

Homecoming celebrations dominated campus ...

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Lucius Outlaw Jr. discusses reactive politics and hate on:



Tennis player Ryan Preston's role on the team was not what he expected it to be. For more, see **Sports**, page **8** 





TODAY'S WEATHER

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# THE WALL

compiled by REBECCA TYRRELL

#### **THIS WEEK**

**VANDiversity Week** Stop by the Wall today from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to learn about VANDiversity Week. Events include the first closet conversation of the year, "Gods and Gays;" a brown bag lunch discussion examining prejudices; and an interactive group discussion about

#### **TODAY Kennedy Center** lecture

processing tough

issues and making

choices.

The Kennedy Center is sponsoring a lecture titled "Of monkeys and men: What can the former tell us about the perceptual development and experience of the latter?" by David Lewkowicz, a professor of psychology at Florida Atlantic University. The lecture will be held in the Kennedy Center, Room 241 from 4:10 to 5 p.m. and will be followed

#### **TODAY AND TUESDAY Election Alliance**

by a reception.

A discussion and planning session for the Iowa Caucus rolling seminar will take place from 4 to 5 p.m. today in the Community Partnership House; a meeting on the issue awareness campaign about the War in Iraq will take place Tuesday at 7 p.m. in

#### **TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY**

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# **Clothesline Project**

Women and men impacted by violence are encouraged to express their emotions by decorating a shirt. Peer Educators, a student group, will be outside of Rand and at the Margaret Cuninggim Women's Center.

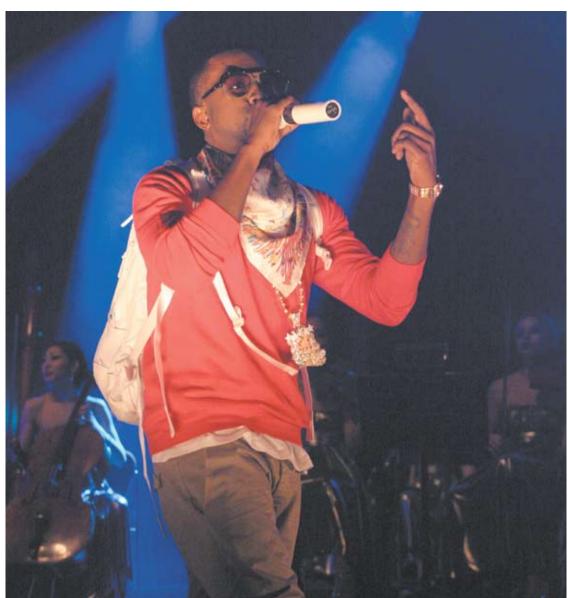
#### **TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY**

# **Cookies on the Wall**

Vanderbilt Students for Students will sell cookies for \$1 on the Wall Tuesday through Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Funds will be used for college scholarships for underprivileged high school students in Nashville.

See http://calendar.vanderbilt.edu

# 'Welcome to the good life'



NIKKY OKORO / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Rapper Kanye West performs as the headliner of Commodore Quake Friday night. Artists Brett Dennen and Guster opened the show.

# Police keep students safe during Quake.

by CHRIS THOMPSON

Contributing Reporter

For the Vanderbilt University Police Department, the students at Quake were more important

than the show. VUPD brought in 74 additional people to supplement the 12 officers and 60 members of the Memorial Gym event staff. Forty of those were off-duty police officers from around Nashville, and the rest were members of a third-party security force.

over last year, and Lieutenant Brian Cozby, the officer in charge of events planning, said this was simply because the crowd almost doubled in size.

VUPD changed

strategies after Quake last year. "We had that (mad rushing effect) last year even with Ludacris, and with such a soldout crowd and the popularity of Kanye right now, we wanted to eliminate that problem this year," he said. "That's why (we) set up

This was a significant increase the little sections and corralled

everybody in." Cozby said they learned this technique from events in larger cities like New York and Chicago that frequently have large, openair venues prone to the "mad rush" effect.

Please see **QUAKE SECURITY**, page 3

—To watch a video of VUPD security efforts, go to:



# **Project** asks Why We Hate'

by KELLY SWOPE

Staff Reporter

To the Rev. Gary White, the Project Dialogue series, "Why We Hate," seems more salient than ever given the recent alleged antigay campus assault.

"The topic of 'Why We Hate' was selected because of the theme's relevance to current world events," said White, associate director of Religious Life. "Unfortunately, the theme has proven to be quite relevant to on-campus events this year as well."

Project Dialogue, a series of lectures and forums that channels conversations around current societal problems, will "bridge the antagonism diving (Jewish Muslim)communities" in its next event, according to program Web site.

"Abraham's Bridge: Jewish-Muslim Dialogue," held Tuesday, will similarities between the groups and address nonviolent strategies for cooperation on a world stage.

Previous include speeches by renowned author and political scientist Gore Vidal and by Jenan Mohajir, an education outreach associate for the Interfaith Youth Core.

White said he hopes students and faculty members will learn from honest dialogue about the flaws within society.

"It can be a dangerous thing to risk dialogue, and that's why we don't see too much of it," he said. "We want students, faculty and staff to genuinely engage each other on reflections as to why we hate and then move the conversations to action."

#### **PROJECT DIALOGUE**

"Abraham's Bridge: A Jewish-Muslim Dialogue" The Commons

Oct. 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Center

Students hold a variety of opinions about hate in the community. Freshman Katye Stone said she does not feel it dominates campus

culture. "As of yet, I haven't seen any hate," Stone said. "I think that most people have respect for others."

But sophomore Sean Cardell said he thinks hate, whether obvious or subtle, exists in any community.

"You can't exactly prevent hate," he said. "You can change their hearts, but it cannot be prevented completely." ■

-For more, see "Our View," page 6.

# Students get most out of Career Center with multiple visits

by LAKENDRA SCOTT

Staff Reporter

When junior Kathryn Moreadith first walked into the Career Center, she never expected it would become a routine.

Moreadith made her first trip to the center this year and said she has worked to take full advantage of the revamped

Students first must complete an Individualized Coaching Action Plan so the center can understand their level of

preparation for their intended

After Moreadith, a music composition and East Asian studies major, completed the ICAP, she was assigned to a career cluster, a new offering at the Career Center. The seven clusters allow students to receive focused attention from staff specializing in different

"The career clusters place a student in a focused group and help the staff create action steps for a student's future career," said Cindy Funk,

acting director of the Career

Once assigned to a cluster, the student will consult with a staff member specific to that cluster. The coaching process provides a deeper understanding of student needs and helps with creating resumes, obtaining internships and interview skills.

Peer career advocates also are available at the center, giving students an opportunity to help each other.

