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CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 2 AND SATURDAY, APRIL 3

• Juggleville V
Vanderbilt Juggling and
Physical Arts will present
Juggleville V: The King of
Clubs on Friday at 8 p.m.
and Saturday at 2 p.m.
and 8 p.m. at Ingram Hall.
The annual event features
juggling, acrobatics and
physical comedy in three
performances. Tickets
are available for \$7 at the
Sarratt Box Office, and a
portion of proceeds will
benefit the Monroe Carell
Jr. Children's Hospital.



SATURDAY, APRIL 3
• Falling Whistles
Falling Whistles
Vanderbilt will hold a
benefit concert at 8 p.m.
in Sarratt Cinema. The
event will also feature
Sean Carasso, the
organization's founder.
Tickets are available at
the Box Office for \$5. The
organization is working
to promote change and



SUNDAY, APRIL 4
• Steel Drum performance
The Vanderbilt Steel
Drums Ensemble,

directed by Mat Britain, will perform at 7 p.m. in Ingram Hall. The event is free and open to the public.



Tennis vs. USC
 Vanderbilt's Men's Tennis
 team will take on South
 Carolina at 1 p.m. at the
 Currey Tennis Center.
 The event is open to the
 public.

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The future for students

by KYLE BLAINE

Asst News Editor

and CONRAD GOERINGER
Staff Reporter



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Nader on...

HEALTH CARE FOR STUDENTS:

"The biggest (change) is that you can stay with your family plan until your age 26. The law doesn't really begin for the rest of the coverage until 2014. So I'll get back to you in 2014. It's a crapshoot whether you're going to be covered, because it's so needlessly complex."

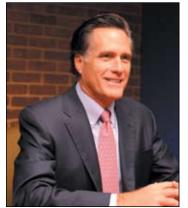
JOB OUTLOOK:

"It all depends on the student. I think, overall, there are certain needs in society that need to be addressed which would create jobs, perhaps foremost in public works. Whether it's transportation or drinking water systems. Most businesses don't realize how absolutely critical the public works are to economic development."

STUDENT DEBT:

"There's been a reform that just passed in Congress that will stop the federal subsidization of companies like Sallie Mae and banks who had a wonderful system of gouging students and running off with the profits. The Department of Education is now not going to do that anymore, so the projected savings is \$61 billion over 10 years."

This week, Vanderbilt played host to a number of national figures for IMPACT 2010 which focused on the theme "The Future of Capitalism." The Vanderbilt Hustler asked all three speakers — television personality John Stossel, former presidential candidate Ralph Nader and former Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney — about three major issues facing college students today.



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Romney on...

HEALTH CARE FOR STUDENTS:

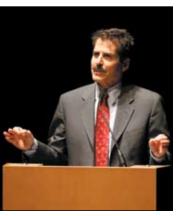
"The government pricing insurance is, in my view, a recipe for difficulty, and will end up encouraging the government to get in the insurance business, and I think that is a mistake. I hope we are able to eliminate some of the differences, repeal the bad and keep the good."

JOB OUTLOOK:

"2010, in my view will be a better year than 2011 and 2012, but I am not a great financial forecaster, it is hard to predict what the economy will do. ... The outlook, longer term, is in my view slower growth than we might have experienced if had we had a very pro-growth agenda from the president and his party."

STUDENT DEBT:

"I actually think that we need in the world of higher education to provide ways to provide education at lower cost. ... (For) the people who have a lot of loans, rather than forgiving the loans, which basically says we should subsidize so you can go to college, it would be better to encourage young people to serve the country in some way, whether it's in military service or community service or work in education."



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Stossel on...

HEALTH CARE FOR STUDENTS:

"I would say it's not a good thing for you students to have all this insurance. When a third party pays, nobody even asks what things cost. That makes costs go up, and makes people not make good decisions about what they need."

JOB OUTLOOK:

"The outlook, I have no clue. When you talk about solving the problem, unemployment is below 10 percent now, I think it's just life. I think America is still the land of opportunity, where if you apply lots of places, you will find something."

STUDENT DEBT:

"I think if you take on a debt, you should pay it off. The unfortunate thing is that there are so many government subsidies for college that the colleges get fat and lazy and raise tuition."

MORE ON

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For videos of the interviews
with the speakers and for recaps of the IMPACT speeches, go to InsideVandy.com.



MARGARET FENTON / VSC Media Services

College-aged young adults will be some of the first to experience the effects of the health insurance reform bill passed last month, most notably by being able to remain on their parents's insurance plans until the age of 26, rather than 23 to 25.

The after-college effects of health care reform

by ALLIE MORRISAsst News Editor

Graduating seniors, now able to stay on their parents' health insurance plans, may be among the first beneficiaries of the health care reform package. Young adults who buy insurance, though, will likely face higher premiums in the next five years.

"I just got cut from my parents insurance at the end of 2009 - I was notified in the beginning of March," said senior Jon Andereck. "So I've been living without insurance for the last few months."

Andereck, who will attend medical school in the fall, may now be able to return to his parents' plan.

Before the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, young adults like Andereck lost coverage on their parents' health care plans when they lost full-time student status or reached a certain age, usually between 23 and 25. In roughly six months, according to The Associated Press, young adults can remain on their parents' plan until age 26 — if their parents have insurance that provides dependent coverage.

If students secure employment after graduation, the availability of health care benefits will still depend somewhat on the size of employer. While 95 percent of firms

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Go to InsideVandy.com to watch video interviews with Getz, a freshman and senior to learn more about their perspectives on how the reform bill will impact stu-

Admit rate drops to 16.3 percent

by MELANIE BRODER

Staff Reporter

The most competitive application process in Vanderbilt's history concluded last Friday when the Office of Undergraduate Admissions sent out the letters officially welcoming the members of the Class of 2014 who applied regular decision.

This year, 21,817 high school seniors applied for one of the 1,600 spots in the incoming freshman class, a 13 percent increase from last year's 19,353 applicants. The overall admit rate decreased from 18.9 percent in 2009 to 16.3 percent.

