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■ CAMPUS NEWS

**OLIVER WOLFE/ File Photo** 

New university regulations would require tailgating to end 30 minutes before football games begin, with repeated failures to comply leading to a loss of tailgate privileges for the season.

# Limits on tailgating anger Greek community

**KYLE BLAINE News Editor** 

This fall, the pre-games will truly be pre-games.

New regulations handed down by the university require football tailgate parties to end 30 minutes before kick-off, in an low student attendance at the

"A tailgate is a social event intended to create a festive atmosphere among fans prior to attending a football game. The purpose of a tailgate is to mobilize fans to support their team," wrote Dean of Students Mark Bandas in an e-mail to The Hustler. "We want the Vanderbilt community to show its support for our football team, our new coach and our dedicated student athletes."

According to Bandas, Vanderbilt University Police Department will report noncompliance to the Office of Greek Life. Failure to comply will result in loss of tailgate privileges for the following home game. Repeated failures to comply could lead to a loss of tailgate privileges for the season.

Members of the Greek community vocalized disapproval of the new regulations, which some have characterized as a deliberate effort by the university to limit the Greek community.

Will Marshall, freshman and Lambda Chi Alpha brother, pointed to the football team's losing record as the reason for low student attendance.

"A team that doesn't win games is not going to attract a fan base, regardless of absurd rules enacted to attempt to

do so," Marshall said. "The administration ought not be surprised when their actions cause students to return to their rooms and conduct more nefarious acts than they would at a tailgate rather than going to the game." Head football coach James

effort to increase the traditionally Franklin took to Twitter to respond to anger directed at him over the new policy.

"I don't know where it started but I am not involved in shutting frats down 4 the games, I want them 2 come because they want 2 be there," he tweeted.

Earlier this semester, Franklin visited Greek chapters in an effort to increase excitement for Vanderbilt football. Although some have placed blame on Franklin for the new tailgate restrictions, Lambda Chi Alpha and junior Vann Bentley placed blame on the university.

"It seems like the university took a request from Coach Franklin to the students to come to the games earlier and turned that honest request into another opportunity to systematically wipe out any fun at this school," Bentley said. "Ultimately, it will most likely result in students leaving frat lawns 30 minutes before the games and finding somewhere off campus to get belligerently drunk."

"The Vanderbilt community is very stubborn. People aren't going to start going to the games just because they're not allowed to tailgate. It's an unfair policy and it's going to be hard to control," said sophomore and Alpha Chi Omega sister Francene Corradetti. "They can't prevent college kids from drinking, from going into their dorms or off campus." ■

■ CAMPUS NEWS

# Proposed MCAT changes will increase length, breadth of exam

Staff Writer

The Association of American Medical Colleges has recently announced potential changes in the Medical College Admission Test which would significantly alter the exam. The changes, expected to be implemented in 2015, will prompt medical education officials and premed students to reconsider their curriculum in the coming years in order to prepare for the changed exam.

The current MCAT is a standardized, multiple-choice exam compulsory for entrance and is designed to assess applicants' problem solving, critical thinking, writings skills and command of scientific knowledge.

The AAMC plans to add a new section, Behavioral and Social Sciences Principles, which will evaluate students' understanding of self, others and the socio-cultural differences among patients and doctors. The test will also add science topics such as cellular/molecular biology, biochemistry, research methods and statistics to the preexisting topics in biology, chemistry and physics. In

addition to verbal reasoning, examinees will also be expected to understand concepts in ethics, philosophy, crosscultural studies and population health. The Writing Sample, proven by statistics to be futile in the medical school selection process, will be removed, though the total length of the exam will be increased from 5 1/2 hours to 7 hours to test endurance.

The changes to the exam, the most drastic alterations to occur in 25 years, will effect the more than 250 Vanderbilt undergraduate pre-med students who take the exam

Rohit Kuruvilla, expressed mixed feelings about the predicted changes.

"By adding an hour and a half, they are just making an already stressful situation worse. At the same time, though, by adding a social and behavioral science section they are broadening the amount of information and moving away from just math and science, which is a big improvement," Kuruvilla said. "Although the writing section is important, hopefully an increase in these new sections will improve doctor-patient relationships in the future." ■

# 'A Celebration of Life' Raises over \$15,000



**CHRIS HONIBALL**/ The Vanderbilt Hustler

State Radio performs Thursday afternoon on Alumni Lawn during "A Celebration of Life: A Tribute to Kyle Craig." The event, a tribute to deceased member of the class of 2011 Kyle Craig and organized by the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, will donate the proceeds to the Minding Your Mind Foundation. "It was truly amazing to see the support of an entire campus," said event organizer James Wolf, "and it really shows what kind of impact Kyle had on peoples' lives."

■ CAMPUS NEWS

# **Curb Public Lecture on 'The** Googlization of Everything'

**GABY ROMÁN** 

**VSC Media Services** 

Siva Vaidhyanathan, a cultural historian, media scholar and professor of media studies at the University of Virginia, will speak at the First Amendment Center on April 8 at 1 p.m. as part of the Spring 2011 Curb Creative Leadership

In his most recent book, "The

Googlization of Everything," Vaidhyanathan challenges the legality of the Google Books scanning project.

His lecture contributes to the ongoing discussion facilitated by the Curb Center on the vitality of the U.S. expressive life and creative enterprise.

Vaidhyanathan frequently contributed to The Chronicle of Higher Education, New York Times Magazine, The Nation, Salon. com, National Public Radio and MSNBC.com. He has also appeared on "The Daily Show" with Jon Stewart.

Vaidhyanathan currently holds a fellowship at the Institute for the Future of the Book and the New York Institute for the Humanities.