Please see **CAREER CENTER**, page 3

# **Brothers come home**



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Junior Annie Johnston tailgates with Sigma Alpha Epsilon brother Frank Wilson, a 1950 graduate. Wilson was one of 1,000 SAE brothers expected back for the Vanderbilt chapter's 150th anniversary.

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#### **THURSDAY**



Partly Cloudy, 77/66

#### **VUPD CRIME LOG**

compiled by REBECCA TYRRELL There is no crime to report.

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

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#### WORLD



#### Top Turkish general warns U.S. Congress Turkey's top general warned that ties with the United States,

already strained by attacks from rebels hiding in Iraq, will be irreversibly damaged if Congress passes a resolution labeling the World War I-era killings of Armenians a genocide.

Turkey, a major cargo hub for U.S. and allied military forces in Iraq and Afghanistan, has recalled its ambassador to Washington for consultations and warned there might be a cut in the logistical support to the U.S. over the issue.

Gen. Yasar Buyukanit told the daily Milliyet newspaper a congressional committee's approval of the measure had already harmed ties between the two countries.

"If this resolution passed in the committee passes the House as well, our military ties with the U.S. will never be the same again," Buyukanit was quoted as saying by Milliyet.

"I'm the military chief, I deal with security issues. I'm not a politician. In this regard, the U.S. shot its own foot."

SOURCE: AP

# Rice opens Middle East shuttle diplomacy

Opening an intense round of Middle East shuttle diplomacy, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice on Sunday played down expectations her mission would finalize preparations for a U.S.hosted peace conference next month.

Rice began a four-day visit to the region with a rare warning to Israel not to take any steps that might erode confidence in the peace process.

She met for more than two hours with Israeli Defense Minister Ehud Barak, saw Prime Minister Ehud Olmert and planned to have dinner with Palestinian Prime Minister Salam Fayyad.

Her hope is to narrow differences between the two sides as they seek to forge an outline of an eventual peace deal and produce a joint statement to be presented at the conference expected to held in Annapolis, Md., in late November.

Even before his talks with Rice, Olmert antagonized the Palestinians by hinting that such an outline was not necessary. The Palestinians countered that without such a document, they would skip the meeting.

## **NATION**

## Hearings for attorney general pick to touch on legal limits of White House terror policy

As the chief federal trial judge in Manhattan, Michael Mukasey approved secret warrants allowing government roundups of Muslims in the days after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Six years later, the man President George W. Bush wants to be attorney general acknowledged that the law authorizing those warrants "has its perils" in terrorism cases and urged Congress to "fix a strained and mismatched legal system."

Mukasey's caution about the material witness law probably will please Democrats who control the Senate Judiciary Committee. At confirmation hearings set to begin Wednesday, they plan to press the retired federal judge about the Bush administration's terrorist detention policy.

Committee chairman Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont long has criticized the government's use of the warrants, which are signed in secret. They allowed the FBI to detain, without charges, an estimated 70 people, all but one of whom was a Muslim, as witnesses after the terrorist attacks in 2001.

SOURCE: AP

# Search on for victims after fiery pileup

Firefighters and highway workers Sunday searched for bodies and worked to remove charred debris from a freeway tunnel north of Los Angeles after a fiery pileup that killed three people and could keep the major interstate highway shut down for days. The crash late Friday involved five to six big rigs and several

passenger cars and sent people fleeing for their lives from the flaming tunnel. At least five of the trucks burst into flames, and the fire spread to the other vehicles. Ten people were injured. Firefighters feared they could find more bodies as they hauled out debris and hoped to finish the search by Sunday morning,

Officials hope to reopen the southbound lanes of Interstate 5 by Tuesday morning, but they have been hampered by small lingering fires and concern about how many repairs will have to be made for the tunnel to be safe for the public.

SOURCE: AP

# **CAMPUS**

said Deputy Fire Chief John Tripp.

# New endowed professorship awarded to Peabody professor Paul Cobb

The second of th

Paul Cobb, professor of education at Peabody College, is the first recipient of a new endowed faculty chair, the Peabody Chair in Teaching and Learning. The Peabody Chair was made possible by a challenge grant

from J.E. Reeves Jr., chairman and chief executive of The Reeves Foundation. Reeves is the father of a former Peabody student, Katherine "Mercer" Reeves. His gift was matched by two anonymous donors. Endowed chairs are an important tool for colleges and universities to recruit and retain top faculty. "Paul Cobb is one of Peabody's most prolific and respected

faculty members," said Camilla P. Benbow, Patricia and Rhodes Hart Dean of Education and Human Development. "His work on instructional design to support mathematics learning is highly influential. This is an honor he richly deserves."

SOURCE: VANDERBILT NEWS SERVICE



Senior Charlie Wright takes a moment to answers about what it's like to do research in a physics lab.

**THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER:** What kind of work do you do in the lab?

**CHARLIE WRIGHT:** Physics and biology mostly. I use a lot of microscopy and computer programs like MATLAB to analyze the data. The biology is mostly growing yeast cells.

**VH:** What have you learned most from your time there?

CW: I learned a lot of techniques involving computers. I've discovered that I really like physics and how unexpected sources of information can be helpful.

**VH:** How did you find out about this research?

**CW:** I was looking for something in biophysics and found some information online.

**VH:** Has anything really funny ever happened while you were in the lab?

CW: The day I was learning how to do one experiment, everything that could possibly go wrong did. Apparently it was my fault because every other time until then the experiment had worked fine.

**SNAPSHOT** 

# **CONTINUING COMMODORE CONTRIBUTIONS**



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Alumni returning for Homecoming weekend present a check totaling more than \$38 million to the university from gifts donated over the past year. Eleven undergraduate classes celebrated their reunion this weekend.





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# Researchers may see more opportunities abroad in future

by ELIZABETH MIDDLEBROOKS

Staff Reporter

Graduate students faculty members may see more international research and study if the Vanderbilt International Office expands its programs facilitate partnerships and direct exchanges with universities abroad.

Vanderbilt currently has core partnerships with four international universities -

University of Melbourne, Fudan University, University of Sao Paulo and University of Cape Town — and plans to add four more within the next two years, according to the VIO Web site.

"What we're trying to do is engage these universities in all the disciplines, and that's incredibly challenging and ambitious but I think ultimately achievable and will win us these close relationships with top places around the world,"

said Joel Harrington, assistant like to add more universities to universities, though these provost for International Affairs.

The VIO works to "build these international relationships and sustain them" on behalf of students and faculty interested in more study abroad, he said.

"We look to students and faculty to say, 'Here's what we want to do,' and then we help them do it," Harrington said.

Harrington said the office evaluates potential partnerships throughout the year and would

"We're going to evaluate it as we go along, but we want to have one or more partners in Western Europe or Central Europe ... and we'd like another partner in Latin America, probably in Chile or Argentina," Harrington said.

