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METHODS and **MECHANISMS** behind the paper

We all pass the vendors on our way to and from campus, but how does the paper actually get made?

By JENNA WENGLER News staff reporter

The Contributor, the largest homeless paper in North America, aims to provide homeless Nashvillians with a means for finding permanent housing. In 2008. The Contributor had 25 vendors and sold about 5,000 papers per month. Now, there are more than 400 vendors who sell more than 100,000 papers per month. For every three people who sell The Contributor, one is able to find stable housing. But The Contributor isn't just about the statistics. Beyond the numbers, there are real people with real stories. Andrew Krinks, editor of The Contributor, as well as two formerly homeless vendors and writers, Gary "Moose" Ellison and Anita Smith, came to Vanderbilt to talk to students in Crawford House about The Contributor during Crawford's monthly "Why I Do What I Do" dinner on Tuesday. Krinks, Ellison and Smith shared their personal journeys with The Contributor. In addition to editing The Contributor, Krinks is a student at Vanderbilt Divinity School.

form relationships between homeless and non-homeless people in Nashville.

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After losing his construction job and

runaway and developed an addiction to alcohol. While she knew she needed to change, she felt helpless.

She said that she tried to start several businesses, but they fell apart because of drinking and abusive relationships. Smith wanted to do something meaningful, but she didn't

know now.

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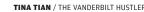
other people, but

people would say

Smith started

'You can't even

help yourself,'" Smith said.







- The Contributor was founded as a monthly paper in 2007.
- It is now published twice per month.
- *Ten paid employees work for The Contributor.*

• Vendors pay 25 cents for each paper. They sell the paper for a dollar plus tips, and they keep everything they make.

• Half of the money used to pay employees and produce the paper comes from the quarters the vendors pay for the paper. The other half comes from fundraising.

• All vendors are required to attend a training session. They must promise that while they are selling they will be respectful, not pressure people to buy, and not be on drugs and alcohol.

• Homeless and formerly homeless writers can write stories on any topic for The Contributor. Non-homeless writers must write about issues concerning homelessness.

According to Krinks, The Contributor has several main goals: to offer diverse perspectives on homelessness, to offer opportunities for advancement and to

his leg, Ellison began supporting himself by working for The Contributor.

Thanks to The Contributor, Ellison finally found permanent housing, but he still writes for and sells the paper.

He says one of his favorite parts about selling is all the different people he gets to meet and talk to. He does not have a specific territory where he sells, but he tends to sell around the Vanderbilt area.

"We're putting a face on the homeless," Ellison said. "I've been homeless. I've had it all, and I've thrown it all away. When I first lost my job, in the homeless shelter I was sitting next to an engineer wearing a London Fog jacket. It can happen to anyone."

Smith said she grew up in a problem-ridden home. She was a teenage

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Editor of The Contributor and Vanderbilt Divinity student

panhandling," Smith said. "This is a job, and you treat it the same way as any other job. Vendors look good, they are engaged with the community, they go to church, they interact with families."

Krinks said he hopes The Contributor will give people more respect for the homeless.

"They're not just needy hands and needy mouths," Krinks said. "Talking about them like that diminishes them to us. I try to put myself in their shoes, listen before I speak and not assume that I know what they need." Number of people without stable homes in Nashville

2,000 Number of homeless children in the city

1,500 Number of beds available in homeless shelters around Nashville each night

WHAT'S NEXT IN THE CONTRIBUTOR?

Cover story for the next Contributor: **"Get a Job!"**: Even holding down a steady job doesn't guarantee everyone an escape route from poverty. Introducing the history of the minimum wage and the fight to raise it – to a "living wage" – this issue's cover story explores the false premises of the words yelled from car windows at our vendors and others experiencing poverty and homelessness in Nashville. (From thecontributor.org)

17 again ... again

— from Vanderbilt News Services

For the fourth straight year, Vanderbilt University holds the No. 17 position on U.S. News & World Report's list of the best national universities.

Vanderbilt also earned nods on U.S. News' lists of Great Schools at Great Prices, undergraduate research and economic diversity.

Vanderbilt School of Engineering remained No. 34 on the list of engineering schools whose highest degree is a doctorate.

"Vanderbilt has remained true to its core mission of education and research during challenging economic times," said Vanderbilt Chancellor Nicholas S. Zeppos. "We are dedicated to preparing tomorrow's leaders to respond to society's greatest problems. These rankings are one measure of that commitment."

Vanderbilt shares the No. 17 overall ranking with Rice and Notre Dame. Harvard and Princeton share the No. 1 ranking.

The best national university rankings were determined by weighted measures of quality, including undergraduate academic reputation, graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, finances, graduation rates and alumni giving.

It's getting hot in here (according to professors)

By the year 2050, Tennessee will be three to five degrees hotter on average, according to a new report by a team of experts that includes four Vanderbilt professors, WPLN News reported on Tuesday.

Tennessee has already gotten two degrees hotter since 1950, and that trend is expected to accelerate in coming decades, according to the report. It could bring more extreme weather — droughts and floods, like the state has already seen in recent years.

Researchers say if water becomes a less dependable resource, it could stress power plants, even as demand rises for electricity and cooling. The report also warns higher temperatures could help disease spread and hurt air quality.

A Vanderbilt official told WPLN News the report was put together through volunteer efforts and spurred by the Vanderbilt Institute for Energy and Environment, which sponsored the release.

PEOPLE USE THE INTERNET TO CHEAT?!

Guys, Internet access has made cheating on schoolwork easier, and The New York Times is on it.

According to the Times, a recent study by Jeffrey A. Roberts and David M. Wasieleski at Duquesne University found that the more online tools college students were allowed to use to complete an assignment, the more likely they were to copy the work of others.

"Students are surprisingly unclear about what constitutes plagiarism or cheating," said Wasieleski, an associate professor of management.

Howard Gardner, a professor at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, said that over the 20 years he has studied professional and academic integrity, "the ethical muscles have atrophied," in part because of a culture that exalts success, however it is attained.

