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## THE WALL

compiled by SYDNEY WILMER

**TODAY Homeless Power**  
The Homeless Power Project, a group of homeless or formerly homeless people fighting for the rights of the homeless in Nashville, will present two short films about the homeless and hold a discussion afterward. The event will be in Buttrick Hall, Room 103 from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

**TODAY Blair guest recital**  
Violinist Annie Chalex Boyle and pianist Leah Bowes will play at 8 p.m. in the Steve and Judy Turner Recital Hall. Admission is free.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 25 Arthur Danto speaks**

Arthur Danto, renowned scholar of aesthetics and art criticism from Columbia University, will speak from 4:10 to 5:50 p.m. at a symposium in honor of the Between Word and Image Fellows Program of the Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 25 Chancellor's Lecture Series**

Kenneth Jackson will be the featured speaker at the Chancellor's Lecture Series at Ingram Hall. A reception will be held at 5 p.m., and the lecture will follow at 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 25 Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Forum**

The eighth annual Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Forum will be held from 2:30 to 8 p.m. in Featheringill Hall. The keynote speaker will be Evelyn Hu, scientific director at California Nanosystems Institute, University of California, Santa Barbara.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 25 Discovery Lecture Series**

Bradley Efron and Max H. Stein, professors at Stanford University, will present the discovery lecture "Baseball, Shakespeare and Modern Statistical Theory" from 4 to 5 p.m. at Light Hall, Room 208.

See <http://calendar.vanderbilt.edu> for more events.

# Commodore canvass

by **SCOTT CLEMENT**  
Staff Pollster

**Students optimistic about future, positive about Gee tenure**

A majority of Vanderbilt undergraduates — 78 percent — said the university is on the right track, according to a new Vanderbilt Hustler/Vanderbilt Student Government poll.

The Class of 2011, most optimistic about the future of Vanderbilt, positively evaluated the university's trajectory at 93 percent. Juniors were least positive about the future, with only 68 percent saying Vanderbilt

is on the right track. Eighty-six percent of Blair students said things at Vanderbilt are on the right track, the highest of any undergraduate school, while Arts and Science students were the most pessimistic at 76 percent.

Vanderbilt undergraduates also evaluated former Chancellor Gordon Gee positively, with 76 percent of upperclassmen calling Vanderbilt better off for

having Gee as its leader.

A Hustler survey last year found Gee maintained an 84 percent job approval rating even after an article in The Wall Street Journal questioned his spending habits and his wife's use of marijuana.

Current seniors gave Gee his highest rating at 80 percent, while juniors thought somewhat less of his achievements at 70 percent.



GEE

**IS THE UNIVERSITY ON THE RIGHT OR WRONG TRACK?**

**Freshmen**  
93% right 7% wrong

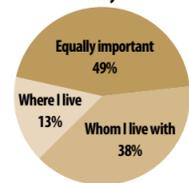
**Sophomores**  
74% right 26% wrong

**Juniors**  
68% right 32% wrong

**Seniors**  
72% right 28% wrong

**Housing cited as most important issue facing campus**

**Which do you care more about: Where you live or with whom you live?**



Students named housing as the most important issue facing campus today.

Undergraduates reported high levels of concern over the future of housing at Vanderbilt. With the opening of The Commons next fall, some rising sophomores and juniors will

have to live in traditionally freshman-only areas — such as Branscomb Quad, Kissam Quad and Vandy/Barnard.

Eighty-two percent of students said they are either somewhat bothered or very bothered by this concept, though it may not affect them.

The sophomore class was the most upset by this idea at 88 percent, while 81 percent of freshmen and juniors were upset. Just three-quarters of seniors were bothered by the concept.

**OTHER PRESSING CAMPUS ISSUES**

- Tolerance
- Chancellor search
- The Commons
- Diversity
- Alcohol abuse
- Parking

**Students overwhelmingly happy with new Commons Dining Center**

A new Vanderbilt Hustler/Vanderbilt Student Government survey found that in the first two months of the school year 78 percent of Vanderbilt under-

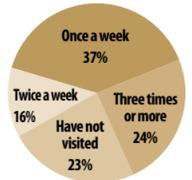
graduates have visited The Commons Dining Center, and 95 percent of these visitors report being fairly satisfied or very satisfied with the center.

Freshmen were the most satisfied with the dining center, with 74 percent reporting they were very satisfied, though they are the only class that will

never live on Peabody. Satisfaction levels dropped consistently with each rising class, with seniors being least pleased with the center at 54 percent.

Peabody students were very satisfied 72 percent of the time while all other schools reported a 65 percent satisfaction rate.

**How often do you visit the new dining center on The Commons?**



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The Vanderbilt Hustler-Vanderbilt Student Government poll was conducted by secure Internet software Oct. 2 to 11 among a random sample of 596 undergraduates. The margin of error for the overall results is plus or minus 4 percent; for smaller subgroups the margin of sampling error is larger. Percentages were rounded to the nearest whole. Because of the practical difficulties of conducting any public opinion poll, there may be other sources of error in the survey, such as variation in question order and wording. Sampling was performed by the Vanderbilt Institutional Research Group for The Vanderbilt Hustler.

—To view the complete survey results, go to: [insidevandy](http://insidevandy)

# Fido 'cures' stuffed animals

by **LAKENDRA SCOTT**  
Staff Reporter

Fido worked hard during fall break curing ailing animals — stuffed animals, that is.

Saturday marked the fifth annual stuffed animal hospital at Fido, a coffee shop that was originally a pet store.

Stuffed animals of all kinds were "cured" at the hospital, whose services ranged from re-stuffing to sewing on limbs. About 100 people young and old used the hospital as a way to connect with their childhood.

And the event has transformed into a way to help children in another way: Donations received through the animal hospital are given to the Vanderbilt Children's Hospital.

Many students have helped spread awareness about the animal hospital.

"I heard about it a couple of years ago from a friend of my



A young Nashvillian ties a ribbon onto a repaired stuffed animal at Fido's annual stuffed animal hospital.

mom's," said freshman Megan Grisolano. "I think that it's important to help children, and this is a fun way to help."

