VANDY GAME DAY: VANDERBILT 67 KENTUCKY 65

Vandy beats Kentucky for fourth straight time.

by JAREDD AMATO
Sports Editor

Like junior guard Shan Foster, Vice Chancellor for Student Life and University Affairs David Williams had a good feeling No. 17 Vanderbilt would prevail in Sunday’s contest with Kentucky.

With the game close in the final minutes, Williams, along with other Vanderbilt officials, including Chancellor Gordon Gee, positioned himself in front of the student section to ensure that fans did not rush the court.

“[I]t kind of felt that, yeah, we were going to get this one,” Williams said following the Commodores’ 67-65 victory over the Wildcats in front of a cooperative Memorial Gym crowd of 14,316.

Foster, who scored 21 points on seven-for-12 shooting, said afterwards there was no question the Commodores would defeat Kentucky for the fourth straight time even though their first lead, 6-0, did not come until senior Derrick Byars hit a floater with 25.5 seconds remaining.

“Seven minutes looking up at the score with four minutes to go, and [even] with the game being as close as it was, there was no doubt in any of our teammates’ minds that we were going to win the game,” he said.

With the victory, Vanderbilt (19-9, 9-5 Southeastern Conference) moves into sole possession of second place in the SEC Eastern Division, while Kentucky (30-8, 8-6 SEC) drops into a three-way tie for third with Tennessee and Georgia. In addition to winning their 13th consecutive home game, the Commodores secured their first winning record in league play since 1997.

As well as Vanderbilt played in the second half to overcome a 32-23 deficit, it needed a halted bounce to save the day for the Wildcats.

Byars went to the front line with 25.6 seconds remaining with a chance to even the score at 65, but after making his first shot, he rifled the second attempt. Fortunately, senior Dan Cage was able to tie the ball back to Byars, who then hit an off-balance floater to give the Commodores their first lead, 65-64.

“[It was] the biggest play of the game,” Byars said, who scored 21 of his game-high 38 points in the second half. “I missed the free throw, and Dan Cage stack his nose in there and tapped it out to me. I was fortunate to get the ball back, and I just wanted to make a quick shot at 1. I saw Randolph (Morris) downtown, and he blocked my shot earlier in the second half, so I just wanted to get it up with good touch, and it went in.”

Foster recorded on a steal on the Wildcats’ next possession and made one of two free throws, giving Kentucky 0.7 seconds to tie or win the game. But Ramel Bradley’s shot rimmed the second attempt.

“I just made a quick play, got it to the rim and [my] fellow students, it is clear that those individuals who did not apply to the student senate would be more contested but does not think the lack of candidates reflects poorly upon VSG.

“For the first time in who knows how many years, every position in the student senate will be filled,” he said. Furthermore, we have many candidates who are returning from this past year’s senate, council representatives who are running for council president, and committee members and co-chairs who are running for senate as well.

SGA President Brooke Lancaster said higher quality candidates are running for positions this year, but it is true that the numbers are much smaller than usual for the senate race.

“While it would have been ideal to see more people answer the call to represent their fellow students, it is clear that those individuals who did decide to run for

Students decide for sick children

Marathon raises $163,915

by JAYSON KIM

Students, faculty, and staff ran to raise money for the Vanderbilt Children’s Hospital’s annual “Marathon” on Sunday night. 

The event, which took place on the Commodore Course and north parking lot, is a 5k race that raises money for the hospital.

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Program offers hands-on business training

Information session to be held tonight in Averbuch Auditorium.

by ELLIE ATKINS

Senior Business major, Mason said he applied to the program to discover if he really wanted pursuing business, especially because Vanderbilt does not offer a business major.

Mason said three hours of each day were spent towards classroom learning, while the rest of the time students participated in multiple experiential learning projects, which included working on consulting solutions for Dodge.

“[It’s] an internship on steroids,” Mason said. “We were always running and always doing something.

It was a combination of the stuff we learned in the classroom and then being able to apply it to real world situations with real companies.

The experience was unique in that it gave us the opportunity to work with real companies. The students who participate in the program are the most talented of them all and are eager to be challenged. Until the moment of the competition, the students will not know which company they are working for.

Fifteen corporations participate in each summer session. Past corporations included prominent companies such as Ford Motor Company.

