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Buchanan immigration lecture incites protest, support

by **EVE ATTERMANN**
Managing Editor

Former United States Treasurer Angela "Bay" Buchanan will be speaking today on the topic of "Illegal Immigration and Patriotic Assimilation" in an event sponsored by Vanderbilt's chapter of Youth for Western Civilization. Several student groups plan to protest the event.

Sophomores Trevor Williams and Devin Saucier founded the chapter of Youth for Western Civilization at the beginning of this school year. According to Saucier, the group's vice president, Buchanan will specifically be addressing the drug violence at the Mexican-American border, as well as her proposed solution of upholding rule of law in the area. She will also be discussing the "phenomenon of non-assimilation" among immigrants to the U.S. and Europe.

Members of the Multicultural Leadership Council, Lambda and Students of Nonviolence plan to protest as well as attend Buchanan's lecture. The "Pro-Immigrant Rally" is being described on Facebook as an attempt to show "significant student opposition" to Buchanan's views on illegal immigration.

Williams and Saucier, who have recruited 10 members to their chapters since its beginning, said they are concerned with non-assimilation in recent immigrant populations.



To listen to a podcast of Williams and Saucier explaining the Youth for Western Civilization's views, check out [InsideVandy.com](#).

"With the advent of the idea of multiculturalism, there's now an idea that people can move to America and also retain all their old ways of life," Williams said. "Issues especially like language, like not learning the English language, is a major breaking point and that's a problem our group seeks to address."

"The initial immigrants concerned themselves with things like American history, American culture, and they actively assimilated," Saucier said. "Whereas now, there are those that say you don't even have to assimilate, you can move to a Mexican ghetto or something like that and retain your same language, retain your same culture, root against the U.S. in sporting events, hang a Puerto Rican flag from your visor, whatever the case may be, and it's not the same dedication to America that there used to be."

The Youth for Western Civilization's national Web site describes the organization as "America's Right Wing Youth Movement" and its mission statement says it is focused on "the support of Western

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Spring awakening



Senior Eric Buzby and junior Nadau Aschner enjoy the beginning of spring by playing Ultimate Frisbee on Alumni Lawn Friday afternoon.

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VUceptors announced for 2009, more than ever apply

by **NORAH SCANLAN**
News Editor

After a two-step application process, the VUceptors for the Class of 2013 were announced Friday night and Saturday morning.

Roughly 400 students applied to be VUceptors this year, a 10 percent increase from last year when approximately 360 students applied. Of the applicants, about half received interviews and 92 students were accepted — 27 from the Class of 2010, 27 from the Class of 2011 and 38 from the Class of 2012.

VUCEPT APPLICANTS BY THE NUMBERS

Applied	Accepted
Total: 400	Total: 92
2010: 17%	2010: 27 (29.3%)
2011: 29%	2011: 27 (29.3%)
2012: 54%	2012: 38 (41.3%)

The rise in applicants from last year can be attributed to the rise in popularity of the VUcept program and the inaugural year of The Commons, explained junior Emilie Strom, president of VUcept.

"The Commons has been such a success, and students want to be a part of it even more," Strom said. "Every first year we talked to was so excited about The Commons."

Junior and Vice President of VUcept Bobby Falconer also attributes the popularity to the improvements that have been made to the program and students' desire to help first-year students transition into life at Vanderbilt.

"It's something about the first year-experience," said junior Matt Grimes, co-chair of the selection committee. "VUcept is a memory students will have for the rest of their four years at Vanderbilt. Being a VUceptor is a way to go back and connect with the part of themselves that almost wishes they were a first-year student again."

According to Falconer, a significantly large number of first-year students applied which is why 40 percent of VUceptors were accepted from the Class of 2012. Grimes said he thinks first-year students were especially attracted to the program because of their desire to maintain a connection with The Commons.

Despite the surge in applications and the changes that have been implemented over the years, the committee was still looking for the same qualifications they have in the past.

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A conversation with the chancellor



Zeppos tells students to follow their passion, remain optimistic.

by **SYDNEY WILMER**
Editor-in-Chief

Chancellor Nicholas Zeppos is pretty open when it comes to his view on world events these days, especially as they relate to the economy. A "tough, tough" job market, rising housing costs and general uncertainty about the future are all fears he acknowledges as realities of student life here on campus.

But the 54-year-old former law professor, who took a voluntary pay cut last fall after watching the economic "storm clouds" gather, says Vanderbilt is strong and so are the students. He sat down with The Vanderbilt Hustler to discuss



To listen to a podcast of Chancellor Nicholas Zeppos offering advice to students on how to face the current job market, go to [InsideVandy.com](#).

the crisis at hand.

"I could tell it was going to be a tough time (for the university). It was something I thought was the right thing to do," he said.

The cut, which will go into effect next year, went unpublicized until last week when Living Income for Vanderbilt Employees' No Cuts campaign delivered a letter asking the chancellor to consider decreasing his salary.

The decision was a personal one, the administrator said. Vice Chancellor for Public

Affairs Beth Fortune said it is a matter of policy that the university not release salary information, but she described the cut as "substantial."

In late February, The Chronicle of Higher Education listed Zeppos' pay amount as \$1,046,751 for the fiscal year of 2007, a figure Fortune called misleading because it represents his entire benefit package.

The chancellor did not have specifics on whether or not other administrators would follow suit but said he suspects they will.

"As you know, everyone is taking a pay freeze. That is very painful. That is pretty significant," Zeppos said. "The spirit that motivates me to do this is pretty strong among the others and I expect some will as well."

He also took the opportunity to announce the creation of

a scholarship he is setting up for students pursuing golf. "I just thought: What better time — and it's for scholarships — than when people really need help?"

The administrator explained that in light of the recent request by students to preserve jobs and preserve current salaries, it is important to consider the give and take that must go on during this period.

The chancellor confirmed that due to rising utility costs, which make up 15 to 20 percent of annual costs, the school will be raising housing prices, although concrete numbers are not yet available.

"Our utility costs are going up dramatically, and they are going up for things we largely don't control," he said.

The situation is a difficult but clear one, he said.

"We are asking ourselves,

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Former Sen. Frist to give breakfast lecture at Vanderbilt March 26

SOURCE: VANDERBILT NEWS NETWORK—Sen. Bill Frist, former U.S. Senate Majority Leader, will speak at 7:30 a.m. on March 26 at the University Club of Nashville. The breakfast lecture is part of the ongoing Cal Turner Program for Moral Leadership in the Professions at Vanderbilt Divinity School.

Frist is a University Distinguished Professor at Vanderbilt, as well as a private investment firm partner, a heart and lung transplant surgeon and a Tennessee senator for 12 years. Frist is concerned with domestic health reform, heart transplantation, global health policy, economic development in low-income countries, health care disparities, medical mission work in Sudan, genocide in Darfur and HIV/AIDS issues.

The lecture is open to the public and costs \$10 for Vanderbilt Students and \$20 for everyone else. Pre-registration is required.