He said the attitude he has found among students at elite colleges is: "We want to be famous and successful, we think our colleagues are cutting corners, we'll be damned if we'll lose out to them, and some day, when we've made it, we'll be role models. But until then, give us a pass."

selling The Contributor in 2009. "This is not andling," Smith said. "This is

campus



VANDERBILT PROFESSOR WEIGHS

IN ON CHINA-JAPAN DISPUTES

By Charlotte Gill, news reporter

Territorial disputes between China and Japan over islands in the East China Sea are rapidly heating up. Tokyo's purchase of these islands from private owners triggered the departure of two Chinese patrol ships.

Professor James Auer, director of the Center for U.S-Japan Studies and Cooperation, weighs in on two points that the average student should know:

"Both Japan and China claim the islands. The Chinese state that their claim predates that of the Japanese," Auer wrote in an email to The Hustler. "However, they didn't say much about it until the early 1970s when surveys indicated there might be significant undersea oil deposits nearby which the owner of the islands could claim as territorial sea."

"The USA, a treaty ally of Japan, officially takes no position on the sovereignty issue. However, since the US returned "administration" of the islands to Japan when it returned Okinawa to Japan in 1972 (U.S. administered Okinawa from 1945 - 1972), the US cannot deny the islands are 'territories under the administration of Japan.' And the US-Japan Security Treaty of 1960 which is still in effect obligates both nations to act together in case of an armed attack on either in 'territories under the administration of Japan.' Secretary of State Hillary Clinton has affirmed this point repeatedly."

U.S. AMBASSADOR KILLED ON 9/11

By Tyler Bishop, senior news reporter

The U.S. Consulate in Libya was attacked on Tuesday, by a mob armed with grenades and guns, killing four U.S. diplomats, including Ambassador Chris Stevens.

The attack that killed Stevens – the first U.S. ambassador to die in the line of duty since 1979 – came on Tuesday's 11th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist strike and presented a new foreign policy crisis for the United States in a region trying to recover from months of upheaval. President Barack Obama strongly condemned the violence, vowed Wednesday to bring the killers to justice and

lence, vowed Wednesday to bring the killers to justice and tightened security at diplomatic posts around the world. — The Associated Press contributed to this report.

IT'S HERE

By Tyler Bishop, senior news reporter

Apple Inc. held an event in San Francisco Wednesday, Sept. 12 where it released its newest version of the iPhone – which, as expected, is called the iPhone 5. The iPhone is capable of faster data speeds and sports

ABSENTEE BALLOTS: your guide to voting from afar

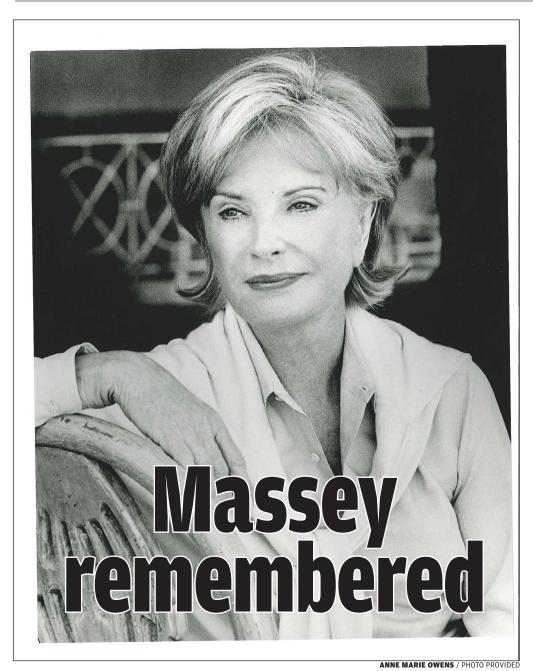
By LAWRENCE WALLER News reporter

Most Vanderbilt students won't be able to vote in person in their home states for this year's muchanticipated presidential election on Nov. 6. However, states do offer absentee ballots so that students and other travelers don't miss out on casting a vote in the election.

So, how do you cast an absentee ballot?

First, apply for an absentee ballot. You can learn how to contact your state's voting officials at the following website: www.canivote. org, a nonpartisan website run by the National Association of Secretaries of State that is recommended by Vanderbilt's Office of Active Citizenship and Service. Then, complete your absentee ballot and return it before your state's absentee ballot return deadline. Ballot request and return deadlines for several **key swing states**:

Swing States	Ballot request due	Ballot due
Colorado	Oct. 30	Nov. 6
Florida	Oct. 31	Nov. 6
Iowa	Nov. 2	Nov. 12
Michigan	Nov. 3	Nov. 6
Nevada	Oct. 30	Nov. 6
New Hampshire	None * Recommends requesting ballot one month early	Nov. 6
North Carolina	Oct. 30	Postmarked Nov. 6
Ohio	Nov. 3	Postmarked Nov. 5
Pennsylvania	Oct. 30	Nov. 2
Virginia	Oct. 30	Nov. 6
Wisconsin	Nov. 1	Postmarked Nov. 6



hosting of an annual dinner for student leaders. Born in New Haven, Conn., Massey grew up in Columbia, Tenn., where her father, Millard E. Queener, was an attorney. Her mother was Adeline Frierson Armstrong Queener. Massey went to Ward-Belmont Preparatory School and

a taller screen. Apple is also updating its phone software and will ditch Google Inc.'s mapping service for its own. Among other changes are revamped headphones, a lighter, thinner aluminum frame, a new connecting cord and new camera technology.

- The Associated Press contributed to this report.

CRIME CORNER

FRIDAY

3:55 a.m. – A person was arrested and cited for driving under the influence after being observed driving on the sidewalk.

9:29 a.m. – Eight students were arrested for drug equipment and narcotic violations after drug paraphernalia was found in Carmichael Towers I.

12:15 p.m. – A student reported a stolen bicycle. 5:40 p.m. – An intoxicated person was cited with a misdemeanor after being found lying on the sidewalk at the intersection of 24th and Pierce Avenue.