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WHAT’S NEW ON
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Iranian leader Ahmadinejad compares nuclear program to train without breaks

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad Sunday said his country’s nation-al nuclear programme is like a train without brakes or a reverse gear, prompting Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice to respond that Iran needs “a stop button.”

The comments came as senior officials of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council — Britain, the U.S., France, China and Russia — and Germany prepared for an emergency summit in London on Monday to discuss increased international pressure on Iran to suspend its nuclear activities.

The International Atomic Energy Agency last week reported that Iran had ignored a U.N. Security Council ultimatum to freeze its nuclear programme and instead had expanded the program by setting up hundreds of new centrifuges, Iran has refused to halt enrichment as a pre-condition to negotiations about its nuclear programme.

“The train of the Iranian nation is without brakes and a reverse gear,” Ahmadinejad said. “This is an example of gathering of Islamic clerics.” “We dismantled the rear gear and brakes of the train and they are thrown among ourselves,” Rice responded by saying “they don’t need a reverse gear. The train is moving.

The U.S. has said it has no plans to strike Iran militarily but has also refused to rule out any options.

Israeli troops raid largest West Bank city, put Nablus citizens under curfew

Dozens of Israeli jeeps and armored vehicles poured into Nablus overnight Sunday, placing large areas of the city under a blanket of curfew and on Monday, government officials planned to lay down a train track in one of the largest West Bank military operations in modern times.

The army also took over local television and radio stations, ordering people to remain indoors and scattering residents that the clampdown would remain in effect for several days, Palestinian residents said. Two soldiers and several Palestinians were wounded in the violence.

An Israeli military spokesman said the operation was aimed at uncovering a terrorist network.

“The raid came a day after Israeli troops discovered an explosives laboratory in the city. Nablus, the West Bank’s largest city and commercial center, is known as a stronghold of Palestinian militants.

Palestinian officials condemned the raid, saying it threatened President Mahmoud Abbas’ efforts to restart peace talks.

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AASA ushers in Year of the Pig

Weekend cultural show celebrates Asian New Year.

Students perform the Malay Dance during the Asian American Student Association’s Asian New Year Festival Saturday evening in the Student Life Center. The dance incorporated a combination of two traditional dance styles: the Inang and the Dikir Barat.

Student dancers perform the Battle Hip Hop performance at the Asian New Year Festival sponsored by the Asian American Student Association Saturday night.

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VSG: Positions to take on ‘a lot more importance’

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office have the drive and dedication to fulfill the new increased roles of the VSG senate,” Lancaster said.

In the new structure of VSG, senators will hold much more importance than SGA senators, with each VSG senator taking on the commitment of a current SGA vice president, Anderson said.

Anderson said he expects an experienced VSG senate that will be able to energetically pursue student interests.

“The biggest difference and advantage of the new senate will be that it is a smaller, more potent group of student leaders who will be able to bring a new focus and drive to the VSG senate,” Lancaster said.

With a smaller group, the accountability of each of the members is higher than ever, he said.

While Anderson said there are a number of reasons that senate candidates decided to run for other positions, he said the “intense time commitment” required may be the main justification, as “positions in VSG are taking on a lot more importance than they had previously under SGA and Nashville Ball.”

Anderson said other reasons for the decrease in candidates include the fact that some former senators were more interested in the administrative areas of student government, such as publicity and finance.

He also said he thinks many would-be candidates have opted to run as dorm presidents in the fall.

With the election of the new senate, Anderson said that, as speaker, he plans to pursue different initiatives to make the current body the most effective student senate in the history of student government at Vanderbilt.

“I want to increase the transparency of the senate, increase the interaction between senators and the student body, and ultimately strengthen the voice of students on this campus,” he said.

OWEN: Deadline April 16

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national and local companies such as Dodge and the Nashville Sounds.

Peabody sophomore Leigh Taylor already applied to the program.

“It’s a great opportunity to network with Vanderbilt business alumni and other companies that are well established in Nashville,” she said. “I’m looking to get some hands-on experience and learn what it’s like to work with a team in the corporate world.”

This summer’s program will run from May 26 to June 24. Applications will be accepted for the early application deadline until Feb. 28. Second round applications are due April 16. Students are asked to RSVP to tonight’s program by e-mailing accelelator@owen.vanderbilt.edu.