VUT presentation of Simon's 'Brighton Beach Memoirs' premieres April 3

SOURCE: VANDERBILT NEWS NETWORK—Neil Simon's "Brighton Beach Memoirs" premieres April 3 at Neely Auditorium. The play depicts Simon's family during the Great Depression.

"Brighton Beach Memoirs" depicts the life of an ordinary American family struggling during the Great Depression — an issue uncomfortably familiar to many of us now in this so-called time of recession," said Terry Hallquist, associate professor of theater and director of the play. "This award-winning play provides comical insight and refreshing positivism for these troubled times of salary freezes, personnel layoffs and budget reductions."

The play will be performed on at 8 p.m. on April 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11 and at 2 p.m. on April 5. Admission is free for undergraduates, \$7 for graduate and professional students and \$10 for the general public. Tickets are available beginning March 30 at the Neely box office.

Law School's Federalist Society hosts debate on immigration reform

SOURCE: VANDERBILT NEWS NETWORK—The Law School's Federalist Society is sponsoring a discussion on immigration reform. Executive Director of the Center for Immigration Studies, Mark Krikorian, and conservative political analyst Angela "Bay" Buchanan will discuss immigration reform in the U.S. at noon today in the Hyatt room at Vanderbilt Law School.

The Center for Immigration Studies is a conservative think tank in Washington and describes its stance on immigration reform as "pro-immigrant, low immigration vision that seeks fewer immigrants but a warmer welcome for those admitted."

Buchanan, brother of Pat Buchanan, is the former U.S. treasurer for Ronald Reagan, and has chaired the Commission on Women Business Owners and the California delegation of the Republican National Convention, and is a television news contributor.

Online survey offers students chance to set priorities for library services

SOURCE: VANDERBILT NEWS NETWORK—The Jean and Alexander Heard Library is conducting an online survey with over 100 other academic libraries to help determine the future of the library system.

The survey, called LibQUAL+, will evaluate perceptions of library service quality and then establish priorities for service development and improvement. For every response the Vanderbilt Library receives, the library will make a donation to Second Harvest Good Bank. The survey will continue until March 31.

NATIONAL BRIEFS

17 dead after plane crash in Montana Sunday, including several children

BUTTE, MONT. (AP)—A small plane crashed Sunday as it approached an airport in Montana, killing 17 people, including several children, a Federal Aviation Administration spokesman said.

The single engine turboprop plane crashed about 500 feet from the airport in Butte while attempting to land, said spokesman Mike Fergus. The Montana Standard reported in an online story that it crashed in Butte's Holy Cross Cemetery.

The aircraft had departed from Oroville, Calif., and the pilot had filed a flight plan showing a destination of Bozeman, about 85 miles southeast of Butte. But the pilot canceled his flight plan at some point and headed for Butte, Fergus said.

Preliminary reports indicate the dead include numerous children, he said. There were no known fatalities on the ground, he added.

"We think that it was probably a ski trip for the kids," Fergus said.

The plane was registered to Eagle Cap Leasing Inc. in Enterprise, Ore., Fergus said. He didn't know who was operating the plane.

Calls to local authorities were not immediately returned.

GOP predicts doomsday if budget passed, Obama administration optimistic

WASHINGTON (AP)—Congressional Republicans on Sunday predicted a doomsday scenario of crushing debt and eventual federal bankruptcy if President Barack Obama's massive spending blueprint wins passage.

But a White House adviser dismissed the negative assessments, saying she is "incredibly confident" that the president's policies will "do the job" for the economy.

In a TV interview, Obama himself laughed when discussing the dire state of parts of the economy — and ascribed his laughter to "gallows humor."

White House Council of Economic Advisers chairwoman Christina Romer insisted that the nation's flailing economy will be rebounding by 2010.

Administration officials — and the president himself — have taken a cheerier tone despite economic indicators that are anything but positive.

"I have every expectation, as do private forecasters, that we will bottom out this year and actually be growing again by the end of the year," Romer said.

The president, in an interview that aired Sunday on CBS News' "60 Minutes," talked about the need to spend taxpayer money to save financial firms and the auto industry.

"I just want to say that the only thing less popular than putting money into banks is putting money into the auto industry," Obama said with a laugh.

CALENDAR

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, MARCH 23

• Founder of Pandora Radio speaks at Vanderbilt

Tim Westgreen, the founder and CSO of Pandora Radio, is coming to Vanderbilt to speak in conjunction with the Vanderbilt Career Center. His presentation will be in the Student Life Center meeting room at 3 p.m. and is open to all students.

• Israeli folk dancing

Beginners and seasoned dancers alike can come to the Schulman Center and learn how to dance Israeli-style. Beginner lessons and warm-ups begin at 7:30 p.m. and the advanced class begins at 8:30 p.m. Lessons are free and open to the public. No previous experience necessary.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

• Speaker Brian Carr

Brian Carr, the co-founder and CEO of OralDNA Labs, will speak in the Averbuch Auditorium at the Owen School of Management at 5 p.m. The presentation is intended mainly for aspiring business, nursing or medical students.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

• World on Wednesdays

World on Wednesdays will present the film "Ways of Life: Immigrants in Nashville" at noon in the Student Life Center meeting room. A discussion and debate will follow. Lunch is provided.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

• Third Annual Lwala Benefit Gala

The gala will benefit Lwala Community Clinic in Kenya. The event is semi-formal and includes food, a silent auction and the Grammy award-winning group Jars of Clay. The benefit will be held in the Student Life Center Ballroom at 7 p.m.

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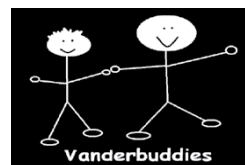


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First-year student Scott Nill and senior Cody Mayer take advantage of the warmth Friday to paint the chassis of the VU Motorsports car.

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PROTESTS: New student group sponsors controversial lecture

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 history, identity, high culture, and pride and opposition to radical multiculturalism, political correctness, racial preferences, mass immigration and socialism.”

Junior Erica Santiago, who is the president of Vanderbilt Feminists as well as a member of Students of Nonviolence, decided to organize the protest

after she saw posters around campus that outlined the Youth for Western Civilization’s views on immigration.

“I kept seeing anti-immigration posters around campus and I didn’t hear anything counter-acting it, so I sent out some Facebook messages,” Santiago said. “My inbox was flooded, so then Elias Feghali (president of Students

of Nonviolence) started the Facebook event (for the protest).”

Santiago, who is involved with immigrant rights issues while at home in Staten Island, N.Y., said while she supports the Youth for Western Civilization’s right to exist and to organize events, she is surprised by what she sees as its non-inclusive stance.

“What worries me is that

every other student group on campus is here to bridge gaps on campus,” Santiago said. “This group is going against all of that. I respect it all and I understand it all, but there is a much better way to do this, to sit down with other groups on campus and not be afraid to show your faces.”