A reception will follow the lecture. Both are free and open to the public. ■



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# **FEATURE PHOTO**



**OLIVER WOLFE**/ The Vanderbilt Hustler

Anna McReynolds and the First Degree perform at the Vanderbilt Music Outreach "Monster Concert" in Sarratt Cinema Thursday evening. Music groups competed for penny votes from the audience.

# PEER **REVIEW**

**Profiling an** interesting student by GABY ROMÁN

#### **TAYLOR SCHOMP**

**COLLEGE: A&S, Class of 2013 MAJOR: Film Studies** STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS: Invisible Children, Alpha Chi Omega, Campus Crusade for Christ, **Vanderbilt Athletics Video Operations** 

As co-president of Invisible Children's Vanderbilt chapter, Schomp will screen the organization's most recent film, "Tony," on the Commons Lawn on Tuesday at 7 p.m. The event is free with food included. Representatives from IC's head-



quarters in California will attend and have merchandise for sale. All proceeds will go directly to IC's campaign efforts.

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#### WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS AFTER VANDERBILT?

I have no idea. I'm a film studies major and am most interested in going into the non-profit film industry. I've always been inspired, for example, by the way Invisible Children utilizes film in order to inspire people and instigate change. However, I'm also interested in the film sector of the music industry and will certainly be considering that as well. I still have a few years to figure it out, so I'm sure it will all come together with time.

# **NEED** TO KNOW **VANDERBILT**



### The top news stories from around campus that you need to know to be informed this week.

#### by VSC MEDIA SERVICES

# World-class mathematician joins faculty

One of the world's foremost mathematicians, Vaughan F. R. Jones, has accepted a position as distinguished professor of mathematics at Vanderbilt beginning in the fall of 2011.

Jones, who is coming from the University of California, Berkeley, holds the Fields Medal, which is awarded once every four years to mathematicians not more than 40 years old for outstanding discoveries in mathematics and is generally considered to be the Nobel Prize of mathematics.

"We are thrilled that Vaughan will be joining the mathematics department," said Chair Dietmar Bisch, who has collaborated with Jones for more than 15 years. "His presence will enhance our research profile enormously and give our students and post-docs a chance to learn from one of our preeminent mathematicians."

Jones received the Fields Medal in 1990 for his discovery of an unexpected link between the mathematical study of knots - a field that dates back to the 19th century - and statistical mechanics, a form of mathematics used to study complex systems with large numbers of components.

Jones has received a number of honors for his work in addition to the Fields Medal. A native of New Zealand, he has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society and a member of the National Academy of Sciences, the American Academy of Arts and Science and the Norwegian Royal Society of Letters and Science. He has received the Onsager Medal and is a Knight Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit.

Next fall, Jones will join the math department's Center for Noncommutative Geometry and Operator Algebras, directed by Bisch. The group includes about 20 faculty members, students and postdoctoral researchers.

# 'VUspace for individuals' being retired

Information Technology Services is in the process of phasing out VUspace for individuals, which has been used for Web pages and file storage, and replacing the services it provides with more robust and modern technology. VUspace for individuals will be retired October 1. VUspace Groups will not be affected.

In the near future, University Web Communications, in partnership with ITS, will make available new options including themes and tools that students, faculty and staff can use to host and maintain their individual Web pages. University Web Communications will provide detailed instructions on how to move personal Web content from VUspace to the new solution. This move will only affect websites that are currently hosted in VUspace - other websites are not affected.

For data storage, ITS provides several free options that offer more robust service than those currently provided by VUspace. They include:

SkyDrive, which is now available to the Vanderbilt community through a new product called VU Live. SkyDrive is a file storage and sharing service that allows users to upload files to the computing cloud, and then access them from a Web browser. It uses Windows Live ID to control access to the user's files, allowing the files to be kept private, share with contacts or make the files public. Publicly shared files do not require a Windows Live ID to access. The service offers 25 GB of free personal storage, with a maximum file size for individual files limited to 50 MB.

Microsoft Office SharePoint 2010 provides comprehensive content management with 1 GB of personal storage space. SharePoint 2010 will be available for use summer 2011.

Effective immediately, new VUspace accounts will no longer be provisioned.

# New technology for Commencement 2011

Innovative new technology to correctly announce graduates' names will be implemented this year at Vanderbilt's Commencement exercises.

Matthew Redd, who orchestrated last year's Commencement, is working with Marching Order, a company that provides systems for enhancing the graduation process. They will craft a system in which a professional voice-over artist will prerecord graduates' names. When each graduate approaches the stage, he or she will scan a digitally encoded card, which will trigger the reading of their name as they receive

"We really are the trendsetters on this card system - no one has done anything quite like it," Redd said. "The cards will help us regulate the pace, reduce stress and eliminate errors."

The key benefit to having graduates' names prerecorded, he said, is that deans will no longer be confined to the podium, reading name after name. Instead, they will be free to move to the front of the stage, shake hands with graduates and join in the celebration. If a card goes missing or a malfunction occurs, no need to worry. The voice-over talent will be on hand to announce names live if necessary.

Also this year, campus will have a more modern look and feel during Commencement, thanks to some innovative branding efforts and new

For the first time, a large photo backdrop emblazoned with Vanderbilt logos - much like the corporate-sponsored backdrops used at red carpet events - will provide a fun place for graduates to take photos before entering the annual Strawberries and Champagne event.

"In the past, when people took pictures there was no branding. Those snapshots could have been taken anywhere," Redd said. "We wanted a place for the graduates to take pictures with their friends and family that put context to the date, time and place. I think it will make their photos even more special and memorable, and it will be a lot of fun."