11 p.m. – A student was arrested for public intoxication at the Sigma Nu house.

SUNDAY

1:20 a.m. – A student was arrested for intoxication behind the Sigma Chi house after being seen throwing a trash bag at a vehicle.

2:20 a.m. – A student was arrested for liquor law violations public intoxication after being observed staggering on 21st Avenue.

3:20 p.m. – A student reported money missing from a wallet in Buttrick Hall.

Three students reported stolen bicycles.

MONDAY

Two students reported stolen bicycles.

WEDNESDAY

4:39 a.m. – VUPD issued a criminal trespass warrant after receiving a report of a suspicious person sitting on a bench.

Compiled by Tyler Bishop, senior news assistant

Board of Trust member passes away after 35 years of service

From a Vanderbilt University press release:

Alyne Queener Armistead Massey, philanthropist, community leader and longtime member of the Vanderbilt University Board of Trust, died Sept. 11 at her home in Nashville.

Elected to the Vanderbilt Board in 1977, she was named trustee emerita in 2003. She made a significant impact on the university through her leadership and philanthropy. She served on the Vanderbilt Heart Advisory Council, the Vanderbilt Kennedy Center Leadership Council and the board of the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. She also co-chaired the Vanderbilt University Medical Center's \$625 million portion of Vanderbilt's Shape the Future campaign.

"Through her devoted leadership and keen philanthropic vision, Alyne brought joy and hope to many," said Vanderbilt University Chancellor Nicholas S. Zeppos. "I will be eternally grateful for her deep love of Vanderbilt and for the myriad ways she empowered the university and lifted up our wider community."

During the launch of the Shape the Future campaign in 2003, Massey said, "Vanderbilt Medical Center has lifted the bar for scientific research and offered patients life-extending services along with renewed quality of life. Like an oasis in the desert, it provides hope and serves as a resource for patients and the persons who love and care for them."

In addition, the Alyne Queener Massey Law Library at Vanderbilt Law School is named for her. Her husband Jack Massey donated the money for the library in her honor.

Among her interests while serving on the Vanderbilt Board of Trust was the beautification of the physical boundary between Vanderbilt and Nashville. She served on the board committees for Student Affairs and Buildings and Grounds. A 1999 article in The Vanderbilt Hustler noted her interest in student life, including the and Science, where she majored in history and minored in English. Massey, a member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority, earned a bachelor of arts in 1948.

then enrolled in Vanderbilt's College of Arts

At one time Massey was a reporter for the Nashville Banner and a manager of what was then known as the Women's Division of Commerce Union Bank.

Massey was the widow of Nashville businessman Jack Massey, who co-founded Hospital Corporation of America and Kentucky Fried Chicken. She had earlier been married to Leonard Hearne Armistead Jr., editor of the Franklin Review Appeal, who died in 1971. Also predeceasing Massey was her sister Lucille Frierson Queener Courtney.

Massey was the first woman to serve on the board of Third National Bank. She also had been on the board of Volunteer Capital Corporation and was involved in numerous local and national philanthropic causes.

Massey was a lifetime trustee of the Cheekwood Botanical Gardens and Museum of Art. She helped found the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee and the Tennessee Performing Arts Center. She had served on the advisory boards of the Tennessee Performing Arts Foundation, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., and the Nashville Mental Health Association, where she established the Jack C. Massey Leadership Award.

She was a member of the Friends of Warner Parks, Colonial Dames of America, Garden Club of Nashville, Centennial Club, James K. Polk Memorial Association and Ladies Hermitage Association. Massey was a supporter of the Nashville Symphony, Outlook Nashville, Historic Nashville and Planned Parenthood. She was a founding member of the Tennessee Parks and Greenways Foundation and the Maury County Heritage Land Trust.

She had been a member of the board of directors of Blair House and the James Madison Council of the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. In Palm Beach, she was a member of the boards of the Society of the Four Arts and the Preservation Society.

She is survived by two sons, Leonard Hearne Armistead III and Robert Hunter Frierson Armistead; and four grandchildren, Stephanie Alyne Armistead, Massey Frierson Armistead, Anne Parkes Armistead and Lewis Addison Armistead V. She is also survived by her sister Elizabeth Myers Queener.

Visitation is scheduled Friday, Sept. 14, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Cheek Hall at First Presbyterian Church, 4815 Franklin Pike. A memorial service will follow in the church sanctuary.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Vanderbilt University Law School or Cheekwood.

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A day to remember

On the **11th anniversary of the September 2001** terrorist attacks on the U.S., Vanderbilt students and faculty remember the lives lost and the ones left behind.

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Towers elevators: One out of three worked this weekend ...

Why do all the fire alarms in Highland Quad keep going off?

Why is the crime log always so vague? This is important information I need to know!

Who decided to change the chicken tenders in The Pub? They were way better last year.

Buttrick is uncomfortably cold.

Where have all of the squirrels gone!?!?

If you smell and you sit next to me in class, it becomes my problem.

IDIOT ALERT!

An NBC executive apologized on Sept. 12 after The Today Show was caught skipping out on the 9/11 moment of silence at the White House in favor of a segment on the Kardashian family:

"Yesterday, we made an editorial call resulting in the Sept. 11 moment of silence not being seen. While we dedicated a substantial amount of airtime to anniversary events, we still touched a nerve with many of your viewers ... and for that we apologize.

WISH WE'D SAID THAT

@valleyshook on the Hawkins Field updates: "Vandy baseball has installed artificial turf. I fear for where America is headed."

@FakeRodgers (Not Aaron Rodgers): "Jay Cutler has led the league in interceptions more times than he's beaten the Packers. *#cutlerfacts*"



Love chicken? Support love

You can have your chicken and eat it, too



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o you like fried chicken? Do you also like equal rights for same-sex couples? If you answered yes to both these questions, you've probably had a confusing few months.