Buchanan will be participating in a debate on “Immigration Reform in the United States”

earlier in the day with Director of the Center for Immigration Studies Mark Krikorian. The Center for Immigration Studies promotes itself as having a “pro-immigrant, low immigration vision that seeks fewer immigrants but a warmer welcome for those admitted.” Vanderbilt University Law School’s Federalist Society is sponsoring the lecture, which

will take place at noon in the Hyatt room at the Law School.

According to the group’s Web site, the Federalist Society hopes to “promote the intellectual exchange of views concerning legal and public policy interests.” The society coordinated with the Youth for Western Civilization to get Buchanan to visit campus after both expressed a desire to see her speak. ■

ZEPPOS: Need to remain optimistic

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 how do you prioritize to preserve those communities? We really hope to make progress,” Zeppos said. Nevertheless, he added that the situation boils down to money in the end. “There is no question, if someone says don’t cut that, the savings have to come from somewhere,” he said.

The chancellor said he is concerned but remains optimistic.

“I’ve been at Vanderbilt since 22 years ago; it was great when I came, and it is getting better,” he said.

These days, though, some students are more concerned about life after Vanderbilt than what happens before commencement exercises, a sentiment the father of two understands, he says. He admitted this is the most dire of economic situations he has encountered.

“It is a really tough, tough job market ... but what I tell students is that first of all, you are very young, you might have had plans to do this or that. Those plans might have to change, though,” he said.

Zeppos said it will not be easy, especially as graduates confront the reality that they are entering the market at a difficult time, but students should look at the situation with as much optimism as possible. His message to students is to “find your passion” and take advantage of the freedom youth offers.

“You are going to live a long life. There is some tremendous freedom in only being responsible for your self. Go live in interesting places and find your passion,” he said. ■

VUCEPT: Search for leaders very competitive

From **ZEPPOS**, page 1
 Falconer said the selection committee was looking for leaders on campus who would facilitate small group discussion and engage first-year students both intellectually and socially.

“We’re looking for candidates who show and exhibit a passion for Vanderbilt and individuals who exhibit what it is to be a Vanderbilt student,” Grimes said.

In addition, the committee sought candidates who showed an understanding of the program and a desire to dedicate themselves to VUcept and its mission. Strom also said the committee looked for open, approachable candidates who could help facilitate the transition between high school and college.

Both Strom and Falconer emphasized the diversity and variety of candidates. “We like to have candidates with a

broad range of experiences,” Falconer said.

“One great thing about VUcept and our VUceptors is that we have such different types of people,” Strom said.

This year the selection committee extended the reading period of the applications.

“The main change was an internal decision to spend more time on the overall selections process to give a more examined look at the

applications,” Grimes said. The larger turnover period created more flexibility for the committee and allowed them to take a closer look at applicants.

Both Falconer and Grimes said their biggest challenge during the selection process was selecting only 92 students from the large pool of qualified applicants.

“But in the end, it’s a numbers game,” Grimes said. ■

Williams reflects on his year as VSG president

by **SYDNEY WILMER**
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News Reporter



To listen to the entire conversation between Williams and Editor-in-Chief Sydney Wilmer about Williams’ year as VSG president, go to InsideVandy.com

Five days after passing the torch to current Vanderbilt Student Government President Wyatt Smith, former President Joseph Williams sat down with The Hustler to reflect on his time in office and what he hopes to see in the coming years for the student body and VSG.

Vanderbilt Hustler: What was the main highlight of your term as VSG president?

Joseph Williams: If I had to touch on one accomplishment in the past year, probably the biggest picture one that seems kind of powerful would be the Global Summer Fellows Program. Wyatt (Smith) did a lot of work on this. From

proposal to initiation of the program, we got to see all of that happen in one year. With a big program like that, to see \$ 250,000 get up for that, to see students get to study abroad because of that funding, was huge.

VH: What hopes do you have for VSG’s future?

JW: I would hope that they would be able to push through and expand wireless. I hope that they could get a Chick-fil-A on campus. And I really hope, No. 1, they can continue to get real results that students see and that make life better for every student everyday despite the economic realities, which makes their job harder. I have full faith in Wyatt (Smith) and Lori (Murphy) that they will be able to get those results.

VH: Do you have any regrets and if so, what are they?

JW: I had a good run. It was a good year, I enjoyed it. I loved every bit of it. I feel that every leader has to come to terms with the fact that they are the best leader they can but that the organization doesn’t depend on them or their personality or their skill set. I think I have been able to do that. My student

government career has shown that losses are just as important as wins in shaping who you are. No regrets.

VH: What is it like now that your term has ended?

JW: I have a lot more free time. I’m hanging out with friends. But weird is the fact that being involved in other organizations, VSG always gave me a constant sense of purpose. And so to have that gone which drove me for so long is strange. Not having my calendar filled and my inbox being constantly refilled is weird. But it’s a good opportunity to process by term and my four years in college.

VH: What is next for you?

JW: For the next two years, I will be doing Teach for America here in Nashville. I will be a high school history teacher. All my free time allows me to be anxious about that. I knew I didn’t want to go straight to law school and I knew I wanted to do something unique that would give me that drive. It should be a constant roller coaster and fun ride but I would be lying if I said I wasn’t scared. ■

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The end of the hookup era



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Columnist

Ever since Valentine's Day there seems to be a lot more dating going on. Everywhere you look there are couples holding hands, lying out on the lawn together, or sharing an intimate meal at Chef James. Some say it's the weather and the romantic idea of the spring season. While this may be true in some cases, I would like to argue that something else has taken effect.

The Commons has done a lot for Vanderbilt, good and bad. One great/awful thing that it has done (depending on your moral/physical values) is that it has definitely put a dent in the number of random hookups that occur on a nightly basis. Many things about The Commons have made inconsistent hookup action more of a challenge, and they have definitely made the level of awkwardness go up exponentially every time one happens.

For one, the freshmen are not divided up into three separate areas of campus. In years past, the rough first semester experience was dulled a bit by how easy it was to get away with things without a lot of people knowing. A guy could spend as many nights sleazing around Kissam as he wanted without anyone on the other side of campus knowing about it.

This year, freshmen are packed within a closer vicinity, so it is a lot harder to get away with things like that. Because of the divided nature of things last year, it was also rare to see anyone with whom you might have had an awkward night.

There was no one common area like The Commons Center, where frequent, unpleasant run-ins might occur. The fact that everybody knows everybody over there does not help either. Freshmen have not been the only people affected by the situation. Older guys/girls who would normally fiend on the younger ones are hurting as well. Staying in Towers for the night does not look all that great when there are no VandyVans to conceal the ridiculously long walk of shame back to Sutherland House the next morning. With Frat Row pretty much shut down, there are fewer opportunities to make anything like that happen anyway.

Dating is just the more sensible thing to do now. It may not be all about forming a relationship with someone special to you. Lately, dating has become a crutch for those who are looking for something to consistently fall back on during this time that is lacking in random action. I think it will be good for Vanderbilt in the long run, because with the "random hookup" eliminated, there will be no more switching out of classes, no more roundabout ways of getting through Rand and a much smaller amount of alcohol-induced tears. More importantly, it will be establishing a firmer respect for family values and help to promote those conservative principles that we should all hold so dear anyway.