### Blair School of Music announces two new faculty appointments

Philip Dikeman will join the Blair faculty in the Fall as associate professor of flute. Dikeman attended the Oberlin College Conservatory and Yale University, and he has been a member of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra since 1992, serving most recently as acting principal flute. He has also held positions with the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra and the San Antonio Symphony Orchestra, and he performed as guest principal flute with the Minnesota Orchestra and the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. He has presented concerts and masterclasses throughout the United States and has also won first prize in both the National Flute Association's Young Artist and Orchestral Audition Competitions.

Bil Jackson will join the Blair School in the Fall as associate professor of clarinet. He is currently the principal clarinet of the Colorado Symphony Orchestra, and has held the same position with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. He has been an artist-faculty member at the Aspen Music Festival since 1983, and has taught at the University of Northern Colorado, the University of Texas and Duquesne University. He has presented concerts and master classes throughout the United States, as well as in Japan, Australia and Mexico. He has also given the world premiere performances of clarinet concertos by Dan Welcher and Kevin Puts.

### New endowed chair holders recognized for achievements

Eleven faculty members who have been named to endowed chairs were praised for their outstanding academic achievements during a celebration at the Student Life Center.

"We are a place that values discovery, creativity, great patient care and service in affairs, said Richard McCarty, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs. "And it's also the transfer of the passion of your academic scholarship that benefits our students as well as the larger society." He expressed gratitude for the chair holders' work as leaders on campus, in their various fields and in the broader society.

The April 5 ceremony was the second in a series of events to recognize the remarkable accomplishments and contributions of new chair holders at Vanderbilt.

"This is one of those very special times in the life of a university when we recognize the people that really make us great and those are the people that have risen to a point in their academic life where the university gives them an endowed chair," said Jeff Balser, vice chancellor for health services. "I am really happy that we have started to have these ceremonies to recognize these achievements."

The major university initiative to recruit and retain outstanding scholars and teachers with the new chairs was announced by Chancellor Nicholas S. Zeppos last August.

The newly honored chairs are:

Jonathan L. Haines, Louise B. McGavock Chair; David G. Harrison, Betty and Jack Bailey Chair in Cardiology; Steven D. Hollon, Gertrude Conaway Vanderbilt Chair in Psychology; Owen D. Jones, New York Alumni Chancellor's Chair in Law; Michael P. Kreyling, Gertrude Conaway Vanderbilt Chair in English:

L. Jackson Roberts II, William Stokes Chair in Experimental Therapeutics;

Sandra J. Rosenthal, Jack and Pamela Egan Chair in Chemistry; Mitchell A. Seligson, Centennial Chair in Political Science; David C. Wood, W. Alton Jones Chair in Philosophy; Christopher V. Wright, Louise B. McGavock Chair; and Mary M. Zutter, Louise B. McGavock Chair.

Balser and McCarty gave thanks to the very generous donors that have made it possible to recruit and retain outstanding scholars and teachers on campus. They noted that the gifts range from one chair given late last calendar year to others that date back to members of the Vanderbilt family. "We can never acknowledge too frequently the power of those gifts when magnified over time and what they have made possible at Vanderbilt," McCarty said. ■

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#### LOCAL NEWS

# Thousands still without power days after storm

#### **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)

— Thousands of Tennesseans remain without power days after a powerful thunderstorm produced a line of strong winds, hail and tornadoes, but local utilities are hoping to restore electricity by the end of the

The storms lashed Tennessee from the Mississippi River to the Smoky Mountains. One person in Shelby County was killed when he came in contact with a live power line outside his home. The National Weather Service said three tornadoes struck Middle Tennessee.

Glen Thomas, a spokesman for Memphis Light, Gas and Water, said as of Thursday afternoon 5,500 customers were still without power and they hoped to end their repairs on Friday. About 700 customers of the Nashville Electric Service were also without electricity on Thursday, according to the utility's online outage map.



**BECK FRIEDMAN**/ The Vanderbilt Hustler

Several trees fell on Greek Row Monday afternoon damaging Greek Houses and student vehicles after severe winds thrashed campus.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

# Bill passes that would void Nashville ordinance

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** 

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A House subcommittee has approved legislation that would void a new Nashville ordinance barring companies that discriminate against gays and lesbians from doing business with the city.

The bill by Republican Rep. Glen Casada, of Franklin, would prohibit local governments from creating anti-discrimination laws that are stricter than the state's own laws.

Under state law it is illegal to discriminate against a person because of race, creed, color, religion, sex, age or national origin.

The Nashville ordinance that was passed on Tuesday prohibits companies that discriminate because of sexual orientation or gender identity from receiving city contracts.

It does not apply to local governments' hiring policies for their own workers.

The bill passed the Commerce subcommittee on Wednesday and goes to the full committee next week. ■

■ CAMPUS NEWS

# Students graduating should consider health insurance options

### ASSOCIATED PRESS

Students graduating this May should check out their health insurance options to avoid breaks in coverage and confusion.

"Even though reform allows most students to stay on their parents' plans until 26 years old, it is still a good idea to compare options to address any gaps in coverage," said Mark Colwell, Manager of Consumer Marketing at GoHealthInsurance.com.

Here are some simple steps that students should take before graduating in May:

1. Review current health insurance plans.

**insurance plans.**If a student is currently on

a parents' plan, call the health insurance company to determine if the student can stay on the plan until they turn 26.

Students with college or student health insurance (http://www. gohealthinsurance.com/studenthealth-insurance.html) plans should call the insurer to see if the plan will continue after graduation and for how long. Many college plans only offer coverage for a few months after graduation.

