 1957, Ingram married E. Bronson Ingram, who inherited part of his father's oil-and-barge empire in 1963. She quickly became involved in her husband's business ventures, serving as director and chairman for the family companies, as well as serving on the boards for several other nationally renowned businesses.

After her husband's death in 1995, Ingram served as chairman of the Ingram Industries Board until 2008. Ingram Industries is one of America's largest privately held companies, and centers on distribution of books, computers and videotapes.

Ingram Entertainment is the

nation's prime distributor of DVD hardware and software, while Ingram Micro Inc. is a global leading technology distributor.

In addition to her leadership in business, Ingram is a prodigious proponent for the arts. She contributes to increasing cultural awareness in Nashville as a member on the boards for the Tennessee Repertory Theatre, the Nashville Opera Association and the Advisory Council of the Nashville Ballet. She also chairs Blair School of Music's KeyBoard.

Ingram's achievements in business, philanthropy and the arts have garnered national attention. In 2001 The Tennessean named her "Tennessean of the Year." She was also inducted into the Junior Achievement's National Business Hall of Fame.

Ingram and family are recognized on Forbes' 400 Richest Americans. She has four children and 12 grandchildren. ■

ACADEMICS

O'Brien to bring perspective to students

by **JANELLE STOKES**
Greek Specialist

"We are people who are interesting and diverse in so many different ways. It can only improve the opportunities of stories that you can tell," said journalist Soledad O'Brien who will participate as the keynote speaker of this year's North Star Leadership Series.

On Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 7 p.m. in

Langford Auditorium, Soledad O'Brien will talk about the importance and relevance of diversity in her life and career.

"(The year) 2008 is certainly the right time to be expressing diversity in this country on a lot of levels," said O'Brien, referencing the historical and social impact the presidential election has had thus far.

"I will talk about diversity and how it's played a role in my life," O'Brien said.

"We have people who are interesting and diverse in so many different ways. It can only improve the opportunities of stories that you can tell."

Assistant Director of the Office of Leadership Development and Intercultural Affairs Shay Malone thinks the series and the speakers are important so students can learn how to be global citizens.

"Being a leader means being a global citizen," said Malone. "Our goal

is to (prepare) Vanderbilt students to become global leaders. North Star Leadership Series is something we started last year that ties in diversity (through) intercultural programming and leadership."

O'Brien is an award winning and critically acclaimed anchor and special correspondent for CNN: Special Investigations. Her recent project was an examination of the state of blacks in America 40 years

after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. O'Brien has also served as a special correspondent for the 2008 presidential election reviewing and analyzing exit poll data.

"With the presidential election, financial crisis and everything that's going on outside the Vandy bubble, she's right there in the middle of it all," Malone said on O'Brien's expected impact on students. "Students can learn from her." ■

ACADEMICS

VSG sponsors Majors Fair to aid undeclared students

by **LILY CHEN**
News Contributor

While it may not necessarily determine a student's future success in life, the selection of a student's major is still a decision that will impact his or her education and future career possibilities. And for sophomores in the College of

Arts and Science, the deadline to declare their majors is quickly approaching (students must declare a major by the end of their fourth semester). For students who are uncertain of their majors, Vanderbilt Student Government will be sponsoring a Majors Fair open to all students.

"I think it's a great opportunity

for freshmen and sophomores to really get a broad idea of what majors are available to them," said Student Representative on the Arts and Science Council senior Courtney Holliday. "The fair makes it easy to talk to department heads from different majors at one time, and students can access a lot of info at once."

The College of Arts and

Sciences offers over 45 majors ranging from mathematics to political science to art.

According to Arts and Science Council President senior John Furlow and Director of Publicity senior Rebecca Reichardt, the fair will provide students with information on how to declare a major, how to double or triple major and

even how to create a major. Department chairs, professors and students from each of the Arts and Science disciplines will also be on hand to discuss the academic requirements, honor societies, research opportunities, internships and more information about the classes and professors in each major.

Vanderbilt Student Government has held this fair in previous years as well, contacting department heads and getting their cooperation to provide brochures and information.

The fair will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. in Sarratt Promenade, on the second floor of Sarratt Student Center. ■

MILLER: Sarah Palin can teach John McCain a thing or two about attacking Barack Obama on the issues. [SEE PAGE 5](#)

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NEWS BRIEFS

Bank stock purchase pushed; 'no' to protectionism, says Paulson

WASHINGTON (AP)—Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson told international leaders on Sunday that isolationism and protectionism could worsen the spreading financial crisis. With a new trading week dawning, U.S. lawmakers urged quick action by the Bush administration on measures to make direct purchases of bank stock to help unlock lending.

Sen. Chuck Schumer, chairman of the Joint Economic Committee, said an administration proposal to inject federal money directly into certain banks, in effect partially nationalizing the banking system, "is gaining steam."

"I am hopeful that tomorrow, the Treasury will announce that they're doing it. And they have to do it quickly ... markets are waiting," Schumer, D-N.Y., said.

The administration has not indicated when it would announce its next steps.