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The madness of March



CLAIRE COSTANTINO
Columnist

I hate March. It is the most stressful month of all. What with the Ides, the Madness and the tax preparation — I just can't take it! I'm not strong enough. I need a break after a month like this. Maybe that's why other schools have their spring break during March, instead beginning at a crazy time like Feb. 28, Vanderbilt.

Why would I have needed a break from February? Does Vanderbilt really think Presidents' Day and Valentine's Day are going to stress me out more than preparing my taxes and the looming threat of assassination by all my closest friends if it looks like I'm getting too power hungry?

Let's do a simple comparison: Sure, Feb. 14 stings my heart a little, but March 15, the Ides, is absolutely terrifying. Maybe that chapter in ancient history about Caesar's assassination didn't resonate with you as much as it did with me, but I hardly get anything done at all that day because I'm so busy fleeing angry-looking crowds and insightful blind people.

And March Madness is even the worse than the Ides. I'm a history major, so I know about the Ides. I know what to look for in a situation to avoid the danger in that one day. But I don't know anything about basketball. Even worse, March Madness is so much longer than one day.

Aside from the hellish fever pitch that is reached during the actual playoffs, I also have to survive the analysis leading up to the games and the constant re-hashing once it's over — it never ends. NCAA basketball championships make March a very lonely month for me, because I don't have a bracket to talk about, a coach to analyze or an underdog to root for. I've tried learning the rules and the players, but I can't

keep up. As soon as I learn facts about a team that looks promising, they go and lose, so no one talks about them anymore.

The only strategy that has been proven even mildly successful for coping with March Madness is to root against Duke. This strategy saves me from spending the month in silence because you can always find a friend at Vandy if you want to hate on Duke. I don't know anything about sports, but I sure do know a lot about how much Duke sucks.

I've formed this opinion based on time spent in Durham (surely one of the worst places in America), people I know who go there (and suck) and Duke's maniacal self-obsession. Get off your high horse, you egotistical nerds! I know your university was only founded because Princeton didn't want your dirty tobacco money soiling its good name. But I digress.

For the purposes of March Madness, I pretend I hate Duke for the same reason everyone else appears to: that sneering Coach K. At first I didn't understand why he goes by Coach K, but then I realized that if I was affiliated with Duke, I would also be too ashamed to have my full name known.

I'm so glad this month is almost over. April brings wonderful things like Rites of Spring and more sunny and beautiful days. Even better, after April 15, my parents will finally quit making corny tax jokes. My favorite April activity, however, is watching people recklessly gorge themselves on whatever they gave up for Lent. If you gave up cursing, you will be a delightfully offensive friend in April. If you gave up drinking, you won't remember April. So let's rush through March Madness and get to April Awesomeness!

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A word on wine



NEILY TODD
Columnist

The citizens of Nashville want to be heard. Currently, Tennessee state law mandates that wine can only be sold in liquor stores, unlike the majority of the states in the U.S., which allow wine to be sold in grocery stores and fine food markets.

However, that may soon change as a bill to overturn this law is currently before the Tennessee General Assembly. Tomorrow at noon, legislators from the House Local Government Committee will hear cases from both sides of the issue in the Legislative Plaza's Hearing Room 16. There is no doubt proponents of both sides will come out in full force.

But what issue could anyone possibly have against selling wine in supermarkets? It seems like a perfectly harmless request. Not surprisingly, the liquor lobbyists, specifically the Tennessee Wine and Spirits Retailers Association, are adamantly against this proposal, as they fear that it will hurt their own business.

While this is a valid concern, it is highly unlikely all supermarkets would carry the variety of wine sold in liquor and specialty wine stores. Supermarket wines lend themselves more to people looking to pick up a quick bottle of wine. Wine connoisseurs and shoppers looking for a rarer or more specific wine will continue to turn to their local liquor store.

Furthermore, can you imagine how ridiculous it would be if all carbonated beverages could only be sold in special soda stores? The idea is truly absurd. No other product gets that kind of legal protection.

The liquor lobbyists aren't the only ones against the proposed law change. The Tennessee Baptist Convention has also come out strongly against the idea. The Baptist Convention condemns any consumption of alcohol and opposes the idea of wine in supermarkets for fear that increased exposure would increase temptation.

It seems that if one's religious beliefs condemn alcohol consumption, their commitment to their faith would be stronger than a bottle in a grocery store. Orthodox Jews do not eat ham just because it is sold in grocery stores. One cannot hide from things that go against their religious beliefs. Instead, people who do not want to consume alcohol should just simply not consume it.

Along the same lines, some argue that this new law would increase underage drinking. Well, all I'll say about that is I don't know what your high school was like, but from what I recall, people weren't lounging around sipping cabernet at parties. Beer is already available in the grocery stores. Adding wine isn't going to magically make a new crop of high school students want to start drinking.

In light of all the arguments against selling wine in supermarkets, I still find myself struggling to understand the logic. Clearly, thousands of citizens in Nashville do not understand. The Tennessee Grocers and Convenience Store Association has begun a campaign called Red, White and Food and has obtained 11,000 signatures on its petition in support of the new law.

According to the campaign, "Tennessee General Assembly's Fiscal Review Committee estimated that the sale of wine in supermarkets would generate more than \$16 million for state government and an additional \$11 million for local governments." You can buy fried chicken, cigarettes and beer at grocery stores, all of which have been proven to have health consequences, but you cannot purchase a bottle of red wine, which has been shown to improve heart health. Allowing wine to be sold in supermarkets is not controversial; it's just common sense.

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LIVE commends Zeppos

To the Editor:

Two weeks ago, we as a community — including students, faculty, workers and faith leaders — marched to Kirkland in a symbolic action to protect the low-wage workers on our campus. We were proud to have members from our entire community present at this event, as it clearly showed No Cuts is a community-wide effort to help Vanderbilt workers who are most vulnerable in the university's financial cut backs.

We are pleased Chancellor Nick Zeppos agrees with our recommendation to take a voluntary pay cut and has also finally agreed to meet with several Living Income for Vanderbilt Employees representatives. We were disappointed, however, that Chancellor Zeppos has agreed to meet with only a few student representatives and not with a representative of the concerned party — the

workers. While this meeting cannot be said to have a fully adequate representation of our community without a worker present, we hope a dialogue with the chancellor will strengthen the job security of our lowest-paid Vanderbilt workers.

Nevertheless, we hope to move forward with this campaign and continue to work toward worker rights and protection in all areas of our community.

Sarah Williams
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Editor's note: Chancellor Zeppos explained last week that he took a "substantial" pay cut last fall in light of the growing economic crisis. For more information see page 1.