Components of these partnerships include a directexchange program between Vanderbilt and international

programs are not limited to the core partners.

"It's a big world, and there are lots of great universities, and it's a real challenge to find a good match among so many potential partners," he said. ■

—To listen to a podcast about the VIO's efforts, go to:



# **Hustlers reunite to reminisce**



LAUREN FONDRIEST / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Chuck Nord, a 1968 graduate, tells Editor-in-Chief Glenna DeRoy what life was like as a Hustler staffer in the late '60s. Hustler alumni, including Sen. Lamar Alexander and Roy Blount Jr., reunited Friday at Flying Saucer.

# **SECURITY:** Event ends without incident

From **QUAKE SECURITY**, page 1

Without the sections, he said, if something had happened or somebody had been injured, it would have been very difficult for paramedics or police to reach the

This year, the police were able to preserve a walkway for emergency service workers to move freely. The setup would also have allowed VUPD to open up the floor quickly if an evacuation had been

Asitwas, the event passed without major incident. While a significant amount of booing ensued when performer Kanye West arrived to the stage 15 minutes late, nothing came of it, Cozby said.

Freshman Claire Borgschulte said the security impressed her.

She didn't really even notice it, she said, until "they had to pull people off of the barricades who were attempting to climb over and into the floor section."

As a part of their safety efforts, VUPD also swept the gymbefore the event for any explosives. Originally, the department outsourced this job to the Nashville Metro Police, but this year, police officer Horace Lanier and his bomb dog Pepper swept the building themselves.

Coordinating these efforts took VUPD weeks, Cozby said.

Cozby started attending preliminary meetings for Quake and other Homecoming events last month and began to prepare several weeks ago.

"If you don't plan for the big events, there's no way you can be ready for the smaller ones that come up at the last minute," he

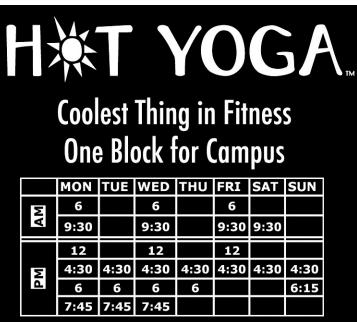
# **CAREER CENTER:** Specialized career clusters, coaching sessions part of revamped system

From **CAREER CENTER**, page 1

"Being a peer advocate is in outreach and to help others take advantage of the services the center offers," said Moreadith, a peer resources.

a great way to get involved using the center continues to increase, Funk said, and more students of all classes are using the center's

The number of students around this time of year, and more underclassmen come in the spring to start getting internships, but we encourage students to come in all year round," she said. ■



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# EVENT PLANNING

Thursday, October 18, 5-7pm Sarratt 189

Learn about planning and publicizing a successful event from experts in general event planning, technical needs, and performing arts events. You will also be able to brainstorm with other leaders about event co-sponsorship.

# Officer Transition

Tuesday, January 22 5-7pm Learn about how best to teach new leaders their duties.

# **Organization Survival**

Tuesday, March 18 5-7pm Learn how to maintain the momentum of your organization over long breaks.

Dinner will be provided, so please RSVP to courtney.n.salters@vanderbilt.edu for Event Planning by Monday, October 15 with the name of your organization and number attending in the subject line.



# From floats to football, animed festivi-

From floats to football, Vanderbilt enjoyed festivities all over campus during Homecoming week. Students participated in a spirit challenge to build campuswide excitement, winning points for attending various events and participating in different activities.

The winners of the Greek Commodore Cup, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, and the Non-Greek Student Organization Commodore Cup, the Spirit of Gold Marching Band, were announced Saturday night at the football game along with the award for Outstanding Senior, which was presented to Mallory Miciek.

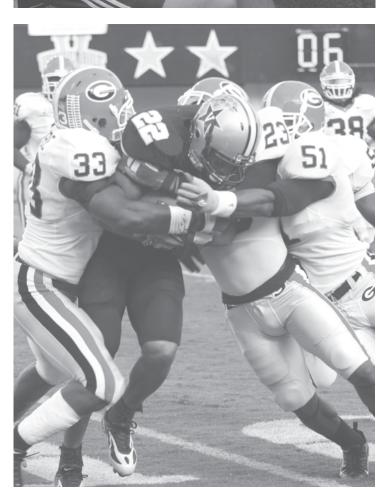
The Dores lost the game 20-17 to the University of Georgia on a last-second field goal from the Bulldogs, though they led for the majority of the contest.

—To watch slideshows of the game and other Homecoming events, go to:



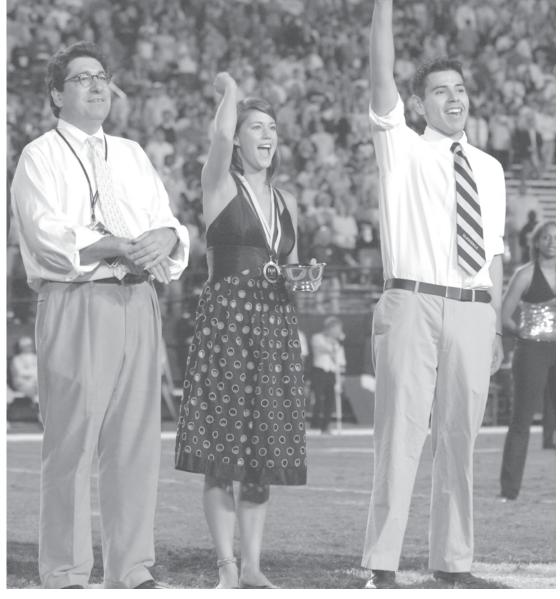








- Clockwise from top:
- 1. The brothers of Beta Upsilon Chi fraternity lead the student section at Saturday's game, spelling out "Neuter those Dawgs." Vanderbilt played in front of a sellout crowd of 39,773. OLIVER WOLFE / The Vanderbilt Hustler
- 2. Jen Bachman, a member of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority, helps a Sigma Nu brother decorate their Homecoming float Friday afternoon. The Baptist Collegiate Ministries' float won the contest. ALEX HOLMES / The Vanderbilt Hustler
- 3. Running back Cassen Jackson-Garrison struggles to move the ball against Georgia Saturday evening. The Dores eventually lost the contest to the Bulldogs, 20-17. SAM KIM / The Vanderbilt Hustler
- 4. Senior Mallory Miciek, center, and Interim Chancellor Nick Zeppos, left, sing the alma mater after Zeppos awarded the 2007 Outstanding Senior title to Miciek. FRANCIS SIMPSON / The Vanderbilt Hustler
- 5. Rock band Guster opened for Kanye West Friday night at Commodore Quake, performing in front of a mixed crowd of undergraduates and alumni in Memorial Gym. NIKKY OKORO / The Vanderbilt Hustler
- 6. Rap artist Kanye West headlined the Quake concert Friday, playing songs from both his old and most recent albums. West puzzled the audience when he delivered a spontaneous 15-minute "soliloquy" during the song "Drunk and Hot Girls." NIKKY OKORO / The Vanderbilt Hustler