Democrats also are lining up behind House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's plan to bring lawmakers back to Capitol Hill after the Nov. 4 election to work on a second economic relief plan. The idea is "give the middle class and the average citizen the same kind of relief that we try to give the financial sector," said Democratic Rep. Barney Frank of Massachusetts, chairman of the House Financial Services Committee.

Top Democrats are suggesting a \$150 billion measure that would extend jobless benefits, provide more money for food stamps and finance some construction projects, such as rebuilding bridges and roads. It would also include either a tax rebate or tax cut.

Rep. Roy Blunt of Missouri, the second-ranking House Republican, said he would help on a plan "that makes sense" but is not laden with huge public works projects or bailouts for states that overspend on social programs.

World Bank to protect vulnerable countries in time of crisis

WASHINGTON (AP)—The World Bank has agreed to protect poor and vulnerable countries in the current financial turmoil.

The head of the bank's policy-setting committee, Mexican Finance Minister Agustín Carstens, said participants in the group's meeting Sunday made the commitment unanimously.

He said the bank will try to remain flexible in dealing with the differing circumstances that might prevail in poor countries and nations with rapidly developing economies.

Carstens said the bank and its sister institution, the International Monetary Fund, will draw on the full range of their resources to help these countries.

Suicide car bombers strike in Mosul, Baghdad, killing 13

BAGHDAD (AP) — Suicide car bombers struck twice Sunday in the northern city of Mosul, killing at least six people and wounding dozens of others, U.S. and Iraqi officials said. A car bomb killed seven other people in Baghdad.

Two Iraqi soldiers were killed by snipers in separate attacks Sunday in the capital's Yarmouk district, police said.

Also Sunday, the government announced new security measures to protect Christians in Mosul after a spate of attacks against them by Sunni religious extremists.

The series of attacks shows the ongoing security challenges facing Iraq as the U.S. shifts responsibility to this country's own soldiers and police following the sharp decline in violence since last year.

The first attack in Mosul occurred when a suicide car bomber attacked a U.S. patrol, the U.S. military said. There were no American casualties, but five Iraqis were killed, including three young boys, the U.S. said. The attack also killed the bomber.

Another suicide car bomber targeted Iraqi police in Mosul, 225 miles northwest of Baghdad. Twenty-five people were wounded, the U.S. said.

In Baghdad, a parked car bomb exploded in a commercial street in the Bayaa district, killing seven people and wounding nine others, police said. They spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not supposed to release the information.

The southwestern Baghdad neighborhood was the scene of bitter Sunni-Shiite fighting until last year when the U.S. troop "surge," the Sunni revolt against al-Qaida and a cease-fire by anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr brought down violence to its lowest level in four years.

Fire burns 750 acres northeast of Los Angeles, destroys neighborhoods

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Firefighters backed by water-dumping helicopters and planes gained ground Sunday on a wildfire that destroyed two homes and forced the evacuation of about 1,200 people in a rugged area 20 miles north of downtown.

The blaze charred up to 750 acres and also burned a garage, several sheds and three motor homes, said Los Angeles County Fire Department spokesman Ron Haralson. No one was seriously injured, but a firefighter and one resident reported minor breathing problems.

Haralson said firefighters are "getting a really good handle" on the blaze, which started early Sunday. But powerful Santa Ana winds were expected to arrive in the evening, and gusts could spread embers igniting brush, grass and chaparral in the area.

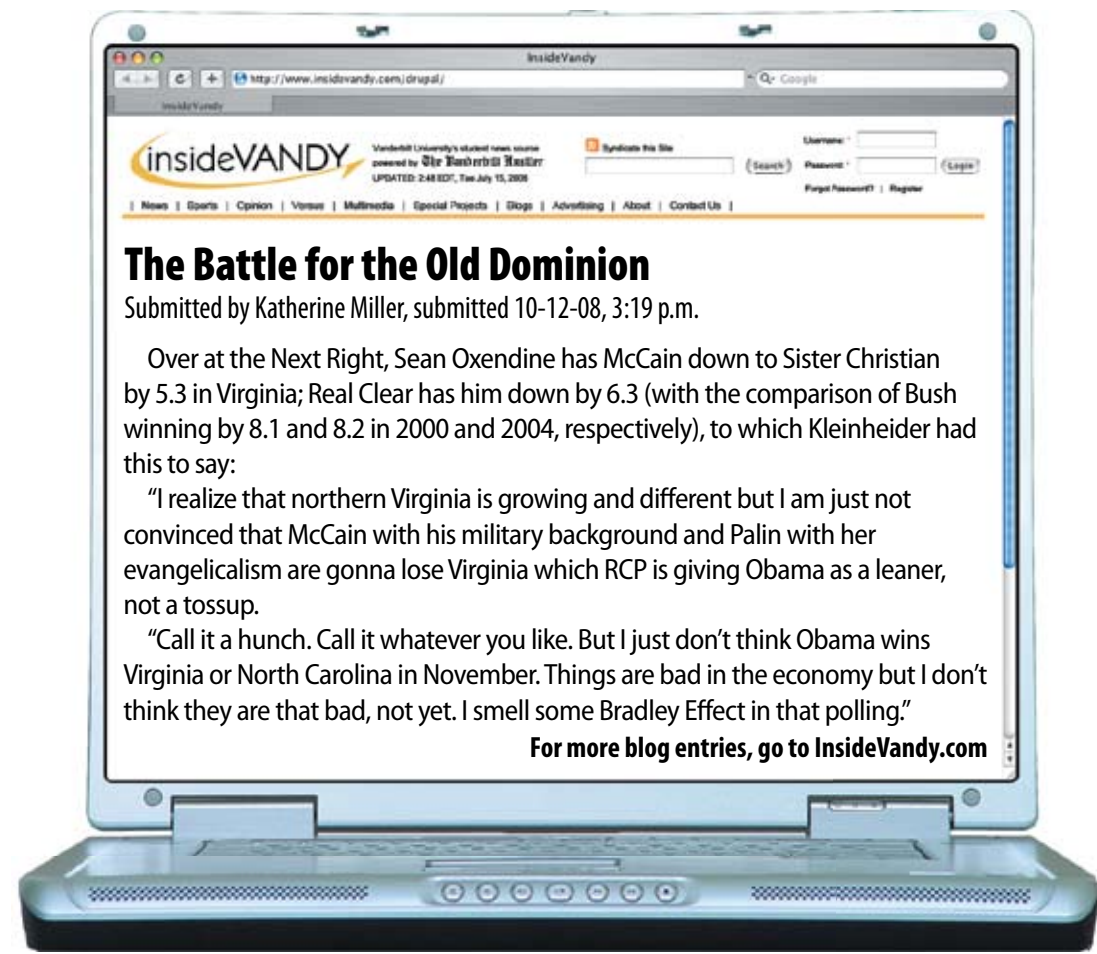
About 450 homes were evacuated early Sunday when the blaze moved southeast toward city limits, said U.S. Forest Service spokesman Stanton Florea.