THE VERDICT		
Stand and be judged by the Hustler opinion staff! Compiled by Thomas Shattuck		
Missionaries		A video made with the help of U.S. missionaries and depicting Amazon Indians burying children alive is "faked" and is accused inciting racial hatred. Nothing inspires hope like promoting false stereotypes. Way to go.
Capitalism		An entire English village, complete with 22 houses and cottages, two blacksmiths and a cricket pitch, goes on sale this week. At \$35 million, it's a tad expensive, but when else do you get a chance to buy a village?
Japan-U.S. relations		The U.S. Embassy in Japan has advised Americans to avoid bars and clubs in central Tokyo's Roppongi nightlife area, reminding people again not to leave drinks unattended. Some people never learn.
Nigeria		Nigeria is hoping a new patriotic slogan emblazoned on T-shirts and baseball caps can restore self-confidence and overturn its battered reputation. Of course, not being corrupt would help also, but whatever works is fine.
Iraq		According to the Tourism and Antiquities Ministry, Iraq has received its first group of Western tourists since the fall of Saddam Hussein. The group of eight holidaymakers arrived on March 8 and toured Iraq's landmark historic sites.
Iraq		An Iraqi soccer fan shot and killed a player of the opposing team as he tried to score an equalizing goal in the final minutes of a match. Once again proving why soccer will never take off in the U.S.
Bob Dylan		A family living near the 67-year-old folk and rock icon's house in the posh California beachside community of Malibu have complained to city officials about an outdoor portable toilet, bringing new meaning to 'blowin' in the wind.
Italy		An Italian pornographic actress stripped down to her panties at the Milan stock exchange on Tuesday to protest against the financial crisis. Maybe if we had more protests like that, someone would actually care.
Sex		Sales in the French erotic industry have fallen as the global economic crisis has driven consumers to reduce their spending on sex toys, massage oils and other kinky products. Apparently, poor people don't have as much sex.

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Lifting the stem cell ban is not such a big deal

JAMES STOECKLE
Guest Columnist

I was glad to see President Barack Obama remove the ban on federal funding for embryonic stem cell research. The ban set a terrible precedent, and those in favor of science and progress probably felt relief. However, I think many have overestimated the importance of lifting this ban.

There is a lot of loud talk about stem cells involving some bad information, so I want to clear some things up first. A stem cell is simply an early cell that has the potential to develop into most kinds of cells. They are found in both embryonic and adult tissues. Stem cells hold significant promise for saving lives because theoretically they can develop into cells that could replace damaged cells in patients with illnesses like Parkinson's and Alzheimer's.

Current treatments such as radiation and drug therapies treat the damaged cells and are only temporary fixes. The reason stem cells got so much hype is that the research began with stem cells harvested from embryos. (To repeat, stem cells are found in embryonic and adult tissues.) The ban, instituted by the Bush administration, prohibited federal funding only for embryonic stem cell research besides that for 60 pre-existing cell lines. Privately funded embryonic stem cell research continued during the ban in the U.S. and abroad.

Harvesting stem cells from human embryos is just one technique in a vast field of research that became extremely

politicized because of its proximity to the pro-life/pro-choice debate. The left held it up as a panacea for debilitating illnesses, while the right would not compromise its moral principles to allow research to go on. Both positions were bad ones, but here I will only take issue with the left's hysteria. It may surprise some that, as a liberal, I believe it is simply wrong and misinformed to think stem cell research is some kind of panacea for debilitating illnesses.

“... we have been duped by politicians — intent on politicizing an issue — into believing that stem cells harvested from embryos are the only way to cure illnesses like Alzheimer's and cancer.”

I think we have been duped by politicians — intent on politicizing an issue — into believing stem cells harvested from embryos are the only way to cure illnesses like Alzheimer's and cancer. The initial ban did not signal the apocalypse like so many suggested it did, and its removal does not necessarily mean stem cells will cure these illnesses. Growing stem cells is but one technique — albeit one with huge potential — that has not yet cured one single patient of a debilitating disease.

I do not mean to write off embryonic stem cell research. It was an important precursor that led to investigating how the body regenerates and heals normally. It had never

occurred to anyone to look for stem cells, and the idea of the embryo was a necessary step. For this, medical science should be eternally grateful. Moreover, embryonic stem cells still hold a great deal of potential. But when the ban was lifted last week, the science world celebrated quietly: The field had moved on.

Since the 2001 ban, stem cell research and medical science more generally have progressed. Lifesaving research did not die when federal funding for embryonic stem cells did. Numerous studies have successfully grown stem cells from the patient's own tissue. Getting cells from the patient as opposed to harvesting from embryos is actually a superior technique because there is not the same risk of rejection. And that is only the stem cell field. There are many other fields of life-saving medical science in addition to stem cells.

To me, the removal of the ban is more a symbolic victory than anything else. The Obama administration strongly indicated that lifesaving science and medical progress would not be obstructed for political or moral reasons. In Obama's own words, it indicated that he would make “scientific decisions based on facts, not ideology.”

So, my fellow liberals, while this might be too little too late, I still think I need to say it: Relax.

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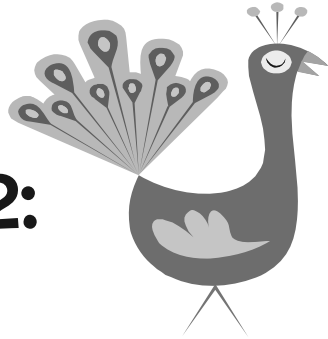
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SPORTS

Stifling defense gets Vanderbilt to second round

by TIM KORTE
Associated Press

Make it 3-0 at The Pit for the Vanderbilt Commodores.

Senior Christina Wirth scored 23 points and senior Jen Risper had 11 points and nine rebounds as fourth-seeded Vanderbilt beat No. 13 Western Carolina 73-44 Saturday night, ending the Lady Catamounts' 10-game winning streak.

Vanderbilt (25-8), in the NCAA tournament for the 10th straight year, made its second consecutive trip to Albuquerque. Last year, the Commodores beat Montana and West Virginia to advance to the regional semifinals.

This time, it was a case of defense fueling the offense. Vanderbilt held Western Carolina (21-12) to 28 percent shooting (16-of-57) from the floor.

"I thought we did a good job of communicating," Wirth said. "On the switches, our smaller players did a good job on them until we were able to switch back. Besides, we think it creates some mismatches for the other team."

Lauren Powell and Brooke Johnson led Western Carolina (21-12) with eight points apiece.

Wirth played well here last spring, scoring 13 in the opening win over Montana and 21 in the victory that carried Vanderbilt to the regional semifinals.

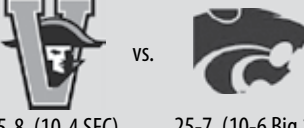
She was named Most Valuable Player of the SEC tournament after averaging 20.3 points in her team's victories over Georgia, LSU and Auburn. After shooting 3-for-10 in the first half, Wirth offered no hint that she plans to slow down in the NCAAs.

"We haven't played a game in two weeks," Wirth said. "It took us a while to get in rhythm."