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# **Sunday:**

"The Skeleton in Our Closet: Misremembering America's Racial Cleansings"

An informative lecture about racial cleansing throughout America

by Guest Lecturer Elliot Jaspin 7:00pm Sarratt Cinema

# **Monday:**

# "Awareness on the Wall"

An opportunity for the Vanderbilt community to learn more about the events of the week and many of VU's campus diversity programs and organizations 11:00am to 2:00pm Sarratt Promenade

# **Tuesday:**

# "Gods and Gays"

VU's first Closet Conversation of the year! An in-depth discussion about homosexuality, religion, and how or if they co-exist 8:15pm –9:15pm CTE Formal Lounge

# Wednesday:

"World on Wednesday's" Brown Bag Lunch Discussion 12:10pm-1:00pm Student Life Center Meeting Rooms 1 & 2

# "I'm not prejudiced...am I?" Culture Panel

A panel presentation/discussion aimed at examining the prejudices each of may have without realizing it. 8:00pm Rand Function Room Sarratt

# **Thursday:**

# "Just Choose"

Interactive Group processing about tough issues and making choices. 7:00pm-8:00pm Commons Center MPR

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#### **OUR VIEW**

# Nooses make troubling news

Nooses are a particularly potent symbol of hate in this country. They call to mind a shameful history of racially motivated lynching and cruelty. However, with a recent rash of reported nooses hung ominously around the country, it seems this symbol has not been relegated to the history books and may even be experiencing something of a troubling rebirth. At Vanderbilt, there may be steps that can be taken to prevent this recent spread from reaching our campus.

The resurgence of the noose seems, at least to the casual observer, to stem from the incident in Jena, La., in which three nooses were hung on the "white tree" at Jena High School last August after a few black students sat beneath it. Since the story of the "Jena 6" gained national prominence, nooses seem to be popping up everywhere. This past summer, two small nooses were found on Coast Guard properties, one in a black cadet's sea bag and the other in the office of a white civil rights instructor. Last week, a noose was discovered hanging on the

office door of a black professor at Columbia University, which comes on the heels of tension created by Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's recent visit.

With racially driven hatred still so clearly alive in our nation, it is germane for Project Dialogue's theme for the year to be "Why We Hate." By opening this dialogue, perhaps some increased understanding can arise, at least on campus. At Project Dialogue's first event of the year, keynote speaker Gore Vidal appeared to shrug off hate as the world's natural state. While a valid and interesting perspective, it is difficult not to hope for more. At Vanderbilt, we are lucky to have venues such as Project Dialogue that allow students, faculty, and community members to engage in this important and extremely relevant discussion. With such opportunities, no nooses should be making news at Vanderbilt.

—For more, see News, page 1.



# What did you think of this year's Quake?

It was a great choice of artists and a fabulous turnout for Vanderbilt students, but I missed it because I was working. I'm especially sad I missed Guster.

—Katie McKillen, senior, Peabody

It was fantastic — the best homecoming thus

—Anjarae Washington, senior, Engineering

I thought it was great except for Kanye West's group therapy session.

—Tom Byrne, junior, Peabody

I thought Kanye West's rant in the middle was

—Steve Braun, sophomore, A&S

The lighting was incredible. His monologue was a little trite, but Kanye West was a great

—Amit Patel, junior, Engineering



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# COLUMN

# Segregation still visible at Vanderbilt

RAVI SINGH **Guest Columnist** 

Racial segregation. Sounds like a dated term, doesn't it? A term that has been drowned out under a tidal wave of civil rights movements, calls for equality and political activism from all fronts. It's a term about a phenomenon that we as undergraduate students think we never have to live through or experience, a phenomenon we think was crusaded against and obliterated in the 1950s and '60s. Yet it still exists, and in no place is it more visible than on the campus of Vanderbilt University.

To be fair, the racial segregation at Vanderbilt in 2007 is nothing like the segregation in the country prior to the passage of the Civil Rights Act in 1967. Still, Vanderbilt is, for the most part, a racially segregated school. There are many reasons why the school is segregated, but there are several social engines on campus that continue to allow the segregation to thrive. One main contributor is the huge Greek scene on

It is no question the Greek scene is racially segregated. For the sake of space this will focus on the two fraternity organizations. Nationally, the Interfraternity Council stands in clear contrast with the National PanHellenic Council. The "historically black" fraternities were created in response to what IFC originally was: historically white. This article is not trying to demean some organizations, but it is no question that fraternities like Sigma Alpha Epsilon or Kappa Alpha are de facto white frats, save for a few token minorities. With that in mind, the social "party" scene — and many students take pride in Vanderbilt being a party school — is by default racially skewed. If you're white, go to an IFC party, if you're black, go to an NPHC party. If you're neither, good luck trying to fit in at any of those parties. Some ethnic groups have frats for themselves, but in trying to solve the problem by trying to include the groups left out, it creates more problems by further dividing the campus based on race. While not the only factor, the huge racially segregated Greek scene drives the engine of social division on campus.

Look across the dining hall. How often do you see students of different racial groups eating together? Or go to a club meeting for the Asian-American Student Association, Black Student Alliance or Masala-SACE. Yes, there are some of different ethnic groups that attend the meetings, and more power to them, but in no way do the meetings reflect the 75 percent white population of the campus. That means that of the college's scores

of cultural organizations, about three of every four students are absent or not participating. Apparently, the Vanderbilt Community Creed of Discovery (embracing the opportunity to take risks, challenge assumptions and understand disparate experiences at Vanderbilt) doesn't apply if you yourself are not part of the culture or race in question. That is a crying shame.

The segregation found on Vanderbilt's campus today isn't the same kind found during the civil rights era. It's social segregation - segregation based not on law but on choice. It's used as a justification for not becoming friends with people of other races. Many feel comfortable with their own race and don't want to move out that comfort zone — white students feel more comfortable with white students, black students with black students. Some students are willing to racially segregate based on "comfort

But welcome to college: a time of selfdiscovery, a time of pushing the limits, a time of learning in order to understand the world in more dynamic ways. And by the way, no one ever said pushing the limits meant staying in your comfort zone. It just can't be done. The civil rights activists weren't comfortable when they were being beaten on stools for entering

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COLUMN

# **International** community must reengage Sudan

#### NIKHIL TRISTAN SEKARAN **Columnist**

Regional diplomatic and humanitarian progress in Darfur continues to be ineffectual and slow. The region's camps are becoming overcrowded and dangerous, and the number of murdered and displaced persons steadily increases with each passing day. According to United Nations estimates, over 200,000 innocents have perished. and close to 2.5 million have fled their homes and villages in an effort to escape the brutality.