The first animal hospital attracted more publicity than expected when two Vanderbilt

film students decided to make a documentary on the hospital. The documentary, "Stuffed," was shown at the Nashville Film Festival in 2004.

Please see **FIDO**, page 3

—To watch a video of Fido's stuffed animal hospital, go to:



## Commodores conquer Gamecocks



MARY ANN CHASTAIN / Associated Press

Vanderbilt tailback Jeff Jennings runs the ball against South Carolina in the Dores' victory over the Gamecocks Saturday. Vandy upset the then-No. 6 team with a final score of 17-6.

## High-tech pen makes debut



VASANTH SATHIYAKUMAR / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Junior Andrew Smith (left) listens to professor Andy Van Schaack describe the features of the LiveScribe Smartpen.

by **VASANTH SATHIYAKUMAR**  
Staff Reporter

all college students can benefit from it, too."

Students who have difficulty with taking notes during lectures may finally have a solution.

With a \$300,000 National Science Foundation research grant, Van Schaack was able to make the pen a reality. The Smartpen is expected to ship in the first quarter of 2008 with an estimated cost of under \$200. Included with the pen are binomial headphones that can record from far away distances in three dimensions, extra ink cartridges and a notebook with dot paper.

The LiveScribe Smartpen allows students to simultaneously take notes and record audio on special dot paper.

However, the pen does more than record lectures.

The product debuted Thursday at a Vanderbilt Student Government dinner discussion. Because Vanderbilt is a flagship school for LiveScribe, students will have future opportunities to hear about the product on campus.

"The Smartpen is very efficient from a professor's point of view," Van Schaack said. "When I grade papers, I can record my comments in the margins and students can then tap into them and listen to my comments. For the

With built-in microphones, speakers and a small display, the pen allows students to tap a line of written words to listen to audio of what was recorded while those words were written.

"The LiveScribe Smartpen will especially help blind students," said professor Andy Van Schaack, the product's senior science adviser. "But

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## WEATHER

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### THURSDAY



Few Showers, 67/56

### FRIDAY



Partly Cloudy, 69/48

### SATURDAY



Mostly Sunny, 68/49

## VUPD CRIME LOG

compiled by SARA GAST

**Wednesday, Oct. 17, 7 p.m.:** Money was stolen from a jug used for donations for "Heart Walk" at the Vanderbilt Children's Hospital.

**Wednesday, Oct. 17, 4:50 p.m.:** Miscellaneous items were stolen from a parked vehicle in the South Garage at 2310 Children's Way.

**Thursday, Oct. 18, 8:20 a.m.:** A subject was questioned for asking people for money in Lot 77. The driver's license came back as suspended.

Check out <http://police.vanderbilt.edu/crimelog.htm> for complete listings.

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The news you need — in brief

compiled by SARA GAST

## WORLD

### Iraq tallies point to sharp decline in troop deaths, civilian victims for the month

October is on course to record the second consecutive month of decline in U.S. military and Iraqi civilian deaths, and Americans commanders say they know why: the U.S. troop increase and an Iraqi groundswell against al-Qaida and Shiite militia extremists.

Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch points to what the military calls "Concerned Citizens" — both Shiites and Sunnis who have joined the American fight. He says he has signed up 20,000 of them in the past four months.

As of Tuesday, the Pentagon has reported 28 U.S. military deaths in October. At the current pace, the monthly total will be about 37 or 38. That would be the lowest total since 31 in March 2006 and the second lowest monthly toll stretching back to February 2004, when 20 soldiers died. In September, 65 U.S. soldiers died in Iraq.

SOURCE: AP

### New audiotape from Osama Bin Laden urges Iraqi insurgents to put aside divisions and unite

Osama bin Laden scolded his al-Qaida followers in Iraq and other insurgents Monday, saying they have "been lax" for failing to overcome fanatical tribal loyalties and unite in the fight against U.S. troops.

The message of his new audiotape reflected the growing disarray among Iraq's Sunni Arab insurgents and bin Laden's client group in the country, both of which are facing heavy U.S. military pressure and an uprising among Sunni tribesmen.

In the brief tape played on Al-Jazeera television, the terrorist leader urged militants to "beware of division ... The Muslim world is waiting for you to gather under one banner."

He used the word "ta'assub" — "fanaticism" — to chastise insurgents for putting their allegiance to tribe or radical organization above the larger fight to overcome American forces.

While the authenticity of the tape could not be verified immediately, the voice resembled that of bin Laden in previous messages. Al-Jazeera did not say how it got the tape, which was bin Laden's third this year.

SOURCE: AP

## NATION

### Firefighters all but concede defeat to raging California wildfires; flames too big, too fast

Faced with unrelenting winds whipping wildfires into a frenzy across Southern California, firefighters conceded defeat on many fronts Tuesday to an unstoppable force that has chased more than 500,000 people away.

Unless the shrieking Santa Ana winds subside, and that's not expected for at least another day, fire crews say they can do little more than try to wait it out and react.

"If it's this big and blowing with as much wind as it's got, it'll go all the way to the ocean before it stops," said San Diego Fire Capt. Kirk Humphries. "We can save some stuff but we can't stop it."

Tentacles of unpredictable, shifting flame have burned across nearly 600 square miles, killing one person, destroying more than 1,800 homes and prompting the biggest evacuation in California history, from north of Los Angeles, through San Diego to the Mexican border.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said the flames were threatening 68,000 more homes.

SOURCE: AP

### Man pleads guilty for firing at Duquesne basketball players

One of two men accused of shooting at five Duquesne University basketball players after a school dance pleaded guilty to attempted homicide and other counts Tuesday.

Derek Scott Lee, 19, of Pittsburgh, Pa., was sentenced to seven to 14 years in prison.

Lee has not agreed to cooperate with authorities but pleaded guilty because he faced more than 100 years in jail if convicted at trial, said Lee's attorney, Wendy Williams.

Stuard Baldonado, Aaron Jackson, Shawn James, Kojo Mensah and Sam Ashaolu were shot early Sept. 17, 2006, as they returned from a dance. Ashaolu was shot twice in the head.

Baldonado and Ashaolu missed the season because of the shootings.