"It burned right down to a couple of neighborhoods," Florea said.

The fire was 20 percent contained and as it burned south of the Wildlife Waystation, an animal sanctuary and rehabilitation facility set on 160 acres. The nonprofit agency houses more than 400 animals, including lions, bears and deer. Officials were loading up the animals in case the fire switched direction.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

FROM THE BLOG



The Battle for the Old Dominion

Submitted by Katherine Miller, submitted 10-12-08, 3:19 p.m.

Over at the Next Right, Sean Oxendine has McCain down to Sister Christian by 5.3 in Virginia; Real Clear has him down by 6.3 (with the comparison of Bush winning by 8.1 and 8.2 in 2000 and 2004, respectively), to which Kleinheider had this to say:

"I realize that northern Virginia is growing and different but I am just not convinced that McCain with his military background and Palin with her evangelicalism are gonna lose Virginia which RCP is giving Obama as a leaner, not a tossup.

"Call it a hunch. Call it whatever you like. But I just don't think Obama wins Virginia or North Carolina in November. Things are bad in the economy but I don't think they are that bad, not yet. I smell some Bradley Effect in that polling"

For more blog entries, go to InsideVandy.com

ACADEMICS

I'll keep you my dirty little secret



GENEVIEVE GALE / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Frank Warren, founder of the PostSecret Project, speaks at a presentation in Langford Auditorium on Friday. Both students and community members were invited to share their own secrets at the end of the presentation.

by AIMEE SOBHANI

News Contributor

"There are two kinds of secrets: the secrets we keep from others and the secrets we hide from ourselves," said Frank Warren, founder of the PostSecret Project, an ongoing community art project made up of a quarter of a million anonymous postcards detailing the senders' innermost secrets.

On Friday, Oct. 10, in an event sponsored by the Vanderbilt Programming Board, Warren

spoke at Langford Auditorium to discuss PostSecret and its impact on people all over of the world.

"We felt like it'd be an amazing event to see," said Dominik Cvitanovic, junior and co-chair of VPB. "The fact that people came from (all over the country) shows how powerful PostSecret is."

After his presentation, Warren allowed audience members to share their own secrets. Freshman Haley Rauch was one of those to publicly share a secret. "Now, the world

knows it, and it's no longer a secret," she said.

Four year ago, Warren started PostSecret, which has resulted in four books and a popular Web site, in part because of his support of the Suicide Prevention Hotline. Warren said he believes his project gives people struggling with their secrets a way to voice their feelings.

"Suicide is America's secret," Warren said.