Even service workers, usually protected with tight security, are not safe. Recent atrocities committed by regional rebels exacerbate this highly unstable situation. Ten peacekeepers recently were murdered and dozens more kidnapped in an organized and bloody operation in the central region of Darfur. This attack comes on the heels of a recently introduced three-stage joint U.N.-African Union peacekeeping mission slated to commence this month and a highly anticipated interstate conference to take place in Libya at the end of the month.

After spending two weeks in the south and Darfur as an aid worker, I have seen firsthand the chaos that has enveloped every facet of this wartorn nation. The conflict has dislodged the social apparatus and left the economy in disrepair and the political situation speaks for itself.

I would hate to relegate Sudan to failed-state status. After all, unlike its violent counterpart Somalia, Sudan has vital natural resources that could help the nation stand independently so long as the violence decreases and the government embraces neoliberal, market-driven economic policies. Even in the southern regions of Juba and Rumbek, where a cease-fire between the Sudanese government and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement has been implemented, the remnants of a 20-year ethnic and civil fratricide are more apparent than ever. The Comprehensive Peace Agreement, signed in January 2005 and monitored by the U.N. Mission in the Sudan, has done little to stem the tide of intermittent violence and economic exploitation by the Khartoum government, but despite its drawbacks, the CPA has been firmly enmeshed in affairs within these

The Darfur conflict has grown increasingly complex. The violence hasbeen characterized as government-backed Arab tribes slaughtering non-Arab tribes, and four years ago that may have been the best simplification of the situation. But rebels have begun fighting rebels, and armed men who seem to have no allegiances attack whoever crosses their path.

Understanding that much of the international community has condemned the conflict, these global actors must use their leveraging to become potent arbiters and power brokers. The changing character of the Darfur crisis requires this.

The talks scheduled to take place Oct. 27 in Libva, will mark definitive peace talks to end this four-year massacre. U.N. Secretary General Ban Ki Moon, one of the most outspoken advocates for peace in the region, emphasized the importance of the meeting. "The forthcoming political negotiation in Libya must be a conclusive one, a final phase for a final settlement," he said. "All the leaders of the movements and concerned parties must participate. This was a consensus opinion." While this conference holds symbolic importance, it will be difficult to develop a cohesive peace solution between the Sudanese government and the splintered rebel factions.

But progress must be made very soon. Allowing this conflict to continue when compromise has ostensibly been met provides very little excuse for international actors. The United Nations can only rely on sanctions until it realizes their lack of utility and persuasion. Peace in Darfur and also throughout Sudan hinges on remaining optimistic, establishing the CPA successfully, halting the violence and including all of Sudan's

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### COLUMN

# Americans must take gun control seriously

SOO YANG **Guest Columnist** 

Firearms remain a distinctly American obsession. Unsurprisingly, this feverishly religious fixation has ordained guns alongside the infallible icons of baseball, apple pie and NASCAR. While the rest of the civilized world has abandoned such instruments of technological feat and individual dignity, we have survived this strange, globally endemic wave of demasculinization by preserving

our right — constitutional right, that is — to bear

The constitution reads, "A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed." The point is clear and rather straightforward. We the people — or part-time emergency militiamen — are entitled to gun ownership to ensure our autonomy and protection from our new central government that, like in Britain, can potentially turn itself against its own people. In this case, it is perfectly understandable and retrospectively insightful that our forefathers eliminated the possibility of an authoritarian America because at their time, guns were equated with power and freedom and,

thus, revolution. Things have changed since 1787. Guns still, in some sense, represent power, freedom and revolution, possibly in socially underdeveloped and politically unstable countries or in the National Rifle Association headquarters. However, other devices have replaced those antiques and proven to be our modern leverage against institutional authority. Personal computers, the Internet and even YouTube have created an inversed Orwellian state, where the people constantly monitor the regime for signs of deviation from the ideal. Even in 1989, during the Tiananmen Square incident, the Chinese government virtually silenced their bloody crackdown of student protests by simply disabling foreign media coverage and demonstrating the political muscles of the firearm. Now, in 2007, the pervasiveness and accessibility of the Internet allowed the free world to observe the Burmese junta violently but hesitantly terminating civil disobedience protests in real time. Such phenomenon exposed the unusual self-consciousness of the Burmese military and the very source of the junta's new sense of reservation and caution — the Internet.

In the light of new revelations of school shootings, one of which occurred and one of which was thwarted, we must ask why these terrifyingly similar incidents still happen even after Columbine, even after Virginia Tech, even after those painful, frustrating moments where we vowed to implement change, even after realizing guns are no longer weapons of self-preservation for ordinary citizens. Today, guns are necessary tools for the police, military and recreational hunters, not for a mentally instable 14-year-old. How many more innocent students, teachers, friends, fathers, mothers, sons and daughters will die until we do something tangibly effective to remedy this distinctly American tragedy? The problem at hand is unquestionably complex and will require more than a few gun-control laws.

One thing for sure, the problem is not that guns are inherently evil. In the same spirit, the problem is not that our young boys are playing games with fake guns. The problem is that our young boys are playing with real guns. The problem is that those young boys are also bullied, mentally volatile, naive, vindictive and suicidal. The problem is that the parents and the schools leave them unattended, unmonitored and unknown. The problem is that when a school shooting happens, we believe it will be the last. We are wrong terribly mistaken — and thus, we are all liable.

Resolution of this dilemma will most likely take decades, if not generations. It will involve the participation of you and me as socially responsible, genuinely concerned and proactively conscious citizens. We can learn from our European and Asian counterparts in a manner that does not interfere with our cultural identity but in a way that requires us to be open, sensible and reasonable. Even in rural America, where the gun speaks law and order, we must gradually evolve into a culture where law and order are fully sufficient for civil stability. In the meantime, we must stop exploiting the Second Amendment to justify our pathetic, quasi-patriotic, petty imitations of antediluvian, cowboy-esque individualism. Rather, the clause should be respected symbolically in the context of its historical reality, progressive activism and unconventional wisdom. In short, our society must be willing to gamble on mutual trust and mutual peace. The prospects are too tempting.

—Soo Yang is a sophomore in the College of Arts

# (OVERHEARD) on (insidevandy)

Submitted in response to comments posted on: "Research reveals Paul problems" by Amanda Iovino

I'm starting to get quite

Submitted by MikeMaio on Friday, Oct. 12 - 12:01.