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2. If health insurance coverage ends upon graduation, students should compare health insurance quotes and talk to a licensed agent.

Students who have a job lined up after college should check to see if

that job offers health insurance benefits and when those benefits are effective. If there is a break in coverage, students should get a temporary health insurance policy. If the employer doesn't offer coverage, students should get an individual health insurance

**3.** Apply for health insurance in coverage. ■

coverage online.

Finding health insurance coverage and applying online is easy. Students shouldn't wait to apply because it can take more than a month to be approved for individual health insurance. Applying earlier will ensure that students won't experience a break in coverage.

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■ COLUMN

# Keep Vandy gun-free

MATT **SCARANO** 

Columnist

between two students at Middle Tennessee State University ended with a gunshot. The victim, 20-

year-old Austin Morrow, was shot only in the hand — and is fine — but that hasn't stopped pro-gun activists from invoking this fresh example of on-campus violence in support of their cause.

THE VANDERBILT HUSTLER

Conservative lawmakers have made recent moves in both Texas and Tennessee to loosen restrictions on guns on college campuses. In Texas, a bill is expected to pass this week that will allow students to carry guns on campus; the Tennessee bill, thankfully, thus far includes only university staff and faculty. But regardless, the idea of professors packing heat at school is only slightly less disconcerting than students being allowed to carry, and both states' bills are fundamentally flawed.

At first glance, the pro-gun folks seem to have a point. Ever since Charles Whitman climbed to the top of the University of Texas' clock-tower and gunned down 16 people nearly 45 years ago, controlling violent crime on college campuses has been a real and pressing issue. The oft-cited, more recent and equally disturbing example of campus violence occurred at Virginia Tech only four years ago, leaving over twice the number dead as Whitman's massacre did.

It is true — one place where students should feel safest, universities, are too often not safe at all. But how to respond to this issue is a complex, difficult question. "More guns" is certainly not the answer.

The problem with guns is obvious: They kill people. And putting them in more hands within the college environment, even as a preventative measure against such atrocities as the Virginia Tech massacre, represents nothing less than a misguided overreaction.

Terrible things have happened on university campuses, and more will probably occur in the

In February, an altercation future. But these terrible things have happened, and will continue to happen, only occasionally. That is, unless, perhaps, we make it legal to carry guns on campus. Then they might happen more often.

Any member of the NRA will tell you: Guns don't kill people; people kill people. That may be so. But still, a person with a gun is far more likely to kill someone than a person without a gun. And, sad as it is, statistically speaking, that person with a gun is far more likely to unintentionally harm or kill than he is to ever use his gun in self-defense.

Likewise, allowing guns onto college campuses is much more likely to lead to accidents than heroic vigilantism against campus shooters. The crime log would be a lot less funny if some of those "forcible fondlings" became "forcible fondling thwarted by gun." Not that forcible fondlers don't deserve to see justice; it's just that an early death seems a little drastic.

As a rule, I feel safe at Vanderbilt. And although there's always the chance of something out of the ordinary happening, like a tornado or — God forbid — a shooting, I believe that we are safe here. But if there were some unknown number of legally concealed guns on campus, then I would feel less safe and, I suspect, rightfully so.

As American citizens, we all have the right to bear arms. But at the end of the day, the right to go to class safe in the knowledge that your fellow students aren't carrying weapons seems to me to outweigh the Second Amendment, if only temporarily, and for the purposes of maintaining a positive learning environment. Guns and learning don't mix, and we're here to learn; so let's keep Vanderbilt — and, if possible, Texas and Tennessee's other schools — gun-

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COLUMN

# A change to believe in



**HUDSON** Columnist

party of "fiscal responsibility," are in office, they are going to trim the federal budget and shut down the government if that is what it takes to do it. They absolutely no one. That would be fabulous, were it not for the fact that the Republicans can't

Now that Republicans, the

find a single sizable item that a majority of Americans want to cut — with the exception of foreign aid.

Americans are reasonable people. The average American wants to cut foreign aid from its elephantine 25 percent of spending to a more responsible 10 percent or so. Unfortunately, foreign aid accounts for less than 1 percent of the federal budget. It is a shame that our problems cannot be solved by uneducated know-nothings. The American people are so insultingly ignorant about the financial realities of our government that it is practically immoral for most of them to vote. They put charlatans in office who appeal to their ineptitude for votes. They dumb down our political discourse. They worsen our lives.

I apologize for that tangential harangue, but such ignorance is deleterious to the lives of millions. Our government gives the equivalent of \$60 dollars per American citizen in aid annually. Much of it goes to Iraq and Afghanistan, while only about 1/4 goes to the poorest 10 countries. And we are remarkably inefficientwiththatmoneytoboot. For instance, we mandate that condoms distributed abroad be made in the U.S., even though they cost twice as much as those available in the global market. In other words, we cut our condom distribution by half to boost the American economy (what part of "aid" ...).

Of private charity, the largest portion is given to religious institutions, which use most of it on new churches, and give less than 10 percent to developing countries. Furthermore,

most charity remains within the confines of the U.S., despite "poor" Americans being remarkably better off than most people. Case in point, after Katrina (1,600 dead), Americans generously donated \$6.5 billion, but after the 2004 Southeast Asian tsunami (220,000 dead), are going to get rid of all of that Americans donated \$1.54 billion. Of course, useless spending that helps Americans are God's children and No. 1 in sports, so I shouldn't be complaining.