Christiansen said this year's statistics should place Vanderbilt as one of top 15 to 18 most selective universities in the U.S. in the fall. Since 2007,

the number of applications received has risen 69 percent.

The admissions office projects a yield of approximately 40 percent, including the wait list. The regular decision acceptances will complete the class that has already filled around 40 percent of its 1,600-member capacity with Early Decision I and II applicants. Notable figures include the 27 percent spike in applications from students who identify as underrepresented minorities and the 35 percent increase in international student applications.

Though academic records and test scores are very important, Christiansen said that the distinguishing characteristics of accepted students lie in the "intangible" factors, such as leadership Please see ADMISSIONS, page 3



IARGARET FENTON / VSC Med

Sophomore Suzannah Mongomery leads a tour of prospective students on Thursday. With all admissions decisions mailed, admitted students have until May 1 to accept or deny their place in the Class of 2014.



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compiled by JUSTIN TARDIFF

Saturday, March 27 at 9:30 a.m.

A person exposed himself to a pedestrian at 3000 Vanderbilt Place.

Sunday, March 28 at 1:22 a.m.

A person had who had been drinking fell down a flight of stairs at the Lambda Chi Alpha house. An arrest was made for liquor law violations.

Sunday, March 28 at 11:50 a.m.

A vehicle ran a red light at the corner of 21st Avenue South and Edgehill Avenue. The driver did not have a valid license, only a Tennessee state ID, and was subsequently arrested.

Sunday, March 28 at 5:15 p.m.

Ink cartridges were stolen from Dyer Hall at some point during the past week.

Monday, March 29 at 6:50 a.m.

A locked door in the Divinity School building showed signs of forced entry over the weekend.



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Stossel, Nader go head to head on the role of business and consumer

By Kyle Blaine

Tensions ran high between John Stossel and Ralph Nader at the IMPACT point-counterpoint discussion, "Business or the Consumer First?"

Following opening remarks, the two speakers engaged in a series of back and forth exchanges.

"Ralph can speak about business coercion, but really it is the exception," Stossel said at one point.

"Exception never proves the rule, it defeats it — you should have learned that in your Princeton logic class," Nader responded.



Romney describes vision of American greatness By Conrad Goeringer

"Peace has never had a better ally than a strong America," said former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney as he addressed a packed Langford Auditorium. Romney gave a speech titled "American Capitalism in the World" to promote his new book, titled "No Apology: The Case for American Greatness."

In his speech, Romney stressed the importance of American greatness and how it relates to the "preservation of liberty and prosperity for us and for the entire planet."



Huffington Post contest: Ask the White House a question

The Huffington Post College and all its affiliates (which include The Hustler) are participating in a contest to ask Secretary of Education Arne Duncan a series of questions about education, education policy, and issues affecting college students.

The Hustler editors will choose the best three questions of those submitted, and send them to the HuffPo editors — so ask away. The contest ends Friday morning at 10 a.m.

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WHAT'S ONE THING STUDENTS WOULD BE SURPRISED TO FIND OUT ABOUT YOU?

I live on a small farm outside of town where we see more turkeys, deer and foxes than people.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DO IN YOUR FREE TIME?

My three children get most of my free time. All are into soccer, so I guess you'd say I'm a soccer mom. I also squeeze in some knitting, cross-stitching and other textile crafts.

IF YOU WEREN'T A PROFESSOR, WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

I'd be teaching early grades children in a public elementary school.

compiled by JUSTIN TARDIFF

SNAPSHOT

Just dance



CHRIS HONIBALL / The Vanderbilt Hustler

In the spring concert, members of the Vanderbilt Dance Program and Vanderbilt Dance Theater showcased

a variety of dances in Langford Auditorium on Thursday evening.



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Members of Momentum Dance Group and Found Movement Group also performed in the showcase of a variety of dances, including ballet, modern, contemporary jazz, hip hop, Bharatanatyam and belly dance.

HEALTH CARE: Premiums, access increase

From **HEALTH CARE**, page 1

with 50 or more employees offer health care benefits, only 40 percent of those with fewer than 50 employees currently provide them, according to Associate Professor of Economics Malcolm Getz.

Regardless of employment status, those with pre-existing conditions now have better access to insurance.

"(For) students who experience episodes of disease, (it is) difficult for them to buy insurance. Come 2014, that should be better," Getz said. In 2014, individuals and small businesses will be able to purchase insurance on state-run exchanges. Exchanges basically work like small markets, in which enrollees can choose between a limited number of private insurance plans, according to the Kaiser Foundation. Prior to 2014, the law mandates states open other means to insurance, such as high-risk pools.

Equal availability of insurance could affect the relative price of insurance in disparate ways, however.

"Price of insurance is sort of a debate," said Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics Christina Rennhoff, who is teaching a class on health economics this semester. "Premiums for the young, healthy people could have a rise, whereas the sick portion of the population will see a decrease in premiums (as a result of) putting all healthy and sick in the same risk field."

Prior to the reform act, states determined restrictions on how much older adults. who are more expensive to insure, could be charged relative to younger adults, according to The Associated Press. The reform package limits that ratio to 3-to-1, meaning a 50-year-old could be charged only three times as much as a 20-year-old.

Rand Health released a report Monday estimating premiums for young adults under 35 will rise 17 percent, or \$42 a month, beginning in 2014.

"Those who are healthy will be paying more," Getz said, "but those unfortunate enough to incur medical issues will be better off under this plan."

Mechanisms to fund the reform, which is estimated to cost the government \$938 billion over the next 10 years, will take



MARGARET FENTON / VSC Media Services

"Those who are healthy will be paying more, but those unfortunate enough to incur medical issues will be better off under this plan. "

effect gradually.

or 2018." Rennhoff said.

Beginning in 2014, those over age 26 "Taxes are going to kick in later, in 2014 will face a tax penalty if they do not buy insurance. Depending on future income

--- Malcolm Getz, Associate Professor of Economics

and insurance costs, current students will see increased Medicare tax rates beginning in 2018. There will be an increase in taxes for individuals with an income over \$200,000 and families with an income over \$250,000.

In the first years out of college, however, students may benefit from tax breaks.