I'm starting to get guite tired of these bands of Ron Paul supporters who apparently rove the Internet all day looking to pounce on someone who dares to say something even mildly critical of

As a rule, Ron Paul supporters — at least the ones who are so vocal online — are perhaps the most condescending people in this country. You see, if you don't support Ron Paul, then you have clearly never read the Constitution and are obviously ignorant of the issues facing this country. Every other candidate is a Trotskyist who wants to turn America into a command economy. If you can't realize that, then you have no sense of history. Only Ron Paul supporters are clever enough to understand that Ron Paul is the only one who cares about the Constitution. I mean, all you have to do is read the document, and even a second-grader could do that and understand it perfectly. Anyone who doesn't support Ron Paul hates Thomas Jefferson and James Madison and the rest of the Founding

Ron Paul is nothing more than an anachronism in American politics whose survivalist gold standard ideology will remain at the fringes where it belongs.

# **SINGH:** Students need to step out of their comfort zones to increase campus unity

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segregated sections of a restaurant, when they were being sprayed down by high-pressured fire hoses, or when they were being spat on and cursed at when they tried to go school. They stepped out of their comfort zones to annihilate racial segregation and fundamentally changed the dynamics of the world, the country and, most of all, themselves. In that sense, we're lucky.

We're lucky all we have to do as Vanderbilt students to annihilate racial segregation here is to talk to another group at a lunch table, attend a religious club even if we're not of that religion or go to a cultural club even if we're not of that culture. We're lucky all we have to do to destroy segregation at Vanderbilt is to go to a party hosted by NPHC or IFC. We're lucky we only need to attend Ghandi Week to learn about nonviolence or a Holocaust lecture to learn about what happens when one stays comfortable and doesn't feel the need to ask for or want justice. We're lucky in that sense.

Or maybe I'm wrong. Maybe I'm looking into things too much; maybe things are fine the way they are, and we should just go on with our lives.

After all, who cares about blacks? I'm white. Who cares about Islam? I'm a Christian. Who cares about gays? I'm straight. All I am is a Vanderbilt student — I want to get my degree, I want to party hard, and I want to leave.

I hope that last paragraph was just a sarcastic way of thinking about it and not someone's actual line of reasoning. There are plenty of students doing their best to make what I have said here irrelevant, but it's a tiny fraction, a small minority of the thousands of undergrads on campus. My hope is that in 10 years, this article will be irrelevant and outdated — that after reading it, students step out of their comfort zones and want to end social segregation, making everything I've said part of a Vanderbilt era long gone. Right now it is just a dream. But with the will and spirit of every Vanderbilt student here, we can drive forward and truly make Vanderbilt one of the finest institutions of the world by finally eradicating segregation based on race from our campus.

-Ravi Singh is a freshman in the College of Arts and Science.

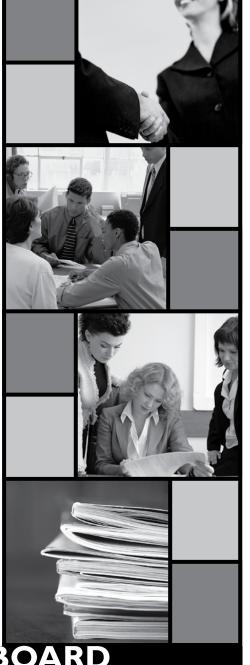
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# **SPORTS**

# **GAME BREAK**



# **GAME BALL:** Sean Walker

While there are a few candidates, we'll give the nod to junior wide receiver Sean Walker, who always seems to save his best for the Bulldogs. Walker's first touchdown was a thing of beauty, scoring from 15 yards out on a reverse to give the Dores a 10-7 lead. His second score was even more impressive. Mackenzi Adams threw a fade to the back corner of the end zone. Walker leapt, tipped it in the air and managed to come down with the catch before

# PLAY OF THE **GAME**

falling out of bounds.

There's no doubt Cassen Jackson-Garrison's fumble late in the fourth quarter was the game's biggest play. Facing a third and four from the Georgia 18-yard line, Jackson-Garrison rushed for eight yards before being hit by Darryl Gamble. The ball popped loose, and Dannell Ellerbe recovered it. Two minutes and 43 seconds later, Georgia was celebrating its dramatic come-frombehind victory while Vanderbilt walked off the field stunned. On a positive note, the reverse touchdown D.J. Moore to Sean Walker — was one of the most exciting plays

# **STAT OF THE** GAME: 2

we've seen in a long

In a game as close as Saturday's, it was Vanderbilt's two turnovers that made the difference. Jeff Jennings' first-quarter fumble set up Georgia's first score and Jackson-Garrison's mishap late in the game led to the Bulldogs' game-winning field goal. Meanwhile, the Bulldogs didn't turn

# **QUOTE OF THE GAME**

the ball over once.

"I thought we played hard and played to win. For us to win in this league and beat the people we play, we need to make plays, and we didn't do that tonight. We need to realize that and start making plays. We'll keep making progress." -Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson

# **SEC EAST STANDINGS**

South Carolina	6-1
Kentucky	6-1
Tennessee	4-2
Georgia	5-2
Florida	4-2
Vanderbilt	3-3

# Dawgone it!

# Last-second field goal spoils Vanderbilt Homecoming.

by ALEKSEY DUBROVENKSY

Sports Reporter

At the rate they're going, neither Vanderbilt nor Georgia will want to schedule one another for their Homecoming game in the future.

In stunning fashion reminiscent of last year's shocker in Athens, place kicker Brandon Coutu booted a 37-yard field goal as time expired to hand the Commodores a crushing 20-17 loss in front of a sold-out crowd of 39,773 at Vanderbilt Stadium.

"This was a very disappointing loss for us," said Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson. "We felt like we played a pretty good game, but when you play a team like Georgia, you have to make plays and do what you need to do to win the game, and we didn't get it done."

Vanderbilt (3-3,Southeastern Conference) upset then-No.16 Georgia 24-22 on a last-second field goal by Bryant Hahnfeldt to ruin Georgia's Homecoming last season. The Bulldogs (5-2, 3-2 SEC) returned the favor Saturday evening.

The Bulldogs' decisive final drive was set up by a fumble by Vanderbilt tailback Cassen Jackson-Garrison at the Georgia 8-yard line. On third-and-four from the Georgia 18-yard line, Jackson-Garrison took a handoff from quarterback Mackenzi Adams and raced past the firstdown marker.

As he crossed the 10-yard line, however, the ball appeared to slip out of his hands just as Georgia linebacker Darryl Gamble laid a fierce tackle on him. The fumble was recovered by Georgia linebacker Dannell Ellerbe with 2:43 left in the fourth quarter.

"Cassen got hit pretty hard on that play," Johnson said. "We're scratching and clawing to beat Georgia, and you can't give the ball away. I told Cassen that his fumble didn't lose us the game, though."