Many people have known for a while that Chick-fil-A donates to multiple Christian groups with anti-gay agendas. Everyone else found that out in July when Chick-fil-A President Dan Cathy made the unusually daft move of openly declaring Chick-fil-A's — that is, the company-at-large's — opposition to same-sex marriage. He actually said he was "guilty as charged." (Pro tip: for PR, never, ever, refer to yourself as "guilty as charged.")

Dan Cathy is entitled to his opinion. Obviously he has a strong one - not that there's anything wrong with that, as Jerry Seinfeld might say (ironically). The real source of this controversy is his association of the Chick-fil-A franchise with his own political beliefs. Which, again, as a family-run business owner, he is entitled to do. However, his remarks had the unfortunate effect of turning every chicken sandwich purchase into a political act.

So what is a staunch supporter of equality to do? Boycotts can be effective and have been in the past. Mayors from Boston to Chicago have threatened to ban the fried chicken franchise, ostensibly through zoning regulations. As reported in these very pages just last week, there have been students here at Vanderbilt agitating for a ban on Chick-fil-A at Branscomb.

Yet perhaps a boycott in this instance is not the best way to go.

Dan Cathy does not work at the Chick-fil-A down the block. At least, I'm pretty sure he doesn't (has anyone checked?). In any event, the vast majority of Chick-fil-As are operated on a day-to-day basis by someone who is most definitely not Dan Cathy, someone who probably would not even recognize Dan Cathy walking down the street. These thousands of not-Dan-Cathys may oppose gay marriage; alternatively, they may also support it, or, in certain states, be happily in one themselves. Unfortunately, a successful boycott would hit all of the not-Dan-Cathys just as hard, if not harder, than the actual Dan Cathy, which I do not believe is the protesters' goal. Sometimes politics has casualties, but it's better to look for a less

damaging alternative first.

There are also practical issues to take into account. If I were to only shop at businesses that had absolutely no questionable practices or beliefs, I would not be able to shop pretty much anywhere. Any company that supports Citizens United? Blacklisted. Even Whole Foods' CEO — yeah, that Whole Foods - has been on-record espousing views with which I strongly disagree. My wallet may be more full if I were to boycott any and all corporations I didn't like, but my dorm room would be virtually empty.

With these limitations in mind, is there any way to do a "heck of a lot more good than depriving Christian groups of \$0.0001 by boycotting Chick-fil-A"? Well, the author of that quote, D.C. activist and lawyer Ted Frank, found one by launching ChickenOffset.com. The basic concept is similar to carbon offsets: Even if you can't stop doing some undesired activity (burning fossil fuels, supporting anti-gay fast food) outright, you can do something else (planting trees, making a donation) to "offset" or make up for the original indiscretion. Frank's "chicken offsets" atone for one meal with \$1 and 10 meals with \$6, with proceeds donated to the gay rights group It Gets Better and the legal think tank The Williams Institute. He also recommends the more informal process of making a donation straight to the philanthropy of your choice, even though you won't get a cool printable chicken-offset certificate.

As Chick-fil-A is most likely in Branscomb to stay (at least on Fridays and Saturdays), Vanderbilt College Democrats will be trying to make the most out of this delicious-yet-intolerant situation by offering our own version of chicken offsets to be donated to pro-marriage equality organizations, here on campus. Look out for a few of our officers with collections jars the next time you wander into the Branscomb Munchie for your Southern-fried snack after a long night of debauchery - I mean studying. We may even try a more fancy setup later on in the year. Chick-fil-A indulgence need not be a source of guilt, because even if you love chicken, you can still support love.

- Michael Diamond

I am selfish. Sorry, not sorry

Personal growth might necessitate some downtime

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very single adult who found out I was going to college was quick to give me advice. Countless times I was told how I would make lifelong friends, how

I should study hard and how I should try all sorts of clubs. All of a sudden, every adult had become an expert on school, love and life in general. All of their advice had one common theme: self-improvement. Then I actually arrived here at Vanderbilt.

youth group; it is safe to say that I did at least two hours a week. While I enjoyed various projects from planting flower gardens to being a big sister, I feel as if I need a

> break. I am not saying that I do not want to do community service, but can I have a semester or two for a break? I do not understand how I am supposed to be able to give back when I have nothing to give. I thought college was supposed to be a time of self-discovery, of figur-

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Since I walked into my on move-in day, I have been

bombarded with community service announcements. I have received emails, seen booths at club fairs and found flyers on the back of lecture hall chairs. There was even a dedicated individual who took the opportunity to talk to my chemistry class when the professor was a few minutes late starting class. Vanderbilt's faculty, staff and even upperclassmen are all about community service. The fact that I go to a school that is so into giving back to the community gives me a sense of pride. Yet I feel as if the way the school has been going about recruiting could be seen as overwhelming.

As I am sure is the case with every other Vanderbilt student, I did a lot of community service in high school, whether through NHS, Beta Club or even my church

ing out who I am, for bettering myself. As a person unsure of herself, I feel like going out into a community I do not know is one of the worst things I could possibly do.

I feel like my first semester or even year here is the perfect opportunity for me to reevaluate myself, my interests and my talents. This new environment provides the perfect opportunity. No one is here to tell me who I am or what I can do. There are no preconceived notions; for the first time in about three years, my reputation does not precede me, and it feels wonderful. So please excuse me if I seem selfish this first semester, but I need to find myself while I still have a chance.

- Shelby Ramirez

What will \$100 million buy?

Politics can be a betting game for some



here are hundreds of creative answers to this question. You could buy 525 "average" US homes, 4,438 "Life is Good" brand or Tom's toothpaste after each had become cash cows. Here's a more tangible example: You could pay yourself over a million dollars a year for the rest of your life. I'd take that deal.

rest of my life with \$100 million. Here's another twist: You

have several \$100-million chips to bet with. Now you've got

to try the bet, at least once. You could net \$1.9 billion. Shel-

So far, Mitt Romney's SuperPACs have received \$36 mil-

lion from Adelson, and he said he'd give up to \$100 million.