Jury selection was scheduled to begin later this week for the other alleged shooter, William Holmes, 19, of Pittsburgh, and two women accused of crimes for their roles in the shooting.

SOURCE: AP

## CAMPUS

### VandyLAN tournament to feature bigger prizes, more participation

The Vanderbilt Computer Society's annual VandyLAN tournament, scheduled for Friday from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. at Featheringill Hall, will be a little different this year, said treasurer Hamilton Turner. For the first time, the event will be sponsored corporately.

As a result, Turner said, the prizes for the party have gotten bigger. They will include two Apple iPod Touches and other Apple products.

To open the event to the entire campus, the tournament will also have two large televisions "so anyone can come and hook up a gaming console," Turner said.

The society plans to have another LAN party in the spring, possibly at The Commons. "Because we have partnered with The Commons, we are trying to open it to faculty and staff," Turner said.

Though faculty and staff have been invited before, Turner said the society actively advertises to professors.

SOURCE: SYDNEY WILMER

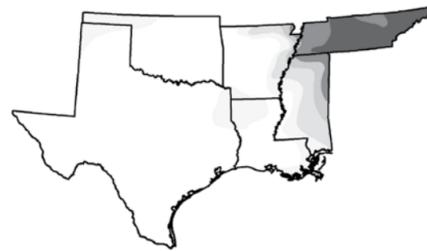
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compiled by LISA GUO

## QUESTION:

I read about Georgia being under a severe drought. Is Tennessee under drought conditions, too?



### Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Drought - Moderate
- D2 Drought - Severe
- D3 Drought - Extreme
- D4 Drought - Exceptional

source: MARK SVOBODA, National Drought Mitigation Center

## ANSWER:

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, with data updated Oct. 16, most of Tennessee is under "exceptional" drought, the worst drought category. The rest of the state is under "extreme" drought, the next worst category.

To see how the recent rain has affected drought conditions, visit the Drought Monitor Web site, [www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html](http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html), which is updated every Thursday morning.

## SNAPSHOT

## BACK TO THE BUBBLE



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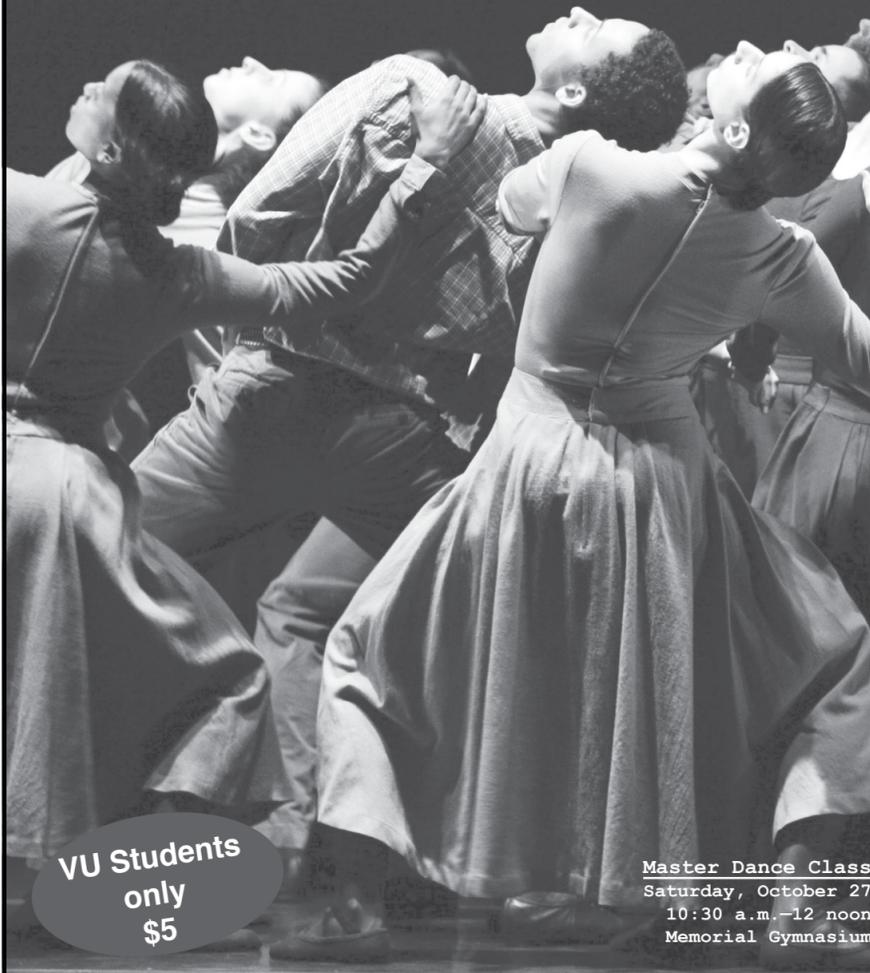
Many students returned home from fall break Tuesday evening after a long four-day weekend. Students will have to wait just three and a half weeks until they receive another break at Thanksgiving.

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# Few students take advantage of office hours

Professors use hours for planning, reading.

by SAMANTHA OROVITZ  
Contributing Reporter

Many professors find themselves enjoying the company of a book rather than the company of their students during office hours.

Graduate student Donald Jellerson, who teaches an English 100 class, said so far this semester, no one has visited his office hours.

Jellerson said there are two types of students who visit office hours, in his opinion. The first is the student who did not get the grade they thought they would; the second is "(a student) who is in the middle of working on something, and they are stuck," he said.

Freshman Amanda Walker said she visits professors for two reasons.

"I go to office hours for additional help on problems and (for) more insight into the class and what the professor wants," she said.

Jellerson said he personally goes to his professors' office hours "when I want to get to know the professor if I want a recommendation, or if I want research assistance to get direction.

"That kind of happens more at an advanced level when you are doing big research projects, and in the classes I teach there aren't generally research projects," he said.

His alternative to office hours is conferences. With conferences, "there is a built-in opportunity to talk to me individually," he said.

Ava Due-Goodwin, a senior lecturer in biology, is teaching 100 to 120 students this semester and said she knows students are pressed for time.