The PostSecret books are available at the Vanderbilt Bookstore. ■

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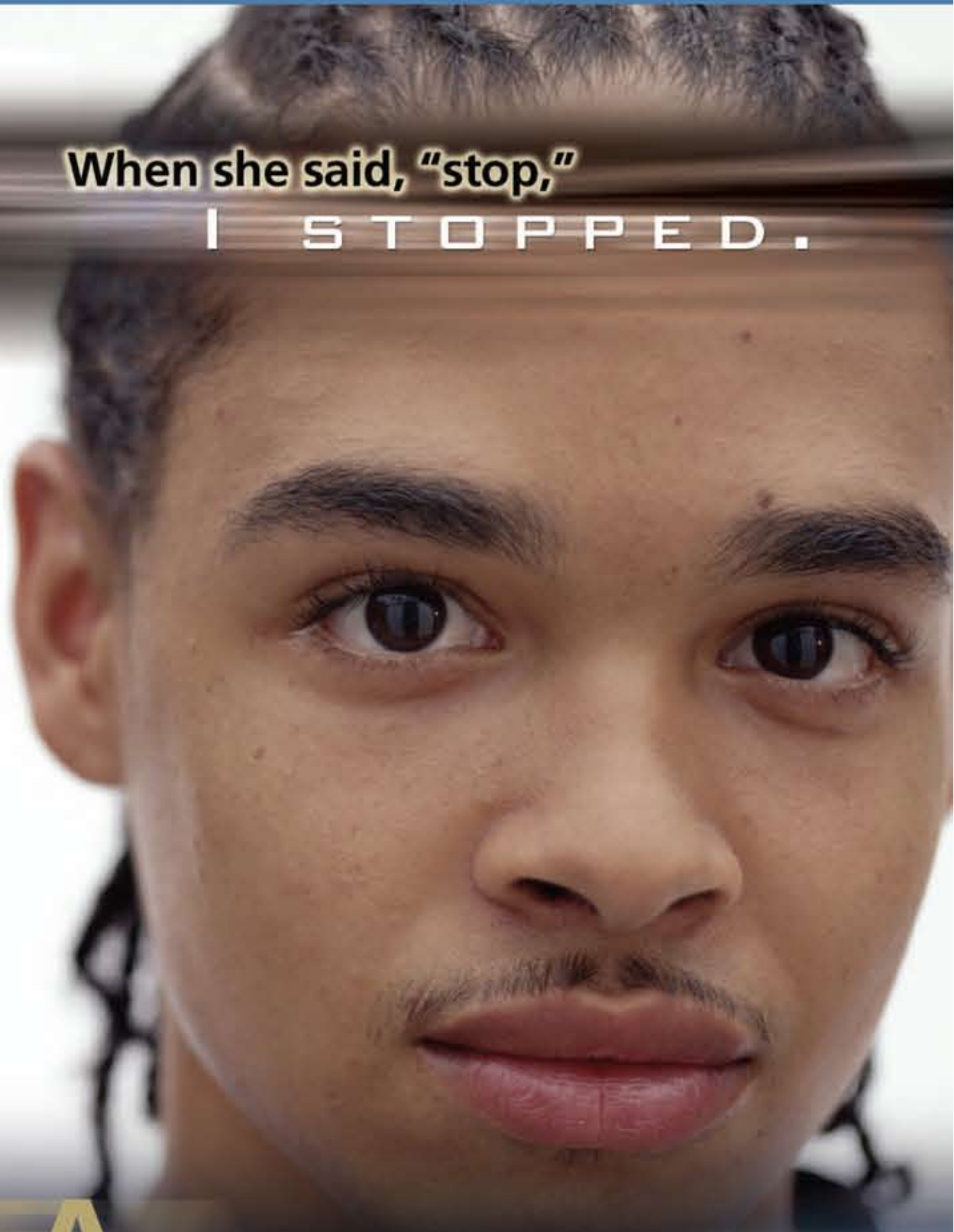
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OPINION

How to attack Obama



KATHERINE MILLER
Columnist

The economy has tanked, and John McCain has failed.

On the election's central issue, McCain cannot articulate an overarching economic strategy that fundamentally differs from Barack Obama's — offering tax cuts while insisting the federal government buy all bad mortgages does not constitute a governing philosophy, or even common sense. And when you cannot offer an ideological alternative in the two-party system, you turn to personal attacks. McCain's not even doing that right.

As a product of Barack Obama's cool exterior, the public and punditry debate for his soul remains ongoing — you never feel like you know the guy for certain — and rife with possibility. The McCain campaign, however, mistakes entirely how to approach character attacks on Obama.

Having isolated the tenuous connection to Bill Ayers in hopes of a Willie Horton moment, the McCain campaign myopically forgot the larger picture, in which, as Victor Davis Hanson puts it, "There are simply too many ACORNs, Ayers, Khalidis, Pflegers, Wrights, et al. not to suggest a pattern unbecoming of a future president of the United States."

To instill doubt in the American voter, a pattern of reckless or questionable behavior must be established — and it cannot only pertain to one instance. Professor John Geer, in a Washington Post column over the weekend, reiterated, "Attacks need evidence to work... When ads lack the evidence to support their claims, they tend to work against the candidate who aired them." Casually associating with the radical Ayers, who the Chicago political machine mainstreamed eons before Obama, is not enough for an effective attack ad. In a Fox News poll, only 32 percent of respondents said Ayers makes them less likely to vote for Obama and, as Jim Gheraghty notes, "The real question is, 'Would you change your support of Obama over it?'"

Not all McCain campaign associates have failed, however.

Upon her selection, Sarah Palin was isolated as a mighty fortress for social conservatives, particularly regarding abortion — she lives as an illustration of the pro-life movement. Saturday, in a departure from the top of her ticket, Palin delivered a pro-life attack speech, almost flawless in execution, with a four-pronged approach: relate, attack, contextualize and inspire.