Why would he give up so much? Mitt Romney is planning to

rewrite the tax code to give billionaires much bigger breaks

on taxes. In Adelson's case, those breaks add up to \$2 billion

more for him and his casino company. According to Seth

Hanlon's piece in Politico, a bulk of that would come from

removing taxes on income from Adelson's casino in China.

It's hard to say why we'd want to incentivize Chinese gam-

bling, but that's neither here nor there. People who might

care about the Romney plan even more than Adelson him-

self are his children. They stand to inherit an additional \$9

billion if the estate tax is to be gone. There's another group

invested in this — people making less than \$200,000 a year. Counterintuitively, for me at least, the Romney/Ryan

that probably should have a few hundred million dollars

don Adelson is in that position; he is taking the bet.

SKYLER HUTTO is a senior in the College nario: You have \$100 million, of Arts and Science and you can put it on a 50-50 and vice president bet. If you lose, it's gone. If of the Vanderbilt you win, you get \$2 billion College Democrats. spread out over the course He can be reached of the next four years. Would at skyler.b.hutto@ you take that bet? With those vanderbilt.edu. odds I might just walk away and live on the beach for the

Ford Escapes, over 400 Vanderbilt educations or 100 airplanes. You could've bought Firehouse Subs, the Now for a different sce-

You have 100 million dollars, and you can put it on a 50-50 bet. If you lose, it's gone. If you win, you get 2 billion spread out over the course of the next four years. Would you take that bet?

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plan asks those who make less to pay a little more. They have committed to remaining revenue-neutral, meaning that their plan should bring in as much money to the U.S. Treasury as our current tax plan does. In other words, a tax cut for millionaires and billionaires is probably a tax increase for you and your family. Since none of us is likely to graduate and fall into quarter-of-a-million dollar

salaries, this is probably a tax increase on you directly post-graduation. Where does the increase in tax rates come from in Romney's plan? It's well-hidden. Every number he talks about on the campaign trail is a tax rate reduction, but

he also plans to cut about 65 percent of current deductions, according to the Tax Policy Center. That's how the plan stays revenue neutral. The super-wealthy will benefit from decreased rates on income tax, the lack of an estate tax, and the deregulation of investment income. The average family also probably gets a "lower rate," but without deductions they'd be paying more under Romney than under Obama (side note: Obama slightly cut taxes on the middle-class).

So here we are. We have to choose. Will Adelson's \$100 million bet pay off? Do we want to pay for his family to become \$11 billion richer? It's not that successful families don't deserve the money they earn; it's that they should give back their fair share. It's one thing to work hard, build a company and accrue wealth. It's another to use that wealth to make the rich richer while reducing opportunity for the middle class. I hope that this November Adelson will lose his bet. I hope that next time he makes a \$100 million investment, it will not be in politics.

— Skyler Hutto

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CHECK THIS OUT!

Tongue 'n' Cheek will be performing this Friday, Sept. 14, from 7:30-9:00 p.m. Check out their first improv show of the year in Sarratt Cinema for free.



ULTIMATE TAILGATING PLAYLIST

By JACKSON MARTIN Sports editor

The easiest way to ruin a tailgate is playing bad music. Don't be that guy. Check out this playlist to be well prepared for any pre-game activities.

"It's Five O'Clock Somewhere" by Alan Jackson and Jimmy Buffett

Even if you're starting your tailgate at 8 in the morning for "College GameDay," it's important to remind everyone in your yard that it is, in fact, "five o'clock somewhere" and everyone needs to drink accordingly.

"Dixieland Delight" by Alabama

The key to a good tailgating playlist is finding a balance of songs that people will dance to and songs that people will drunkenly sing along to. This song hits both – provided your audience is adept at square dancing.

"Sweet Home Grammar" by Lynyrd Skynyrd vs. Nelly This mashup combines two classics. Enough said.

"Nothing But A Good Time" by Poison

No one likes depressing songs at a tailgate, so give your rambunctious crowd what they really want: songs about how much fun they're having.

"Jump" by Van Halen

When dancing on elevated surfaces, you might as well jump.

"Twist And Shout" by The Beatles

If played at the right time, this song will cause your tailgate to look (and sound) exactly like the parade scene in "Ferris Bueller's Day Off." And isn't that the ultimate goal of every tailgate?

"Just A Friend" by Biz Markie

This is without a doubt the best sing-a-long song in the history of music. Don't be embarrassed to belt out the chorus at ear-shattering volume.

"Wagon Wheel" by Old Crow Medicine Show

If you don't play Wagon Wheel at least three times during your tailgate, you've failed as a tailgate DJ.

Other tracks that every tailgate should include: **"Friends in Low Places"** by Garth Brooks **"Chicken Fried"** by Zac Brown Band

DON'T HAVE ANOTHER LAME WEEKEND.

From the last weekend of the **Tennessee State Fair** to the **Americana Music Festival,** there are plenty of events to get you out of the library this weekend.

By QUINCIE LI Staff reporter

and get a \$3 discount.

KELLY CLARKSON AND THE FRAY

Sept. 15 is the final chance to see Kelly Clarkson and The Fray's co-headlining tour at Bridgestone Arena. Alternative rock band Carolina Liar serves as the opening act for this dynamic pair. The Fray's newest album "Scars & Stories" was released this past February, so expect the band to play newer singles mixed in with hits like "How to Save a Life" and "Over My Head." Audience members are also in for a cool surprise as Clarkson performs a different fan-requested cover of a hit song at each stop of the tour. Covers that have already been performed range from Eminem's "Lose Yourself" to Carly Rae Jepsen's "Call Me Maybe."

AMERICANA MUSIC FESTIVAL

For \$50, Americana fans can get a wristband that will allow them to

13th annual Americana Music Festival, a four-day event that takes place at five different venues around Nashville. The festival started on Sept. 12 and ends on Sept. 15. For those looking for more student-friendly prices, tickets for individual venues are also available for \$15-\$20. This year's lineup includes numerous rising stars along with iconic artists, such as the Punch Brothers, Jill Andrews, Bonnie Raitt, Brandi Carlile, John Hiatt and Booker T. Jones. Individuals looking to learn more about the music industry can also network with professionals and attend different seminars during the daytime at the associated American Music Conference.