Tailback Knowshon Moreno, making his first start for the Bulldogs in place of injured



OLIVER WOLFE / The Vanderbilt Hustle Teammates attempt to console running back Cassen Jackson-Garrison following Georgia's 20-17 victory Saturday night at Vanderbilt Stadium. The

Thomas Brown, punished the Commodore defense for 157 rushing yards on 28 carries, with 123 of them coming in the second

"He's an amazing player," said Georgia head coach Mark Richt. "I probably should have played him last year, looking at him now."

Behind a resurgent running attack, the Bulldogs dominated the second half. Moreno consistently found running lanes off of cutbacks and helped keep the Commodore offense off the field for much of the half as Georgia controlled possession for over 17 minutes in the latter two

"They came out a lot harder in the second half," said Vanderbilt linebacker Jonathon Goff. "They

didn't make many adjustments after halftime, but they played a lot better." Goff had a sensational game, recording 12 solo tackles to go along with 14 total tackles, a sack and a pass break-up.

As well as the Bulldogs played in the second half, the Commodores played even better in the first. The offense got a lift with the addition of cornerback D.J. Moore, who had 123 all-purpose yards, including a 39-yard rush in the second quarter that led to a touchdown run by Sean Walker.

"Playing offense tonight took the team will respond. me back to high school," Moore said. "The coach came to me this week, and we practiced running those plays. A loss is still a loss, and this one hurts, but it was a lot of fun to go out there and

play offense."

In addition to his touchdown run, Walker made a highlight-reel catch in the back corner of the end zone to give the Commodores a 17-7 lead late in the second quarter. The play was initially ruled incomplete before being overturned.

"I knew I was in," Walker said. "I told the coaches that I had it. I was hoping the officials would replay it."

With South Carolina on the horizon, Johnson said he hopes

"We can't wallow in self-pity," Johnson said. "I'm extremely proud of our effort tonight, but we have to pick ourselves up and get ready for another big game against South Carolina next week." ■

#### Sports Reporter senior committed Vanderbilt, men's tennis team was ranked fourth in country. He arrived in Nashville with high expectations and quite a resume — two state championships and over 100 high school victories. He expected to lead a top-

10 team for each of his four Instead, Preston has led a Commodore squad that, despite showing flashes of brilliance, has more often been marred by

**Preston** 

ready

for

final

season

by CHIP ROBIE

inconsistency. "We bottomed out," said Preston. "I can look back on it, and I could be like, 'Poor me. I had to come in at the trough.' The fact of the matter is that the program is heading up and

A host of reasons have made it an arduous journey for the Commodores, but it has had little to do with Preston, their top-ranked player, whose remarkable devotion and natural talents have secured a top-60 ranking over the last

three years. "The expectations are for him to blossom into the player he is capable of being," said coach Ian Duvenhage. "When he does that he'll be in the top

10 in the nation. Injuries have plagued Preston's quest for a top-10

His teammates and coach hint that he does not subscribe to a doctrine of rest, instead preferring to let injuries figure themselves out on the

As if a 7 a.m. practice and a visit with the trainers aren't tough enough, he will be out on the court that afternoon working on a different aspect of his

Preston also possesses a huge serve that teammate Vijay Paul said he believes

is at the crux of his game. "When his serve is on, everything else off the ground and at the net falls into place, and it's just a punishing attack," Paul said. "Point is, you don't want to catch him on his on-day."

In addition to his impressive serve, Preston also draws the admiration of his coaches and teammates for the way he goes about his business day in and day out.

"He's the guy that is always working his (butt) off on the court, in the weight room, in whatever situation," Paul said. "You could look at him on any given day and he's solid as a rock. He's just got that never-say-die instinct."

Regardless of how well the Commodores do this spring, one thing is certain Preston's attitude will not change.

"I've had a great experience at Vanderbilt in general," he said, "and I wouldn't trade it to go somewhere else." ■

# Adams makes most of opportunity

senior running back fumbled late in the fourth quarter, setting up the Bulldogs' game-winning drive.

by ADAM WEINSTEIN

Sports Reporter

He didn't start the game, but redshirt sophomore Mackenzi Adams played like a seasoned veteran in Vanderbilt's gutwrenching 20-17 loss to visiting Georgia Saturday night.

Playing crunch-time minutes for the first time in his career, Adams did more than his part to put the Commodores in a position to win

He completed seven of 10 passes for 125 yards and a touchdown and gained 46 yards on the ground, despite being shuffled in and out of the lineup.

"I was prepared to come in and out, and that was the game plan," said Adams, who, for the majority of the game, played every other drive, while starter Chris Nickson took the rest.

Although Nickson started the game, Adams was given the ball to finish it in the fourth quarter. With the score tied at 17 with 6:12 to play, Adams found George Smith over the middle for a 39-yard gain and followed it up with a 9-yard run.

Vanderbilt's chances for an upset were spoiled, however, when running back Cassen Jackson-Garrison fumbled inside the 10yard line.

Bulldogs proceeded to march down the field, and Brandon Couti kicked a 37-yard field goal as time expired to spoil the Commodores' Homecoming, a year after Vanderbilt did the same in Athens.



OLIVER WOLFE / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Redshirt sophomore Mackenzi Adams impressed during the Commodores' 20-17 loss to Georgia, although coach Bobby Johnson declined to name him next week's starter.

Despite the loss, coach Bobby Johnson said Adams' performance was encouraging.

"We had a package that we thought would suit Chris well, and a package we thought would suit Mackenzi well," said Johnson. "I thought Mackenzi played a very good game. He's a tough kid, and he's going to get better and better

One reason Adams got the ball down the stretch was his overall management of the game. He made several impressive throws, landed a well-executed block on Walker's touchdown run and kept the Bulldog defense guessing with

his ability to run the football.

started his 18th straight game, completed two of five passes for six yards to go along with 10 rushing yards on five carries. "Really, I would just like to win,"

Meanwhile, Nickson, who

Walker said. "We can get the best out of both quarterbacks, and it gave us something Georgia hadn't seen." As the Commodores turn their

attention to South Carolina next Saturday, Johnson did not say whether or not the starting job now belongs to Adams.

"Chris can still do a lot of good things," Johnson said. "He played well for us last year, and he's played well in games this year.

He also hasn't been completely healthy in any of the games he's played this year.

"We feel like we've got two good quarterbacks, and we'll keep working and see what our best situation is each week."

Adams seems to be taking this wait-and-see approach in stride.

"It's frustrating at times," Adams said, "but there are 22 other backups on the team that work out too. I'm just another one of the guys, and when my number's called, I just need to be prepared to go out there and be productive." Given his performance against

Georgia, Adams seems to be doing just that.