> With all of the easily remediable problems plaguing the third world, such as cataracts, obstetric fistulas, diarrhea, cleft palates, etc., it is unfortunate that private philanthropy for developing nations accounts for only 7 cents for every \$100 of income. I have a better suggestion for what our government should do about foreign aid — increase it. After all, if the American people think that we should cut foreign aid to 10 percent, why squander an opportunity to increase foreign aid to 10 percent? A few months ago, Bill Gates implored Republicans, who want to cut foreign aid because their ever-so-knowledgeable constituents desire it, to remember that 1.4 million children will die this year from diseases for which there are already vaccines. Could there be a more noble allocation of our resources than saving these lives?

> To those who would prefer letting poor people die miserable deaths because "they won't stop breeding," the opposite is true, and, within 10-20 years, the reduced death rate will lead to families having fewer children. To those who argue that foreign aid is ineffective, it has been proven to be effective when combined with trade, security and governance. To those who just could not care less, I sincerely doubt you would feel that way if you had experienced abject poverty (of course, you haven't, so who cares?). How about we think about someone other than ourselves for a change? That would be change I could believe in.

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# THE VERDICT

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**Jersey Shore** 

MTV has announced that they are creating not one, but two spinoffs of their hit TV show Jersey Shore. That's three times the Snooki, three times the Pauly D, three times the everything. And some people are saying our country is going downhill!

**Bronx Zoo snake** 



Remember the escaped Bronx Zoo snake? Did you know that it was only a week ago people were freaking about it, before it was found (in the zoo)? Well, the snake now has a name. Mia. Is that because it was MIA?

**Glenn Beck** 



Big news: Glenn Beck quit. Or got fired. We're not really sure. Neither, it seems, is Fox News. In an interview, Fox News chief Roger Ailes said, "Half of the headlines say he's been canceled. The other half say he quit. We're pretty happy with both of them." Fox: News for stupid people.

COLUMN

# Tim Gunn: Niceness is in



KATIE **DES PREZ** Columnist

We all know that the fashion industry has its shallow side, which can sometimes make those of us who are fans of fashion feel a little bit vapid. I've decided, though, that you have to balance all the seriousness out every once in a while with a good dose of fashionable levity. For example, I'm up to defend my honors thesis on Monday, and even though I'm proud of my academic work, I'm also really excited about the shoes I'm going to wear. (They're kelly green, and they're just wonderful.) Though I've mostly come to

terms with the online shopper and magazine lover inside, nothing could make me feel better about the fashion industry than hearing Tim Gunn speak on Tuesday night. I have no shame about my love for Project Runway, and Tim Gunn has always been my favorite figure on the show. After Tuesday night, though, my adoration reached a whole new level. I want Tim Gunn to be my new gay dad. He is the perfect blend of academic seriousness, straightforward niceness and fashionable sensibility.

I had no idea what I was getting into when I went to Langford to hear his talk. Fashion tips? The truth about Heidi Klum? Fashion tips had a small place in the talk, but what Tim Gunn had to say was really more about managing personal dynamics and standing up for your principles, whether in academia or at Bryant Park. Gunn was refreshingly defensive of his students' learning and their right not to be infantilized by professors, who in turn have a right not to be infantilized by administration. His philosophy about navigating fashion education can really be applied to any field: Be your own advocate, enjoy learning and be honest with people.

In fact, his viewpoint went far beyond fashion education and the fashion industry. Tim Gunn's principles for getting along in fashion are so easy to follow — and really should define anyone's life and profession, whether that person is a microbiologist or the president. He reminded us all of the basic reality of human interaction that so many people choose to overlook: Be nice to people. Some people behave badly, and you simply cannot control that, any more than you can control a 65-year-old woman's choice to wear leggings as pants. Sometimes, there's just no getting through to people, but at least give everyone a chance to be reasonable.

The response that Gunn elicited from the audience was so warm, it made me think that maybe reality television doesn't actually ruin all its participants forever (though Snooki might make an interesting counterargument, but I'm not sure she wasn't ruined before). Gunn made it clear that being nice to other people makes them want to be

Of course, being nice can't cut it if your other priorities are all out of whack, but Tim Gunn definitely has his head on straight. At one point, he told a story about meeting two women with cancer, whom Gunn met to take shopping and lift their spirits a little. He said he remembered thinking, "People need clothes, but nobody needs fashion." If you can keep straight what you need, what you want and what other people need then it's fine to indulge in what you want every once in a while. That's the only way to keep the fashionista and the scholar in balance.

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# Nashville Film Festival: Tinseltown goes local



The Bellflower stars up-and-comers Tyler Dawson, Vincent Grashaw and Keghan Hurst. The film centers on two friends who build weapons of mass destruction in hope and the unlikely event of an apocalypse.

# Staff Writer

The Nashville Film Festival, the longest-running film festival in the South, begins Thursday, April 14, at the Regal Green Hills 16. The weeklong event will feature screenings of a diverse selection of highly anticipated new films (including many regional premieres) and panel discussions led by major figures in the film industry. The caliber of talent at the Nashville Film Festival will be comparable to that of festivals in bigger cities. At the same time, The Nashville Film Festival will expose the critics, experienced filmmakers and promising newcomers in attendance to Nashville and to Southern hospitality.

The Nashville Festival aims to incorporate the qualities of the local community into a celebration of the art of filmmaking. The Festival participates in yearlong community outreach programs with organizations like the Preston Taylor Boys and Girls Club, the Martha O'Bryan Center and the Oasis Joe Pagetta attributes the Center. It has also worked with Al Gore to create an award for the best documentary dealing with a social issue.