If you are interested in going to the Tennessee State Fair, this is the last weekend to do so. Wear some Vanderbilt gear on Friday night

AFRICAN STREET FESTIVAL

The 30th annual African Street Festival hosted by the African American Cultural Alliance (AACA) takes place from Sept. 14-16 and is a great opportunity to learn more about different cultures at no cost. The festival offers fun activities like arts and crafts and African storytelling, in addition to a variety of live music concerts. AACA has been working hard to broaden the scope of its featured cultures; expect to see African nations, Caribbean nations and North, South and Central America alike represented at this event.

TENNESSEE STATE FAIR

This weekend is the last weekend of the Tennessee State Fair, and for those who have not already gone, be sure to wear some Vanderbilt gear on Friday, Sept. 14 to get \$3 off adult-priced admissions. Being at the fair on Friday will also allow visitors to attend a free concert by the rock band The Weakenders and partake in an ice cream eating contest. Other exciting activities to do at the fair include watching a Kenya Safari Acrobats show, racing cars at the speedway, riding a pony at the Volunteer Village and watching live professional wrestling at the Nashville Fairgrounds Sports Arena

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Americana Music Festival, go to americanamusic.org

African Street Festival, go to aacanashville.org

Tennessee State Fair, go to tnstatefair.org

"Working For The Weekend" by Loverboy "The Boys Are Back In Town" by Thin Lizzy "Sweet Caroline" by Neil Diamond

See InsideVandy.com for the rest of the playlist.

ALBUM RELEASES OF THE WEEK

By BRITTANY MATTHEWS Staff reporter

The xx – "Coexist" Released Sept. 10

Retaining their signature mellow sound, the xx deliver "Coexist," an even more compelling album than their self-titled debut. This time around the tracks are enticing and the beats smoother. Romy Madley Croft and Oliver Sim make up a magnetic vocal duo over Jamie xx's mixing and producing prowess. The xx make heavy use of the echo effect, compounded with whispered, breathy lyrics and the sometimes unpredictable beats, like percussion-heavy "Sunset." The effect is a haunting, intimate and unexpected album, even better than anticipated.

Top Songs: "Angels," "Tides" and "Sunset"

The Avett Brothers – "The Carpenter" Released Sept. 11

"The Carpenter" is the Avett Brother's highly anticipated follow up to 2009's "I and Love and You." Even when they're making us cry, like with "Winter in My Heart," you can't help but love them. They're not perfect by any means, the vocals are occasionally rusty and the tunes a bit too similar, but that's part of their charm. It helps that the album was produced by Rick Rubin, who MTV claims was the most important producer of the last two decades. The Avett Brothers are extremely satisfying in everything that they do, and "The Carpenter" is no exception.

Top Songs: "Live and Die," "I Never Knew You" and "Winter in My Heart"

Dave Matthews Band – "Away From the World" Released Sept. 11

With "Away From the World," Dave Matthews Band returns to its roots. Instead of trying to recreate the sound of their last album, "Big Whiskey and the GrooGrux King," Dave Matthews Band returned to the sound of its earlier albums with "Away From the World." This is made even more obvious with the return of Steve Lillywhite, the producer of the band's first three albums. Dave Matthews is all soft, earnest croons and his band is just as amazing as they were two decades ago. As with all things Dave Matthews Band, its songs are better heard live, so the album doesn't really do it justice. Still, "Away From the World" is refreshing and calming.

Top Songs: "Mercy," "Sweet" and "If Only"

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> **By VANESSA XIAO** Staff reporter

"OUT OF THE CLOSET," RON SLOMO-WICZ

Saturdays from 2-5 p.m.

Airing for over twenty years, "Out of the Closet" has been one of the most popular and long-lasting talk shows in WRVU. The three-hour show consists of national news, local interviews and cutting edge electronic dance music from around the world. Ron Slomowicz, host of the show since 1992, was an undergraduate student in Vanderbilt when he started the broadcast. "This show changed my life," Slomowicz said. "Once a kid tried to kill himself, and I managed to dissuade him during my show. The kid's father then called me and thanked me to save his son's life. That experience is very impressive." Ron promises to continue to provide a diverse spectrum of information and news in his show.

"THE (OTHER) NASHVILLE SOUND," RYAN KULPINS

Tuesdays from 9-10 p.m.

"The (Other) Nashville Sound" mainly focuses on local Nashville music and artists. "The show will introduce a variety of Nashville local artists including both underground and established artists, leaning away from the popular country that Nashville is so known for and towards the alt/ indie rock scene," host Ryan Kulpins said. Tune into "The (Other) Nashville Sound" to learn more about Music City!"



Ryan Kulpins airs his radio show "The (Other) Nashville Sound" Tuesdays from 9-10 p.m.

"ATLANTIS TO INTERZONE," AYKUT IMER

Fridays from 8-9 p.m.

Different from shows that focus mostly on American music, "Atlantis to Interzone" offers its audience a one-hour music trip across time and space. Shows often share an array of musical genres, from French ambient to Brazilian soul to Turkish garage rock to Japanese indie folk to British neoclassical. Host Aykut Imer encourages audiences to expand their musical horizons. "Tune in on a Friday night to hear a refreshing blend of modern international music, some music you might not hear anywhere else," Imer said.

"BLUE MONDAY," PATRICK HECKETH-ORN

Mondays from 7-8 p.m. Airing for over a year, the popular "Blue Monday" plans to increase the diversity of its music this year. "I'm going to explore dance music that's influenced by New Wave as well as the roots of EDM," said host Patrick Heckethorn.

"THE GOLDEN AGE OF WIRELESS," MARALEI BUNN

Fridays from 4-5 p.m.