"The chances of any students being able to use those hours is pretty slim," she said.

But when they do, she said, the time is useful.

"I like to think that greater than 50 percent of the time the hours are helpful," Due-Goodwin said. "Once students start attending regularly I become aware of them and look at their progress, and I would say that there are at least one or two students that I



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Graduate teaching fellow Michael Brodrick (right) talks to senior Evan DuFaux in Furman Hall during office hours.

noticed doing a lot better."

And Due-Goodwin said she makes sure to give students her full attention when they show up.

When she knows a student is coming, she said she leaves a "do not disturb" note on her office door and takes the phone off the hook.

Some professors have found other uses for their office time.

"I am typically preparing for class (or) doing some writing or reading. (Those are) things I do all the time; office hours aren't particularly different," said economics professor Malcolm Getz.

Getz said he estimates about one or two students go to his office hours each day.

"I do handle a lot of exchanges with students by e-mail. I deal with many more students by e-mail than in the office hours," Getz said.

And some students just have not felt a need to attend office hours.

"I haven't had the need to quite yet, but I value the importance of office hours," said freshman Greg James. "I think when I need help, I don't have problems using the teachers; that's what they are there for." ■

# SMARTPEN: Notes can be shared via Internet

From SMARTPEN, page 1  
same amount of time I spend in grading papers, students can gain more insight by actually hearing the professor talk about certain sections of their papers."

Notes can also be uploaded to a computer and shared via the Internet with other students. Developmental kits will be available for students and companies to make their own programs and study sheets.

"You can also work on creative expression with the pen," said Karen Lee, marketing manager for LiveScribe. "You can draw

pictures while recording a song by Kanye West. These expressions can also be posted on Facebook."

Founded by LeapFrog's Jim Margraff, LiveScribe formed in May 2007 with a management team that includes personnel from Apple, Palm, IBM and Leapfrog. The pen uses established technology from the Swedish company Anoto, which helped produce the microdot pattern on the paper.

As with any new technology, the developmental team faced the challenge of fitting a microprocessor with enough

memory, a speaker and a microphone into a reasonably sized pen. However, the Smartpen is much smaller and compact than its predecessor, the Fly Pentop Computer from LeapFrog.

Students anticipate the result of the developers' efforts.

"I think the Smartpen is great," said junior Andrew Smith, a student campus representative of LiveScribe. "Especially in classes like calculus where you have to draw diagrams, you can go back and listen to the professor speak about the diagram." ■

# FIDO: Hospital connects past with present at annual event

From FIDO, page 1

"Two students asked if they could do a documentary on the hospital our first year, and (the documentary) actually won awards," said Bob Bernstein, Fido's founder. "It really helped people to understand what we were doing."

The animal hospital also gives students a way to hold onto their past. Freshman Angela Speranza looked forward to the weekend.

"I brought my stuffed rabbit, Bun Bun, to school, and it would be great to give him a fix-me-up," Speranza said.

Bernstein started the animal hospital as a way to celebrate the coffee shop's birthday.

"My mother used to fix our stuffed animals when me and my brothers were younger, and I thought that a stuffed animal hospital would be a good tribute to my mom as well as a way to celebrate the store," he said.

And Bernstein feels that having a stuffed animal clinic connects the store to its origins as a pet store.

"The animal hospital plays off that theme," he said. ■

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### LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

## Response to reader suggestions

The front-page report on the Vanderbilt Hustler/Vanderbilt Student Government poll left out some important numbers — feedback from undergraduates about the quality of The Hustler and InsideVandy.com.

Many of you said you were happy with our work as it stands. But, given the opportunity to suggest improvements, others of you had some ideas. I would like to address your top three.

**More national/world news:** This was the most common suggestion received, and 80 percent of you said you would probably or definitely take advantage of a readership program that brings free national newspapers to campus. Media consumption nationwide has shifted consistently from print to online, but students here seem to crave easy access to both national and local news in print. If students really want national news in print, they should talk to VSG — not The Hustler. President Cara Bilotta has pursued a college readership program since her election but has made little progress. Despite our attempts to bring you the top national stories on page 2,

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### COLUMN

## AlcoholEdu fails to instill common sense in students

**AIMEE SOBHANI**  
Columnist

Earlier this week, hundreds of freshmen scrambled to finish Part II of AlcoholEdu, the program to inform students about the dangers associated with irresponsible drinking. But how much does this flawed program actually influence students' decisions?

Over 450 colleges use this online program in an attempt to educate incoming freshmen about the negative consequences of excessive alcohol use, and 750,000 people have completed the program nationwide.

AlcoholEdu is divided into two portions. Students must complete Part I, which includes a survey about drinking habits, facts about alcohol, methods to consume alcohol safely and self-evaluation of long-term goals, before arriving on campus. After a couple of weeks of experiencing college life, students then fill out another survey detailing their new opinions and habits concerning alcohol.

Obviously, Vanderbilt and other colleges that force students to participate in drinking prevention programs have good intentions. Hard partying can lead to legal issues, hospitalization and even death, and students need to realize making stupid decisions can land them in serious trouble.

However, these mandates really are not an effective way to change students' alcohol use.

Most students do not care about the program, seeing it as a waste of time.

"I barely paid attention," said freshman Will Colmer. He also said the program did nothing to change his ideas about drinking.

Students who don't drink do not see value in the program either.

"It's the most ridiculous program ever conceived," said freshman Jimmy Moore.

Forcing anyone to do anything does not usually have a positive impact. Vanderbilt's insistence on student completion of AlcoholEdu may actually cause them to ignore important information. Students just want to finish the program and take the test; they do not really care about the program's message.

Also, students cannot apply some aspects of AlcoholEdu to real situations. For example, the program stresses the importance of keeping blood alcohol concentration in mind, but monitoring blood alcohol concentration is difficult unless someone has a Breathalyzer that can actually test BAC. I think it's safe to assume most people don't carry a Breathalyzer around with them.

Though AlcoholEdu provides mostly useless information, there are some positive aspects to the program. It provides useful techniques that people can use to avoid blacking out and drives home the fact that alcohol affects people in different ways.

In addition, the program tells people how to deal with intoxicated individuals.