The Office of Student Organizations and Governance announces the new Spring Student Organization Registration Process

Renew your organization’s registration for the 2007-08 Academic Year between March 1 and April 1 at http://www.vanderbilt.edu/studentorganizations.

Registration affords you the following opportunities:

✓ Free web-space
✓ ListServ assistance
✓ Your organization listed on our website
✓ Access to free meeting rooms on campus
✓ Access to AccFees funding
✓ Access to free publicity
✓ Participation in Student Organization Fair
✓ Budget assistance
✓ Accounting assistance
✓ VU community knows who you are

You must complete the process before signing up for the Student Organization Fair and standing reservations with the Office of Schedules and Reservations. The registration process is not complete until you fill out the on-line form, review authorization form, signatures page, and submit a current constitution.

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The reputation of DePauw University’s chapter of Delta Zeta has suffered tremendously of late, ironically because the sisters and national officers wished to improve its bonds of sincere and lasting friendship, to stimulate one another in the pursuit of knowledge, to promote the moral and social culture of its members, and to develop plans for greatness and unity in action.” Note that “accomplishing very thin girls in order to seek MBS degrees for members at the expense of building up any sort of true or meaningful sisterhood” is not, in fact, a value which the sorority was founded.

While we recognize that any organization will make mistakes about its image, and that these concerns are often valid, Delta Zeta completely breached their own image in the print media. No organization should be using its talented and dedicated members in favor of those only superficially受益ing. If Delta Zeta had escaped scrutiny for its actions, it is likely they would have admitted more members than in past years. But what would these members share? They would not be in it together by common interests or common values, but instead by the fact that they seemed physically attractive to one of DePauw Zeta’s national officers. How does one build a friendship on such a base when the book of shared values and sisterhood remains absent?

To the Editor:

Is anyone else as frustrated as I am by the blue IMAGE Week fliers taking over the campus? They are plastered all over my dorm and the girls’ bathrooms and are quite obnoxious floating in my nervous.

The first thing that comes to mind, the first being, “Why is it a subjective concept?”. Though quite possibly true, this statement is only true if you take it to mean something as being objectively subjective. This is self contradiction because if beauty is indeed subjective, objective statements should not be made. You are going to make fliers with a bland, at least make sure the claim does not come on its own.

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I have been abroad in Germany for less than a month, and already Regensburg has taught me just as much about my own culture as it has about German culture. The differences between big-city Berlin and small-town Regensburg are so pronounced that even native speakers of German like myself are entertained to discover the disparity between New Yorkers, whom I still firmly call Yankees, and Southerners, such as myself, who have a sweet tea-drinking self. It definitely is not just East and West Germany anymore, and it never really was.

Even though I had already spent a summer abroad in Berlin before committing to a full-time job market here, the differences in dialect, culture, slang and the right word for bread were facets of Bavarian culture I certainly was not prepared for. There is nothing more embarrassing than asking for Brot and getting Semmeln instead. They are the same thing, but I also received a scowl for failing to “Gruess Gott” (greet God) on my way in. Needless to say, I found a new bakery.

A few things carried over from Berlin, such as the basic structure of the bus system and the learning curve concerning the three or four receptacles the Germans like to use for recycling. Different parts of yogurt containers go in different bins, broadly does not help to have a dilemma over garbage when you are late for the painstakingly punctual bus.

But the most eerie feeling was the realization of Bavaria as a home. “Southern” Bavaria feels, and, in retrospect, how “Northern” Berlin felt. Not just geographically, but culturally the prevalence of Catholics here is comparable to the population of Southern Saxons in the American South. The one-inspiring public transportation in Berlin reminded me of New York, but admittedly my experiences above the Mason-Dixon Line are limited and mostly based on the impressions of Wheaton and Wesleyan students in my program. Socially, the South is more conservative here as well. I have yet to stumble across a homosexual couple or even a gay bar, yet in Berlin I found myself one day walking smack into the Christopher Street Day parade, and on occasion rounding the corner to see a circle of kids passing a joint. The worst I have seen in Regensburg is the usual crowd of drunken teenagers, and even they get a disapproving look from passersby.