Naturally, an emphasis is placed on music. The area premiere of 2005's "Hustle and Flow" (which later won an Oscar for Best Original Song) took place at the Nashville Film Festival, and John Mellencamp, the Punch Brothers and Levon Helm are among the artists who will appear in films this year. Panel discussions on Wednesday, April 20, include "Music Supervisors: Advanced Placement" at 10 a.m., "Third Party Music Licensing" at 2:15 p.m. and "An Evening with Gustavo Santaolalla" (the composer behind the breathtaking scores to 2005's "Brokeback Mountain," 2006's "Babel" and 2010's "Biutiful") at 6 p.m.

Another highlight is "Batman & Other Tales: An Evening with Michael Uslan," which will take place at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 14. Uslan will discuss his experiences as the executive producer of the last six Batman films and the upcoming "The Dark Knight

Media Relations Manager diversity of the event's attendees to its diverse film selection, writing that since "we program more than 200

films from more than 40 countries, we truly feel there is something for everyone and every culture."

Pagetta identifies "Broke"," an exploration of the struggling music industry, and "Kinyarwanda," "Fumbol Tok" and "An African Election," three films about current events in Africa, as some of the most interesting films for college students. He also recommends "Bellflower," the story of two friends whose obsession with the "Mad Max" films drives them to build flamethrower-equipped car in case of an impending apocalypse. Apparently, the car will be coming to the festival and may be seen driving around Nashville.

Tickets for individual films and all-festival laminates, which allow access to many films and events, can be purchased on the Festival's website at http:// nashvillefilmfestival.org/. Vanderbilt students can use their student IDs to get in free to showings that have not sold out shows before 5 p.m. Free tickets to select screenings can be obtained online at http://www. nowplayingnashville.com/ page/NashvilleFilmFestival. ■

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**■** FASHION

# **Nashville Fashion Week in review**



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**NABEELA AHMAD** Staff Writer

Crystal Fountain Church in East Nashville (next to the Turnip Truck) provided an unusual and slightly blasphemous backdrop for Lexus Nashville Fashion Week's (NFW) third night of runway shows last Thursday, headlined by Christian Siriano. While the church did provide an ethereal atmosphere for the shows, it seemed off-color to have models parading around in transparent blouses in a place of worship. Undoubtedly, NFW chose this location to maximize the number of tickets they could sell as they packed show attendees into the pews. The night featured the collections of five designers: Olia Zavozina, Cooper by Courtney Warren, Union of Angels, White Rabbit and Christian Siriano.

Olia Zavozina, a local Nashville designer known for her bridal fashions, opened the show. This season's collection was close to a repeat of a collection she showed back in October featuring tulle overlaid bridal gowns, pristine white shift dresses and men's three-piece suits. Ironically, it was Zavozina's menswear of the entire collection that was refreshing - one look even featuring a cropped suit jacket.

Cooper by Courtney Warren was presented by Posh Boutique, but the line failed to impress and seemed more appropriate for the racks of Old Navy than the runway. The line, which featured overdose of Breton striped tunics and ruched knit dresses, seemed out of place and was further hindered by the poor casting of the models who were bobbing their heads to the music while walking.

Union of Angels, a fashion line founded by D.C. area designer Cynthia Bapst regained an air of sophistication for the night. While the line featured a few standout pieces that were intended for an older, professional audience, the collection was altogether not particularly cohesive. The line featured inconsistent looks,

such as suits with diaphanous blouses and Jackie O-style dresses in succession.

The real star and surprise of the night was Nashville designer Shea Steele's collection, White Rabbit. With a minimal color palette (white, black, red and mauve) and loose-fitting silks, Ms. Steele presented a line that was truly fashion-forward and flattering.

"(The line) is a great creative outlet for me," Steele said. "I would like to move forward and do it more aggressively. Right now, I'm just enjoying

Christian Siriano rounded out the night with his fall/ winter collection that was shown in New York and Paris during Mercedes-Benz Fall 2010 Fashion Weeks. In person, the workmanship of Mr. Siriano's collection was apparent with most of the looks featuring cohesion of different textures. Siriano has definitely come a long way since his Project Runway days, and hopefully, Nashville will see more of him. ■



# **SPORTS**

# Williams: "Student-athletes should not be paid or treated as university employees"



STEVE GREEN/ VU Media Relations

On Monday, Vice Chancellor David Williams served as a panelist on NPR's "On Point" program to discuss the issue of whether or not student-athletes should be paid by the universities for which they play.

**DAVID WILLIAMS Guest Columnist** 

Recently, I had the opportunity to appear on National Public Radio's "On Point" program to debate the topic "Should College Athletes be Paid?" The discussion, which actually included four people, was lively and full of excellent dialogue and good points. Maybe the most amazing part of it was that my daughter, who is a junior and varsity swimmer at Brown University, actually heard it and called me Monday night to tell me that she enjoyed it. It had generated discussion among her classmates, and she also felt her old dad had done a good job.

My position on this important topic is that college student-athletes should not be paid or treated as university employees for their participation in college athletics. I continue to believe that the concept of providing our student-athletes with the opportunity to earn a college degree, in many cases at a greatly reduced or no financial cost, is both a fair and honorable position that should be maintained. In our society, a college education can greatly alter one's life. In many cases, the young people who are attending college on athletic scholarship would not be able to obtain that college education but for that assistance. I recognize that because of the amount of money that is now involved in college athletics, there appears to be a mismatch in the distribution of revenue. The primary argument is that the university and some coaches are making a windfall on the backs of these student-athletes.

In addition, some have argued that in certain situations the student-athlete is not really treated as a college student and has little to no chance to obtain the college degree. Even if they do, it is not a "real" education because it has been altered to protect their eligibility.