"The stuff about dealing with drunk people was pretty good," said freshman Maggie Wilson.

But most of the useful information on AlcoholEdu is really just common sense. And no matter how hard this institution tries, it cannot teach people common sense. People gain insight from real-life experience, not a three-hour computer module.

No matter how many scary statistics well-meaning drinking prevention programs throw at college students, it is not going to significantly diminish instances of irresponsible drinking. Drinking is woven into the fabric of college life; it's almost impossible to avoid. It's understandable the administration wants to protect students and ensure their academic success, but the decision to drink responsibly is a personal choice. Most people are steadfast regarding their decision to drink or not drink, and programs like AlcoholEdu are not going to change their minds one way or the other.

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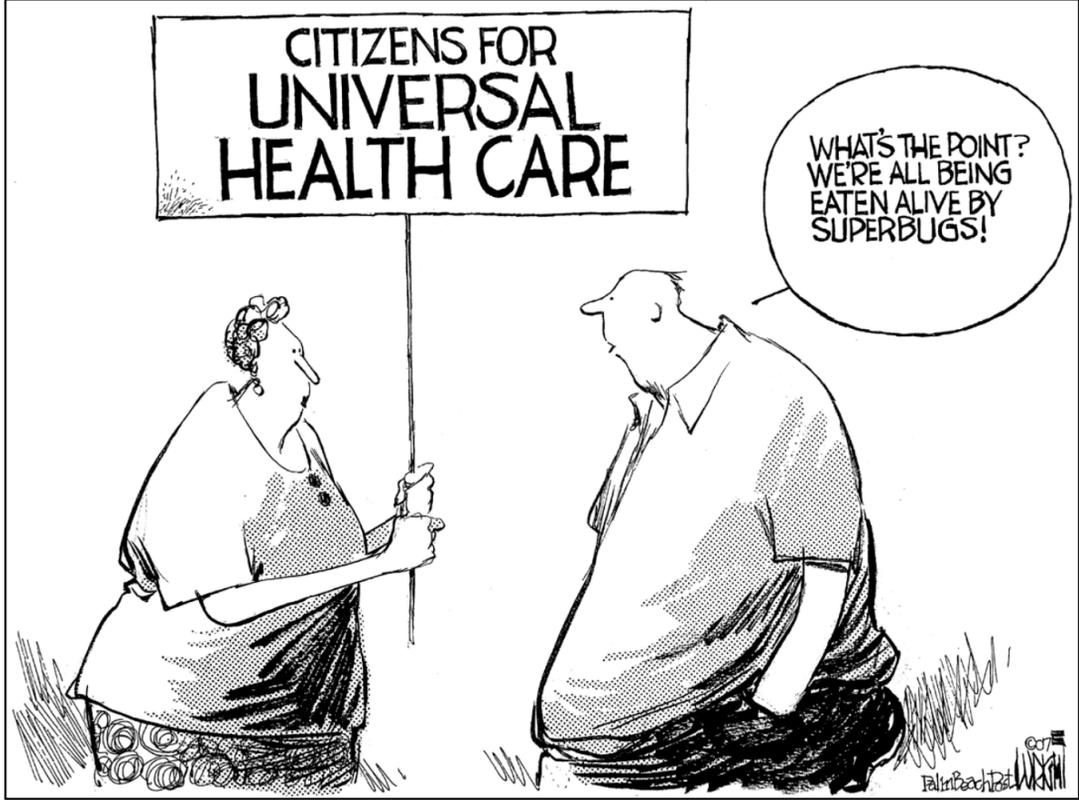
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### COLUMN

## Colbert can be president (and so can you!)

**MICHAEL MAIO**  
Columnist

In two years as the host of his mock news commentary program on Comedy Central, comedian Stephen Colbert has made a habit of rallying his audience of 1.5 million viewers to collective action on his behalf. In August 2006, when the Hungarian government opened an online poll to allow individuals to vote on names for a new bridge, Colbert directed viewers of "The Colbert Report" to the poll's Web site and asked them to stuff the ballot box. Within a day, "Stephen Colbert Bridge" was the leading vote-getter. Hungary voided the results when the number of votes on Colbert's behalf — 17 million — far exceeded the country's population. And just a month earlier, Colbert declared by fiat that the population of African elephants had tripled in the previous six months, and at his behest, scores of viewers flooded Wikipedia with edits to the "elephant" entry to reflect the new "fact."

It should therefore come as no surprise that Colbert now is asking his audience to help him out in the ultimate act of self-promotion: running for president. On the Oct. 16 episode of "The Colbert Report," he announced he will seek the presidential nomination

in both the Democratic and Republican primaries in his home state of South Carolina.

In playing a pseudo-populist, fact-averse cable news pundit in the mold of Bill O'Reilly, Colbert has managed to capture the zeitgeist of our political culture better than anyone else. In 2006, Merriam-Webster named "truthiness" — a word coined by Colbert during his show's premiere to denote gut feelings contradicted by objective fact — the "Word of the Year." And two days before last year's midterm elections, New York Times columnist Frank Rich pronounced, "(T)he defining moment of the 2006 campaign may well have been back in April, when Mr. Colbert appeared at the White House Correspondents' Association dinner." Colbert's performance, which skewered our "truthy" president and the credulous Washington press corps, fell flat among the audience of Beltway journalists but was a huge hit when the video of it circulated on the Internet.

Now, in his latest stunt, Colbert has pulled off a savvy bit of satirical jiu-jitsu: The mass media have reacted to Colbert's announcement like catnip, and in covering it, they have done nearly all the work in parodying their coverage of conventional presidential campaigns.

Colbert has been making the rounds

on numerous talk shows, including last Sunday's appearance on "Meet the Press," that venerable talk show whose interviews are normally conducted with administration officials, high-profile legislators and serious presidential candidates.

No doubt most hosts are simply humoring Colbert and his presidential ambitions. He is, after all, promoting his new book, "I Am America (And So Can You!)," and a glut of television interviews is par for the course for high-profile authors of new releases.