Western Carolina scored seven straight points to pull within 41-29 and force a timeout by Commodores Coach Melanie Balcomb at the 12:22 mark.

But Wirth quickly ended Western's spurt with a jumper in the lane, then hit two 3-pointers and drove for another bucket as Vanderbilt went on a 12-2 burst that put the Commodores ahead 53-31 with 9:31 to go.

"We made an adjustment and did not give up a 3 in the second half," Balcomb said. "Tina (Wirth) did a great job in the paint and our guards did a



25-8, (10-4 SEC) vs. 25-7, (10-6 Big 12)

No. 4 Vanderbilt vs. No. 5 Kansas State

Monday, March 23
Tip-off is at 8:30 p.m. CDT
TV: ESPN2

Vanderbilt goes for its second consecutive Sweet 16 berth when it faces the 5th-seeded Wildcats, who defeated Drexel 68-44 in the first round.

The Commodores defeated Kansas State in the second round in 2005. A Vanderbilt victory could set up a potential re-match with top-seeded Maryland, who ousted the Commodores last year.

great job. In the second half, the only way they scored was off the dribble and we didn't think that was their strength."

Not only that, Wirth often drew the defensive assignment against Johnson, Western Carolina's 6-foot-4-inch forward, who averaged 18.3 points and nine rebounds during the Southern Conference tournament.

"It gave us a lot of confidence," Risper said, discussing Wirth's defense. "When we saw her take care of the post, it allowed us to use our strength, which is in transition."

Johnson scored six of her eight points in the second half. She was 3-of-11 from the field with seven rebounds.

Vanderbilt took control in the first half, using an 11-2 run over the last 6:16 of the opening 20 minutes to lead 29-18 at the break.

The Catamounts couldn't find an offensive rhythm and struggled all night against Vanderbilt's fullcourt press.

Coach Kellie Harper, who won three national titles as Tennessee's point guard from 1996-98, urged her players to be aggressive but they didn't shoot a free throw until Kendra Eaton made 1-of-2 with 14:16 remaining.

Asked whether it was Vanderbilt's defense or



Christina Wirth (34) dribbles past Western Carolina's Kendra Eaton during the second half of Vanderbilt's NCAA first-round 73-44 victory Saturday night. Wirth led the Commodores with 23 points. Vanderbilt plays Monday night against Kansas State with a berth in the Sweet 16 at stake.

the NCAA jitters that caused so many problems, Powell blamed both.

"That's not the way we want to shoot," Powell

said. "When you're not shooting well, you have to make sure and take care of the defensive ends of things and we didn't do that." ■

COLUMN

5 reasons you should be optimistic for next year

by MIKE KRANZLER
Sports Reporter

Vanderbilt's men's basketball season ended in disappointment as the Commodores missed out on the postseason for the first time since 2003. But there are still reasons to stay optimistic for the 2009-10 season.

EVERYONE IS RETURNING: With the exception of sophomore center A.J. Ogilvy, who might test the NBA Draft waters, this entire squad will return next season. Add in Ogilvy (who would be wise to return to Nashville for his junior season after suffering through injuries and illness all year) and sophomore Andre Walker (who missed the entire season with a torn ACL after playing in all 34 games as a freshman) and this team will have more than enough experience to improve on the court from this rebuilding season.

HELP IS ON THE WAY: Heralded shooting guard John Jenkins from nearby Gallatin will join the fold this summer, and he could be an instant starter. After averaging a nation-leading 42 points per game as a senior against defenses geared specifically to stop him, recruiting analysts believe Jenkins could be the best shooter in all of college basketball next year from the instant he steps on campus. On a team that was hurt far more than expected from the graduations of sharpshooters Shan Foster and Alex "Red" Gordon last year, Jenkins should quickly become Vanderbilt's most dangerous weapon from beyond the arc.

THE SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE IS STILL DOWN: In a conference that received fewer bids (just three) to the NCAA tournament than some mid-major conferences, the Commodores may not face as much competition within the SEC as they have in years past. If the Commodores can pull off 10 wins against a relatively weak conference slate, their chances of making the tournament next year will be very high.

THIS FRESHMAN CLASS IS FOR REAL: Led by Jeff Taylor and Brad Tinsley, coach Kevin Stallings' rising sophomores have the potential to be one of the best classes Vanderbilt has ever seen once all is said and done. With three starters and several more



CHRIS PHARE / The Vanderbilt Hustler
Festus Ezeli (3) improved immensely at center and looks to be a powerful force for the Commodores in the years to come.

key contributors, these players have far more experience than the average freshman class. And if you include redshirt freshman Festus Ezeli, who has only been playing organized basketball for a few years but really came on strong towards the end of the season, then these guys could be extremely dangerous a year or two down the road.

THE TEAM IS HUNGRY: Find your way over to the Rec at night, and odds are you will find at least a few guys from the team playing pick-up games with students. They love the game, and are not letting the premature end to their season prevent them from playing it and continuing to get better. From walk-ons to starters, it is encouraging to see that they are not merely relying on their athleticism to dominate their overmatched classmates. Instead, they are working on the little things, like getting steals on defense and refining their mid-range jumpers. With the commitment these players have made to getting better, one should expect that their hard work will pay off next season. ■

COMMENTARY

Commodores show what they can do on Pro Day

by DAVID SHOCHAT
Sports Reporter

Friday, more than 40 scouts from 25 NFL teams descended upon John Rich Practice Field to watch former Vanderbilt players D.J. Moore, Reshard Langford, Chris Nickson, Josh Allen, Jared Fagan, Bryant Hahnfeldt, Sean Walker and George Smith go through Vanderbilt's Pro Day.

Notable teams at the event were teams with mid to late first round picks like the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, the New York Giants and Tennessee Titans, who each had at least two scouts at the event as well as the New England Patriots, New York Jets, Chicago Bears, Baltimore Ravens, Minnesota Vikings, Atlanta Falcons and Miami Dolphins. Some other teams in attendance who have high picks in the draft and might be hoping Moore falls into the second round were the Detroit Lions, Seattle Seahawks, St. Louis Rams and Cincinnati Bengals.

The players were measured and weighed and then tested in a variety of explosion, speed and agility drills before moving to position drills. For Moore, who starred at cornerback for three years with the Commodores, this event was an opportunity to improve his draft stock, which declined after an average showing at the NFL Combine. While Moore tried to improve his 40 time on Friday, he ran a best of 4.55, similar to his times at the Combine. Moore did measure in at 5 feet 9 inches and 184 pounds, however, which was taller and thinner than his measurements at the Combine.

Where Moore helped himself the most though were the position drills. Moore not only looked fluid and quick in the defensive back drills, but also ran routes as a wide receiver and caught punts for scouts. Moore's versatility could be a big reason why he is selected



FRANCIS SIMPSON / The Vanderbilt Hustler
Comerback D.J. Moore (17) intercepts Georgia quarterback Matthew Stafford at the goal line on Oct. 18. Moore is expected to be a first or second-round draft pick in the NFL Draft at the end of April.

in the late first round above other comparable defensive backs in the draft.