I hear those concerns and suggest that at some schools these accusations might be true, but that does not mean we have to continue that status quo. The NCAA, which includes each and every one of the member universities, has the power to correct these problems. We can and should make the education we are providing for the student-athletes a bona fide college education. The NCAA rules and those at our universities — can better ensure that student-athletes actually and honestly receive the education as part of the bargain for their service to their university. Giving up by declaring the student-athletes employees, paying them as such and not requiring any education component to their involvement is wrong and against all that we in higher education stand for and believe is right and fair. We need to make the system work the way it was indeed intended to work.

At Vanderbilt our student-athletes do not get preferential class scheduling, do not have any "soft" majors in which to cluster and do not have any curriculum or classes that are designed for or cater to athletes. They have to attend the same classes and do the same work all Vanderbilt students have to complete. They have to succeed or fail in class on their academic merit, not because they can swim fast, shoot a 3-pointer or run for 100 yards per game. At Vanderbilt,

they compete at the highest levels of college athletics and academics. Of our 16 teams, 10 are constantly ranked in the Top 30 to 50 teams in the country and over the last four years, overall average GPA for all our student-athletes has been over 3.0 while their graduation rate (over a six year time span) has been between 94 percent and 96 percent. When I think of Shan Foster playing professional basketball in Europe, I remember our point guard of a few years ago, Russell Lakey, who finished his playing career with a degree, attended Vanderbilt Law School and is now an attorney in Arizona. I'm also reminded of Caroline Peck, who captained our women's basketball team and subsequently coached Purdue University to the NCAA Championship and presently is a sports commentator/analyst for ESPN. As I watch Jay Cutler lead the NFL Chicago Bears, I realize John Stokes, our starting linebacker this past year, was accepted into medical school as a junior, and Joel Caldwell, who started at safety two years ago, has just completed his first year of law school at the University of Alabama. All were athletic scholarship athletes at Vanderbilt and all are graduates (actually John will graduate next month). I could name dozens of other athletes from all of our teams who have successfully played sports and obtained a quality education. Look no further than Dr. Ann Price and Dr. Rosevelt Noble, two former Vanderbilt athletes who are now on our faculty. While none of us attended Vanderbilt, in reality, four of this University's seven Vice Chancellors played varsity athletics

while in college. Other schools can do the same if they have the will and desire to change the direction that college athletics is headed.

While I do not believe college athletes should be paid, I am an advocate for adjusting the existing scholarship to better represent today's society. Too many times I encounter a college athlete on full athletic scholarship who does not have enough money to take a date to the movies or go off campus for a meal. We need to make sure that the athletic scholarship allows us to provide, at a minimum, the cost of attendance that is determined at each of our schools. In addition, I would like to see some of the NCAA and conference revenue set aside for student-athletes who complete their education, earn good grades and do not play professionally to assist in earning advanced degrees in professional or graduate school programs. This would clearly make the athletic scholarship more valuable while still maintaining the principle that these are legitimate student-athletes.

Making athletes employees and paying them to represent the university does not solve anything; in fact, it creates even larger problems. How would you distribute the money in a fair manner? Do the men on the University of Connecticut's national champion basketball team get more than the men on a team that did not make it to the NCAA Tournament? Would the women on Texas A&M's national champion basketball team be paid the same as the UConn men? What about the soccer players, the swimmers or the bowling team members? Someone on the show suggested that we should quit "running off" student-athletes when they do not perform as we had hoped. Yes, that does happen at some places, and it is wrong and needs to be fixed. However, if really you want to see forced exits, consider the consequences of paying someone to play and then not being satisfied with their performance. That person would be gone in a flash! Finally, if we pay athletes and they have no educational affiliation, what happens to them after the four or five years we have used them? Sure, they will have made a little money but then what? Most will not be able to turn pro: if they were good enough, that would have already happened since there would be much more money for them at that level. They will not have the benefit of having obtained a college education, so they potentially will be in the job market exactly where they were when they finished high school. On the other hand, maintaining the present system and strengthening the rules around it provides us the opportunity to have someone represent our universities, become a part of us, and in exchange, we just might be changing that person's future or even saving that person's life. ■

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# Commodores wrap up road slate at Ohio State



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**BRIAN LINHARES Sports Writer** 

At Louisville on March 30, the Commodores stumbled out of

the gate in their final road swing of the season, as the Cardinals overpowered Vanderbilt (7-5, 1-2 American Lacrosse Conference) in the first half, en route to a 12-6

Four days later, at Johns Hopkins, the Commodores again could not muster much offensive firepower in the opening half. And, again, their opponents capitalized: a 7-1 sequence put the Blue Jays ahead 8-4.

Yet, the Commodores would not

let this contest out of hand. Emily Franke, Katherine Denkler and Courtney Kirk each notched hat

tricks, and goalie Chelsea Pasfield

recorded seven saves over a key second half comeback that vaulted the Commodores to their first conference win of 2011.

The same cannot be said for the Buckeyes.

Ohio State (6-4, 0-1 ALC) responded to season-opening losses against Duke and Navy with five wins

over their subsequent six matches. On March 26, however, the Buckeyes nearly upset then-No. 9

Florida in Gainesville, 10-8. Junior Alayna Markwordt spearheaded a late rally with four goals. Following an eight-day hiatus, Ohio State returned to action in Kentucky for a date with Louisville.

Senior Brittany Zerhusen and

junior Gabby Capuzzi led an 8-2

rout of the Cardinals, as each

recorded four goals.

Buckeyes Zerhusen and Capuzzi aim to build a new winning streak, Pasfield has other ideas.

The New Jersey native was honored as the ALC Defensive Player of the Week, following her performance at Johns Hopkins her third career start.

Pasfield's counterpart between the pipes, however, is no stranger to big games.