However, much of the speculation about Colbert's nascent campaign has been fairly straight-faced and un-ironic. Josh Green of The Atlantic reckons Colbert has the best shot of winning a delegate in the Republican primary, and he should focus his efforts on wooing voters in South Carolina's 1st Congressional District: "Besides being most likely to respond to the 'native son' gambit, the heavily conservative district's voters tend to be upscale economic conservatives rather than social conservatives." On Oct. 18, The New York Times ran a dry article about all of the Democratic and Republican Party rules Colbert would have to comply with to get his name on either party's primary ballot.

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COLUMN

# 'Free T.I.' Facebook groups do not understand what they represent

**MICHAEL POKU**  
Guest Columnist

I am perturbed every time I see an invitation to a "Free T.I." Facebook group, as if no one even bothers to take the time to read about the particulars of this pending trial before siding with one of the proverbial dichotomy of "teams."

The reality of the situation: T.I. is a fool who committed a foolish crime, and under our current justice system he ought to be punished. Period. I can understand the anger felt at the judge's refusal to release the artist on bail ... but that's about all I feel on the matter.

T.I. is a convicted felon (he was arrested for selling cocaine in 1997), and in the United States, convicted felons are prohibited from owning firearms. However, T.I. gave his bodyguard — actually an undercover witness — thousands of dollars in cash to purchase unregistered machine guns and silencers. When T.I. met his bodyguard to collect the weapons, he was arrested. Upon search of his home and car, authorities found the weapons, and T.I. was jailed.

Don't get me wrong: I wouldn't wish incarceration upon anyone because it is basically legalized slavery (which is a whole different issue), but if you are grossing as much income as T.I., and you put your entire life in jeopardy (before age 30) by partaking in

reprehensible, senseless acts (according to your individual and understood circumstance), at the very least you ought to have all of your assets taken from you and redistributed throughout the community.

The man was not a victim of gross injustice. He did not suffer from entrapment. He is not a political prisoner. T.I. has some efficacy when it comes to rap music, but the man has proved to be an unmistakable ignoramus. I've heard this incident used in the same sentence as the "Jena 6" case, and that is just crazy. When you conflate an issue as serious and pervasive as the one in Jena, La., with a matter such as the case in question, not only are your true goals diluted but also any footing attained may be squandered. If you want to discuss the underlying racial biases of the United States Criminal Justice System, then we can talk. If you want to discuss how our current economic policies are stacked against low-wage earners, then we can talk. But if you want to argue that convicted felon T.I. needed to illegally purchase these machine guns to supplement his already felonious and formidable arsenal, then I'm walking in the other direction.

Now T.I. is about to be a two-time convicted felon. To quote Ice Cube, "Three strikes, and you're out."

—Michael Poku is a junior in the College of Arts and Science.

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## MAIO: Jump on the Colbert bandwagon

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And finally, the Republican polling firm Public Opinion Strategies (a company whose name reduces to a rather unfortunate acronym) conducted a national poll showing Colbert with 2.3 percent support in the Democratic primary and less than 1 percent in the Republican primary.

What Colbert has achieved is something approaching a satirical nirvana — a state where the barriers between parody and reality dissolve, and the two meld together. During the Bush administration, especially after so many of the president's speeches about success in Iraq, it has become somewhat of a cliché to note that satire and real life are sometimes nearly indistinguishable. But usually that union arises through the darkly comic process of our political discourse moving toward farce. With Colbert, the movement is in the other direction.

To be sure, Colbert's mock candidacy isn't

without precedent. Comedian Pat Paulsen campaigned in nearly every presidential election from 1968 to 1996, placing a distant second behind incumbent Bill Clinton in the 1996 New Hampshire Democratic primary.

While Colbert's campaign isn't exactly pioneering, the Comedy Central pundit has so aptly injected himself into the political process that it's hard not to wonder if the run for the White House will mark the apex of his relevance. If the absurdity and unreality of our political culture that has characterized the Bush era comes to an end soon — and I hope it does — then Colbert's moment will pass.

For now, though, it's probably best to jump on the Colbert '08 bandwagon, enjoying Colbert's antics and seeing what happens if he wins a delegate or two in South Carolina.

—Michael Maio is a senior in the College of Arts and Science.

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## SPORTS

## A win for the ages

## Adams leads Vandy to victory over No. 6 South Carolina.

by JARRED AMATO  
Sports Editor

Quarterback Mackenzi Adams could not have asked for a more memorable first career start.

The redshirt sophomore completed eight of 16 passes for 123 yards and two touchdowns, while rushing for a career-best 84 yards as the Commodores (4-3, 2-3 Southeastern Conference) upset No. 6 South Carolina 17-6 Saturday afternoon in Columbia.

The performance undoubtedly cemented Adams' status as Vanderbilt's starter, ahead of junior Chris Nickson, who started the previous 18 games.

"He played well. He played within what we asked him to do, and he also made some big plays," said coach Bobby Johnson. "He made some big plays on the option runs and (threw) two touchdown passes. ... He's doing exactly what we hope our quarterbacks will do, and that's direct the offense, make the reads and make the correct throws."

One of Adams' best throws came in the first quarter. Sensing pressure from the left side, Adams stepped up to elude the rush and found George Smith in the end zone for a 22-yard touchdown to give the Commodores a 10-0 lead.

"We knew they were a great team and would have to come in here and play well to beat them, whether they were (ranked) one or 10 or 20," Adams said. "We just executed very well and played well all-around."

The sophomore signal-caller came through with another big third-down

play later in the first quarter as he hung in the pocket long enough to find wide receiver Justin Wheeler open across the middle for a 20-yard touchdown.

Adams was not perfect, however. He threw an interception near the end zone midway through the second quarter and fumbled on a third-down play in the fourth quarter.

"We came down here to win," Adams said. "You're not going to win by throwing little passes and running all the time. You've got to take some shots."

Johnson said he appreciates Adams' competitive nature.

"Mackenzi's a competitor," Johnson said. "He won a state championship when he was in high school ... (and) won two state championships in track. He likes to compete. He goes in there and plays hard, and we've still got some others to put in there if he gets hurt or gets tired or whatever. I was very proud of him. We feel good about our quarterback situation."