After introducing the issue by way of discussing her young son, Palin shifted to Obama's record of "unconditional support for unlimited abortions." Almost echoing Geer's column, Palin continued, "He said that a woman shouldn't have to be — quote — 'punished with a baby' — and it's about time we called him on it... Americans need to see his record for what it is. It's not negative or mean-spirited to talk to about his record. Whatever party you belong to, there are facts you need to know."

She followed these words by detailing Obama's major abortion policy moments: voting against outlawing partial-birth abortion and voting against an Illinois iteration of the Born Alive Act, which grants medical care to infants who survive the abortion procedure and which passed unanimously in the U.S. Senate.

She placed these votes — the latter of which, in particular, goes far beyond the mainstream pro-choice movement — within the critical context of judicial nominations. Palin then concluded the speech with allusions to the late Pennsylvania governor and pro-life Democrat, Bob Casey Sr., as a model for compassion, proposing, as Mike Huckabee has, that the social conservative movement must stand on something beyond rhetorical flourish.

A red meat extravaganza grounded in history, with a nod to the future: That's how you attack your opponent, John.

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EDITORIAL

Football blackout disappointing

The first loss of the season was not the only football-related disappointment last Saturday. Those who saw the game know coach Bobby Johnson should have put Mackenzi Adams in the game long before the fourth quarter. Unfortunately, too few Vanderbilt students were able to see the Commodores play in Starkville.

The rights to Saturday's game were picked up by Comcast and Charter, and these cable providers, along with the DISH Network, made the game available to Tennessee and Mississippi residents for \$29.95 on pay-per-view. According to the Nashville City Paper, the game was also made available on ESPN's Game Plan package for fans outside of Tennessee and Mississippi.

Where did this leave Vanderbilt students living on campus? A few local bars, including Sam's, Sportsman's and the Corner Pub, had purchased the game for viewing. Of course, Starkville is only an easy five-hour drive, and tickets were not nearly in high demand as they are for the Georgia game over fall break. Nevertheless, on the cable television network provided by Vanderbilt to its students paying room and board, the football game was unavailable. This sad fact is simply unacceptable.

Does the university have the means to purchase the television rights to its own football games? Other schools in the region are able to provide their students with television coverage of away games; the student bodies would revolt otherwise. There is a problem here.

Surely, some will suggest that Vanderbilt fans, even current students, do not have the same level of enthusiasm for their team as those at other schools. This may have been true in past seasons,

but the claim is dubious at best, particularly with Vanderbilt going into a weekend with a 5-0 record and coming off a sold-out home game. This is not the season to make the argument that Commodore football fans are not interested in every single game the team plays.

The university's inaction on purchasing television rights for away games may explain this supposed student apathy. How can Vanderbilt expect its students to be interested in athletics when it does not even provide full access to the most high-profile sport? The Office of University Affairs and the Dean of Students Office owe their students more than this.

To be fair, Vanderbilt offers a few luxuries unheard of elsewhere in the Southeastern Conference. Free admission to regular-season athletic events and freedom (in general) to choose one's own seating at those events could and would never happen at any other university. These luxuries can be afforded to us because of the circumstances and the willingness of the administration to understand the student body's needs.

It is time to add the ability to view away football games, a common convenience at other universities, to the services our room and board funds pay for. Students should contact Vandy Fanatics and Vanderbilt Student Government and demand that the unfortunate event last Saturday (the television blackout, not the game itself) never happens again. Who knows? Perhaps a large audience of students could have provided the moral support that might have pushed the Commodores over the top.

Americans asking for disaster with Palin

To the Editor:

I'm trying to figure out whether or not Frannie Boyle, an intelligent Vanderbilt student, is keeping her eyes closed on purpose in this presidential election. If the biggest fault she can see with either of the presidential candidates and their running mates is some earmark issues, I have to conclude she either isn't paying attention or she is playing devil's advocate and fanning the flames of doom for her own entertainment. John McCain scares me as a potential POTUS because of his choice of vice president. The oldest ever candidate, running in the probably most important presidential election ever, has chosen one of the most incompetent of the possible vice

president options during a time in which the American economy is in the midst of a seriously humorless crisis, and we are waging a dangerous trillion-dollar pair of wars. I can't actually believe Sarah Palin has come this close to becoming the president of the United States, and if in fact this joke of a world leader gets elected, I can't say the American public does not deserve whatever economic and military disasters it has coming its way. China just took its first space walk, and the treasury secretary of the United States is on his knees. Wake up.