Tax credits will be available for individuals making up to four times the federal poverty level (\$43,320 for a single person), according to The Associated Press — commensurate with starting salaries in certain job sectors. And with the ability to remain on a parent's plan as a dependent, other options could become more viable, as well.

"Presuming that your parents have good insurance at modest expense, it makes it plausible (for students) to launch a new business, engage in not for profit work, to travel, to do a variety of things that wouldn't generally involve having heath insurance otherwise," Getz said. ■

Katherine Miller and Sydney Wilmer contributed reporting to this article.

WEEKEND SERVICES FOR PASSOVER EASTER

- Kosher meals for Passover, either lunch or dinner, until April 6 in the Student Life Center
- Overnight prayer vigil at 7 p.m. on Thursday through 3 p.m. Friday at St. Augustine's Chapel on campus
- Good Friday mass at noon and 3 p.m. on Friday at St. Augustine's Chapel
- Good Friday pilgrimage at 8 a.m. on Friday at Edwin Warner Park for 12-mile hike
- Easter Sunday mass at 9:30 a.m. and 5 and 9 p.m. on Sunday in the Benton Chapel

Vanderbilt scientists gear up to participate in worldwide research project from campus

by PETER LETARTE

Staff Reporter

The Large Hadron Collider, a 17-mile-long subatomic particle collider located in Switzerland, is up and running after having several successful collisions earlier this week, and Vanderbilt professors and student researchers are having an influence on the actions of the world's largest particle accelerator.

Professors Victoria Greene, Charles Maguire and Paul Sheldon, Associate Professors Will Johns and Julia Velkovska, and their team of Vanderbilt student researchers members of the 3,600-member team operating the Compact Muon Solenoid, one of the four instruments that detect the collisions of the LHC. Their virtual control room, located in the physics building in Stevenson Center, houses numerous computers and 23 HDTV screens that receive data directly from Switzerland.

There are only eight such programs located in the United States, but all are important to ensuring the success of the

"This project has taken 20 years and cost billions of dollars, so we can't afford to make mistakes," Velkovska said. "That is why we need rooms like this — to monitor the progress in Switzerland."

When the subatomic particles crash into each other in the collider, energy is converted into mass in the form of charged particles such as electrons and hadrons, which are then scattered in all directions. By analyzing the paths these charged particles take, the researchers can recreate the form of matter present immediately after the collision. It is from this analysis that researchers hope to answer some of sciences most pressing class research university.

"What we are looking at here is the state of matter that existed right after the Big Bang. We want to know how the universe evolved to be in the state it currently is in," Maguire said. "At the beginning of the universe there were large amounts of antimatter that seem to have gone extinct, but we are getting more and more clues as to what happened to it."

Aside from hoping to answer such pressing questions in the scientific world, having a virtual control center for such a large project right here on campus provides many unique opportunities for Vanderbilt scientists.

"This is a multinational experiment, but we are on the map. People now know we are participating and we are doing this kind of work," Velkovska said. "A lot of people don't know that our university is a world-



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A team of Vanderbilt faculty and students are beginning a remote shift-quota monitoring data from the Large Hadron Collider in Geneva. The original innovators of Vanderbilt's Compact Muon Solenoid Center graduate student Eric Appelt, right, connects to a live video chat with post-doctoral research associate Pelin Kurt, who is currently at the facility in Geneva.

Along putting Vanderbilt's departments on the map, it provides a chance for postdoctorates, graduate students and even undergraduates to gain unique experience working on such a large-scale, I've been an undergrad."

international project.

"No one country could do this kind of project, so getting a chance to work on this is really exciting," said graduate student Ben Snook. "I've been hearing about this for years, even since

New Highland Quad garage to contain F spaces

by RUTH KINSEY

Asst News Editor

After more than two years of construction next to Highland Quad, the new parking garage will contain reserved spots for student parking when it is completed later this year.

The new garage, located between Mayfield residence halls and the Blair School of Music, will hold spots for both university students and medical center employees, rather than just additional parking for the Vanderbilt University Medical Center, as some thought.

Scheduled for completion by the end of 2010, the West Garage, as it will be called, will be a shared garage, split between the VUMC and the university, with the Medical Center having all the spaces below ground level and the university having all the spaces above ground. A decision as to the number of residential F spaces versus zone parking has not yet been made, however.

"We are currently in the process of forecasting our parking demand for future needs and have not yet determined the exact distribution between F and Zone 3 parking," said Director of Traffic and Parking Lance Hale. "Either way, students will gain additional F parking spaces."

F parking permits are available for resident juniors, seniors and graduate students living on main campus, and the zone permits can be used by assigned faculty and staff, as well as students living off

Before construction on West Garage began two years ago, there was an F permit parking lot on the same site. However, Hale urges students not to worry about a reduction in the number of student parking spaces, as there will be even more F spots in the new garage than there were in the old Lot 30.

The Office of Traffic and Parking does not release statistics concerningthenumber of students holding F or zone permits. However it assures students that there are always parking spaces available in every zone on campus, with between 75 and 150 spots open for students with residential permits. According to Hale, they are usually in Lot 75A,

located at the corner of Natchez Trace and Blakemore, and at the VUPD station lot behind the football stadium.

Developments in parking at Vanderbilt will not cease with the completion of the new garage, however. The Office of Traffic and Parking is working with Admissions, Housing and Human Relations to ensure there will be enough parking on campus for students and employees over the next few years.

"We are forecasting that our current parking supply will meet our demands over the next five to 10 years," Hale said. "This could change based on enrollment, hiring and construction projects, and we will make modifications as necessary." ■



ZAC HARDY / The Vanderbilt Hustle

Residents of Highland Quad have lived next to the construction zone for what will be West Garage since the building process for the new parking garage began two years ago.

Class of 2014 By the Numbers:

Total number of applicants Class of 2014: 21,817 Class of 2013: **19,353** Increase: 13%

Admit rate 2010:16.3% 2009: 18.9%

92% ranked in top 10 percent of high school class

Middle 50% SAT (CR+M): 1440 - 1540

Middle 50% ACT: **31 – 34**

ADMISSIONS: Class of 2014 more competitive

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and academic potential. In applications, his office looks for, as he described, "Who is intellectually curious? Who has a mind that is looking to learn, not just mark off classes getting done?"