For Langford, who was not invited to the NFL Combine, this event was an opportunity for him to show NFL scouts the great player that he is.

"(Today) was very critical knowing that I only had one shot (after not being invited to the Combine), and I made the most of it," Langford said. "I came out here and gave my best, and I was hoping to turn some heads and answer some questions that a lot of scouts might have had."

Langford certainly looked the part on Friday. With an outstanding vertical of 39 inches

and an unofficial forty of 4.55, the 6-foot-2-inch, 212-pound strong safety certainly turned some heads. Langford also did very well in the position drills catching almost everything thrown to him while showing a great back-pedal and acceleration to the ball.

Coach Bobby Johnson said Langford's performance was "fast but under control."

If you think Langford will be resting on his laurels, think again.

"Coming from Vanderbilt, we always strive for better. I did what I could, and it was my best for today; from now until the draft, I am just going to keep working hard and training for camp," Langford said.

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PRO DAY: Langford, others impress

From PRO DAY, page 6

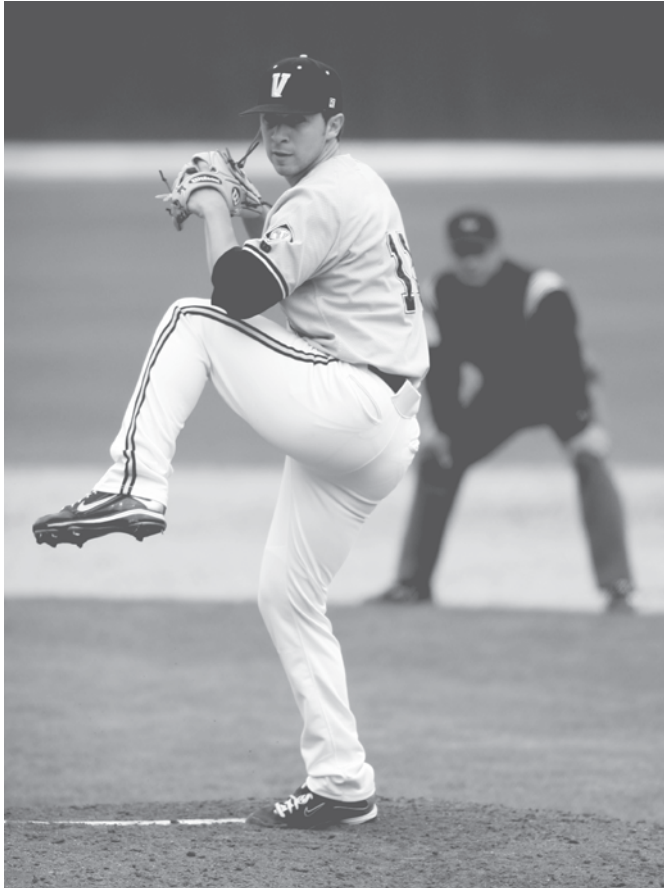
After Friday, it would be a crime for Langford to not be a fourth or fifth round pick.

While most of the other participants in the event are long shots to be drafted, some notable performances on the day were Walker and Fagan,

both running personal bests in the 40 of 4.44 and 4.47 respectively, Nickson posting a 37-inch vertical, and Smith recording a 10-foot-4-inch broad jump.

The NFL draft will be held this year from April 25 to 26 in New York City. ■

Christiani comes through



OLIVER WOLFE / The Vanderbilt Hustler

Nick Christiani pitched six solid innings Sunday to earn his third win of the season in a 4-2 victory over Kentucky. He allowed just two runs while striking out five batters.

Behind strong pitching by starter Nick Christiani and closer Sonny Gray, the Commodores snapped a two-game Southeastern Conference losing streak with a 4-2 win over Kentucky Sunday.

Christiani (3-0) pitched six innings and gave up only two runs, and Gray pitched three shutout innings to earn his fourth save.

Steven Liddle hit his second homer for Vandy (14-8, 2-4 SEC).

Changing of the guard at QB

Nickson trying for pros at receiver.

by DAVID RUTZ
Sports Editor

Chris Nickson has always been a quarterback. But he realized that if he wants to live a dream of playing football professionally, it might be time for a position change.

So the former Commodore lined up in front of NFL scouts at Pro Day on Friday, not under center as he had for the last four years, but as a wide receiver.

"I wanted to give them something else to look at, so they can see I'm more than just a quarterback," Nickson said. "I'm a pretty decent athlete. It was my first time going out and doing routes in front of the public, and it was a good experience."

Nickson performed well before scouts from 25 NFL teams, running routes precisely and catching almost every ball thrown at him.

"I've always had decent hands. I've never played receiver at all," he said. "I only had one drop and I should've caught it."

The unique athlete was alternately spectacular and inconsistent during his years at quarterback with the Commodores. At his best, Nickson was a strong passer as well as terrific scrambler who could turn busted plays into huge gains. However, after a record-breaking sophomore campaign with the Commodores in 2006, he had a roller coaster ride his last two college seasons.

In 2007, he began the year 3-1 as a starter but injured his throwing shoulder. He lost his next two starts, was benched in favor of Mackenzi Adams,



CHRIS PHARE / The Vanderbilt Hustler
Chris Nickson (3) says he can be an asset to an NFL team with his athleticism.

and played only a few more snaps the rest of the season.

He won the starting job again in 2008 and won his first five starts but failed to throw for more than 91 yards in a game. After re-aggravating the shoulder injury against Auburn on Oct. 4, he was ineffective and again was replaced by Adams.

Nickson had a sensational performance in Vanderbilt's bowl eligibility-clinching win over Kentucky but didn't start the Music City Bowl after struggling in his final two games.

The shoulder injury that plagued him the past two seasons did nothing to dispel notions that Nickson was an extremely talented athlete as he posted high rushing totals the entire season, but his throwing abilities were called into question.

Despite his problems, Nickson thinks his athleticism could make him a great fit for the NFL.

"I think it's absolutely the perfect time. I think I could be an asset to a team," Nickson said. "I think I showed the scouts that I can catch the football and run some decent routes." ■

Smith continuing to develop.

by DAVID RUTZ
Sports Editor

In Vanderbilt's biggest game in decades, a young quarterback with no career starts took the reins and guided the Commodores to a 16-14 victory in the Music City Bowl.

Over three months later, Larry Smith is still impressing in practice and is getting more recognition as the future for the Commodores at quarterback.

"Larry knows how to play quarterback," said Vanderbilt coach Bobby Johnson. "He was good in high school. You don't lose that mindset. He's been ready ever since he got here. When he got the opportunity, he took advantage of that."

Smith, a redshirt freshman, was the surprise starter for Vanderbilt in its first bowl appearance since 1982 and completed 10-17 passes for 121 yards against Boston College. He led three scoring drives and committed no turnovers. For a team in need of steady play at quarterback, Smith delivered.