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THE VERDICT		
Stand and be judged by the Hustler opinion staff! Compiled by Thomas Shattuck		
Sudan		Sudan's president shut down an investigation that led to the arrest of women for "disturbing the peace" by wearing tight trousers. The women were arrested over the past week by police who said they suspected them of belonging to youth gangs.
Swimming		A bald, naked man who said he was a British tourist went swimming in the moat of Japan's Imperial Palace on Tuesday, climbing the palace wall, throwing rocks and splashing water at police before being taken into custody. Thus proving most swimmers are idiots.
Sex		Clara Meadmore, who claims to be the oldest virgin in Britain, turned 105 Friday. Meadmore said that in her youth, women only had sex with their husbands, and she rejected all the men who asked her to marry them.
Sharks		Apparently, sharks can have virgin births. This time, a blacktip shark had spent nearly her entire eight years at the Virginia Aquarium without any male companionship. In what some religions might call a miracle, she gave birth to a single pup.
Racism		A billboard in West Plains shows a caricature of Barack Obama wearing a turban with the caption: "Barack 'Hussein' Obama equals more abortions, same sex marriages, taxes, gun regulations." While profoundly disturbing, I feel we'll all laugh about it later.
Banking		British banking titans aren't letting the financial crisis limit their demand for nude paintings of their wives adorned by newsprint collages. The news clippings are about their own financial exploits and make for an irresistible lure for the rich and vainglorious.
Swimming		According to the Chronicle, a Zimbabwean soccer player drowned in a crocodile infested river during a ritual to cleanse his team of bad spirits before a match. Once again confirming most swimmers are, in fact, idiots.

Which way will we go?



NEILY TODD
Columnist

Nashville has earned a place in the national spotlight. As the site of last week's presidential debate, Nashville became the gathering point of media representatives from every corner of the country. Never before have I seen or heard reference to "Nashville, Tenn." so frequently in the news. "Joe Smith is live from Nashville, Tenn." Nashvillians were proud of their hometown. It was the best press the city could have hoped for, representing Nashville as the bustling, forward-thinking city it has become. We have made a name for ourselves on the national scene — a good reputation we must now continue to foster.

Last week, Metro Councilman Eric Crafton, the author of the English-only referendum, gained the necessary 2,475 signatures to secure a special election on the issue in January. English-only will prohibit all government services in the Metro Nashville area from being offered in any language other than English. The effects of making English Nashville's official language reach beyond immigrants to our area who have yet to learn English to touch any foreign person coming into contact with Nashville. As I pointed out in a column in August, passing this bill into law would keep the government of Nashville from communicating in any foreign language no matter the available resources or the circumstances. For example, it would become illegal for a foreign, non-English-speaking tourist who has his wallet stolen to communicate with local police in his native language, even if an officer speaks the language. To top it off, this special election will cost taxpayers at least an extra \$350,000, perhaps much more. Not only are Nashvillians being asked to pass this discriminatory bill, but they are also being asked to pay for it.

Nashville would be the first city to pass such a law. Is this really the kind of example we want to be setting on a national scale? Of course not. We cannot let this issue take center stage when there are so many other ways Nashville is setting a positive example. Take, for instance, the Tennessee Supreme Court, which is located in Nashville. Last week, Justice Sharon Gail Lee was sworn in as the third female of the five-member court, making Tennessee one of only four states to boast such a majority. The other supreme courts with a female majority are in Wisconsin, New York and Washington, D.C.

This progression is thanks, in large part, to Gov. Phil Bredesen, who can be credited with appointing two of the three women, Justices Lee and Cornelia Clark. As Bredesen said in a recent article in The Tennessean, "I really honestly believe that judicial appointments are among the most critical things you do as governor. They make tracks not over the next few weeks or the next few months, but really down through the years on items which are very, very important to the state." Bredesen's appointments, in this case, are not just important to the state — they are important to the nation. Women have been working for decades to make inroads into the legal profession. Their efforts are beginning to pay off. Smart, able, eloquent women are finding the careers their talents merit. However, four states out of 51 (including Washington, D.C.) is less than eight percent. More states must follow suit. Tennessee is leading the pack.

The debate provided Nashville a national debut. The stage is now set for an encore. Will it be the passing of the ill-advised, English-only referendum, or will it be the enlightened example of our state supreme court? The choice is ours. Will we show ourselves to be regressive or progressive?

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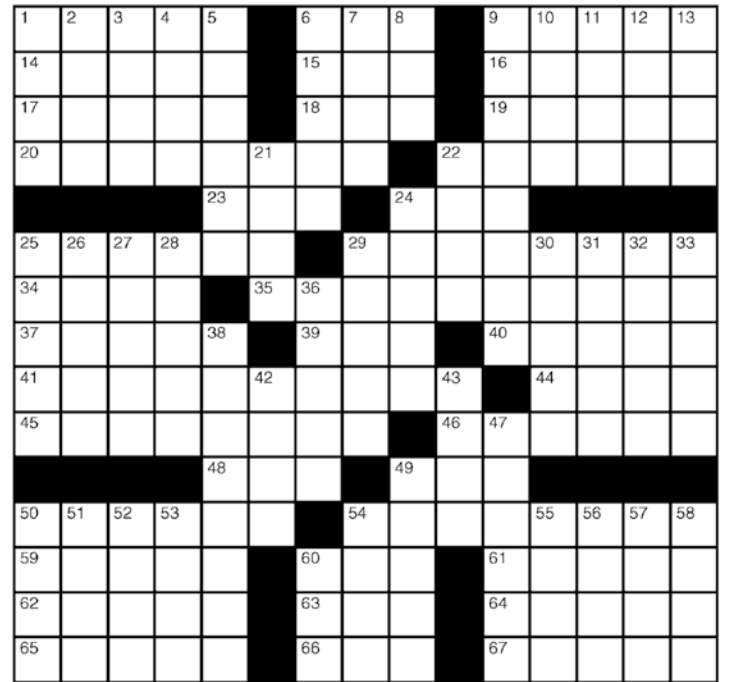
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Dores put loss behind them



Vanderbilt running back Jared Hawkins (31) is brought down during action between Vanderbilt and Mississippi State on Saturday. The Commodores only managed 45 yards rushing on the afternoon against the Bulldogs, and Hawkins was held to 11 yards rushing on six carries. Vanderbilt's total offensive output for the game was 107 yards, by far its lowest of the season.