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**WHAT 2 WATCH 4**

Upcoming Events

**Men's Basketball**

No. 12 Georgetown at No. 4 Pittsburgh in the Big East at 4 p.m. CT

ESPN

The Hoyas (25-5, 12-2 Big East) appear to be the heir apparent to the uber-athletic Musketeers. Georgetown is playing great basketball and should be one of the standout teams in the Big East this season. If the Hoyas can continue to hold on to edge Providence over the weekend to put themselves in position for a tourney bid, Prediction: Georgetown 70, Syracuse 61

**Men's Basketball**

No. 7 West Virginia at No. 6 Pitt Tuesday at 8 p.m. CT

ESPNU

This one could be interesting. West Virginia has lost its last two out against Providence and Pittsburgh dropped to 8-9 after falling to Georgetown. The Mountaineers have five of six sets of seats full and fans from home, meaning the Mountaineers will be the favorite in this one. Prediction: West Virginia 66, Virginia 62

**Men's Basketball**

Brigham Young at No. 25 BYU Tuesday at 9 p.m. CT

ESPN

The Cougars are coming off a 62-59 loss to No. 12 Xavier. BYU (11-2, 1-0 WAC) is in the thick of the WAC race. Prediction: BYU 63, No. 25 BYU 58

**Big-shot Byars continues to amaze**

by JARRED AMATO

Sports Editor

As Vanderbilt players headed to the bench for the under-four minute timeout, it would have been easy to become frustrated. Not only had Ramel Bradly just nailed a 3-pointer from the wing, a 62-59 lead, but he was fouled on the play, meaning the Commodores had to extend the margin to four. Forsooth, they caught their wind and prepared for the final three minutes and 29 seconds, the Commodores improved to 9-5 in SEC basketball all-time when leading by at least four points. After Byars' four-pointer, Byars and junior Ross Neftz made two free throws apiece to even the score at 65.

Later, it looked as though junior Shan Foster was going to be the Commodores' first lead of the game, 73-71, before he went in and out. The Commodores came down and scored on their next possession when Robby Perry put back a Randolph Morris miss. De-Fense!

The Commodores were down more than a minute left, Byars attacked the basket and got a foul. Ball slowly works the first before coming up short on a go-ahead shot. That's when the Commodores' highest ranked Cussman shot in there and kept the ball alive.

"Our 6-foot-4 inch power forward got in there and got his hand on it and tapped it down. 25 seconds remaining.

Although Vanderbilt came to within one point with 1:45 left in the game, Kentucky appeared to have all the answers. "It seemed like as hard as we played defensively offensively, we kept looking at the scoreboard and we were still down nine. The lead is out of reach," said senior Derrick Byars, who scored a game-high 26 points.

Slowly but surely, the Commodores closed back. "It took them a while, but they were four minutes of the game, we feel most comfortable in that," Byars said.

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The Commodores, 13-0 at Memorial Gym, outscored Kentucky 32-13 in the second half.

"It's a fine difference, especially with two games remaining," said coach Kevin Stallings.

"I think our team has been pretty good this year in the stretch run of games," Stallings said. "I think that's been a strength of ours, and (Sunday) was no exception."

When you look to explain how the Commodores were able to beat Kentucky four consecutive times, it is not because of talent.

"Every time we play them it's a close game," said Neftz, who has never lost to Kentucky in five games, exactly as going to back-to-back-to-back-to-back-to-back.

"We're two very, very similar teams," Stallings said.

"The difference is we're getting more experience at the end of the game," Stallings said. "That's plain and simple.

As for why the Commodores are so successful down the stretch, it boils down to confidence, experience and effort.

Foster said he knew they were going to win because, having done it many times before, they knew what take. He could not have been more wrong.

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**THE TRUTH**

Just before Shane Foster famously tipped out the Commodores' best performance Sunday, scoring 21 points on efficient seven-for-12 shooting, he was held to two points on one-for-five shooting.

"In the second half, I guess we just did it," Foster said. "We really only scored four points in the first half. We scored 21 in the second half, and we can't be beat."

"I think we started to really beat them in the second half," Foster said. "I think we played a lot better in the second half than we did in the first half."

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**BLACK OUT**

When he asked if he ever remembered winning a game in which the opposing team shot 58 percent from the field, coach Kevin Stallings said, "No, I don't. When asked if he ever remembered losing a game in which his team shot 58 percent, Stallings said, "No, I can't even think of a lot of games."

"Defensively we're probably pretty good. We can at them and trap them and force them to take the shot, but if we don't want to try and keep them off balance because we felt like we could get away with it if we were solid defenively."