After waiting a year and half for his opportunity to lead the Vanderbilt offense, Adams proved he was ready.

"Mackenzi comes to practice wanting to get better every day, which a lot of our guys do, and they prepare themselves," Johnson said. "You've got to be ready for that moment if it ever comes, whether it's a promotion or somebody gets hurt. You've always got to be ready to play, and we try to emphasize that. Mackenzi's one of the guys who's easy to coach. He likes to play football, and he likes to practice football."

On Saturday, it was easy to tell. ■



Fullback Matt Bubis (32) celebrates with quarterback Mackenzi Adams following Vanderbilt's 17-6 victory over No. 6 South Carolina Saturday in Columbia. It was the Commodores' first victory over an opponent ranked that high since 1937.

COLUMN

## Dores make history

JARRED AMATO  
Sports Editor

Now that the dust has settled on Vanderbilt's thrilling 17-6 victory over South Carolina, let's put the performance in perspective.

- Before Saturday, it had been 70 years since the Commodores defeated an opponent ranked as high as No. 6. In 1937, they upset Louisiana State 7-6 in Nashville.

- The road victory was just the second in school history against a top-10 opponent. The first came in 1955 when Vanderbilt beat No. 8 Auburn 25-13 in the Gator Bowl.

- The Commodores' last regular-season victory over a top-10 opponent came in 1974 when they beat Florida 24-10 at home.

- Vanderbilt (4-3, 2-3 Southeastern Conference) has upset three SEC Eastern Division opponents away from home in as many seasons after beating Tennessee 28-24 in Knoxville in 2005 and silencing Georgia 24-22 between the hedges in 2006. Vanderbilt is a respectable 6-8 on the road since 2005.

- Vanderbilt beat coach Steve Spurrier for the first time in 15 tries.

The Commodore defense, which was flat-out ridiculous, also set some records against the Gamecocks.

- The last time Vanderbilt held an SEC opponent to six points or less was in 1994 when it beat Kentucky 24-6.

- The Commodores tied a school record with seven sacks, each by a different player.

- The Gamecocks rushed for just 26 yards and were a dismal one-for-12 on third down and zero-for-two on fourth down.

- At one point in the second quarter, Vanderbilt had outgained South Carolina, 169-35.

Vanderbilt's victory was about more than numbers, however. It showed what can happen when a team sticks together and continues to work hard even as those around it write it off.

After getting blown out by Auburn and falling in heartbreaking fashion to Georgia on Homecoming, it would have been easy for the Commodores to start doubting themselves. Yet, the losses just seem to have made Bobby Johnson's squad hungrier.

"I think it got us a little angry," Johnson said of last week's defeat. "It got us where we wanted to prove we can win those kind of games, when it gets close. I'm sure everybody was thinking we'd fold in the second half, but we didn't. We came back and played great. We might have played better in the second half."

It's hard to disagree. While the Commodores didn't score after the first quarter, they still managed to move the chains and maintain possession for more than 15 minutes in the second half. And with the defense playing so well, the offense had to know its lead was safe.

Vanderbilt may not be the fastest or most talented team in the SEC, but players like Earl Bennett, Jonathan Goff, D.J. Moore and Chris Williams prove these aren't the Commodores Spurrier ripped on when he left Florida to coach in the NFL.

"I'm not shocked at losing to Vandy," Spurrier said.

He shouldn't be. ■

## Dores ride defense to win in Columbia

## Gamecocks can't overcome four turnovers, seven sacks.

by NATHANIEL HORADAM  
Sports Reporter

A week after Georgia ruined Vanderbilt's homecoming on a last-second field goal, sophomore cornerback D.J. Moore made sure his South Carolina homecoming wouldn't turn out the same way.

Moore, from nearby Spartanburg, S.C., recorded two of the Commodores' three interceptions as they stunned the sixth-ranked Gamecocks 17-6 Saturday in Columbia.

"It feels pretty good," Moore said about the victory. "Besides that they're No. 6 in the nation, we're trying to get to a bowl game, and we haven't been there in a while. It's a big step towards that."

South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier played his usual quarterback carousel, switching between starter Chris Smelley and senior Blake Mitchell, but both were pounded all day by a relentless pass rush that combined for seven sacks.

"We had a feeling if we got in his face a lot we could get him uncomfortable," said safety Ryan Hamilton of Smelley. "He doesn't like getting hit. If we could just get him unstable in the pocket, things were going to turn out good for us. That was our goal; we knew it would work, too."

The game was over when, with just over two minutes



Sophomore cornerback D.J. Moore, a Spartanburg, S.C., native, reminded the Gamecocks why they made a mistake in not recruiting him more aggressively, as he recorded two interceptions and eight tackles in Vanderbilt's 17-6 victory Saturday.

remaining, South Carolina couldn't convert a fourth and one from its own 16-yard line, and the Commodores were able to run out the clock.

Vanderbilt raced out to a 17-0 first-quarter

lead, taking advantage of turnovers on the Gamecocks' first two possessions — a fumble forced by sophomore linebacker Patrick Benoist and a Moore interception.

From there, the Gamecocks

moved the ball on several occasions, but they never reached the end zone.

"I didn't want their offense to get rolling, and we did a pretty good job," said coach Bobby Johnson. "We got

some turnovers and just kept them off-balance a little bit."

Moore said he knew after the first quarter the game was over because the South Carolina receivers weren't running hard.

He said the defensive unit knew at that point all it had to do was stop the run, which had become a weakness in recent games.

It wasn't a weakness this time: The Commodores allowed only 26 yards on the ground.

Johnson, a Columbia native, said the game plan called for bringing at least five defenders to pass rush 70 percent of plays.

"We try not to give their quarterbacks a chance to sit back there and read," Johnson said.

Linebacker Jonathan Goff added the team's third interception with just over 11 minutes remaining in the game.

"I was kind of anticipating the little check down to the running back; it seemed like they were doing that a lot all game," he said. "Our D-line was able to get pressure on the quarterback and force that bad throw, and I was able to get there."

Not only was South Carolina the highest ranked team Vanderbilt has beaten since upsetting sixth-ranked Louisiana State in 1937, but also Spurrier had never lost to the Commodores in his stints with three different teams.