Now in spring practices, Smith has gotten more reps and is feeling better out on the field. He led two scoring drives in Vanderbilt's first scrimmage. In the most recent scrimmage on Saturday, he threw a pick-six but performed well otherwise, showing not only a strong arm but also an ability to make correct reads on options, tucking and running for several large gains.

"That naturally happens as you get more reps," Smith said. "You get more familiar



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Larry Smith (10) has shown enormous potential for Vanderbilt at quarterback.

with the offense and more comfortable out there."

Smith, redshirt sophomore Jared Funk and redshirt junior Mackenzi Adams, a veteran with nine career starts, are all sharing time under center for the Commodores during the spring. Smith and Funk have seen more time on the practice field, although that doesn't necessarily mean Adams doesn't have a shot at winning the starting job. With the extensive playing time Adams has seen, it's a case of the coaching staff seeing what they have in the younger Smith and Funk.

"We're trying to make the football team better," Johnson said. "We do the same thing with other positions. It's not just unique to quarterbacks."

The trio of signal-callers are close, whether or not they're playing football.

"We have a great relationship," Smith said. "We always hang out. We learn from each other every day."

Smith will only be a redshirt sophomore next season and Johnson sees Smith's success in his playing time as just the beginning.

"It's a continuing process that he'll get better and better, even as a senior," he said. ■

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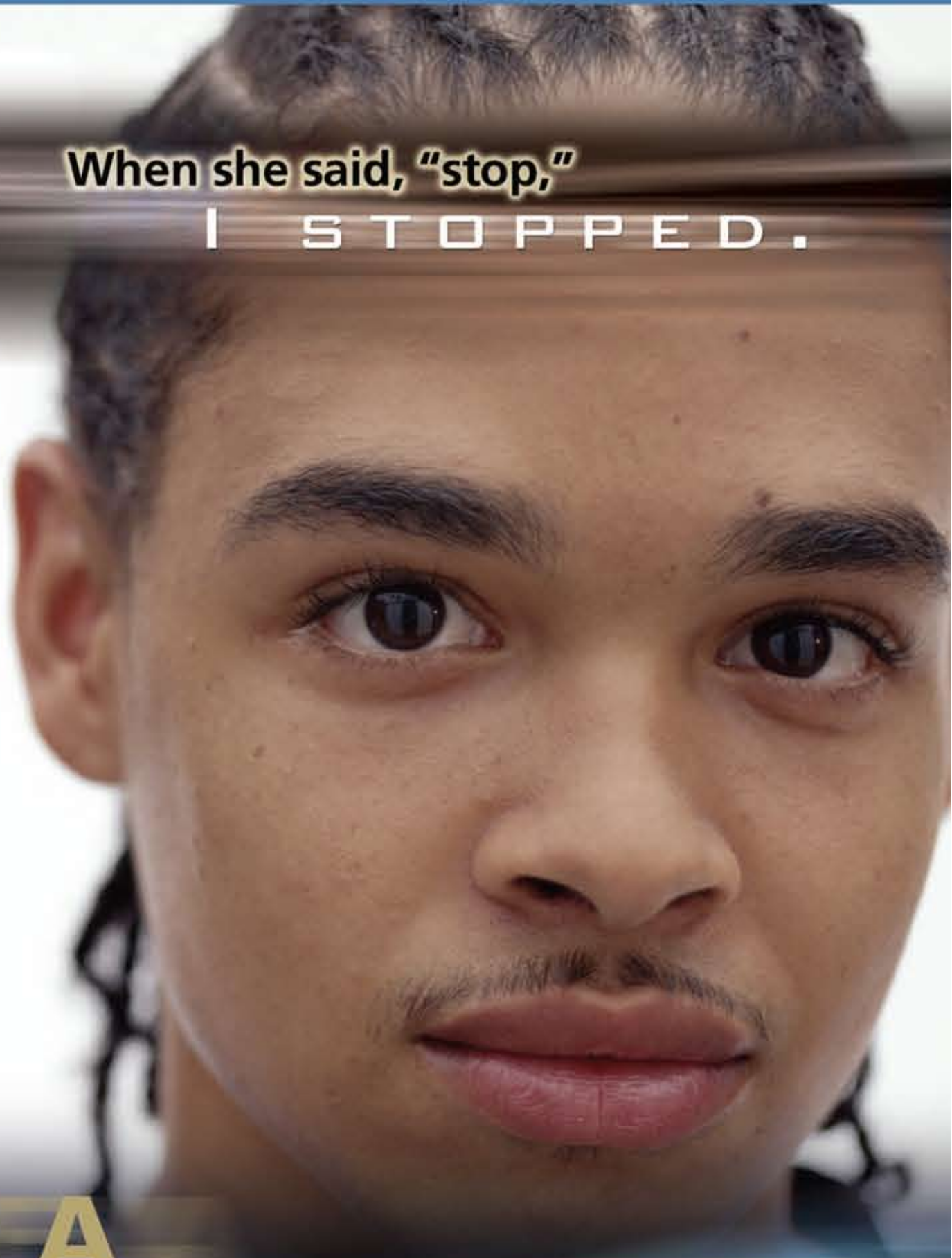
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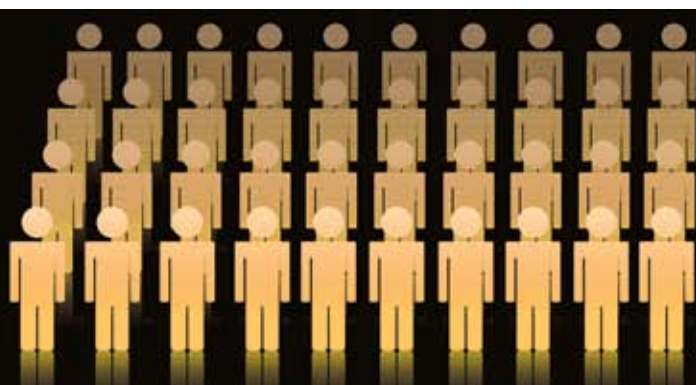
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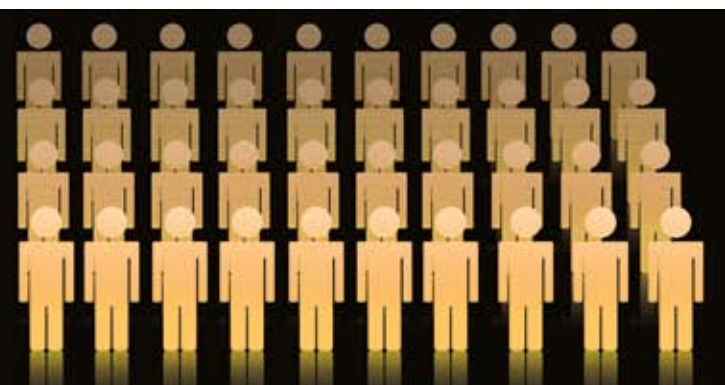
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