Christiansen said he is excited about the Class of 2014, a group he believes will move the campus forward. He also said it is the current be intellectually confident

responsible for attracting the large numbers of applicants. "My experience from

campus environment that is

around the country is, when (prospective students) visit, it's very much about the experience," Christiansensaid. "While it is a very accomplished student body, it's not really cutthroat environment. There's a realness to 'we can

and curious but not wear it on our sleeves."

The recruitment process centers on putting the best community together, but Christiansen knows this isn't the only factor that potential students are looking

"If we didn't have a good educational product promote, we wouldn't be where we are today," he said. ■

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Answering the call to action



FRANNIE BOYLE Columnist

Vanderbilt University is full of students with servants's hearts. Dorothy Legros was one of those students, striving to pour God's love for her out onto other people. She was like any other student, driven and ambitious, but she was motivated to use her talents in order to change the world around her. She was planning a trip to Haiti this summer, and in the long term, she was considering law

school and dreamed of a seat on the U.S. Supreme Court. Dorothy encouraged others around her to serve as well, through the advice she gave and especially through her own example.

Dorothy served people in her own country and planned to carry that service throughout the world, even though she didn't have to. She was faithful, and probably saw life through a Christian's eyes: Christ gave up everything for her so that she might live. She repaid God by showing that same love to others.

Mitt Romney addressed the issue of service during an interview after his speech Wednesday evening. When addressing student debt, he talked about ways we could serve our country in order to lift these financial burdens. He had no legislation to suggest, just a philosophical argument much like JFK's: Stop just focusing on what your country can do for you and think about what you can do in order to pay back your country and the community that has given you so much.

It seems like we have forgotten this. The Age of Obama has become the Age of Entitlement. It has become the government's job to break barriers in society and put everyone on the same level, even when the resources aren't there.

Wednesday evening, Romney threw out some

ideas that could potentially save our generation from this "hope and change" delusion we've gotten ourselves into. The Obama administration is giving the government more power, and most of the changes they have made, or are looking to make, are expensive. We borrow money every day in order to support them. Romney is just as ticked as we should be. The hope and change kids screamed about all over campus last fall were not actually promised to our generation. They are just two things our generation will have to pay for. He said, "It is immoral for us to pass on to the next generation the massive debts we have racked up for ourselves."

Romney isn't being heartless, he's being pragmatic. Yes, what a wonderful society it would be if everyone started off on the same level and was born with equal access to health care, enough food and a roof over their heads. Yes, "hope and change" are wonderful and necessary things. But it shouldn't be (and it really can't be) the government's responsibility to bring these about. As for now, social responsibility mainly lies in the hands of the servants — servants like Dorothy Legros. Servants like you and me.

I was in line for food at the Rand Munchie on Thursday, and I heard someone say Mitt's speech was "impressively full of (cuss word here)." Other friends of mine said they knew they were listening to the next president of the United States. I don't know if that's the vibe I got when I met the former governor — with his tanned skin, perfectly combed hair and fratty pink tie. His silky smooth words made sense, though, and were only less inspiring than Obama's because they were backed up with facts.

-Frannie Boyle is a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences. She can be reached at mary.f.boyle@ vanderbilt.edu.



What is on your mind? The Rant is your place to anonymously sound off on any issue you want. To submit to The Rant, e-mail opinion@ insidevandy.com or go to the opinion page on InsideVandy.com.

Compiled by Thomas Shattuck

Ladies in my hall, I'm tired of your one-night stands seeing me half-dressed at 3 a.m. in the bathroom. Please send them to the guest bathroom.

To my hallmate's girlfriend, I've seen your boyfriend in the shower. You can stop over-exaggerating, please. We're trying to sleep.

Hustler/Versus, if you're going to put the crossword solutions online, then actually put them online!

I'm glad your cousins are getting married and that many hugs are necessary, but please, not in the middle of the bridge.

To the boy who dribbles his basketball in his dorm room in Branscomb, don't think I can't hear you.

That bathroom on the all-guys floor? It's for the guys. Please ladies, curl your hair elsewhere.

To the girl who has loud personal conversations on her phone in the hallway of my dorm: We can all hear you.

To the 50-year-old looking at porn in Central Library — Everyone can see you. That's disgusting.

CARTOON



COLUMN

step beyond economics

Money talks, but you should not always listen. The U.S. is faced with more problems than the economy.



ALLENA **BERRY** Columnist

As far as opinion columnists go, I don't have much of an opinion. Perhaps in this selfeffacing realization lies the reason that I decided to attend some of the IMPACT Symposium this past week. Perhaps I was sick of not being able to engage in the witty repartee that soaked the conversation of my friends who

are presumptuous enough to be economics majors. Perhaps I wanted to know what all the hubbub was over, which often got some of my fellow classmates's panties in a bunch.

Whatever my reason may have been, I attended the first night of speakers: John Stossel and Ralph Nader. Amidst the baiting and personal attacks, one participant managed to say something that stuck with me this week. John Stossel, with his dazzling facts and figures, concluded, "Wealthier is healthier" (such clever rhymes could be expected from a student of rhetoric). This witticism got me thinking, though. America, arguably one of the wealthiest nations in the world, has debatable levels of health. Jamie Oliver, the foodie from across the pond, has televised his polemic against childhood obesity. Others argue about the growing occurrence of juvenile diabetes, among other health concerns.

However, what about America's mental health? What is the value of focusing on economic wellbeing when we can't even care for each other in the most basic human regards? It seems as though every week, a major news agency is reporting some story of some American — usually a college student — who was near a breaking point. See the recent wave of Cornell student suicides; it can't all be blamed on the depressing Northeastern winter. People — perhaps in pursuit of the wealth that ensures health — have forgotten about what it means to be human and treat each other with humanity. Poverty and the national GDP are two issues of concern, and rightfully so; but when do the arguments about which way to spend the almighty dollar become superfluous to the fact that many are principally bankrupt? I would like to see Congress draft a bailout plan for that.