Moore, however, wasn't fazed by Spurrier's impressive record.

"It's my second time playing him," he said. "We're 1-1, though, so we're pretty even." ■

# Two Commodores earn SEC accolades

by DAVID RUTZ  
Sports Reporter

In the aftermath of Vanderbilt's biggest victory in 70 years, cornerback D.J. Moore and punter Brett Upson were recognized for their efforts.

Moore was named the Southeastern Conference Defensive Player of the Week on Monday for his two-interception, eight-tackle performance against the Gamecocks. The sophomore became the first Commodore ever to garner Walter Camp Football Foundation National Defensive Player of the Week honors Sunday. Upson received the SEC's Specialist of the Week award after landing six of his eight punts inside the 20-yard line.

"I'm very happy for both Brett and D.J.," said coach Bobby Johnson. "We received great effort and performances from our entire team against South Carolina, but their individual contributions really helped our winning cause. Everybody knows about how well D.J. did because he was making plays all over the field. But Brett's ability to pin South Carolina deep in their own territory was just as crucial to our success."

In addition to the individual accolades, Vanderbilt was named the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl National Team of the Week.

"I'm proud of the effort of our team," Johnson said. "They played extremely hard and tried to execute the game plan while they were out there. We didn't always do it, but the majority of the time we played extremely well. I thought we played extremely aggressive on defense."

**TEBOW TRIUMPHS IN HEISMAN DUEL:** Fans expected a shoot-out between the Kentucky Wildcats and Florida Gators when they squared off in Lexington for a key SEC contest. Heisman Trophy-candidate quarterbacks Andre Woodson and Tim Tebow did not disappoint.

The Gators won 45-37, but both signal-callers put up outstanding numbers in a game that featured over 900 yards of offense.

Woodson completed 35 of 50 passes for 415 yards and five touchdowns. Kentucky scored first, but the lead quickly disappeared. The Wildcats trailed the rest of the way, forcing Woodson to throw often in an effort to catch the Gators. Woodson capped an impressive day with his fifth touchdown pass as time expired, but by then the game was out of reach, thanks mostly to Tebow.

Although his passing numbers were not quite

in the league of Woodson's, the sophomore's one-man show was enough to lead the Gators to victory. Aside from completing 18 of 26 passes for 256 yards and a career-high four touchdowns, Tebow rushed 20 times for 78 yards and a game-clinching score near the end of the fourth quarter.

The Gators ran 63 plays for 427 yards; Tebow rushed or passed in 46 of them for 334 yards, accounting for more than three-quarters of Florida's total offense. Despite suffering a bruised right shoulder during the game, Tebow will be set to play Oct. 27 against Georgia.

**LSU GAMBLE PAYS OFF:** Down 24-23 with nine seconds to play on Auburn's 22-yard line and with one time-out remaining, the sensible move for Louisiana State might have been to run the ball and line up a field goal. After all, they needed the victory to stay in contention for the national championship.

But, like they have all season, LSU employed an unorthodox approach. Quarterback Matt Flynn threw a 22-yard fade touchdown pass to receiver Demetrius Byrd that sent LSU (7-1, 4-1 SEC) to a 30-24 victory over Auburn (5-3, 3-2 SEC) and revived their national championship hopes. Only one second remained on the clock after the pass, meaning the game could have ended with Auburn winning if the ball had been tipped into the air.

**HOGS BREAK THROUGH:** The disappointing Arkansas Razorbacks finally earned a league win, routing the Mississippi Rebels 44-8. Arkansas is the defending SEC West champion but almost certainly will not repeat.

Arkansas (4-3, 1-3 SEC), led by the potent attack of Darren McFadden and Felix Jones, rushed for 293 yards and led 28-0 at halftime. Ole Miss (2-5, 0-5 SEC) remains the only team in the conference without a league win and still has to face SEC stalwarts Auburn and LSU in the coming weeks.

**DID YOU KNOW?** In their 17-6 loss to Vanderbilt, South Carolina failed to reach the end zone for the first time all season. ... Kentucky has not beaten Florida since 1986. ... Alabama quarterback John Parker Wilson threw for a career-high 363 yards in a 41-17 pounding of Tennessee. ... Georgia needs one more win to become bowl-eligible for an 11th straight season. ... One game separates the first- and last-place teams in the SEC East with four weeks remaining. ■

## SEC POWER RANKINGS

Compiled by Jarred Amato

	<b>1. LSU 7-1 (3-0 SEC)</b> Kudos to Les Miles for going for the touchdown in the final seconds.
	<b>2. Florida 5-2 (3-2)</b> Tim Tebow showed why he is the frontrunner for the Heisman.
	<b>3. Alabama 6-2 (4-1)</b> The fact the Crimson Tide beat the Vols wasn't too surprising. How they did it was.
	<b>4. Kentucky 6-2 (2-2)</b> The Wildcats may have lost to Florida, but that doesn't mean their victory over LSU was a fluke.
	<b>5. Auburn 5-3 (3-2)</b> Tommy Tuberville's squad came oh-so-close to handing LSU its first home loss in 18 tries.
	<b>6. South Carolina 6-2 (3-2)</b> Steve Spurrier kept saying his team was overrated despite its No. 6 ranking. Looks like he was right.

	<b>7. Georgia 5-2 (3-2)</b> The Bulldogs have two weeks to prepare for the Gators. They still won't be able to stop Tebow.
	<b>8. Vanderbilt 4-3 (2-3)</b> The defense was dominant, Mackenzi Adams made more than enough big plays, and Vandy is now two wins away from becoming bowl-eligible.
	<b>9. Tennessee 4-3 (2-2)</b> Looks like it could be another long season for Phil Fulmer and company.
	<b>10. Arkansas 4-3 (1-3)</b> The offense got back on track against Ole Miss as it put up 44 points.
	<b>11. Mississippi State 4-4 (1-3)</b> Why would you schedule West Virginia as one of your non-conference games?
	<b>12. Ole Miss 2-6 (0-5)</b> I doubt that coach Ed Orgeron, who is the subject of Bruce Feldman's book "Meat Market," wants anything written about this season.

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