"The Golden Age of Wireless" provides an electric mixture of many seemingly unrelated elements, from yesterday's alternative rock to today's indie tunes to a variety of songs in between. The show blends the songs of all musicians according to mood. Maralei Bunn, host, hopes that the show can help students unwind after a stressful week at Vandy. "I want my audience to feel relaxed in my show," Bunn said. Let "The Golden Age of Wireless" be a sweetsounding prelude to your weekend! WRVU currently streams online at wrvu.org and on 90.3 FM HD-3. There are also iPhone and Android apps that can help you listen to the station on your phone.

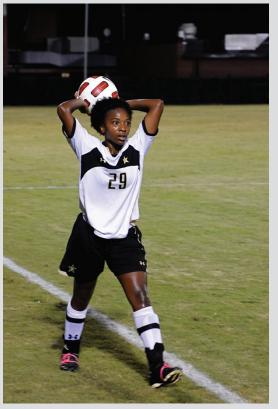
If you want to join WRVU and become a DJ, information about joining staff can be found at **wrvu.org**. General Manager Robert Ackley can be contacted at robert.c.ackley@ vanderbilt.edu.

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WHAT'S ON TAP



KATIE METZGER / THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER

Friday, Sept. 14

6 p.m. Women's soccer at Georgia UGA Soccer Stadium Athens, Ga.

Saturday, Sept. 15

9 a.m. Cross country at Commodore Classic Percy Warner Park Nashville, Tenn.

11:30 a.m.

Football vs. Presbyterian Vanderbilt Stadium Nashville, Tenn. COLUMN

No time to settle

James Franklin had sold estranged Vanderbilt fans on belief in his team prior to the season with a promising first year. After **two straight losses**, the head coach has drawn criticism from the fans who thought the days of settling for close losses were over, including **The Hustler's own Anthony Tripodoro**.

By ANTHONY TRIPODORO Sports reporter

I hold one adage above the rest: "A man is only as good as his word."

This maxim leads me now to question James Franklin, Vanderbilt's head coach. When Franklin took over the Vanderbilt

When Franklin took over the Vanderbilt football program, he promised, "No part of this program will settle. Everything we do will be about championships." At the end of last year's regular season, when the Commodores had just earned a bid to play Cincinnati in the Liberty Bowl, some went so far as to say Franklin had already made good on his Ole Miss, Army, Kentucky and Wake Forest. Not one of those teams finished the season with a winning record.

And what about all of those close games that Vanderbilt woulda-shoulda-coulda won? In accordance with standing Vanderbilt tradition, it's a long list: a 5-point loss to Georgia, a 3-point loss to Arkansas, a 5-point loss to Florida, a 6-point loss to Tennessee and a 7-point loss to Cincinnati in the Liberty Bowl. In games decided by seven points or less last season, Vanderbilt was 1-5. The lone win came against Connecticut.

This season, Vanderbilt opened its schedule against South Carolina and Northwestern and came up just short in both constants. A trend has emerged. than when somebody you love makes a promise and fails to keep it. When that person lets you down, he breaks your heart a little. And for all that James Franklin has already done for this school, I do love him. I think he's a fantastic leader and a master at recruiting. He puts everything he has into the football program, and the football culture has already changed drastically. But he still made a promise that he has yet to keep.

He can — no, he must — start by beating Presbyterian College this Saturday.

Presbyterian is actually an interesting little school. Despite having only about 1,300 students, it competes at the Football Championship Subdivision level in the Big South Conference. Presbyterian often plays Football

Sunday, Sept. 16

1 p.m.

Women's soccer at Tennessee Regal Soccer Stadium Knoxville, Tenn.

Around the SEC

Saturday, Sept. 15

11:21 a.m.

Louisiana-Monroe at Auburn Auburn, Ala.

11:30 a.m.

Presbyterian at Vanderbilt Nashville, Tenn.

2:30 p.m.

Texas A&M at Southern Methodist Dallas, Tex.

No. 1 Alabama at Arkansas Fayetteville, Ark.

5:00 p.m.

No. 18 Florida at No. 23 Tennessee Knoxville, Tenn.

6:00 p.m.

Western Kentucky at Kentucky Lexington, Ky.

Arizona St. at Missouri Columbia, Mo.

Mississippi State at Troy Troy, Ala.

Alabama-Birmingham at No. 8 South Carolina Columbia, SC.

6:30 p.m.

Florida Atlantic at No. 7 Georgia Athens, Ga.

7:00 p.m.

Idaho at LSU Baton Rouge, La.

8:15 p.m.

No. 14 Texas at Ole Miss Oxford, Miss. promise.

Less than two weeks ago, Vanderbilt buzzed with college football fever. Fans wore black and showed up early to Vanderbilt Stadium for the season opener against South Carolina.

The logic behind the hype was simple: The 2011 Commodores, in Franklin's first year as head coach, made a huge improvement from 2-10 the previous year, and all of their losses came against good teams, with several games being very close. Surely, this year's team would continue that improvement, and this time around, it would be on the winning side of the nail-biters.

Clearly, this has not been the case. The 0-2 start should compel last year's leading optimists to look back at last season a little more closely — at both the wins and the losses.

The Commodores beat Elon, Connecticut,

Vanderbilt only beats bad teams. When the Commodores play a good team, they might keep the score close, but they don't win. Ever.

If this pattern continues, then Vanderbilt will remain relegated to the modest ceiling prescribed for it by the rest of the college football world: a decent team that, while not as bad as before, still can't compete with the big boys.

So far, Franklin has not kept his word. It still doesn't look like everything Vanderbilt does is about championships. I have never heard of a championship team that consistently lost whenever a halfway-decent opponent tested it.

With that said, all is not lost. Coach Franklin still has 10 games remaining in the regular season, and there are plenty of opportunities for him to prove me wrong.

And I hope he does — nothing hurts more

Bowl Subdivision teams, such as Georgia Tech last weekend and Wake Forest in 2010. Its mascot is the Blue Hose, a Scotsman in a kilt with blue stockings. Presbyterian, a small private college in South Carolina founded in 1880, is one of the smallest schools to compete in Division I. Among its notable alumni is Roy Skinner, head coach of the Vanderbilt men's basketball team from 1961-1976.