All that being said, I would like to conclude by saying that I am not naive. Discussions of dollars and cents will inevitably pervade our society for many years to come (due to the fact that dollars and cents dictate just about every other aspect of our lives). However, the amassing of wealth — and the discussion of who should have the wealth — is a discussion I feel has overshadowed equally important social

I suppose that, in some roundabout way, qualifies as an opinion about economics. By George, it wasn't so hard after all.

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COLUMN

Crossing the line

Not all that is unethical is actually illegal. People cannot rely on the government alone to regulate busineses.



THOMAS Opinion Editor

Business ethics, a subject frequently considered inherently contradictory, plays a pretty large role in even the most secluded individuals day-to-day life. When you go to McDonald's, the company's ethical policy dictates what items they serve and how they market themselves. Toyota's recall — that's mostly an ethical decision; government will rarely step in unless the Prius attains a serious kill count.

For the most part, government tries not to get involved in regulating ethics. It's true the SEC will arrest you for insider trading a la Martha Stewart or

perhaps give you life for pulling an Enron, but, for the most part, only egregious and absolutely ridiculous violations are punished.

In other words, most people's poor judgment flies under the radar. You know, like nepotism, i.e. the act of promoting family members instead of family values. These types of minor infractions usually are pretty harmless, especially in the short run, but they can cause a company to under-perform in the long run. This obviously has a negative impact on shareholders, employees and the local communities the business operates in.

Ideally, the free market would punish the companies for their transgressions as consumers flock to the business's competitors. There are two problems with this. First of all, people like cheap stuff. Wal-Mart could probably start taking pot-shots with a sniper rifle at protesters, and people would still love the low prices. Gap Inc. has been prosecuted for violating labor laws in producing their garments, but they still have a sizable market share, despite some pretty shading dealing.

The second problem is one of the basic principles of marketing: The consumer body is composed of scared, confused sheep. Seriously, look at all Sonic's commercials; the actors often portray themselves as incapable of performing even the most basic tasks needed to survive. Furthermore, most large business organizations spend millions on market research and marketing to make their products as appealing as possible. Sure, Odwalla may have violated FDA regulations, but look at the container — it has to be healthy, right?

The free market can fix problems, but to work efficiently people have to be both informed and active. At the moment, neither appears to be true. If you'd prefer that eight-year-olds in Guatemala don't develop carpal tunnel making your new denim jacket, don't buy it. As long as you're willing to pay for any object, no matter it's shady history, companies will keep making same barely legal schlock.

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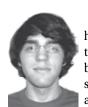
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Overpopulation could threaten well-being

Having children could be detrimental to personal happiness and global sustainability.



HUDSON TODD Columnist

Ahh, the warmth of spring is here at last. Everyone knows what that means: time to make them babies! Although, like most college students, I will not be producing any babies this spring, I also do not intend to produce any babies in any future spring (or any season, for that matter). There are few people who do not want children, and that makes sense because humans are hardwired

to desire copulation. However, I think many of those people would actually be happier if they did not

reproduce. There are many who believe that having children is simply a part of life, and these people often do not think this is a significant question. Hopefully, this column will assist in the future deliberations of those who are undecided.

Let us begin with the big question of whether children make couples happier. "Gross National Happiness" author Arthur Brooks found that parents are 7 percentage

points less likely to claim they are happy than childless couples. The National Survey of Families and Households did a study on 13,000 Americans and found that "parents experience lower levels of emotional well-being, less frequent positive emotions and more frequent negative emotions than their childless peers."

In fact, parents see a fairly dramatic increase in happiness when their children move out, contrary to the mythical "empty nest syndrome." This is significant because it runs counter to what most people believe. Most Americans believe married couples will be happier with children than without them, and this is due in part to the fact that, if asked, most parents report being happy with their decision to have children. Psychologists believe this is largely

because happy memories (little Johnny walking for the first time) are more salient than memories of the hours of tedious work their children required (driving little Johnny to and from soccer practice).

The National Marriage Project even found that parents have significantly lower marital satisfaction than childless couples. To make matters worse, a recent government study found that, adjusted for inflation, it will cost middle-class families nearly \$300,000 to raise a child born in 2009, and that does not even include the cost of college or any expenses following it.

Aside from the personal problems associated with having children, there is also the problem of overpopulation that affects everyone. In 1900, the Earth's population was 1.6 billion; today it is 6.8 billion. It is projected to grow as high as 10 billion in 2050 before it plateaus. There are quite a few problems exacerbated by this unprecedented

growth. Deforestation and natural resource depletion are occurring at record rates, and there are increases in pollution, species extinction and factory farming. I'm not suggesting the future of our planet hinges on your decision to have children, but contributing to the problem really isn't going to improve matters.

So, we will all face a choice in the future. Do we

spend thousands of hours and dollars contributing to one of the greatest problems facing humanity, so that we can have a statistically lower probability of being happy? Or, do we enjoy our free time, happy marriages and social responsibility, all while saving \$300,000? When posited this way, it seems to be a difficult decision indeed! I'll probably look back and laugh when I read this with my inevitable children, but as of now I am absolutely convinced. When my girlfriend, who wants a girl some day, finally snaps and proclaims, "It is me and a child or nothing!" I'll be glad that I do not stick too firmly to my principles.

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Buenos Aires: 24 de marzo

BY KATHERINE DES PREZ

Buenos Aires is probably one of the most laid-back places ever. Everybody calls everybody else, "che," which, roughly translated, means "dude." One of their favorite phrases is, "Che, decíme ..." which means, "Dude, tell me" Everybody from Grandma to professors calls each other dude. So Che Guevara is Dude Guevara. Basically Jeff Bridges in "The Big Lebowski," only political. Just kidding.