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by DAVID RUTZ

Sports Specialist

Choose any word to describe Vanderbilt's 17-14 loss to Mississippi State on Saturday. Painful and frustrating might come to mind.

The Commodores would describe it as over.

No. 22 Vanderbilt (5-1, 3-1 Southeastern Conference) had their perfect start snapped by Mississippi State (2-4, 1-2 SEC) due to a sputtering offense that managed just 45 rushing yards, 62 passing yards and 23:48 in possession, all season lows.

But the Commodores were ready to move on to the next game as soon as they left Starkville.

"All the things we were doing the first five games, we didn't do a good job of today," said Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson. "We will try to bounce back. Our guys are pretty resilient and our coaching

staff will be too."

Redshirt senior quarterback Chris Nickson struggled mightily, completing just 3-10 passes for 15 yards and an interception before being benched in favor of redshirt junior Mackenzi Adams, but he was able to recognize that it was just one game.

"It's a loss," Nickson said. "It's over with."

Redshirt sophomore defensive tackle Adam Smotherman, who registered his first two career sacks in a fine defensive effort, had similar sentiments about Vanderbilt's first loss of the year.

"It's difficult to deal with, but this is the SEC," Smotherman said. "You can't really dwell on losses."

Nothing like a little perspective for a team that has greatly exceeded expectations so far this season. Widely picked to finish last in the SEC East, Vanderbilt sits atop the division midway through the season after their best start to

a season in 65 years, tied for first with No. 5 Florida.

All of the little things that had put Vanderbilt in that position, though, were nowhere to be seen against Mississippi State. During their 5-0 start, Vanderbilt had always won the turnover battle and avoided penalties.

Saturday was a different story as Vanderbilt failed to force a turnover for the first time all season, while having two passes of their own intercepted. While Nickson was ineffective, Adams came in and immediately led a touchdown drive to cut the lead to three points in the fourth quarter. His last pass of the game was intercepted to end any chance of a comeback.

Also, the Commodores had more penalties on the afternoon, a season-high 10 for 65 yards, than first downs (seven).

Nickson believes Vanderbilt's poor play can serve as a wake-up

call to the entire team.

"I think this is a valuable learning experience for ourselves as well as our coaching staff," Nickson said after the game. "I think we'll learn from it and we'll move on and become a better team because of it."

Junior linebacker Patrick Benoist is already looking to next weekend's game in Athens against No. 10 Georgia, an SEC East foe vying with Vanderbilt for the divisional lead.

"We've just go to go in, watch the film, make the adjustments we need to and move on to next week," Benoist said. "Georgia's a great football team, and we've got to keep our heads up and keep moving forward."

"We know it's a tough journey," Johnson said. "It's not going to get any easier, either. We knew it was going to be tough when we came down (to Starkville). Don't bury us yet." ■

Women's soccer notches road win at Tennessee

by BRIAN LINHARES

Sports Contributor

The University of Tennessee women's soccer team looked to continue recent success against Vanderbilt, as it hadn't lost in the series since 2005.

Sophomore Megan Kinsella

had other ideas.

Less than a minute into the second half, standout forward Kinsella broke a scoreless tie. The Memphis native drilled a shot into the corner, past Volunteer goalkeeper Jaimel Johnson.

Later in the second half, the play of goalkeeper Rachel Bachtel

rebuffed several Tennessee attempts. The sophomore from Ohio recorded five saves on seventeen shots.

With the 1-0 win, Bachtel earned her fourth shutout of the 2008 season, increasing her career total to eight.

With the defeat of the Lady

Vols, Vanderbilt stands at 2-4 in SEC play and 8-5-1 overall.

The four game road stretch continues on Friday night, in Baton Rouge for a date with Louisiana State. The Commodores close out the trip with the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. ■

Around the SEC: QB carousel continues at South Carolina

by MIKE KRANZLER

Sports Contributor

Steve Spurrier's trademark quick hook with his quarterbacks paid off, as backup signal-caller Stephen Garcia came off the bench to lead the Gamecocks to a 24-17 victory over the Kentucky Wildcats. Trailing in the third quarter, Spurrier replaced starter Chris Smelley with Garcia, who was a heralded recruit coming out of high school but has had difficulties staying out of trouble with the law. He rallied the Gamecocks to 10 unanswered points, giving South Carolina

the lead for good. South Carolina's Captain Munnerlyn contributed a touchdown on a blocked field goal return, and also set up a score with a long kickoff return.