Junior Ross Neftz's performance stood out, as he limited Kentucky's leading scorer Randolph Morris to just four points on one-for-five shooting.

There are many reasons the Commodores have won 13 straight home games, including all seven in Southeastern Conference play. The recipe are a few of them.

A week after leading Vanderbilt to a "white out" of Florida, the crowd helped "black out" Kentucky Sunday. Vice Chancellor for Student Life and University Affairs David Williams said he thanks the fans for not coming in with the usual "white out".
Men’s tennis beats crosstown rival

The Vanderbilt men’s tennis team followed a 4-3 upset over No. 23 Clemson with a 5-2 victory over crosstown rival Middle Tennessee State Sunday.

The Blue Raiders (7-4) swept the doubles point, but the Commodores (5-1) won five of the six singles matches to take the match. The clicking match fell as No. 3, where sophomore Miki Grzybowska defeated No. 100 Rebecca Hidlik for her first ranked victory of the season. The two competitors exchanged 6-7, 6-0, but Grzybowska nailed a 6-4, 6-4 set victory to clinch the Vanderbilt match win.

Vanderbilt will face Furman on Feb. 27 before beginning the SEC season against Alabama and Arkansas on March 2nd in Nashville.

Women’s tennis takes two

The Vanderbilt women’s tennis team followed a 5-2 upset over No. 3 Georgia Tech with road victories against Brown and Harvard over the weekend.

The No. 25 Commodores (5-0) defeated Brown 5-2 Saturday after sweeping the doubles point and taking wins at No. 1 through No. 4 singles. Vanderbilt was able to advance to the following day with a 5-2 victory over No. 24 Harvard.

Vanderbilt will have four days to prepare for the conference season against organzied outfits in Florida.

Against the Bears, Amanda Taylor, Amanda Fish, Taka Betrand, Vineetha Surendran and Liberty Hicks won all seven matches.

Women’s lacrosse falls to defending national champ Northwestern

The Commodores were outscored 13-0 in the first half before junior Ali Lemons scored the second goal of the game for the Commodores at the Music City Classic.

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Vandy tripped up by Vols

Despite the loss, the Commodores (24-5, 0-2 league) have a very good team, and I can be very, very confident in this team, I can’t tell you."

Melanie Balcomb. “We’re very comfortable since I’ve been at Vanderbilt,” said coach Tim Corbin, who improved to 7-0 in NCAA Tournament play.

Balcomb’s confidence impressed even coach Tim Corbin, whose No. 1 Commodores improved their record to 48-0, their best start in team history.

“[Flaherty] is a special kid,” Corbin said. “He doesn’t feel pressure. He told us beforehand that he was going to be fresh and then went on and did something.”

Although Flaherty’s homerun certainly made the Commodores perfect, “It felt pretty good to run that sign in right-center field and circled the bases with his name on the line,” said coach Tim Corbin.

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Sunday’s victory completed a perfect weekend for the Commodores at the Music City Classic.

The Commodores pounded 16 hits against Ball State on Saturday afternoon, hammering the Cardinals 15-3. Designated hitter Kurt Lindsay led the Commodore parade with his three hits, while sophomore starter Nick Christianson struck out a career-high nine batters over six innings of work to earn the victory.

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“We’ve been shooting so well, we’ve been beating shooting records. When we get hot, we can do some damage,” said coach Tim Corbin.

“Honestly, I had some really good looks early. We missed layups, and then that became contagious,” Balcomb said.

Knoxville on Sunday.

As Tennessee coach Tim Corbin points out, Commodore starter Brett Jacobson lasted only two and one-third innings, surrendering five runs on nine hits, striking out four and walking three of the Eagles.

“We’ve been really, really well. Cara does what she does, and that’s what she brought (Sunday),” Balcomb said.

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5 Big stinger
9 Beat it!
14 Flapjack chain
15 Foot structure
16 Fountain of three coins
17 Unnamed source
19 Madras money
20 LBJ’s VP
21 Ducklike birds
22 Embellish
23 Part of speech
24 Near the center
26 Play text
29 Desert Storm missile
30 Def mil. grp.
33 Suspension of hostilities
34 Salome’s costume
35 Period
36 City on the Tiber
37 Venetian byway
38 New tube
39 Year in Uruguay
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