Yearbook of the Day: Epic 1976 Fashion Show

So this is the Providence long promised, the soaring aria of awesome, the tequila sunrise of antiquity: The 1976 yearbook spread where student organizations produced members who fit their idea of "beauty." (It was 1976). Tragically, they didn't include the student organization, but it really isn't T.S. Eliot at work here. Crack open a cold one, on this spring afternoon and marvel at 1976's beauty:

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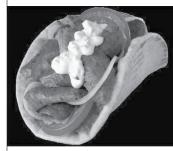
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Sports

Baseball prepares for weekend SEC road test in Gainesville

by ERIC SINGLE

Asst Sports Editor

After two straight victories over Wofford on Tuesday and Wednesday, Vanderbilt tests the true integrity of its eight-game winning streak in its return to conference play this weekend. Whether or not the team returns from the Sunshine State with its streak intact may portend its potential to challenge the powerhouses of the conference in the next two months of regular season

In the second road series of their Southeastern Conference schedule, the Commodores head to Gainesville on Friday for a three-game series against the No. 8 Florida Gators. Friday's game starts at 5:30 p.m. CDT, Saturday's at 3 p.m. and Sunday's at noon.

Senior Andrew Giobbi went 4-for-4 with 4 RBIs in Tuesday's 7-2 win over the Terriers while playing first base for injured starter Curt Casali. Redshirt freshman Will Clinard struck out five in four scoreless innings pitched to record his second win of the season for the Commodores.

On Wednesday, Vanderbilt jumped out to a 9-1 lead on the strength of a three-run home run from shortstop Brian Harris and two RBI singles from third baseman Jason Esposito and held on to win, 10-7, after Wofford rallied off of relievers Drew Hayes and Taylor Hill in the fifth and sixth innings. Richie Goodenow and Russell Brewer shut down the rally in the final three innings and secured starter Navery Moore's second win of the season.

The Gators, once ranked second in the nation, have lost three of their last four games. After winning only the final game of three against No. 11 Ole Miss in Oxford last weekend, Florida dropped a neutral site contest in Jacksonville to in-state rival No. 4 Florida State on Tuesday, 7-2. Freshman third baseman Austin Maddox extended his multi-hit streak to five games but committed two of the Gators' five errors in the loss.

Friday's game will likely feature two of the SEC's most dominant starters in Vanderbilt's Sonny Gray and Florida's Alex Panteliodis.

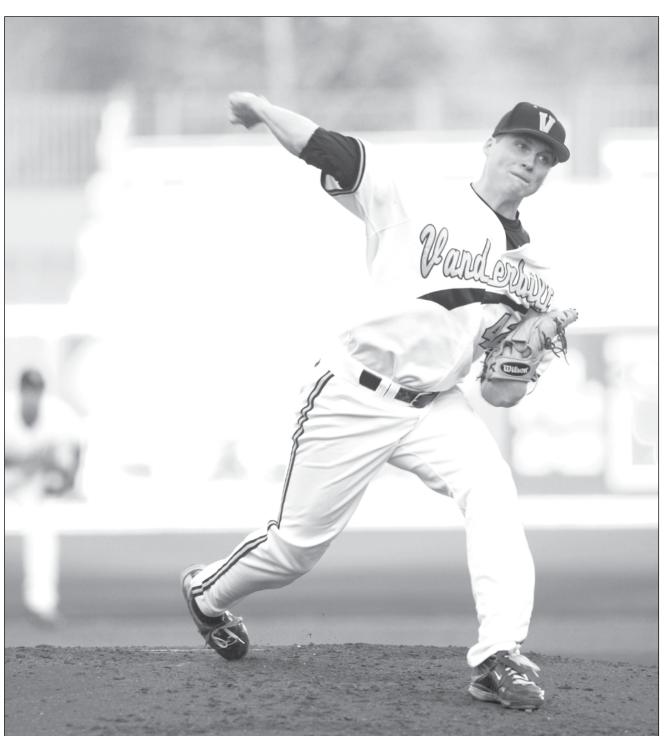
Panteliodis (5-1), whose 2.03 ERA is sixth in the SEC, enters Friday's game looking to rebound from his first loss of the season. The sophomore pitched 7.1 innings and struck out eight in his team's 3-2 defeat at the hands of Ole Miss last Friday.

Gray (4-2) takes a surge of positive momentum into the Florida series after combining with redshirt freshman Corey Williams on a five-hit shutout of Kentucky last Friday. Vanderbilt's sophomore ace, who holds the eighthbest ERA in the SEC at 2.25, was named the SEC Pitcher of the Week for his efforts against the Wildcats.

Saturday and Sunday's pitching matchups are less of a certainty. Vanderbilt head coach Joe Corbin is likely to send out Chase Reid and Jack Armstrong, two converted starters who have delivered several strong starts in the middle of the rotation already this season, in some order against Florida's second and third starters, Hudson Randall and Brian Johnson.

Corbin's use of Curt Casali this weekend will indicate the type of progress the power-hitting first baseman is making in recovering from a hamstring injury sustained earlier in the season. Casali has pinch hit in several games over the past two weeks, and any increase in his offensive and defensive role adds the talent of yet another productive veteran to the Commodore

If it can steal a series win from a top-10 SEC opponent on the road, Vanderbilt will have no shortage of confidence as the team returns to Nashville for another long homestand.



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Vanderbilt right-handed junior Chase Reid (42) is part of a Commodore pitching staff that has been impressive thus far in 2010. The Commodores will look to duplicate their success in Gainesville this weekend against the loaded Gators.

COLUMN

Duke will win the NCAA National Championship BAD CALL GOOD CALL

Coach K's squad simply too talented to lose.

by ALEX WALDER

Sports Reporter

In an NCAA Tournament that has been filled with upsets and Cinderella stories, it would only make sense that an underdog would win. While many fans would love to see the fairy tale come true for Butler or Michigan, they will not have their hopes fulfilled: The Duke Blue Devils will rise as the lone one seed in the Final Four to take home the championship.

Though the Final Four as a whole appears to be one of underdogs, the matchup between Duke and West Virginia was not unexpected. As the 1 and 2 seeds in their respective regions, both of these programs have achieved accordingly, as they have defeated lower-ranked opponents (with the exception of Kentucky) throughout. Considering the tough task that West Virginia presents, what is Duke's advantage?