"I'm just using this situation right now for some playing time," he said. "I'm getting to get out there and play and have fun and lead the team when I'm out there." ■

# WEEKLY REPORT CARD

Compiled by Jonathan Kurzner

**QUARTERBACKS** — Mackenzi Adams made some big-time throws and gained some key first downs with his legs. He also performed wonderfully on the final drive, putting his team in a position to win the game. Chris Nickson started and played periodically throughout the game, but Adams took the majority of the snaps.

**RUNNING BACKS** — The most effective running came from the quarterbacks, while tailbacks Cassen Jackson-Garrison, Jeff Jennings and Jared Hawkins combined for 57 yards. Jennings' first-quarter fumble set up Georgia's first score and, of course, Jackson-Garrison's fumble probably cost the Dores a win.

**WIDE RECEIVERS** — Sean Walker had an amazing touchdown catch in the back corner of the end zone and added another touchdown on a reverse. Earl Bennett (three catches for 31 yards) remains four receptions shy of the SEC record, while George Smith had a big grab on the final drive. Cornerback D.J. Moore added much-needed firepower, rushing for 58 yards.

**OFFENSIVE LINE** — Adams and Nickson faced pressure throughout the game and, if not for their mobility, would have been sacked more than three times. The ground attack was anemic with the only productivity coming from QB scrambles.

**DEFENSIVE LINE** — Minimal pass rush on Georgia QB Matt Stafford, who connected with nine different receivers. Gaping holes allowed for freshman RB Knowshon Moreno to have a huge day (28 carries for 157 yards).

**LINEBACKERS** — Moreno had a big day, but so did linebacker Jonathan Goff, who was all over the field, finishing with 14 total tackles and a sack.

**DEFENSIVE BACKS** — Moore (eight tackles) did not lose anything on defense while playing both sides of the ball, and Myron Lewis had three pass breakups. Reshard Langford (seven tackles) made some plays but dropped an easy pick in the first half.

**SPECIAL TEAMS** — Alex Washington provided a spark with some shifty punt returns, and Brett Upson turned in his best performance of the year with a 44.2yard average on six punts, including two inside the 20.

**COACHING** — Bobby Johnson put his team in a position to win against a ranked opponent. Mixing Moore in on offense was a great move and Johnson juggled the quarterbacks fairly well, but Nickson should not have taken any second-half snaps. There is no excuse for not calling a timeout on Georgia's lastsecond field goal attempt, but that hardly cost Vandy the game.

# Dores get no chance to rest in SEC

**HUSTLER STAFF REPORT** 

As the soccer team prepared for its two games this weekend, coach Ronnie Coveleskie said the Commodores would have to play their best to win. She wasn't kidding.

Vanderbilt dropped to 4-7-2, including 1-3-1 in the highly Southeastern competitive Conference, after home losses to Georgia and Tennessee.

No. 14 Tennessee (9-2-2, 4-1-1) broke open a scoreless game with three second-half goals to defeat the Commodores 3-1 Sunday afternoon.

"It was a game of two halves for us," Coveleskie said. "We played a really good first half; we fought hard and took care of the ball. We had absolutely no part of the ball in the second half. We were chasing the ball and lost our composure, and Tennessee just took control."

After the Vols scored two quick goals, Vanderbilt cut the deficit to one when Amy Wilcox scored on a penalty kick after Sarah Dennis was fouled from behind inside the 18-yard box. It was Wilcox's third goal of the season, but that was as close the Commodores would get.

"We tried to make it a game late with a late counter and a

good look on frame to cut it to 2-1, but we then took a risk bringing players forward to try to score and UT capitalized on it," Coveleskie said.

Friday night, No. 20 Georgia (11-1-1, 4-0-1 SEC) won 3-2 in overtime to remain undefeated in league play.

"I am pleased with the way we played," Coveleskie said. "I thought the girls played hard and had some dangerous attacks. I just thought it was a great college soccer game."

Freshman Molly Kinsella scored her team-leading fifth goal of the year to give the Commodores a 1-0 lead.

After Georgia came back to take a 2-1 lead just a minute into the second half, Vanderbilt quickly responded as Wilcox hit a laser shot from the top of the

"I thought we had some great looks on frame in the second half," Coveleskie said. "Amy Wilcox finished that ball like a champ, and I thought we scored two world-class goals."

The Commodores will be back in action this weekend at the VU Soccer Complex as LSU and Arkansas come to town.

"You just never get an opportunity to rest in the SEC," Coveleskie said. ■



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Freshman Molly Kinsella scored her team-leading fifth goal of the season this weekend, but the Commodores struggled, losing to Georgia on Friday night and Tennessee on Sunday.

# Sports Briefs

# **Cross country fares well in Arkansas**

Rita Jorgensen and Austin Williamson were the frontrunners for the cross country teams at the Chile Pepper Festival in Fayetteville, Ark.

In the women's 6K, Jorgensen finished 35th out of 322 runners in a time of 22:02.4. Carmen Mims came in second for the Commodores, finishing 56th, and Julie Eckerly, Ellen Black and Kate Southcote-Want rounded out the top five. As a team, the Commodores finished 15th out of 41 squads.

Earlier in the day, the men turned in a solid performance, placing 16th out of 32 teams. Williamson led the way, finishing 35th out of 259 runners with a time of 31:37.7 in the 10K race. Thomas Davis, Rick Semones, Matt Long and Chris Noel finished second through fifth, respectively, for the Commodores.

"Austin Williamson had a very nice race," said coach Steve Keith. "That was by far his best 10K ever. All in all, I thought the men had a very solid day. They grouped well together."

# Freshman swimmers start strong

The swimming and diving team lost its season opener to Southern Illinois 151-75. The Commodores picked up a pair of victories in individual races, with Leigh-Ann Axt winning the 200-yard butterfly and Christina Chao winning the 100-yard freestyle.

They are the first individual victories the Commodores have had in a dual meet since the program restarted last year.

Axt posted an impressive performance in the 200-yard butterfly, winning the race by four seconds over her closest competitor. She also recorded a secondplace finish in the 500-yard freestyle. The Commodores' most impressive event of the day was the 100-yard freestyle. Chao led the way, winning with a time of 58:24. The Commodores also claimed the next three spots with Mary Marschner, Jessie Capps and Ashley Meadows finishing second through fourth,

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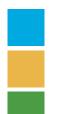
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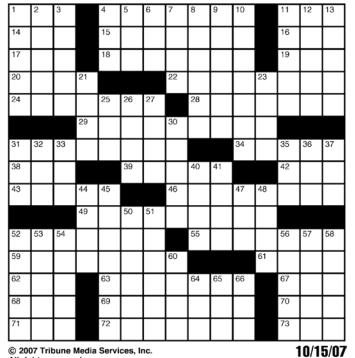
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