Senior Ohio State goalkeeper Annie Carruthers, who recorded 11 saves at Louisville, will prove a formidable challenge for the Commodore front line on Sunday afternoon. The Columbus, Ohio, native earned numerous accolades in 2010, most notable first-team allconference and ALC Goalie of the Year.

Midfielder Ally Carey (2) and the Commodores head to Columbus to face Ohio State on Sunday afternoon. Vanderbilt plays two more home games to close out the regular season.

# Alabama rolls into Nashville

for matchup against Vandy

**GEORGE BARCLAY Sports Writer** 

After playing championship-caliber baseball since the start of the 2011 season, the Vanderbilt Commodores (27-3, 7-2 Southeastern Conference) are now recognized as the nation's top team in four out of the five major polls for college baseball.

The Commodores have won their last seven games. On Tuesday, Vanderbilt dominated MTSU (8-20, 2-7 Sun Belt Conference) in a 9-1 victory. The Commodores were in complete control, scoring seven runs in the first two innings. Junior first baseman Aaron Westlake, junior outfielder Joe Loftus, senior catcher Curt Casali and sophomore shortstop Anthony Gomez all recorded two hits and scored two runs to pace Vanderbilt offensively. Gomez was also able to extend his hitting streak to 25 games. Freshman T.J. Pecoraro (5-0, 1.74 ERA) pitched two innings, giving up one unearned run, one hit and striking out two batters to earn his fifth win of the season.

This weekend, Vanderbilt will return to Hawkins Field for its fourth threegame series of in-conference baseball against No. 21 Alabama (21-10, 7-2 SEC). The Crimson Tide is on a twogame losing streak and will be looking to return to form on Friday.

Junior ace Sonny Gray (6-1, 1.74 ERA) will get the start for Vanderbilt in the series opener on Friday. In his start against Auburn last week, Gray had a relatively quiet outing, giving up two runs on four hits with three walks and four strikeouts but was still able to lead the Commodores to an 11-6 victory.

On Saturday, the Commodores will send junior lefthander Grayson Garvin (5-1, 2.36 ERA) to the mound. Garvin was able to work his way out of trouble for a win against Auburn last week, allowing no runs over five and a third innings, giving up eight hits and striking out five batters in an 11-2 blowout.

To close out the series, Vanderbilt should take this series. ■



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Sophomore shortstop Anthony Gomez (13) and the Commodores return to Hawkins Field for the team's first three-game home series in three weekends.

will go to Sunday starter Taylor Hill (2-0, 2.84 ERA). Hill received a nodecision last Sunday, giving up six hits, two runs and striking out five hitters in a 6-2 Vanderbilt win.

Pitching will be key in this weekend of SEC baseball. Vanderbilt is coming into Friday's matchup with a stellar 2.28 team ERA and will be facing an Alabama staff with a team ERA of just 3.22. While Vanderbilt possesses a slight edge offensively, averaging over six runs per game compared to Alabama's five and a half, whichever team executes better from the mound



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**■** GOLF

# Snedeker in good position after first round of Masters

Asst. Sports Editor

Vanderbilt alumnus Brandt Snedeker sits in a seven-way tie for seventh place after shooting an opening round 3-under-par 69 at the Masters Tournament at Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., on Thursday afternoon.

Snedeker, who turned pro in 2004 after graduating from Vanderbilt with a degree in Communications, has one PGA Tour victory in his career from the Wyndham Championship in 2007. His best finish at the Masters came in 2008, when he played in the final pairing on Sunday with eventual champion Trevor Immelman and tied for third place.

Snedeker's group, which also includes Ben Crenshaw and Kevin Na, is scheduled to tee off its second round on Friday at 11:25 a.m. ET. ■



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Brandt Snedeker, who graduated from Vanderbilt in 2004, currently sits in seventh place in the 2011 Masters

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### **SATURDAY, APRIL 9**

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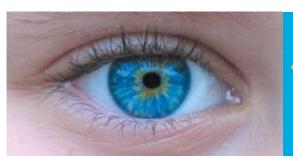


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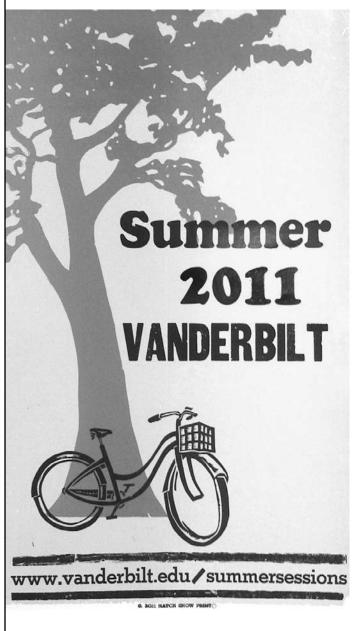
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CANDIDATES MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE AND REGISTERED AS FULL- OR PART-TIME STUDENTS AT AN SEC UNIVERSITY. THEY MUST BRING TWO FORMS OF ID WITH THEM TO THE AUDITION - ONE THAT VERIFIES ENROLLMENT AND ONE THAT SHOWS DATE OF BIRTH.

# WHT SHOULD FRI & SAT HAVE ALL THE FUN?

**MONDAY AFTER 5: WINE BOTTLES ARE 1/2 PRICE** [on all bottles \$75 & under]

THURSDAY AFTER 5: TWO FOR ONE DRINKS **ALL MENU ITEMS** ARE UNDER \$12



DAILY DRINK SPECIALS HAPPY HOUR 4-7 610 12TH AVE. SOUTH 254-0454 INSIDE THE ICON IN THE GULCH