For the Blue Devils, it comes down to fundamentals. A team that is considered by many to be lacking in athleticism for a top-tier program, they have had to rely on playing their roles and not making mistakes. This mentality on offense all flows from the senior point guard Jon Scheyer. As the team leader in assists, this ball handler will be a vital ingredient in setting up the team's two primary shooters and scorers: Nolan Smith and Kyle Singler. Based around these two scorers, Duke plays a mainly perimeter game. While Singler plays forward, the backcourt combination of Smith and Scheyer is the best remaining in the field. Though Smith led the charge in the Elite Eight against Baylor with his 29-point performance, still expect big things against West Virginia from Scheyer as the true leader and "quarterback" of the offense.

The two long-shot 5 seeds, Michigan State and Butler, meet on the other side of the bracket. In either case, the Blue Devils would come in with an advantage on the talent side. Even so, Michigan State would present a tougher task, purely because of the phenomenal coaching matchup that would ensue between two greats: Duke's Mike Krzyzewski and Michigan State's Tom Izzo.

While everyone has their own opinions on who is better, for argument's sake I would consider that aspect of the game a tossup. However, as will be the case against West Virginia, Duke will once again show a strong advantage in the backcourt. Hampered by the injury to star guard Kalin Lucas, the Spartans have a distinct disadvantage in ball handling. This flows perfectly with the upclose, high-pressure defense that the Blue Devils consistently put on guards to stop the rhythm of opposing offenses. This key injury to Michigan State will lead to a flustered backcourt, which tends to lead to turnovers and eventually loses.

On the other hand, if Michigan State were to fall to fellow fifth-seed Butler, the advantages for Duke would be coming from a slightly different

angle. Though it hasn't seemed to hamper the Bulldogs yet, the experience advantage in both coaching and playing the Blue Devils have in this game could be overwhelming. Butler, a team that has been called a "poor man's Duke," is similarly built on fundamentals and outside shooting. Simply put, schematically and talent-wise, the Blue Devils should have no problem with this

Cinderella story. Though Butler will certainly have the home court advantage and most of the nation behind them, Coach K will be able to focus his squad and the superior talent of Duke will shine through in the end.

So, when looking at the remaining four teams, my question is: Why wouldn't Duke win? Each of their opponents brings a certain strength to the table, but the Blue Devils seem to have a counter for each whether it be from their coaching, guard play or swarming perimeter defense. Simply put, Monday night, the Duke Blue Devils will be cutting down the nets in Indianapolis.

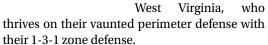
by GEOFF HUTCHINSON Sports Reporter Yes, the Duke Blue Devils are the only No. 1 seed left in the NCAA tournament going into

this weekend's Final Four. Yes, they are probably the most healthy and consistent team going into the tournament. However, do not expect to see Coach K cutting down the nets in Indianapolis on Monday night.

No Inside Scoring Option

The Blue Devils are a primarily perimeteroriented offensive team, revolving around the scoring exploits of their Big Three: Nolan Smith, Jon Scheyer and Kyle Singler. The Big Three from

Duke account for over 53 points per game for Coach K, which equates to 68 percent of the total offensive output for the Blue Devils. On the season, the next leading scorer for Duke was senior center Brian Zoubek, who averaged a mere 5.5 points per game. Duke will need to find some sort of a low post presence if they hope to knock off the East Regional winner,



This was no more evident than in the Elite Eight, versus No. 1-seeded Kentucky, whom West Virginia held to a measly 12.5 3-point percentage from behind the arc on 4-32 shooting. When they do score in the paint, it primarily comes from great offensive rebounding by starters Zoubek and forward Lance Thomas. However, West Virginia has been one of the best rebounding squads in the nation this season, and Duke will not be able to abuse the Mountaineers on the boards on Saturday.

No Depth

Blue Devil flaws will be exposed this weekend.

If Singler, Scheyer or Smith finds himself in foul trouble, the team struggles mightily on the offensive end. During the first half of their Elite Eight matchup versus Baylor, Duke struggled at times as they had to play without their second leading scorer, Singler, for an extended period of time. Coach K primarily plays an eight-man rotation, with freshman guard Andre Dawkins and big men Mason and Miles Plumlee coming off the bench. Dawkins sparsely plays and is only forced into action for extended periods when one of the big three gets in foul trouble.

The other three teams left in the tournament, West Virginia, Butler and Michigan State are known for playing a physical brand of basketball, so we can expect many fouls to be called on both sides. Luckily for those three teams, none of them depends as heavily on a group of players to score, as Duke does on Singler, Scheyer and Smith. If Duke gets into foul trouble, there is not much to go to in terms of subs off the bench.

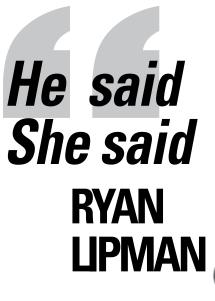
Primetime Players

If any of the games come down to the final moments, you need a go-to guy who will, as announcer Bill Raftery would emphatically say, "ring the bell" and come through in the clutch. That might be a problem for Duke, as none of their primary offensive options are particularly great one-on-one players but instead are great playing off of one another. Duke's opponent in the national semifinal, West Virginia, has the phenomenal senior De'Sean Butler, who has answered the call many times this season, with six game winners on the year.

On the other side of the bracket, both Butler and Michigan State have players who do not back down in crunch time. Butler guard Shelvin Mack has hit timely shots throughout the tournament whenever the underdog Bulldogs have needed them. Guard Durrell Summers has stepped up his game after the Achilles injury to leading scorer Kalin Lucas. Summers has upped his points per game from 11.2 in the season to 20 points per game during the postseason.



Senior guard Jon Scheyer (30) is a key offensive force for Duke. Will it be enough this weekend?



The Hustler sat down with budding tennis stars Jackie Wu and Ryan Lipman for this Friday's edition of "He Said/She Said." The duo discussed the importance of a postseason run and hinted toward the ideal mixed doubles partner.



Is your team performing at the level necessary with postseason tournament play on the horizon?