Vols off to worst start in 20 years

Matthew Stafford threw two interceptions as No. 10 Georgia struggled before putting away the Tennessee Volunteers 26-14. The Bulldogs only led by the score of 20-14 entering the fourth quarter, but two field goals by Blair Walsh put the game out of reach. Fullback Brannan Southerland, older brother of incoming Vanderbilt recruit Blake Southerland, scored

Georgia's first touchdown. Stafford threw for a career-best 309 yards, but could only muster one touchdown pass as the struggling Volunteers kept him from lighting up the scoreboard, although Knowshon Moreno was held without a touchdown for the first time this season. The Volunteers, now at 2-4, have lost their first three conference games for the first time in 20 years.

Auburn stunned at home

The Arkansas Razorbacks rebounded from three consecutive blowout losses to defeat the No. 20 Auburn Tigers 25-22 on the strength of 176

yards rushing by Michael Smith and a late goal-line stand by their defense. In their first game after offensive coordinator Tony Franklin was fired, the Auburn offense still struggled to do anything positive against the Razorbacks, only scoring one touchdown. Tristan Davis contributed the only other score on a 97-yard kickoff return. The Tigers made it interesting at the end, as they forced a safety by Arkansas's punter to cut the lead to three points with less than two minutes left. But Arkansas's Matt Harris intercepted Kodi Burns with 29 seconds left to shut the door on Auburn.

Gators romp in the Swamp

The No. 12 Florida Gators jumped out to a 20-point lead in the first half as they coasted to a 51-21 victory over No. 3 LSU. Florida's Tim Tebow threw for two touchdowns to Percy Harvin and rushed for a touchdown of his own as the Gators piled it on early and often. Linebacker Brandon Spikes had two interceptions for the Gators, one of which he returned for a touchdown. The Gators held LSU to four offensive yards in the first quarter as the outcome was never in doubt.

Did You Know?

The Arkansas Razorbacks

had been outscored 139-31 in their last three games before Saturday's victory against No. 20 Auburn.

South Carolina's Kenny McKinley broke former NFL All-Pro Sterling Sharpe's school record with his 170th career reception.

Tennessee only mustered 1 yard rushing as their loss to Georgia sent them to their worst start in 20 years.

After averaging only 30 penalty yards per game through the first five games the Vanderbilt committed a season-high 10 penalties in their sloppy loss to Mississippi State. ■

WEEKLY REPORT CARD

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QUARTERBACKS, D

Redshirt senior Chris Nickson was abysmal, completing just 3-10 passes for 15 yards, taking two sacks and throwing a pick that set up an MSU touchdown. Redshirt junior Mackenzi Adams was very impressive on his first drive in driving the team to a touchdown, but misfired on his final four passes in the fourth quarter, including an interception that sealed the win for the Bulldogs. He should have been in the game far earlier than he was, though.

RUNNING BACKS, C-

Redshirt junior Jared Hawkins and redshirt senior Jeff Jennings were bottled up easily by the Bulldog defense as they were held to 26 yards on 10 carries. Jennings did score a 2-yard touchdown to move Vanderbilt within three points in the fourth quarter.

WIDE RECEIVERS, C+

As usual, not much for the Vanderbilt receivers to do. When Adams entered the game, redshirt senior Sean Walker (two catches, 27 yards) had the longest gain of the day with a 21-yard catch in the fourth quarter and redshirt junior Justin Wheeler hauled in two from Adams for 23 yards. Nickson's totals were hurt by a couple of dropped passes.

OFFENSIVE LINE, C-

Vanderbilt was simply out-muscled up front. Nickson and Adams were sacked three times and there were no holes to run through for the tailbacks. The biggest gain of the day from a Commodore running back was 7 yards, and the line also committed numerous penalties.

DEFENSIVE LINE, B-

Defensive tackle redshirt sophomore Adam Smotherman registered his first two career sacks. The line got decent pressure on MSU's Tyson Lee but was never able to consistently stop the Bulldog rushing attack.

LINEBACKERS, B-

Junior Patrick Benoist (9 tackles) and redshirt freshman Chris Marve (8 tackles) had their usual solid games, and junior Brent Trice had a sack. There were many missed tackles that allowed Anthony Dixon to be the second straight rusher to gain over 100 yards on the Commodores.

SECONDARY, B-

Both junior Myron Lewis and redshirt senior Reshard Langford had pass break-ups and Lee was held to only 81 yards passing. The biggest blunder of the day was when Lee seemed to underthrow a pass into the end zone that could have been picked off by Langford had he timed his leap better but instead was caught for a touchdown.

SPECIAL TEAMS, B

Junior Brett Upson had another outstanding day at punter, booting eight kicks for a 42.1 yard average, including one that pinned MSU at their own 3-yard line and set up a Vanderbilt touchdown. Junior D.J. Moore tried to be too fancy on returns and was ineffective. Vanderbilt's punt and kickoff return coverage units were solid.

COACHING, D-

Coach Bobby Johnson's insistence on sticking with Nickson at quarterback for three quarters was mind-boggling; constant 3-and-outs did not create a change until Nickson threw an interception and was finally removed. Ted Cain's play-calling was uninspired, to say the least. If your team manages 107 yards of offense and seven first downs all day, you've got problems.

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