To state the obvious, a loss against Presbyterian would be devastating for Franklin and the Commodores, to say nothing of the quarterback controversy it would stoke further. Quarterback Jordan Rodgers has not played well thus far, and another bad game could be reason enough to put in up-and-coming backup Austyn Carta-Samuels.

Coach Franklin, please don't let it come to that. Put one in the win column on Saturday.



Hañnah Jumper Cross country

Senior

annah Jumper

Hometown: Shreveport, La. Position: Defensive Back

The Vanderbilt Hustler: What's something interesting that most people wouldn't know about you?

Hannah Jumper: I used to play a lot of other sports; I didn't really start only running until junior year of high school. I played volleyball, I did basketball, and soccer also.

VH: Do you have any personal or team goals for this season?

HJ: I think our team goals are probably the most important. We really want to win SECs again, and it's on home court, so that's a huge goal for us. I just want to do whatever I can to help that.

VH: Do you have something that motivates you to become a better runner?

HJ: I guess I just enjoy pushing myself and seeing how fast I can run. I guess I'm somewhat of a perfectionist, so it kind of goes with the sport.

VH: Where do you see yourself in two years when you're a senior?

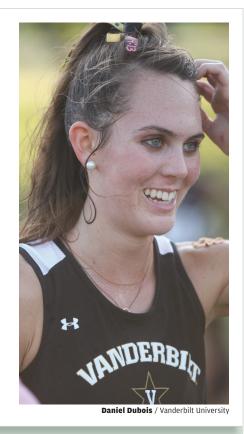
HJ: Hopefully healthy and running. But just leading our team with other girls. We have a solid sophomore class and so just all of us working together. Last year they were 6th at NCAAs, so hopefully we'll be up in the top three.

VH: Can you think of any big influences on yourself either at high school or at Vandy?

HJ: I'd say my faith is one. I'm a strong Christian and that's really important for me in my running and helped me get through last year being out for so long because I didn't run for five months. Then also just my teammates and coaches are huge influences.

VH: What can you tell me about rehab and getting back from the stress fracture?

HJ: That was a very stressful process. I was out for five months, and I had never been hurt before, so it was kind of like a shock. It just took a lot of patience and accepting that it was what it was and just coming back gradually. But I was able to get training in this summer, so that helped a lot.



VH: Have you ever thought about doing distance jumping?

HJ: I used to be a high jumper in high school actually at one point. I was Hannah Jumper the high jumper. I liked it; I was decent at it. It was in middle school and I got second at our city meet. It goes with the name.

by the numbers

Setting the table with cupcakes?

In defense of Vanderbilt's O-2 start during his Monday press conference, James Franklin defied reporters to find another team with a two-game stretch to start the season as difficult as his team's. Your wish is our command, Coach. The Hustler stacked up the SEC by the 2011 records of their opening opponents, and the results largely confirmed Franklin's point: Only Auburn tangled with power-conference teams in back-to-back weeks as the Commodores did. As for the outright title, Western Kentucky is no Northwestern, but a win is a win – especially in the eyes of Alabama fans.

> **Compiled by ERIC SINGLE** Editor-in-chief

Franklin, on Monday: "Let's be honest, too, guys: We have opened with probably two of the most difficult games. You guys do your own research, but I don't know if you're going to find another team in the country that's opened with two BCS opponents, one No. 9 in the country and the other one a returning bowl team that you're playing on the road.

People have to keep things in perspective. You look at what we opened the year with last year, and we had a great opportunity to build some confidence, start out 3-0. Our kids believed, the fans believed — we were able to get some really good vibes going and build on that. This year, based on some things that were scheduled a long time before I got here and some things that we had to do to kind of make some changes, we opened with the No. 9 team in the country and we went on the road the next week against a good football team. We're not as far off as people may think, and that's what we've talked to the players about. It's a little play here, it's a little more focus here and it's understanding that this is not going to be fixed overnight. It's a process."



First two opponents' combined 2011 records



Alabama: 18-7 No. 8 Michigan (11-2) Western Kentucky (7-5)



Vanderbilt: 17-9

No. 9 South Carolina (11-2)

Northwestern (6-7)



Auburn: 17-10 No. 14 Clemson (10-4) Mississippi State (7-6)



Mississippi State: 17-7 Jackson State (9-2) Auburn (8-5)



Texas A&M: 15-11 No. 24 Florida (7-6) SMU (8-5)



Ole Miss: 14-11 Central Arkansas (9-4) UTEP (5-7)





Like many teams, the Commodores often play lesser competition in their non-conference games, scheduling the likes of Army, Elon and Eastern Michigan in the last two seasons.

Top: Karl Butler attempts to sack Army quarterback Trent Steelman in 2011. The Commodores defeated the Black Knights by a score of 44-21. Army finished the year with a 3-9 record.

Left: Jordan Matthews eludes a tackler in Vanderbilt's 52-6 win over Elon in 2011.Matthews caught three passes for 58 yards in the season opening game. Elon would finish the season with a record of 5-6 while playing in the FCS Southern Conference.

Below: Zac Stacy breaks a long run on Eastern Michigan in 2010. Stacy finished with 90 yards and one touchdown on five carries in the Commodores' 52-6 victory. The win was one of just two all year for Vanderbilt and head coach Robbie Caldwell, with the other coming against Ole Miss. The Eagles would also finish with just two wins on the season, defeating only Ball State and Buffalo.





Missouri: 13-12 SE Louisiana (3-8) No. 8 Georgia (10-4)

Florida: 12-13 Bowling Green (5-7) Texas A&M (7-6)



Kentucky: 12-13 Louisville (7-6) Kent State (5-7)



LSU: 12-13 North Texas (5-7) Washington (7-6)





South Carolina: 11-14 Vanderbilt (6-7) East Carolina (5-7)

Georgia: 11-14 Buffalo (3-9) Missouri (8-5)



Tennessee: 11-13 North Carolina State (8-5) Georgia State (3-8)



Arkansas: 11-12 Jacksonville State (7-4) Louisiana-Monroe (4-8)

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