Yeah, absolutely. We had a couple good matches against Georgia and Alabama. We had a bit of a setback last week against Auburn, but I think we're all fired up and ready to go and ready to finish up the (Southeastern Conference) season and get into postseason play.

I definitely think, judging from where we started from to where we are right now, as far as being match ready, we're way up there. Five out of our six losses have come 4-3, and they've come against top-10, top-15 teams, so we're right up there with them. It's a couple points here and there. I think each day you can see us slowly getting better, and you can see all the hard work paying off in matches, too.

In your view, how important is a deep NCAA run to making a successful season?

I think it'd be awesome to do that, but expectations are just to try and make the tournament because last year we didn't even make it. I think winning in the first round would be great, and then anything after that would just be icing on the cake.

I think as a team, we feel like we can be a Final Four team. Like I said, with all the close matches that we've lost, had those gone our way, we're easily a top-10 team. I think it depends on the day, how things go.

What's one match you've played this year you're particularly proud of?

Against Georgia, I played the No. 1 guy — I think he was ranked 18 or so. And it was the first time playing at Georgia, and they've got that awesome stadium. It's kind of the ideal college tennis place to play. First time playing there, so when I got that win I was really excited about that. This year, we played Tennessee at Indoor Qualifiers, and in the fall I had played their No. 1 girl, who was like No. 6 in the nation at that time. I barely lost to her in three sets, and it was just a ridiculous match. It was like a four-hour, 3-setter on a fast, indoor court, so that was a heartbreaker that I didn't forget about for a while. I got my second chance in January, and I ended up getting revenge and beating her in two sets. So far, that's the match.

Favorite Ben & Jerry's ice cream flavor?

Oh, goodness, I don't even know. I've probably been to Ben & Jerry's just one time. Is Cherry Garcia one? I'm going to go with that.

That's funny you should ask because I'm actually not a big sweets person, and when I eat ice cream, I don't have Ben & Jerry's. So can't really tell you. Recently though, when I've had ice cream it's been the Starbucks Caramel Macchiato one. They have these huge chunks of caramel, which is perfect.

If you could play mixed doubles with any one Commodore, who would it be?

Jackie Wu. I think our games complement each other pretty well.

I plead the Fifth because all of the guys are so great, there's no way I could pick just one.

High-rising Taylor back on board

by DAVID NAMM Sports Editor

sophomore Vanderbilt swingman Jeffery Taylor decided to save his leaping ability for the Commodores instead of jumping to the NBA. The forward announced yesterday that he would return to Kevin Stallings's club for his junior season, citing a personal desire to improve and overall dedication to the program.

"If I went this year I think I would be (picked in the) late first or early second round depending on how I do in workouts," Taylor said in an interview with The Tennessean's Jeff Lockridge. "I put some thought into it. But listening to coach Stallings and my dad, I feel like it's a better decision to stay in school and work on my game."

If Taylor's decision works as planned, it should be a win-win for both the Commodores and their NBA-aspiring star. Many mock drafts for 2011 have Taylor going in the lottery, as next season could further transform his raw physical potential into results for a Vanderbilt team looking to build off this year's successful regular season.

"I have a lot of people around me who know what they are talking about," Taylor said. "The NBA is something everyone dreams about as a kid. It's obviously a goal I want to reach. I just don't feel like I'm right for it right now. I feel like I need to get bigger. My skills aren't there yet."

With the departure of senior leader Jermaine Beal, Taylor feels he can continue



Sophomore star Jeffery Taylor (44) will bring his highlight-reel athleticism back to Vanderbilt for his third season in Nashville.

the Commodores' tradition strong upperclassman leadership. If anything, he can lead by example: His 13.2 points and 5.2 rebounds per game are numbers that should increase come next season.

"With Beal leaving and A.J. (Ogilvy) maybe leaving, a lot of responsibility will fall (on) my shoulders next year," Taylor said. "I want to be ready for that." ■

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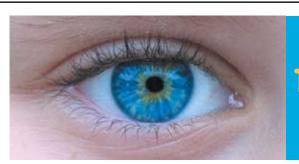
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ACROSS 1 Cotton unit

5 "__ is life!" 58 Downsizing resul 9 Earns a fink moniker 61 Choosing from a 14 Seine sights 15 Circular cookie Breath You

Take": Police hit 17 Unappetizing food 18 Like some summer davs

19 Bach's "__ the G String" 20 Caucus member changing his mind about a candidate?

23 Latin 101 verb 24 Freudian subject 25 Asgard ruler 26 Timberlake with six

Grammys 28 Pointer 30 For the real thing? 32 Took it slow 34 Flow partner 35 City NW of Provo

36 Dan'l Webster, in a Twain story 38 Barter 40 Take to the clean-

ers 43 Remote abbr. 45 Key of Chopin's "Military Polonaise'

49 Took back one's story? 52 Carry _

53 "Gimme a minute!" 54 Babysitter's bane 56 Bug like a dog?

57 Cos. with ampersands, often 58 Downsizing result? lineup, briefly

63 Smurf elder 64 Thomas ___ Edison 65 Scary words from the boss 66 Not fer 67 Hammer part

68 "To __ human ..." 69 Actress Sofer 70 League of Nations

muralist DOWN

1 "So what?!" 2 Swiftly, to Solti 3 Name associated with three

overtures 4 Hockey Hall of Fame nickname 5 Reliable, as a citizen 6 Muse holding a globe

called him "the father of us all" 8 Axton of country 9 Endure

7 Matisse reportedly

letters

12 Fire retardant chemical 13 Case, for instance? 21 Yard machine

Beethoven

10 VII x VIII 11 Oxygenating tool

22 Algonquin kin

44 Online resource 29 Sharp or flat 46 Golden __: 50th 31 "Superstation" anniversary 33 Budapest-born 47 Like a bogey, to a conductor Antal golfer 37 Hear clearly 48 Kuling

50 Cliff features 39 Early violin maker Andrea 51 Visit unexpectedly 40 Common photo 55 Yoga posture subject 59 Trade punches 41 Due in soon 60 Last melody? 42 Like a more 62 Application form pretentious museum

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